

# Movements of citizens in Albania

## September 2018

**Tirana, 23 October 2018:** The number of Albanian and foreign citizens arrivals to the territory of Albania, in September 2018 is 1,121,116, compared with September 2017, this indicator increased 31.5 %.

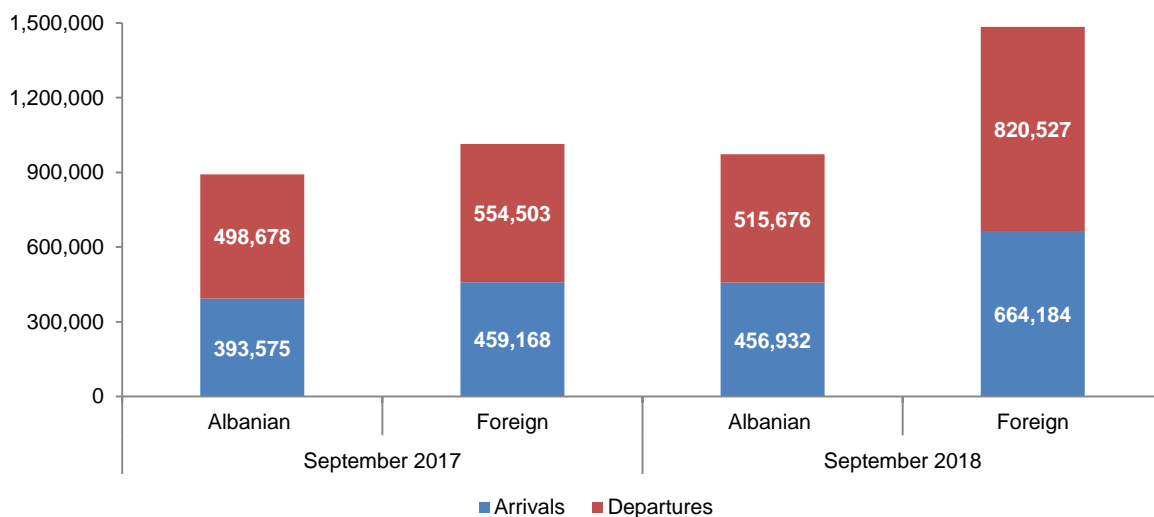
In September 2018, the number of foreign citizens' arrivals in the country is 664,184. Compared with September 2017, this number increased 44.6 %.

The number of foreign citizen arrivals to the territory of Albania during in nine months of 2018, is 5,061,822 increasing by 19.8 %, compared with the same period of 2017.

In September 2018, among the countries with the highest incomes of citizens in Albania, Kosovo had the highest growth by 66.0 %, with only 16.3% of the citizens from Montenegro.

In nine months of 2018, the country with the highest arrivals of citizens in Albania, the largest increase in inflows came from Poland 37.2 %

**Fig. 1 Movements of citizens in Albania**



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Albanian and foreign citizens' departures the country during September 2018 is janë 1,336.203 marking an increase of me 26.9 % compared to the same period of the previous year. The number of Albanian citizens leaving the territory of Albania during September 2018 is 515,676 compared to September 2017; this number has increased by 3.4 %. The number of foreign citizens leaving the territory of Albania during September 2018 is 820,527, compared to September 2017, this number increased by 48.0 %.

The number of Albanian citizens leaving the territory of our country in nine months 2018 is 4,066,178 increasing by rritur 3.3 %, compared to the same period of the previous year.

**Tab. 1 Movements of Albanian and foreign citizens**

Period	September 2017	September 2018	Annual change (%)	Jan-Sep 2017	Jan-Sep 2018	Progressive annual change (%)
<b>Total Arrivals</b>	<b>852,743</b>	<b>1,121,116</b>	31.5	<b>7,803,037</b>	<b>8,980,104</b>	15.1
Albanian	393,575	456,932	16.1	3,578,354	3,918,282	9.5
Foreign	459,168	664,184	44.6	4,224,683	5,061,822	19.8
<b>Total Departures</b>	<b>1,053,181</b>	<b>1,336,203</b>	26.9	<b>8,225,250</b>	<b>9,318,188</b>	13.3
Albanian	498,678	515,676	3.4	3,937,855	4,066,178	3.3
Foreign	554,503	820,527	48.0	4,287,395	5,252,010	22.5

**Tab. 2 Arrivals of foreign citizens**

Countries	September 2017	September 2018	Annual change (%)	Jan-Sep 2017	Jan-Sep 2018	Progressive annual change (%)
Kosovo	159,731	265,148	66.0	1,503,594	1,846,372	22.8
Macedonia	56,720	69,755	23.0	510,001	574,578	12.7
Greece	40,803	45,535	11.6	351,464	378,301	7.6
Italy	28,122	36,102	28.4	294,447	350,767	19.1
United Kingdom	11,135	12,181	9.4	111,418	99,522	-10.7
Montenegro	37,650	31,525	-16.3	290,259	256,107	-11.8
Poland	14,765	28,728	94.6	104,143	142,910	37.2
USA	7,616	11,964	57.1	84,462	97,699	15.7
Germany	13,059	19,587	50.0	101,807	141,053	38.5
Switzerland	3,381	4,117	21.8	49,032	46,779	-4.6
Other	86,186	139,542	61.9	824,056	1,127,734	36.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>459,168</b>	<b>664,184</b>	<b>44.6</b>	<b>4,224,683</b>	<b>5,061,822</b>	<b>19.8</b>

**Tab.3 Arrivals of foreign citizens by purpose**

Periudha	September 2017	September 2018	Annual change (%)	Jan-Sep 2017	Jan-Sep 2018	Progressive annual change (%)
<b>Arrivals foreign citizens</b>	459,168	664,184	44.6	4,224,683	5,061,822	19.8
<b>I. Personal</b>	452,634	656,680	45.1	4,172,776	4,999,540	19.8
1. Holidays	188,266	343,759	82.6	2,094,930	2,485,304	18.6
2. Visit to friends and relatives	2,927	967	-67.0	15,651	14,304	-8.6
3. Same -Day Visits	74,289	107,550	44.8	239,830	553,337	130.7
4. Health treatment	61	20	-67.2	378	171	-54.8
5. Religious	25	69	176.0	487	626	28.5
6. Others	171,703	188,292	9.7	1,678,931	1,791,345	6.7
7. Tranzit	15,363	16,023	4.3	142,569	154,453	8.3
<b>II. Business and professional</b>	6,534	7,504	14.8	51,907	62,282	20.0

**Tab. 4 Movements of citizens by mode of travel**

Period	Total Arrivals			Total Departures		
	Air	Sea	Land	Air	Sea	Land
September -2017	113,508	64,516	674,719	151,803	108,681	792,697
September -2018	132,714	81,426	906,976	170,643	116,494	1,049,066
Annual change	16.9	26.2	34.4	12.4	7.2	32.2
January - September 2017	989,749	639,358	6,173,930	1,012,416	689,396	6,523,438
January - September 2018	1,148,254	666,484	7,165,366	1,153,281	696,484	7,468,423
Progressive annual change	16.0	4.2	16.1	13.9	1.0	14.5

# 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, 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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