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MOVEMENTS OF CITIZENS IN ALBANIA

June 2026

During June 2026, a total of 2,081,649 Albanian and foreign citizens entered the territory of the Republic of Albania. This represents an increase by 0.9 % compared to June 2025.

At the same time, 2,008,987 Albanian and foreign citizens departed from the territory of the Republic of Albania, marking an increase by 4.7 % compared to the same period last year.

Citizens' arrivals to Albania:

- Albanian citizens: 735,370 (increase by 0.2 %)
- Foreign citizens: 1,346,279 (increase by 1.3 %)

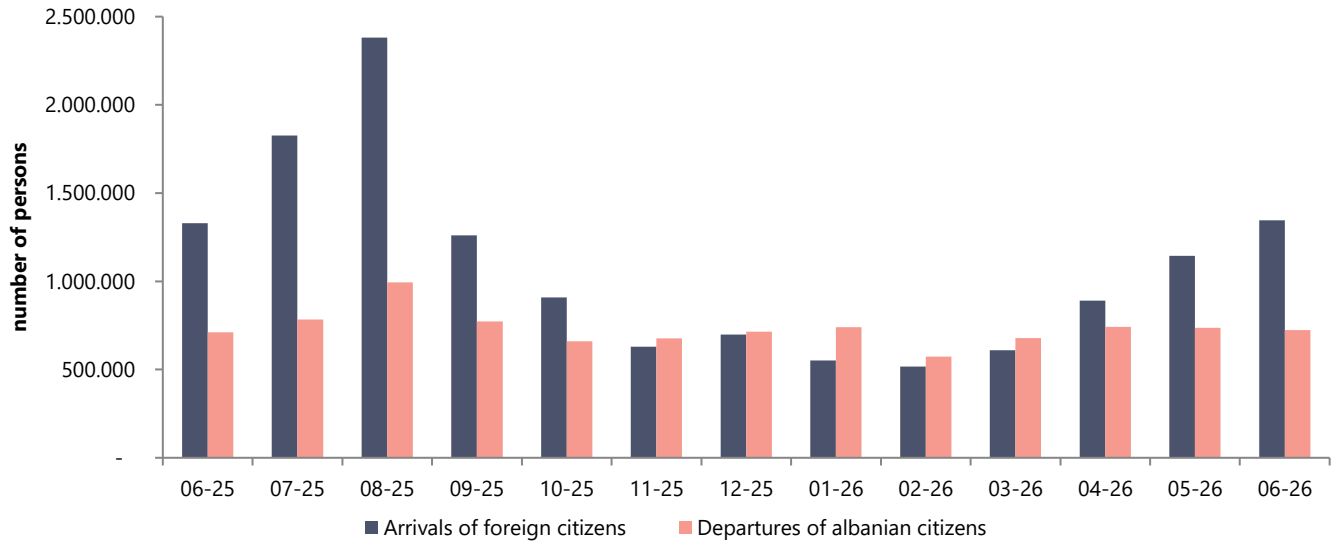
Citizens' departures from Albania:

- Albanian citizens: 723,449 (increase by 1.8 %)
- Foreign citizens: 1,285,538 (increase by 6.5 %)

Regions of foreign citizens' arrivals:

- Southern Europe accounts for 66 % and Central and Eastern Europe for 14 % of entries from Europe.

FIG. 1 MOVEMENTS OF CITIZENS IN ALBANIA, JUNE 2025-JUNE 2026



Source: General Directorate of State's Police, INSTAT calculations

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TAB. 1 MOVEMENTS OF ALBANIAN AND FOREIGN CITIZENS

Period	May 2025	May 2026	Annual change (%)	January-May 2025	January-May 2026	Annual change (%)
Total arrivals	**2,062,775**	**2,081,649**	**0.9**	**8,597,947**	**9,166,350**	**6.6**
Albanian	733,571	735,370	0.2	3,836,299	4,107,281	7.1
Foreign	1,329,204	1,346,279	1.3	4,761,648	5,059,069	6.2
Total departures	**1,918,569**	**2,008,987**	**4.7**	**8,669,062**	**9,130,056**	**5.3**
Albanian	710,963	723,449	1.8	3,988,339	4,191,817	5.1
Foreign	1,207,606	1,285,538	6.5	4,680,723	4,938,239	5.5

Source: General Directorate of State's Police, INSTAT calculations

TAB. 2 ARRIVALS OF FOREIGN CITIZENS BY REGION

Period	May 2025	May 2026	January-May 2025	January-May 2026
Total	**1,329,204**	**1,346,279**	**4,761,648**	**5,059,069**
I. Africa	**5,769**	**8,262**	**19,052**	**28,701**
II. America	**48,411**	**53,186**	**129,953**	**157,266**
III. East Asia and Pacific	**14,814**	**18,898**	**44,395**	**49,239**
IV. Middle East	**5,182**	**3,850**	**12,807**	**11,680**
V. South Asia	**5,662**	**11,353**	**22,555**	**39,784**
VI. Europe	**1,247,842**	**1,249,278**	**4,527,050**	**4,765,657**
- Central /Eastern Europe	132,344	172,436	292,159	375,272
- Northen Europe	63,753	85,688	206,545	260,128
- Southern Europe	872,103	822,225	3,428,365	3,546,410
- Western Europe	133,533	125,891	442,747	435,694
- East/ Mediterranean Europe	46,109	43,038	157,234	148,153
VII. Other countries not specified	**1,524**	**1,452**	**5,836**	**6,742**

Source: General Directorate of State's Police, INSTAT calculations

The purpose of arrivals of foreign citizens in the Albanian territory, in 98 % of cases, is for personal purposes. In June 2026, this indicator increased by 1.6 % compared with June 2025. Arrivals of foreign citizens for business and professional purposes decreased by 17.7 %.

Note to users:

Detailed monthly and annual data by groups are available in INSTAT's statistical database: Movement of Citizens in Albania as well as in the tables section of the website under the topic: Movement of Citizens

Methodology

The purpose of the publication for arrivals and departures of Albanian and foreign citizens. by means of transport (sea, air, land and border points). is the measurement of some statistical indicators related to tourism.

Definitions

Arrivals: Include all entries at the border points (by air, sea and land). Arrivals is a concept that refers to all entries. A person who visits some countries simultaneously during the year is counted every time as a new entry.

Departures: Includes all exits at the border points. Departures measure the flow of citizens who leave the country of reference. A person who leaves the country of reference several times during a year is always counted as a new exit.

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".

The purpose of the trip includes visits of visitors and tourists for:

Visits for personal purposes grouped as follows:

1. Holidays. visit to relatives. etc.;
2. Health treatment.
3. Religious;
4. Tranzit.

Visits for Business category includes all business and professional activities outside the usual environment.

Data Source: Administrative data are provided by the Ministry of Internal Affairs (State Police, Border and Migration Directorate).

The data are preliminary and subject of revisions. For more information refer to:

https://www.instat.gov.al/media/2940/revision_policy_2016.pdf

The statistical differences between arrivals and departures of Albanian or foreign nationals come mainly from:

- Law No.71 / 2016 "On Border Control". Article 17 "Facilitation of Border Verifications", where during the tourist season or increased inflow. at the moment of entry of citizens at the border, does not register all the incoming citizens;
- The facilitating procedures applied to residents of border areas crossing the border due to their commercial activity, when they cross several times a day. are not registered at the entrance;
- A good share of Albanians hold dual citizenship, who at the time of border December declare different citizenship at exit from it at the entrance. etc.