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# **Gross Domestic Product by Statistical Regions NUTS in Albania, year 2013**

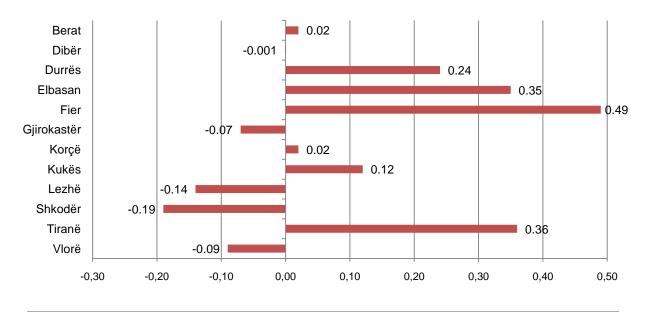
**Tiranë, July 31, 2015:** The current Regional Accounts publication for the years 2012-2013 is based on the new classification of economic activities (NACE Rev 2.0).

In 2013 according to the Statistical Region Level 1 (Albania) GDP at current prices was 1,350.6 billion ALL and has increase by 1.11 % compared to the year 2012.

The contribution to the real growth rate of GDP for the Statistical Region Level 1 (Albania) for the year 2013 compared with 2012 by Statistical Region Level 3 (Qark) are presented below:

The highest contribution to the real growth rate for 2013 was in Prefecture Fier with +0.49 p.p. It was followed by Prefecture Tirana with a contribution to the real growth rate of +0.36 p.p and Prefecture Elbasan with a contribution to the real growth rate of 0.35 p.p. The lowest contribution to the real growth was in Prefecture Shkodër with -0.19 p.p. It was followed by Prefecture Lezhë with a contribution to the real growth rate of -0.14 p.p and Prefecture Vlorë with a contribution to the real growth of -0.09 p.p.

Fig.1 Prefectures Contribution to real Growth Rate of GDP for 2013



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In 2013 according to the Statistical Region Level 2, GDP at current prices in Statistical Region Center was 608.4 billion ALL and it constitutes 45.1 % of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region Center GDP in real terms has increased by 1.6 %. GDP at current prices in Statistical Region South was 422,3 billion ALL and it constituted 31.3 % of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region South GDP in real terms has increased by 1.2 %. GDP at current prices in Statistical Region North was 319,8 billion ALL and it constituted 23.6% of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region North was 319,8 billion ALL and it constituted 23.6% of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region North Was 319,8 billion ALL and it constituted 23.6% of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region North was 319,8 billion ALL and it constituted 23.6% of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region North Was 319,8 billion ALL and it constituted 23.6% of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region North Was 319,8 billion ALL and it constituted 23.6% of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region North Was 319,8 billion ALL and it constituted 23.6% of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region North Was 319,8 billion ALL and it constituted 23.6% of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region North Was 319,8 billion ALL and it constituted 23.6% of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region North Was 319,8 billion ALL and it constituted 23.6% of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region North Was 319,8 billion ALL and it constituted 23.6% of the total GDP. Compared with 2012, Statistical Region North Was 319,8 billion ALL and it constituted 23.6% of the total GDP.

Compared with 2012 the structure of GDP by prefecture has not been subject to major changes as it can be seen in Tab.1.

In 2013 according to the Statistical Region Level 3 (Qark) the highest growth rate was registered in Prefecture Kukës where GDP in real terms has increased by 5.6 %. It was followed by Prefecture Elbasan where GDP in real terms has increased by 4.8 % and by Prefecture Fier where GDP in real terms has increased by 3.8 %. In 2013 according to the Statistical Region Level 3 (Qark) the lowest growth rate was registered in Prefecture Lezhë where GDP in real terms has decreased by 4.4%. It was followed by Prefecture Shkodër where GDP in real terms has decreased by 3.3 % and by Prefecture Gjirokastër where GDP in real terms has increased by 2.8 %.

Statistical Region	2/3 GDP at current Prices (million ALL)	GDP at current Prices (million ALL)	Real Growth Rate of GDP	Contribution to real Growth	Structure of GDP	Structure of GDP
	2012	2013*	2013/2012	2013/2012	2012	2013
Albania	1,332,811	1,350,555	1.11	1.11	100	100
North	319,439	319,839	0.1	0.03	24.0	23.6
Dibër	42,428	42,524	0.02	-0.001	3.2	3.2
Durrës	127,057	129,726	2.6	0.24	9.5	9.6
Kukës	29,202	30,998	5.6	0.12	2.2	2.3
Lezhë	43,587	41,885	-4.4	-0.14	3.3	3.1
Shkod	ér 77,164	74,707	-3.3	-0.19	5.8	5.5
Center	597,121	608,429	1.6	0.71	44.8	45.1
Elbasa	n 95,845	101,238	4.8	0.35	7.2	7.5
Tiranë	501,276	507,191	1.0	0.36	37.6	37.6
South	416,251	422,287	1.2	0.37	31.2	31.3
Berat	49,021	49,828	0.5	0.02	3.7	3.7
Fier	170,861	177,698	3.8	0.49	12.8	13.2
Gjiroka	stër 36,145	35,083	-2.8	-0.07	2.7	2.6
Korçë	77,799	78,886	0.4	0.02	5.8	5.8
Vlorë	82,425	80,792	-1.4	-0.09	6.2	6.0

Tab. 1 Gross Domestic Product by statistical regions (NUTS)

#### GDP per capita by statistical regions (NUTS)

In year 2013 the level of GDP per capita according to Statistical Region Level 1 (Republic of Albania) was around 466 thousand ALL. Compared to year 2012 GDP per capita has increased by 1.44 %. According Statistical Regions Level 2, in Statistical Region Central GDP per capita in year 2013 was around 557 thousand ALL or 19.6 % above the national average, in Statistical Region North GDP per capita in year 2013 was around 372 thousand ALL or 20.2 % above the national average and in Statistical Region South GDP per capita in year 2013 was around 446 thousand ALL or 4.2 % above the national average.

The highest level of GDP per capita by Statistical Region Level 3 (Qark) for 2013 was in Prefecture Tiranë with approximately 643 thousand ALL or 38 % above the national average and has registered a growth with 0.7 % compared with 2012. It was followed by Prefecture Fier with approximately 559 thousand ALL or 19.9 % above the national average and has registered a growth with 4.4 % compared with 2012 and Prefecture Gjirokastër with approximately 477 thousand ALL or 2.27 % above the national average and has registered a decrease with 2.2 % compared with 2012.

GDP per capita for other Prefectures was below the national level, where the lowest was Prefecture Lezhë with approximately 303 thousand ALL or 35 % below the national average. After that the lowest GDP per capita was registered in Prefecture Dibër with approximately 307 thousand ALL or 34.1 % below the national average and with approximately 334 thousand ALL or 28.3 % below the national average.

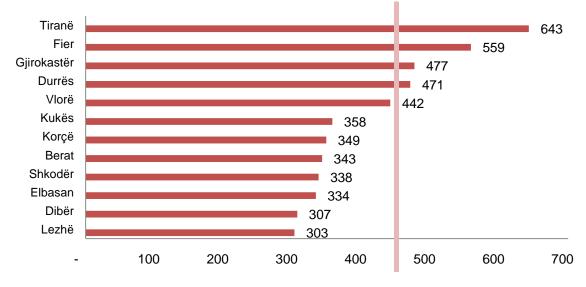
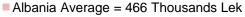


Fig.2 GDP per Capita by Statistical Region Level 3 compared with the national average (000/ ALL) year 2013



#### **Purchase Power Standard (PPS)**

GDP for the Republic of Albania expressed in Purchase Power Standards (Purchase Power Parity as price indexes-PPS) in 2013 was 21,490 PPS or 28.9 % compared with the European Union average per capita (EU28=100) (For more information consult *information for users*). By Statistical Region Level 2 in Statistical Region Center GDP per capita in PPS for 2013 was 34.5 % compared with the European Union average per capita (EU28=100) and in the Statistical Region South was 27.6 % compared with the European Union average per capita (EU28=100).

Statistical Region	GDP per capita in PPS (EE28=100) for 2013					
Albania	28.9					
Statistical Region Level 2						
North	23.0					
Center	34.5					
South	27.6					

#### Tab. 2 Gross Domestic Product per capita by Statistical Region

Statistical Level 2/3	GDP per capita (ALL)	GDP per capita (ALL)	Index of GDP (%) Al=100	Index of GDP (%) Al=100
	2012	2013*	2012	2013
Albania	459,512	466,131	100.0	100.0
North	370,437	371,964	80.6	79.8
Dibër	303,882	307,282	66.1	65.9
Durrës	462,253	471,153	100.6	101.1
Kukës	334,897	358,296	72.9	76.9
Lezhë	314,323	302,893	68.4	65.0
Shkodër	347,624	337,512	75.7	72.4
Center	548,217	557,320	119.3	119.6
Elbasan	315,144	334,148	68.6	71.7
Tiranë	638,507	643,047	139.0	138.0
South	438,641	446,487	95.5	95.8
Berat	335,889	343,244	73.1	73.6
Fier	535,347	558,883	116.5	119.9
Gjirokastër	487,302	476,729	106.0	102.3
Korçë	343,020	348,783	74.6	74.8
Vlorë	450,723	441,696	98.1	94.8

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### Tab. 3 Structure of Gross Value Added by Statistical Regions and by type of activities (Brach=100%) year 2013\*

	al Region 2/3	Agriculture, Forestry; Fishing	Mining and Quarrying; Manufacturing; Electricity and Water Supply	Construction	Wholesale; Retail Trade; Transportation;	Information and communication	Financial activities; Insurance activities	Real Estate Activities	Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities;	Public Administration; Education; Health and Social Work Activities	Arts, entertainment and recreation	GVA in current prices
Albania		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
North		30.9	22.8	25.2	21.0	10.2	16.3	24.7	15.3	23.0	15.9	23.6
	Dibër	6.5	3.5	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.8	1.7	1.0	3.8	1.8	3.1
	Durrës	7.3	9.9	11.8	12.3	3.7	5.6	13.6	10.9	7.3	6.2	9.6
	Kukës	3.5	1.8	4.8	0.9	1.0	1.3	1.1	0.4	2.6	0.7	2.3
	Lezhë	5.1	2.3	2.5	2.4	1.5	3.5	3.1	1.3	3.2	2.4	3.1
	Shkodër	8.5	5.3	4.7	4.2	2.8	4.1	5.2	1.7	6.1	4.8	5.5
Center		21.6	35.1	49.6	54.0	77.3	59.8	52.7	71.3	50.9	69.2	45.1
	Elbasan	13.2	6.4	6.2	6.0	2.1	4.9	5.7	2.4	7.4	4.5	7.5
	Tiranë	8.4	28.7	43.4	48.0	75.2	54.9	47.0	68.9	43.5	64.7	37.6
South		47.5	42.1	25.2	25.0	12.5	23.9	22.6	13.4	26.1	14.9	31.3
	Berat	8.1	2.8	1.9	2.4	1.6	1.9	2.0	0.8	3.8	1.5	3.7
	Fier	19.6	29.4	7.6	8.3	4.0	7.9	7.1	6.1	6.7	3.4	13.2
	Gjirokastër	3.4	1.3	3.0	3.0	1.5	3.0	1.7	1.2	3.2	1.0	2.6
	Korçë	10.2	3.2	4.3	5.7	2.0	5.5	4.5	2.8	6.3	3.9	5.8
	Vlorë	6.2	5.4	8.4	5.6	3.4	5.6	7.3	2.5	6.1	5.1	6.0

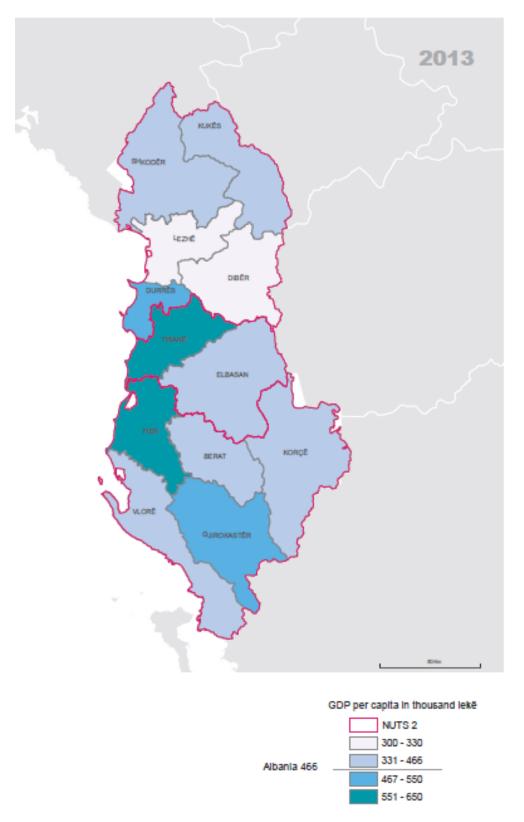
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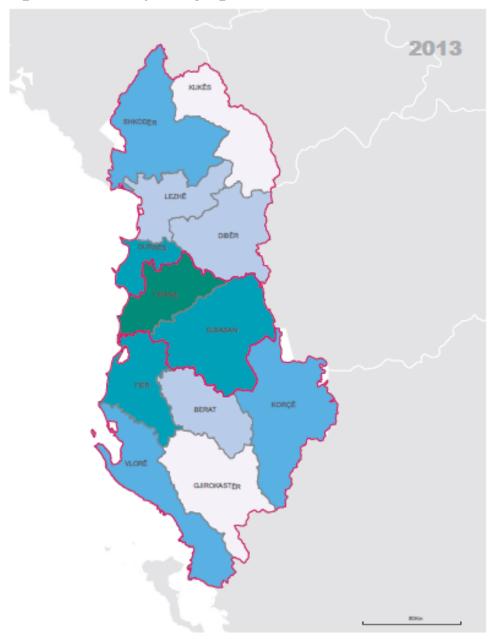
Tab. 4 Structure of Gross Value Added by Statistical Region and by type of activities (Prefecture =100%) year 2013

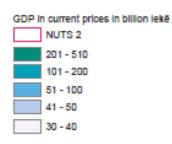
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Albania		22.5	14.	4 11.9	18.2	3.2	2.6	7.3	5.1	12.8	2.1	100
North		29.4	13.	9 12.7	16.1	1.4	1.8	7.6	3.3	12.4	1.4	100
	Dibër	46.4	16.			1.2	1.5	3.9	1.6	15.4	1.2	100
	Durrës	17.2				1.2	1.5	10.4	5.7	9.7		100
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	Lezhë	36.9	10.	7 9.8	14.0	1.5	2.9	7.4	2.1	13.1	1.6	100
	Shkodër	34.5	14.	0 10.1	13.7	1.6	1.9	6.8	1.5	14.1	1.8	100
Center		10.8	11.	2 13.1	21.8	5.4	3.4	8.6	8.0	14.4	3.2	100
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	Tiranë	5.0	11.	0 13.8	23.3	6.3	3.8	9.2	9.3	14.8	3.6	100
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	Vlorë	23.2	13.	0 16.9	16.9	1.8	2.4	9.0	2.1	13.0	1.8	100

# Fig.3 GDP per Capita by Regions



# Fig. 4 GDP in current prices by regions





# **Information for the users**

INSTAT is publishing the Regional Accounts for the year 2013, by Regional Statistical Level 2/3 (NUTS 2/3) and also by braches of economy following NACE Rev 2 nomenclature, by revising the full annual time series(2012-2013) taking into account the last estimation of Annual National Accounts (<u>http://www.instat.gov.al/media/299508/gross\_domestic\_product\_semifinal\_2013.pdf</u>) and also based on Annual and Regional methodology to have more consistent estimations of these macroeconomic indicators.

This Publication presents the Regional Accounts Result of GDP for 2013 in Albania expressed in Statistical Region Level 1, 2 and 3 (following the requirements of - Nomenclature of Territorial Measuring Units for Statistics (NUTS) of the European Union)

#### **Classification and Methodology**

The GDP estimations are harmonised with concepts and definitions of European System of Accounts (ESA 2010) and System of National Accounts (SNA 2008). Both these methodologies are the latest updates of ESA 1995 and SNA 1993. The European System of National Accounts and Regional Accounts is the framework for the measurement of economic and financial activities of the economic system, their components and the links between them for a given period of time (usually quarterly up to one year). Transactions made by the economic agents related to other resident or non-resident units in an economic territory are object of measurements in Regional Accounts. Classification changes are adopted to have more reliable regional economic indicator that are more useful to the users, to have a more clearer view of the economic developments of specific regions and to improve the comparability between regions and EU member states information based on the Nomenclature of Territorial Measuring Units for Statistics(NUTS) of the European Union.

#### **Residence Principle**

The main principle for allocation GVA in Regional Accounts is that GVA should be allocated to the region where the producer unit is resident it means that GVA have to be allocated to region where is created.

Changes in the methodology and estimation of annual National Accounts were reflected in the estimation of Regional Accounts. INSTAT has made qualitative changes to the estimation method of GVA s for the distribution by economic activities of institutional units that are uni-regional or multi-regional.

Regarding the methodology used for the Regional Accounts please consult the methodological material: "Albanian Regional Account Methodology" in the address:

http://www.instat.gov.al/media/254122/methodological\_inventory.pdf

The classifications used in the Regional Accounts are as follow:

- Nomenclature of Economic Activities Revision 2 (NACE Rev.2).
- Nomenclature of Territorial Measuring Units for Statistics (NUTS)

The Nomenclature of Territorial Measuring Units for Statistics (NUTS) is a uniform classification, and is used as a base for collection and processing of European regional statistics.

**Purchasing Power Standard (PPS)** is an artificial currency unit that takes into consideration differences in national price levels. This unit allows meaningful volume comparisons of economic indicators for countries. Aggregates expressed in PPS are calculated by dividing aggregates (indicators) at current prices with national currency respectively Purchasing Power Parity (PPP). The volume index of GDP per capita expressed in Purchasing Power Standard (PPS) is given in relation to the average of the European Union (EU28 = 100).

Please note that the index expressed in PPS is intended for cross-country comparisons rather than for temporal comparisons. For further information on the PPS coefficients follow the address: http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/purchasing-power-parities/data/database