Movements of citizens in Albania

March 2017

Tirana, 20 April 2017: The number of Albanian and foreign citizens arrivals to the territory of Albania, in March 2017 is 584,780. Compared with March 2016, this indicator increased by 5.3%. The number of foreign citizens arrivals in the country is 243,462. Compared with March 2016, this number increased by 11.2%.

The number of foreign citizen arrivals to the territory of Albania during in first quarter of 2017 increased by 7.1%, compared with the same period of 2016.

Albanian and foreign citizens out of the country were 633,894, during March 2017 marking an increase by 10.8%, compared with the same month of previous year. The number of Albanian citizens leaving the territory of Albania is 377,793 in March 2017. Compared with March 2016, this number increased by 5.8%.

The number of foreign citizens out of the territory of Albania during in the first quarter of 2017 increased by 1.7%, compared with the same period of 2016.

Fig. 1 Arrivals and departures citizens in Albania

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The number of foreign visitors to Albania for holidays and Same-Day visits in March 2017, resulted 66,589, while in March 2016 this number was 25,273.

In Albania, the number of foreign citizens arrivals for personal purposes in March 2017 was 237,995 and constituted 97.8 % of the total arrivals of foreign citizens. Compared with March 2016, the number of foreign citizens for personal purposes increased by 11.2 %.

Number of foreign citizens arrivals to Albania for business purposes constituted 2.2 % of arrivals of foreign citizens marking an increase of 12.7 % compared with the same period of the previous year.

Arrivals of foreign by land comprised the largest share with 80.7 %, while air and maritime arrivals comprised respectively 15.0 % and 4.3 %.
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Tab. 3 Movements of citizens by mode of travel, March 2017

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<th>Period</th>
<th>Total Arrivals</th>
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<td>Air</td>
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<td>March-2016</td>
<td>75,750</td>
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<td>March-2017</td>
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<td>Annual change</td>
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<td>January- March 2016</td>
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<td>January- March 2017</td>
<td>247,844</td>
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<td>Progressive annual change</td>
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The largest number of arrivals of foreigners in our country, in March 2017, resulted from Kosovo with 33.4 %, followed by arrivals citizens from Macedonia with 16.5 %, Greece 13.7 %, Montenegro with 13.1 %, etc.

Fig. 2 Countries with largest arrivals in Albania

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Methodology

Definitions

**Visitor:** For statistical purposes on tourism, the term "visitor" represents a "person who travels in a different place from that in which he resides, in a period shorter than 12 months and major aim of travel in the place visited is a non-profit activity".

**Arrivals:** Include all entries at the border. Arrivals is a concept that refers to all entries. A person who visits some countries simultaneously during the year is calculated every time a new entry.

**Departures:** Includes all exits at the border. Departures measure the flow of citizens who leave the country of reference. The main purpose of the visit is the goal without which travel would not be done. The purpose of the trip includes visits of visitors and tourists for:

- Visits for personal purposes
  1. Holidays
  2. Visit to friends and relatives
  3. Same – Day Visit
  4. Health treatment
  5. Religious
  6. Others
  7. Transit

*Business category includes all business and professional activities outside the usual environment.*

**Data Source:** Data provided by the Ministry of the Interior (General Directory of State Policy).


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