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Preface

The Kosovo Agency of Statistics (KAS) started to publish data on the Import for Kosovo since 2001.

Publication of External Trade is based on the Kosovo Customs Service data.

Preliminary data on Export were published in 2000 and 2001.

All these publications consist of preliminary data due to the continuous quality improvements; data in this publication are different from the preliminary data published before.

This publication contains 7 tables on Kosovo External Trade mainly for October 2017 comparisons with same period 2016. Tables are related with the Import and Export by the flow of goods, cumulatively, statistical procedures, and sections, by countries and by border points.

Import is given by country of origin.

Suggestion and remarks of users are welcome.

Future publications will certainly provide new and better quality of data.

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Abbreviations

KAS Kosovo Agency of Statistics FOB Free on Board C.I.F. Cost, Insurance, Freight EU European Union CN Combined Nomenclature SITC Standard International Trade Classification SCT Standard Trade Classification SAD Single Administrative Document HS Harmonized System ISO International Standard of Organization n.e.s. not elsewhere specified s.s suspension system d.s drawback system

Symbols

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External Trade statistics – methodological notes

Sources

The statistics of trade is compiled mainly from the documents supplied by importers and exporters (or their agents) to the Customs authorities. The document is the Single Administrative Document (SAD) used for Customs clearance purposes. The information on the document is captured by the Customs Information system.

Responsibility for data collection, compilation and publication

The Customs administration is responsible for the collection, inputting and processing of the data from customs statements. Data regarding the field of statistics are registered within this documents (SAD), are reported in monthly bases to the Statistical Agency of Kosovo by the Customs Administration via electronically.

KAS is responsible for external trade data processing, compilation and publication. These statistics include data by the type of customs procedures. Additional work involves editing and validation (or approval) of customs data.

Coverage

External trade statistics do not cover temporary imports and exports of goods which will return after a certain period in an unchanged condition, as are: services, repairs, money as means of payment, money in gold, fuel supply of Kosovo's vehicles abroad, imports of goods for foreign liaisons offices and other diplomatic missions in Kosovo, travelers personal baggage, commercial samples and postal packages of minor value.

Recording system

External trade statistics are compiled in accordance with the 'special' system (facilitating definition) of recording international trade. By this system, imports and exports are recorded at the time when goods move across the territory (or area) under the free flow that is the part when goods may be sold without any customs restriction. The facilitating definition means that beside regular export and import transactions, also inward and outward processing is included.

Special exports include exports of goods: covered by inward processing procedure, covered by the customs outward processing procedure, not recorded from customs declarations.

Special imports include imports of foreign goods: covered by inward processing procedure, covered by the customs outward processing procedure, not recorded from customs declarations.

Goods in transit are excluded.

Valuation

For imports the "cif" value is used (cost, insurance and freight to the point of entry in Kosovo). For exports the "fob" (free on board) value is used. This is the cost of goods purchased abroad, including packing, transport within the state, loading charges, insurance and other charges accruing up to the point where the goods are put on board the exporting vessel or aircraft or are conveyed to the land frontier. The invoice value is recalculated to the value at the Kosovo's

border by adding or subtracting the whole or in parts the costs of transport, loading, unloading and insurance, depending on the terms of delivery by the contract.

The value excludes:

- any sum receivable by the exporter by way of export refund, drawback, subsidy or other bounty
- any foreign customs duties or freight charges beyond the port or point of exportation.

Valuation is in euro. For transactions in which the value is expressed in a foreign currency, conversion to euro is done using the daily current exchange rate.

Reference period

The calendar month is the basic period for compiling the data. On the base of customs data, the time of recording the imports/exports transactions is the date of submission of the customs declaration or according to some other date valid for the implementation of the customs regulations.

Units of quantity

The quantity of exported and imported goods is shown in net mass if it can be determined considering the nature of the product and in the supplementary unit of measurement when it is prescribed in the customs tariff nomenclature.

Net weight is the usual unit of quantity shown. The weight of containers, cases, jars and packing materials is therefore excluded.

Other units of quantity are used for some commodities, notably live animals, motor vehicles, office machines, domestic appliances, watches and clocks, and clothing (where number is used as the unit of quantity), footwear (where the number of pairs is used), floor coverings (where square meters are used), and beverages (where volume is used).

Partner country

In this publication, imports are recorded by country of origin (as opposed to country of consignment or dispatch). Goods obtained or produced in one country originating at that country. A product, in the production of which two or more countries were involved, is considered as originating by the country in which the last substantial manufacturing process occurred. Packing, repacking, sorting and blending are not regarded as manufacturing processes.

Exports are classified by country of final destination. The last country to which the goods are specifically directed on their outward movement from the State is regarded as their final destination. This is not necessarily the country in which the goods will be unshipped or that in which they will be finally consumed.

Country classification

The classification of countries is the country nomenclature (Geo-nomenclature) as set in the Official Journal of the European Communities, published in annual bases. Since January 1999, this follows the United Nations' ISO alpha-2 coding system in which each country is identified by a two-letter code.

Classification of goods

Statistics are collected by using the 8-digit Combined Nomenclature (CN) – the EU tariff and statistical nomenclature. This nomenclature is managed and updated annually by the Commission in cooperation with the member states. The CN is aligned with the 6-digit Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (HS) – the nomenclature of the Customs Co-operation Council that is used throughout the world for applying customs tariffs and compiling external trade statistics. The CN contains about 10,400 8-digit subheadings, the first six digits of which correspond to the HS code.

The Standard International Trade Classification, Revision 3 (SITC Rev 3) has been developed by the United Nations for the advancement of the international comparability of statistics on external trade.

SITC Rev 3 contains about 3,100 basic headings (5-digit). These are combined into 261 Groups (3-digit), 98 Divisions (2-digit) and 10 Sections (1-digit). For example, Section 6 (Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material) consists of 9 Divisions, 61 to 69. Division 64 (Paper, paperboard and articles thereof) consists of two groups, 641 and 642, which together consist of 72 basic headings, such as 642.94 (Paper handkerchiefs, towels, tablecloths, garments etc).

SITC Rev 3 follows the structure of the HS. Each of the categories in the SITC (including all the basic headings) is equivalent to a combination of HS headings (and therefore to a combination of CN headings)

Dissemination of data

Monthly data are provisional and published 24 days after the reference month. Annual data are published in June.

Publication

Release dates for external trade statistics are Aggregated data are published on the KAS web page 24 days after the reference period.

Monthly:

Monthly External Trade Statistics for Kosovo

Annually:

Final data

External Trade Statistics, Kosovo

Export and Import flow for October 2017

Initial figures for Kosovo's external trade of goods show a high trade deficit (11.1%) of 238,0 million euro for October 2017 compared with deficit of 214,2 million euro for the same period 2016. The export covers the import (12.5%).

Export and Import for period October 2017 were worth respectively 34,0 million euro and 272,1 million euro. There is increase by (25.8%) for exports and by (12.8%) for imports compared to the same period 2016.

According to the data the main groups of export are: (35.8%) base metal and articles of base metal, (20.2%) mineral products, (9.4%) plastics, rubber and articles thereof, (9.0%) prepared foodstuffs, beverages and tobacco, (5.5%) vegetable products, (3.3%) miscellaneous manufactured articles, (3.2%) leather and their articles etc.

According to the data the main groups of import are: (13.8%) mineral products, (11.5%) machinery, appliances and electric material, (11.1%) prepared foodstuffs, beverages and tobacco, (10.7%) base metal and articles of base metal, (9.1%) transport means, (7.2%) products of chemical industries, (6.9%) plastics, rubber and articles thereof, (5.7%) textiles and textile articles etc.

Foreign trade of goods by EU-28

Exports to EU countries-28 amounted to 9,2 million €, or (27.1%) of total exports, with an increase of (29.0). The main partners for the export of goods in the EU area are: Germany (5.2%), Great Britain (4.8%), Netherland (3.6%) and Austria (2.3%).

Kosovo imports from EU-28 were around 113,6 million €, or (41.8%) of total imports, with an increase of (7.6%). Where the above imports were from: Germany (12.1%), Italy (5.6%), Greece (4.5%), Poland (2.6%) etc.

Trade with CEFTA countries

In the month of October 2017, exports to CEFTA countries amounted to 17,3 million €, or (50.8%) of total exports, with an increase of (13.3%). The main partners for export are: Albania (16.7%), Serbia (13.5%), Macedonia (12.0%) and Montenegro (5.8%).

While imports from CEFTA countries amounted to 74,6 million €, or (27.4%) of total imports, with an increase of (10.2%). The countries with the highest import were: Serbia (14.0%), Macedonia (5.3%), Albania (5.3%) and B&H (2.1%).

Trade with other countries of the world

Exports to other countries amounted to 7,5 million €, or (22.1%). The main partners for export are: India (12.9%) and Switzerland (5.2%).

While imports of Kosovo with other countries amounted 83,8 million €, or (and 30.8%). The countries with the highest participation for import in this group were: Turkey (10.4%) China (9.3%).

Table 1: Flow of goods on external trade

(000 €)

Period	Exports (FOB)	Imports (CIF)	Trade balance	Per cent of cover
1	2	3	4=2-3	5=2/3
2001	10,559	684,500	-673,941	1.5
2002	27,599	854,758	-827,159	3.2
2003	35,621	973,265	-937,644	3.7
2004	56,567	1,063,347	-1,006,780	5.3
2005	56,283	1,157,492	-1,101,209	4.9
2006	110,774	1,305,879	-1,195,105	8.5
2007	165,112	1,576,186	-1,411,074	10.5
2008	198,463	1,928,236	-1,729,773	10.3
2009*	165,328	1,937,539	-1,772,211	8.5
2010	295,957	2,157,725	-1,861,769	13.7
2011	319,165	2,492,348	-2,173,184	12.8
2012	276,100	2,507,609	-2,231,509	11.0
2013	293,842	2,449,064	-2,155,221	12.0
2014	324,543	2,538,337	-2,213,794	12.8
2015	325,294	2,634,693	-2,309,399	12.3
2016	309,627	2,789,491	-2,479,864	11.1
01-2015	26,355	137,156	-110,801	19.2
02-2015	23,336	163,881	-140,545	14.2
03-2015	26,333	198,187	-171,854	13.3
04-2015	27,708	223,890	-196,182	12.4
05-2015	27,333	237,716	-210,383	11.5
06-2015	30,445	238,098	-207,653	12.8
07-2015	36,633	246,033	-209,400	14.9
08-2015	28,312	245,251	-216,939	11.5
09-2015	24,417	230,841	-206,424	10.6
10-2015	27,128	241,792	-214,665	11.2
11-2015	23,721	218,177	-194,456	10.9
12-2015	23,573	253,671	-230,097	9.3
01-2016	22,276	132,626	-110,351	16.8
02-2016	24,082	193,676	-169,593	12.4
03-2016	25,583	235,520	-209,937	10.9
04-2016	23,027	250,672	-227,645	9.2
05-2016	27,098	238,040	-210,941	11.4
06-2016	30,339	247,222	-216,883	12.3
07-2016	30,397	240,934	-210,537	12.6
08-2016	21,462	270,468	-249,006	7.9
09-2016	21,670	232,676	-211,006	9.3
10-2016	27,066	241,325	-214,259	11.2
11-2016	32,107	234,859	-202,752	13.7
12-2016	24,520	271,473	-246,954	9.0
01-2017	21,447	146,887	-125,440	14.6
02-2017	23,696	197,885	-174,189	12.0
03-2017	31,261	264,660	-233,399	11.8
04-2017	31,219	251,892	-220,674	12.4
05-2017	33,492	279,322	-245,829	12.0
06-2017	38,199	255,702	-217,502	14.9
07-2017	38,367	275,333	-236,966	13.9
08-2017	32,592	297,303	-264,710	11.0
09-2017	34,110	248,115	-214,004	13.7
10-2017	34,055	272,129	-238,075	12.5

2017) are preliminary data 2009) data for import are changed from the earlier publikations

Table 2: Flow of goods on external trade, cumulative

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Period	Exports (FOB)	Imports (CIF)	Trade balance	Per cent of cover
1	2	3	4=2-3	5=2/3
01-2015	26,355	137,156	-110,801	19.2
02-2015	49,691	301,037	-251,346	16.5
03-2015	76,024	499,224	-423,200	15.2
04-2015	103,731	723,114	-619,383	14.3
05-2015	131,065	960,830	-829,765	13.6
06-2015	161,509	1,198,928	-1,037,418	13.5
07-2015	198,142	1,444,961	-1,246,818	13.7
08-2015	226,455	1,690,212	-1,463,758	13.4
09-2015	250,872	1,921,053	-1,670,181	13.1
10-2015	277,999	2,162,845	-1,884,846	12.9
11-2015	301,720	2,381,022	-2,079,302	12.7
12-2015	325,294	2,634,693	-2,309,399	12.3
01-2016	22,276	132,626	-110,351	16.8
02-2016	46,358	326,302	-279,944	14.2
03-2016	71,941	561,823	-489,881	12.8
04-2016	94,968	812,495	-717,527	11.7
05-2016	122,066	1,050,534	-928,468	11.6
06-2016	152,405	1,297,756	-1,145,351	11.7
07-2016	182,802	1,538,691	-1,355,888	11.9
08-2016	204,264	1,809,158	-1,604,894	11.3
09-2016	225,934	2,041,834	-1,815,900	11.1
10-2016	253,000	2,283,159	-2,030,159	11.1
11-2016	285,108	2,518,018	-2,232,910	11.3
12-2016	309,627	2,789,491	-2,479,864	11.1
01-2017	21,447	146,887	-125,440	14.6
02-2017	45,143	344,772	-299,629	13.1
03-2017	76,404	609,432	-533,027	12.5
04-2017	107,623	861,324	-753,701	12.5
05-2017	141,115	1,140,646	-999,531	12.4
06-2017	179,314	1,396,347	-1,217,033	12.8
07-2017	217,681	1,671,680	-1,453,999	13.0
08-2017	250,274	1,968,983	-1,718,709	12.7
09-2017	284,384	2,217,098	-1,932,714	12.8
10-2017	318,439	2,489,227	-2,170,788	12.8

Table 3: Exports and imports, according to statistical procedures

(000€) Indices Oct-16 Oct-17 2017/ Statistical procedure % 2016 Value % Value **Total Exports (FOB)** 27,066 100.0 34,055 100.0 126 1 Normal exports 22,080 81.6 29,970 0.88 135.7 2 Exports covered by inward processing procedure 4,986 18.4 4,084 12.0 81.9 3 Exports covered by the customs outward processir 9 Exports not recorded from customs declarations **Total Importes (CIF)** 241,325 100.0 272,129 100.0 113 1 Importet normale 238,201 98.7 268,148 98.5 112.6 2 Imports covered by inward processing procedure 3,124 1.3 3,981 1.5 127.4 3 Imports covered by the customs outward processir : 9 Imports not recorded from customs declarations

Table 4: Exports and imports, according to SITC

(000€) Oct - 2016 Oct - 2017 Sections by SITC Value % Value % Export (FOB) Total 27.066 100.0 34,055 100.0 Food and live animals 3,223 11.9 2,837 8.3 Beverages and tobacco 1,487 1,981 5.8 5.5 26.3 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels 6,123 22.6 8,963 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related mater 5,272 19.5 3,451 10.1 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes 37 0.1 1,424 5.3 4.6 Chemicals and related products, n.e.s. 1,569 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by n 5.412 20.0 9.980 29.3 Machinery and transport equipment 1,032 3.8 989 2.9 Miscellaneous manufactured articles 3,082 11.4 4,232 12.4 Commodities not classified elsewhere in the 11 0.0 15 0.0 Import (CIF) 241,325 272,129 100.0 Total 100.0 Food and live animals 39,309 16.3 44,208 16.2 Beverages and tobacco 9,789 4.1 9,813 3.6 2.2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels 4,743 2.0 6,037 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related mater 24,728 10.2 32,471 11.9 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes 1,883 8.0 1,965 0.7 11.3 Chemicals and related products, n.e.s. 29,138 12.1 30,646 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by n 54,843 22.7 58,466 21.5 Machinery and transport equipment 45,269 18.8 55,075 20.2 Miscellaneous manufactured articles 31,423 13.0 33,236 12.2 Commodities not classified elsewhere in the 201 0.1 213 0.1

Table 5: Exports and imports by sections

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		Oct - 201	6	Oct - 2	<u>(000 €)</u> 2017
Code	Sections of the Harmonized System(HS)	Value	%	Value	%
	. ,		Export (FC	OB)	
	Total	27,066	100.0	34,055	100.0
1	Live animals; animal products	51	0.2	48	0.1
2	Vegetable products	2,108	7.8	1,890	5.5
3	Edible oils	:	:	37	0.1
4	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages and tobacco	2,769	10.2	3,055	9.0
5	Mineral products	7,512	27.8	6,889	20.2
6	Products of chemical industries	525	1.9	384	1.1
7	Plastics, rubber and articles thereof	2,630	9.7	3,202	9.4
8	Leather and their articles	1,307	4.8	1,095	3.2
9	Wood and articles of wood	256	0.9	306	0.9
10	Paper and their articles	521	1.9	502	1.5
11	Textiles and textile articles	730	2.7	1,011	3.0
12	Footwear	215	0.8	314	0.9
13	Art.of stone,plaster,ceramic prod. and glass	413	1.5	764	2.2
14	Pearls, precious stones, metals etc.	:	:	44	0.1
15	Base metal and articles of base metal	6,204	22.9	12,186	35.8
16	Machinery, appliances and electric materials	1,090	4.0	904	2.7
17	Transport means	49	0.2	211	0.6
18	Optical,medical,potog. musical instr.	32	0.1	56	0.2
19	Arms and ammunition	:	:	:	
20	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	642	2.4	1,131	3.3
21	Works of art	11	0.0	25	0.1
			Import (C	IF)	
	Total	241,325	100.0	272,129	100.0
1	Live animals; animal products	7,947	3.3	11,169	4.1
2	Vegetable products	11,401	4.7	13,485	5.0
3	Edible oils	2,096	0.9	2,228	0.8
4	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages and tobacco	30,558	12.7	30,102	11.1
5	Mineral products	29,134	12.1	37,610	13.8
6	Products of chemical industries	19,607	8.1	19,542	7.2
7	Plastics, rubber and articles thereof	16,484	6.8	18,656	6.9
8	Leather and their articles	801	0.3	633	0.2
9	Wood and articles of wood	6,549	2.7	7,591	2.8
10	Paper and their articles	3,494	1.4	3,759	1.4
11	Textiles and textile articles	14,290	5.9	15,444	5.7
12	Footwear	5,002	2.1	4,407	1.6
13	Art.of stone,plaster,ceramic prod. and glass	8,807	3.6	9,672	3.6
14	Pearls,precious stones, metals etc.	263	0.1	303	0.1
15	Base metal and articles of base metal	28,119	11.7	29,128	10.7
16	Machinery, appliances and electric materials	28,228	11.7	31,257	11.5
17	Transport means	18,452	7.6	24,795	9.1
18	Optical,medical,potog. musical instr.	2,068	0.9	4,407	1.6
19	Arms and ammunition	431	0.2	521	0.2
20	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	7,383	3.1	7,190	2.6
21	Works of art	210	0.1	233	0.1

Table 6: Exports by countries

(000 €)

	Oct - 201		Oct - 2	
Country	Value	%	Value	%
		Export (FO	В)	
Total	27.066	100,0	34.055	100,0
28 EU countries	7.164	26,5	9.245	27,1
Austria	1.207	4,5	767	2,3
Belgium	58	0,2	127	0,4
Great Britain	62	0,2	1.625	4,8
Denmark	2	0,0	367	1,1
France	265	1,0	528	1,6
Germany	1.597	5,9	1.757	5,2
Greece	100	0,4	143	0,4
Netherland	1.228	4,5	1.228	3,6
Hungary	104	0,4	196	0,6
Ireland	20	0,1	3	0,0
Italy	617	2,3	496	1,5
Luxembourg	13	0,0	5	0,0
Poland	156	0,6	524	1,5
Czech Republic	124	0,5	46	0,1
Slovakia	3	0,0	1	0,0
Slovenia	52	0,2	102	0,3
Spain	35	0,1	46	0,1
Sweden	110	0,4	200	0,6
Romania	183	0,7	176	0,5
Bulgaria	956	3,5	739	2,2
Croatia	271	1,0	157	0,5
Other of EU	1	0,0	11	0,0
Cefta	15.270	56,4	17.300	50,8
Albania	3.503	12,9	5.675	16,7
Macedonia	3.633	13,4	4.098	12,0
Montonegro	1.455	5,4	1.971	5,8
Serbia	5.965	22,0	4.612	13,5
Bosnja dhe Hercegovina	715	2,6	943	2,8
Moldavia	:	:	1,1	0,0
EFTA	1.549	5,7	1.802	5,3
Switzerland	1.546	5,7	1.782	5,2
Icelanda	:	:	:	:
Norway	3	0,0	20	0,1
Liechtensten	:	:	:	:
Other countries of evropiar	610	2,3	673	2,0
Turkey	578	2,1	667	2,0
Ukraina	32	0,1	6	0,0
Other countries non eurpoi	148	0,5	157	0,5
USA	148	0,5	157	0,5
Canada	:	:	:	:
Brazili	•	:	•	
Mexico	:	· :	:	:
Other countries of Asia	1.068	3,9	4.584	13,5
Japonia	5	0,0	14	
China	1.063	3,9	180	0,5
India	1.000	0,0	4.390	12,9
Other	1.257	4,6	293	0,9

Table 7: Imports by countries

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	Oct - 2010	6	Oct - 2	017
Country	Value	%	Value	%
-		Import (CI	F)	
Total	241.325	100,0	272.129	100,0
28 EU countries	105.582	43,8	113.632	41,8
Austria	3.949	1,6	5.481	2,0
Belgium	739	0,3	787	0,3
Great Britain	2.075	0,9	2.063	0,8
Denmark	719	0,3	241	0,1
France	2.205	0,9	2.807	1,0
Germany	29.080	12,1	32.829	12,1
Greece	10.204	4,2	12.134	4,5
Netherland	1.385	0,6	1.789	0,7
Hungary	2.126	0,9	2.740	1,0
Ireland	69	0,0	152	0,1
Italy	17.499	7,3	15.371	5,6
Luxembourg	100	0,0	83	0,0
Poland	7.227	3,0	6.959	2,6
Czech Republic	1.501	0,6	2.059	0,8
Slovakia	735	0,3	1.404	0,5
Slovenia	5.607	2,3	6.064	2,2
Spain	5.867	2,4	2.713	1,0
Sweden	1.149	0,5	826	0,3
Romania	2.196	0,9	6.146	2,3
Bulgaria	5.176	2,1	5.266	1,9
Croatia	5.121	2,1	4.915	1,8
Other of EU	853	0,4	803	0,3
Cefta	67.739	28,1	74.619	27,4
Albania	10.338	4,3	14.557	5,3
Macedonia	14.525	6,0	14.471	5,3
Montonegro	1.608	0,7	1.810	0,7
Serbia	34.026	14,1	38.171	14,0
Bosnja dhe Hercegovina	7.240	3,0	5.608	2,1
Moldavia	3	0,0	3	0,0
EFTA	1.889	0,8	2.006	0,7
Switzerland	1.796	0,7	1.839	0,7
Icelanda	:	:	4	0,0
Norway	83	0,0	125	0,0
Liechtensten	10	0,0	38	:
Other countries of evropiar	22.944	9,5	29.141	10,7
Turkey	22.151	9,2	28.316	10,4
Ukraina	792	0,3	826	0,3
Other countries non eurpoi	6.161	2,6	9.657	3,5
USA	3.840	1,6	4.491	1,7
Canada	39	0,0	118	0,0
Brazili	2.031	0,8	4.925	1,8
Mexico	251	0,1	122	0,0
Other countries of Asia	26.609	11,0	28.606	10,5
Japonia	972	0,4	1.856	0,7
China	22.840	9,5	25.404	9,3
India	2.797	1,2	1.346	0,5
Other	10.402	4,3	14.469	5,3

Kosovo Agency of Statistics

short description

Kosovo Agency of Statistics is a professional institution which deals with collection, processing and publication of official statistical data. As such acts since 1948 and has passed through several historical stages, structured according to state regulation of those times.

On 2 August 1999, the Agency has resumed his professional work (after nine years of interruption of all statistical series detrimental to the interest of Kosovo), as an independent institution under the Ministry of Public Administration. Since 12.12.2011 the Agency operates in the frames of the Prime Minister's Office. Office is funded by the Kosovo Consolidated Budget, but also by donors for specific projects and for technical professional support.

Kosovo Agency of Statistics acts according to the Law No. 04/L-036 which entered into force on 12.12.2011. Programme of Official Statistics 2013/2017 is in implementation for the development of statistical system in correlation with the European Union statistics (EUROSTAT).

Kosovo Agency of Statistics has this organizational structure: production departments; (Department of Economic statistics and National Accounts, Department of Agriculture and Environment statistics and Department of Social statistics. Support Departments; Department of Methodology and Information Technology, Department of Policy Planning, Coordination and Communication, Department of Census and survey and Department of Administration. Within the Agency are also established Regional Offices; Gjakove, Gjilan, Mitrovica, Peja, Prizren, Pristina and Ferizaj

Number of employees and budget are still limited. In KAS are employed in total 143 workers, of whom 98 (68,58 %) at the headquarters of the Agency, while in the Regional Offices, 45 (31,5%). Agency's educational qualifying structure is as follows: 61,7% with university education,15,4% with with non-tertiary education, and 17.5% with secondary education.

We have professional and technical cooperation with all Ministries of the Government of Kosovo, especially with the Ministry of Economy and Finance, Central Bank of Kosovo, with international institutions, EUROSTAT, International Monetary Fund, World Bank, Sweden's SIDA, DFID, UNFPA, UNDP, UNIVEF, and with the statistical institutions of the countries in the region.

Kosovo Agency of Statistics almost completely covers the territory of Kosovo, based on the statistical structure of the enumeration areas as the basic unit and sole in the country from which it gets first hand information. All surveys conducted in the field use the extension of the samples in these enumeration areas but also a statistical methodology according to international recommendations. During the collection of statistical data and reports from reporting entities are involved professionals, technicians, administrators, servants of the country offices, field enumerators from regional offices, etc.

In 2011, the project of Population Census, Households and Dwellings was successfully implemented, and in 2014 was successfully carried out the Agriculture Census. The result obtained from these censuses will have an important role in the development policies.

The mission of the Agency; to meet the needs of users with qualitative statistical data, objective, in time and space so that users have reliable base to conduct regular analysis in the interest of planning and project development at the municipal and country level. To support government institutions, scientific institutes, research academies, businesses in order to provide proper information for decision-makers and other users in Kosovo.

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