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1981 Community Census of Population

First results for Greece

First estimates of total population for Greece in 1981 based on the national census of population put the figure at 9,7 million persons, an increase of 0,9 million or 10,7 percent on the 1971 census total. The regional distribution of the population is shown in the table below.

These preliminary results for Greece are derived from the national census taken in the context of the Community directive for synchronised censuses of population in 1981. The Greek census planned originally to be held on 15 March 1981 was postponed at short notice until 5 April 1981 because of the earthquake.

Further results of the Greek population census will start to become available towards the end of the year and the flow of more detailed results will continue in 1982 and 1983.

Population by region at 1981 and 1971 censuses and percentage change

Regions	1981 (persons)	1971 (persons)	percentage change in ten-year period
Greece total	9 706 687	8 768 641	10,7
Greater Athens	3 016 457	2 540 241	18,8
Rest of central Greece and Euboea	1 097 480	992 077	10,6
Peloponnesos	1 005 154	986 912	1,9
Ionian Islands	181 064	184 443	- 1,8
Epirus	323 333	310 334	4,2
Thessaly	695 010	659 913	5,3
Macedonia	2 105 649	1 890 684	11,4
Thrace	345 709	329 582	4,9
Aegean Islands	435 749	417 813	4,3
Crete	501 082	456 642	9,7