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RAISING THE AWARENESS OF TRAFFIC PARTICIPANTS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE EMERGENCY LANE AND ITS USAGE

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Driving in the emergency lane is a serious problem that requires **URGENT** action!





Goals



GENERAL

- Preventive action to reduce traffic accidents through educational campaigns
- Raising awareness about the use and importance of the emergency lane
- The role and responsibility of the road managing company in the field of traffic safety

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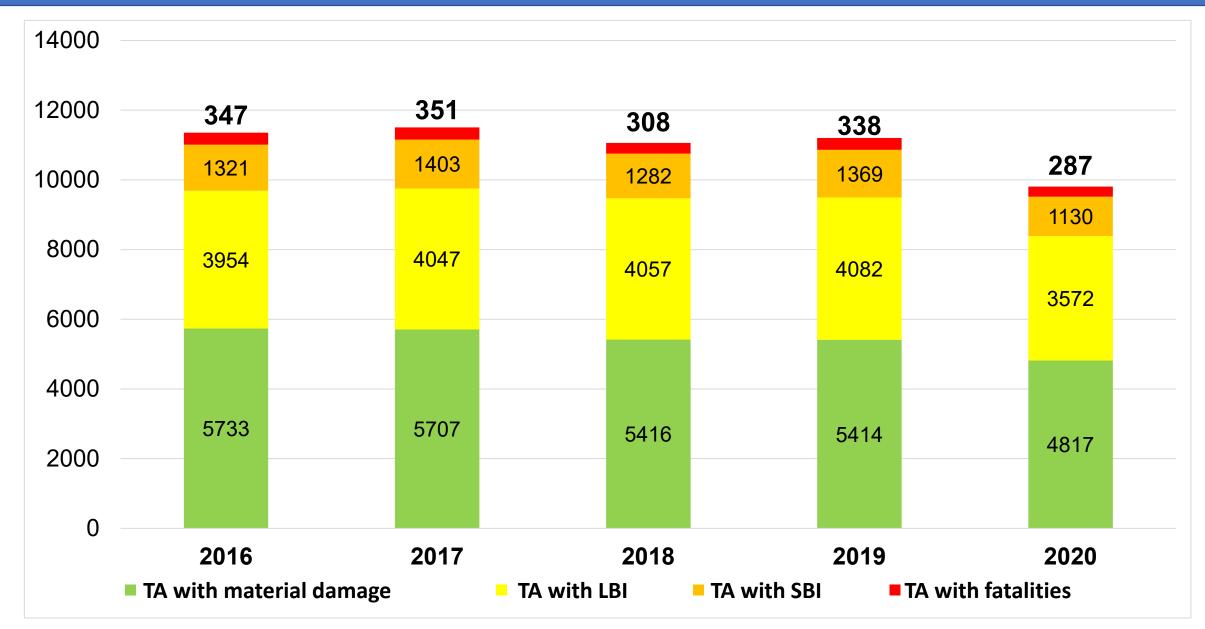
 Reduce the number of accidents with the most serious consequences, including reducing the consequences of accidents on motorways.

SPECIAL

 Influence to the road users with educational campaign to change their behavior from an unwanted to a desired one

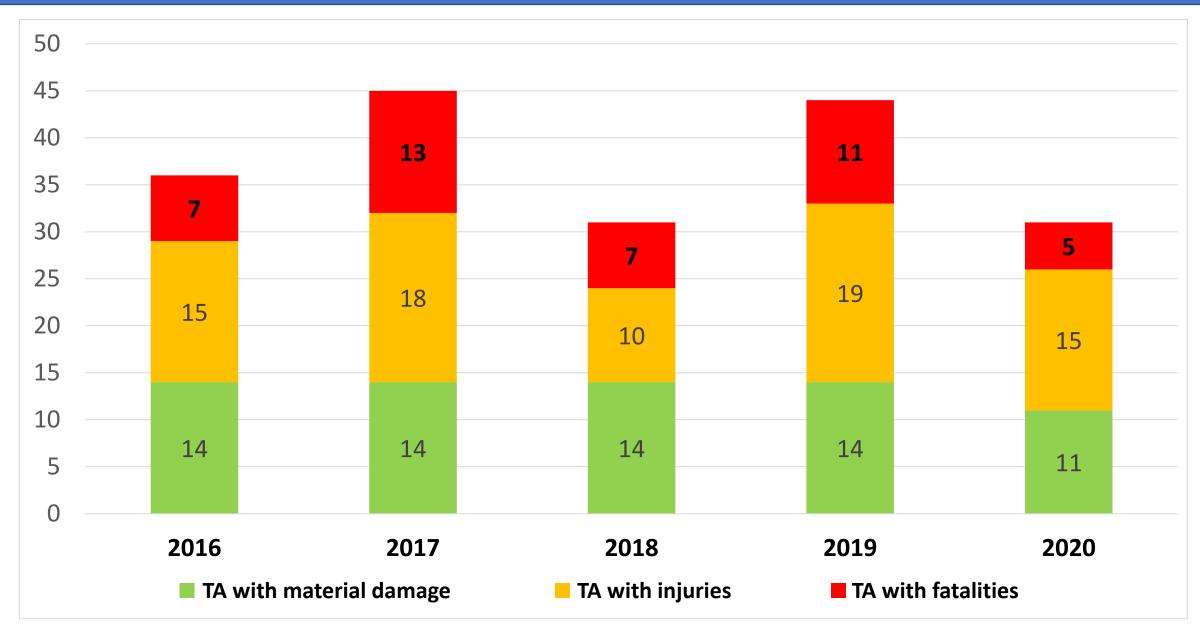
Traffic accidents in the Republic of Serbia





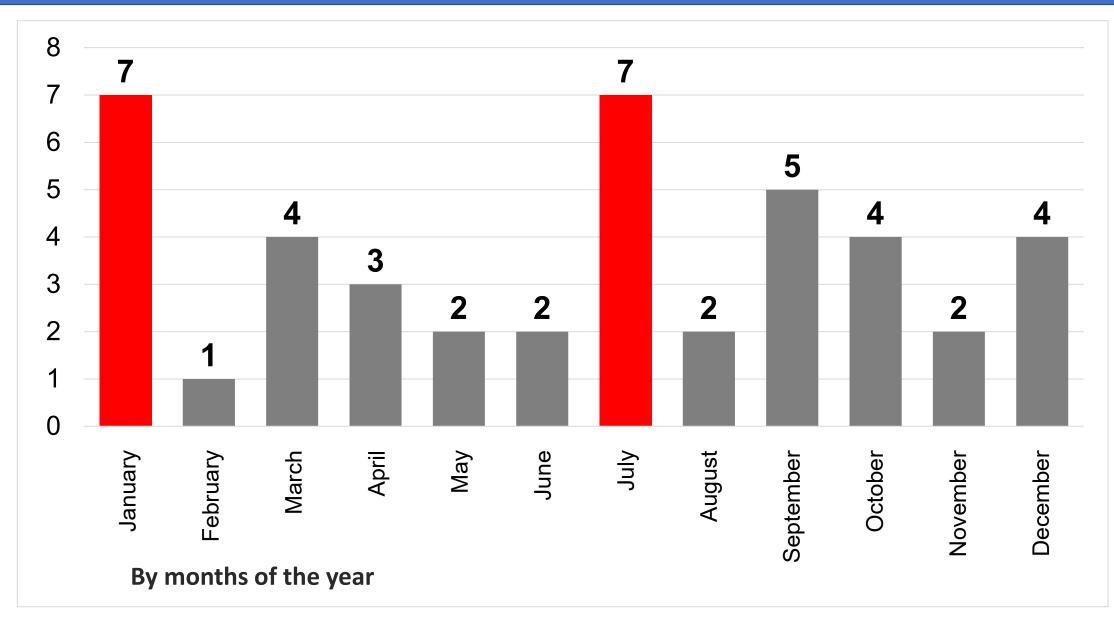
Traffic accidents in emergency lane





Time distribution of traffic accidents





Traffic Accidents Analysis



- 54.935 total number of traffic accidents in the Republic of Serbia
- 187 traffic accidents due to the use of the emergency lane
- 55 people were lost in traffic accidents in the emergency lane
- **80** people with serious physical injuries
- Inadequate speed and reckless pedestrians are the main causes of traffic accidents
- The participation of trucks and trailers in traffic accidents is 50%
- The largest number of traffic accidents occur in the morning and evening, which may be the result of driver fatigue or reduced visibility

Note: observed period 2016-2021

Conclusions



- Campaigns in Serbia are carried out with the aim of raising the awareness of drivers and the level of traffic safety
- Campaigns are mainly focused on alcohol, speed, the use of seat-belts as basic elements in reducing the number of accidents with fatalities....
- Campaigns in Serbia related to the importance and use of the emergency lane have not yet been represented in Serbia, so the educational campaign "Do not drive in the emergency lane, do not stop life!" represents a kind of experiment
- Systematic approach to the implementation of campaigns, observed on best practice in Europe, is a good start for future campaigns in Serbia
- Severe policy of punishment as it uses in the USA, apparently gives good results and can be one of the ways of action to reduce the number of TAs occurring in the emergency top lane

Recommendations



THE RECORDS

Better and detailed records of TA that occurred in the emergency lane...

CONTROL

- Carry out targeted controls using portable (mobile) systems for monitoring traffic flow parameters (cameras or detectors for traffic counting...)
- Increase the control of the police and road companies

CAMPAIGNS

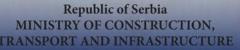
 TARGETED Awareness Raising Campaigns about purpose and proper use of the emergency lane

IMPLEMENTATIONS

- Additional signs that would inform users on the motorway about the distance to the next place where it is safe to stop (resort, refueling station)
- Encourage drivers to use existing resorts











DID YOU KNOW?







EVEN ONE LOST LIFE IS TOO MUCH



DO NOT DRIVE IN EMERGENCY LANE, DO NOT STOP THE LIFE!



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