

## 1. Area and Population

The municipality of Obiliq/Obilić is located in central Kosovo. It covers an area of approximately 105 km<sup>2</sup> and includes Obiliq/Obilić town and 19 villages. According to the Kosovo Population and Housing Census 2011 the total population is 21,549.

### Ethnic composition

1. Kosovo Albanians: 19,854
2. Kosovo Roma: 661
3. Kosovo Ashkali: 578
4. Kosovo Serbs: 276
5. Kosovo Bosniaks: 58
6. Kosovo Egyptians: 27
7. Kosovo Gorani: 5
8. Kosovo Turks: 2
9. Other: 48
10. Not specified: 40

(Source: Kosovo Agency of Statistics)

Note: According to the municipal office for communities and returns 2,880 Kosovo Serbs, 720 Kosovo Roma and 80 Kosovo Bosniaks, as well as a few Kosovo Montenegrins and Circassians reside in the municipality.

Prior to the 1999 conflict the number of non-Albanian communities living in the municipality was much higher. A small number of them have returned but the majority is still displaced. There are currently 8,615 persons displaced from Obiliq/Obilić municipality residing outside Kosovo (source: UNHCR).

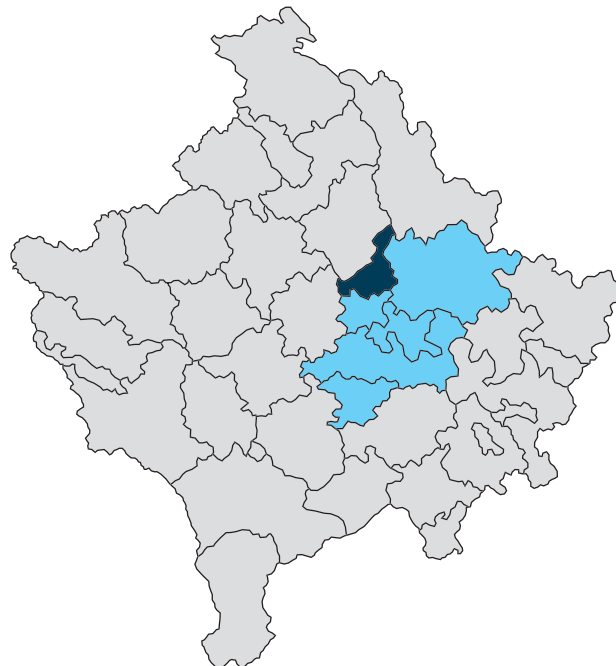
## 2. Governing Structures and Political Overview

The total number of voters in Obiliq/Obilić municipality registered for the last municipal elections held in November 2009 was 21,313 including out-of-Kosovo voters. The voter turnout was 45.42 per cent/9,089 voters (source: Central Election Commission).

The election results were as follows:

PDK - Democratic Party of Kosovo	28.00%	6 seats
AAK - Alliance for the Future of Kosovo	24.00%	5 seats
LDK - Democratic League of Kosovo	24.00%	5 seats
LB - Movement for Unification	14.00%	3 seats
AKR - Alliance for New Kosovo	5.00%	1 seat
PD - Justice Party	1.50%	1 seat

The OSCE regional centre Prishtinë/Priština covers six (6) municipalities including Obiliq/Obilić and has field teams working in all of them.



### a. Legislative

The municipal assembly has 21 seats distributed amongst six (6) political entities. All 21 members of the municipal assembly are Kosovo Albanians; seven (7) are female. The municipal assembly chairperson is Hajriz Bekteshi (LDK).

According to the law on local self-government, a municipality with more than ten (10) per cent of residents belonging to communities not in majority in that municipality is required to appoint a deputy municipal assembly chairperson for communities. However, deputy chairperson for communities has not been appointed.

### b. Executive

The municipality is headed by mayor Mehmet Krasniqi (LDK), deputy mayor Hajrullah Sallova (no political affiliation) and deputy mayor for communities, Predrag Jović (SLS). It has nine (9) departments and department directors: general administration (LDK); health and social welfare (LDK); education (LDK); economy, finance and development (LDK); urban planning, cadastre, and property (LDK); public services and emergencies (LDK); inspection (AAK); environmental protection (LDK); and culture, youth and sports (AAK) (source: municipal web site).

### 3. Judiciary

There are no courts in Obiliq/Obilić. Prishtinë/Priština basic court covers the municipality (*source: Kosovo Judicial Council*).

Additional information

Prishtinë/Priština basic prosecutor's office covers the municipality.

### 4. Security Presence

The Kosovo police station in Obiliq/Obilić municipality has 59 police officers; 52 are Kosovo Albanian, seven (7) are Kosovo Serb, while 11 are female.

As for the international military presence, Finnish KFOR covers the area (*source: Kosovo police*).

### 5. Economy

The economy of the municipality of Obiliq/Obilić is based on electrical energy production, agriculture and small trade businesses. The Kosovo Energy Corporation (KEK) is the primary employer. There are some 325 registered private businesses operating in the municipality. There are no reliable data on the number of people employed in private sector in Obiliq/Obilić (*source: municipal directorate of economy, finance and development*).

### 6. Public Services

#### a. Infrastructure

The overall status of infrastructure in the municipality of Obiliq/Obilić is assessed as good.

All the main roads connecting major villages with the urban centre are asphalted. Obiliq/Obilić town and 17 out of 19 villages are connected to water supply and sewage system. Power supply is still a problem especially in the villages (*source: municipal development plan*).

#### b. Health

The primary health care system currently includes one (1) municipal family health centre and seven (7) health houses in the surrounding villages. The health sector has 101 employees, 60 females and 41 male, including doctors, nurses and support staff.

Access:

All communities have access to health care and all health facilities. However, Kosovo Serbs usually go to nearest Serbia-run health institutions (*source: municipal directorate of health and social welfare*).

#### c. Education

There are 9 primary schools with 4355 pupils and 260 teachers; one (1) secondary school with 1138 students and 65 teachers; and one (1) kindergarten with 80

children and 16 teachers. Schools in the municipality are ethnically segregated; in Caravodicë/Crkvena Vodica, Kosovo Albanian and Kosovo Serb pupils use the same school facilities but in different shifts (*source: municipal directorate of education*).

### 7. Religious and Cultural sites

Obiliq/Obilić has 15 mosques. Most of them were renovated following the conflict. There are three (3) Serbian Orthodox churches, out of which two (2) were damaged during the 1999 conflict and renovated after. One (1) of the churches is still not in use (*source: municipal development plan*).

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21

seats in the municipal assembly distributed amongst 6 political entities.

67

police officers in the main police station.

0

No courts.

341

teachers in 9 primary and 1 secondary schools and 1 kindergarten.