

Geographic locations greece

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Greece is an European country located in the southern part of the continent. It is made up of a mainland as well as thousands of islands. The country covers an area of 50,949 square miles and is bordered by Turkey, Albania, Macedonia, and Bulgaria. Greece is a mountainous country with about 80% of its territory being characterized as mountainous. Greece has a long coastline which stretches 8,498 miles.

Most of the country has a Mediterranean climate. However, there are also microclimates in some regions due to their respective unique geography. Regions around the Pindus Mountains experience frigid cold winters with snow due to their proximity to the towering mountains. The northern part of the country experiences a continental climate with regions near the north going through a transitional Mediterranean-continental climate. The record highest temperatures in the country were recorded in Tatoi and Elefsina while the record lowest temperatures were recorded in Ptolemaida.

The numerous islands of Greece make up for 20% of the total land area of the country. Greece is made up of thousands of islands which are estimated to number about 6,000 (however, a more conservative figure of 1,425 is frequently used). These islands are situated in the Ionian Sea, the Mediterranean Sea as well as the Aegean Sea. The islands are usually grouped into clusters, and the clusters are; the North Aegean islands (situated near the Turkish west coast), and the Cyclades (located in the central region of the Aegean Sea). Other clusters are the Dodecanese (found between Turkey and Crete), the Argo-Saronic islands (situated on the Saronic Gulf), the Ionian islands (located in the Ionian Sea) and the Sporades (located near coastal Euboea).

Greece is prone to earthquakes, wildfires, droughts, and floods. In recent years, like many other countries, Greece has been grappling with the problem of increased air pollution emanating from its industries as well as millions of vehicles, and water pollution.

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The section provides all the information you need to understand the geography of Greece.

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Greece is a peninsular and mountainous country located in Southern-Eastern Europe, in the Balkans peninsula, and has a land area of 128,900 km² (49,769 sq. miles). The country has the largest coastline in Europe (13,676km) due to its numerous islands. It has a total of 2,000 islands but only 168 are inhabited. The country is washed to the east by the Aegean Sea, to the west by the Ionian and to the south by the Mediterranean Sea.

Greece's population is estimated at 10,4 million people in 2020 terms of total world population, it represents 0.13% and it is ranked at number 87 of all countries. The density of the population is 81 per square kilometer (209 people per square mile). 85% of its population resides in the cities.

Two-thirds of the territory is covered with mountains. The highest mountain is Mount Olympus, with its peak at an altitude of 2917 meters.

The country is very rich in natural resources providing petroleum, magnetite, lignite, bauxite, hydropower, and marble.

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