

Movements of citizens in Albania

September 2017

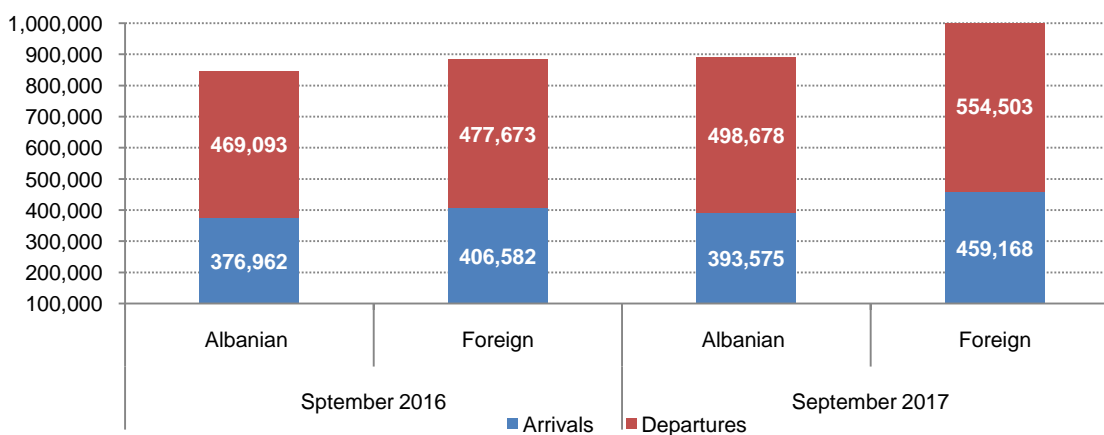
Tirana, 23 October 2017: The number of Albanian and foreign citizens arrivals to the territory of Albania, in September 2017 is 852,743. Compared with September 2016, this indicator increased by 8.8 %.

The number of foreign citizens' arrivals in the country is 459,168, compared with September 2016, this number increased by 12.9 %. The number of foreign citizen arrivals to the territory of Albania during the nine months of 2017, is 4.224.683, increasing by 5.7 %, compared with the same period of 2016.

In September 2017, among the ten countries with the highest incomes of citizens in Albania, those from Switzerland have experienced the largest increase by 115.8 %, while the largest decrease was made by US citizens with 21.8 %.

In the nine-month period of 2017, the country with the highest inflows of citizens in Albania, the largest increase in inflows came from Poland with 65.6 % and the decreased only from Kosovo with 22.1 %.
(See tab 2.)

Fig. 1 Movements of citizens in Albania



Albanian and foreign nationals leaving the country during September 2017 are 1,053,181, marking an increase of 11.2 % compared to the same period of the previous year. The number of Albanian citizens leaving the territory of Albania during September 2017 is 498,678.

Compared to September 2016, this number has increased by 6.3 %. The number of Albanian citizens leaving the territory of our country in the nine-month period of 2017 is 3,937,855, increasing by 5.6 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

The inflows of foreign and Albanian citizens in September 2017 from land occupy the largest share of total inflows by 79.1 %, while by air by 13.3 % and sea by 7.6 %.

Tab.1 Movements of Albanian and foreign citizens

| Period | September-16 | September -17 | Annual change (%) | January- September 16 | January- September 17 | Progressive annual change (%) |
|-------------------------|----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Total Arrivals | 783,544 | 852,743 | 8.8 | 7,416,181 | 7,803,037 | 5.2 |
| Albanian | 376,962 | 393,575 | 4.4 | 3,419,571 | 3,578,354 | 4.6 |
| Foreign | 406,582 | 459,168 | 12.9 | 3,996,610 | 4,224,683 | 5.7 |
| Total Departures | 946,766 | 1,053,181 | 11.2 | 7,697,978 | 8,225,250 | 6.8 |
| Albanian | 469,093 | 498,678 | 6.3 | 3,728,769 | 3,937,855 | 5.6 |
| Foreign | 477,673 | 554,503 | 16.1 | 3,969,209 | 4,287,395 | 8.0 |

Tab.2 Arrivals of foreign citizens

| Countries | September -16 | September -17 | Annual change (%) | January- September 16 | January- September 17 | Progressive annual change (%) |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Kosovo | 168,398 | 159,731 | -5.1 | 1,930,134 | 1,503,594 | -22.1 |
| Macedonia | 47,273 | 56,720 | 20.0 | 456,187 | 510,001 | 11.8 |
| Greece | 32,093 | 40,803 | 27.1 | 305,869 | 351,464 | 14.9 |
| Italy | 21,599 | 28,122 | 30.2 | 200,194 | 294,447 | 47.1 |
| United Kingdom | 10,747 | 11,135 | 3.6 | 81,754 | 111,418 | 36.3 |
| Mntenegro | 21,059 | 37,650 | 78.8 | 249,583 | 290,259 | 16.3 |
| Poland | 12,239 | 14,765 | 20.6 | 62,879 | 104,143 | 65.6 |
| USA | 9,744 | 7,616 | -21.8 | 67,906 | 84,462 | 24.4 |
| Germany | 10,160 | 13,059 | 28.5 | 67,630 | 101,807 | 50.5 |
| Switzerland | 1,567 | 3,381 | 115.8 | 31,274 | 49,032 | 56.8 |
| Other | 71,703 | 86,186 | 20.2 | 543,200 | 824,056 | 51.7 |
| Total | 406,582 | 459,168 | 12.9 | 3,996,610 | 4,224,683 | 5.7 |

Tab. 3 Arrivals of foreign citizens by purpose

| Period | September-16 | September -17 | January- September 16 | January- September 17 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Arrivals foreign citizens | 406,582 | 459,168 | 3,996,610 | 4,224,683 |
| I. Personal | 400,737 | 452,634 | 3,953,323 | 4,172,776 |
| 1. Holidays | 214,810 | 188,266 | 1,767,310 | 2,094,930 |
| 2. Visit to friends and relatives | 858 | 2,927 | 15,471 | 15,651 |
| 3. Same -Day Visits | 25,313 | 74,289 | 473,129 | 239,830 |
| 4. Health treatment | 49 | 61 | 499 | 378 |
| 5. Religious | 63 | 25 | 751 | 487 |
| 6. Others | 148,414 | 171,703 | 1,571,660 | 1,678,931 |
| 7. Tranzit | 11,230 | 15,363 | 124,503 | 142,569 |
| II. Business and professional | 5,845 | 6,534 | 43,287 | 51,907 |

Tab.4 Movements of citizens by mode of travel

| Period | Total Arrivals | | | Total Departures | | |
|---------------------------|----------------|---------|-----------|------------------|---------|-----------|
| | Air | Sea | Land | Air | Sea | Land |
| September -2016 | 93,080 | 52,373 | 638,091 | 120,571 | 122,689 | 703,506 |
| September -2017 | 113,508 | 64,516 | 674,719 | 151,803 | 108,681 | 792,697 |
| Annual change | 21.9 | 23.2 | 5.7 | 25.9 | -11.4 | 12.7 |
| January - September 2016 | 809,236 | 524,875 | 6,082,070 | 798,805 | 596,362 | 6,302,811 |
| January - September 2017 | 989,749 | 639,358 | 6,173,930 | 1,012,416 | 689,396 | 6,523,438 |
| Progressive annual change | 22.3 | 21.8 | 1.5 | 26.7 | 15.6 | 3.5 |

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. 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),

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