

1. Area and Population

The municipality of Ranilug/Ranillug is located in eastern Kosovo. It covers an area of 77.62 km² and includes Ranilug/Ranillug town and 12 villages. According to the Kosovo Population and Housing Census 2011 the total population is 3,866.

Ethnic composition

1. Kosovo Serbs: 3,692
2. Kosovo Albanians: 164
3. Kosovo Bosniaks: 1
4. Other: 3
5. Not specified: 6

(Source: Kosovo Agency of Statistics)

Note: According to the municipal information office the total population is 5,800 with the following ethnic composition:

1. Kosovo Serbs: 5,718 reside in the town and all 12 villages.
2. Kosovo Albanians: 82 reside in Veliko Ropotovo/ Ropotovë e Madhe and Donje Korminjane/Korminjani i Poshtëm villages.

Ranilug/Ranillug was established on 5 January 2010, when the constitutive municipal assembly session was held. Until then the area was part of Kamenicë/Kamenica municipality.

2. Governing Structures and Political Overview

A total number of voters in Ranilug/Ranillug municipality registered for the last municipal elections held in November 2009 was 4,822. The voter turnout was 17.92 per cent/895 voters (source: Central Elections Commission).

The election results were as follows:

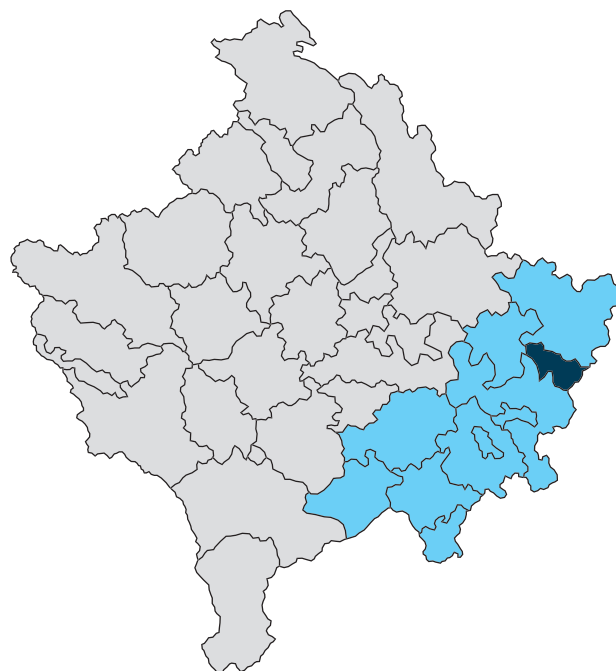
GIZOR - Citizensinitiative for Ranilug Municipality	78.70%	11 seats
SKMS - Serbian Party of Kosovo and Metohija	21.30%	4 seats

a. Legislative

The municipal assembly has 15 seats distributed amongst two (2) political entities. All 15 members are Kosovo Serbs; seven (7) are female. As of 22 June 2012 the municipal assembly chairperson is Vladica Artonović (GIZOR).

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

The OSCE regional centre Gjilan/Gnjilane covers 11 municipalities including Ranilug/Ranillug and has field teams working in all of them.



assembly chairperson for communities. Although this is not the case in Ranilug/Ranillug, in 2010 the municipal assembly appointed Kosovo Albanian, Lulzim Canaj (non-affiliated) as the municipal deputy mayor for communities.

b. Executive

Municipality is headed by mayor, Gradimir Mikić (GIZOR) and deputy mayor, Titomir Stević (independent). It has six (6) departments and department directors: administration and personnel (GIZOR); budget, finance, economy and inspection (non-affiliated); geodesy, urban planning, and cadastre (GIZOR); education, health, social protection, culture and sports (GIZOR); public services (GIZOR); and agriculture and forestry (non-affiliated) (source: municipal website and information officer).

3. Judiciary

Ranilug/Ranillug municipality does not have a court. Gjilan/Gnjilane basic court covers the municipality (source: Gjilan/Gnjilane basic court).

Additional information

Gjilan/Gnjilane basic prosecutor's office covers the municipality.

4. Security Presence

The Kosovo police station in Ranilug/Ranillug has 21 police officers; ten (10) Kosovo Serbs and 11 Kosovo Albanians. Out of all 21 police officers two (2) are female.

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

5. Economy

The economy of the municipality of Ranilug/Ranillug is mainly based on dairy (milk and cheese) production and small trade businesses.

There are some 90 registered private businesses operating in the municipality. There is no reliable data on the number of employed in private sector in Ranilug/Ranillug (*source: municipal directorate of geodesy, urban planning, and cadastre*).

6. Public Services

a. Infrastructure

The overall status of infrastructure in Ranilug/Ranillug municipality is assessed as good. Most of the main roads connecting villages with the urban centre are asphalted. Ranilug/Ranillug town and eight (8) out of 12 villages are connected to water supply and sewage systems. Power supply is still a problem especially in remote villages (*source: municipal development plan and municipal information officer*).

b. Health

The primary health care system currently includes one (1) municipal family health centre and five (5) health houses. Health sector has 33 employees, 21 females and 12 male, including doctors, nurses and support staff.

Access:

All communities have access to health care and all health facilities (*source: municipal directorate of education, health, social protection, culture and sports*).

c. Education

There are two (2) primary schools with 569 pupils and 87 teachers; two (2) secondary schools with 364 students and 48 teachers; and one (1) kindergarten with 89 children and 11 teachers. There are in total 35 support staff working in all four (4) schools and one (1) kindergarten.

Additional information:

The figures for teachers and support staff do not include those who are solely paid by the Serbian Ministry of Education (*source: municipal directorate of education, health, social protection, culture and sports*).

7. Religious and Cultural sites

Ranilug/Ranillug has nine (9) Serbian Orthodox churches. Most of them were renovated following the 1999 conflict and are in use (*source: municipal development plan and information officer*).

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In Ranilug/Ranillug there are:

15	seats in the municipal assembly distributed amongst 2 political entities.
21	police officers.
0	No courts.
146	teachers in 2 primary and 2 secondary schools and 1 kindergarten.