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Foreword

The Kosovo Agency of Statistics (KAS) has started to publish data on the flow of import and export in Kosovo in 2001, but these data are considered reliable since 2005.

Publication of Kosovo International Trade Statistics is based on the data from the Kosovo Customs Service.

All monthly publications are preliminary data, which vary from yearly data (final data). This publication contains data on the flow of goods, statistical procedures, and sections of the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC), sections of the Harmonized System (HS) and by partner country. Methodology and methods have been adapted in order to integrate and compare external trade statistics of goods at international level.

Imports are presented by country of origin and Exports are classified by country of final destination.

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List of 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 Organization for Standardization
n.e.s.	not elsewhere specified
s.s	suspension system
d.s	drawback system

Symbols

:	Data not available
0	Less than a half of the unit used
—	Not applicable

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Kosovo International Trade Statistics – Methodological notes

Data sources

The statistics of trade are compiled mainly from the documents supplied by importers and exporters (or their agents) to the Customs authority. 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, data entry and processing of the data from customs statements. Data regarding the field of statistics are registered within this documents (SAD), and they are reported to the Kosovo Agency of Statistics in monthly bases 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

Kosovo International Trade Statistics (or external trade) does not cover temporary imports and exports of goods which will be returned in an unchanged condition after a certain period of time, 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

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

Special exports include exports of goods: exports after inward processing, exports for outward processing and exports that are not registered in customs.

Special imports consist of imports of goods from: inward processing imports (S.S), imports after outward processing and imports that are not registered at customs.

Excluded are goods that are in transit.

Valuation

For imports, the “cif” value is used (including the cost, insurance and transport of goods at the entry point in Kosovo). The export value is “fob” (free on board). This is the cost of goods purchased abroad, including packaging, transport within the country, the charge cost, insurance, and other costs incurred when the goods are placed on the vessel for export, on airplanes or transported to remote areas. The value of the invoice is recalculated to the value of the Kosovo border by adding or subtracting, in whole or in part, the costs of transport, loading, unloading, which depend on the terms of supply specified in the contract.

The value excludes:

- any sum or amount received by the exporter on the way of refund, reimbursement of customs duty, subversion or any other aid.

- any foreign customs duty or change of cargo of goods other than at the customs point or at the point of exportation.

The value is in euros. For transactions where the value is denominated in another currency, the euro exchange rate is made by using the weekly exchange rate.

Reference period

The calendar month is a basic period to collect the data. Based on customs data, the date of delivery of the customs statement or other valid dates for the implementation of the customs rules, it is time to register the import / export transactions.

Units of quantity

The quantity of imported and exported goods is shown in net weight, if it can be determined, taking into account the nature of the product as well as the additional unit when described by the nomenclature of the customs tariff.

Net weight is the usual unit of the given quantity. The weight of containers, luggage, jars and packaging materials are excluded.

Other units of quantity used for some of the most important goods such as: live animals, motor vehicles, local equipment, watches, clothes (where the numbering unit is used), shoes (where 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 the country of destination). Goods obtained or produced in a country of origin but from the same country. A product, in the manufacture of which two or more countries are involved, such as the country of origin, is considered the place where the last major processing occurred. Packaging, repackaging, classification are not considered as manufacturing processes.

Exports are classified by country of final destination. The last destination of goods is considered the last state for which the goods are intended. This does not mean that it is the country where the goods will be unloaded or where the final consumption will be made.

Country classification

The country nomenclature is the classification of countries (Geo-nomenclature) according to the Official Gazette of the European Commission published in annual basis. 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 tariffs and statistical nomenclature. This nomenclature is managed and upgraded annually by the Commission in cooperation with the Member States. CN is consistent with the 6-digit Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (HS) - Nomenclature of the Customs Cooperation Council which is used around the world for the application of customs tariffs and the compilation of external trade statistics. The CN contains about 10,400 8-digit sub-headings, the first six digits of which are the same as those of the Harmonized System (SH).

The Standard Trade Classification (STC), revised version no. 3 (SITC Rev 3), was developed by the United Nations for the advancement of the international comparability of statistics on external trade.

Standard External Trade Classification (SETC), revised version no. 3, contains about 3,100 basic headings (5-digit). These are combined in 261 groups (3-digits), 98 divisions (2-digits) and 10 sections (1-digit). For example, Section 6 (Manufactured goods classified mainly 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.).

SETC revised version no. 3 is identical with the structure of the Harmonized System. Each category of SETC (including all the basic headings) is equivalent to the combination of HS headings (and therefore the combination of CN headings).

Data publication

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

Publication

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

Monthly:

Monthly Kosovo International Trade Statistics

Annually:

Final data
Kosovo International Trade Statistics

Flow of Export and Import in November 2020

Data from Kosovo International Trade show a lower trade deficit by (0.9%) in November 2020 compared with the same period of 2019, i.e. in the amount of 259,9 million euros compared to the deficit of 262,2 million euros in 2019. Export covers import (15.0%).

The export of goods in November 2020 was worth 45,7 million euros, while the import was 305,7 million euros, i.e. with an increase by (29.4%) for exports and a decrease by (2.7%) for imports compared to the same period of the year 2019.

According to the data of the main group for export: (34.2%) of exports consists of base metals and articles thereof, (14.8%) consists of various manufactured articles, (11.8%) consists of plastics, rubber and articles thereof, (9.5%) consists of prepared foodstuffs, beverages and tobacco, (6.4%) consists of vegetable products, (4.4%) consists of mineral products, (4.4%) machinery, appliances and electric materials, etc.

According to the data of the main groups for imports: (14.1%) consists of machinery, mechanical and electrical equipment, (12.2%) consists of prepared foodstuffs, beverages and tobacco, (11.2%) consists of base metals and articles thereof, (10.5%) consists of mineral products, (9.3%) consists of chemical industry products, (8.0%) consists of transport means, (7.1%) consists of plastics, rubber and articles thereof, etc.

Foreign trade of goods with EU-28

Kosovo's exports to EU-28 countries reached 16,9 million euros, or about (37.0%) of total exports, with an increase by (8.5%). The main partners for export of goods in EU are: Italy (11.0%), Germany (9.8%), Netherlands (4.2%), etc.

Kosovo's imports from EU-28 countries reached about 139,0 million euros, or (45.5%) of total imports, with a decrease by (1.8%). The highest shares of imports were from Germany (13.0%), Italy (7.3%), Greece (3.6%), Poland (3.0%), Slovenia (3.0%), etc.

Trade with CEFTA countries

In November 2020, Kosovo's exports to CEFTA countries reached 18,1 million euros, or (39.7%) of total exports, with an increase by (32.1%). The main partners for export from CEFTA countries are: Albania (17.8%), Macedonia (10.6%), Serbia (6.5%) and Montenegro (3.7%).

While imports from CEFTA countries in November 2020 reached 64,1 million euros, or (21.0%) of total imports, with an increase by (55.4%). The countries with the highest share of imports were: Albania (6.6%), Serbia (6.5%) and Macedonia (5.5%).

Trade with other countries of the world

Kosovo's exports to other countries reached 10,6 million euros, or (23.4%). The most important partners for export are: Switzerland (10.1%), SHBA (7.5%).

While Kosovo's imports to other countries reached 102,4 million euros, or (33.5%). The countries with the highest share of imports in this group were: Turkey (11.9%), and China (10.6%).

Table 1: Flow of goods of 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
2017	378.010	3.047.018	-2.669.007	12,4
2018	367.500	3.347.007	-2.979.507	11,0
2019	383.491	3.496.942	-3.113.451	11,0
01-2019	23.480	190.442	-166.962	12,3
02-2019	24.050	232.701	-208.651	10,3
03-2019	29.572	289.192	-259.620	10,2
04-2019	36.940	295.496	-258.556	12,5
05-2019	31.891	321.619	-289.728	9,9
06-2019	32.115	275.202	-243.087	11,7
07-2019	40.464	336.878	-296.414	12,0
08-2019	31.906	311.857	-279.952	10,2
09-2019	38.422	295.626	-257.204	13,0
10-2019	32.339	315.050	-282.711	10,3
11-2019	35.391	297.608	-262.216	11,9
12-2019	26.920	335.271	-308.350	8,0
01-2020	28.939	221.216	-192.277	13,1
02-2020	35.933	263.392	-227.459	13,6
03-2020	32.164	252.070	-219.905	12,8
04-2020	32.688	193.974	-161.285	16,9
05-2020	38.766	239.079	-200.313	16,2
06-2020	44.627	290.804	-246.177	15,3
07-2020	42.636	306.377	-263.741	13,9
08-2020	34.317	263.305	-228.987	13,0
09-2020	41.725	287.294	-245.569	14,5
10-2020	50.637	317.689	-267.052	15,9
11-2020	45.799	305.743	-259.944	15,0

2020) are preliminary data

2009) Data for import are different from previous publications.

Table 2: Flow of goods of external trade, cumulative

(000 €)

Period	Exports (FOB)	Imports (CIF)	Trade balance	Per cent of cover
1	2	3	4=2-3	5=2/3
01-2018	24.565	195.954	-171.389	12,5
02-2018	46.984	402.099	-355.115	11,7
03-2018	73.391	658.650	-585.259	11,1
04-2018	99.002	930.301	-831.299	10,6
05-2018	131.880	1.242.157	-1.110.277	10,6
06-2018	169.052	1.549.135	-1.380.083	10,9
07-2018	197.854	1.859.388	-1.661.534	10,6
08-2018	228.339	2.166.395	-1.938.055	10,5
09-2018	265.026	2.460.249	-2.195.223	10,8
10-2018	303.341	2.769.125	-2.465.784	11,0
11-2018	338.078	3.043.994	-2.705.916	11,1
12-2018	367.500	3.347.007	-2.979.507	11,0
01-2019	23.480	190.442	-166.962	12,3
02-2019	47.530	423.143	-375.613	11,2
03-2019	77.102	712.335	-635.233	10,8
04-2019	114.042	1.007.831	-893.789	11,3
05-2019	145.933	1.329.450	-1.183.517	11,0
06-2019	178.049	1.604.653	-1.426.604	11,1
07-2019	218.512	1.941.530	-1.723.018	11,3
08-2019	250.418	2.253.388	-2.002.970	11,1
09-2019	288.840	2.549.014	-2.260.173	11,3
10-2019	321.180	2.864.064	-2.542.884	11,2
11-2019	356.571	3.161.672	-2.805.101	11,3
12-2019	383.491	3.496.942	-3.113.451	11,0
01-2020	28.939	221.216	-192.277	13,1
02-2020	64.872	484.608	-419.736	13,4
03-2020	97.036	736.678	-639.642	13,2
04-2020	129.724	930.652	-800.927	13,9
05-2020	168.491	1.169.731	-1.001.240	14,4
06-2020	213.118	1.460.534	-1.247.416	14,6
07-2020	255.754	1.766.912	-1.511.157	14,5
08-2020	290.071	2.030.216	-1.740.145	14,3
09-2020	331.796	2.317.510	-1.985.714	14,3
10-2020	382.434	2.635.199	-2.252.766	14,5
11-2020	428.232	2.940.942	-2.512.710	14,6

Table 3: Exports and imports by statistical procedures

Statistical procedure	(000 €)				
	Nov - 2019		Nov - 2020		Indices 2020/ 2019
	Vlera	%	Vlera	%	
Total Exports (FOB)	35.391	100,0	45.799	100,0	129
1 Normal exports	31.646	89,4	42.602	93,0	134,6
2 Exports covered by inward processing procedure	3.746	10,6	3.156	6,9	84,3
3 Exports covered by the customs outward processir	:	:	41	0,1	:
9 Exports not recorded from customs declarations	:	:	:	:	:
Total Importes (CIF)	297.608	100,0	305.743	100,0	103
1 Importet normale	295.356	99,2	304.219	99,5	103,0
2 Imports covered by inward processing procedure	2.252	0,8	1.518	0,5	67,4
3 Imports covered by the customs outward processir	:	:	6	:	:
9 Imports not recorded from customs declarations	:	:	:	:	:

Table 4: Exports and imports by SITC

(000 €)

Sections by SITC	Nov - 2019		Nov - 2019	
	Value	%	Value	%
Export (FOB)				
Total	35.391	100,0	45.799	100,0
Food and live animals	3.261	9,2	4.607	10,1
Beverages and tobacco	2.196	6,2	2.153	4,7
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	5.749	16,2	5.936	13,0
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related mater	601	1,7	361	0,8
Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	419	1,2	126	0,3
Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	2.709	7,7	2.504	5,5
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by n	11.509	32,5	15.779	34,5
Machinery and transport equipment	2.317	6,5	2.379	5,2
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	6.629	18,7	11.936	26,1
Commodities not classified elsewhere in th	2	0,0	17	0,0
Import (CIF)				
Total	297.608	100,0	305.743	100,0
Food and live animals	48.613	16,3	49.942	16,3
Beverages and tobacco	11.344	3,8	11.018	3,6
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	6.692	2,2	5.877	1,9
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related mater	35.144	11,8	24.599	8,0
Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	2.430	0,8	2.954	1,0
Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	32.416	10,9	42.610	13,9
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by n	62.371	21,0	69.680	22,8
Machinery and transport equipment	65.413	22,0	67.372	22,0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	33.001	11,1	31.492	10,3
Commodities not classified elsewhere in th	183	0,1	198	0,1

Table 5: Exports and imports by sections

(000 €)

Kodi	Sections of the Harmonized System(HS)	Nov - 2019		Nov - 2019	
		Value	%	Value	%
Export (FOB)					
	Total	35.391	100,0	45.799	100,0
1	Live animals; animal products	87	0,2	109	0,2
2	Vegetable products	2.239	6,3	2.937	6,4
3	Edible oils	436	1,2	126	0,3
4	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages and tobacco	3.472	9,8	4.342	9,5
5	Mineral products	2.697	7,6	2.036	4,4
6	Products of chemical industries	1.261	3,6	1.329	2,9
7	Plastics, rubber and articles thereof	4.973	14,1	5.395	11,8
8	Leather and their articles	776	2,2	475	1,0
9	Wood and articles of wood	572	1,6	580	1,3
10	Paper and their articles	388	1,1	327	0,7
11	Textiles and textile articles	1.250	3,5	1.667	3,6
12	Footwear	355	1,0	226	0,5
13	Art.of stone,plaster,ceramic prod. and glass	781	2,2	1.226	2,7
14	Pearls,precious stones, metals etc.	35,1	0,1	2	0,0
15	Base metal and articles of base metal	11.491	32,5	15.676	34,2
16	Machinery,appliances and electric materials	2.081	5,9	2.028	4,4
17	Transport means	363	1,0	430	0,9
18	Optical,medical,potog. musical instr.	91	0,3	109	0,2
19	Arms and ammunition	:	:	:	:
20	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2.041	5,8	6.763	14,8
21	Works of art	2	0,0	17	0,0
Import (CIF)					
	Total	297.608	100,0	305.743	100,0
1	Live animals; animal products	12.201	4,1	11.801	3,9
2	Vegetable products	12.292	4,1	13.186	4,3
3	Edible oils	2.672	0,9	3.115	1,0
4	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages and tobacco	36.891	12,4	37.341	12,2
5	Mineral products	40.869	13,7	32.245	10,5
6	Products of chemical industries	20.624	6,9	28.388	9,3
7	Plastics, rubber and articles thereof	19.336	6,5	21.572	7,1
8	Leather and their articles	737	0,2	604	0,2
9	Wood and articles of wood	7.584	2,5	7.258	2,4
10	Paper and their articles	4.217	1,4	4.001	1,3
11	Textiles and textile articles	16.334	5,5	16.272	5,3
12	Footwear	2.591	0,9	2.442	0,8
13	Art.of stone,plaster,ceramic prod. and glass	9.776	3,3	9.721	3,2
14	Pearls,precious stones, metals etc.	245	0,1	268	0,1
15	Base metal and articles of base metal	31.220	10,5	34.282	11,2
16	Machinery,appliances and electric materials	40.338	13,6	43.204	14,1
17	Transport means	25.681	8,6	24.353	8,0
18	Optical,medical,potog. musical instr.	4.764	1,6	5.316	1,7
19	Arms and ammunition	78	0,0	1.539	0,5
20	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	8.974	3,0	8.632	2,8
21	Works of art	186	0,1	203	0,1

Table 6: Exports by countries

(000 €)

Country	Nov - 2019		Nov - 2019	
	Value	%	Value	%
Export (FOB)				
Total	35.391	100,0	45.799	100,0
28 EU countries	15.607	44,1	16.937	37,0
Austria	534	1,5	344	0,8
Belgium	491	1,4	735	1,6
Great Britain	789	2,2	581	1,3
Denmark	3	0,0	71	0,2
France	394	1,1	631	1,4
Germany	3.538	10,0	4.506	9,8
Greece	234	0,7	108	0,2
Netherland	1.632	4,6	1.943	4,2
Hungary	169	0,5	132	0,3
Ireland	8,4	0,0	14,8	0,0
Italy	4.975	14,1	5.029	11,0
Luxembourg	17	0,0	12	0,0
Poland	519	1,5	481	1,1
Czech Republic	445	1,3	86	0,2
Slovakia	1	0,0	10	0,0
Slovenia	195	0,5	846	1,8
Spain	42	0,1	45	0,1
Sweden	237	0,7	302	0,7
Romania	166	0,5	132	0,3
Bulgaria	740	2,1	451	1,0
Croatia	312	0,9	384	0,8
Other of EU	168	0,5	93	0,2
Cefta	13.749	38,8	18.163	39,7
Albania	4.957	14,0	8.173	17,8
Macedonia	4.451	12,6	4.846	10,6
Montenegro	1.691	4,8	1.679	3,7
Serbia	1.960	5,5	2.979	6,5
Bosnja dhe Hercegovina	689	1,9	486	1,1
Moldavia	1	0,0	1	0,0
EFTA	3.235	9,1	4.680	10,2
Switzerland	3.229	9,1	4.627	10,1
Icelanda	:	:	:	:
Norway	5	0,0	52	0,1
Liechtensten	1	0,0	1	0,0
Other countries of evropiar	1.321	3,7	948	2,1
Turkey	1.319	3,7	945	2,1
Ukraina	2	0,0	3	0,0
Other countries non eurpoi	294	0,8	4.148	9,1
USA	294	0,8	3.450	7,5
Canada	:	:	698	1,5
Brazili	:	:	:	:
Mexico	:	:	:	:
Other countries of Asia	63	0,2	290	0,6
Japonia	17	0,0	4	0,0
China	11	0,0	285	0,6
India	35	0,1	1	0,0
Other	1.121	3,2	634	1,4

Table 7: Imports by countries

(000 €)

Country	Nov - 2019		Nov - 2019	
	Value	%	Value	%
	Importet (CIF)			
Total	297.608	100,0	305.743	100,0
28 EU countries	141.665	47,6	139.081	45,5
Austria	5.023	1,7	5.085	1,7
Belgium	1.685	0,6	1.464	0,5
Great Britain	2.255	0,8	2.369	0,8
Denmark	300	0,1	629	0,2
France	3.389	1,1	4.444	1,5
Germany	40.229	13,5	39.844	13,0
Greece	9.571	3,2	10.953	3,6
Netherland	2.767	0,9	2.531	0,8
Hungary	6.139	2,1	4.237	1,4
Ireland	571	0,2	536	0,2
Italy	16.499	5,5	22.252	7,3
Luxembourg	116	0,0	120	0,0
Poland	9.748	3,3	9.046	3,0
Czech Republic	3.402	1,1	3.009	1,0
Slovakia	1.403	0,5	962	0,3
Slovenia	9.699	3,3	9.323	3,0
Spain	2.945	1,0	3.124	1,0
Sweden	700	0,2	642	0,2
Romania	3.594	1,2	4.315	1,4
Bulgaria	11.288	3,8	6.317	2,1
Croatia	9.116	3,1	6.887	2,3
Other of EU	1.226	0,4	995	0,3
Cefta	41.305	13,9	64.174	21,0
Albania	17.150	5,8	20.271	6,6
Macedonia	20.052	6,7	16.789	5,5
Montenegro	3.631	1,2	2.192	0,7
Serbia	348	0,1	19.824	6,5
Bosnja dhe Hercegovina	81	0,0	5.057	1,7
Moldavia	42	0,0	41	0,0
EFTA	2.278	0,8	2.489	0,8
Switzerland	2.044	0,7	2.305	0,8
Icelanda	:	:	:	:
Norway	215	0,1	144	0,0
Liechtensten	19	0,0	39	0,0
Other countries of evropiar	49.042	16,5	38.125	12,5
Turkey	47.462	15,9	36.483	11,9
Ukraina	1.580	0,5	1.642	0,5
Other countries non eurpoi	7.453	2,5	8.543	2,8
USA	3.332	1,1	6.217	2,0
Canada	242	0,1	269	0,1
Brazili	3.620	1,2	1.824	0,6
Mexico	258	0,1	233	0,1
Other countries of Asia	32.636	11,0	36.403	11,9
Japonia	1.260	0,4	1.400	0,5
China	29.226	9,8	32.498	10,6
India	2.150	0,7	2.505	0,8
Other	23.229	7,8	16.929	5,5

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 and Amendment of Law No. 06/L-058 which entered into force on 17.01.2019 . Programme of Official Statistics 2018/2022 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, Department of 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

In KAS are employed in total 156 workers, of whom 115 at the headquarters of the Agency, while in the Regional Offices, 41. Agency's educational qualifying structure is as follows: 123 with university education, 15 with with non-tertiary education, and 18 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, UNVEF, 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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