The information herein is extracted from the Armed Violence Monitoring Platform (AVMP) (http://www.seesac.org/AVMP/) showing the main data on the reported firearm-related incidents in South East Europe covering Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo*, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Republic of Moldova and Serbia, as collected from media reports, for the period from 1 to 31 May 2020.

As per media clippings, a total of 215 firearm-related incidents that took place in the region were recorded on the AVMP.**

May has the greatest number of firearm incidents in 2020.

*References to Kosovo shall be understood to be in the context of Security Council Resolution 1244 (1999).

**The information provided in this report is based on the AVMP data extracted on 10 June 2020.
A rise in the number of incidents resulting from a public dispute was observed in May.

Types of incidents

- Other/unknown: 46
- Weapon seizure: 73
- Weapon used for defence: 1
- Public dispute or argument: 32
- Family or domestic violence: 5
- Dispute with police, security, army: 7
- Criminal (gang, theft, money, drugs): 38
- Accident, hunting, celebratory/misfire: 13
Perpetrators

Total number of perpetrators was 235, of whom 232 were men and 3 were women.*

May was marked with the greatest number of perpetrators recorded in 2020.

Victims*

In all incidents in May, the total number of victims was 105. In the incidents for which the sex of the victims was reported, 77 were men and 23 were women.

The largest number of female victims in 2020 was recorded in May.

* Refer only to incidents for which the number and sex of the perpetrators was reported.

* Victim refers to any individual who has been threatened, injured or died as a result of the use of a firearm.
Outcome for Victims

*Not applicable refers to all incidents where a firearm was present but was not discharged nor used for inflicting injuries and threatening (for example, a theft of a firearm);

Relationship between victims and perpetrators

* Other refers to all relationships that cannot be classified under any of the above categories, as well as to weapons seizures, suicides, self-injury, non-hunting-related shooting of animals, etc.
Macro location of the firearm-related incidents

Majority of firearm incidents in May took place in urban areas.

- Urban: 68.4% (147 incidents)
- Rural: 31.6% (68 incidents)
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