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THE AMMOUNT OF COST NEEDED FOR A STUDENT TO TAKE THE DRIVING TEST IN SLOVENIA, CROATIA, NORTHERN MACEDONIA AND RUSSIA



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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 DEFINITION OF THE SUBJECT AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PROBLEM

The purpose is to explore the cost of driving test in several countries and what are the costs of taking the driving test for students. Our main goal was to obtain, with emphasis on online sources, comparable data for the selected countries, which could then be analyzed.

1.2 PURPOSE, OBJECTIVES AND BASIC STATEMENTS

This will take into account all the cost that a student must pay for a successfully passed test, such as the cost of a medical check-up, of obtaining the red cross certificate, the theoretical part (CPP) of as well as the practical part of the driving test (driving lessons and the driving test). In order to acquire the desired data, researchers will select 10 driving schools in the individual capitals of selected countries.

1.3 ASSUMPTIONS AND LIMITATIONS

Our main focus was on the cheapest providers in the country, which is why the school offers the cheapest opportunity to take a driving test. The first limitation is the geographical region; the research covers and is focused only on a small portion of the European continent: Croatia, Macedonia, Serbia and Slovenia. The second limitation is linked to data availability and credibility as our primary source of information was the Internet, which is not heavily moderated, but the information was taken from official government websites, which provides a level of trustworthiness.

1.4 RESEARCH METHODS

Our goal is the research method. Our main source of data is available on the Internet; so we got the information that we were interested in. Based on the findings, we will compare the results between the selected countries and add the conclusion, and we will use the comparative method. When we compare the results, we will find out which country is generally the most affordable.

I THEORETICAL PART

2 A SURVEY OF TRAFFIC OFFENCES AND PENALTIES IN SELECTED COUNTRIES

2.1 SLOVENIA

Slovenia, a natural wonder amidst the European nations, is located in Central Europe, its borders touch Italy, Austria, Hungary, Croatia and the Adriatic Sea. The country is marked by its significant biological diversity and by being one of the most water-rich countries in Europe; with a dense river network, a rich aquifer system, and an extensive underground cave system (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Slovenia>).

Something for everybody can be found in Slovenia; anything from UNESCO world heritage sites to ear shattering music concerts. Slovenian UNESCO heritage is expansive, ranging from Škocjan Caves, with its gorgeous grand halls, stalactites and stalagmites, to primal beech forests, which have not yet been touched by humans and are home to indigenous species of wild animals while people with refined taste can enjoy Pivo and Cvetje (Beer and Flowers) in Laško, a music festival similar to Coachella or Burning Man. For the history buffs there is Ptuj, the oldest city in Slovenia, with its roots deeply embedded in the Roman Empire (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Slovenia>).

The economy of Slovenia is limited along with being export-oriented and heavily influenced by the international conditions, primary economics field are services followed by industry and construction (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Slovenia>).

1.1.1. Driving schools in Slovenia

With the new traffic legislation, the Auto School got a new term, namely DRIVING SCHOOL. Slovenia has a very large range of driving schools. Some companies are larger and the other smaller. Just because of a great choice of driving schools, you would expect that the choice of driving school is easy. However, when we examine their results more closely, we find that they are fairly average. In each examination center - the examining commission is only 10-15 % of really good and successful driving schools and driving schools.

1.1.2. The steps to the final driving test in Slovenia

Here are the tips and what you need to complete your driving test:

- **Medical examination**

All future drivers of motor vehicles other than G category candidates must undergo a medical examination before commencing a practical part of the training. They do this in an authorized health organization (occupational medicine, transport and sport) by an authorized private doctor.

- **School driving and training**

After passing the medical examination, enter the driving school and complete the theoretical part of the training course, which lasts at least 20 school hours. In the driving school (formerly driving school) you will be trained as a candidate in accordance with the training program for drivers for motor vehicle drivers. At the end of the theoretical part of the training you can (but not necessarily) have a written test (cpp tests) at school driving. The CPP theory is valid for 3 years. When you have completed the CPP course at the school driving, go to the administrative unit and apply for the theoretical part of the driving test. Only when you successfully solve the republic CPP tests can you begin with a practical part of training. This covers the general practice exercises and the relevant additional work. Exercises of the practical part of the training run in order of order and degree. When the driving teacher determines that you have sufficient knowledge and skills for proper traffic management, apply for a driving test. As one of the most recent novelties, it is also a ride with a companion for which candidates for drivers of motor vehicles of category B can choose. Before starting as a candidate in a school, you start training for driving with an attendant to undergo a medical examination. Then carry out a theoretical part of driving training in driving schools, CPP tests at the examination center and a practical part of the training for a minimum of 20 hours. You can begin training with an attendant as a candidate at your driving school for sixteen years, and you can start driving with an attendant and then start at the age of sixteen and a half and drive until you pass the driving test.

- **First aid**

Before you go to the examination center where you will apply for a driving test, make first aid, this is a first aid course and a first aid test. When studying the first aid theory, you can help with our free First-aid eKnjiga and First Aid tests. First-aid exams are not required for candidates for category AM.

- **Drivers licence**

The driving test is an experiment. on which both theoretical (cpp tests) and the candidate's knowledge of the driver of a motor vehicle are checked. In these two tests, the candidate therefore tries to prove that he is able to drive independently in traffic. The driver's driving examination for a motor vehicle driver in the Republic of Slovenia may be performed by persons who have permanent residence in the Republic of Slovenia (or temporary residence for more than six months). The driver's exam for a driver of a motor vehicle may be provided by a candidate for a driver who has properly prepared the school of driving. Vožarski izpit can also be performed by a candidate who has been trained in a driving school (driving school) for driving with an attendant other than a candidate who wishes to replace a valid foreign driving license for a Slovenian driving license and is a holder of a driving license issued in one of the countries for which it is prescribed to perform only a practical part of the driving test.

- **Notification for the driving test**

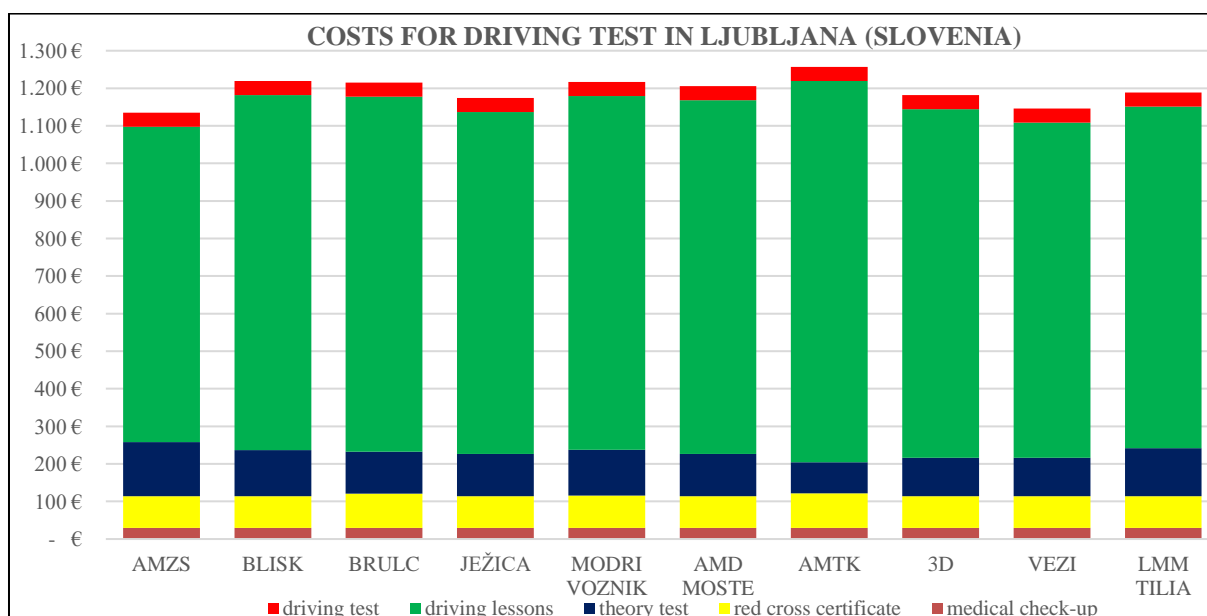
As a candidate for a future driver, you should notify your driving license with a notifier at the competent administrative unit, and you will receive the term for the theoretical and practical part of the driving test at the examination center. The Examination Commission only allows you to pass the exam on the basis of a certified notifier. You choose the Exam Center as a candidate yourself (<https://vozniski-izpit.com/kako-do-izpita/>).

1.1.3. Most suitable offer of driving school for students in Slovenia

Below (table 1, graph 1) are the costs for ten different chosen driving schools in Ljubljana - the cost of a medical examination and the price for first aid, as well as the cost of performing the theoretical part of the exam and driving (<https://www.amzs.si/solavoznje/cenik/b-kategorija>, <https://www.blisk-as.si/cenik/>, <http://www.avtosola-brulc.si/ceniki/>, <https://www.avtosola-jezica.com/cenik/>, <https://modrivoznik.si/cenik/>, <https://www.amdmoste.si/cenik/>, <https://www.as-amtk.si/cenik/cenik/>, <https://3-d.si/cenik/>, http://vezi.si/viewpage.php?page_id=11, <http://www.lmmtilia.si/ceniki/>)

Table 1: Costs for driving test in Ljubljana (authors' source)

Costs for driving test										
Country	Slovenia									
Driving school	AMZS	BLISK	BRULC	JEŽICA	MODRI VOZNIK	AMD MOSTE	AMTK	3D	VEZI	LMM TILIA
Types of costs	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)
medical check-up	30 €	30 €	30 €	30 €	30 €	30 €	30 €	30 €	30 €	30 €
red cross certificate	84 €	84 €	91 €	84 €	86 €	84 €	92 €	84 €	84 €	84 €
theory test	143 €	122 €	112 €	112 €	122 €	112 €	82 €	102 €	102 €	127 €
driving lessons	840 €	945 €	945 €	910 €	942 €	942 €	1.015 €	928 €	893 €	910 €
driving test	38 €	38 €	38 €	38 €	38 €	38 €	38 €	38 €	38 €	38 €
Total cost for driving test	1.135	1.219	1.215	1.174	1.217	1.205	1.257	1.181	1.146	1.189



Graph 1: Costs for driving test in Ljubljana (authors' source)

The cheapest offer of driving school from all ten selected is driving school AMZS, price for medical check-up is the same for all and it is 30,00 €. Red cross certificate is 84,36 €, theory test is 143,38 €, driving lessons is 840,00 € and the driving test is the same for all too, is 37,50

€. The most expensive among all parts of the driving test is driving lesson, because you have to learn to drive a car, you also need an instructor who teaches you and is with you average 35 hours.

2.2 CROATIA

Croatia is a country at the crossroads of Central and Southeast Europe, on the Adriatic Sea. It borders Slovenia to the northwest, Hungary to the northeast, Serbia to the east, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Montenegro to the southeast, sharing a maritime border with Italy.

Republic of Croatia is a country full of natural beauties, islands, UNESCO monuments, paths, cycling routes, adventures, opportunities and relaxing moments. Croatia offers you opportunity to immerse yourself in the most ecological parts of Europe, as evidenced by the fact that 10% of the surface of Croatia is protected, explore eight national parks and eleven nature parks, including Plitvice Lakes, the only natural heritage under UNESCO protection. According to the European Commission, Croatian Adriatic is the purest sea in Europe, and some of the beaches on the Adriatic are among the most beautiful in the world. Feel the energy of this green paradise with a favorable climate and a unique animal world such as greenish horns, wild horses, brown bears or dolphins, and a flora of over 3,000 different species in specific locations across the Velebit and Kvarner islands. (<https://croatia.hr/hr-HR/dozivljaji/priroda>)

Croatia's economy mainly relies on tourism, industry and services. In the service industries, the greatest share is held by tourism and related services. In this sector, the highest turnover is achieved by small and medium sized enterprises, but large enterprises still have the most employees. Tourism is certainly a most lucrative activity, especially in the coastal regions in the summer. (<https://croatia.eu/article.php?lang=2&id=34>)

2.2.1. *Driving schools in Croatia*

Supply of driving schools in Croatia is very wide. Eventhough that might imply there would be larger completion, including compiting with prices, that is not the case. Some costs of getting the full driving licence are prescribed by Hrvatski autoklub, which is an office incharged for issuing the licences, and those costs are same for all driving schools e.g. CPP and first aid test. Price difference between schools comes from individual costs of theoretichal lectures, driving lessons etc.

2.2.2. *The steps to the final driving test in Croatia*

Step one is getting medical check which is sometimes provided by the school, and sometimes not. Then students can approach to taking the theoretical driving classes (30h). They are held in the chosen driving school by schools tutor. Once they are finish student can apply for theoretical test. After successfully compliting theoretical part, students start with their first aid lessons (9h) and proceed to the test. Those lessons are held by HAK (Hrvatski autoklub) as well as the test which consists of theory and practical part.

Next step is driving lessons which are agreed between tutor and student. They usually take place twice a week for 2 hours, but that strongly depends on the availability of the given tutor.

Towards the end of driving lessons, tutors apply students for the driving test which lasts for 1.5h and is testing students ability and knowledge of managing a motor vehicle. Skills are presented in front of driving school tutor and authorized tutor from HAK.

Final step following passed driving test is getting a licence done. HAK writes s confirmation of passed exam and police station issues temporary permission which can be used while driving until official driving licence card is done (between 2 weeks and a month). (<https://www.hak.hr/vozacki-ispiti/vozacka-dozvola>).

2.2.3. Most suitable offer of driving schools for students in Croatia

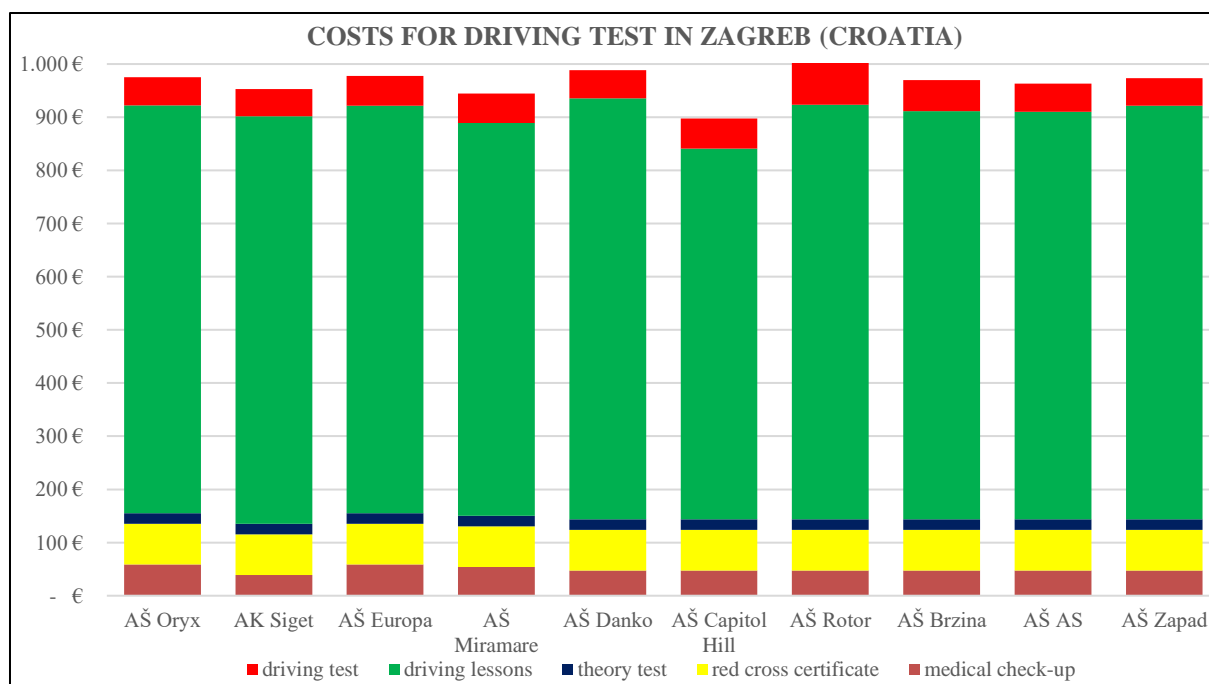
Driving school Capitol Hill (table 2, graph 2) is the most sustainable driving school for students. It is 104,34 € less expensive than the most expensive one which is a significant difference. An explanation could be this school is relatively new and is trying to gain a market share against already established driving schools.

Table 2: Costs for driving test in Zagreb (authors' source)

Costs for driving test										
Country	Croatia									
Driving school	AŠ Oryx	AK Siget	AŠ Europa	AŠ Miramare	AŠ Danko	AŠ Capitol Hill	AŠ Rotor	AŠ Brzina	AŠ AS	AŠ Zapad
Types of costs	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)
medical check-up	59 €	39 €	59 €	54 €	47 €	47 €	47 €	47 €	47 €	47 €
red cross certificate	77 €	77 €	77 €	77 €	77 €	77 €	77 €	77 €	77 €	77 €
theory test	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €
driving lessons	767 €	766 €	766 €	739 €	792 €	697 €	780 €	768 €	766 €	778 €
driving test	53 €	51 €	56 €	55 €	53 €	57 €	79 €	59 €	53 €	51 €
Total cost for driving test	975	953	977	944	989	898	1.002	970	963	973

Medical check-up, red cross certificate and theory test are costs given by HAK so the main part of the difference is a cost of driving lessons which are determined by the school itself.

Average scholarship for students in all chategories is 161 € for a period of 9 months (1450 € on year level). That means a student must pay 5,6 monthly scholarships to get a driving licence in the cheapest school.



Graph 2: Costs for driving test in Zagreb (authors' source)

2.3 NORTHERN MACEDONIA

North Macedonia, officially the Republic of North Macedonia, is a country in the Balkan Peninsula in Southeast Europe. It is one of the successor states of the former Yugoslavia, from which it declared independence in September 1991 under the name *Republic of Macedonia*. The country became a member of the United Nations in April 1993, but as a result of a dispute with Greece over the name, it was admitted under the provisional description *the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia* (abbreviated as *FYR Macedonia* and *FYROM*), a term that was also used by some other international organisations. In June 2018, Macedonia and Greece resolved the conflict with an agreement that the country should rename itself *Republic of North Macedonia*. This renaming came into effect in February 2019, with a several-months-long transition for passports, licence plates, currency, customs, border signs, and government websites, among other things (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North_Macedonia#History).

A landlocked country, North Macedonia has borders with Kosovo^[1] to the northwest, Serbia to the northeast, Bulgaria to the east, Greece to the south, and Albania to the west.^[16] It constitutes approximately the northern third of the larger geographical region of Macedonia, which also comprises the neighbouring parts of northern Greece and southwestern Bulgaria. The country's geography is defined primarily by mountains, valleys, and rivers. The capital and largest city, Skopje, is home to roughly a quarter of the nation's 2.06 million inhabitants (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North_Macedonia#History).

Ranked as the fourth "best reformatory state" out of 178 countries ranked by the World Bank in 2009, North Macedonia has undergone considerable economic reform since independence.^[199] The country has developed an open economy with trade accounting for more than 90% of GDP in recent years. Since 1996, North Macedonia has witnessed steady, though slow, economic growth with GDP growing by 3.1% in 2005. This figure was projected to rise to an average of 5.2% in the 2006–2010 period (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North_Macedonia#Economy).

2.3.1. Driving schools in Northern Macedonia

There are a lot of driving schools in North Macedonia. Now that you have decided to learn driving many questions must be crossing your mind, you must also be feeling excited about learning and taking control of steering in your hand.

2.3.2. The final driving test in Northern Macedonia

Medical examination

The procedure starts with the medical examination when you receive a certificate of your psychophysical ability to drive a motor vehicle issued by specialized Medical facilities. Therefore, it would be best for a medical examination to consult your future instructor to explain how the entire certification procedure is taking place (http://www.avtoskolatrimoski.mk/proces_vozac.php).

Theoretical part

The program for qualification of candidates for motor vehicle drivers covers the traffic safety regulations for the roads referring to: traffic rules on the roads, traffic signs and their significance and the signs given by the authorized persons when performing control and regulation of the traffic, the dangers and consequences arising from incorrect and improper action in the traffic, the functioning of the devices of motor vehicles that are of importance for the safety of the traffic.

Practical part

Practical training (driving) at a certain number of hours, depending on the category for which the future driver is trained. After exporting the anticipated hours, the Auto School issues a Certificate of competence for the candidate for a motor vehicle driver, which the applicant submits together with the medical certificate, a certificate for completed primary education and a certificate for the right assistance in the examination center. There, on the basis of these documents, a test is scheduled.

Traffic driving examination

The exam consists of a practical and theoretical part. The theoretical part covers traffic safety regulations that include traffic and road rules, traffic signs and their significance and signs given by authorized persons when performing control and regulation of traffic. The practical part includes carrying out activities with a motor vehicle that are important for the successful and safe operation of the vehicle in accordance with traffic rules, road conditions and for mastering the vehicle management technique.

Driving licence

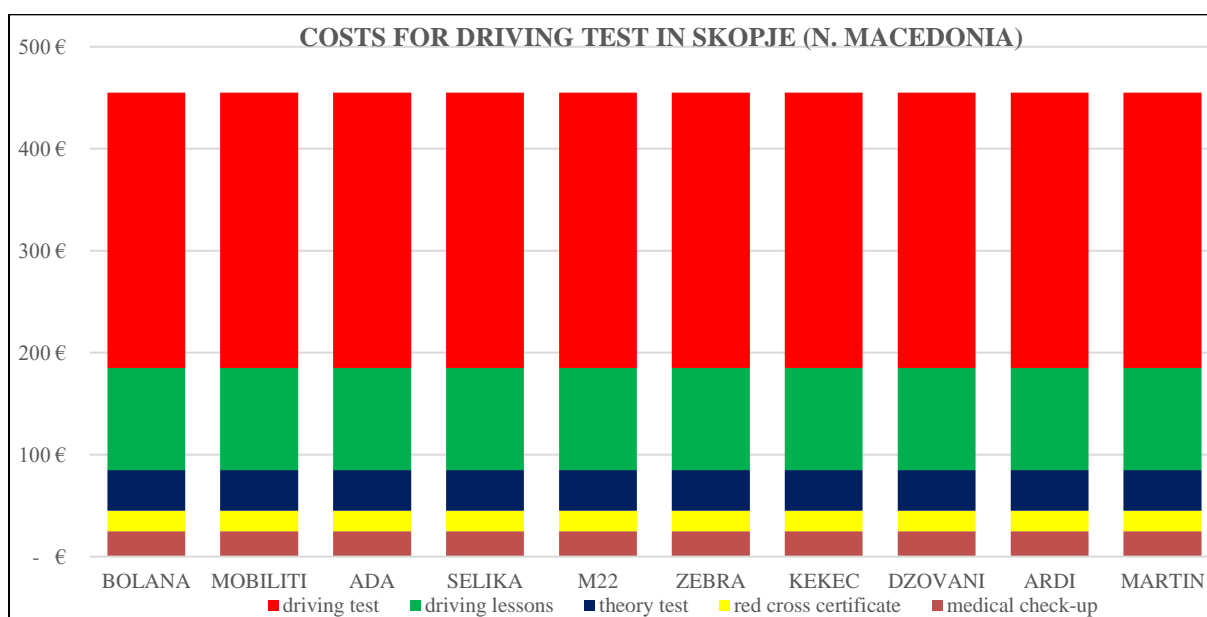
After successfully passing the exam, the issuance of the driving license is issued by the regional Ministry of Interior. http://www.avtoskolatrimoski.mk/proces_vozac.php

2.3.3. Most suitable offer of driving school for students in Northern Macedonia

Below (table 3, graph 3) are the costs for ten different chosen driving schools in North Macedonia- the cost of a medical examination and the price for first aid, as well as the cost of performing the theoretical part of the exam and driving.

Table 3: Costs for driving test in Skopje (authors' source)

Costs for driving test										
Country	N. Macedonia									
Driving school	BOLANA	MOBILITI	ADA	SELIKA	M22	ZEBRA	KEKEC	DZOVANI	ARDI	MARTIN
Types of costs	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)
medical check-up	25 €	25 €	25 €	25 €	25 €	25 €	25 €	25 €	25 €	25 €
red cross certificate	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €	20 €
theory test	40 €	40 €	40 €	40 €	40 €	40 €	40 €	40 €	40 €	40 €
driving lessons	100 €	100 €	100 €	100 €	100 €	100 €	100 €	100 €	100 €	100 €
driving test	270 €	270 €	270 €	270 €	270 €	270 €	270 €	270 €	270 €	270 €
Total cost for driving test	455	455	455	455	455	455	455	455	455	455



Graph 3: Costs for driving test in Skopje (authors' source)

The above table shows us that all driving schools have same prices according to the Law on Road Traffic Safety. It means when you start looking for professional driving school, it is essential to check the reviews, testimonials before making the final call. It is always good to know what to expect before signing for anything. Student scholarships in North Macedonia is 70 euro monthly, and having in mind that the total cost for driving test is 455 euro, the student should pay 6.5 monthly scholarships to pay the driving lessons.

2.4 RUSSIA

Russia is a transcontinental country in Eastern Europe and North Asia. Russia is the largest country in the world by area, covering more than one-eighth of the Earth's inhabited land area. Russia's economy ranks as the twelfth largest by nominal GDP and sixth largest by purchasing power parity in 2018. Russia's extensive mineral and energy resources are the largest such reserves in the world, making it one of the leading producers of oil and natural gas globally. It is a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council and an active global partner of ASEAN, as well as a member of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO), the G20, the Council of Europe, the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), and the World Trade Organization (WTO), as well as being the leading member of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), the Collective Security Treaty Organization (CSTO) and one of the five members of the Eurasian Economic Union (EEU), along with Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan.

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Russia>

2.4.1. *Russian road rules*

Roads & regulations in Russia

- Driving is right-sided.
- In the built up areas the speed limit is 60 kmph.
- In none built up areas – 90 kmph.
- On the off-city highways – 110 kmph.
- Some highways around Moscow have 130 kmph limit (marked with green signs).
- The minimum age to drive a car is 18 (16 for motorcycles, 20 for buses).
- Wearing of seat belts is mandatory in both front and back seats.
- Speaking on a mobile phone while driving (without a hands free device) is a serious offence.
- Turning right at a red light is not allowed when there is no special green arrow traffic light.
- It is illegal for children under the age of 12 to travel in the front seat.
- Dipped headlights must be used during the day.
- It is illegal to drive a car with mud on the license plates.

Required documents

While driving in Russia every driver is required to have the following set of documents:

- Passport (Russian Visa and migration card is a must for foreigners).
- Driving license (if you plan to stay in Moscow for more than 6 months, your national license will not be enough, you have to obtain Russian license).
- Registration certificate (pink laminated card).
- Vehicle insurance (green or purple paper or its digital copy).
- A power of Attorney (only for rented cars).

Fines in Russia

Traffic police officers can stop every car just to check the documents. Every road inspector must introduce himself pointing his title and last name.

The cameras can record not only speeding but other minor violations as well. Driving along the bus lanes, driving in the oncoming lane, incorrect parking or even driving without a full stop where there's a stop sign – all those violations are in their competence. Numerous traffic cameras are installed in all city regions along every major road. The detailed list of cameras and places of their location is presented on this site. After the camera registered a violation, the appropriate fine is sent to the owner of the car by post and must be paid for a one-month term (there's a 50% discount if you pay within 2 weeks). For serious violations (Russia has a zero tolerance policy on drinking and driving), the driving license can be confiscated by a court. All the fines should be paid only at the bank or via internet, so never give any money (or bank cards) to the road inspectors.

Driving courses generally last from around two to six months, although you will find a variety of services and fees. You can book a package costing around RUB 15,000–20,000 which includes lessons for both the theoretical and practical driving exams.

2.4.2. What are the steps to the final driving test in Russia

The steps involved in getting a Russian driving licence requires include:

- driving lessons for a required amount of hours (usually 50 hours).
- a practical driving exam, driving on a test track and on city roads.
- a theoretical driving test (on a computer), with questions on road regulations; exams are held at the State Road Traffic Safety Inspectorate (GIBDD, Mezrayony Otdel Gasudarstvenovo Tehnicheskovo Osmotra Registracy e Exzaminacyony Raboty).

If have already passed a practical driving test in your home country and if your country has an agreement or recognised conventions with Russia, you may be exempt from driving lessons and the practical exam. In such cases, you will only need to take an electronic Russian driving exam and then exchange your foreign licence for a Russian one.

The multiple choice, theoretical Russian driving test must be taken at a local branch of the State Road Traffic Safety Inspectorate (GIBDD).

To apply for a Russian driving license, you must provide the following documents:

- Passport and valid Russian visa and legally certified copy.
- The document confirming a place of continuous or temporary registration.
- Medical certificate (available from any major health clinic).
- National driving license, legally certified copy and translation.
- Photo of 4x6 cm.
- The receipt confirming payment of the state duty.
- Application for passing the examination.
- The receipt on examination payment.

Driving lessons and Russian driving test

If you are required to pass a practical Russian driving test, your first step to getting a Russian driving licence is to register for driving lessons. You will be required to practise driving for a set amount of hours (usually 50 hours), between a period of two to six months.

Courses vary in length, cost and intensity, and it's important to pick a provider that is registered with the GIBDD in your local area. Many Russian driving schools offer packages to study for

both the theoretical and practical Russian driving tests. You'll generally take your Russian driving test in the same areas that you practise in.

You will need to complete two sections to pass your Russian driving exam: on a test track, usually taken at or near your driving school, as well as on public roads. The examiner may use trick questions or instructions, so you will need to know the correct place to drive or park.

As of 2016, the Russian driving test is stricter; previously three exercises were examined, while now five exercises must be completed (or six in an automated circuit or test track).

Some examples of exercises include:

- Reverse entry into a parking space or garage
- Parallel parking
- Turn in confined spaces
- Turn 90 degrees
- Drive through crossroads.

If you pass, with your certificate you can proceed to book the final part of the test, the theoretical exam.

The theoretical Russian driving exam and fees

The theoretical Russian driving test consists of 20 multiple choice questions about traffic rules in Russia, and the requirements to pass were made stricter in 2017. You are allowed to make two mistakes, after which an additional five questions will be added. All five additional questions must be answered correctly, otherwise it will result in a fail.

You can book an appointment online or by visiting your local traffic police unit. You will be given an appointed time to take the Russian driving test, and directions on how to pay the necessary fees in advance.

The cost to issue Russian driving licence is around RUB 2,000 (27, 4 EUR). If you book and pay online or electronically, you may be granted a 30 percent discount (total fee RUB 1,400 (19,2 EUR)). Other fees may also be payable for the different parts of the driving test.

After passing the theoretical exam, you will be given your Russian driving licence that day. The whole testing process and receiving your licence is typically done in an hour.

Getting Russian driver's licence

If you pass the theoretical Russian driving test, you should be issued with a Russian driver's licence immediately at the test centre. Driving licences in Russia are provided in the form of plastic cards that look similar to an EU driving licence.

The licence expiry date will be the same as that on your residence permit. If your duration of residence is extended, you can have your Russian driving licence's expiry date extended at the GIBDD office for the same period without needing to take another Russian driving test.

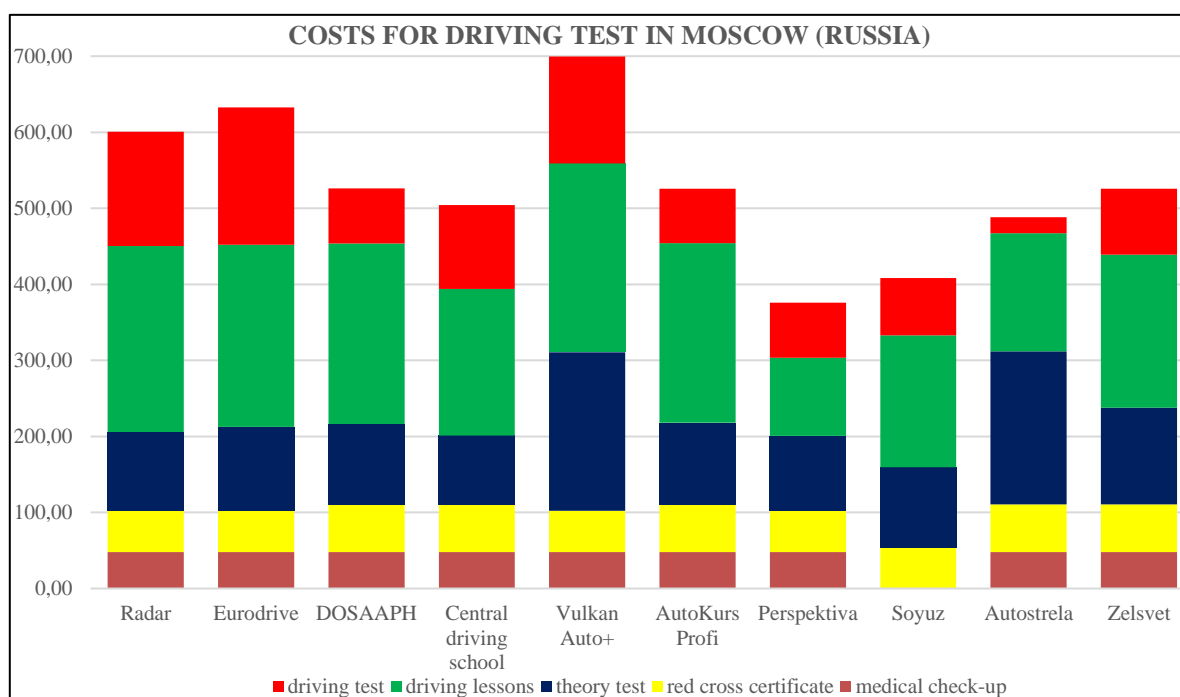
- When applying for a Russian driving licence, the following documents are required:
- A completed application form
- Passport
- Proof of passing a driving course

- A valid Russian residence permit
- A medical certificate from your doctor saying you are fit to drive
- A colour photograph
- A photocopy of your driving licence with a notarised translation.

Below (table 4, graph 4) are the costs for ten different driving schools and the cost of a medical examination and the price for first aid, as well as the cost of performing the theoretical part of the exam and driving.

Table 4: Costs for driving test in Moscow (authors' source)

Costs for driving test										
Country	Russia									
Driving school	Radar	Eurodrive	DOSAAPH	Central driving school	Vulkan Auto+	AutoKurs Profi	Perspektiva	Soyuz	Autostrela	Zelsvet
Types of costs	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)
medical check-up	48,00	48,00	48,00	48,00	48,00	48,00	48,00	0,00	48,00	48,00
red cross certificate	54,20	54,20	62,50	62,5	54,20	62,50	54,20	54,2	62,5	62,5
theory test	103,50	110,20	105,70	90,80	208,30	107,30	98,60	105,30	201,40	127,40
driving lessons	244,80	239,80	237,40	192,80	248,50	236,50	102,70	173,30	155,50	201,00
driving test	150,30	180,50	72,50	110,30	140,50	71,50	72,30	75,60	20,80	86,90
Total cost for driving test	601	633	526	504	700	526	376	408	488	526



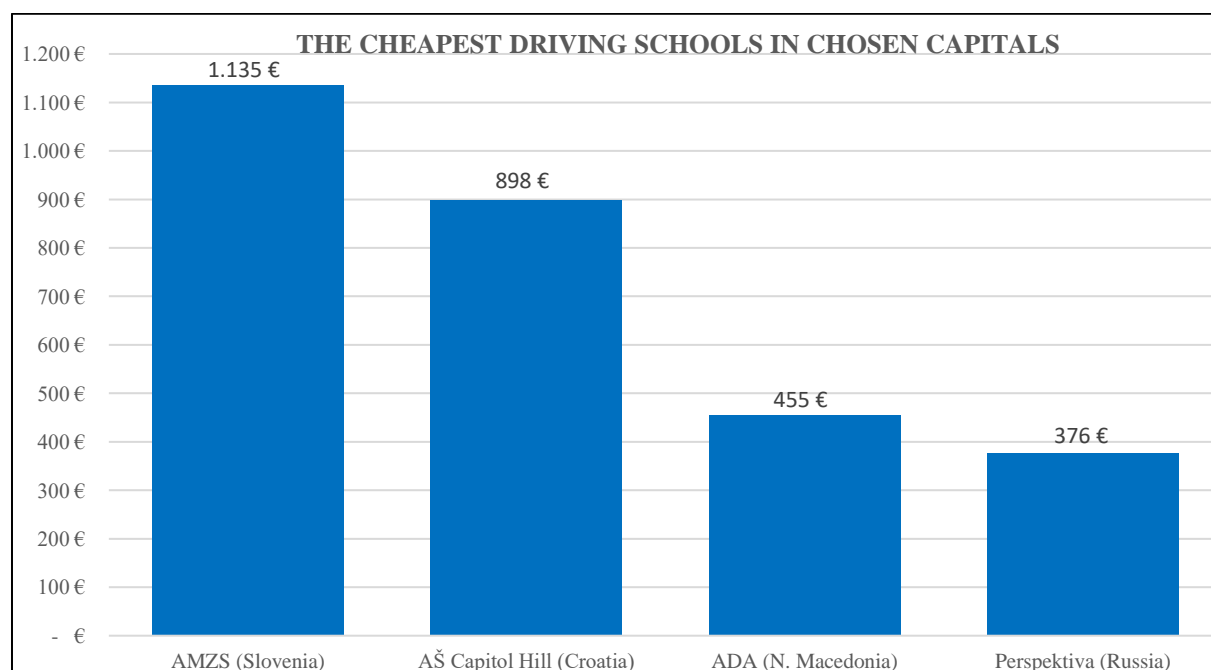
Graph 4: Costs for driving test in Moscow (authors' source)

II RESEARCH PART

3 QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS AND COMPARISON OF COST NEEDED FOR A STUDENT TO TAKE THE DRIVING TEST IN SLOVENIA, CROATIA, NORTHERN MACEDONIA AND RUSSIA

3.1 THE CHEAPEST PROVIDER FOR A DRIVING TEST IN EACH COUNTRY

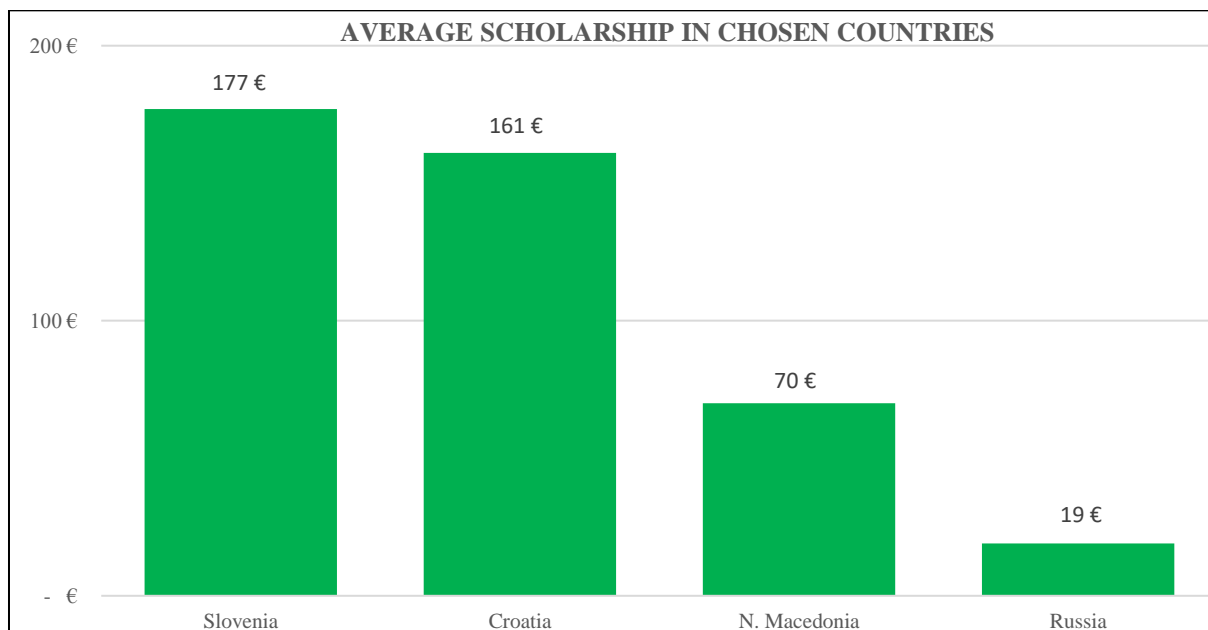
In each country, we selected the cheapest provider for a driving licence. We would like to find out in which country they deduct the least money for the driving test, depending on the amount of the scholarship and the price of the drivers of the driving school. On the basis of this, we will compare countries and make an analysis. In Slovenia the cheapest driving school is AMZS which cost 1.135 €, in Croatia is the best offer driving school AŠ Capitol Hill, it cost 898 €. N. Macedonia has the specialty at the driving licence fees, that all driving schools have the same prices according to the Law on Road Traffic Safety, which is 455 €. In Russia, the driving test is the cheapest of all countries if we look only at the price, the best offer has driving school Perspektiva, it costs 376 € (graph 5).



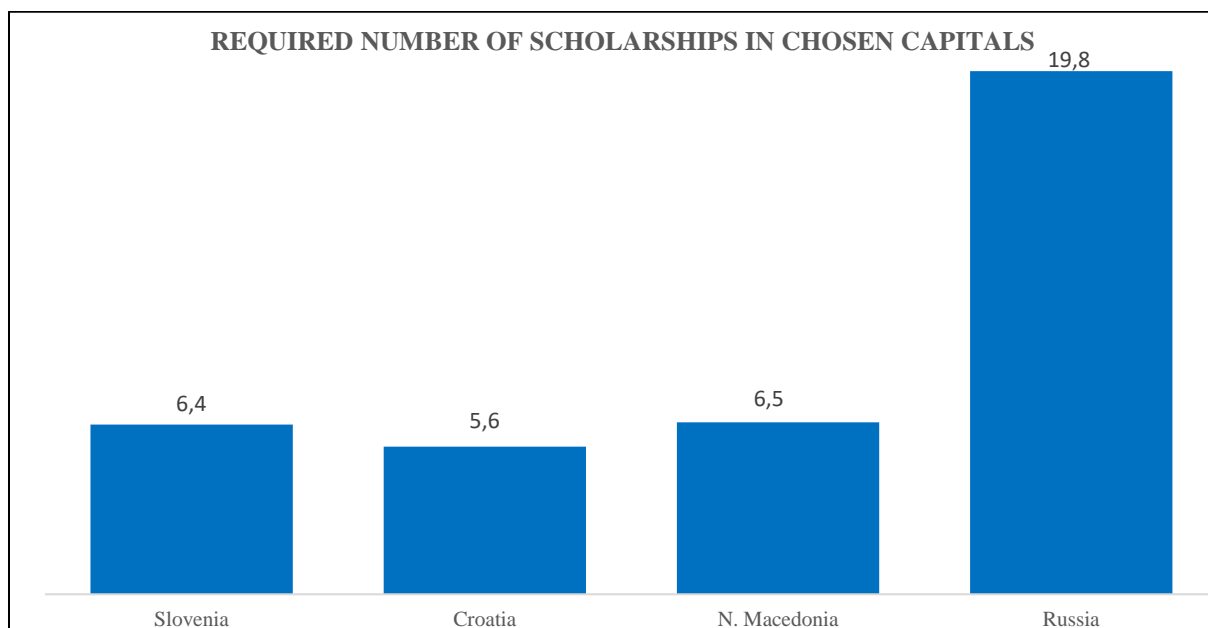
Graph 5: The cheapest driving schools in chosen capitals (authors' source)

3.2 THE ANALYSIS OF THE OBTAINED DATA

We are considered that the average scholarship is the lowest in Russia is 19 € (graph 6, 7), in the Slovenia is the highest scholarship and is about 177 €. This means that Russian student spend for driving tests almost twenty of their scholarships, while Slovenian student spend around seven scholarships.



Graph 6: Average scholarship in chosen countries (authors' source)



Graph 7: Required number of scholarships in chosen capitals (authors' source)

4 CONCLUSION

With the task we found that the cost of the driving license is the highest in Slovenia. This is 1.135 €, in Croatia is 898 €, in N. Macedonia all driving schools have the same prices according to the Law on Road Traffic Safety - it is 455 € and in Russia is 376 €, but we took into account the fact that the average number of hours required to get a driving licence is 15, which is 20 hours less than the rest of the countries. If we focus on the level of scholarship in these countries, we set Slovenia to the forefront. Slovenia follows Croatia, N. Macedonia and with the smallest monthly scholarship Russia. Our analysis has shown that for holding a driving license in Slovenia students need somewhere to spend seven scholarships, in Croatia students have to spend around six scholarships, in N. Macedonia around seven and in Russia, students have to spend nearly twenty monthly scholarships.

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