

Public Finances Bulletin – January 2018

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The Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Albania has published the Fiscal Statistics for January 2018. In the service of the analysis, cumulative data on public incomes, government expenditures and investments were used from February 1998 to January 2018.

Referring to the performance of public finances for this period, the Honorary President of IPPM, *Mr. Arben Malaj*, states:

"During January 2018, annual revenue growth has marked an improvement only over the same period of 2017, but not in relation to the average of the 10-year period. Meanwhile, total expenditures realized during January have marked an improvement compared to the same period of the previous year and to the average of the last 10 years for this month. Even public investments during the month of January have marked an improvement compared as to the same period of the previous year, as to the average of the last 10 years for this month.

Main comparisons:

Public revenues for January 2018 marked the value of 35,391 billion Lek. Compared with the same month of the previous year, there was an increase in nominal value of 2,497 billion Lek or an increase of 7.6%.

During January, revenues realized as part of the total planned revenues for the 2018 Budget were 7.62%, while the average revenue share for January of the last 10 years was 7.74%. Thus, earning income for January 2018 has resulted weaker than the average of the 10-year period, namely with a difference of 0.12 percentage points.

Total expenditures for January reached 30,028 billion Lek, marking a nominal increase of 4.394 billion Lek, or an increase of 17.1% compared to the same month for 2017.

For January, the average share of total spending on this year's budget was 6.04%, while the average weight of the last 10 years for this indicator was 5.77%. In this regard, it can be said that the total expenditures for January 2018 have performed better than the average of the 10-year period, increasing by 0.27 percentage points.

Public Investments in January amounted to 3,564 billion Lek. Compared to the same month of the previous year, monthly public investments recorded a nominal increase of 2,523 million Lek or a 242.4% decrease.

Further analysis of indicators

Based on official data from monthly fiscal statistics published by the Ministry of Finances a more focused analysis on the main public finances indicators is prepared.

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State budget revenues

The total income for January 2018 was 35,391 billion Lek or 2,497 billion more than the same period a year earlier. The increase of 7.6% of revenues realized in annual terms is caused by the increase of tax revenues and aid revenues. Tax revenues amounted to 33,116 billion Lek, or 2,181 billion Lek more than in January 2017, recording an increase of 7.1%. Aid revenues amounted to 92 million Lek or 94 million Lek less than in the same period a year earlier, recording a decrease of 50.5%.

The average share of aids income for January of this year was 0.63%, while the average share of the 10-year period for this indicator was 3.59%, marking a decrease of 2.96 percentage points.

The average share of tax revenues for January of this year was 7.8%, while their average share for the last 10 years was 7.6%, marking a decrease of 0.2 percentage points.

According to the IPPM Index, in January, revenues realized as a share of the 2018 Budget are 0.12 percentage points lower than the average revenue share for the month of January during the last 10 years.

Central Government Expenditures

For the month of January 2018, total expenditures amounted to 30,028 billion Lek, increasing by 4,394 billion Lek in nominal value, or a 17.1% increase compared to January 2017, of which 1,825 billion Lek were due to the increase of current expenditures. Current expenditures amounted to 26,464 billion Lek, marking an increase of 7.4% compared to the same month of the previous year.

The average share of total expenditures for January of this year to total expenditures for 2018 has resulted 0.28 percentage points above the average share of the 10-year period for this indicator.

The share of current spending for January to the 2018 Budget was 6.49%. Referring to the 10-year IPPM Index, it turns out that the current spending share realized during January for the 2018 Budget is 0.07 percentage points above the average share of the 10-year period for current spending for this month.

Public Investments

Public investments in January 2018 reached nominal value of 3,564 billion Lek, or 2,523 billion Lek more than in the previous year, marking a 242.4% increase. For this month, there has not been public investments with domestic financing. Public investments have been funded by revenues of Higher Education in the value of 10 million Lek and by foreign funds, which have amounted to 3,554 billion Lek, recording a decrease of 285.1% compared to January 2017.

The share of public investment for the month of January to the 2018 Budget results 4.13%, while referring to the IPPM Index, it results that the average public investment share realized during the months of January for the last 10 years is 3.67%. In this regard, it can be said that this indicator performed better compared to the 10-year period, marking an increase of 0.46 percentage points.



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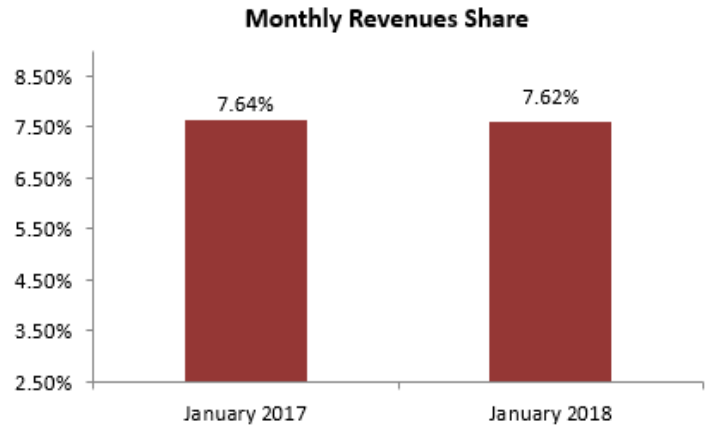
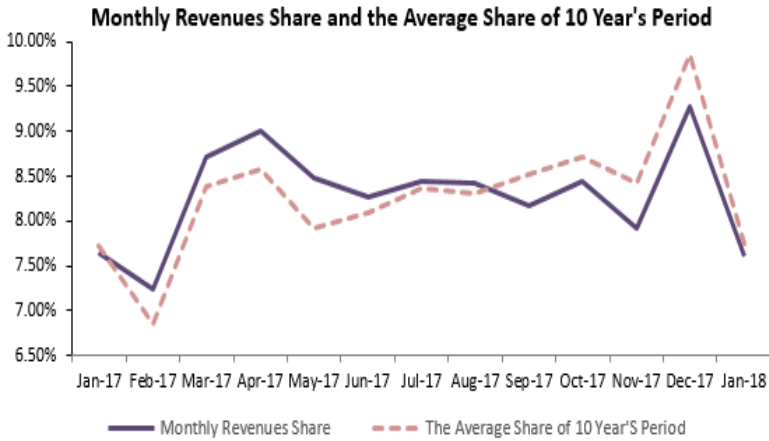
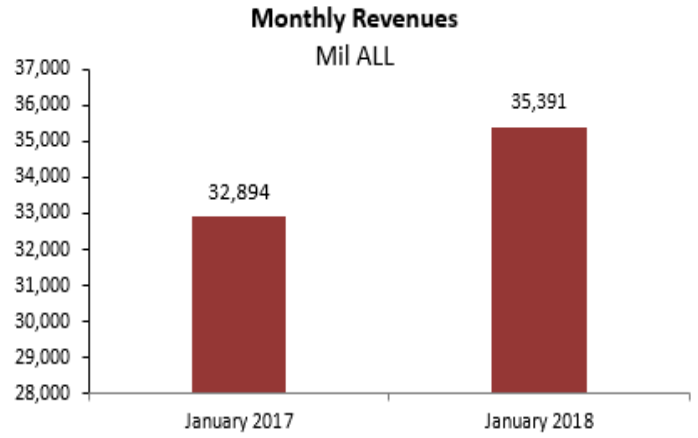
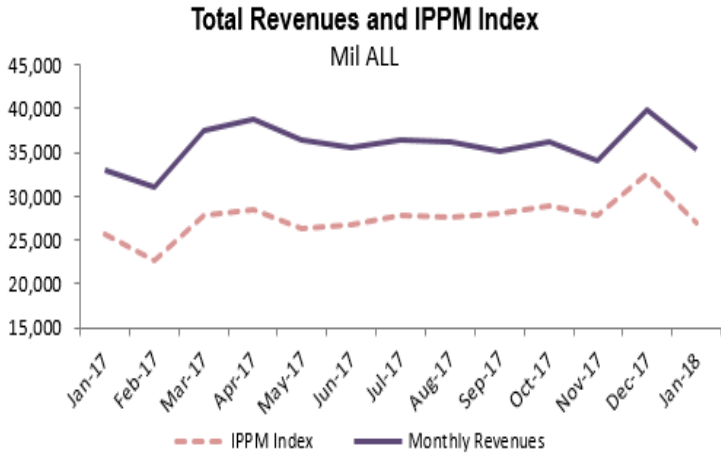
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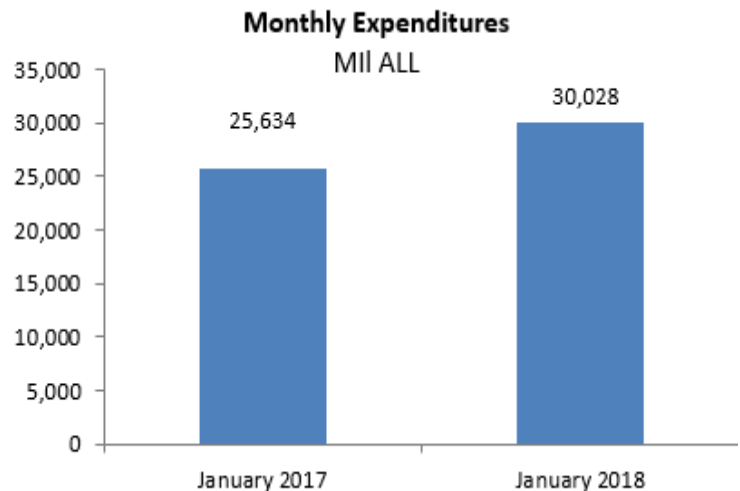
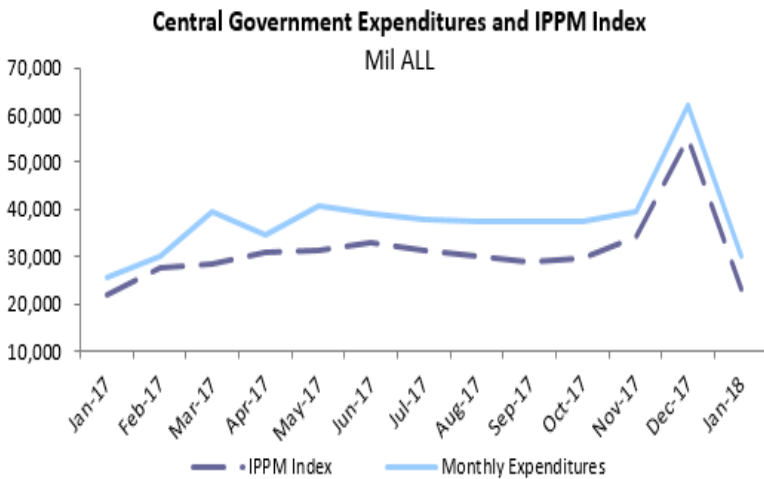
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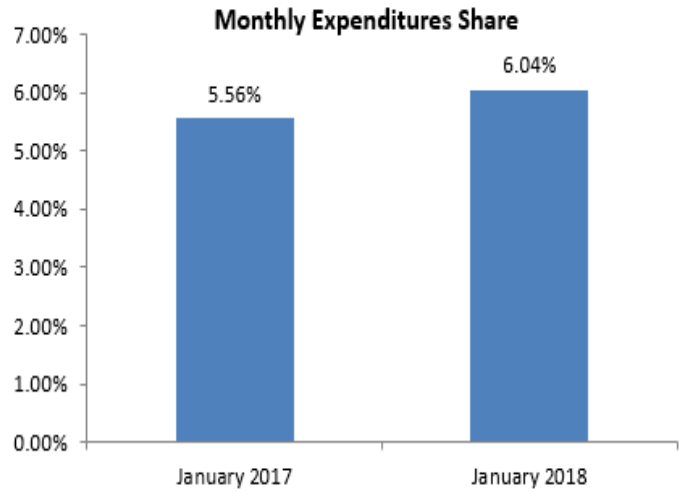
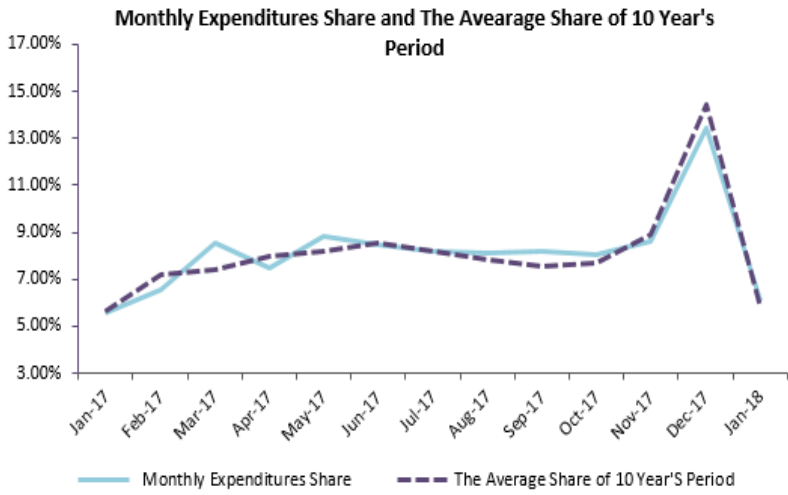
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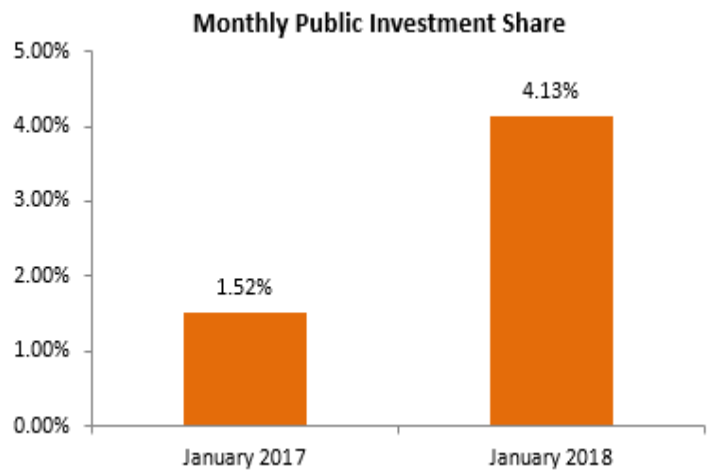
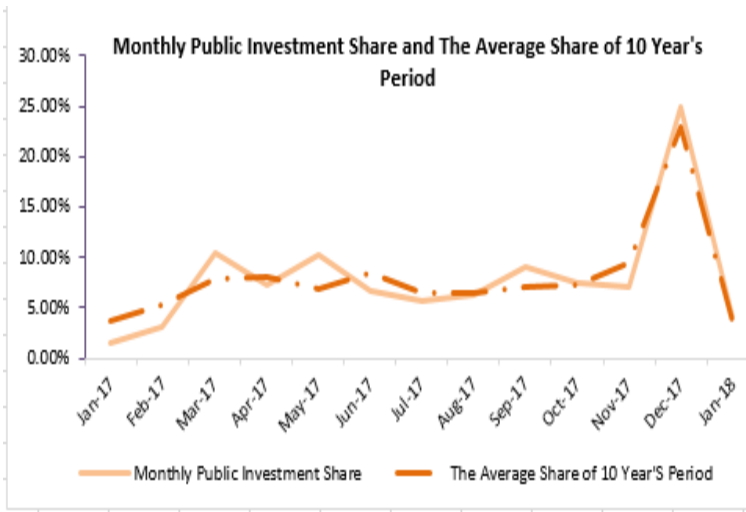
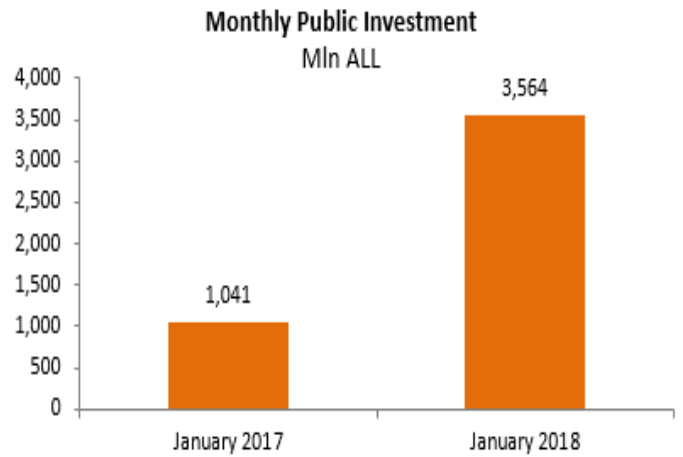
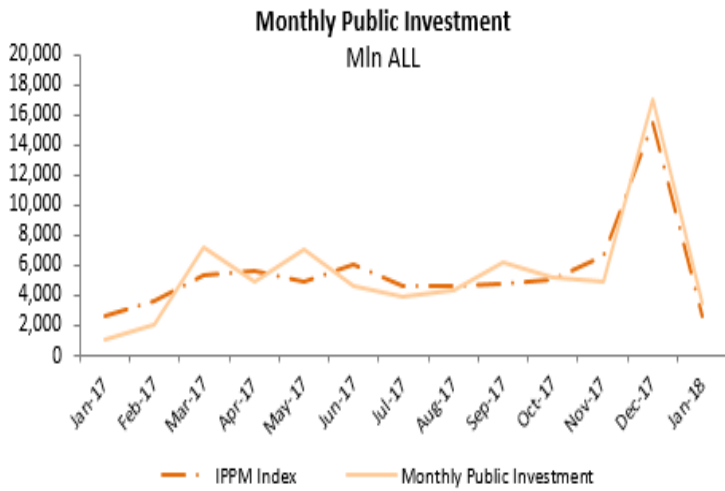


2. Central Government Expenditures





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