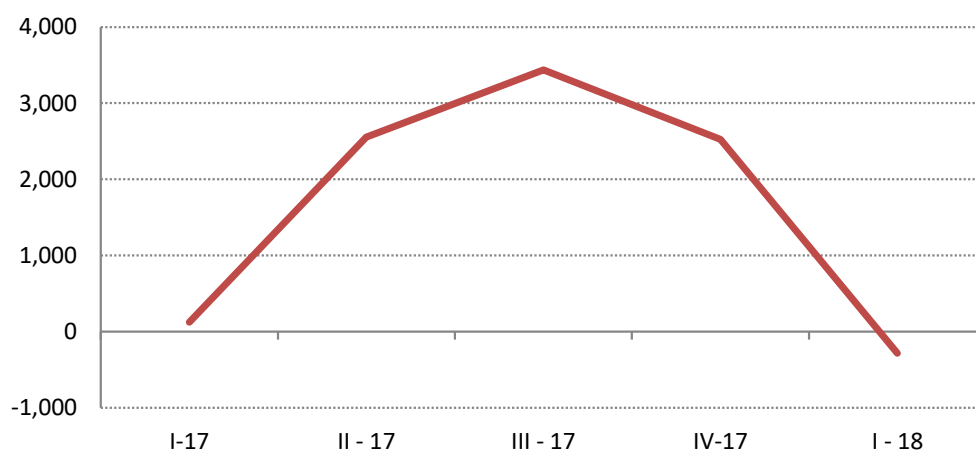


Demographic indicators

First quarter of 2018

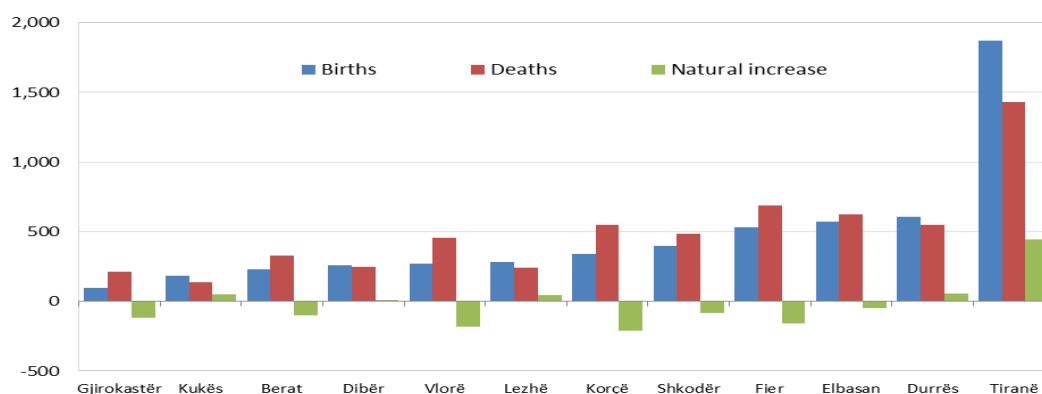
Tirana, on 14 May 2018: The number of births is 5,669 on the first quarter of 2018, by experiencing a decrease by 18.0 % compared to the first quarter of 2017. The number of deaths is 5,954 on the first quarter of 2018, by experiencing a decrease by 12.3 % compared to the first quarter of 2017. During the first quarter of 2018, the number of deaths surpasses with 285 the number of births.

Fig. 1 Natural increase of population



The population natural increase on the first quarter of 2018, in 12 prefectures of Albania, registered the highest value in Tirana prefecture, where the number of births surpasses with 443 the number of deaths. During the first quarter of 2018, natural increase has negative value in 7 prefectures. The lowest value was registered in prefecture of Korça, the number of deaths surpasses number of births with 211.

Fig. 2 Births, deaths and natural increase by prefecture, Q1 2018



Births

The lowest number of births during the first quarter of 2018 is registered in Gjirokastrër prefecture, 96 births, by experiencing a decrease by 34.2 % compared to the first quarter of 2017. The highest number of births is registered in Tirana prefecture with 1,872 births, by experiencing a decrease by 11.3 % compared to the first quarter of 2017.

The number of births during the first quarter of 2018 has decreased compared to the first quarter of 2017 among all prefectures of the country. The prefecture of Gjirokastrër notes the highest decreased of number of births during this period with 34.2 %, followed by Vlorë prefecture with 29.8 %.

Tab. 1 Births by prefectures

Prefectures	I-17	II - 17	III - 17	IV-17	I - 18
Albania	6,916	7,483	8,539	7,931	5,669
1 Berat	311	334	346	328	228
2 Dibër	351	472	449	443	257
3 Durrës	716	763	934	857	605
4 Elbasan	701	676	879	740	575
5 Fier	707	730	797	781	534
6 Gjirokastrër	146	112	150	158	96
7 Korçë	439	503	515	499	338
8 Kukës	251	279	306	255	186
9 Lezhë	329	368	398	406	285
10 Shkodër	438	504	618	483	400
11 Tiranë	2,111	2,379	2,661	2,529	1,872
12 Vlorë	389	333	441	423	273
*Unknown	27	30	45	29	20

*Category 'Unknown' means the number of live births for which the information of prefecture in which the birth has been registered is missing.

Deaths

The highest number of deaths is registered in Tirana prefecture with 1,429 deaths, by experiencing a decrease by 7.6 % compared to the first quarter of 2017. The lowest number of deaths is registered in Kukës prefecture with 136 deaths, by experiencing a decrease by 35.8 % compared to the first quarter of 2017.

The number of deaths during the first quarter of 2018 has decreased compared to the first quarter of 2017 among all prefectures of the country. The Kukës and Lezhë prefecture note the highest decreased of number of deaths with 35.8 % and 26.9 % respectively, compared to the first quarter of 2017.

Tab. 2 Deaths by prefectures

Prefectures	I-17	II - 17	III - 17	IV-17	I - 18
Albania	6,791	4,930	5,103	5,408	5,954
1 Berat	414	261	272	276	327
2 Dibër	297	208	229	186	248
3 Durrës	601	438	434	482	551
4 Elbasan	676	518	463	549	622
5 Fier	711	559	627	603	691
6 Gjirokastrë	245	206	171	199	213
7 Korçë	669	499	501	528	549
8 Kukës	212	131	125	142	136
9 Lezhë	331	222	221	244	242
10 Shkodër	597	378	446	454	485
11 Tiranë	1,546	1,125	1,240	1,338	1,429
12 Vlorë	485	381	363	404	455
*Unknown	7	4	11	3	6

* Category 'Unknown' means the number of deaths for which the information of prefecture in which the death has been registered is missing.

Methodology note

Births

Live Births Data

Live births by sex are provided by General Directory of Civil Status, which brings to INSTAT only the number of births by residents in Albania. INSTAT considers as a birth, those which occur or not in Albania, but the parent's residence is in Albania and the birth act is issued from a Civil Office in Albania.

Late registered births

We make an adjustment in the number of the late registered births for the actual year, in order to include all occurred births in a reference period. The number of late registered births in the previous year are considered as proxy for late registration of the actual year, considering the assumption (as a result of our continuous analyses) that the number of late registered births doesn't change a lot from year to year.

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Definition:

Population natural increase: Expresses the increase/decrease of the population as a result of the biological processes (births and deaths) over a period of time. It is expressed as the difference between the live births to deaths.

Live birth: Births of children that showed any sign of life.

Death: Means the permanent disappearance of all evidence of life at any time after life birth has taken place (postnatal cessation of vital functions without capability of resuscitation).

Data source: The data are provided from General Directorate of Civil Registration.