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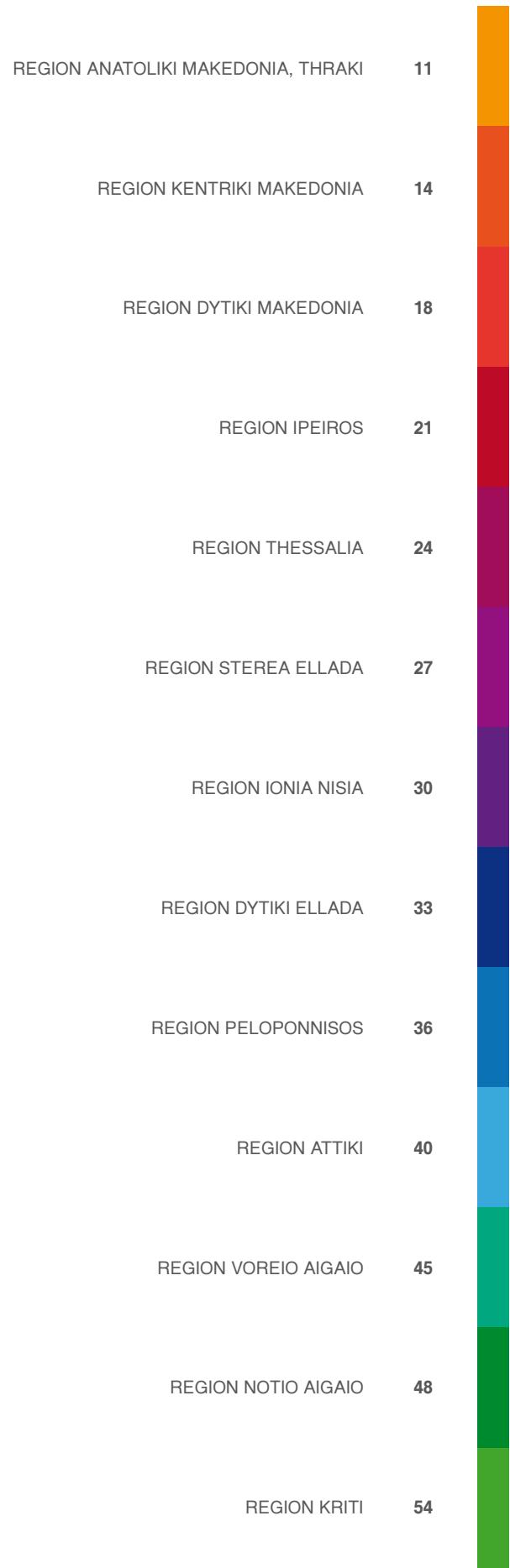


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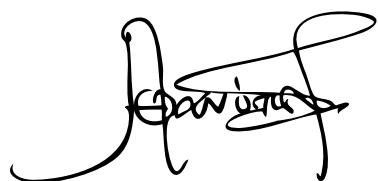


Every ten years, the Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) conducts the Population-Housing Census aiming to collect data on the demographic and social characteristics of the Greek population, as well as on the composition of households and their housing conditions.

The census has long been considered as the most complex and large-scale statistical work, covering the entire inhabited territory of the country (continental Greece, islands, border regions). The census results provide pertinent guidance to economic and social policy makers along with covering a number of international obligations of Greece.

The 2021 Census constitutes an important milestone in that: (i) it was the first digital census ever conducted in Greece; (ii) it exhibited an exceptionally high share of data collected through electronic self-enumeration; (iii) it featured a pioneering data collection method that induced massive participation of the population, notwithstanding the challenges posed by the covid-19 pandemic. Furthermore, the possibility -for the first time in the history of censuses in Greece- of directly matching census data with administrative records, thanks to the use of common unique identifiers, has enabled the immediate and reliable identification of errors ("dummy" records, double recording, etc.) and thus ensured the quality and reliability of the census results. The ensuing exhaustiveness of the collected data constitutes the basis for the creation of the first structured and comprehensive statistical population register that will, henceforth, ensure full representation of all residents of Greece in official statistics.

The 2021 Census also constitutes an important legacy in two key aspects: at a technical level, the major innovations of the census, notably as regards its interconnectability with other databases, have been instrumental in the endeavor of the compilation of a dynamic statistical population register that contains information whose added value, for the first time, lies well beyond that of a mere snapshot of the population at the time of the census-conduct and can evolve along with the evolution of other databases. At an institutional level, it is the first census conducted by virtue of a law of the Hellenic Republic (Law 4772/2021), which was not only adopted by the absolute majority of the Hellenic Parliament but also enjoyed endorsement by a broad political spectrum. As a result, and always observing statistical confidentiality, both the resident population of Greece (the results of which being presented in this statistical release), and the registered population of Greece (i.e., the citizens registered in each municipality and municipal unit) were enumerated, producing information essential to the proper functioning of our democracy.



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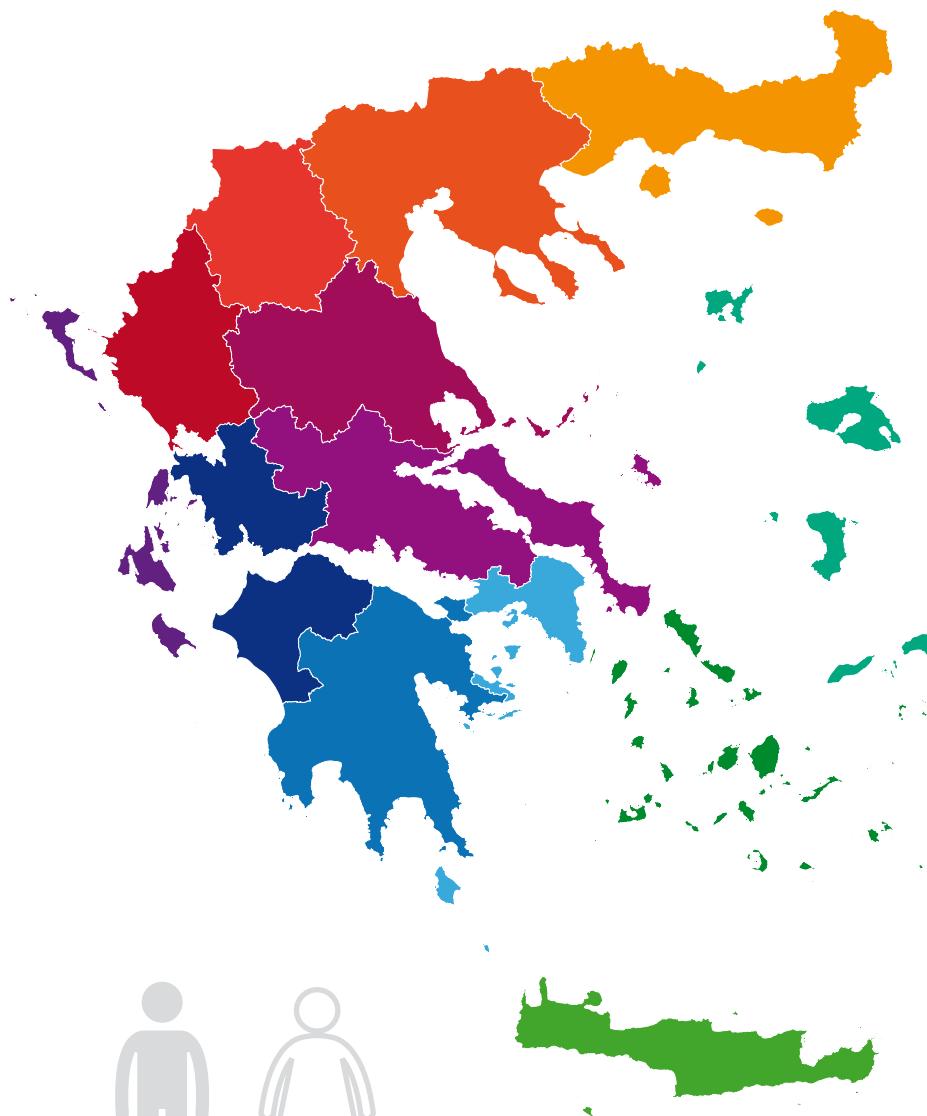


10,482,487

RESIDENT POPULATION

-3.1%

2021/2011



5,125,977
MEN

5,356,510
WOMEN

48.9%



51.1%

GREECE TOTAL

Regions	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
ANATOLIKI MAKEDONIA, THRAKI	608,182	562,201	299,643	275,804	308,539	286,397
KENTRIKI MAKEDONIA	1,882,108	1,795,669	912,693	867,180	969,415	928,489
DYTIKI MAKEDONIA	283,689	254,595	141,779	126,869	141,910	127,726
IPEIROS	336,856	319,991	165,775	157,708	171,081	162,283
THESSALIA	732,762	688,255	362,194	338,586	370,568	349,669
STEREA ELLADA	547,390	508,254	277,475	254,511	269,915	253,743
IONIA NISIA	207,855	204,532	102,400	101,125	105,455	103,407
DYTIKI ELLADA	679,796	648,220	339,310	325,314	340,486	322,906
PELOPONNISOS	577,903	539,535	291,777	270,495	286,126	269,040
ATTIKI	3,828,434	3,814,064	1,845,663	1,837,343	1,982,771	1,976,721
VOREIO AIGAIO	199,231	194,943	99,984	97,765	99,247	97,178
NOTIO AIGAIO	309,015	327,820	155,865	164,669	153,150	163,151
KRITI	623,065	624,408	308,665	308,608	314,400	315,800

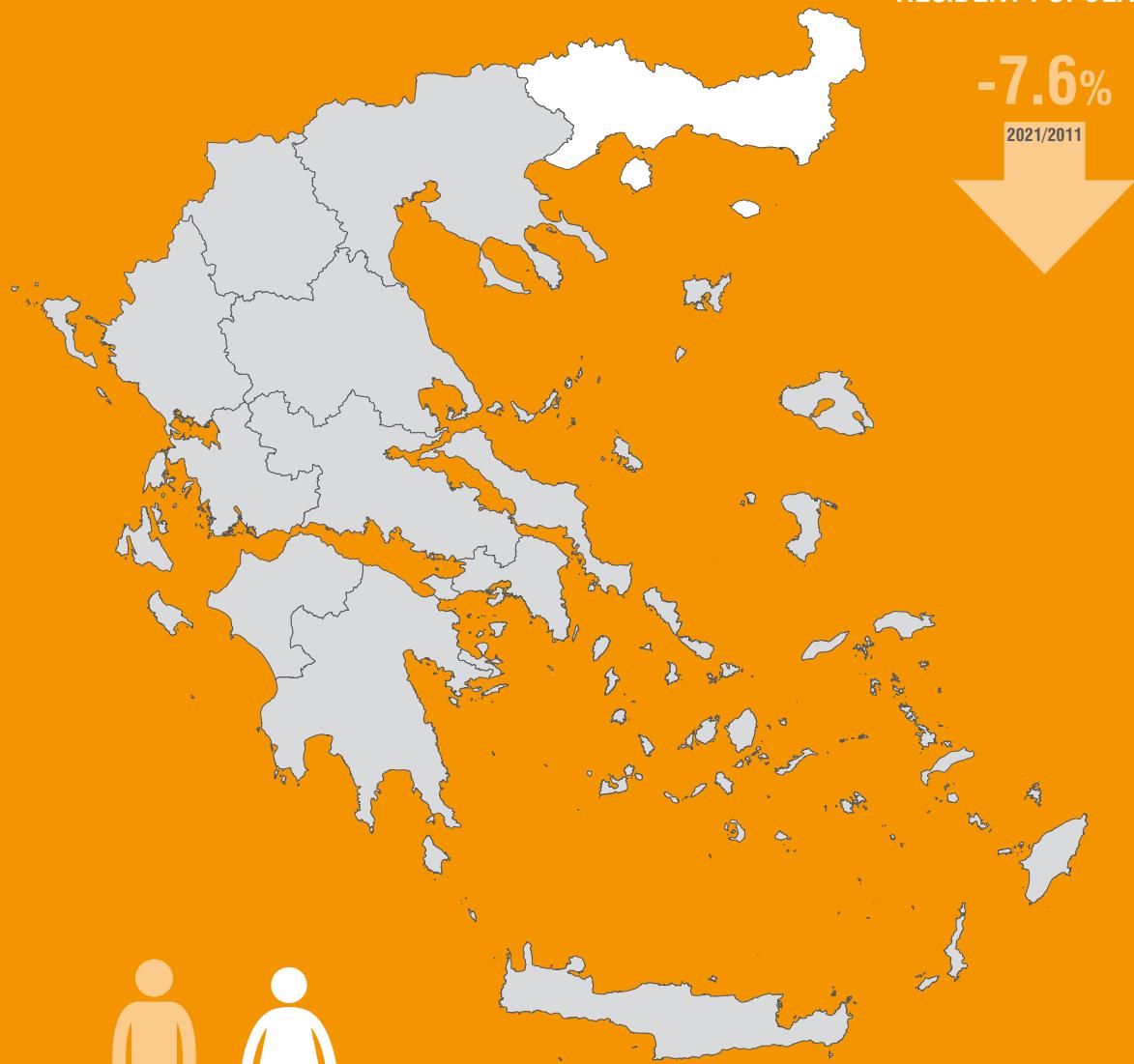
REGION OF ANATOLIKI MAKEDONIA, THRAKI



562,201
RESIDENT POPULATION

-7.6%

2021/2011



275,804
MEN



286,397
WOMEN





104,262
RESIDENT POPULATION

-6.9%

2021/2011



Regional Unit of Rodopi

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KOMOTINI	66,919	65,243	32,354	31,436	34,565	33,807
ARRIANA	16,577	14,905	8,183	7,402	8,394	7,503
IASMOS	13,810	12,247	6,731	5,988	7,079	6,259
MARONEIA - SAPES	14,733	11,867	7,287	5,781	7,446	6,086



86,643
RESIDENT POPULATION

-11.8%

2021/2011



Regional Unit of Drama

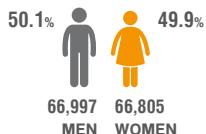
Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
DRAMA	58,944	55,679	28,304	26,785	30,640	28,894
DOXATO	14,516	12,059	6,985	5,782	7,531	6,277
KATO NEVROKOPI	7,860	5,323	3,963	2,659	3,897	2,664
PARANESTI	3,901	2,843	1,971	1,530	1,930	1,313
PROSOTSANI	13,066	10,739	6,319	5,215	6,747	5,524



133,802
RESIDENT POPULATION

-9.6%

2021/2011



Regional Unit of Evros

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
ALEXANDROUPOLI	72,959	71,751	35,775	35,071	37,184	36,680
DIDYMOTEICHO	19,493	16,060	10,140	8,343	9,353	7,717
ORESTIADA	37,695	31,686	19,554	16,176	18,141	15,510
SAMOTHRAKI	2,859	2,596	1,616	1,396	1,243	1,200
SOUFLI	14,941	11,709	7,620	6,011	7,321	5,698



Regional Unit of Thasos

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
THASOS	13,770	13,104	6,785	6,381	6,985	6,723



Regional Unit of Kavala

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KAVALA	70,501	66,376	34,002	31,846	36,499	34,530
NESTOS	22,331	20,311	11,045	10,061	11,286	10,250
PANGAIO	32,085	29,508	15,807	14,485	16,278	15,023



Regional Unit of Xanthi

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
XANTHI	65,133	66,875	32,329	32,890	32,804	33,985
AVDIRA	19,005	17,610	9,347	8,793	9,658	8,817
MYKI	15,540	14,237	7,687	7,068	7,853	7,169
TOPEIROS	11,544	9,473	5,839	4,705	5,705	4,768

REGION OF KENTRIKI MAKEDONIA



1,795,669
RESIDENT POPULATION

-4.6%

2021/2011



867,180
MEN



928,489
WOMEN





Regional Unit of Thessaloniki

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
THESSALONIKI	325,182	319,045	148,470	146,820	176,712	172,225
AMPELOKOPOI - MENEMENI	52,127	50,143	24,721	23,609	27,406	26,534
VOLVI	23,478	19,755	11,742	9,714	11,736	10,041
DELTA	45,839	44,935	22,829	22,469	23,010	22,466
THERMAIKOS	50,264	45,561	24,777	22,204	25,487	23,357
THERMI	53,201	55,358	26,137	27,122	27,064	28,236
KALAMARIA	91,518	92,248	43,169	43,424	48,349	48,824
KORDELIO - EVOSMO	101,753	105,352	49,613	51,075	52,140	54,277
LAGKADAS	41,103	37,022	20,358	18,324	20,745	18,698
NEAPOLI - SYKIES	84,741	80,888	40,406	38,526	44,335	42,362
PAVLOS MELAS	99,245	100,194	48,337	48,450	50,908	51,744
PYLEA - CHORTIATIS	70,110	72,384	34,296	35,026	35,814	37,358
CHALKIDONA	33,673	30,030	16,755	14,850	16,918	15,180
OREOKASTRO	38,317	40,004	19,492	19,919	18,825	20,085



Regional Unit of Imathia

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
VEROIA	66,547	62,655	32,517	30,363	34,030	32,292
ALEXANDREIA	41,570	38,292	20,760	19,013	20,810	19,279
IROIKI POLI NAOUSSAS	32,494	30,054	16,144	14,835	16,350	15,219



Regional Unit of Kilkis



Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KILKIS	51,926	45,308	25,748	22,112	26,178	23,196
PAIONIA	28,493	25,169	14,403	12,504	14,090	12,665



Regional Unit of Pella



Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
EDESSA	28,814	26,407	14,183	12,922	14,631	13,485
ALMOPIA	27,556	24,969	13,742	12,383	13,814	12,586
PELLA	63,122	57,039	31,183	27,998	31,939	29,041
SKYDRA	20,188	18,325	9,974	9,043	10,214	9,282



Regional Unit of Pieria



Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KATERINI	85,851	82,892	41,569	40,136	44,282	42,756
DION - OLYMPOS	25,668	23,955	13,322	12,075	12,346	11,880
PYDNA - KOLINDROS	15,179	12,537	7,461	6,124	7,718	6,413



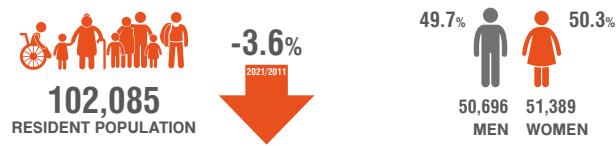
Regional Unit of Serres



Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
SERRES	76,817	74,004	37,125	35,618	39,692	38,386
AMFIPOLI	9,182	7,168	4,401	3,417	4,781	3,751
VISALTIA	20,030	16,036	9,947	8,165	10,083	7,871
EMMANOUIL PAPPAS	14,664	11,585	7,275	5,742	7,389	5,843
IRAKLEIA	21,145	15,713	10,356	7,669	10,789	8,044
NEA ZICHNI	12,397	8,267	6,017	4,051	6,380	4,216
SINTIKI	22,195	18,544	10,722	9,036	11,473	9,508



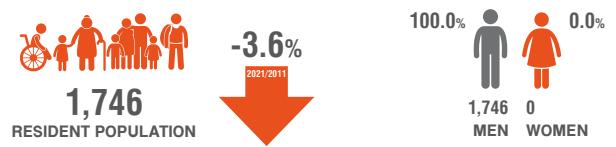
Regional Unit of Chalkidiki



Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
POLYGYROS	22,048	21,351	10,866	10,584	11,182	10,767
ARISTOTELIS	18,294	16,964	9,099	8,340	9,195	8,624
KASSANDRA	16,672	16,861	8,506	8,509	8,166	8,352
NEA PROPONTIDA	36,500	34,829	18,217	17,236	18,283	17,593
SITHONIA	12,394	12,080	6,243	6,027	6,151	6,053

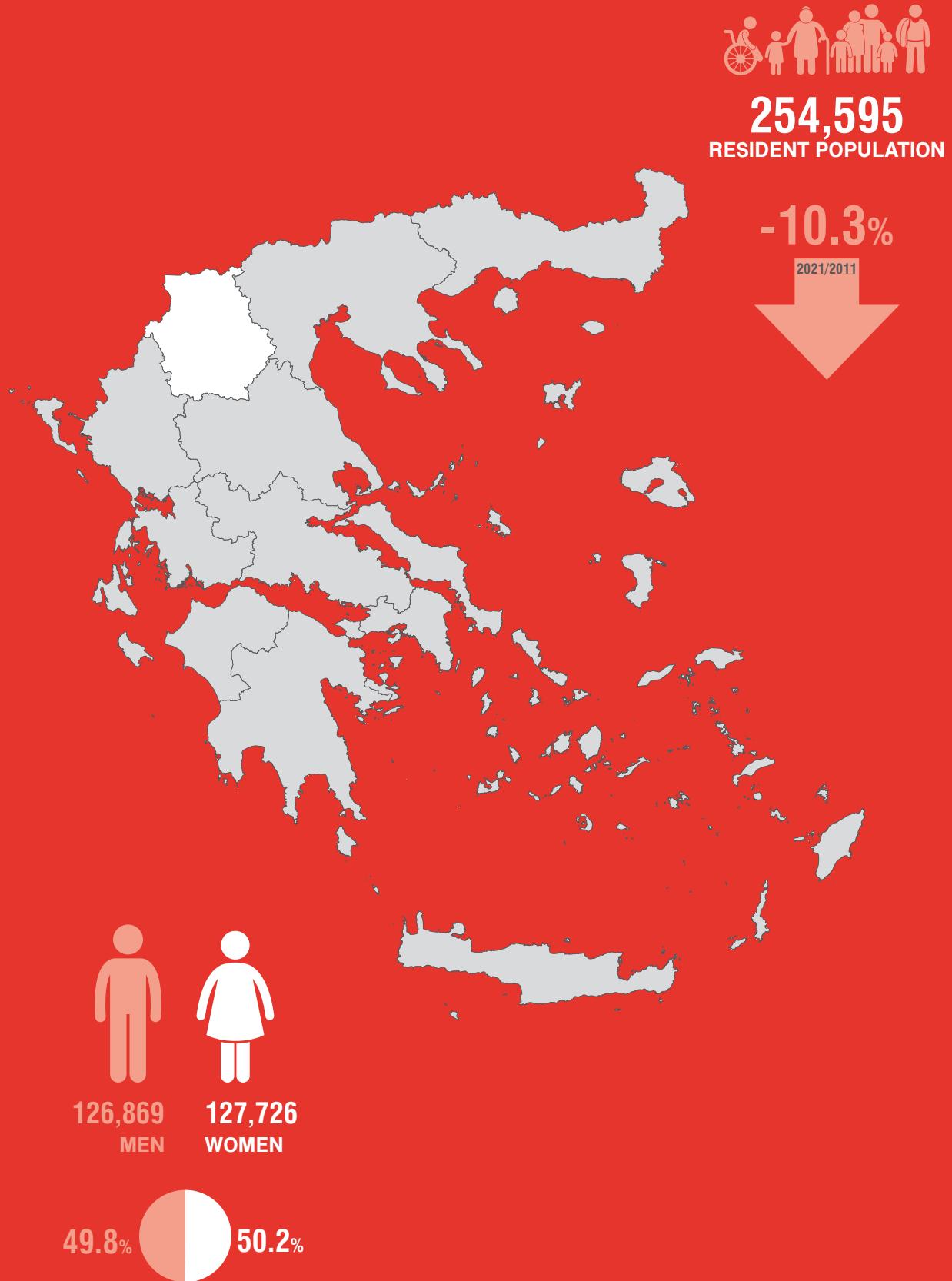


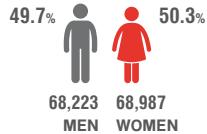
Agio Oros (Self governed)



Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
AGIO OROS	1,811	1,746	1,811	1,746	0	0

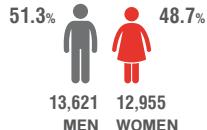
REGION OF DYTIKI MAKEDONIA





Regional Unit of Kozani

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KOZANI	71,388	67,224	35,914	33,518	35,474	33,706
VOIO	18,386	14,947	9,144	7,518	9,242	7,429
EORDAIA	45,592	42,515	22,479	20,841	23,113	21,674
SERVIA	11,382	9,467	5,722	4,839	5,660	4,628
VELVENDOS	3,448	3,057	1,686	1,507	1,762	1,550



Regional Unit of Grevena

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
GREVENA	25,905	21,421	13,526	11,030	12,379	10,391
DESKATI	5,852	5,155	2,922	2,591	2,930	2,564



45,929
RESIDENT POPULATION

-8.7%
2021/2011

49.8% 50.2%
22,887 MEN 23,042 WOMEN

Regional Unit of Kastoria

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KASTORIA	35,874	33,095	17,774	16,471	18,100	16,624
NESTORIO	2,646	2,149	1,354	1,136	1,292	1,013
ARGOS ORESTIKO	11,802	10,685	5,908	5,280	5,894	5,405



44,880
RESIDENT POPULATION

-12.7%
2021/2011

49.3% 50.7%
22,138 MEN 22,742 WOMEN

Regional Unit of Florina

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
FLORINA	32,881	29,500	15,977	14,366	16,904	15,134
AMYNTAIO	16,973	14,169	8,608	7,141	8,365	7,028
PRESPES	1,560	1,211	765	631	795	580

REGION OF IPEIROS



319,991

RESIDENT POPULATION

-5.0%

2021/2011



157,708
MEN



162,283
WOMEN





160,773
RESIDENT POPULATION

-4.2%
2021/2011

48.9% 51.1%
78,629 82,144
MEN WOMEN

Regional Unit of Ioannina

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
IOANNINA	112,486	113,978	53,975	54,951	58,511	59,027
VOREIA TZOUMERKA	5,714	5,058	2,882	2,594	2,832	2,464
DODONI	9,693	7,199	4,953	3,741	4,740	3,458
ZAGORI	3,724	3,374	1,824	1,728	1,900	1,646
ZITSA	14,766	13,588	7,337	6,776	7,429	6,812
KONITSA	6,362	5,296	3,262	2,629	3,100	2,667
METSOVO	6,196	5,432	3,085	2,759	3,111	2,673
POGONIO	8,960	6,848	4,529	3,451	4,431	3,397



63,732
RESIDENT POPULATION

-6.1%
2021/2011

49.7% 50.3%
31,702 32,030
MEN WOMEN

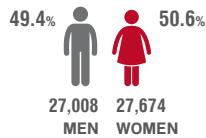
Regional Unit of Arta

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
ARTA	43,166	41,600	21,216	20,466	21,950	21,134
GEORGIOS KARAISSAKIS	5,780	5,278	2,945	2,744	2,835	2,534
KENTRIKA TZOUMERKA	6,178	5,498	3,053	2,847	3,125	2,651
NIKOLAOS SKOUFAS	12,753	11,356	6,321	5,645	6,432	5,711



Regional Unit of Thesprotia

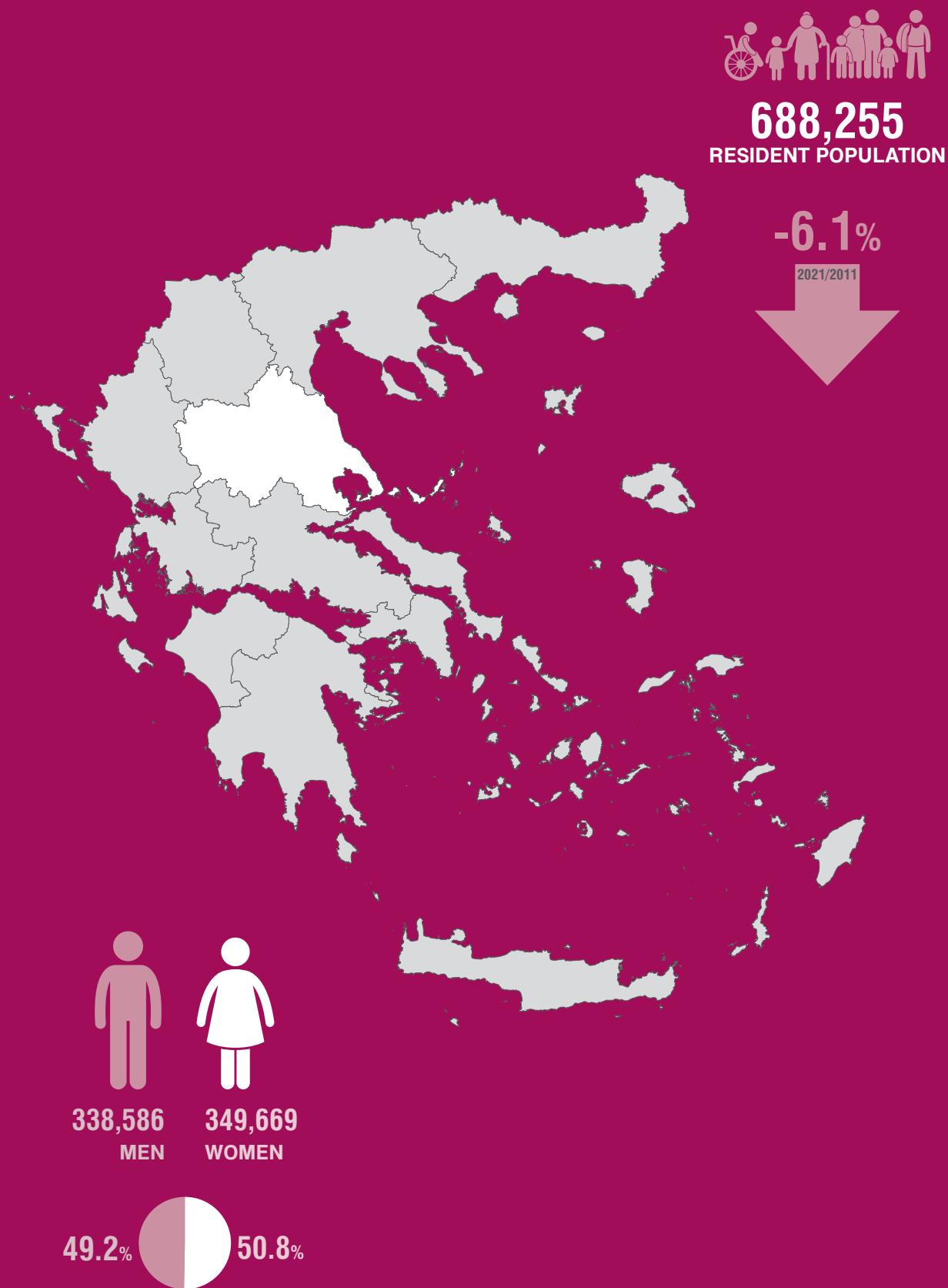
Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
IGOUmenitsa	25,814	25,698	12,894	12,752	12,920	12,946
SOULI	10,063	8,759	5,017	4,361	5,046	4,398
FILIATES	7,710	6,347	3,968	3,256	3,742	3,091



Regional Unit of Preveza

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
PREVEZA	31,733	30,841	15,748	15,120	15,985	15,721
ZIROS	13,892	13,079	6,882	6,492	7,010	6,587
PARGA	11,866	10,762	5,884	5,396	5,982	5,366

REGION OF THESSALIA





Regional Unit of Larisa

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
LARISA	162,591	164,095	79,762	79,869	82,829	84,226
AGIA	11,470	10,711	5,825	5,483	5,645	5,228
ELASSONA	32,121	25,459	16,102	12,665	16,019	12,794
KILELER	20,854	18,070	10,473	9,147	10,381	8,923
TEMPI	13,712	12,007	6,884	6,040	6,828	5,967
TYRNAVOS	25,032	22,280	12,486	11,135	12,546	11,145
FARSALA	18,545	16,341	9,277	8,137	9,268	8,204



Regional Unit of Karditsa

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KARDITSA	56,747	55,979	27,766	27,333	28,981	28,646
ARGITHEA	3,450	3,496	1,811	1,886	1,639	1,610
LIMNI PLASTIRA	4,635	5,234	2,288	2,658	2,347	2,576
MOUZAKI	13,122	11,245	6,460	5,642	6,662	5,603
PALAMAS	16,726	13,424	8,443	6,685	8,283	6,739
SOFADES	18,864	16,927	9,370	8,479	9,494	8,448



-6.6%
2021/2011

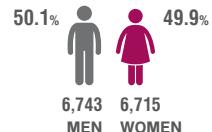


Regional Unit of Magnisia

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
VOLOS	144,449	139,670	70,185	67,232	74,264	72,438
ALMYROS	18,614	16,072	9,267	7,894	9,347	8,178
ZAGORA - MOURESIO	5,809	4,562	2,949	2,338	2,860	2,224
NOTIO PILIO	10,216	8,274	5,122	4,126	5,094	4,148
RIGAS FERAIOS	10,922	8,870	5,614	4,458	5,308	4,412



-2.5%
2021/2011

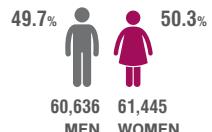


Regional Unit of Sporades

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
SKIATHOS	6,088	5,802	3,088	2,920	3,000	2,882
ALONNISOS	2,750	3,138	1,447	1,565	1,303	1,573
SKOPELOS	4,960	4,518	2,423	2,258	2,537	2,260



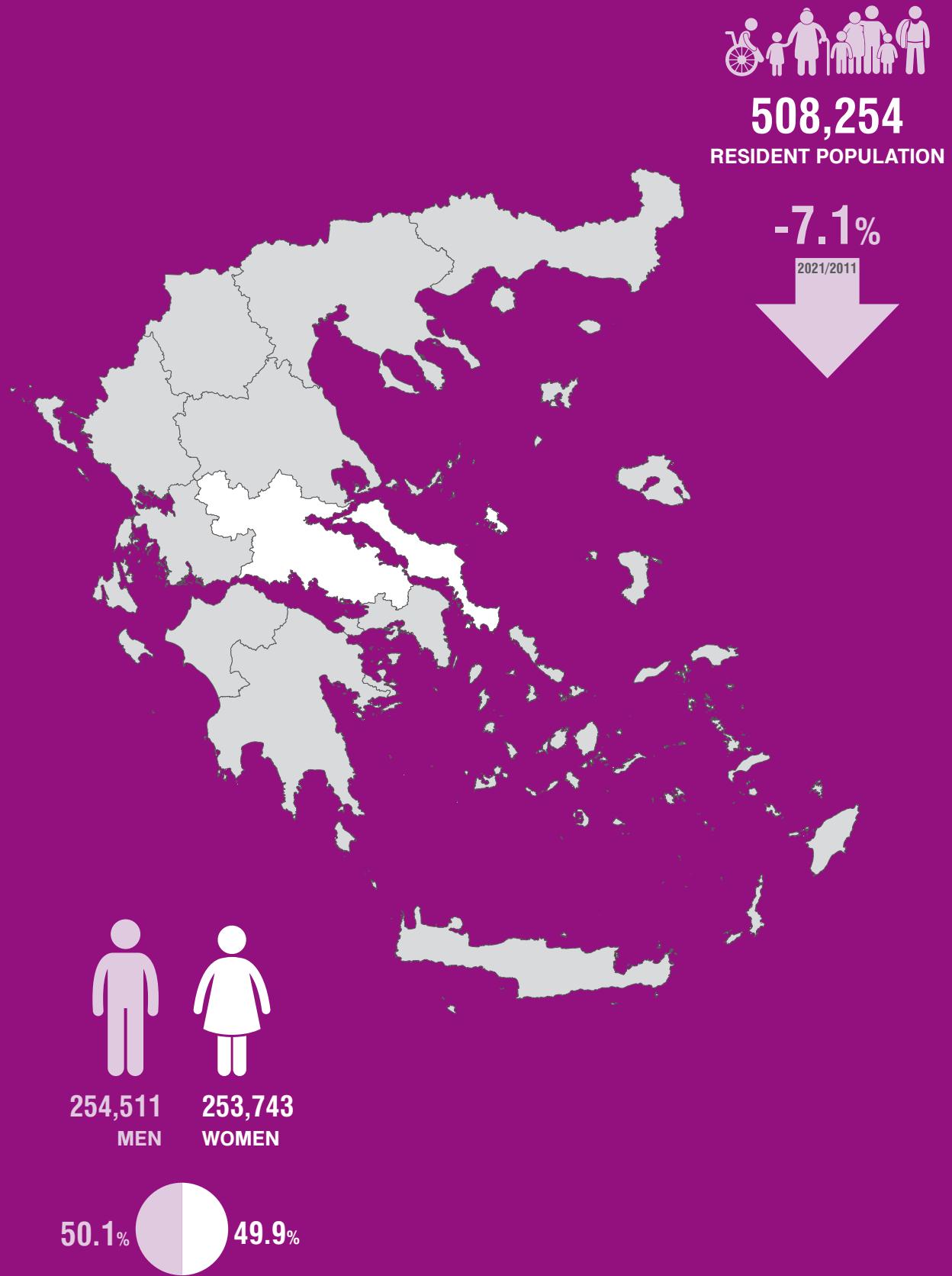
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2021/2011

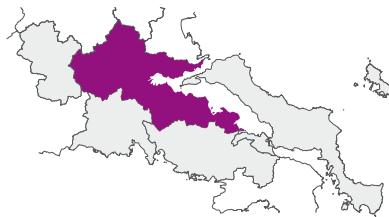


Regional Unit of Trikala

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
TRIKALA	81,355	78,605	40,353	38,806	41,002	39,799
METEORA	21,991	19,274	10,934	9,674	11,057	9,600
PYLI	14,343	12,852	7,208	6,604	7,135	6,248
FARKADONA	13,396	11,350	6,657	5,552	6,739	5,798

REGION OF STEREA ELLADA

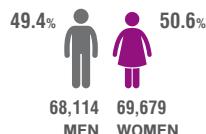




-12.9%

137,793
RESIDENT POPULATION

2021/2011



Regional Unit of Fthiotida

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
LAMIA	75,315	66,657	37,417	32,459	37,898	34,198
AMFIKLEIA - ELATEIA	10,922	8,376	5,504	4,166	5,418	4,210
DOMOKOS	11,495	9,159	5,919	4,849	5,576	4,310
LOKROI	19,623	17,788	9,753	8,778	9,870	9,010
MAKRAKOMI	16,036	13,500	8,030	6,874	8,006	6,626
KAMENA VOURLA	12,090	10,924	5,944	5,307	6,146	5,617
STYLIDA	12,750	11,389	6,426	5,681	6,324	5,708



-10.1%

106,056
RESIDENT POPULATION

2021/2011



Regional Unit of Viotia

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
LIVADIA	31,315	29,379	15,595	14,520	15,720	14,859
ALIARTOS - THESPIES	10,887	8,774	5,622	4,471	5,265	4,303
DISTOMO - ARACHOVA - ANTIKYRA	8,188	7,612	4,152	3,846	4,036	3,766
THIVA	36,477	32,410	19,535	16,556	16,942	15,854
ORCHOMENOS	11,621	9,381	5,889	4,662	5,732	4,719
TANAGRA	19,432	18,500	10,609	9,860	8,823	8,640



Regional Unit of Evoia

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
CHALKIDA	102,223	109,256	51,701	54,241	50,522	55,015
DIRFYS - MESSAPIA	18,800	15,934	9,912	8,207	8,888	7,727
ERETRIA	13,053	12,652	6,563	6,341	6,490	6,311
ISTIAIA - AIDIPSOS	21,083	19,396	10,396	9,589	10,687	9,807
KARYSTOS	12,180	11,903	6,091	5,990	6,089	5,913
KYMI - ALIVERI	28,437	26,350	14,323	13,137	14,114	13,213
MANTOUDI - LIMNI - AGIA ANNA	12,045	12,235	6,024	6,211	6,021	6,024
SKYROS	2,994	3,052	1,638	1,605	1,356	1,447



Regional Unit of Evrytania

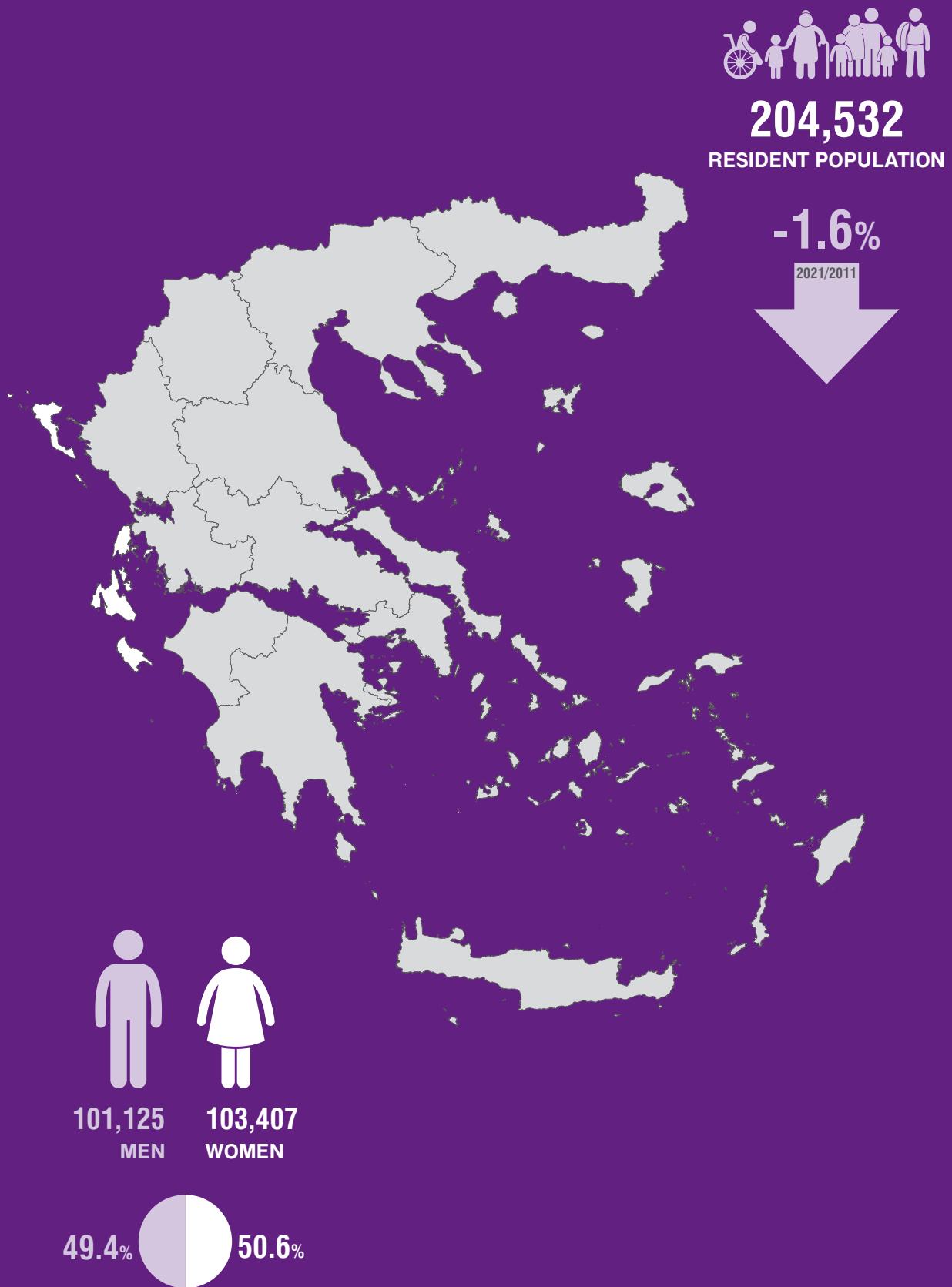
Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KARPENISI	13,105	11,445	6,571	5,753	6,534	5,692
AGRAFA	6,976	5,983	3,620	3,173	3,356	2,810



Regional Unit of Fokida

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
DELFOI	26,716	24,165	13,219	11,945	13,497	12,220
DORIS	13,627	12,034	7,022	6,290	6,605	5,744

REGION OF IONIA NISIA





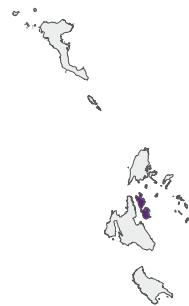
Regional Unit of Kerkyra

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KENTRIKI KERKYRA AND DIAPONTIOI NISOI	68,558	67,112	32,881	32,532	35,677	34,580
PAXOI	2,300	2,466	1,159	1,217	1,141	1,249
VOREIA KERKYRA	17,832	17,278	8,818	8,586	9,014	8,692
NOTIA KERKYRA	15,681	14,744	7,895	7,453	7,786	7,291



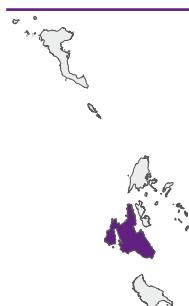
Regional Unit of Zakynthos

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
ZAKYNTHOS	40,759	41,180	20,274	20,555	20,485	20,625



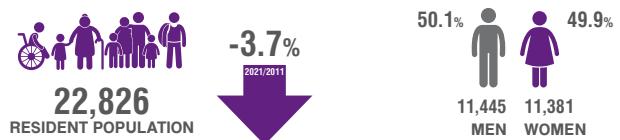
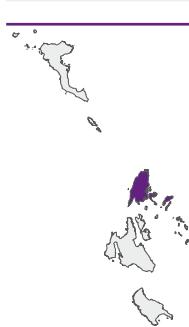
Regional Unit of Ithaki

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
ITHAKI	3,231	2,862	1,622	1,409	1,609	1,453



Regional Unit of Kefallinia

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
ARGOSTOLI	23,499	23,574	11,606	11,682	11,893	11,892
LIXOURI	7,098	6,989	3,579	3,487	3,519	3,502
SAMI	5,204	5,501	2,649	2,759	2,555	2,742



Regional Unit of Lefkada

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
LEFKADA	22,652	21,900	11,399	10,959	11,253	10,941
MEGANISI	1,041	926	518	486	523	440

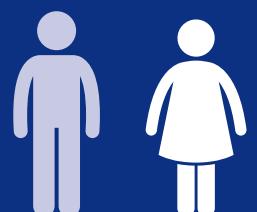
REGION OF DYTIKI ELLADA



648,220
RESIDENT POPULATION

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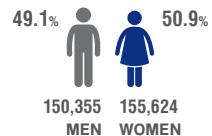


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MEN WOMEN





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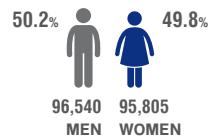


Regional Unit of Achaia

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
PATRA	213,984	215,922	104,307	104,541	109,677	111,381
AIGIALEIA	49,872	46,990	24,532	23,057	25,340	23,933
DYTIKI ACHAIA	25,916	25,633	13,653	13,547	12,263	12,086
ERYMANTHOS	8,877	8,211	4,667	4,397	4,210	3,814
KALAVRYTA	11,045	9,223	5,712	4,813	5,333	4,410

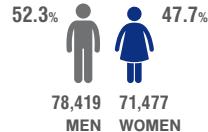


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Regional Unit of Aitoloakarnania

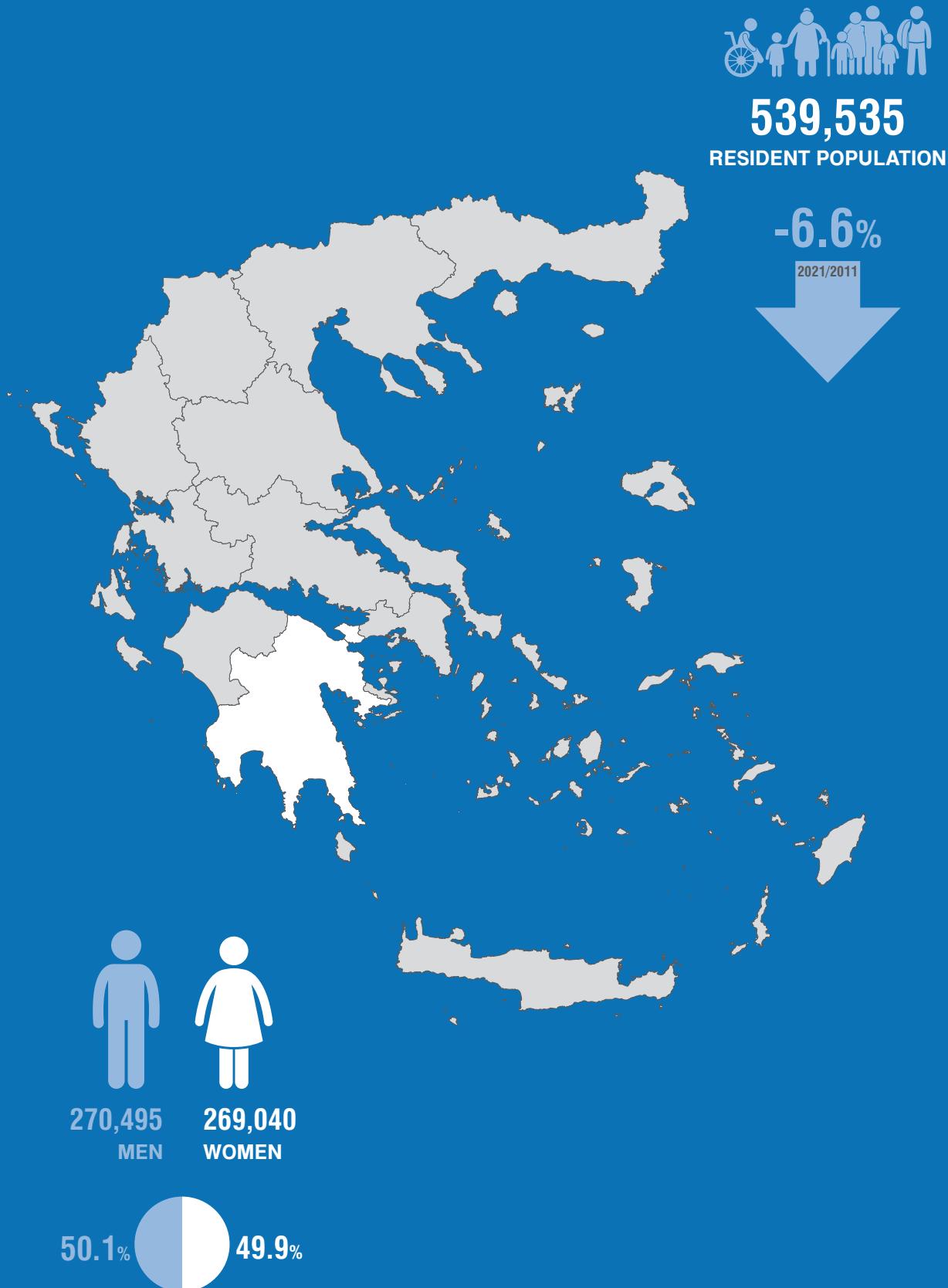
Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
IERA POLIS MESOLONGIOU	34,416	32,048	17,180	16,126	17,236	15,922
AKTIO - VONITSA	17,370	14,644	8,972	7,533	8,398	7,111
AGRINIO	94,181	89,691	46,582	44,412	47,599	45,279
AMFILOCHIA	17,056	14,979	8,503	7,660	8,553	7,319
THERMO	8,242	5,712	4,164	2,972	4,078	2,740
NAFPAKTIA	27,800	25,065	14,023	12,555	13,777	12,510
XIROMERO	11,737	10,206	5,999	5,282	5,738	4,924



Regional Unit of Ilia

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
PYRGOS	47,995	45,365	23,622	22,444	24,373	22,921
ILIDA	32,219	29,347	16,285	14,675	15,934	14,672
ANDRAVIDA - KYLLINI	21,581	22,552	11,558	13,156	10,023	9,396
ANDRITSAINA - KRESTENA	14,109	11,200	7,387	6,102	6,722	5,098
ARCHAIA OLYMPIA	13,409	11,153	6,821	5,716	6,588	5,437
ZACHARO	8,953	8,654	4,547	4,466	4,406	4,188
PINEIOS	21,034	21,625	10,796	11,860	10,238	9,765

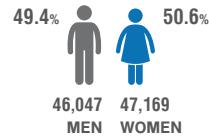
REGION OF PELOPONNISOS





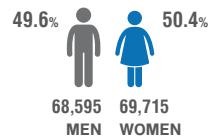
Regional Unit of Arkadia

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
TRIPOLI	47,254	44,165	24,079	22,253	23,175	21,912
VOREIA KYNOURIA	10,341	9,483	5,221	4,778	5,120	4,705
GORTYNIA	10,109	7,915	5,170	4,185	4,939	3,730
MEGALOPOLI	10,687	8,784	5,538	4,578	5,149	4,206
NOTIA KYNOURIA	8,294	7,245	4,264	3,777	4,030	3,468



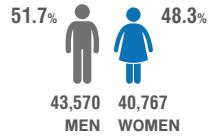
Regional Unit of Argolida

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
NAFPLIO	33,356	32,625	16,888	15,917	16,468	16,708
ARGOS - MYKINES	42,022	39,994	20,835	19,736	21,187	20,258
EPIDAVROS	8,115	7,030	4,099	3,530	4,016	3,500
ERMIONIDA	13,551	13,567	6,891	6,864	6,660	6,703



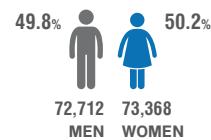
Regional Unit of Korinthia

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KORINTHOS	58,192	55,941	29,216	27,910	28,976	28,031
VELO - VOCHA	19,027	17,883	9,611	8,935	9,416	8,948
LOUTRAKI - PERACHORA - AGIOI THEODOROI	21,221	22,016	10,482	10,782	10,739	11,234
NEMEA	6,483	5,713	3,291	2,854	3,192	2,859
XYLOKASTRO - EVROSTINA	17,365	15,570	8,541	7,546	8,824	8,024
SIKYON	22,794	21,187	11,427	10,568	11,367	10,619



Regional Unit of Lakonia

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
SPARTI	35,259	32,786	17,740	16,123	17,519	16,663
ANATOLIKI MANI	13,005	12,779	6,751	6,589	6,254	6,190
ELAFONISOS	1,041	898	537	454	504	444
EVROTAS	17,891	16,058	9,516	8,511	8,375	7,547
MONEMVASIA	21,942	21,816	11,091	11,893	10,851	9,923



Regional Unit of Messinia

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KALAMATA	69,849	72,906	34,620	35,308	35,229	37,598
DYTIKI MANI	6,945	5,875	3,547	3,011	3,398	2,864
MESSINI	23,482	19,170	11,942	9,737	11,540	9,433
OICHALIA	11,228	8,504	5,788	4,409	5,440	4,095
PYLOS - NESTOR	21,077	17,194	10,742	8,838	10,335	8,356
TRIFYLIA	27,373	22,431	13,950	11,409	13,423	11,022

REGION OF ATTIKI

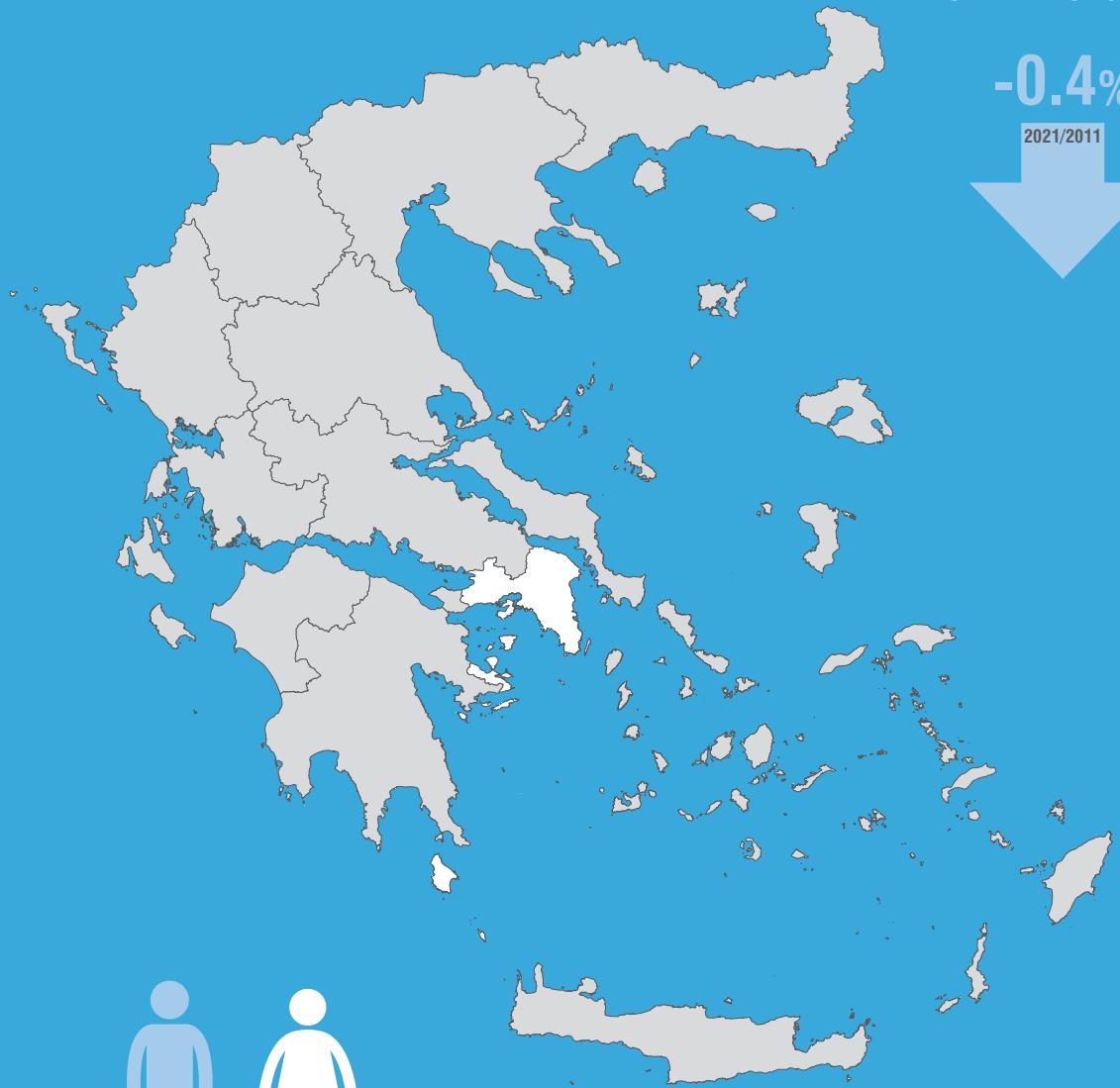


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RESIDENT POPULATION

-0.4%

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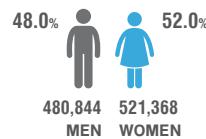


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MEN



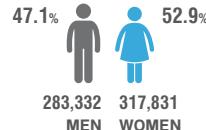
1,976,721
WOMEN





Regional Unit of Kentrikos Tomeas Athinon

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
ATHINA	664,046	643,452	315,210	310,569	348,836	332,883
YVRON	61,308	59,134	28,992	27,910	32,316	31,224
GALATSI	59,345	57,909	28,399	27,715	30,946	30,194
DAFNI - YMITTOS	33,628	33,886	15,829	16,118	17,799	17,768
ZOGRAFOS	71,026	69,874	33,097	32,790	37,929	37,084
ILIOUPOLI	78,153	76,730	37,098	36,445	41,055	40,285
KAISARIANI	26,458	26,269	12,486	12,488	13,972	13,781
NEA PHILADELFEIA - NEA CHALKIDONA	35,556	34,958	17,043	16,809	18,513	18,149



Regional Unit of Voreios Tomeas Athinon

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
AMAROUSIO	72,333	71,830	33,738	33,516	38,595	38,314
AGIA PARASKEVI	59,704	62,147	27,822	29,104	31,882	33,043
VRILISSIA	30,741	32,417	14,605	15,410	16,136	17,007
IRAKLEIO	49,642	50,494	23,770	24,084	25,872	26,410
KIFISIA	71,259	72,878	33,389	34,400	37,870	38,478
LYKOVRYSI - PEFKI	31,153	30,998	14,897	14,782	16,256	16,216
METAMORFOSI	29,891	30,174	14,599	14,522	15,292	15,652
NEA IONIA	67,134	64,611	32,505	31,197	34,629	33,414
PAPAGOS - CHOLARGOS	44,539	45,266	20,278	20,651	24,261	24,615
PENTELI	34,934	35,610	16,868	17,096	18,066	18,514
FILOTHEI - PSYCHIKO	26,968	27,636	11,946	12,530	15,022	15,106
CHALANDRI	74,192	77,102	34,743	36,040	39,449	41,062



478,883

RESIDENT POPULATION

-2.2%

2021/2011

48.6% ♂ 51.4% ♀

232,872 MEN

246,011 WOMEN

Regional Unit of Dytikos Tomeas Athinon

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
PERISTERI	139,981	133,630	68,563	65,077	71,418	68,553
AGIA VARVARA	26,550	26,759	12,650	12,747	13,900	14,012
AGIOI ANARGYROI - KAMATERO	62,529	61,462	30,925	30,219	31,604	31,243
AIGALEO	69,946	65,831	34,008	32,014	35,938	33,817
ILIO	84,793	84,004	41,594	40,833	43,199	43,171
PETROUPOLI	58,979	60,146	28,582	28,999	30,397	31,147
CHAIDARI	46,897	47,051	23,245	22,983	23,652	24,068



529,455

RESIDENT POPULATION

-0.1%

2021/2011

47.1% ♂ 52.9% ♀

249,415 MEN

280,040 WOMEN

Regional Unit of Notios Tomeas Athinon

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KALLITHEA	100,641	97,616	46,782	45,558	53,859	52,058
AGIOS DIMITRIOS	71,294	71,664	34,668	34,624	36,626	37,040
ALIMOS	41,720	43,174	19,663	20,499	22,057	22,675
GLYFADA	87,305	89,597	41,135	42,257	46,170	47,340
ELLINIKO - ARGYROUPOLI	51,356	50,027	24,604	23,758	26,752	26,269
MOSCHATOU - TAVROS	40,413	39,661	19,440	19,178	20,973	20,483
NEA SMYRNI	73,076	72,853	33,607	33,642	39,469	39,211
PALAIKO FALIRO	64,021	64,863	29,429	29,899	34,592	34,964



518,755
RESIDENT POPULATION



+3.3%

49.3% MEN
50.7% WOMEN

Regional Unit of Anatoliki Attiki

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
ACHARNES	106,943	108,169	53,905	53,622	53,038	54,547
VARI - VOULA - VOULIAGMENI	48,399	52,546	23,654	25,329	24,745	27,217
DIONYSOS	40,193	42,376	19,492	20,530	20,701	21,846
KOROPI	30,307	30,817	15,277	15,349	15,030	15,468
LAVRIO	25,102	25,199	12,474	12,520	12,628	12,679
MARATHONAS	33,423	31,331	18,661	16,266	14,762	15,065
MARKOPOULO MESOGAIAS	20,040	21,722	9,845	10,631	10,195	11,091
PAIANIA	26,668	28,036	13,192	13,727	13,476	14,309
PALLINI	54,415	59,459	26,694	28,914	27,721	30,545
RAFINA - PIKERMI	20,266	22,327	9,839	10,821	10,427	11,506
SARONIKOS	29,002	30,047	14,345	14,774	14,657	15,273
SPATA - ARTEMIS	33,821	34,915	16,730	17,254	17,091	17,661
OROPOS	33,769	31,811	18,509	16,268	15,260	15,543



165,540
RESIDENT POPULATION



+2.9%

50.4% MEN
49.6% WOMEN

Regional Unit of Dytiki Attiki

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
ELEFSINA	29,902	30,147	14,925	14,873	14,977	15,274
ASPROPYRGOS	30,251	31,381	15,872	16,108	14,379	15,273
MANDRA - EIDYLLIA	17,885	17,822	8,785	8,699	9,100	9,123
MEGARA	36,924	38,033	19,488	20,122	17,436	17,911
FYLI	45,965	48,157	22,869	23,689	23,096	24,468



448,051

RESIDENT POPULATION

-0.2%

2021/2011

48.4% ♂ 51.6% ♀

216,823 MEN 231,228 WOMEN

Regional Unit of Peiraias

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
PEIRAIAS	163,688	168,151	78,200	80,642	85,488	87,509
KERATSINI - DRAPEΤSONA	91,045	89,536	43,922	43,247	47,123	46,289
KORYDALLOS	63,445	61,248	31,642	30,257	31,803	30,991
NIKAIΑ - AGIOS IOANNIS RENTIS	105,430	103,488	51,200	50,061	54,230	53,427
PERAMA	25,389	25,628	12,448	12,616	12,941	13,012



70,005

RESIDENT POPULATION

-6.2%

2021/2011

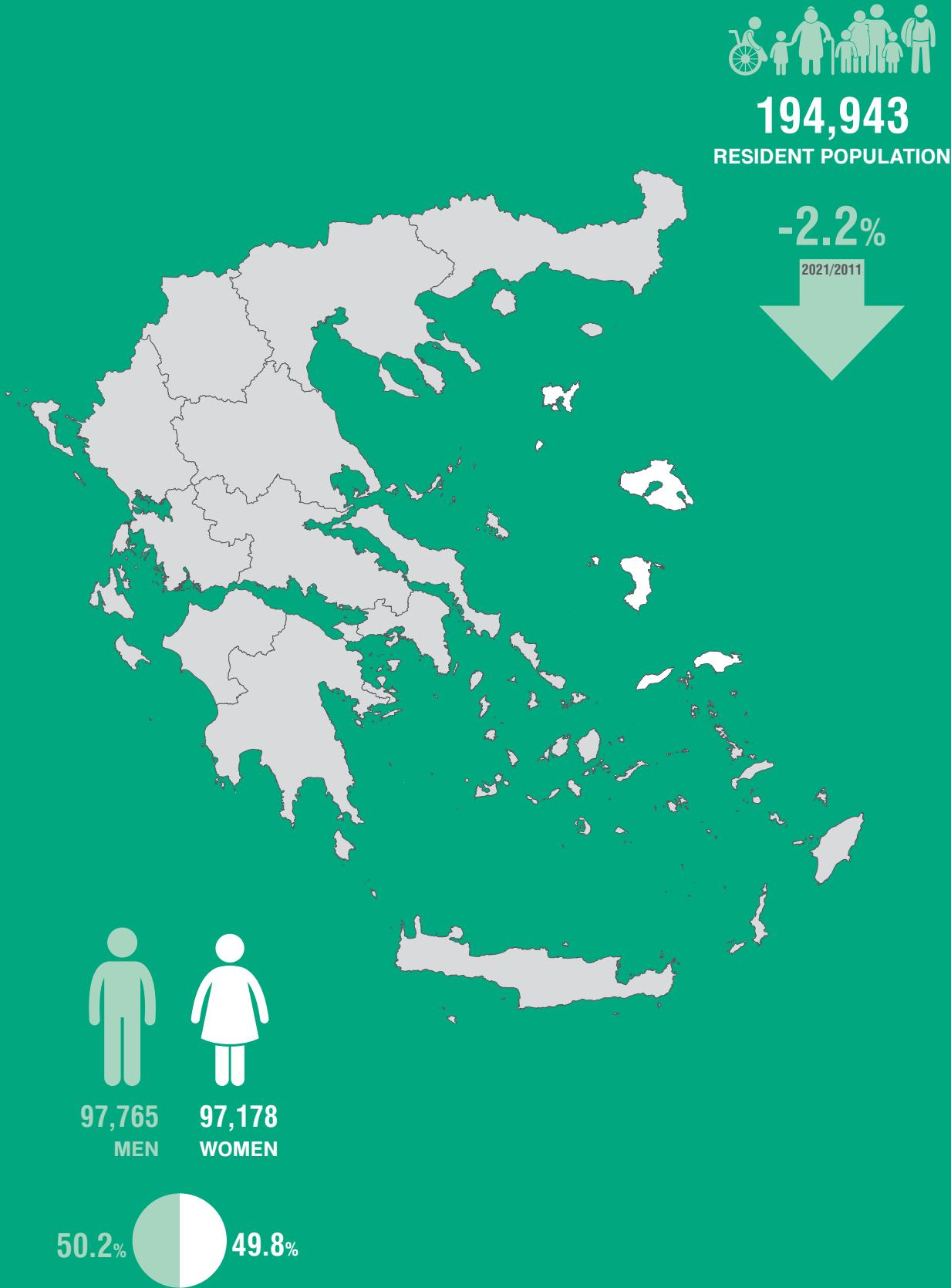
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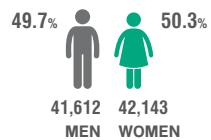
34,561 MEN 35,444 WOMEN

Regional Unit of Nisoi

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
SALAMINA	39,283	37,220	19,638	18,340	19,645	18,880
YDRA	1,966	2,070	977	1,023	989	1,047
AGKISTRI	1,142	1,131	580	571	562	560
AIGINA	13,056	12,911	6,456	6,328	6,600	6,583
KYTHIRA	4,041	3,644	2,055	1,870	1,986	1,774
POROS	3,993	3,261	2,180	1,603	1,813	1,658
SPETSES	4,027	3,748	1,969	1,833	2,058	1,915
TROIΖINA - METHANA	7,143	6,020	3,631	2,993	3,512	3,027

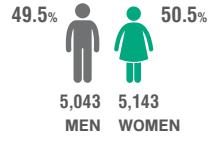
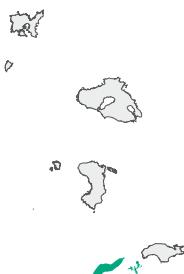
REGION OF VOREIO AIGAIO





Regional Unit of Lesvos

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
MYTILINI	57,872	59,034	28,297	29,341	29,575	29,693
DYTIKI LESVOS	28,564	24,721	14,300	12,271	14,264	12,450



Regional Unit of Ikaria

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
IKARIA	8,423	8,843	4,220	4,415	4,203	4,428
FOURNOI KORSEON	1,459	1,343	722	628	737	715



Regional Unit of Limnos

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
LIMNOS	16,992	16,411	8,924	8,486	8,068	7,925
AGIOS EFSTRATIOS	270	257	130	138	140	119



Regional Unit of Samos

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
ANATOLIKI SAMOS	20,513	20,021	10,573	10,372	9,940	9,649
DYTIKI SAMOS	12,464	12,621	6,405	6,433	6,059	6,188



Regional Unit of Chios

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
CHIOS	51,390	50,361	25,775	25,022	25,615	25,339
OINOUSSES	826	911	421	458	405	453
IROIKI NISOS PSARON	458	420	217	201	241	219

REGION OF NOTIO AIGAIO



327,820

RESIDENT POPULATION

2021/2011

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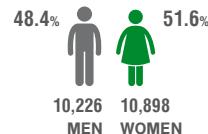
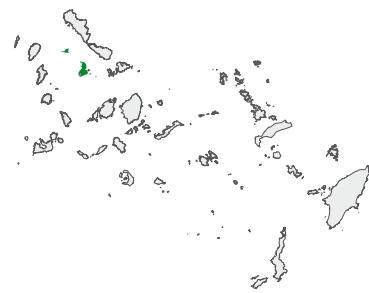


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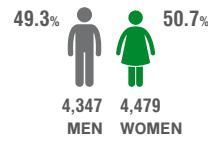
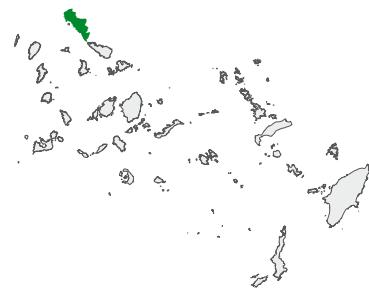
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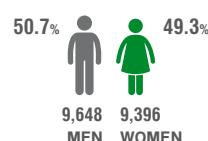
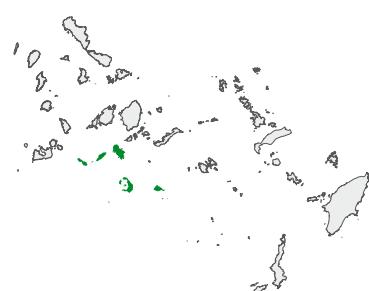
Regional Unit of Syros

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
SYROS - ERMOUPOLI	21,507	21,124	10,392	10,226	11,115	10,898



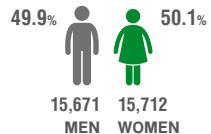
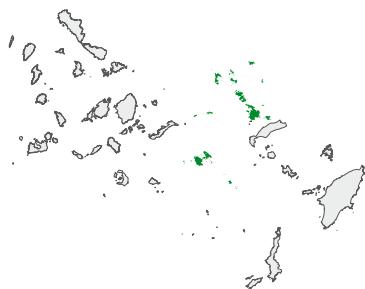
Regional Unit of Andros

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
ANDROS	9,221	8,826	4,590	4,347	4,631	4,479



Regional Unit of Thira

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
THIRA	15,550	15,480	7,826	7,802	7,724	7,678
ANAFI	271	293	137	152	134	141
IOS	2,024	2,299	1,068	1,191	956	1,108
SIKINOS	273	253	138	135	135	118
FOLEGANDROS	765	719	402	368	363	351



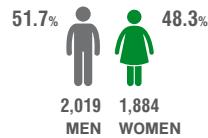
Regional Unit of Kalymnos

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KALYMNOS	16,179	17,752	7,975	8,748	8,204	9,004
AGATHONISI	185	202	103	114	82	88
ASTYPALAIA	1,334	1,376	676	701	658	675
LEIPSOI	790	778	399	384	391	394
LEROS	7,917	7,992	4,052	4,075	3,865	3,917
PATMOS	3,047	3,283	1,535	1,649	1,512	1,634



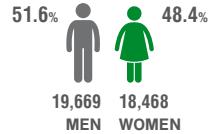
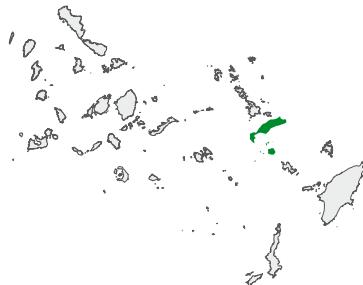
Regional Unit of Karpathos - Iroiki Nisos Kasou

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KARPATHOS	6,226	6,567	3,124	3,308	3,102	3,259
IROIKI NISOS KASOU	1,084	1,223	550	625	534	598



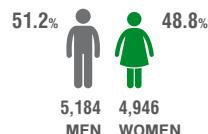
Regional Unit of Kea - Kythnos

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KEA	2,455	2,335	1,254	1,196	1,201	1,139
KYTHNOS	1,456	1,568	771	823	685	745



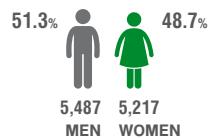
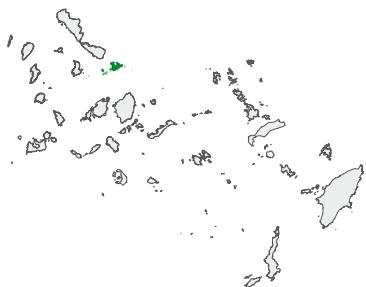
Regional Unit of Kos

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
KOS	33,388	37,089	17,322	19,121	16,066	17,968
NISYROS	1,008	1,048	543	548	465	500



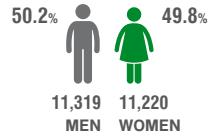
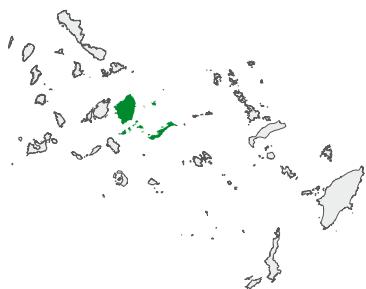
Regional Unit of Milos

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
MILOS	4,977	5,302	2,520	2,726	2,457	2,576
KIMOLOS	910	810	475	402	435	408
SERIFOS	1,420	1,241	756	647	664	594
SIFNOS	2,625	2,777	1,324	1,409	1,301	1,368



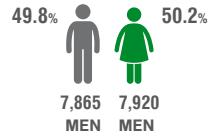
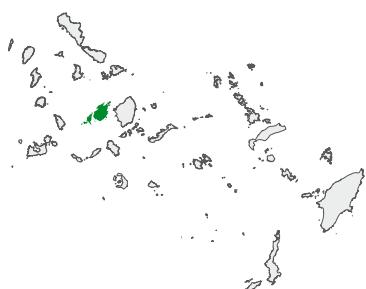
Regional Unit of Mykonos

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
MYKONOS	10,134	10,704	5,217	5,487	4,917	5,217



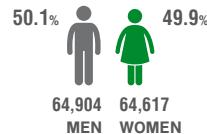
Regional Unit of Naxos

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
AMORGOS	1,973	1,961	1,030	1,002	943	959
NAXOS - MIKRES KYKLADES	18,904	20,578	9,654	10,317	9,250	10,261



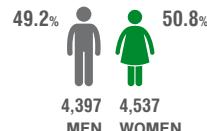
Regional Unit of Paros

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
PAROS	13,715	14,520	6,846	7,217	6,869	7,303
ANTIPAROS	1,211	1,265	619	648	592	617



Regional Unit of Rodos

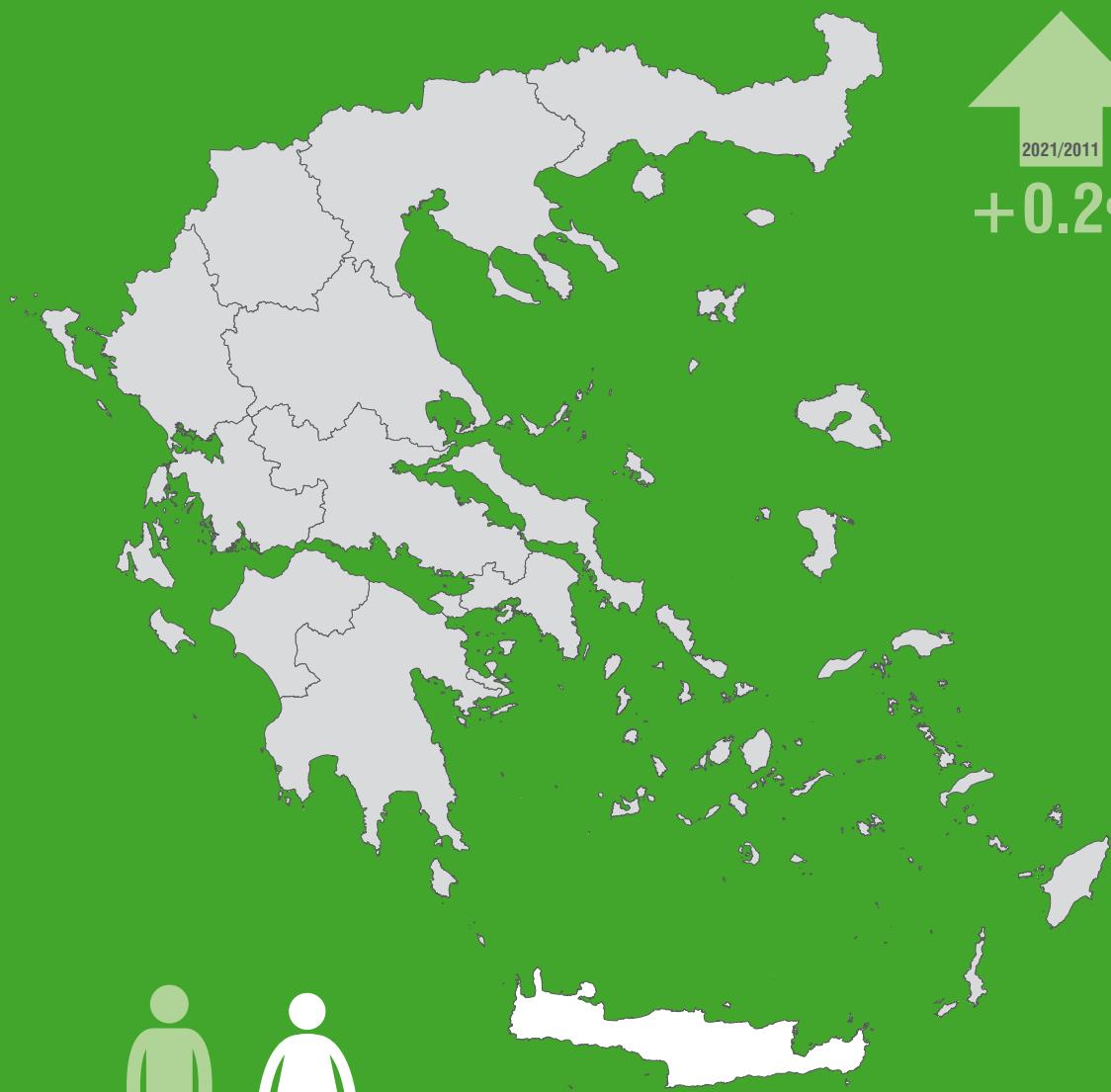
Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
RODOS	115,490	125,113	57,879	62,448	57,611	62,665
MEGISTI	492	584	322	392	170	192
SYMI	2,590	2,603	1,395	1,390	1,195	1,213
TILOS	780	746	429	416	351	330
CHALKI	478	475	256	258	222	217



Regional Unit of Tinos

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
TINOS	8,636	8,934	4,286	4,397	4,350	4,537

REGION OF KRITI



624,408
RESIDENT POPULATION

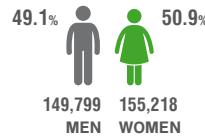
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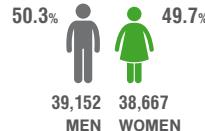
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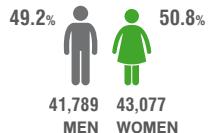
Regional Unit of Irakleio

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
IRAKLEIO	173,993	179,302	85,133	86,743	88,860	92,559
ARCHANES - ASTEROUSIA	16,692	16,072	8,293	7,983	8,399	8,089
VIANNOS	5,563	4,436	2,745	2,230	2,818	2,206
GORTYNA	15,632	14,167	7,824	7,194	7,808	6,973
MALEVIZI	24,864	25,734	12,497	12,806	12,367	12,928
MINOAS PEDIADAS	17,563	14,165	8,742	7,031	8,821	7,134
FAISTOS	24,466	23,921	12,192	12,206	12,274	11,715
CHERSONISOS	26,717	27,220	13,483	13,606	13,234	13,614



Regional Unit of Lasithi

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
AGIOS NIKOLAOS	27,074	27,785	13,372	13,634	13,702	14,151
IERAPETRA	26,200	27,338	13,098	14,265	13,102	13,073
OROPEDIO LASITHIOU	2,387	2,258	1,184	1,133	1,203	1,125
SITEIA	19,720	20,438	9,695	10,120	10,025	10,318



Regional Unit of Rethymno

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
RETHYMNO	55,525	57,216	26,670	27,661	28,855	29,555
AGIOS VASILEIOS	7,427	7,018	3,755	3,578	3,672	3,440
AMARI	5,915	5,572	3,033	2,882	2,882	2,690
ANOGEIA	2,379	2,240	1,192	1,118	1,187	1,122
MYLOPOTAMOS	14,363	12,820	7,298	6,550	7,065	6,270



Regional Unit of Chania

Municipality	Population		Men		Women	
	2011	2021	2011	2021	2011	2021
CHANIA	108,642	111,375	54,163	54,946	54,479	56,429
APOKORONAS	12,807	12,247	6,454	6,246	6,353	6,001
GAVDOS	152	142	91	84	61	58
KANDANOS - SELINOS	5,431	5,009	2,771	2,515	2,660	2,494
KISSAMOS	10,790	10,632	5,438	5,382	5,352	5,250
PLATANIAS	16,874	15,299	8,548	7,635	8,326	7,664
SFAKIA	1,889	2,002	994	1,060	895	942

METHODOLOGICAL NOTE

1. General Censuses for Buildings and Population - Housing

The General Censuses for Buildings and Population - Housing have been conducted since 1951, every ten years, and are one of the most important statistical works in Greece. The 2021 Population-Housing Census, the first digital census in Greece, was conducted by the Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) by virtue of Regulation (EU) No 763/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Population and Housing Census, their Implementing Regulations (EU) 2017/543, (EU) 2017/881, (EU) 2017/712, (EU) 2018/1799, the United Nations (UNECE) Recommendations for the 2020 Censuses of Population-Housing and Law 4772/2021 (Government Gazette, Series I, No 17/A/5-2-2021).

The Law determines in detail the purpose, the variables, the data collection method, the post census works, as well as special provisions to ensure the smooth conduct of the General Censuses. The Population - Housing Census is carried out in all Member States of the European Union with common standards and methods, as defined in the above legal framework regarding the methods of conduct, reference dates and dates of census conduct, variables, file format and transmission dates for data and metadata. The reference date of the 2021 Population - Housing Census in Greece was the 22nd of October 2021, in line with the European Regulation, which sets the reference date within 2021.

2. Purpose of the Census

The Population - Housing Census provides up-to-date data concerning:

- the **Resident Population**, i.e., the inhabitants who usually reside in each Region, Regional Unit, Municipality, Municipal Unit, Community and independent settlement of Greece, irrespective of citizenship and residence status;
- the registered population, i.e., the citizens registered in each Municipality and Municipal Unit, on the basis of which the parliamentary seats are distributed in the individual constituencies during the parliamentary elections (Article 54 of the Constitution);
- the number of dwellings, by type (conventional or non-conventional), and data on their main characteristics and amenities;
- the number and composition of households,
- the demographic, social, educational and economic characteristics of the Resident Population of Greece;
- data on immigration and emigration.

Within the scope of the 2021 General Censuses the compilation of Statistical Registers of Buildings and Population was also foreseen, in accordance with the new European methodological framework, which provides for the transmission of demographic census data on an annual basis.

3. Methodology

According to the initial census design, the 2021 General Censuses were conducted using the traditional method, which is based on the direct enumeration of all individuals and the collection of information on their characteristics through a questionnaire.

In the context of safeguarding public health and due to the adverse conditions arising from the coronavirus pandemic (Covid-19), ELSTAT designed and carried out the 2021 Population - Housing Census with a hybrid system, which initially provided for the

electronic self-enumeration (with the help of the enumerators) of households through a dedicated online application.

For those households that could not be self-enumerated, as well as for people living in refugee camps, nursing homes, hospitals, other collective households, etc., the Census was conducted through a personal or telephone interview. The obstacle related to the absence of a population register (administrative or statistical) was overcome with the help of the enumerators who distributed a unique (geospatial) residence code to each household in their area of responsibility. The population was enumerated on the basis of these codes.

3.1 Phases of data collection of the General Censuses

3.1.1 Preparatory phase: Buildings Census

The Buildings Census is conducted every 10 years before the Population –Housing Census for collecting information on the number of buildings, their use and characteristics in order to meet national requirements for statistical information. In addition to buildings characteristics, the 2021 Buildings Census collected information on the geospatial location of the buildings by locating the coordinates of buildings through an electronic application. Moreover, this application enabled the compilation of lists of buildings, locating the dwellings (inhabited and not) within each Census Sector. Subsequently, the population census was conducted on the basis of these lists.

The Buildings Census was carried out by the Building Enumerators with the use of tablets. The location and the characteristics of each building were recorded through a specially designed online application, in a cloud database. The Buildings Enumerators visited on the spot each building block under their responsibility with the appropriate cartographic material, provided to them by ELSTAT, and recorded, through the electronic application, the buildings located therein, their characteristics and use. Subsequently, this application produced the lists of buildings-dwellings, to which (dwellings) a unique residence code was assigned to be used for the conduct of the Population Census.

3.1.2 Phase A: Electronic self-enumeration

In November 2021, ELSTAT's Enumerators distributed a sealed envelope to each residential dwelling, apartment, or accommodation with the unique (geospatial) residence code corresponding to that dwelling.

Subsequently, a representative of each household could, through the Digital Portal of the Public Sector (www.gov.gr) and the use of his/her unique residence code and the personal code for accessing tax digital services -“taxisnet” (method of identification), log in to the electronic application of the Census for self-enumerating his/her household and its members, in order to complete and submit the questionnaire on the dwelling and members of the household.

During this phase, and through the dedicated electronic application for the census management the Enumerators were able to monitor both the households that were self-enumerated and those which had not been self-enumerated and were under the responsibility of the sector assigned to them.

The initial deadline for the completion of Phase A was the 26th of November 2021, but it was extended until 13 December 2021 due to the high share of the self-enumeration.

3.1.3 Phase B: Collection of data through a personal interview

Phase B of the Population - Housing Census concerned the collection of data through a personal interview, either by telephone or in person, since the enumerators were able, through the electronic management application, to identify and locate the residents of the Country who had not been self-enumerated during Phase A.

During Phase B, the electronic application for the self-enumeration remained open and available to those households who wanted to be self-enumerated electronically but had not done it so far.

Phase B was held from 14 December 2021 to 14 February 2022 to help the enumerators, especially outside large cities or islands, reach the entire population.

3.1.4 Phase C: Electronic self-enumerations for those citizens who had not been able to contact their enumerators

The third phase of the Census was organised by ELSTAT to cover those few cases of households that had not responded to the self-enumeration or could not be accessed by the census staff (Supervisors, Assistant Supervisors, building enumerators, enumerators).

During the period from 15 to 21 February 2022, those who wanted to be enumerated could visit the website of ELSTAT (www.statistics.gr) and, by filling in their home address, either create and receive electronically a new “unique residence code” corresponding to their dwelling in order to be self-enumerated in line with the procedure of Phase A or to contact the Supervision of the area they lived in and set a date for their enumeration by telephone or personal interview.

3.2 Census Questionnaire

The questionnaires of the General Census were designed in accordance with the relevant EU legislation on Population and Housing Census and the guidelines and methodological recommendations of the United Nations, also taking into account the experience of ELSTAT staff in the Census, as well as the recommendations and proposals of the bodies involved in the relevant consultation.

The Census questionnaire included all the mandatory variables set out in the European Regulation (EU) 763/2008 on Population and Housing Census, as well as variables that meet national requirements for statistical information. However, in line with international best practices it was decided not to include sensitive personal data (data on health status, religion, sexual orientation, etc.).

For the first time, as part of the Population Census, the Tax Registration Number (AFM) and the Social Security Register Number (AMKA) of each enumerated person were collected. The aim was to have a unique identification number for each individual, which would be used as a “key” for linking statistical data from the Population Census to administrative records data.

The purpose is twofold. Firstly, linking the census variables with data from administrative registers, in order to check their quality in terms of identifying double recordings and any errors, to check full coverage of the population and secondly, to create the first Statistical Population Register from the results of the 2021 Census and to regularly update it from administrative data.

3.3 Processing of the census data

According to the design of the 2021 Population - Housing Census, among the enumerators' responsibilities was to enter in the secure database of ELSTAT the data of the questionnaires collected through an interview, during Phase B. In this way and through the electronic self-enumeration, all the census data were incorporated into the ELSTAT database within a short period of time (a few days) after the end of the data collection and were ready to be processed.

The electronic questionnaire of the Census had integrated automatic checks aimed at ensuring the collection of more complete and correct data. An important innovation of the 2021 Population - Housing Census was the development and implementation of an electronic project management and monitoring system. All operations were managed electronically. Therefore, for the first time it was possible during the data collection phase to monitor in real-time the process of their collection, as well as to check the completeness and correctness of the data collected, at the respective level of responsibility, aiming at benchmarking and monitoring the overall data collection operation in all its dimensions. This allowed immediate action to be taken to resolve any issue that arose. At the end of the Census, quality and completeness checks were carried on the data of the census database to obtain the results of the Census.

More specifically, in the first phase, a check was carried out by the "data clearing" procedure for cases of double-recording, records or variables missing, such as sex, checking the location of the enumerated persons as temporary guests, encoding the geographical code of their place of usual residence and reclassifying them to the place of their usual residence.

In addition, quality checks were carried out as regards the full coverage of the total population, using data from administrative sources. Data from administrative sources were used as a tool of quality control and/or completion of missing values of the main demographic characteristics of the population, such as place of usual residence, sex, age, place of birth, citizenship, legal marital status, missing records, etc. The collection through the Census of the AFM and the AMKA of the enumerated persons served as a "key" for the interconnection of the Census data with the data of administrative registers. In this context, administrative data were used for the first time from the Tax Authority of Greece (Independent Authority for Public Revenue - AADE) and the Social Security Organisation (IDIKA), the Citizens' Register –which is under compilation–, as well as additional data from other sources, such as the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs for specific population groups. Moreover, data from the Electricity Distribution Network Operator SA (DEDDIE) were used to identify occupied dwellings that might have not been enumerated.

The quality control of the data also took into account vital statistics data, administrative data on the pupil/student population, as well as data from the labour force survey (the latter only with regard to the change in employment of foreigners).



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