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# Living & working in GREECE

 March 2025

 Seize the Summer with EURES



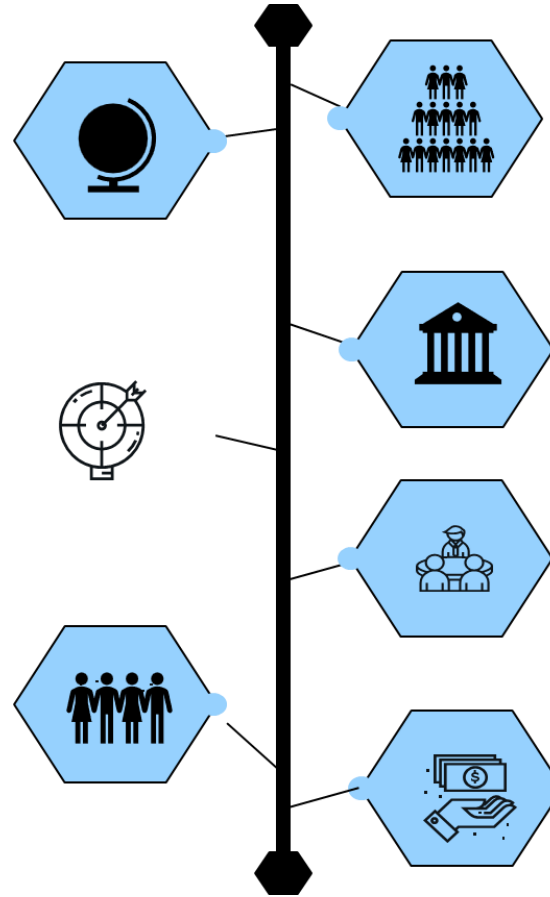
# Greece

## Main facts and figures

**Location**  
South – Eastern  
Europe

**Area**  
131.957 km<sup>2</sup>

**Population**  
10.397.193 (2024)



**Political system**  
Unitary Parliamentary  
Republic

**Capital**  
Athens

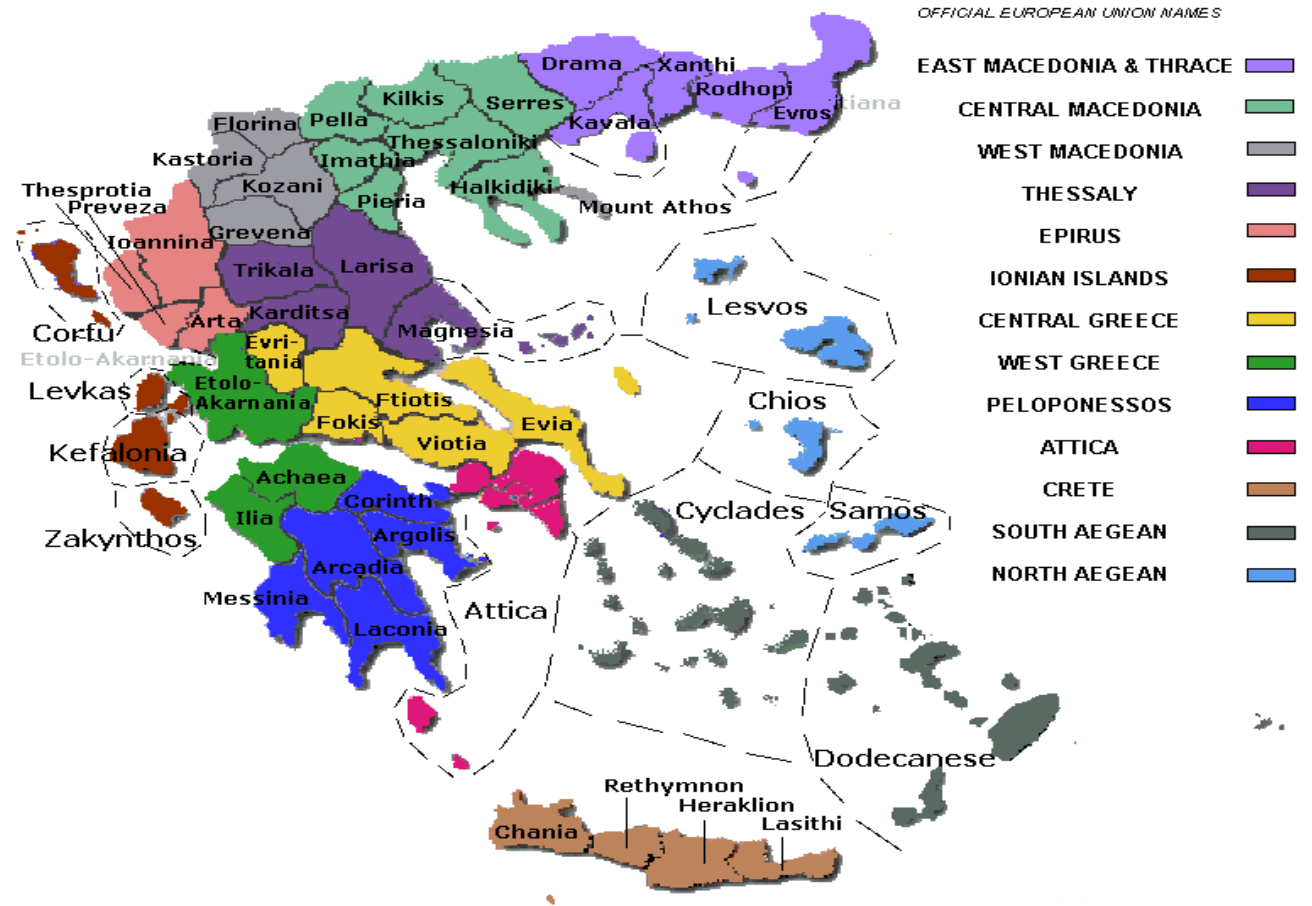
**Official language**  
Greek

**Currency**  
Euro



# Geography and Administrative Structure

- 7 Decentralized Administrations
- 13 Regions
- 325 Municipalities



# Historical and Cultural Heritage



# Societal, Financial and Employment Figures

Unemployment  
Rate 8,7%  
January 2025

GDP 2,4%  
3rd quarter 2024

35% and 17,4% of  
population residing in  
Attica and Central  
Macedonia, respectively

High percentage of  
tertiary education  
attainment

(source: Hellenic Statistical Authority)



# The pillars of Greek Economy

## TOURISM

3<sup>rd</sup> top destination in 2019 globally, 9,2 bil. € in 2021, 17 mil. visitors in 2021, 30 mil. Visitors in 2024.  
(source: Ministry of Tourism and INESTE surveys)



**1<sup>st</sup> Online Event for Tourism  
(European Online Job Day), 07.02.2024  
“Work in Greece – Filoxenia”**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Seize the Summer with EURES  
(European Online Job Day), 21-22.02.2024**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Online Event for Tourism  
(European Online Job Day), 15.04.2024  
“Work in Greece II”**

**4<sup>th</sup> Online Event for Construction  
(European Online Job Day), 16.12.2024  
“Work in Greece III”**

**5<sup>th</sup> Seize the Summer with EURES  
(European Online Job Day), 20.03.2025**



# Promising financial sectors

## Digital Economy



## Healthcare Services



Agricultural and Eco-Tourism (snail-farming, mushroom and truffle, aromatic and medicinal plants)



## Tourism Sector



Technical Sector  
Occupations in  
Constructions and Industry





# Most wanted occupations

- Sales and Marketing Specialties
- Spa Managers & Spa Assistants
- Spa Therapists
- Receptionists/Front Office Agent and Customer Service in general
- Cooks, Chefs, Responsible for Catering, Barmen/Barwomen, Baristas, Waiters and Assistants
- Helpers in all kind of enterprise functions (Cleaning Personnel, Workers)
- Drivers
- Tour Guides
- Lifeguards
- Guest Relation Managers
- Customer Service Representatives
- Fitness Instructors
- Night Auditors
- Groom/Bell Boy
- General Duties Maintainer / Electrician / Plumber

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# Working Conditions: salary and wages

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Legal minimum gross salaries since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024:

for the Employee status the minimum salary is 830,00 € (gross)

for the Worker status the minimum salary is 37,07 € (gross) per day

- ❖ The salary depends on academic background, previous work experience, expertise, working hours, shifts, overtime, as well as employment on Sundays and public holidays
- ❖ In many sectors apply collective agreements, while the negotiation between the employer and the potential employee prevails when in favour of the latter.

# Living Cost: accommodation

## Rented accommodation:

2 bedroom Flats:	400-500 € per month
Houses:	500-700 € per month
Small Rooms:	300 € per month



The prices depend on the region, age, condition, equipment, proximity to public transport or other places of interest a.s.o.

# Living Cost: prices

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Cigarettes	4,00 €
Loaf of bread	1,20 -1,50 €
Unleaded petrol	2,00 €
Cup of Coffee	3,00-3,50 €
Domestic beer 0,5lt	4,00 €
Glass of wine	6,00 €
Chocolate bar	2,00 €
Milk 1lt	1,20 €
Water (0.33 lt/bottle)	0,50 €
Pizza	8,00 €
Cinema ticket	8,00 €
90 min trip bus/metro ticket	1,20 € (Athens)
Meal in a inexpensive restaurant	10,00 -12,00 €



# Before moving to Greece: checklist

## Get your documents ready

A valid passport or ID card is mandatory for living and working in Greece.

Visa is not required for EU Citizens.

International Driving license is also not required for countries listed in the Vienna Convention.



## Issue a European Health Insurance Card



The European Health Insurance Card is a free card that gives access to medically necessary state-provides healthcare during a temporary stay in any of the 27 EU Member States, Iceland, Lichtenstein, Norway, Switzerland and the UK, under the same conditions and at the same cost (free in some countries). To be eligible for the card, you must be insured under the public health insurance scheme.

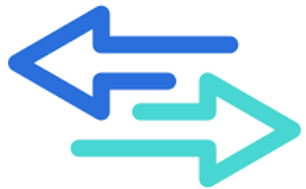
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The periods of insurance and employment may be certified using the Portable Document PDU1 – SED U002. It is a certificate provided about the periods of insurance and employment used for the provision of unemployment subsidies in another EU Member State.



It is possible on the basis of Regulation (EC) No. 883/2004 and Implementing Regulation (EC) No. 987/2009, as applicable, the Transfer / Export of Regular Unemployment Allowance for a period of three months to another State – Member of the E.U. in order to give the opportunity to the unemployed of an EU Member State. to look for work in another EU Member State, if they wish.  
(PDU2 – SED U008)



# How to apply for a job



Employment offices manage the national registry of Unemployment and provide counseling, mentoring or other Employment services. (<http://www.dypa.gov.gr/en>)



The formal European network of public employment services through which mobility is encouraged. ([https://eures.europa.eu/index\\_en](https://eures.europa.eu/index_en))



Private Employment Agencies certified by the Ministry of Labour and Social Security may provide similar quality services.

# Applying for a job



A standard type Europass CV with a photograph included is quite efficient.

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## The CV must:

- be short and to the point. It should not in any case be longer than 2 pages.
  - be written in English or the language demanded by the job offer.
  - mention any previous work experiences.
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# Most wanted skills

- ✓ Able to cooperate and work in teams
- ✓ For maritime, tourism and industry: flexible in working hours & shifts
- ✓ For customer service: communication skills
- ✓ Able to work in multicultural environment



# How to contact the EURES Network

- EURES portal: <https://europa.eu/eures/portal/um/search-for-advisers?lang=en>
- EURES Chat (every Friday 11.00-13.00 CET): [https://eures.europa.eu/eures-services/chat-eures-advisers\\_en](https://eures.europa.eu/eures-services/chat-eures-advisers_en)
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