



## 2011 Population and Housing Census

### Statistical data on the reasons on account of which immigrants (with Greek or foreign citizenship) settle in Greece

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT), after having processed and checked all the variables included in the questionnaires of the 2011 Population-Housing Census, announces data on the reasons on account of which immigrants settle in Greece.

It should be noticed that ELSTAT has already announced data on migration (internal migration- immigration) of the Resident Population in a previous press release.

#### Reasons for settling in Greece one year before the Census

On the basis of the results of the 2011 Population-Housing Census, the total number of immigrants who settled in Greece one year before the Census amounted to 79,554 (43,341 males and 36,213 females). Out of the total number of immigrants, 33,751 (42.4%) had Greek citizenship, while 45,803 (57.6%) had foreign citizenship.

The biggest share, 36.7%, of immigrants with Greek citizenship who settled in Greece one year before the census, reported moving back to Greece for repatriation reasons. On the other hand, the biggest share, 39.9%, of immigrants with foreign citizenship reported moving to Greece in order to find a job.

Available census data indicate that out of the number of 18,264 immigrants with foreign citizenship that reported moving to Greece in order to find a job, 10,285 (56.3%) of them reported that they were employed during the last week before the reference date of the Census (3-9/5/2011), while 4,852 (26.6%) reported that they were seeking for a job and 3,127 (17.1%) were not economically active.

Tables 1 and 2 below depict the distribution of immigrants who settled in Greece, one year before the census, according to their citizenship (Greek-foreign) and by age group and reason for settling in Greece.

**Table 1. Immigrants with Greek citizenship who settled in Greece, one year before the census, by age group and reason for settling in Greece**

Age groups	Greek citizenship <sup>(1)</sup>														Total
	Total	Reason for settling in Greece												Total	
		Find a job	%	Repatriation	%	Family reunification	%	Studies	%	Other reason	%	Not reported	%		
<b>GREECE TOTAL</b>	<b>33,751</b>	<b>4,446</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>12,378</b>	<b>36.7</b>	<b>5,607</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>1,885</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>4,376</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>5,059</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
0-9	2,254	0	0.0	494	21.9	514	22.8	16	0.7	191	8.5	1,039	46.1	100.0	
10-19	2,025	59	2.9	605	29.9	387	19.1	373	18.4	208	10.3	393	19.4	100.0	
20-29	8,736	1,432	16.4	2,588	29.6	1,464	16.8	1,227	14.0	884	10.1	1,141	13.1	100.0	
30-39	5,829	1,400	24.0	1,922	33.0	1,044	17.9	239	4.1	569	9.8	655	11.2	100.0	
40-49	3,475	892	25.7	1,218	35.1	615	17.7	29	0.8	359	10.3	362	10.4	100.0	
50-59	3,117	467	15.0	1,327	42.6	476	15.3	1	0.0	458	14.7	388	12.4	100.0	
60-69	4,675	192	4.1	2,372	50.7	589	12.6	0	0.0	918	19.6	604	12.9	100.0	
70+	3,640	4	0.1	1,852	50.9	518	14.2	0	0.0	789	21.7	477	13.1	100.0	

(1) Also included persons with Greek and another citizenship

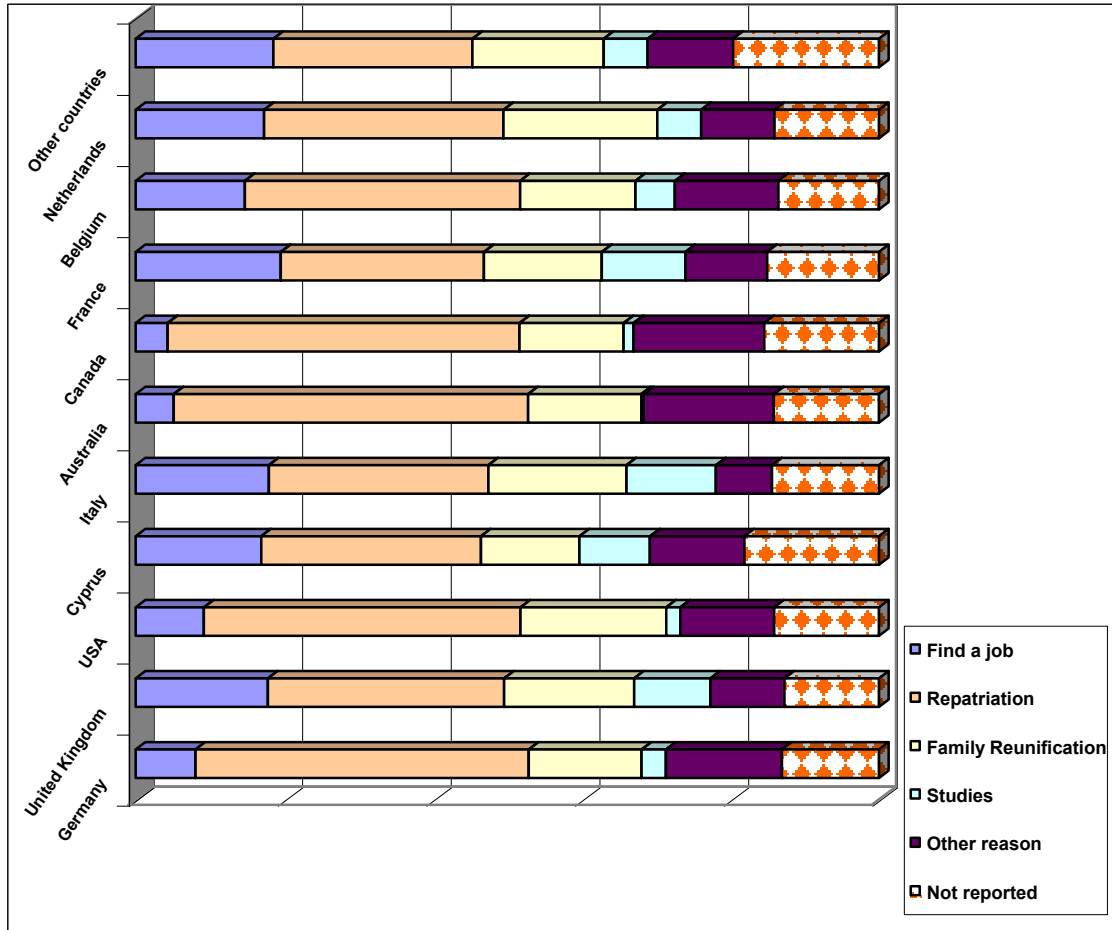
**Table 2. Immigrants with foreign citizenship who settled in Greece, one year before the census, by age group and reason for settling in Greece**

Age groups	Foreign citizenship <sup>(1)</sup>														Total	
	Total	Reason for settling in Greece												Total		
		Find a job	%	Family reunification	%	Studies	%	Asylum seeker	%	Refugee	%	Other reason	%			Not reported
<b>ΣΥΝΟΛΟ ΕΛΛΑΔΟΣ</b>	<b>45,803</b>	<b>18,264</b>	<b>39.9</b>	<b>7,814</b>	<b>17.1</b>	<b>2,231</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>2,385</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>944</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>3,408</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>10,757</b>	<b>23.5</b>	<b>100.0</b>
0-9	5,660	0	0.0	2,117	37.4	14	0.2	532	9.4	90	1.6	326	5.8	2,581	45.6	100.0
10-19	5,431	1,311	24.1	1,474	27.1	807	14.9	458	8.4	151	2.8	228	4.2	1,002	18.4	100.0
20-29	15,264	7,279	47.7	1,781	11.7	1,299	8.5	807	5.3	409	2.7	633	4.1	3,056	20.0	100.0
30-39	8,597	4,779	55.6	858	10.0	88	1.0	399	4.6	169	2.0	458	5.3	1,846	21.5	100.0
40-49	4,709	2,940	62.4	441	9.4	23	0.5	128	2.7	64	1.4	306	6.5	807	17.1	100.0
50-59	3,158	1,554	49.2	347	11.0	0	0.0	42	1.3	33	1.0	497	15.7	685	21.7	100.0
60-69	2,017	391	19.4	376	18.6	0	0.0	15	0.7	11	0.5	645	32.0	579	28.7	100.0
70+	967	10	1.0	420	43.4	0	0.0	4	0.4	17	1.8	315	32.6	201	20.8	100.0

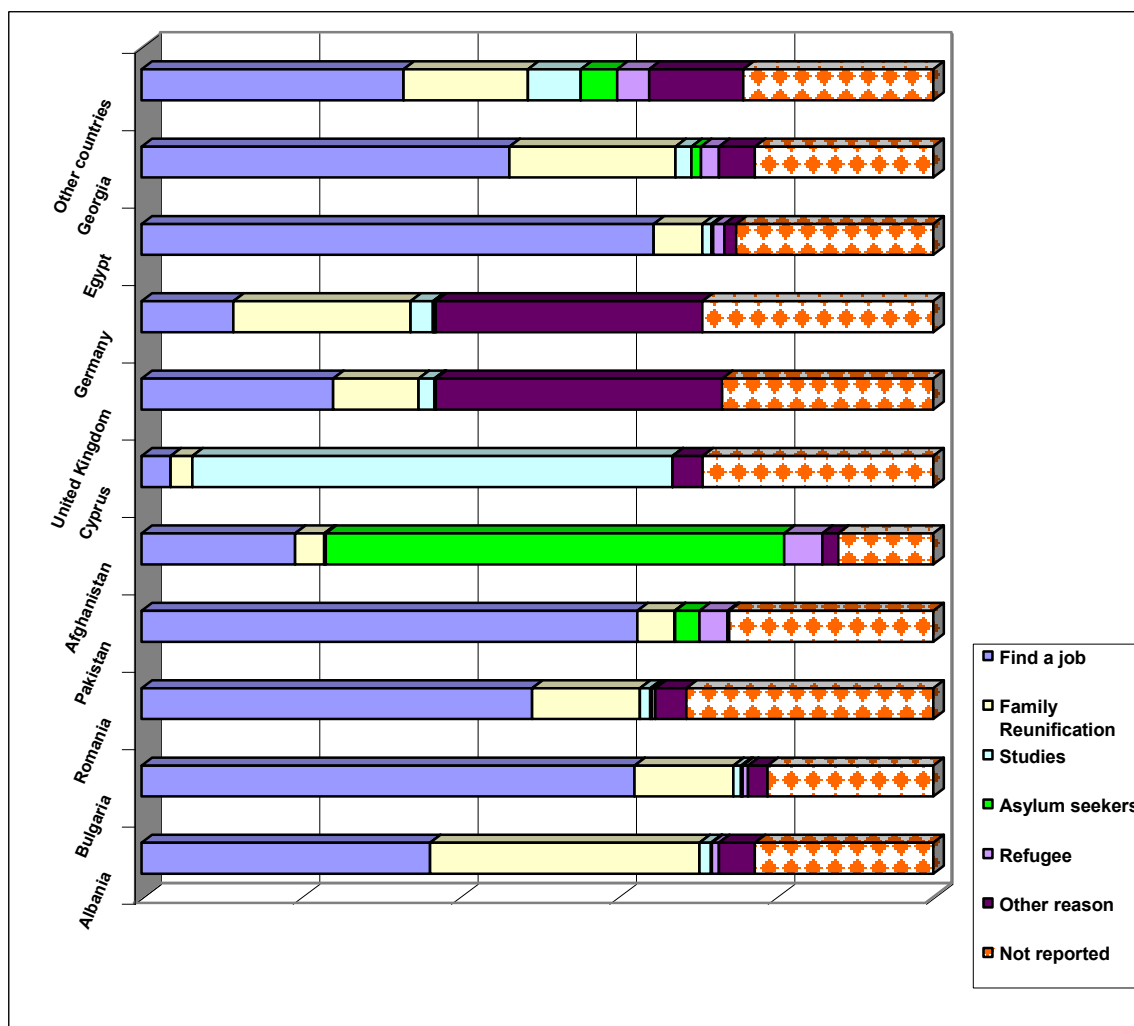
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Graphs 1 and 2 below illustrate the reasons for moving to Greece as regards the immigrants with Greek and foreign citizenship, respectively, by countries of previous residence, from where came the biggest share of immigrants, one year before the Census.

**Graph 1. Countries of origin of immigrants with Greek citizenship and reasons on account of which they settled in Greece one year before the Census**



**Graph 2. Countries of origin of immigrants with foreign citizenship and reasons on account of which they settled in Greece one year before the Census**



### Reasons for settling in Greece five years before the Census

On the basis of the results of the 2011 Population-Housing Census, the total number of immigrants who settled in Greece five years before the Census amounted to 329,556 (172,055 males and 157,501 females). Out of the total number of immigrants, 128,434 (39.0%) had Greek citizenship, while 201,122 (61.0%) had foreign citizenship.

The biggest share of immigrants with Greek citizenship, 38.9%, who settled in Greece the last five years before the census, reported moving back to Greece for repatriation reasons. On the other hand, the biggest share of immigrants with foreign citizenship, 43.1% reported moving to Greece in order to find a job.

Available census data indicate that out of the number of 86,584 immigrants with foreign citizenship that reported moving to Greece in order to find a job, 52,763

(60.9%) of them reported that they were employed during the last week before the reference date of the Census (3-9/5/2011), while 17,211 (19.9%) reported that they were seeking for a job and 16,610 (19.2%) were not economically active.

Tables 3 and 4 below depict the distribution of immigrants who settled in Greece, during the last five years before the census, according to their citizenship (Greek-foreign) by age group and reason for settling in Greece.

**Table 3. Immigrants with Greek citizenship who settled in Greece, during the last five years before the census, by age group and reason for settling in Greece**

Age groups	Greek citizenship <sup>(1)</sup>														Total
	Total	Reason for settling in Greece												Total	
		Find a job	%	Repatriation	%	Family reunification	%	Studies	%	Other reason	%	Not reported	%		
<b>GREECE TOTAL</b>	<b>128,434</b>	<b>18,566</b>	<b>14.5</b>	<b>49,965</b>	<b>38.9</b>	<b>18,467</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>6,888</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>9,798</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>24,750</b>	<b>19.3</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
0- 9	8,154	0	0.0	2,390	29.3	1,990	24.4	32	0.4	527	6.5	3,215	39.4	100.0	
10-19	9,491	152	1.6	3,164	33.3	1,800	19.0	820	8.6	559	5.9	2,996	31.6	100.0	
20-29	31,078	5,298	17.0	9,371	30.2	4,397	14.1	4,578	14.7	2,290	7.4	5,144	16.6	100.0	
30-39	30,884	6,902	22.3	11,062	35.8	4,128	13.4	1,304	4.2	1,966	6.4	5,522	17.9	100.0	
40-49	16,219	3,776	23.3	6,042	37.3	1,956	12.1	144	0.9	916	5.6	3,385	20.9	100.0	
50-59	10,571	1,758	16.6	4,933	46.7	1,486	14.1	10	0.1	896	8.5	1,488	14.1	100.0	
60-69	13,465	620	4.6	7,849	58.3	1,505	11.2	0	0.0	1,550	11.5	1,941	14.4	100.0	
70+	8,572	60	0.7	5,154	60.1	1,205	14.1	0	0.0	1,094	12.8	1,059	12.4	100.0	

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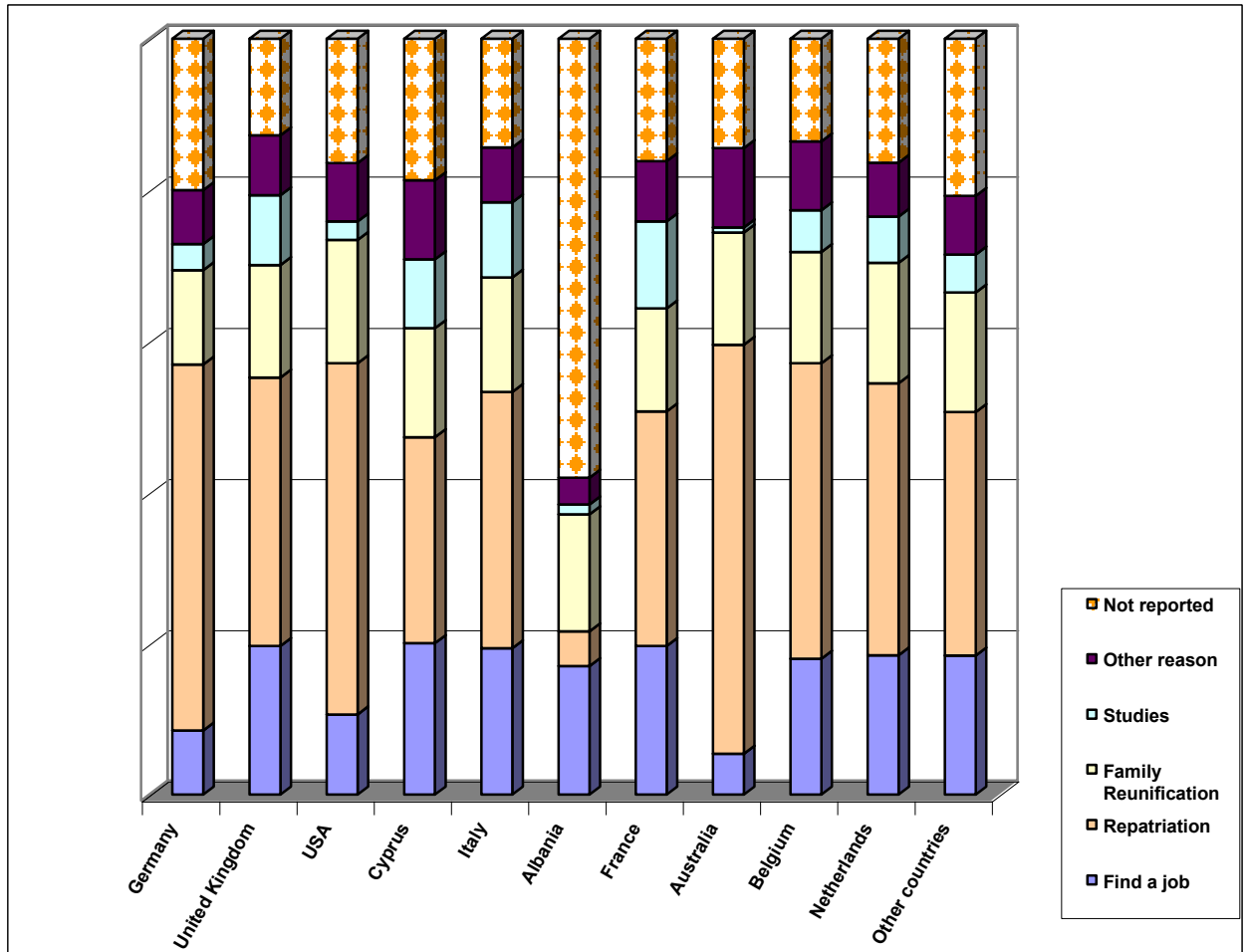
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Age group	Foreign citizenship <sup>(1)</sup>															Total	
	Total	Reasons for settling in Greece															Total
		Find a job	%	Family reunification	%	Studies	%	Asylum seeker	%	Refugee	%	Other reason	%	Not declared	Find a job		
<b>Greece total</b>	<b>201,122</b>	<b>86,584</b>	<b>43.1</b>	<b>36,170</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>7,579</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>4,239</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2,957</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>10,603</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>52,990</b>	<b>26.3</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
0- 9	18,740	0	0.0	8,427	45.0	49	0.3	602	3.2	264	1.4	956	5.1	8,442	45.0	100.0	
10-19	23,309	3,341	14.3	9,339	40.1	1,742	7.5	667	2.9	424	1.8	885	3.8	6,911	29.6	100.0	
20-29	71,058	37,062	52.2	8,407	11.8	5,387	7.6	1,731	2.4	1,212	1.7	2,050	2.9	15,209	21.4	100.0	
30-39	44,315	25,186	56.8	4,549	10.3	324	0.7	842	1.9	597	1.3	1,833	4.1	10,984	24.8	100.0	
40-49	21,434	13,238	61.8	2,013	9.4	72	0.3	258	1.2	252	1.2	984	4.6	4,617	21.5	100.0	
50-59	13,419	6,168	46.0	1,183	8.8	5	0.0	91	0.7	120	0.9	1,407	10.5	4,445	33.1	100.0	
60-69	6,230	1,446	23.2	1,065	17.1	0	0.0	40	0.6	44	0.7	1,795	28.8	1,840	29.5	100.0	
70+	2,617	143	5.5	1,187	45.4	0	0.0	8	0.3	44	1.7	693	26.5	542	20.7	100.0	

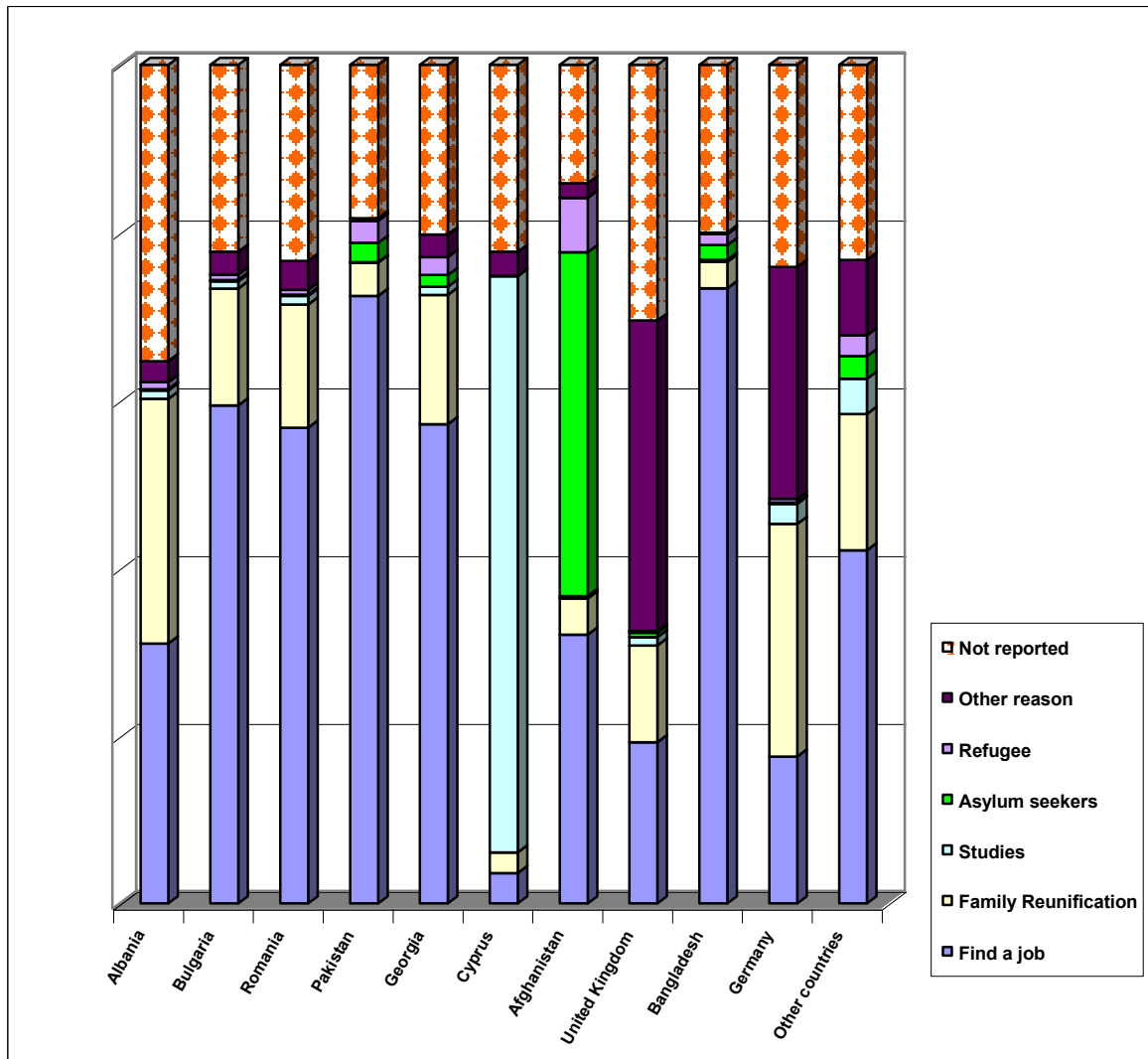
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More detailed information on women's fertility in Greece, at the level of the Region (NUTS 2), are available on the website of ELSTAT, at the following link:

<http://www.statistics.gr/portal/page/portal/ESYE/PAGE-cencus2011tables>

Furthermore, users can submit an electronic request for statistical data through the website of ELSTAT at the following address:

<http://www.statistics.gr/pls/apex/f?p=106:1030:1997544963532252::NO::>

## Methodological Note

### 1. Legal Framework

The conduct of the General Censuses of Population-Housing and Buildings is provided for in article 10 of the Law 3832/2010 *“Hellenic Statistical System (ELSS). Establishment of the Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) as an independent authority”*.

In particular, the 2011 Censuses of Buildings and of Population - Housing were conducted on the basis of Presidential Decree 168 (Government Gazette 223, issue A/2008) and in compliance with the methodological principles of Regulation (EC) 763/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council and its implementing Regulations related to Population and Housing Censuses, the Joint Ministerial Decision 1524/Γ5-473 (Government Gazette 425, issue B/2011) and its amendment (Government Gazette 783, issue B/2011), and with the Legislative Act relating to the Conduct of the Population-Housing Census (Government Gazette 106 issue A/2011), as it was ratified by the Law 3995/2011 (Government Gazette 166 issue A/2011).

### 2. Purpose

The purpose of the General Censuses is to collect data on the Resident Population of the Country, the demographic, economic and social characteristics of the population, their housing conditions and the characteristics of their dwellings, along with data on the stock of buildings of the Country.

### 3. Useful concepts- basic definitions

**3.1 Employed** are the persons aged 15 years or older, who during the week preceding the Census, declared:

- (a) that they worked, even for just one hour, for pay or profit, in cash or in kind
- (b) they were not at work but had a job or business from which they were temporarily absent.

**3.2 Seeking for job** are the persons aged 15 and over who during the week preceding the Census, declared:

- (a) that they were without work i.e, they were neither employed nor self-employed, or
- (b) they were currently available for work , i.e., they were ready to start working as salaried employees or self-employed during the week preceding the Census and for two weeks after the Census and
- (c) they were seeking for a job, i.e., they had taken all the necessary steps to search for a salaried job or self-employment, within 4 weeks from the end of the week preceding the Census.

**3.3 Economically non-active** are those persons who are younger than the working age (on the basis of the national definition for the minimum working age) for having an economic activity, as well as pensioners, capital income recipients, etc.