

## KOSOVO

**Region:** Europe and Central Asia

**Income group:** Low-middle income

**Summary:** Kosovo has reported 4 metadata sources, which collect information on international labour migration statistics. There are three survey based sources such as the *Population, Households and Housing Census*; the *Labour Force Survey*; and the *Establishment Census* and one estimation such as *Estimation of Kosovo Population*, all of which are carried out by the Kosovo Agency of Statistics.

Geographically the sources cover whole country, except that the *Population, Households and Housing Census* excludes some areas. The statistics on the following population groups are available:

- *Nationals (citizens) in the country (covered by the Population, Households and Housing Census, the Labour Force Survey, and the Estimation of Kosovo Population)*
- *Nationals (citizens) employed in the country (covered by the Population, Households and Housing Census and the Labour Force Survey)*
- *Nationals (citizens) living abroad (covered by the Population, Households and Housing Census and the Estimation of Kosovo Population)*
- *Nationals (citizens) living and working abroad (covered by the Population, Households and Housing Census)*
- *Foreigners (non-citizens) living in the country (covered by the Population, Households and Housing Census)*
- *Foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country (covered by the Population, Households and Housing Census)*
- *Refugees (covered by the Population, Households and Housing Census)*
- *Asylum seekers (covered by the Population, Households and Housing Census and the Estimation of Kosovo Population)*
- *Citizens trafficked to other countries (covered by the Estimation of Kosovo Population)*

Periodicity of data collection varies depending on the type of sources. The *Population, Households and Housing Census* was last processed in 2011; the *Labour Force Survey* is carried out on continuously basis starting from 2012; and the *Establishment Census* is held every ten years since 2011.

Age coverage also varies depending on the type of sources. In the *Labour Force Survey* persons aged 15 years and older are examined. The *Estimation of Kosovo Population* are applied to persons of all ages.

The two essential demographic characteristics covered by all the sources are age and sex. Data on marital status, educational attainment, and household size can also found in *the Population, Households and Housing Census* and the *Labour Force Survey*.

International migration characteristics covered by all the sources except the *Labour Force Survey* are country of birth and country of citizenship. Additionally, the *Population, Households and Housing Census* covers second country of citizenship, country of previous residence for foreigners, country of previous residence for citizens who lived abroad but returned; information about household members who left to live, work or study abroad for the last 12 months; data on remittance received and reference period for remittances; and information on immigrants and return migrants with the situation of the person around the time prior to leaving the household. The *Labour Force Survey* also asks questions on nationality, household members living abroad, country of origin; and information about household members who left to live, work or study abroad. Other international migration statistics that can be found in the remaining sources include country of origin, reason for immigration to country, duration of stay in country to date, and reason for migration.

Labour related characteristics such as employment status, occupation, status in employment, and hours usually worked are available in the three of four sources. Other labour related statistics that can be found in the sources

include industry/economic sector, disability, individual earnings per month, household income, occupational injury, and months worked in past year.

Definitions of “*international migrant workers*”, “*nationals living abroad*”, and “*employment*” are applied both in the *Population, Households and Housing Census* and the *Labour Force Survey*.

To classify occupation, industry, status in employment, and education internationally and nationally adapted classifications are used in the sources.

Micro data files from the *Population, Households and Housing Census* and the *Establishment Census* are available for research and analysis outside the agency for free.

#### Metadata sources:

Type of source	Name of the source	Agency Responsible	Periodicity of data collection	Year the source started	Year of the last source
Q1. Population Census	Population, Households and Housing Census	Kosovo Agency of Statistics	-	-	2011
Q2. Household Survey	Labour Force Survey	Kosovo Agency of Statistics	Continuously	2012	-
Q4. Establishment Census	Establishment Census	Kosovo Agency of Statistics	Every ten years	2011	2011
Q7. Estimation of International Migrant Workers in the Country	Estimation of Kosovo Population	Kosovo Agency of Statistics	-	-	-

#### Findings:

The latest *Population, Households and Housing Census* was processed in 2011 by the Kosovo Agency of Statistics, covering the whole country excluding some areas. There are eight population groups examined in the Census:

- *Nationals (citizens) in the country,*
- *Nationals (citizens) employed in the country,*
- *Nationals (citizens) living abroad,*
- *Nationals (citizens) living and working abroad,*
- *Foreigners (non-citizens) living in the country,*
- *Foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country,*
- *Refugees, and*
- *Asylum seekers*

The *Population, Households and Housing Census* obtains detailed data on demographic characteristics of these population groups, such as age, sex, marital status, educational attainment, and household size. The questions raised in the assessment on the topic of international migration related characteristics are:

- Country of birth,
- Country of citizenship,
- Second country of citizenship,
- Country of previous residence for foreigners, and
- Country of previous residence for citizens who lived abroad but returned.

The *Population, Households and Housing Census* includes questions about remittance received and reference period for remittances. The source also contains questions, which help to collect information on immigrants and return migrants such as "Have you ever lived outside the country?" and "When did you arrive in this country?" And the following data for the situation of the person around the time prior to leaving the household last time are obtained:

- Employment status,
- Status in employment,
- Occupation,
- Industry/economic sector,
- Reason for choosing to migrate to this country, and
- Reason for leaving previous country of residence.

In addition to the characteristics, the Census asks information about household members who left to live, work or study abroad for the last 12 months, such as name, month/year of departure, sex, main reason for leaving, age at time of leaving household, and age at present. The *Population, Households and Housing Census* covers labour related characteristics of all current household members aged 15 years and over, such as:

- Employment status,
- Occupation,
- Industry/economic sector,
- Status in employment,
- Hours usually worked,
- Disability,
- Individual earnings per month,
- Household income, and
- Occupational injury.

In the *Population, Households and Housing Census*, to collect data on "*international migrant workers*" citizenship, place of the birth, and others question are used. "*National living abroad*" is people who were born in Kosovo and live abroad more than one year. "*Employment*" covers people who, during the reference week, performed some work for wage, salary, profit or family gain in cash or in kind or were temporarily absent from their jobs.

To classify occupation, industry, status in employment, and education, both internationally and nationally adapted classifications are applied. For example:

- ISCO-08 (where four digits are used to release the data);
- NACE, NAICS;
- National adaptation of ICSE; and
- ISCED-1997.

Micro data from the source are available for research and analysis outside the agency free of charge.

The *Labour Force Survey* commenced in 2012 and is held continuously by the Kosovo Agency of Statistics (KAS). A completed sample size of the examination is 4,800 households. It geographically measures the whole country and amasses information on the following two population groups aged 15 years and over

- *Nationals (citizens) in the country, and*
- *Nationals (citizens) employed in the country.*

The ***Labour Force Survey*** obtains detailed data on demographic characteristics of each person in a household, such as:

- Age,
- Sex,
- Marital status,
- Educational attainment, and
- Household size.

Statistics on the following international migration related characteristics presented through the source are nationality, household members living abroad, and country of origin. In addition to the characteristics, the survey asks information about household members who left to live, work or study abroad, such as:

- Name,
- Sex,
- Main reason for leaving,
- Age at present,
- Marital status at present,
- Education at present,
- Employment status at time of leaving, and
- Occupation at present.

For the population groups assessed in the ***Labour Force Survey***, the data on labour related characteristics is available, particularly for:

- Employment status,
- Occupation,
- Industry/economic sector,
- Status in employment,
- Individual earnings per month,
- Hours usually worked, and
- Months worked in past year.

"***Employment***" refers to people who, during the reference week, performed some work for wage, salary, profit or family gain in cash or in kind or were temporarily absent from their jobs. To classify occupation, industry, status in employment, and education, internationally adapted classifications are applied. For example:

- ISCO-88;
- NACE, NAICS NACE Rev.2;
- ICSE-1993; and
- ISCED-1997.

Micro data is unavailable for research and analysis outside the agency.

The ***Establishment Census*** was last carried out in 2011 by the Kosovo Agency of Statistics and is carried out every 10 years starting from 2011. Geographically the source covers the whole country. The ***Establishment Census*** appraises all economic establishments of any size and covers the following topics for the establishment:

- Industry/economic sector and
- Number of employees.

The questions raised in the assessment on the topic of demographic and international migration related characteristics are:

- Age,
- Sex,
- Educational attainment,
- Reason for immigration to country,
- Country of birth,
- Country of citizenship,
- Nationality, and
- Country of previous residence.

The *Establishment Census* covers labour related characteristics, such as occupation, status in employment, hours actually worked, and occupational injury. To classify occupation, industry, status in employment, and education, internationally adapted classifications are applied. For example:

- ISCO-08;
- NACE, NAICS;
- ICSE-1993; and
- ISCED-1997.

Micro data from the source are available for research and analysis outside the agency.

For the estimation of international migrant workers, the *Estimation of Kosovo Population* is carried by the Kosovo Agency of Statistics. It geographically measures the whole country and amasses information on the following four population groups of all ages.

- *Nationals (citizens) in the country,*
- *Nationals (citizens) living abroad,*
- *Asylum seekers, and*
- *Citizens trafficked to other countries.*

It accumulates data on demographic characteristics of people, such as age and sex. Statistics on international migration related characteristics are also obtained, precisely on:

- Country of birth,
- Duration of stay in country to date,
- Country of citizenship, and
- Reason for migration.

The estimation collects employment status for labour related characteristic and also remittance received.

## **Q1. Population Census**

### ***SOURCE***

**Title of source:** Population, Households and Housing Census in Kosovo

**Year of last census:** 2011

**Agency responsible:** Kosovo Agency of Statistics – KAS

## **COVERAGE**

**Geographical coverage:** Whole country excluding some areas

- **Excluded areas:** Four municipality (approximately 2.5% of population)

**Population groups covered:** Nationals (citizens) in the country, nationals (citizens) employed in the country, nationals (citizens) living abroad, nationals (citizens) living and working abroad, foreigners (non-citizens) living in the country, foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country, refugees, asylum seekers

- **Publication/dissemination of data on population groups covered:** Nationals (citizens) in the country, nationals (citizens) employed in the country, nationals (citizens) living abroad, nationals (citizens) living and working abroad, foreigners (non-citizens) living in the country, foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country, refugees, asylum seekers

## **TOPIC COVERED**

**Demographic characteristics:** Age, sex, marital status, educational attainment, household size

**International migration related characteristics:** Country of birth, country of citizenship, second country of citizenship, country of previous residence for foreigners, country of previous residence for citizens who lived abroad but returned

- **Coverage for international migration related characteristics:** All persons
- **Exceptions for international migration related characteristics:** N.A.

**Information about household members left to live abroad:** Yes (For the last 12 months)

- **Information refers to the last time the person left:** Yes
- **Limited to certain age or work status:** No
- **Limited to those who left the household abroad within the last X years and have not returned:** Yes ( the cut-off years not specified)
- **Characteristics of persons who left to live abroad:** Name, month/year of departure, sex, main reason for leaving, age at time of leaving household, age at present

**Labour related characteristics of all current household members:** Employment status, occupation, industry/economic sector, status in employment, hours usually worked, disability, individual earnings per month, household income, occupational injury

- **Age coverage:** 15 years old and over

**Remittances related characteristics:** Remittance received, reference period for remittances

**Information on immigrants and return migrants:** Yes (Questions like "Have you ever lived outside the country?" and "when did you arrive in this country?")

- Information on the situation of the person prior to leaving the household last time is obtained: Employment status, status in employment, occupation, industry/economic sector, reason for choosing to migrate to this country, reason for leaving previous country of residence

**Data collected and not published/disseminated:** Yes

- **Number and name of question not published:** C3. Individual earnings per month; C4. Remittance sent
- **Reason not published:** N.A.

## **CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS**

**Definition of international migrant workers:** To measure it, citizenship and place of the birth and others question are used.

**Definition of national (citizen) living abroad:** It refers to people who were born in Kosovo and live abroad more than one year.

**Definition of employment:** It refers to people who, during the reference week, performed some work for wage, salary, profit or family gain in cash or in kind or were temporarily absent from their jobs.

## **CLASSIFICATION**

**Classification used for occupation:** ISCO-08

- **Number of digits used to release occupation data:** 4

**Classification used for industry:** NACE, NAICS

- **Number of digits used to release industry data:** N.A.

**Classification used for status in employment:** National adaptation of ICSE

**Classification used for status in education:** ISCED-1997

## **DATA COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION**

**Data collection method:** Face-to-face interview by census enumerator using paper questionnaire (PAPI),

**Compulsory participation of households:** Yes

**Official estimate of under-coverage rate:** Yes

- **Under-coverage rate of total population:** 2.3

**Dissemination of results:** Printed publications; electronic format (CD-ROM, DVD-ROM, diskettes, etc.); Web site (<http://ask.rks-gov.net/rekos2011>)

**Metadata has been prepared and disseminated:** Yes

**Micro-data availability outside NSO/responsible agency:** Yes

- **Limitations:** They should provide reason and to follow the Statistical law
- **Cost of obtaining micro-data:** Most of them are free

## **Q2. Household Survey**

### **SOURCE**

**Title of survey:** Labour Force Survey

**Agency responsible:** Kosovo Agency of Statistics (KAS)

### **PERIODICITY AND COVERAGE**

**Periodicity of data collection:** Continuously

**Year the survey first started:** 2012

**Geographical coverage:** Whole country

Population groups covered: Nationals (citizens) in the country, nationals (citizens) employed in the country

- **Publication/dissemination of data on population groups covered:** Nationals (citizens) in the country, nationals (citizens) employed in the country

**Age coverage:** 15 years old and over

### *TOPIC COVERED*

**Demographic characteristics:** Age, sex, marital status, educational attainment, household size

**International migration related characteristics:** Nationality, household members living abroad, country of origin

- **Coverage for international migration related characteristics:** N.A.

**Exceptions for international migration related characteristics:** N.A.

**Information about household members left to live abroad:** Yes (LFS question is: Change in the composition of the household - 0. No change; 1. New member; 2. Left Household; 3. Died)

- **Information refers to the last time the person left:** Yes
- **Limited to certain age or work status:** N.A.
- **Limited to those who left the household abroad within the last X years and have not returned:** No
- **Characteristics of persons who left to live abroad:** Name, sex, main reason for leaving, age at present, marital status at present, education at present, employment status at time of leaving, occupation at present

**Labour related characteristics of all current household members:** Employment status, occupation, industry/economic sector, status in employment, individual earnings per month, hours usually worked, months worked in past year

**Benefits received from the employer:** N.A.

**Remittances related characteristics:** No

**Information on immigrants and return migrants:** No

- **Information on the situation of the person prior to leaving the household last time is obtained:** N.A.

**Data collected and not published/disseminated:** No

**Information on persons who left to live or work abroad (recruitment, communication, assistance etc.):** No

### *CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS*

**Definition of international migrant workers:** N.A.

**Definition of national (citizen) living abroad:** N.A.

**Definition of employment:** It refers to people who, during the reference week, performed some work for wage, salary, profit or family gain in cash or in kind or were temporarily absent from their jobs.



## ***CLASSIFICATION***

**Classification used for occupation:** ISCO-88

- **Number of digits used to release occupation data:** 3

**Classification used for industry:** NACE Rev.2

- **Number of digits used to release industry data:** 2

**Classification used for status in employment:** ICSE-1993

**Classification used for status in education:** ISCED-1997

## ***DATA COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION***

**Data collection method:** Face-to-face computer assisted interview by census enumerator (CAPI),

**Compulsory participation of households:** No

**Dissemination of results:** Printed publication, Web site

**Metadata has been prepared and disseminated:** Yes

**Micro-data availability outside NSO/responsible agency:** No

## ***SAMPLE DESIGN***

**Sample frame used:** Population census

**Completed sample size:** Total household: 4,800

**Evaluation of the overall response rate or refusal rate:** No

## **Q4. Establishment Census**

### ***SOURCE***

**Title of source:** Establishment Census in Kosovo

**Year of last one:** 2011

**Agency responsible:** Kosovo Agency of Statistics – KAS

### ***PERIODICITY AND COVERAGE***

**Periodicity of data collection:** Every 10 years

**Year the census first started:** 2011

**Geographical coverage:** Whole country

**Establishment coverage (size and type):** All economic establishments of any size

**Industry coverage:** All industry/economic sectors

## *DATA COLLECTED ON WORKERS IN THE ESTABLISHMENT CENSUS*

**Demographic and migration related characteristics:** Age, sex, educational attainment, reason for immigration to country, country of birth, country of citizenship, nationality, country of previous residence

**Labour related characteristics:** Occupation, status in employment, hours actually worked, occupational injury

**Topics for the establishment:** Industry/economic sector, number of employees

**Data collected and not published/disseminated:** No

## *CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS*

**Definition of international migrant workers:** N.A.

**Definition of short-term migrant workers:** N.A.

**Definition of employment:** N.A.

**Definition of wages:** N.A.

## *CLASSIFICATION*

**Classification used for occupation:** ISCO-08

- **Number of digits used to release occupation data:** N.A.

**Classification used for industry:** NACE, NAICS

- **Number of digits used to release industry data:** N.A.

**Classification used for status in employment:** ICSE-1993

**Classification used for status in education:** ISCED-1997

## *DATA COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION*

**Data collection method:** Face-to-face interview by census enumerator using paper questionnaire (PAPI)

**Compulsory participation of respondents:** Yes

**Adjustment for estimated under-coverage:** Yes

**Dissemination of results:** Printed publications, electronic format (CD-ROM, DVD-ROM, diskettes, etc.), Web site (<http://ask.rks-gov.net/>)

**Metadata has been prepared and disseminated:** Yes

**Micro-data availability outside NSO/responsible agency:** Yes

- **Limitations:** N.A.
- **Cost of obtaining micro-data:** N.A.

## Q7. Estimation of International Migrant Workers in the Country

### *SOURCE*

**Title of source:** Estimation of Kosovo Population

**Reference year:** 2014

**Agency responsible:** Kosovo Statistical Agency

### *PERIODICITY AND COVERAGE*

**Periodicity of data release:** N.A.

**Year the source first started:** N.A.

**Geographical coverage:** Whole country

**Population coverage:** Nationals (citizens) in the country, nationals (citizens) living abroad, asylum seekers, citizens trafficked to other countries

- **Publication/dissemination of data on population groups covered:** Nationals (citizens) in the country, nationals (citizens) living abroad, asylum seekers, citizens trafficked to other countries

**Age coverage:** All ages

### *TOPIC COVERED*

**Demographic characteristics:** Age, sex

**International migration related characteristics:** Country of birth, duration of stay in country to date, country of citizenship, reason for migration

**Labour related characteristics:** Employment status

**Remittances related characteristics:** Remittance received

### *CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS*

**Definition of migrant workers:** N.A.

**Definition of short-term migrant workers:** N.A.

**Definition of a national (citizen) living abroad:** N.A.

**Definition of employment:** N.A.

**Definition of household income:** N.A.

### *CLASSIFICATION*

**Classification used for occupation:** N.A.

- **Number of digits used to release occupation data:** N.A.

**Classification used for industry:** N.A.

- **Number of digits used to release industry data:** N.A.

**Classification used for status in employment:** N.A.

**Classification used for status in education:** N.A.

*DATA COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION*

**Dissemination of results:**

**Printed publications; electronic format (CD-ROM, DVD-ROM, diskettes, etc.); Web site (<http://mpb-ks.org>)**

**Metadata has been prepared and disseminated:** No