

1. Area and Population

The municipality of Hani i Elezit/Elez Han is located in south-eastern Kosovo. It covers an area of approximately 83 km² and includes town of Hani i Elezit/Elez Han and ten (10) surrounding villages. According to the Kosovo Population and Housing Census 2011 the total population is 9,403.

Ethnic composition

1. Kosovo Albanians: 9, 357
2. Kosovo Bosniaks: 42
3. Other: 2
4. Not specified: 2

(Source: Kosovo Agency of Statistics)

Prior to the 1999 conflict, other Kosovo non-Albanian communities also lived in the municipality. They are since displaced. There is no available data on their current whereabouts.

2. Governing Structures and Political Overview

The total number of voters in Hani i Elezit/Elez Han municipality registered for the last municipal elections held in November 2009 was 7,934, including out-of-Kosovo voters. The voter turnout was 49.88 per cent/3,865 voters (source: Central Elections Commission).

The election results were as follows:

LDK Democratic League of Kosovo	40.00%	6 seats
PDK Democratic Party of Kosovo	40.00%	6 seats
AAK - Alliance for the Future of Kosovo	20.00%	3 seats

a. Legislative

The municipal assembly has 15 seats distributed amongst three (3) political entities. All 15 members of the assembly are Kosovo Albanians; five (5) are female. The municipal assembly chairperson is Menduh Vlashi (AAK).

b. Executive

The municipality is headed by the mayor, Rufki Suma (independent candidate) and deputy mayor, Muzafer Dernjani (LDK). It has eight (8) departments and department directors: budget and finance (LDK); general administration and personnel (AAK); education and culture (LDK); health and social welfare (LDK); public services and emergencies (AAK); urbanism, cadastre and environment protection (LDK); economic and strategic development policies (AAK); and agriculture, forestry and rural development (LDK) (source: municipal website).

The OSCE regional centre Gjilan/Gnjilane covers 11 municipalities including Hani i Elezit/Elez Han and has field teams working in all of them.



3. Judiciary

There are no courts in Hani i Elezit/Elez Han. Ferizaj/Uroševac basic court covers the municipality (source: Ferizaj/Uroševac basic court).

Additional information

Ferizaj/Uroševac basic prosecutor's office covers the municipality.

4. Security Presence

The Kosovo police station in Kaçanik/Kaçanik has a sub-station in Hani i Elezit/Elez Han with ten (10) police officers, all male Kosovo Albanians.

As for the international military presence, the United States KFOR covers the municipality (source: Kosovo police).

5. Economy

The economy of the municipality mainly relies on the production of cement, plastic and agricultural products, as well as small trade businesses.

There are some 300 registered private businesses employing some 1,800 people in Hani i Elezit/Elez Han municipality (source: municipal directorate of budget and finance).

6. Public Services

a. Infrastructure

The overall condition of the infrastructure in the municipality of Hani i Elezit/Elez Han municipality is assessed as good.

Most of the main roads connecting villages with the urban centre are asphalted. The town of Hani i Elezit/Elez Han and three (3) out of ten (10) villages are connected to water supply and sewage systems (*source: municipal development plan*).

b. Health

The primary health care system includes one (1) municipal family health centre in the town and one (1) field clinic in Gorancë/Gorance village. The health sector had 31 employees, 20 female and 11 male, including doctors, nurses and support staff.

Access: All communities have access to health care and all health facilities (*source: municipal directorate of health and social welfare*).

c. Education

There are eight (8) primary schools (three (3) in town and five (5) in villages) with 1585 pupils and 80 teachers; one (1) secondary school with 439 students and 20 teachers; and five (5) preschools with 116 children and five (5) teachers (*source: municipal directorate of education and culture*).

7. Religious and Cultural Sites

Hani i Elezit/Elez Han has eight (8) mosques. Most of them were renovated following the 1999 conflict. There are only remains of one (1) Serbian Orthodox church which is not in use since the 1960s (*sources: municipal information office*).

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police officers in Hani i Elezit/Elez Han police sub-station.

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No courts.

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teachers in three 3 primary and 1 secondary school, and 5 preschools.