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### All the men and women of the head of government

Nine ministers make their debut in the executive and only Torres and Marín repeat from the previous Government

Espot announces three secretaries of state, in addition to Calvó and Ubach as members of its cabinet

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**XAVIER ESPOT HEAD OF GOVERNMENT** 

recently appointed head of government, Xavier Espot, announced in a press conference the new formation of the executive that will be formalized next Wednesday, May 17th with the swearing in of the new ministers. The new administration of the head of government stands out for its gender parity, which is exactly balanced, with a balance of 50% women and the other 50% of the executive will be made up of men, and its geographical representativeness of the country. In addition, the movements of entries and exits that have occurred within the government are highlighted, with Torres and Marín being

the only ministers who repeat the-

ir position in this new legislature.

Likewise, Espot also announced

ast Monday afternoon, the

the election of the new Minister of Environment, Agriculture and Livestock, Guillem Casal, as the new spokesperson for the Government, in addition to three secretaries of state that will depend directly on him. At the same time, some of the former ministers of the previous executive will become part of Xavier Espot's personal cabinet. This is the case of Sílvia Calvó, former Minister of the Environment, Agriculture and Sustainability who has become the Chief of Staff of the Head of Government. In addition, Maria Ubach, until now Minister of Foreign Affairs, will join Espot's cabinet in order to support it and Landry Riba's secretary of state in matters of international and European relations. Finally, Espot also mentioned the election of Ester Fenoll as general secretary, and of Maria Marina to become the new head of protocol. The head of government also wanted to emphasi-

ze the decision to exercise the positions of president of FEDA and Andorra Telecom, cataloging this fact as an ordinary action and declaring that it falls within normality, since, according to Espot, «who always has chaired the boards of directors of Andorra Telecom or FE-DA is not a third person, it is the head of government or whomever he has delegated». Espot declared that it is not an attempt to accumulate power, in addition to specifying that it is a decision taken in perspective of the association agreement with the European Union, since «the maintenance of public monopolies, in particular of Andorra Telecom, will be the big stumbling block in this negotiation, much more than migration policy or the question of financial services». In addition, he added that the fact that he occupies these managerial positions «is a strong message for Europe». **≡** 

#### Espot emphasizes, in his appointment speech, housing, the EU and pensions

>> Xavier Espot was appointed, at Casa de la Vall, as head of government after having been invested in the General Council the previous week. In his appointment speech, Espot wanted to emphasize key aspects that will guide the work of his executive in this new legislature. The democrat mentioned that he takes the oath of office in particular considering the housing problems that affect people in the country, the youth who wish to be able to find a job in the Principality, the elderly who want to be able to spend a dignified old age and enjoy it stage, the women who demand steps forward in pursuit of gender equality, the traders and businessmen who build the national economic fabric, to the people wor-



ried about the future of their pensions and, finally, the concerns and expectations of the Andorran population regarding the association agreement with the EU.

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#### Statistics ► Last year traffic accidents increased in the Principality

## Traffic accidents increase by 8.1% during 2022

17.7% of the drivers of injured vehicles tested positive for alcohol and 1.1% for drugs

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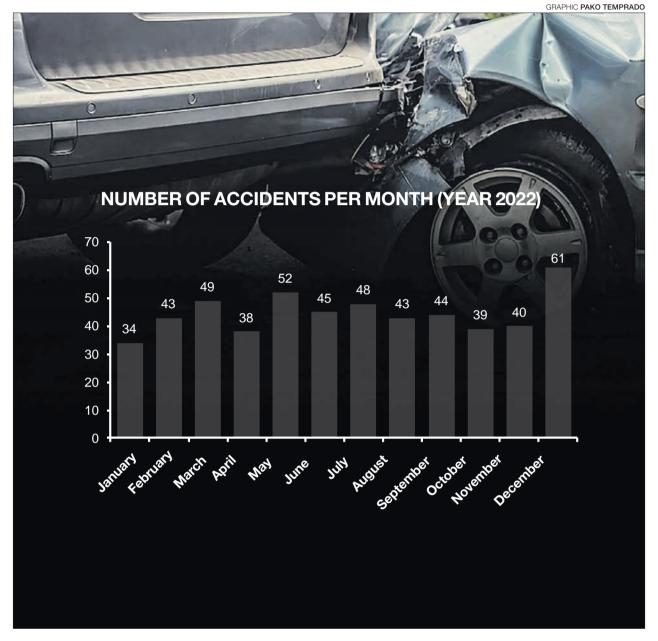
he number of traffic accidents with material or bodily damage last year was 536, which represents an increase of 8.1% compared to the previous year. According to data published by the Department of Statistics, the number of serious injuries and fatalities per 100,000 inhabitants is 45.59.

It should be noted that the most common type of accident has been collision due to range with 16.4% of the total, followed by collision with 12.1%; hit-and-run, with 7.3%; leaving the road, with 5.2% and falling off a motorcycle, with 3.7%; 55.2% of accidents are of no type or others.

The months with the most accidents were December, with 11.4% of the total, and May, with 9.7%. The parish of Andorra la Vella concentrated 35.8% of the total number of accidents, followed by Encamp with 15.5%, Escaldes-Engordany with 15.3% or La Massana with 13, 2% The parishes with the lowest number of claims were Canillo and Ordino with 7.8% and 3.2% respectively.

It should be noted that 46.5% of the accidents involved two vehicles, while 45% involved only one; 7.6% with three vehicles; 0.6%, four and 0.4%, five or more.

In terms of the number of victims, in 2022 a total of 253 acci-



dents (47.2%) were recorded with no injuries and 283 accidents with at least one injury. Of these, 251 resulted in one person being injured and 25 accidents in which two were injured. On the other hand, 534 accidents were registered, of which 99.6% were without any fatality and two accidents (0.45%) with one fatality.

Regarding the type of vehicle, the majority are passenger cars with 619 vehicles (69.8%), followed by motorcycles and mopeds with 172 vehicles (19.4%), trucks and

There has been a significant increase in the proportion of positive alcohol tests in traffic accidents

vans (57), bicycles (20), coaches (15) and other vehicles (4) which account for the remaining 10.8% of the vehicles involved in accidents.

Of the 536 accidents, in 17.7% there was a blood alcohol test with a positive result; regarding drugs, 98.9% tested negative. If you focus on accidents in which there was at least one person injured, 6.2% of the victims tested positive for alcohol, an increase of 1.3 points compared to the previous year. As for drugs, seven of the 323 victims occurred in accidents with a positive result for this test.  $\equiv$ 

#### **Surplus of 128.59 million** euros in the public sector

The budget result was a surplus of 1.46 million euros

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The execution of income and expenses for the year 2022, the cash result has been a surplus of 128.59

million euros, with an increase of

254.4%. The budget result was a surplus of 1.46 million euros. On the other hand, the execution of the income was 310.52 million euros with a decrease of 27.4%. Without taking into account the internal transfers made by the Government in favor of the municipalities and the CASS and the expenses of the CASS towards the retirement reserve fund 174.13 million euros, with a variatiand without taking into account on of 12.6%. ≡

the financial assets and liabilities of income and expenses, the execution of expenses was 260.21 million euros.

With regard to the expenditure budget for the institutional subsectors of the public sector, it has been 1.685.70 million euros for the year 2022, with an increase of 3.8%.

With regard to income, with the same considerations, the income settlement was 249.88 million euros, with an increase of 25%.

The budget result was a deficit of



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