

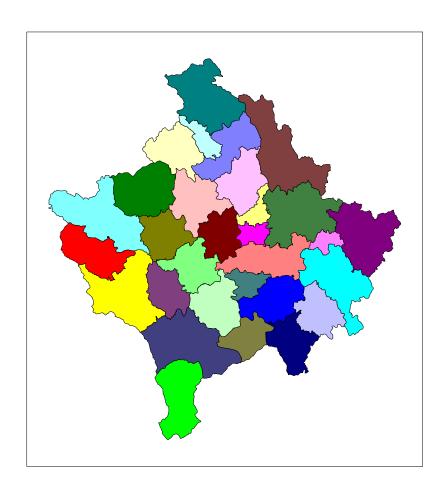
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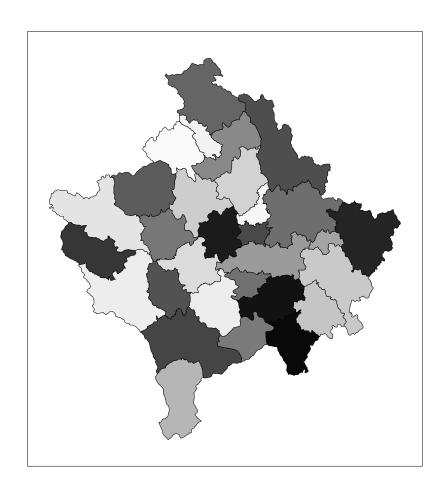
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Foreword

Since 2002 Statistical Office of Kosovo (SOK) has started to publish the data for the Social Welfare in Kosovo in cooperation with Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare.

In this publication are summarized all the data which deal with the year of 2008.

The source of these data is Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare (MLSW), respectively the following departments:

Department of Social Welfare – which provides the data for the recipients of the social assistance, data for abandoned children, data for the old people and with no family care who are accommodated in the nursing home, data for persons with specific demands accommodated in the Institute of Shtime,

Department of Pension Administration – which provides the data for old persons' pensions and pensions of the disabled persons,

Department of the Martyrs' Families and War Invalids – which provides data for the martyrs' families and war invalids.

This is the sixth regular SOK's publication, respectively of the Department of Social Statistics, for the Social Welfare Statistics and it will serve as a useful reference basis for all users of the statistics data of social welfare.

These data will serve as important data in order to get informed with the social environment in Kosovo.

All suggestions, proposals, comments or remarks you can send to the following electronic address social@ks-gov.net and thus you will contribute in quality increase of our publication in the future.

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List of abreviations

SOK - Statistical Office of Kosovo

MLSW - Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare

DMFWI - Department of Martyrs' Families and War Invalids

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Explanations for the users

Pensions¹

Pensions include two forms of pensions: Base Pension and pensions based in individual savings.

Base Pension means a pension paid by the pension administration to all citizens living permanently in Kosovo and who have reached the retirement age.

Pension based in the individual savings means a pension paid by Saving Pension Fund of Kosovo to all persons of the retirement age who fulfill the conditions under the Regulation No. 2005 / 20 related to pension contributions.

War Invalids²

War invalids are divided into these categories:

War invalids in category of:

Invalids with body disabilities over 80 %

Invalids with body disabilities from 71 - 80 %

Invalids with body disabilities from 61 - 70 %

Invalids with body disabilities from 51 - 60 %

Invalids with body disabilities from 41 - 50 %

Invalids with body disabilities from 31 – 40 %

Invalids with body disabilities from 20 – 30 %

Invalids with quardian

Guardianship for the invalid with body disabilities over 80 %

Civilian War Invalids

Invalids with body disabilities over 80% Invalids with body disabilities from 61-80% Invalids with body disabilities from 40-60%

Invalids (civilian war invalids) with guardian – Guardianship for Invalids with body disabilities over 80 %.

Together with war invalids are included families of the war invalids after their death (where participate the spouse and children up to age of 18 years, respectively 26 years if attend schooling), civilian invalids, children of the civilian invalids after his/her death, martyrs' families, families of the KLA missing, families of the civilian victims, families of the missing civilians, guardians of the war invalids and guardians of the civilian invalids.

Payment average of the war invalids is 133.60 € (average was taken from December month of 2008).

² Definition for war invalids can be found in Law Nr. 02/L-2 approved in February 2006

¹ Definition for pensions can be found in Regulation No. 2005 / 20

Abandoned children³

An abandoned child is considered any child who is under the age of 18 years, and who is abandoned from his/her parents who due to different causes and reasons do not fulfill, or are not able to fulfill the parental obligations, responsibilities and rights.

Protection forms for this of children category are as follows: guardianship, family union, (with the biological parent), family accommodation, accommodation in the transitional homes (temporarily), and adoption.

Presented data are as a phenomena of the abandoned children (newborn babies), and which are as result of the unwanted pregnancy.

Pensions of the disabled persons⁴

A disability pension -means any social security payment made to persons who are deemed disabled under legislation enacted by the Kosovo Assembly and which governs such a scheme of payments.

Social Assistance Scheme⁵

For the purpose of providing a social safety network within the broader context of the social protection in Kosovo and alleviating poverty by providing Social Assistance to poor and vulnerable families in need, institutions of Republic of Kosovo (Government and MLSW) have established the Social Assistance Scheme in Kosovo. This Scheme is regulated by the Law No.2003/15, by the applicable Regulation, Nr.2003/XX on the enforcement of the Law for Social Assistance Scheme and by a certain number of administrative directions.

Social Assistance Scheme (SAS) provides financial support to selected families consistent to foreseen criteria in this Law and based on means allocated for this purpose by Kosovo Consolidated Budget.

According to Law of SAS, the **Eligible family – is composed** of those persons whose needs are considered in determining eligibility and the amount of the assistance, and shall be defined as a community made up of the applicant or recipient of the assistance and all other family members that are in that household, (his or her spouse or cohabiting partner, parents and children, including adopted, (fostered), or children in a family accommodation or of one the spouse's children. Therefore, the family can comprise of the applicant or recipient of the assistance and one, two, or more family members who live in a household. An individual with no other family members in the household will be considered a family, under this Law.

A household –is defined as a group of individuals living together under a roof and sharing living costs. The household may include persons who are not members of the family according to this Law.

An Orphan –shall be defined as a child both of whose parents are deceased, or who was born by a sole (self-supporting) parent who has deceased.

A self-supporting parent – is defined as the parent or legal guardian of a child up to the age of eighteen (18) years, who lives with the child and is solely, legally and financially responsible for the child.

³ Definition for the abandoned children is extracted from: Law on marriage and family relations, /Official Gazette of Kosovo 10 / 84 / and Law for family Nr. 2004 / 32

⁴ Definition for the disabled persons is taken from: Law Nr. 2003 /15

⁵ Definition for social assistance scheme is taken from: Law No. 2003/15

A dependant person – is defined as an individual who belongs to one of the following groups:

- Persons who are over eighteen (18 years) of age and who have permanent and severe disabilities rendering them unable to work for remuneration;
- Persons who are sixty-five (65) years of age or older;
- Full-time guardians of persons with permanent disability, or of persons at the age of sixty-five (65) or older needing full-time care, or of a child under the age of five (5);
- Persons up to fourteen (14) years of age;
- Persons between the ages of fifteen (15) and eighteen (18) i and who are in full-time secondary education;
- Self-supporting parents with at least one child under the age of fifteen (15).

In order to be eligible for social assistance, all family members must be habitually residents in Kosovo and the families must fulfill the conditions for one of the following categories:

- a) First Category are the families where all family members are dependants, and none of them is employed.
- b) Second category- are the families with a family member able to work and:
- at least one child under the age of five (5), or
- having an orphan at the full-time care under the age of fifteen (15)

All family members in order to be included in the second category shall either be dependent under the above definition or be registered as unemployed at the Employment Office in the Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare.

For both categories, the eligible (qualified) families for social assistance are not allowed to have more than 50 acres of land, no financial income, no reckonable materials assets (vehicles for commercial profit and other working equipment used for profiting purposes, etc) The Family eligible for assistance according to criteria provided by Law, the social assistance will receive up to six months, provided that it has fulfilled the foreseen criteria during this period. Upon the expiry of the mentioned period, the family shall reapply in order to continue the social assistance eligibility.

The amount of the social assistance payment for these two categories shall be depended on number of the family members. Payments of the social assistance stating from 2003, when the law for social assistance entered into force, are as follows:

Family with one (1) member: $35 \in$ Family with two (2) members $50 \in$ Family with three (3) members $55 \in$ Family with four (4) members $60 \in$ Family with five (5) members $65 \in$ Family with six (6) members $70 \in$ Family with seven (7) members $75 \in$

1. Pensioners by regions and months in 2008 Table 1:

			Re	g i o	n s				Total	
Month	Gjakova	Gjilani	Mitrovica	Peja	Prizren	Prishtina	Ferizaj	F	М	Total
January										
Registered	17 419	20 742	30 400	16 831	27 634	36 885	15 095	86 693	78 313	165 006
Paid	13 901	16 488	24 544	13 497	22 062	29 975	11 954	70 568	62 853	133 421
February										
Registered	17 500	20 801	30 518	16 962	27 815	37 202	15 185	87 261	78 722	165 983
Paid	13 505	12 810	21 566	13 549	22 197	22 057	12 022	62 438	55 268	117 706
March										
Registered	17 616	20 948	30 692	17 044	27 930	37 381	15 277	87 718	79 170	166 888
Paid	13 308	15 476	23 395	13 587	18 344	23 472	12 088	63 396	56 274	119 670
April										
Registered	17 691	21 045	30 837	17 095	28 056	37 447	15 384	88 055	79 500	167 555
Paid	13 390	15 949	23 780	13 575	19 677	27 541	12 145	66 737	59 320	126 057
May										
Registered	17 824	21 145	30 965	17 275	28 284	37 952	15 495	88 759	80 181	168 940
Paid	13 848	16 083	24 223	13 639	21 564	28 966	12 177	69 397	61 103	130 500
June										
Registered	18 024	21 394	31 170	17 441	28 592	38 196	15 629	89 542	80 904	170 446
Paid	13 917	16 344	24 524	13 713	21 968	29 779	12 255	70 552	61 948	132 500
July										
Registered	18 183	21 632	31 414	17 630	28 783	38 591	15 756	90 328	81 661	171 989
Paid	14 148	16 675	24 823	13 906	22 320	30 329	12 448	71 693	62 956	134 649
August										
Registered	18 268	21 738	31 560	17 750	28 913	38 829	15 866	90 774	82 150	172 924
Paid	14 223	16 785	24 889	13 981	22 488	30 705	12 440	72 147	63 364	135 511
September										
Registered	18 391	21 872	31 732	17 855	29 079	39 047	15 971	91 258	82 689	173 947
Paid	14 340	16 974	25 136	14 105	22 795	31 015	12 646	72 912	64 099	137 011
October										
Registered	18 469	21 961	31 805	17 940	29 179	39 183	16 040	91 571	83 006	174 577
Paid	14 399	17 071	25 313	14 165	22 885	31 190	12 715	73 296	64 442	137 738
November										
Registered	18 558	22 043	31 991	18 061	29 332	39 440	16 138	92 051	83 512	175 563
Paid	14 421	17 079	25 283	14 171	22 911	31 248	12 679	73 332	64 460	137 792
December										
Registered	18 638	22 159	32 101	18 162	29 459	39 609	16 247	92 437	83 938	176 375
Paid	14 525	17 197	25 450	14 298	23 070	31 536	12 771	73 853	64 994	138 847

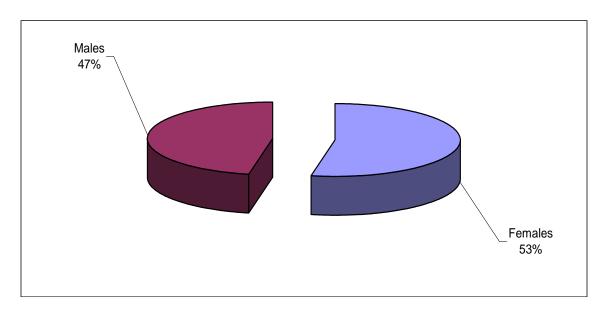
Based on the above table we notice that the number of persons who have applied for pension in December, 2008 was 176.375, while the number of persons who have gained the pension right was 138.847.

1.1. Pensioners by gender and total payments in 2008

Table 2:

Month	Total	number	Total	Total payment in €
IVIOTILIT	F	М	Total	Total payment in €
January	70 568	62 853	133 421	5,380,960.00
February	62 438	55 268	117 706	4,846,520.00
March	63 396	56 274	119 670	5,216,440.00
April	66 737	59 320	126 057	5,463,760.00
May	69 397	61 103	130 500	5,633,040.00
June	70 552	61 948	132 500	5,575,120.00
July	71 693	62 956	134 649	5,612,160.00
August	72 147	63 364	135 511	5,571,440.00
September	72 912	64 099	137 011	5,693,960.00
October	73 296	64 442	137 738	5,615,760.00
November	73 332	64 460	137 792	5,559,960.00
December	73 853	64 994	138 847	5,704,280.00

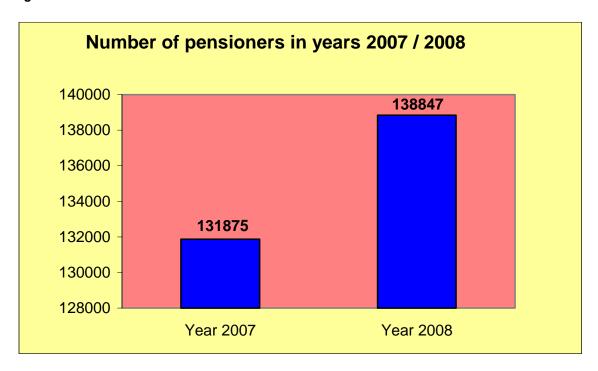
Figure 1: Gender structure of the pensioners presented in percentage



From the total number of 138.847 paid pensioners, 73.853 are females or said in percentage 53 %, while 64.994 males or 47 %.

Number of pensioners in years 2007 / 2008

Figure 2:



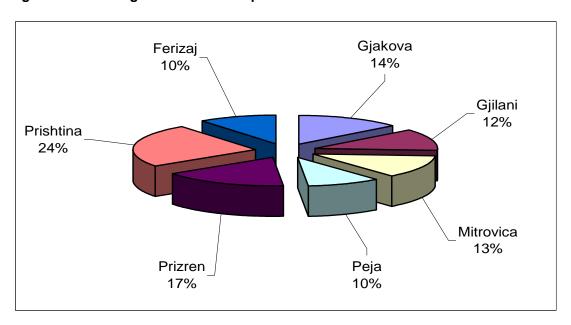
From the above figure, it comes out that in 2008 the number of persons who have gained the right for pension increased for 6.972 or said in percentage 5 %.

1.2. Pensions of the disabled persons by regions in 2008

Table 3

	Regions								
Year	Gjakova	Gjilani	Mitrovica	Peja	Prizren	Prishtina	Ferizaj	Total	
2008	2 767	2 397	2 527	1 908	3 292	4 806	2 049	19 746	

Figure 3: Percentage of the disabled pensioners



From the above table and figure we can notice that the total number of the disabled pensions in 2008 was about 19,746.

The highest number of the disabled pensions is in region of Prishtina with about 4.806, while the lowest number is in region of Peja with about 1 908.

2. Pension recipients in the Scheme of DMFWI registered and paid by months and regions in 2008

Table 4

Manth			R e	gio	n s			Tatal
Month	Gjakova	Gjilani	Mitrovica	Peja	Prizren	Prishtina	Ferizaj	Total
January								
Registered	977	318	2 289	2 002	2 211	3 052	753	11 602
Paid	866	240	1 813	1 687	1 873	2 328	621	9 428
February								
Registered	989	319	2 304	2 012	2 217	3 076	765	11 682
Paid	875	240	1 824	1 696	1 877	2 367	628	9 507
March								
Registered	994	320	2 312	2 018	2 222	3 105	769	11 740
Paid	894	242	1 852	1 708	1 900	2 424	629	9 649
April								
Registered	1003	321	2 362	2 040	2 238	3 148	789	11 901
Paid	921	242	1 869	1 717	1 916	2 452	638	9 755
May								
Registered	1045	325	2 461	2 114	2 308	3 261	816	12 330
Paid	966	244	1 972	1 793	1 990	2 597	675	10 237
June								
Registered	1125	328	2 581	2 186	2 370	3 348	825	12 763
Paid	1038	248	2086	1858	2055	2683	683	10651
July								
Registered	1167	330	2 687	2 222	2 438	3 443	849	13 136
Paid	1074	249	2 186	1 896	2 126	2 783	705	11 019
August								
Registered	1173	335	2 719	2 246	2 465	3 487	858	13 283
Paid	1081	253	2 214	1 916	2 153	2 824	713	11 154
September								
Registered	1175	338	2 752	2 262	2 492	3 545	865	13 429
Paid	1084	256	2 240	1 930	2 176	2 849	718	11 253
October								
Registered	1187	341	3 598	2 364	2 611	4 611	932	15 644
Paid	1088	258	2 253	1 946	2 193	2 866	723	11 327
November								
Registered	1194	346	3 617	2 380	2 629	4 645	963	15 774
Paid	1092	263	2 269	1 961	2 212	2 897	731	11 425
December								
Registered	1201	351	3 784	2 426	2 709	4 911	949	16 331
Paid	1096	267	2 292	1 970	2 222	2 925	737	11 509

Based on the situation of December 2008, it comes out that number of the registered pension recipients in the DMFWI Scheme (Department of Martyrs' Families and War Invalids) is 16.331, while the number of the paid pension recipients is 11.509.

The highest number of the registered pension recipients is Prishtina region with a total of 4.911, while the lowest number of them is in Gjilani region with a total of 351.

It is worth mentioning that from the total of 11.509 paid recipients, 2.606 from them are as war invalids, while 1.547 are as civilian war invalids, 2.056 are as martyrs' families, 4.909 are as families of civilian victims, 42 are guardians of war invalids, 30 are as families of war invalids after their death, 19 are from the families of the KLA 's missing, 265 families from the Civilian missing, 13 are as guardians for the civilian invalids and 22 are as families of the civilian war invalids after their death.

2.1. Pension recipients in the Scheme of DMFWI registered and paid by age in 2008

Table 5:

Table 5:				Age				
Month	<18	18-25	26-35	36-45	46-55	56-65	65>	Total
January								<u> </u>
Registered	132	415	1 974	2 709	2 470	2 038	1 864	11 602
Paid	91	271	1 555	2 343	2 100	1 695	1 373	9 428
February								
Registered	133	420	1 993	2 726	2 491	2 044	1 875	11 682
Paid	94	273	1 569	2 361	2 120	1 701	1 389	9 507
March								
Registered	135	423	2 004	2 737	2 503	2 051	1 887	11 740
Paid	96	275	1 587	2 378	2 150	1 730	1 433	9 649
April								
Registered	137	428	2 034	2 788	2 533	2 075	1 906	11 901
Paid	97	275	1 595	2 395	2 173	1 760	1 460	9 755
May								
Registered	136	435	2 055	2 838	2 638	2 218	2 010	12 330
Paid	97	285	1 620	2 451	2 295	1 916	1 573	10 237
June								
Registered	139	448	2 097	2 887	2 733	2 349	2 110	12 763
Paid	101	298	1 655	2 500	2 388	2 050	1 659	10 651
July								
Registered	139	462	2 138	2 945	2 823	2 439	2 190	13 136
Paid	101	306	1 691	2 564	2469	2 141	1 747	11 019
August								
Registered	139	467	2 157	2 969	2 852	2 477	2 222	13 283
Paid	101	312	1 706	2 583	2 498	2 177	1 777	11 154
September								
Registered	140	470	2 184	2 996	2 882	2 511	2 246	13 429
Paid	101	315	1 723	2 595	2 518	2 203	1 798	11 253
October								
Registered	146	482	2 990	3 743	3 353	2 645	2 285	15 644
Paid	104	317	1 741	2 607	2 533	2 216	1 809	11 327
November								
Registered	148	489	3 010	3 762	3 378	2 658	2 302	15 747
Paid	104	320	1 756	2 627	2 561	2 231	1 826	11425
December								
Registered	130	423	2 881	4 014	3 546	2 755	2 582	13 331
Paid	93	282	1 602	2 614	2 585	2 288	2 045	11 509

The highest number of the pension recipients in the DMFWI Scheme belongs to age from 36-45 with about 2.614 persons, while the lowest number belongs to age of 18 years with about 93 persons.

2.2. Pension recipients in the Scheme of DMFWI by nationalities in 2008

Table 6:

Table 6:	Albai	nians	Se	rbs	То	tal	
Month	F	М	F	M	F	М	Total
January	5 286	4 112	22	8	5 308	4 120	9 428
February	5 327	4 150	22	8	5 349	4 158	9 507
March	5 426	4 192	23	8	5 449	4 200	9 649
April	5 490	4 234	23	8	5 513	4 242	9 755
Мау	5 731	4 474	24	8	5 755	4 482	10 237
June	5 997	4 618	28	8	6 025	4 626	10 651
July	6 202	4 780	29	8	6 231	4 788	11 019
August	6 282	4 835	29	8	6 311	4 843	11 154
September	6 339	4 877	29	8	6 368	4 885	11 253
October	6 376	4 914	29	8	6 405	4 922	11 327
November	6 412	4 975	30	8	6 442	4 983	11 425
December	6 444	5 027	30	8	6 474	5 035	11 509

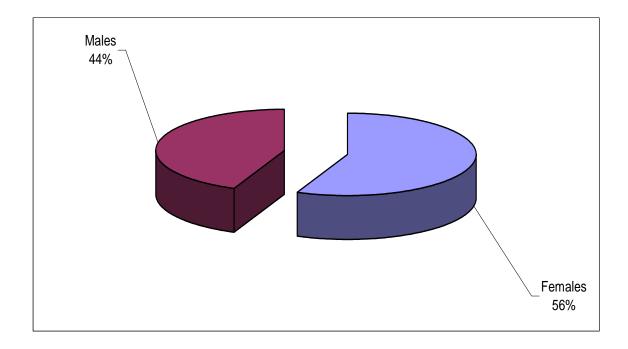
From the above table we notice that from the total of 11.509 paid pension recipients in the DMFWI, 11.471 are Albanians, while 38 are Serbs.

2.3. Pension recipients in the Scheme of DMFWI by gender and total payment by months in 2008

Table 7:

Marida	Number of the paid							
Month	F	М	Total	Total payment in €				
January	5 308	4 120	9 428	754,296.94				
February	5 349	4 158	9 507	757,730.74				
March	5 449	4 200	9 649	2,355,289.58				
April	5 513	4 242	9 755	1,357,329.22				
May	5 755	4 482	10 237	1,611,129.02				
June	6 025	4 626	10 651	1,675,529.17				
July	6 231	4 788	11 019	1,716,190.38				
August	6 311	4 843	11 154	1,540,609.20				
September	6 368	4 885	11 253	1,524,802.04				
October	6 405	4 922	11 327	1,515,840.80				
November	6 442	4 983	11 425	1,531,529.68				
December	6 474	5 035	11 509	1,537,435.74				

Figure 4: Percentage of the pension recipients in the DMFWI Scheme by gender



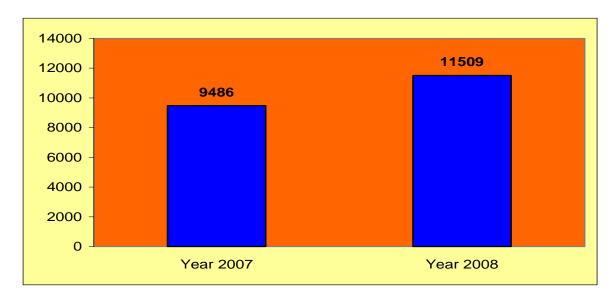
From the above figure we notice that the highest number of the pension recipients in DMFWI Scheme are females with a total of 6.474 or 56 %, while the lowest number are males with a total of 5.035 or 44 %.

2.4. Pension recipients in the Scheme of DMFWI by months of the years 2007/ 2008

Table 8:

	Number	of the paid invalids
	Year	
Month	2007	2008
January	8 470	9 428
February	8 584	9 507
March	8 800	9 649
April	8 905	9 755
May	9 020	10 237
June	8 955	10 651
July	9 077	11 019
August	9 138	11 154
September	9 253	11 253
October	9 324	11 327
November	9 391	11 425
December	9 486	11 509

Figure 5: Pension recipients in the DMFWI Scheme in years 2007 / 2008



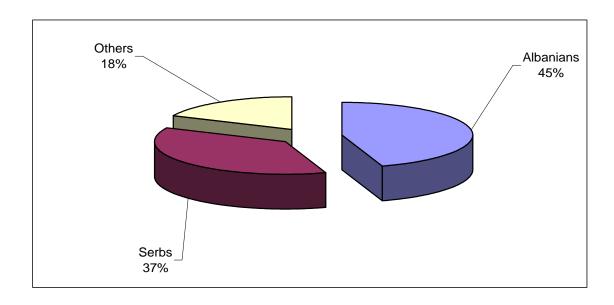
From the above table and figure can be seen that in 2007 there were about 9.486 pension paid recipients in the DMFWI Scheme, while in 2008 there are 11.509. From this comes out that in 2008 we have a number increase of the pension recipients in the DMFWI Scheme for 2.023 persons or said in percentage for 17.6%

3. Persons with specific demands accomodated in the special Institute of Shtime in 2008

Table 9:

Month	Albanians	Serbs	Others	Total
January	58	49	22	129
February	58	49	22	129
March	57	49	22	128
April	56	49	22	127
May	57	49	22	128
June	60	49	22	131
July	60	49	23	132
August	59	49	23	131
September	59	49	23	131
October	58	49	23	130
November	58	49	23	130
December	57	47	23	127

Figure 6: National structure of the persons with specific demands accommodated in the Institute of Shtime in 2008



Based on the situation of December 2008, comes out that the number of the persons accommodated in this institute is 127, from them 57 or 45% are Albanians, and 47 or 37% are Serbs and 23 or 18% are from other ethnic minorities.

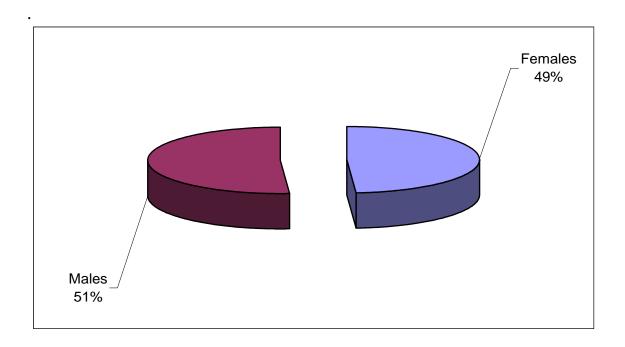
Compared with years of 2007/2008 comes out that the number of these persons in 2008 has marked a decrease for 3 persons or 2.3%.

3.1. Gender structure of the persons with specific demands accommodated in the special institute of Shtime

Table 10:

Month	F	М	Total
January	64	65	129
February	64	65	129
March	64	64	128
April	63	64	127
May	63	65	128
June	64	67	131
July	65	67	132
August	64	67	131
September	64	67	131
October	64	66	130
November	64	66	130
December	62	65	127

Figure 7: Gender percentage of the persons with specific demands accommodated in the special institute of Shtime



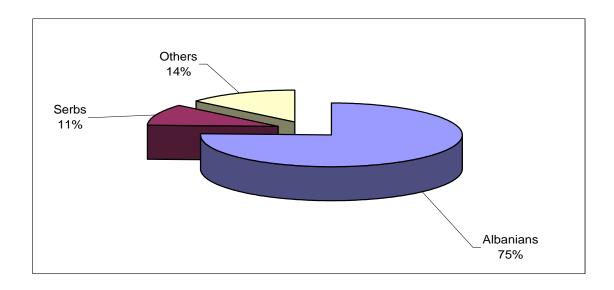
From the total number of persons with specific demands-demands accommodated in institute of Shtime, 62 of them are females, while 65 of them are males, or said in percentage 49 % are females and 51 % are males.

3.2. Old persons accomodated in the nursing home of Prishtina by months and nationalities in 2008

Table 11:

Month	Albanians	Serbs	Others	Total
January	84	14	12	110
February	84	14	12	110
March	83	13	12	108
April	82	13	13	108
May	80	13	13	106
June	76	13	14	103
July	80	13	15	108
August	79	13	15	107
September	82	13	15	110
October	82	12	15	109
November	82	12	15	109
December	83	12	15	110

Figure 8: Ethic structure of the persons accommodated in the nursing home in Prishtina



Based on the situation of December 2008, in the nursing home of Prishtina there were accommodated about 110 persons, and 83 from them are Albanians, 12 are Serbs and 15 are from other ethnic nationalities.

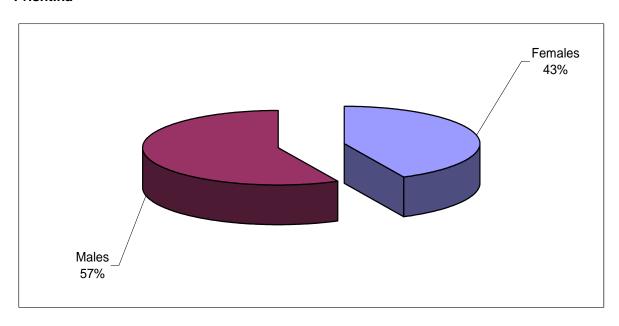
Compared with years of 2007 / 2008, comes out that in 2008 the number of these persons increased for 2 persons or said in percentage for 1.8%

3.3. Gender structure of the perosns accommodated in the nursing home of Prishtina

Table 12:

Month	F	М	Total
January	48	62	110
February	48	62	110
March	46	62	108
April	46	62	108
May	46	60	106
June	44	59	103
July	46	62	108
August	46	61	107
September	47	63	110
October	47	62	109
November	47	62	109
December	47	63	110

Figure 9: Gender percentage of the persons accommodated in nursing home of Prishtina



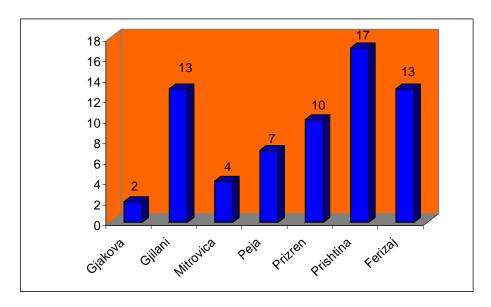
From the total number of persons accommodated in the nursing home of Prishtinë, 47 of them are females and 63 of them are males.

3.4. Abandoned children by regions and months in 2008

Table 13:

Month	Regions						Tatal	
IVIOTILIT	Gjakova	Gjilani	Mitrovica	Peja	Prizren	Prishtina	Ferizaj	Total
January	-	2	-	-	2	3	1	8
February	-	2	-	2	2	2	1	9
March	-	-	-	1	1	5	1	8
April	-	2	-	1	-	-	1	4
May	-	2	-	1	1	1	3	8
June	1	1	-	-	-	2	1	5
July	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
August	-	2	-	-	2	3	-	7
September	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	3
October	-	-	3	1	2	1	-	7
November	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	2
December	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	3
Total	2	13	4	7	10	17	13	66

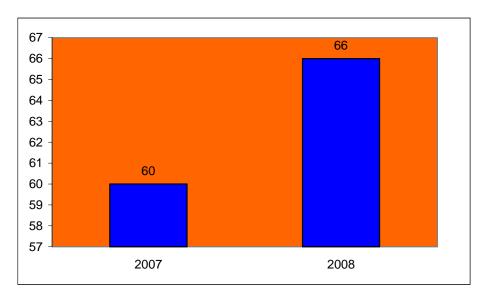
Figure 10: Number of the abandoned children by regions



During the year of 2008, there were 66 children abandoned. The highest number of the abandoned children occurred in region of Prishtina, where were abandoned 17 children.

Abandoned children in years of 2007 / 2008

Figure 11:



Compared with years 2007 /2008 comes out that in 2008 the number of the abandoned children has marked an increase for 6 children or said in percentage for 9%.

4. Families and families' members who have benefited social assistance by months of years 2007 /2008

Table 14:

	Number o	of families	Number of fam	ilies' members
Month -	Y e	Year		ar
	2007	2008	2007	2008
January	40 579	37 401	174 415	162 210
February	40 299	37 303	173 738	161 951
March	39 934	36 879	172 122	159 939
April	39 207	36 725	169 143	159 385
May	38 671	36 440	166 940	158 370
June	37 898	35 911	163 525	156 074
July	37 406	35 343	161 830	153 897
August	37 220	35 004	161 164	152 435
September	37 392	34 232	161 863	148 823
October	37 097	33 716	160 234	146 513
November	37 229	34 137	161 348	148 397
December	37 170	34 307	161 049	149 227

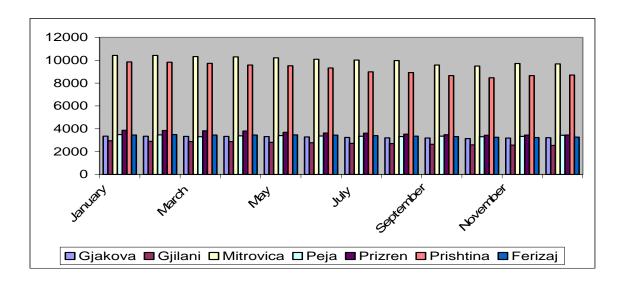
Based on the situation in December 2008, we notice that the number of the families who benefit from the social assistance is 34.307, while the families members is149.227. Compared with years 2007/2008, comes out that the number of families who benefit from the social assistance has marked a decrease for 2.863 persons or said in percentage for 7%.

4.1. Families that have benefited social assistance by regions and months in 2008

Table 15:

Regions								
Month	Gjakova	Gjilani	Mitrovica	Peja	Prizren	Prishtina	Ferizaj	Total
January	3 357	2 956	10 417	3 490	3 861	9 858	3 462	37 401
February	3 347	2 898	10 424	3 472	3 849	9 824	3489	37 303
March	3 330	2 890	10 326	3 313	3 830	9 734	3 456	36 879
April	3 338	2 876	10 297	3 380	3 802	9 576	3 456	36 725
May	3 317	2 819	10 212	3 412	3 694	9 516	3 470	36 440
June	3 282	2 783	10 089	3 367	3 628	9 319	3 443	35 911
July	3 244	2 733	10 012	3 350	3 613	8 988	3 403	35 343
August	3 206	2 699	9 975	3 324	3 526	8 922	3 352	35 004
September	3 203	2 639	9 582	3 360	3 478	8 653	3 317	34 232
October	3 146	2 593	9 494	3 313	3 437	8 471	3 262	33 716
November	3 185	2 567	9 712	3 336	3 447	8 652	3 238	34 137
December	3 224	2 546	9 680	3 432	3 453	8 703	3 269	34 307

Figure 12: Number of families benefiting from social assistance by regions and months



The highest number of families who benefit from the social assistance occurred in region of Mitrovica with 9.680 persons, while the lowest number occurred in Gjilani region with 2.546 persons

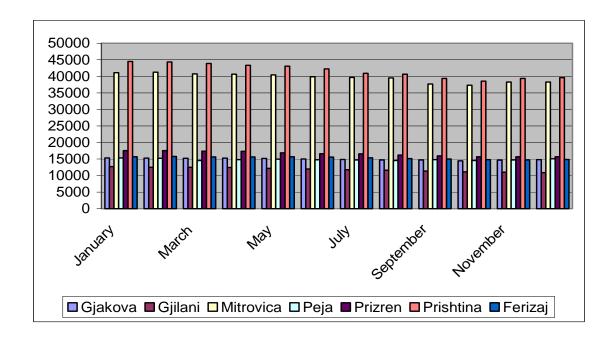
4.2. Members of families who have benefited social assistance by regions and months in 2008

Table 16:

	Regions							
Month	Gjakova	Gjilani	Mitrovica	Peja	Prizren	Prishtina	Ferizaj	Total
January	15 336	12 725	41 098	15 315	17 565	44 484	15 687	162 210
February	15 290	12 504	41 249	15 210	17 553	44 356	15 789	161 951
March	15 224	12 491	40 749	14 544	17 397	43 890	15 644	159 939
April	15 253	12 424	40 640	14 806	17 316	43 294	15 652	159 385
May	15 153	12 189	40 436	14 973	16 869	43 070	15 680	158 370
June	15 028	12 006	39 875	14 750	16 621	42 216	15 578	156 074
July	14 876	11 790	39 673	14 691	16 561	40 907	15 399	153 897
August	14 731	11 649	39 512	14 552	16 215	40 635	15 141	152 435
September	14 710	11 368	37 630	14 793	15 952	39 369	15 001	148 823
October	14 473	11 136	37 281	14 543	15 695	38 546	14 839	146 513
November	14 663	11 003	38 246	14 697	15 695	39 370	14 723	148 397
December	14 832	10 893	38 257	15 097	15 668	39 614	14 866	149 227

From the above table we see that in 2008 about 149.227 persons have benefited from then social assistance. These data can also be represented through the following figure:

Figure 13: Number of the families' members who have benefited from the social assistance by regions and months in 2008



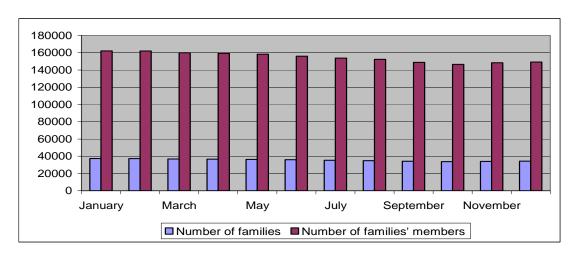
4.3. Families and families' members who have benefited social assistance by months in 2008

Table 17:

Month	Number of families	Number of families' members
January	37 401	162 210
February	37 303	161 951
March	36 879	159 939
April	36 725	159 385
May	36 440	158 370
June	35 911	156 074
July	35 343	153 897
August	35 004	152 435
September	34 232	148 823
October	33 716	146 513
November	34 137	148 397
December	34 307	149 227

About 34.307 families with about 149.227 members have benefited from the social assistance.

Figure 14: Number of families and members who have benefited from social assistance by months of 2008



Gjakova

Month	Families	Families members	Amount in €
January	3 357	15 336	209,713.00
February	3 347	15 290	207,558.00
March	3 330	15 224	207,223.00
April	3 338	15 253	207,453.00
May	3 317	15 153	205,848.00
June	3 282	15 028	203,975.00
July	3 244	14 876	201,619.00
August	3 206	14 731	282,873.00
September	3 203	14 710	199,504.00
October	3 146	14 473	195,754.00
November	3 185	14 663	198,709.00
December	3 224	14 832	200,934.00

Gjilani

Month	Families	Families members	Amount in €
January	2 956	12 725	182,894.00
February	2 898	12 504	177,514.00
March	2 890	12 491	177,787.00
April	2 876	12 424	176,342.00
May	2 819	12 189	172,772.00
June	2 783	12 006	172,327.00
July	2 733	11 790	167,037.00
August	2 699	11 649	165,137.00
September	2 639	11 368	163,144.00
October	2 593	11 136	158,984.00
November	2 567	11 003	157,289.00
December	2 546	10 893	156,849.00

Mitrovica

Month	Families	Families members	Amount in €
January	10 417	41 098	611,921.00
February	10 424	41 249	611,212.00
March	10 326	40 749	605,171.00
April	10 297	40 640	603,346.00
May	10 212	40 436	600,659.00
June	10 089	39 875	595,757.00
July	10 012	39 673	588,607.00
August	9 975	39 512	587,684.00
September	9 582	37 630	562,144.00
October	9 494	37 281	557,989.00
November	9 712	38 246	572,309.00
December	9 680	38 257	570,970.00

Peja

Month	Families	Families members	Amount in €
January	3 490	15 315	214,202.00
February	3 472	15 210	211,057.00
March	3 313	14 544	202,189.00
April	3 380	14 806	205,228.00
May	3 412	14 973	177,836.00
June	3 367	14 750	205,409.00
July	3 350	14 691	203,876.00
August	3 324	14 552	202,252.00
September	3 360	14 793	206,672.00
October	3 313	14 543	202,102.00
November	3 336	14 697	204,217.00
December	3 432	15 097	209,948.00

Prizren

Month	Families	Families members	Amount in €
January	3 861	17 565	238,512.00
February	3 849	17 553	236,383.00
March	3 830	17 397	236,153.00
April	3 802	17 316	234,503.00
May	3 694	16 869	226,259.00
June	3 628	16 621	223,383.00
July	3 613	16 561	222,253.00
August	3 526	16 215	217,055.00
September	3 478	15 952	215,625.00
October	3 437	15 695	212,175.00
November	3 447	15 695	212,492.00
December	3 453	15 688	212,332.00

Prishtina

Month	Families	Families members	Amount in €
January	9 858	44 484	614,631.00
February	9 824	44 356	613,522.00
March	9 734	43 890	606,424.00
April	9 576	43 294	597,396.00
May	9 516	43 070	597,051.00
June	9 319	42 216	620,469.00
July	8 988	40 907	561,147.00
August	8 922	40 635	557,060.00
September	8 653	39 369	541,654.00
October	8 471	38 546	526,135.00
November	8 652	39 370	545,717,00
December	8 703	39 614	548,216.00

Ferizaj

Month	Families	Families memebrs	Amount in €
January	3 462	15 687	214,858.00
February	3 489	15 789	215,773.00
March	3 456	15 644	212,808.00
April	3 456	15 652	213,308.00
May	3 470	15680	213,528.00
June	3 443	15 578	212,453.00
July	3 403	15 399	209,303.00
August	3 352	15 141	230,432.00
September	3 317	15 001	205.092.00
October	3 262	14 839	201,872.00
November	3 238	14 723	200,348.00
December	3 269	14 866	202,535.00

Between the above-mentioned tables we have presented the number of families and families' members that benefit from the social assistance as financial funds paid for each regions

5. Annual amount of the spent funds for social assistance payment, pensioners and war invalids in years 2007 / 2008

Year	Social assistance	Pensioners	War invalids
2007	28,030,083,00 €	63,477,840,00 €	9,173,104,02 €
2008	26,118,831.00 €	66,196,720.00 €	17,877,711.81 €

Based on the above cited table comes out that in 2008 for social assistance payment were spent 26,118,831.00€, for the pensions payment were spent about 60,492,440.00 € and for war invalids payment were spent about 17,877,711.81€

Compared with 2007 / 2008 comes out that in 2008, the budget for social assistance payment dot decreased for 4,243,650.00 ∈ or said in percentage for 13.9 %, while the budget for pensions payment got increased for 2,718,880 ∈ or said in percentage for 4.1%, while budget for war invalids payment got also increased for 8,704,607.79 ∈ or said in percentage for 48.7 %.

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