

# Movements of citizens in Albania

## April, 2018

**Tirana, 23 May, 2018:** The number of Albanian and foreign citizens arrivals to the territory of Albania, in April 2018 is 781,404, compared with April 2017, this indicator increased 2.2 %.

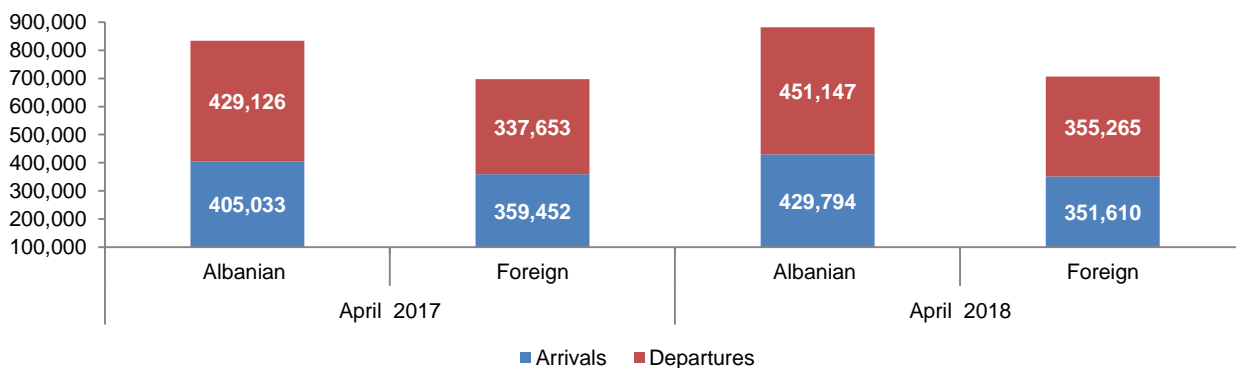
In April 2018, the number of foreign citizens' arrivals in the country is 351,610. Compared with April 2017, this number decreased 2.2 %.

The number of foreign citizen arrivals to the territory of Albania during the first four month of 2018, is 1,028,498, decreasing by 7.0 %, compared with the same period of 2017.

In April 2018, among the countries with the highest incomes of citizens in Albania, Poland had the highest growth by 41.9 %, while the largest decrease being 11.9 % by the Switzerland.

In first four month of 2018, the country with the highest inflows of citizens in Albania, the largest increase in inflows came from Poland 33.0 %

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



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Albanian and foreign citizens leaving the country during April 2018 are 806,412 marking an increase of 5.2 % compared to the same period of the previous year. The number of Albanian citizens leaving the territory of Albania during April 2018 is 451,147. Compared to April 2017 this number has increased by 5.1 %. The number of foreign citizens leaving the territory of Albania during April 2018 is 355,265. Compared to April 2017, this number increased by 5.2 %.

The number of Albanian citizens leaving the territory of our country in the first four month quarter is 1,563,003, increasing by 5.9 % compared to the same period of the previous year.

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

Period	April -17	April -18	Annual change (%)	January-April 17	January-April 18	Progressive annual change (%)
<b>Total Arrivals</b>	<b>764,485</b>	<b>781,404</b>	2.2	<b>2,281,912</b>	<b>2,487,699</b>	9.0
Albanian	405,033	429,794	6.1	1,320,520	1,459,201	10.5
Foreign	359,452	351,610	-2.2	961,392	1,028,498	7.0
<b>Total Departures</b>	<b>766,779</b>	<b>806,412</b>	5.2	<b>2,440,395</b>	<b>2,626,812</b>	7.6
Albanian	429,126	451,147	5.1	1,475,239	1,563,003	5.9
Foreign	337,653	355,265	5.2	965,156	1,063,809	10.2

**Tab. 2 Arrivals of foreign citizens**

Countries	April -17	April -18	Annual change (%)	January-April.17	January-April.18	Progressive annual change (%)
Kosovo	125,908	121,078	-3.8	327,607	346,997	5.9
Macedonia	49,380	51,878	5.1	144,685	150,054	3.7
Greece	43,697	33,816	-22.6	128,273	132,535	3.3
Italy	25,580	23,760	-7.1	75,183	79,423	5.6
United Kingdom	8,665	6,730	-22.3	20,325	19,997	-1.6
Montenegro	33,049	34,028	3.0	107,409	109,330	1.8
Poland	1,735	2,462	41.9	2,767	3,681	33.0
USA	5,714	5,349	-6.4	15,064	15,495	2.9
Germany	8,812	7,482	-15.1	16,786	16,956	1.0
Switzerland	4,552	3,403	-25.2	8,133	7,261	-10.7
Other	52,360	61,624	17.7	115,160	146,769	27.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>359,452</b>	<b>351,610</b>	-2.2	<b>961,392</b>	<b>1,028,498</b>	7.0

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

Period	April -17	April -18	Annual change (%)	Jan.-April 17	Jan.-April 18	Progressive annual change (%)
<b>Arrivals foreign citizens</b>	359,452	351,610	-2.2	961,392	1,028,498	7.0
<b>I. Personal</b>	353,374	344,304	-2.6	943,201	1,005,812	6.6
1. Holidays	119,921	71,062	-40.7	234,779	168,339	-28.3
2. Visit to friends and relatives	1,212	1,016	-16.2	3,414	3,986	16.8
3. Same -Day Visits	6,868	22,451	226.9	24,069	44,022	82.9
4. Health treatment	42	28	-33.3	222	94	-57.7
5. Religious	52	130	150.0	184	259	40.8
6. Others	206,163	232,979	13.0	636,013	742,031	16.7
7. Tranzit	19,116	16,638	-13.0	44,520	47,081	5.8
<b>II. Business and professional</b>	6,078	7,306	20.2	18,191	22,686	24.7

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

Period	Total Arrivals			Total Departures		
	Air	Sea	Land	Air	Sea	Land
April -2017	97,096	42,271	625,118	93,454	43,802	629,523
April -2018	108,449	29,685	643,270	106,039	31,340	669,033
Annual change	11.7	-29.8	2.9	13.5	-28.5	6.3
January - April 2017	344,940	111,311	1,825,661	353,551	149,825	1,937,019
January - April 2018	384,366	96,338	2,006,995	391,073	119,201	2,116,538
Progressive annual change	11.4	-13.5	9.9	10.6	-20.4	9.3

# 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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