Country Information Guide

Greece

A guide to information sources on the Hellenic Republic, with hyperlinks to information within European Sources Online and on external websites

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- Greece – External / Internal / Regions

General information

- Greece: Government portal: Ermis
- Greece: Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Υπουργείο Εξωτερικών)
- Greece: Ministry of Interior: Secretariat General of Information and Communication (in Greek)
- Greece: Greek National Tourism Organization (GNTO)
- European Union: Greece
- United Nations: Greece
- Wikipedia: Greece
- United Kingdom: Foreign and Commonwealth Office: Greece
- United States: CIA World Factbook: Greece
- United States: Department of State: Greece
- BBC News: Country Profile: Greece
- Encyclopaedia Britannica: World data: Greece
- The Guardian: World news: Greece
- Google: Find websites on Greece through Google
- SearchEnginesoftheWorld: European Search Engines, Directories and Lists: Greece
- NationMaster: Greece
- UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies Library: Internet resources on Greece

Agricultural information

- Greece: Ministry of Rural Development and Food (Υπουργείο Αγροτικής Ανάπτυξης και Τροφίμων)
- Greece: National Agricultural Research Foundation [in Greek]
- European Commission: European Network for Rural Development: Country Information [click on map to select country]
- AgroWeb Network: Central and Eastern Europe: Greece
- FAO: Country Profiles: Agriculture: Greece [select theme]
- OECD: Agriculture and Fisheries: Greece
- Organic Europe: Organic Farming in Europe: Greece

Competition policy information

- Greece: Hellenic Competition Commission
- OECD: Competition: Greece

Culture and language information

- Greece: Ministry of Culture and Sports (Υπουργείο Πολιτισμού και Αθλητισμού)
- Greece: Centre for the Greek Language
- European Commission: Programmes: Creative Europe: Tools: Creative Europe Desks: Greece [select country]
- University of the Highlands and the Islands: [European Minority Languages](https://www.europeml.org/)

**Defence and security information**

- Greece: [Ministry of National Defence](https://www.mindef.gr) (Υπουργείο Εθνικής Άμυνας)
- Greece: [National Intelligence Agency](https://www nisi.gr) (ΝΙΣ)

**Economic information**

- ESO: Greece: [Economic situation](https://www.eso.org/media/)
- Greece: [Ministry of Finance](https://www.mof.gr) (Υπουργείο Οικονομικών)
- Greece: [Bank of Greece](https://www.bankofgreece.gr) (Τράπεζα της Ελλάδος)
  - Annual Reports
  - Other publications
  - Statistics
- Greece: [Athens Exchange S. A.](https://www.athex.gr) (Εξημερώσεις)
- European Commission: DG Economic and Financial Affairs:
  - Stability and Growth Programme: [National Reform Programme 2016](https://ec.europa.eu/info/business-economy-euro/economics-finance-economy-eu/national-reform-programme-
- + European Bank for Reconstruction and Development: The EBRD in [Greece](https://www.ebrd.com/countries/greece.html)
- International Monetary Fund: [Greece](https://www.imf.org/external/np/res/country.aspx?c=GRC) and the IMF
- OECD: Countries: [Greece](https://www.oecd.org/greece/)
- WTO: [Greece and the WTO](https://www.wto.org/en/whatwedo/greeceandwto)

**Education information**

- Council of Europe/European Union: Youth Partnership: Knowledge / EKCYP: Countries: [Background information on youth policy](https://cycaj.europa.eu/)
- European Commission: Education & training: Study in Europe: Higher Education in [Greece](https://ec.europa.eu/education/schools/schools-and-learning/country-profile/greece)[click on map to select country]
- European Commission: Programmes: Erasmus+: Tools: [National-agencies](https://ec.europa.eu/education/schools/erasmusplus)
- European Commission: Youth Partnership: [Youth Policy in Greece](https://ec.europa.eu/youngpeople/youth-policy/)
- European Union: Your Europe: Citizens: [Education](https://ec.europa.eu/your-europe/citizens/education)[select topic then country]

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- UNESCO Institute for Statistics: Education in Greece [Select country]
- OECD: Education: Greece
- Council of Europe: Cultural Cooperation: Education for Democratic Citizenship and Human Rights: Greece [Select country from the list]
- World Bank: World DataBank: Education Statistics - All Indicators [select country, series and time]
- Wikipedia: Education in Greece

**Employment information**

- Greece: Ministry of Labour and Social Security (Υπουργείο Εργασίας και Κοινωνικής Ασφάλισης) [in Greek]
- Greece: Greek General Confederation of Labour: Institute of Labour (INE) [in Greek]
- European Commission: Europe 2020: Europe 2020 in your country: Greece
- European Commission: EURES: Living & Working: Greece
- Eurofound: Home: Observatories: European Observatory of Working Life - EurWORK: Industrial relations country profiles
- European Trade Union Institution: Worker Participation: National Industrial Relations: Greece
- Federation of European Employers: Industrial Relations Across Europe: Greece
- OECD: Key Employment Statistics: Greece
- International Labour Organization: NATLEX: Greece

**Energy information**

- Greece: Ministry of Environment and Energy (Υπουργείο Περιβάλλοντος και Ενέργειας)
- Greece: Center For Renewable Energy Sources And Saving (CRES)
- European Commission: DG Energy:
  - Statistics by Country
  - Energy Statistical Pocketbook [select year and country]
  - National Renewable Energy Action Plan [select country]
- International Energy Agency:
  - Countries: Greece
  - Statistics and Balances: Greece
- United States: Energy Information Administration: Greece

**Environmental information**

- Greece: Ministry of Environment and Energy (Υπουργείο Περιβάλλοντος και Ενέργειας)
- European Commission: DG Environment: LIFE Programme: Greece
- European Environment Agency:
  - EIONET - European Environment Information and Observation Network: Greece
  - SERIS - State of the Environment Reporting Information System: Greece
- European Environmental Bureau: Members: Greece
- FAO: Country Profiles: Greece
- OECD: Environment: Greece
- Greenpeace International: Greece
European policies and relations with the European Union

- Greece: Ministry of Foreign Affairs [Υπουργείο Εξωτερικών]: Foreign Policy: [Greece in the EU](#)
- Greece: Ministry of Economy, Development and Tourism [Υπουργείο Οικονομίας, Ανάπτυξης και Τουρισμού]: [NSRF 2014-2020](#)
- Greece: [Bank of Greece (Τράπεζα της Ελλάδος)](#)
  - The euro
  - Single Euro Payments Area (SEPA)
  - Monetary Policy and Eurosystem
  - Research and Publications
  - Annual Report
- European Union: Member Countries: [Greece](#)
- European Union: Europe Direct Information Network: [Greece](#)
- European Commission: Representation in [Greece](#) [in Greek]
- European Commission: Enterprise Europe Network: [Greece](#)
- European Commission: DG Economic and Financial Affairs:
  - Greece
  - Greece and the Euro
- European Commission: DG Regional Policy: [Greece](#)
- European Investment Bank: Finance Contracts Signed in: [Greece](#)
- European Parliament: Information Office: [Greece](#) [in Greek]
- Council of Europe: Member States: [Greece](#)
- OECD: Countries: [Greece](#)
- OECD: Delegations: [Greece](#)

Geographic information and maps

- FAO: Forestry Country Information: Maps: [Greece](#)
- Lonely Planet: [Map of Greece](#)
- Maps of the World: [Greece](#)
- University of Texas: Perry Castañeda Library Map Collection: [Greece Maps](#)

Health information

- Greece: [Ministry of Health](#) (Υπουργείο Υγείας) [in Greek]
- European Union: Your Europe: Citizens: Health: National contacts in [Greece](#)
- European Commission: DG Health & Food Safety: Public health: [Country](#)
- European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)
  - Country Overview: [Greece](#)
  - Country Legal Profile: [Greece](#) [Select country]
  - Drug treatment profiles: [Greece](#)
  - National Drug Strategies: [Greece](#)
- OECD: Health: [Greece](#)
- World Health Organisation: [Greece](#)
  - Countries: [Greece](#)
  - Regional Office for Europe: [Greece](#)
  - European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies: [Greece](#)
Human rights information

- Greece: National Commission for Human Rights
- Council of Europe
  - European Social Charter: National Reports [Select country]
  - European Committee for the Prevention of Torture: State documents and visits: Greece
- European Commission Against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI): Report on Greece
- European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission): Documents on Greece
- European Court of Human Rights:
  - Country profiles: Greece
  - Country fact sheets 1959-2010
  - Violation by Article and By State 1959-2013 [select country]
  - Statistics on Judgments by State 1959-2010
- United Nations:
  - Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights: Greece
  - UNHCR – The UN Refugee Agency: Country Information: Greece
- United States: Department of State:
- Amnesty International: Country Report 2015/6: Greece
- Human Rights Watch: Human Rights in Greece
- Reporters Without Borders: Freedom of Information in Greece

Intellectual property information

- Greece: Industrial Property Organisation (O.B.I.)
- World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO): Member States: Greece

Investment information

- Greece: ELKE (Hellenic Centre for Investment)
- OECD: Investment: Greece
- OECD: Industry and Entrepreneurship: Greece
- World Bank: Greece
- United Kingdom: UK Trade & Investment: Country Profile: Greece
- United States Commercial Service: Doing business in Greece

Justice and home affairs information

- Greece: Ministry of Justice, Transparency and Human Rights (Υπουργείο Δικαιοσύνης, Διαφάνειας και Ανθρωπίνων Δικαιωμάτων)
  - Organisation of the Greek Penitentiary System
  - Legislation
  - Prevention and Control of Crime
- Greece: Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reconstruction (Υπουργείο Εσωτερικών και Διοικητικής Ανασυγκρότησης)
  - National Elections
  - Municipal & Prefectural elections
  - EU Elections
- Council of Europe
  - European Commission for Democracy through Law: Documents on Greece
  - Group of States against Corruption (GRECO): Evaluation and Compliance Reports [Select country]
- OECD: Bribery and Corruption: Greece
- United States: Law Library of Congress: Law online: Nations: Greece
- University of Bern: International Constitutional Law: Countries: Greece
- EUDO Observatory on Citizenship: Citizenship laws and policy: Greece

Living and working information

- Greece: Government Portal Ermis: My needs
- European Commission: DG Press and Communication: Your Europe [select topic]
- Eurofound - European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions: Greece
  - European Observatory of Working Life (EurWORK): Greece
- United Kingdom: Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Travel and Living Abroad: Greece
- United States: Department of State: Countries: Greece
- JustLanded.com: Greece

Media information

- Greece: Secretariat General of Information & Communication: Media
  - Press Offices of: Public Authorities, Ministries and Political Parties
  - Greek Media Unions and Associations
  - Press Foundations
- European Broadcasting Union: Active Members [select country]
- European Journalism Centre: Media Landscape: Greece
- European Newspaper Publishers Association: ENPA Members: Greece
- ABYZ News Links: Europe Newspapers and News Media: Greece
- Newslink: European Newspapers: Greece
- Radiomap.eu: Greece
- Online Newspapers: Greece

Political information (including Elections)

- ESO: Greece: Political situation
- ESO: Greece: Political situation: Elections
- Greece: Hellenic Government (Ελληνική Κυβέρνηση) [in Greek]
- Greece: The Constitution of Greece
- Greece: Ministry of Justice, Transparency and Human Rights (Υπουργείο Δικαιοσύνης, Διαφάνειας και Ανθρωπίνων Δικαιωμάτων)
- Greece: Secretariat General of Communication and Information
  - Political System and Elections
- Greece: Hellenic Parliament (Βουλή των Ελλήνων)
- Greece: Prime Minister (Πρωθυπουργός)
- Greece: Presidency of the Hellenic Republic (Προεδρία της Ελληνικής Δημοκρατίας)
• Greece: Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reform (Υπουργείο Εσωτερικών και Διοικητικής Ανασυγκρότησης)
  o National Elections
  o Municipal and Prefectural Elections
  o EU Elections
• OECD: Public governance: Greece
• OECD: Regulatory reform: Greece
• International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES): Election Guide: Greece
• NCCR Democracy:
  o Democracy Barometer
  o EU Profiler
• Parties and Elections in Europe: Greece
• United States: Law Library of Congress: Law online: Greece
• Wikipedia: Politics of Greece
• Wikipedia: Elections in Greece

Public management information

• Greece: Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reform (Υπουργείο Εσωτερικών και Διοικητικής Ανασυγκρότησης)
• Greece: Information Society (I.S.)
• European Commission: Interoperability Solutions for European Public Administrations (ISA): Joinup:
  o Communities: National Interoperability Framework Observatory (Nifo): eGovernment Factsheets
• OECD: Public governance: Greece

R&D information

• Greece: Ministry of Environment, and Energy (Υπουργείο Περιβάλλοντος και Ενέργειας)
  o Green Growth
  o Energy
  o Regional Planning and Urban Development
• European Commission: DG Enterprise: Community Research and Development Information Service (CODIS): National R&D Information Service: Greece
• European Commission: DG Research and Innovation:
  o European Research 2004-2009: Greece
  o European Research Area 2013
• European Commission: Innovation Union:
  o Innovation Union Competitiveness Report 2013
  o Research and Innovation performance in Country 2014
• European Regions Research & Innovation Network (ERRIN): Members [click on map to select country]
• OECD: Innovation: Greece
• OECD: Science and technology: Greece

Regional and local information

• European Commission: Eurostat: Regions
• European Commission: European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF): Greece
• Committee of the Regions: Europe in my Region: Greece
• Assembly of European Regions: AER Member Regions: Greece
European Regions Research & Innovation Network: ERRIN Members: [select country]
Council of Europe: The Congress of Local and Regional Authorities: National Delegation: [select country]
OECD: Regional, Rural and Urban Development: [select country]
Hellenic Regions-Peripheries
  o Administration of Attica
    Attica Periphery
  o Administration of Central and Eastern Macedonia-Thrace
    East Macedonia and Thrace Periphery
    Central Macedonia Periphery
  o Administration of Epirus and Western Macedonia
    Epirus Periphery
    West Macedonia Periphery
  o Administration of Thessaly and Sterea Ellada
    Thessaly Periphery
    Periphery of Sterea Ellada (Central Greece)
  o Administration of Peloponnese, Western Greece and the Ionian Islands
    Peloponnese Periphery
    West Greece Periphery
    Ionian Islands Periphery
  o Administration of the Aegean
    Northern Aegean Periphery
    Southern Aegean Periphery
  o Administration of Crete
    Crete Periphery

Social information

  Greece: Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Social Solidarity (Υπουργείο Εργασίας, Κοινωνικής Ασφάλισης και Κοινωνικής Αλληλεγγύης) [in Greek]
  European Commission:
    o DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion: Your Social Security Rights in Greece
    o MISSOC Secretariat: Organisation of Social Protection
    o MISSOC Secretariat: Social Protection of the Self-Employed
    o DG Regional Policy: InfoRegio: European Social Progress Index [information is broken down by region in each country]
  Council of Europe: European Social Charter: Country Factsheets: [select country]
  OECD: Insurance and Pensions
  OECD: Social and Welfare Issues: [select country]
  UNICEF: [select country]
  United States: Social Security Administration:
    o Research, Statistics & Policy Analysis: [select country]
    o Social Security Programs Throughout the World: [select country] (2016)

Statistical information

  Greece: Bank of Greece: Statistics
  Greece: Hellenic Statistical Authority (EL.STAT.)
  Eurostat: Country profiles: [select country]
  OECD: Country Statistical Profile: [select country]
  UNESCO: Institute for Statistics: Country and Regional Profiles: [select country]
  United Nations: Statistics Division: Country Profiles: [select country]
Tourism information

- Greece: [Greek National Tourism Organization (GNTO)]
- Guardian News and Media Ltd.: Travel: [Greece]
- The Telegraph: [Greece]
- Lonely Planet: [Greece]
- Rough Guides: [Greece]
- TripAdvisor: Europe Tourism: [Greece]

Transport information

- Greece: [Ministry of Infrastructure, Transport and Networks] (Υπουργείο Υποδομών, Μεταφορών και Δικτύων)
- Greece: [Aegean Airlines]
- Greece: [National Railway]
- European Commission: DG Mobility & Transport:
  - [EU Transport in Figures: Statistical Pocketbook 2016]
  - [Road Safety: How is your country doing? (select year)]
- Wikipedia: Transport in [Greece]

Weather information

- Greece: [Hellenic National Meteorological Service (HNMS)]
- BBC: Weather: Country Guides: [Greece]

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