

# **Population of Albania**

# 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023

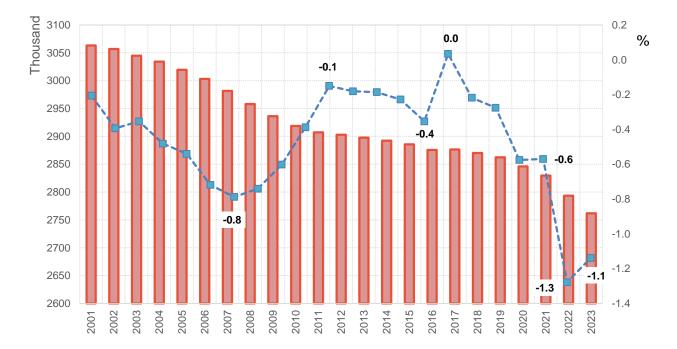
**Tiranë, on 02<sup>th</sup> June 2023:** The population of Albania on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 is 2,761,785 inhabitants, experiencing a decrease by 1.1 % compared to 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022.

During 2022 the natural population increase (births-deaths) was 690 births more than deaths.

The number of immigrants in the year 2022 was 13,963 persons: 51.9 % more compared to the previous year.

The number of emigrants was 46,460 persons: 10.5 % more compared to the year 2021.

Net migration (the difference between immigrants and emigrants) experienced an increase, compared to the previous year: from -32,853 to -32,497 inhabitants in 2022.

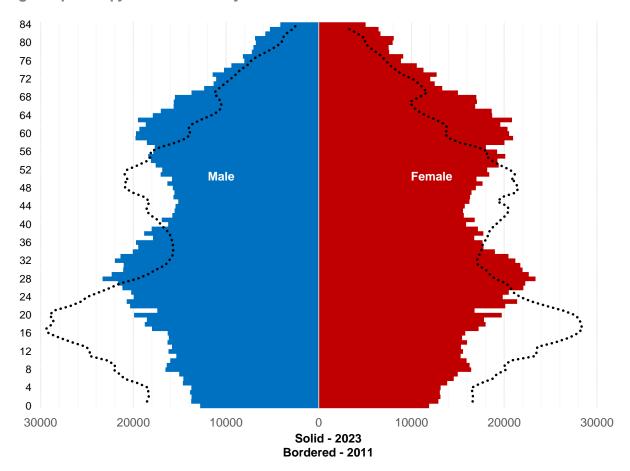


---- Annual population growth rate

Fig.1: Population on 1st January and annual growth rate

Population on 1 January

Fig. 2: Population pyramid on 1st January 2011-2023



On 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 the median age of population results 38.8 years old from 38.2 that was on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022.

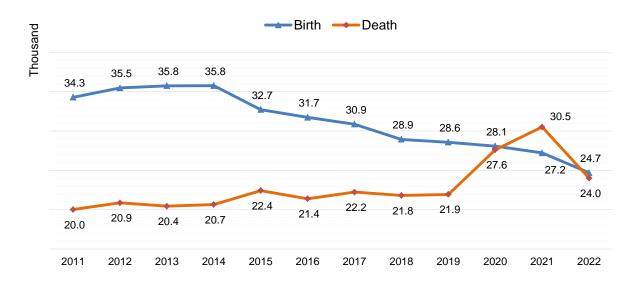
On 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 the youth dependency ratio (ratio of the number of persons under working age 0-14 with the number of persons of working age 15 to 64) has decreased compared to 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022: from 24.0 % to 23.8 %, while the old dependency ratio (ratio of the number of persons above the working age 65+ with the number of persons of working age 15 to 64) has increased: from 23.1 % to 24.4 % during the same period.

Sex ratio of total population on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 has decreased compared to 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022: from 98.6 to 98.0 males for 100 females.

Sex ratio at birth has decreased, marking 107.4 in 2022, from 107.6 which was in 2021.

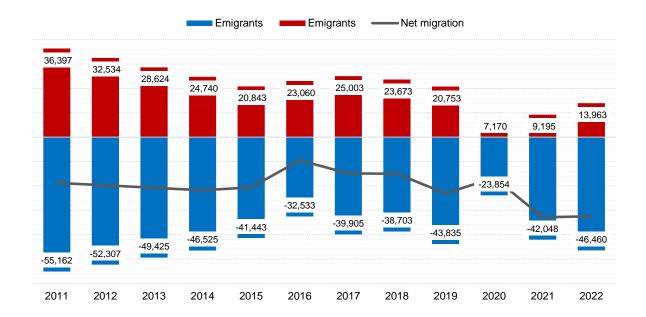
During the year 2022 there were born 24,688 babies, experiencing a decrease by 9.3 % compared to the previous year. The number of deaths in 2022 was 23,998 persons, experiencing a decrease by 21.3 % compared to the previous year.

Fig. 3: Births and deaths in Albania



In the year 2022 the number of emigrants was 46,460 persons: 10.5 % more compared to the year 2021. The number of immigrants was 13,963 persons: 51.9 % more compared to the previous year.

Fig. 4: Emigrant, immigrant and net migration

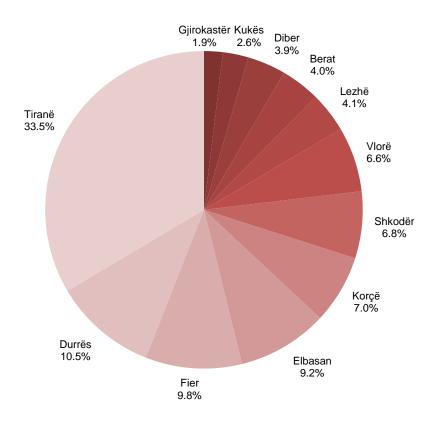


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#### Tirana, Durres and Fieri have the highest weight in the total population.

On 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 Tiranë prefecture occupies around 33.5 % of total population, continuing to be the most populated prefecture in the country, followed by Durrës and Fier with 10.5 % and 9.8 % respectively. Regarding the other prefectures, five of them occupies respectively from 1.9 % to 4.1 % of total population.





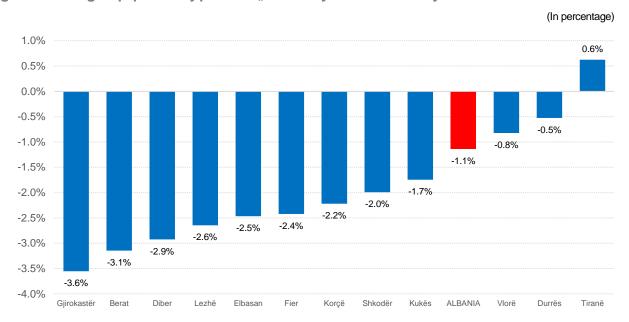
## On 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 population was increased only in one prefecture of the country

Estimates of population on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 shows that only one prefecture of the country experienced a population growth compared to the previous year, while eleven of them experienced a decrease. The increase was observed in Tirana (+0.6 %).

On the other hand, the largest decreases of population were observed in Gjirokastër (-3.6 %), Berat (-3.1 %) and Dibër (-2.9 %).

Prefecture with the highest youth dependency ratio is Kukës (33.7 %), while the prefecture with the highest old dependency ratio is Gjirokastra with (28.0 %), followed by Lezhë prefecture with (27.8 %).

Fig. 6: Total change of population by prefecture, 1st January 2023 vs 1st January 2022



# **Annexes**

Tab. 1: Population on  $\mathbf{1}^{\mathrm{st}}$  January by age-group and sex

Age-group	<b>1</b> s	1st January 2022			1st January 2023			
	M	F	MF	M	F	MF		
0-4	71,489	67,002	138,491	67,886	64,122	132,008		
5-9	79,844	78,734	158,578	77,259	76,099	153,358		
10-14	80,976	78,043	159,019	79,737	78,124	157,861		
15-19	93,320	89,877	183,197	87,761	84,315	172,076		
20-24	101,815	101,448	203,263	98,353	97,887	196,240		
25-29	113,768	115,124	228,892	108,705	110,867	219,572		
30-34	107,410	101,817	209,227	105,562	104,382	209,944		
35-39	92,423	86,038	178,461	93,921	87,117	181,038		
40-44	79,527	80,438	159,965	79,958	79,658	159,616		
45-49	79,573	84,767	164,340	78,488	83,658	162,146		
50-54	88,662	95,716	184,378	85,449	92,239	177,688		
55-59	94,545	99,274	193,819	92,237	98,391	190,628		
60-64	93,899	98,838	192,737	95,110	100,004	195,114		
65-69	74,520	80,184	154,704	77,566	84,570	162,136		
70-74	55,131	60,328	115,459	56,403	61,841	118,244		
75-79	39,208	42,784	81,992	39,898	43,675	83,573		
80-84	28,192	32,848	61,040	28,848	34,202	63,050		
85+	12,758	13,272	26,030	13,780	13,713	27,493		
TOTAL	1,387,060	1,406,532	2,793,592	1,366,921	1,394,864	2,761,785		

Tab.2: Population on 1<sup>st</sup> January by prefecture and sex

Prefecture	1	st January 2022		1st January 2023			
	М	F	MF	M	F	MF	
Berat	57,192	57 <i>,</i> 858	115,050	55,061	56,370	111,431	
Dibër	57,145	52,440	109,585	55,350	51,030	106,380	
Durrës	147,096	144,229	291,325	146,040	143,757	289,797	
Elbasan	128,208	130,904	259,112	124,249	128,470	252,719	
Fier	139,603	138,810	278,413	135,568	136,104	271,672	
Gjirokastër	26,567	28,711	55,278	25,407	27,907	53,314	
Korçë	97,235	100,068	197,303	94,488	98,437	192,925	
Kukës	37,361	35,407	72,768	36,715	34,783	71,498	
Lezhë	57,775	59,508	117,283	56,017	58,164	114,181	
Shkodër	93,707	99,302	193,009	91,436	97,728	189,164	
Tiranë	452,793	466,718	919,511	455,207	470,061	925,268	
Vlorë	92,378	92,577	184,955	91,383	92,053	183,436	
TOTAL	1,387,060	1,406,532	2,793,592	1,366,921	1,394,864	2,761,785	

Tab. 3: Average population by age-group and sex

Age-group	2021			2022		
	M	F	MF	M	F	MF
0-4	72,730	68,289	141,019	69,688	65,562	135,250
5-9	80,776	79,370	160,146	78,552	77,417	155,969
10-14	82,009	78,554	160,563	80,357	78,084	158,441
15-19	94,943	91,193	186,136	90,541	87,096	177,637
20-24	105,475	105,550	211,025	100,084	99,668	199,752
25-29	115,813	116,232	232,045	111,237	112,996	224,233
30-34	108,202	100,437	208,639	106,486	103,100	209,586
35-39	91,736	85,974	177,710	93,172	86,578	179,750
40-44	79,263	80,426	159,689	79,743	80,048	159,791
45-49	80,582	86,011	166,593	79,031	84,213	163,244
50-54	89,495	96,411	185,906	87,056	93,978	181,034
55-59	96,003	100,219	196,222	93,391	98,833	192,224
60-64	93,011	97,584	190,595	94,505	99,421	193,926
65-69	73,358	78,606	151,964	76,043	82,377	158,420
70-74	54,639	59,356	113,995	55,767	61,085	116,852
75-79	40,100	43,573	83,673	39,553	43,230	82,783
80-84	27,684	31,915	59,599	28,520	33,525	62,045
85+	12,696	13,451	26,147	13,265	13,487	26,752
TOTAL	1,398,515	1,413,151	2,811,666	1,376,991	1,400,698	2,777,689

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# Methodology

#### **Cohort component method**

Annual population estimates are based on cohort component method. This is a standard demographic method, which uses various data sources for the main components of population change. The main components of population change are summarized as follows:

#### 1. Natural Increase (births and deaths)

As the starting point population was considered the resident population on January 1<sup>st</sup> of the previous year. Births by during the 12 months period were added to this population while deaths by age, sex and prefecture were subtracted respectively.

## 2. Net Migration

International movements (international migration: people who enters and leave the country) are the most difficult component to measure, as a population register does not exist in Albania yet. In this way we use the best 'proxy' data to measure migration, based mainly on data collected from the Migration Module of the Labor Force Survey, combined with population projection rates 2011-3031.

#### 3. Births

The population change due to births.

The live births that occurred during 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31 December of the previous year are added to population aged zero by sex and disaggregated by prefecture of the civil office where the birth was registered.

#### Birth data

Birth data by sex is provided by the General Directorate of Civil Status, which sends to INSTAT only the number of births of the residents in Albania. All births of Albanian residents are considered during the reference period, by not taking into account the births of residents outside Albania (emigrants), even though they may be registered in the civil status offices, near their former settlements.

#### Late registered birth

A small adjustment is made in the number the number of the late registered births for the actual year, in order to include all occurred births in a reference period. The number of late registered births, in the previous year are considered as proxy for late registration of the actual year, considering the assumption (as a result of our continuous analyses) that the number of late registered births does not change a lot from year to year.

#### 4. Deaths

The population change due to deaths.

Registered deaths in Albania from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31 December of the previous year are subtracted from the population by sex, age and prefecture of residence.

#### Death data

Data for deaths are provided by the General Directorate of Civil Status, by main demographic characteristics. We take in consideration all deaths of Albanian residents during a reference period, by not taking into account the deaths of residents outside Albania (emigrants), although they may be registered in the civil status offices near their former settlements.

#### Late registered death

We make a small adjustment in the number of the late registered deaths for the actual year, in order to include all occurred deaths in a reference period. The number of late registered deaths in the previous year are considered as proxy for late registration of the actual year, considering the assumption (as a result of our continuous analyses) that the number of late registered deaths doesn't change a lot from year to year.

#### 5. Internal movements

The internal movements, inside the territory of the country, are also provided yearly by the General Directorate of Civil Status. The data received contains all the internal movements of the population, including the change of residence (prefecture) reflected in the destination civil office of the person. Internal movements of the persons which are not registered in the respective civil offices in the destination prefecture are not considered.

#### **DEFINITION**

**Resident population:** is based on the concept of usual residence. According to this definition in the resident population of one year are included all those persons who lived or have the intention to live for at least 12 months in the country, regardless of nationality.

**Median age:** age in which the half of population is older and the other half is younger.

**Population growth rate on 1<sup>st</sup> January:** It is the ratio of total population growth over a year as a result of its natural growth and net migration, compared to a year ago, expressed as a percentage.

**Age dependency ratio:** It is the ratio of persons aged 0-14 years and 65+ years to the working age population 15-64 years.

**Youth dependency ratio:** Ratio of the number of persons under working age (0-14 years of age) with the number of persons of working age (from 15 to 64 years of age).

**Old dependency ratio:** Ratio of the number of persons above the working age (65+ years of age) with the number of persons of working age (from 15 to 64 years of age).

**Sex ratio:** Ratio of the number of males to the number of females, in a given period of time, usually expressed as number of males for every 100 females.

**Sex ratio at birth:** Ratio of the number of males, to the number of females, born in a given period of time, usually expressed as number of males for every 100 females.

**Natural increase in population:** The difference between the number of live births and the number of deaths during in a given period of time.

**Net migration:** is the difference between the number of immigrants and the number of emigrants of a population, in a specific territory, in a given period of time (I-E)