Movements of citizens in Albania

April 2017

Tirana, 19 May 2017: The number of Albanian and foreign citizens arrivals to the territory of Albania, in April 2017 is 764,485. Compared with April 2016, this indicator increased by 17.8 %. The number of foreign citizens’ arrivals in the country is 359,452. Compared with April 2016, this number increased by 25.7 %.

The number of foreign citizen arrivals to the territory of Albania during the first four months of 2017 increased by 13.4 %, compared with the same period of 2016.

Albanian and foreign citizens out of the country were 766,779, during April 2017 increasing by 23.7 %, compared with the same month of previous year. The number of Albanian citizens leaving the territory of Albania is 429,126 in April 2017. Compared with April 2016, this number increased by 17.3 %.

The number of foreign citizens out of the territory of Albania during in the first four months of 2017 increased by 5.8 %, compared with the same period of 2016.

Fig. 1 Arrivals and departures citizens in Albania

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Tab.1 Movements of Albanian and foreign citizens, April 2017

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<th>Period</th>
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<tr>
<td>Total Arrivals</td>
<td>648,988</td>
<td>764,485</td>
<td>17.8</td>
<td>2,118,185</td>
<td>2,281,912</td>
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<td>Albanian</td>
<td>363,086</td>
<td>405,033</td>
<td>11.6</td>
<td>1,270,335</td>
<td>1,320,520</td>
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<td>Foreign</td>
<td>285,902</td>
<td>359,452</td>
<td>25.7</td>
<td>847,850</td>
<td>961,392</td>
<td>13.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Departures</td>
<td>619,664</td>
<td>766,779</td>
<td>23.7</td>
<td>2,245,085</td>
<td>2,440,395</td>
<td>8.7</td>
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<td>Albanian</td>
<td>365,914</td>
<td>429,126</td>
<td>17.3</td>
<td>1,394,169</td>
<td>1,475,239</td>
<td>5.8</td>
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<td>Foreign</td>
<td>253,750</td>
<td>337,653</td>
<td>33.1</td>
<td>850,916</td>
<td>965,156</td>
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The number of foreign visitors to Albania for holidays and Same-Day visits in April 2017, resulted 126,789, while in April 2016 this number was 63,911.

In Albania, the number of foreign citizens arrivals for personal purposes in April 2017 was 353,122 and constituted 98.3% of the total arrivals of foreign citizens. Compared with April 2016, the number of foreign citizens for personal purposes increased by 25.9%.

Number of foreign citizens arrivals to Albania for business purposes constituted 1.7 % of arrivals of foreign citizens marking an increase of 16.5 % compared with the same period of the previous year.

Tab.2 Arrivals of foreign citizens by purpose, April 2017

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<td>I. Personal</td>
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<tr>
<td>1. Holidays</td>
<td>38,183</td>
<td>119,921</td>
<td>91,577</td>
<td>234,779</td>
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<td>2. Visit to friends and relatives</td>
<td>682</td>
<td>1,212</td>
<td>3,854</td>
<td>3,414</td>
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<td>3. Same-Day Visits</td>
<td>25,728</td>
<td>6,868</td>
<td>31,089</td>
<td>24,069</td>
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<td>4. Health treatment</td>
<td>79</td>
<td>42</td>
<td>227</td>
<td>222</td>
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<td>5. Religious</td>
<td>99</td>
<td>52</td>
<td>353</td>
<td>184</td>
</tr>
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<td>6. Others</td>
<td>203,714</td>
<td>206,163</td>
<td>660,077</td>
<td>636,013</td>
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<td>7. Tranzit</td>
<td>12,198</td>
<td>19,116</td>
<td>44,180</td>
<td>44,520</td>
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<td>II. Business and professional</td>
<td>5,219</td>
<td>6,078</td>
<td>16,493</td>
<td>18,191</td>
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Arrivals of Albanian and foreign citizens by land comprised the largest share with 81.8 %, while air and maritime arrivals comprised respectively 12.7 % and 5.5 %.
Tab. 3 Movements of citizens by mode of travel, April 2017

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<td>Air</td>
<td>Sea</td>
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<td>April-2016</td>
<td>75,138</td>
<td>30,269</td>
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<td>April-2017</td>
<td>97,096</td>
<td>42,271</td>
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<td>Annual change</td>
<td>29.2</td>
<td>39.7</td>
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<td>January- April 2016</td>
<td>285,178</td>
<td>105,345</td>
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<td>January- April 2017</td>
<td>344,940</td>
<td>111,311</td>
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<td>Progressive annual change</td>
<td>21.0</td>
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The largest number of arrivals of foreigners in our country, in April 2017, resulted from Kosovo with 35.0 %, followed by arrivals citizens from Macedonia with 13.7 %, Greece 12.2 %, Montenegro with 9.2 %, etc.

Fig. 2 Countries with largest arrivals in Albania
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. 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. Tranzit

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).

Data last month are preliminary and subject to revision. For more refer: http://www.instat.gov.al/al/rreth-nesh/ciljesia-statistikore.aspx/

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