“Die demographic situation in Albania around 1900”  
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The historical-demographic research about Albania is still underdeveloped, mainly because of the missing sources before WWII. The original census manuscripts of the census of 1918, organized by the Austro-Hungarian Army during WWI, are still available and can be used to answer questions concerning the demographic conditions and household structures in Albania around 1900.

Die implementation of the census will be researched using the holdings of the Military Archive in Vienna. In Albania and Kosovo comparable data will be searched for in state and church archives, so that the existing database can be enhanced. All places will be georeferenced and all occupations will be coded and the data will be analysed for possible biases in them. The analysis will deal with the characteristics of the population, marriage patterns, fertility, occupational and marriage migration, and finally household structures.

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