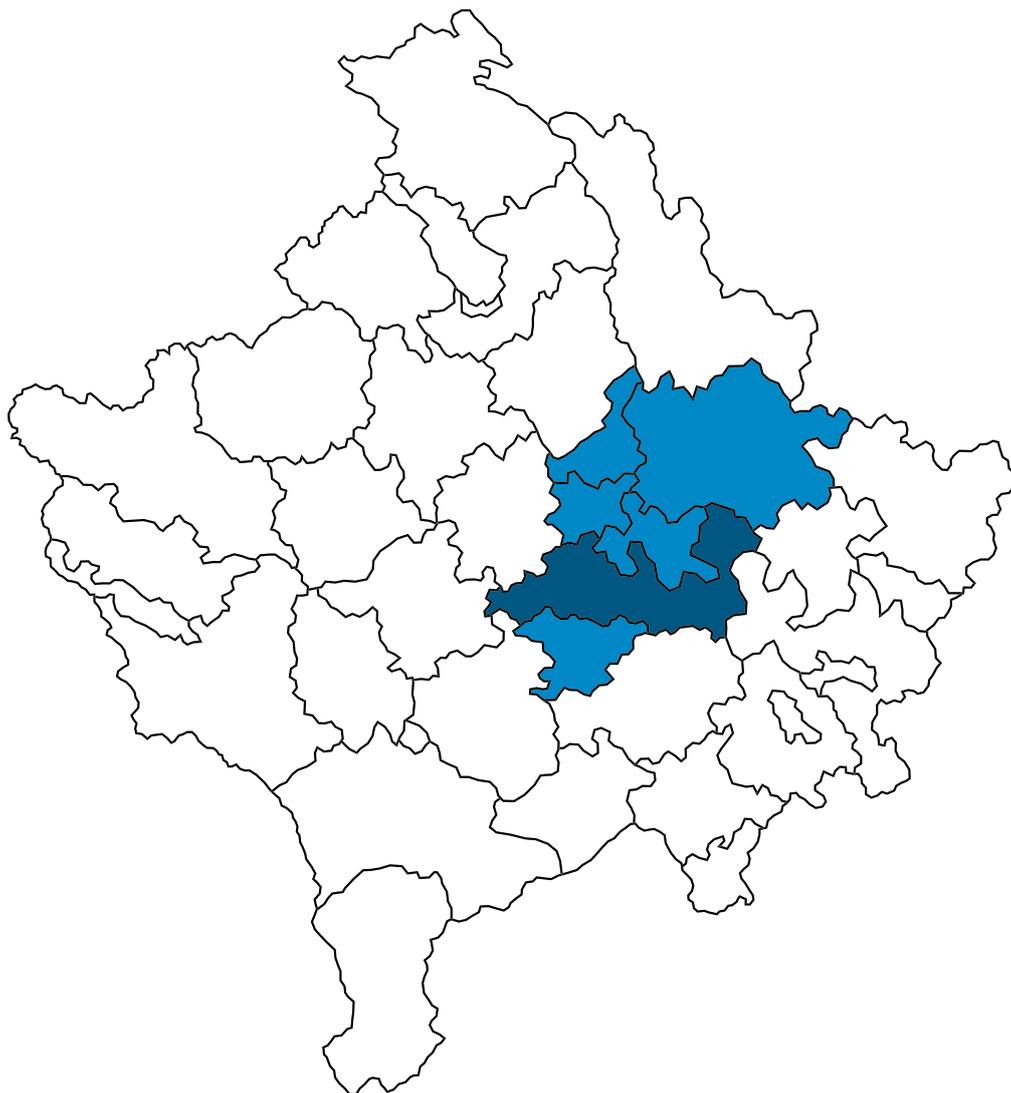


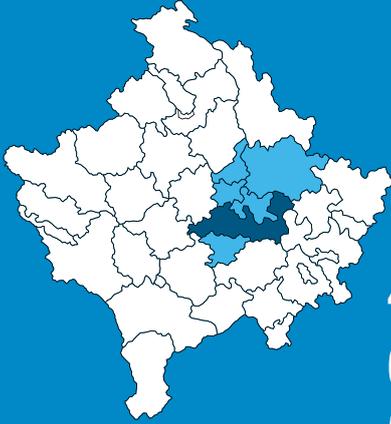
MUNICIPAL PROFILE 2018

PRISHTINË/PRIŠTINA REGION

LIPJAN/LIPLJAN



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422 km² area
 62 villages
 57,605 population

The OSCE regional centre Prishtinë/Priština covers six (6) municipalities, including Lipjan/Lipljan, and has teams working in all of them.

AREA AND POPULATION



The municipality of Lipjan/Lipljan is located in central Kosovo. It covers an area of approximately 422 km² and includes Lipjan/Lipljan town and 62 villages. According to the 2011 Kosovo Population and Housing Census, the total population is 57,605.

Ethnic composition

1. Kosovo Albanians	54,467
2. Kosovo Ashkali	1,812
3. Kosovo Serbs	513
4. Kosovo Roma	342
5. Kosovo Turks	128
6. Kosovo Bosniaks	42
7. Kosovo Gorani	6
8. Kosovo Egyptian	4
9. Other	260
10. Not specified	31

(source: Kosovo Agency of Statistics)

According to the census conducted in 1981, there were 43,118 Kosovo Albanians, 10,259 Kosovo Serbs and 354 Kosovo Montenegrins in the municipality; according to the census conducted in 1991*, there were 53,730 Kosovo Albanians, 9,713 Kosovo Serbs and 272 Kosovo Montenegrins in the municipality.

According to the UNHCR statistics, 1,541 displaced persons have returned to the municipality since 1999, of them 480 Kosovo Serbs, 95 Kosovo Roma, 964 Kosovo Ashkali and Kosovo Egyptians and two (2) Kosovo Bosniaks.

*The 1991 census is not accepted by Kosovo Albanians as legitimate.

GOVERNING STRUCTURES AND POLITICAL OVERVIEW

The total number of voters in Lipjan/Lipljan municipality registered for the municipal elections held in October 2017 was 59,548¹, including out-of-Kosovo voters. The voter turnout was 49.86% or 29,690 voters (source: Central Election Commission).

The 2017 municipal assembly election results were as follows:

39.24%	LDK Democratic League of Kosovo
19.90%	PDK Democratic Party of Kosovo
10.17%	Vetëvendosje! (Self-Determination) Movement
8.65%	AAK Alliance for Future of Kosovo
8.18%	AKR Alliance New Kosovo
6.17%	NISMA Social Democratic Initiative
1.89%	PAI – Ashkali Party for Integration
1.65%	PD - Justice Party

The current seat distribution is as follows:

12 seats
6 seats
3 seats
3 seats
3 seats
2 seats
1 seat
1 seat

1. The overall population figure presented above is taken from the 2011 census (or authoritative estimates where the census figure is not available), whereas the voters list is a reflection of all people with a civil registration entry in the municipality. In some cases, the voter's list figure is higher than or similar to the overall population number due to insufficient updating of the civil registry or a significant proportion of people registered in the municipality but actually living elsewhere or abroad.

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LEGISLATIVE



The municipal assembly has 31 seats distributed among eight (8) political entities, 30 members are Kosovo Albanian and one (1) is Kosovo Ashkali; ten (10) are women. The Municipal Assembly Chairperson is Daut Azemi (LDK).

EXECUTIVE



Structure of municipal executive and the executive's political affiliations.

The municipality is headed by Mayor Imri Ahmeti (LDK), re-elected for his second term as a mayor with 59.5% of votes in the first round of the 2017 municipal elections. In the 2013 municipal elections, Mayor Ahmeti won with 53.9% of votes in the second round. Deputy Mayor is Fauz Xhemaili (AKR) and Deputy Mayor for Communities is Lulzim Qerimi (PAI)*.

There are 13 municipal departments. Two (2) departments are run by women directors: health and social care (LDK) and urbanism, planning and environment (LDK), 11 departments are run by men directors: education (LDK); culture, youth and sport (AKR); emergency and rescue (PD); procurement (LDK); budget and finance (LDK); public services (LDK); inspectorate (LDK); administration (LDK); agriculture, forestry and rural development (AKR); geodesy and cadastre (LDK); and economic development (LDK). In the previous mandate (2013-2017), all directors were men (source: personnel office).

*According to the Law on Local Self-Government, a municipality with less than ten (10) per cent of residents belonging to communities in a numerical minority is not required to appoint a deputy mayor for communities, but the position can be established if proposed by the Mayor and approved by the municipal assembly.

JUDICIARY



Prishtinë/Priština Basic Court has a branch in Lipjan/Lipljan with six (6) judges, all are Kosovo Albanian; five (5) men and one (1) woman (source: Lipjan/Lipljan branch of the Prishtinë/Priština Basic Court).

Prishtinë/Priština Basic Prosecutor's Office covers the municipality.

SECURITY PRESENCE



The Kosovo Police station in Lipjan/Lipljan has 94 police officers in the main police station and two (2) sub-stations in Magure/Magura and Janjevë/Janjevo, 80 are Kosovo Albanian, 13 are Kosovo Serb and one (1) is Kosovo Bosniak; 14 are women.

As for the international military presence Turkish KFOR covers the area (source: Kosovo Police).

ECONOMY



The economy of Lipjan/Lipljan municipality is predominantly based on agriculture and small trade businesses. There are approximately 2,110 registered private businesses operating in the municipality. There is no reliable data on the number of people employed in the private sector (source: municipal directorate of economic development).

PUBLIC SERVICES

Infrastructure



The overall status of infrastructure in the municipality is assessed as good. Roads in four (4) villages are not asphalted and connected with the urban centre. Lipjan/Lipljan town and 40 out of 62 villages are connected to water supply system, while 47 villages are connected to sewage system (source: municipal directorate of public services).

Health



The primary health care system currently includes one (1) main municipal family health centre in town, four (4) family health centres in villages of Shalë/Sedlare, Magurë/Magura, Gadime/Gadimlje and Janjevë/Janjevo, and seven (7) health houses in the surrounding villages. The health sector has 232 employees, including doctors, nurses and support staff, 224 Kosovo Albanian, five (5) Kosovo Serb, one (1) Kosovo Bosniak, one (1) Kosovo Croat and one (1) Kosovo Ashkali; 140 women and 92 men (source: municipal directorate of health and social care).

Kosovo Serbs use a makeshift health facility placed in the vicinity of the Serbian Orthodox church in Lipjan/Lipljan town (source: municipal office for communities and return).

Education



There are 24 primary schools with 9,903 pupils and 793 teachers, three (3) secondary schools with 3,170 students and 205 teachers and one (1) kindergarten with 104 children and 20 teachers (source: municipal directorate of education).

There is one (1) primary school following Serbian curriculum in town, with three (3) satellite schools in Staro Gracko/Grackë e Vjetër, Rubovc/Rabovce, Lagjia Re/Novo Naselje villages, with 90 pupils and one (1) kindergarten with 40 pupils. The total number of teachers is 63 (source: municipal office for communities and return).

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RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL SITES



There are 32 mosques in the municipality. Seven (7) mosques were damaged/destroyed in the 1999 conflict and were reconstructed afterwards, and 17 new mosques have been built after the conflict. There are five (5) Serbian Orthodox churches in the municipality, three (3) are in use, two (2) in Lipjan/Lipljan town and one (1) Rubovc/Rabovce village, while two (2) others located in Kraishtë/Krajište and Sllovi/Slovinje were destroyed/damaged after the 1999 conflict. The two (2) churches in Lipjan/Lipljan town (within the Special Protective Zone) sustained minor damages in the March 2004 riots and were reconstructed by the Reconstruction Implementation Commission (RIC) in 2005. There are two (2) Catholic churches in the municipality and both are in use. These churches did not suffer any damages (source: municipal directorate of youth, sport and culture).

A total of six (6) cultural heritage (archaeological and architectural) sites in Lipjan/Lipljan municipality are included in the Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sport list of sites under permanent/temporary protection.

KEY FACTS



In Lipjan/Lipljan there are:

- 31 seats in the municipal assembly distributed amongst 8 political entities
- 94 police officers
- 6 judges
- 1,081 teachers in 25 primary and 3 secondary schools and 2 kindergartens