



## HOSPITAL CENSUS 2022

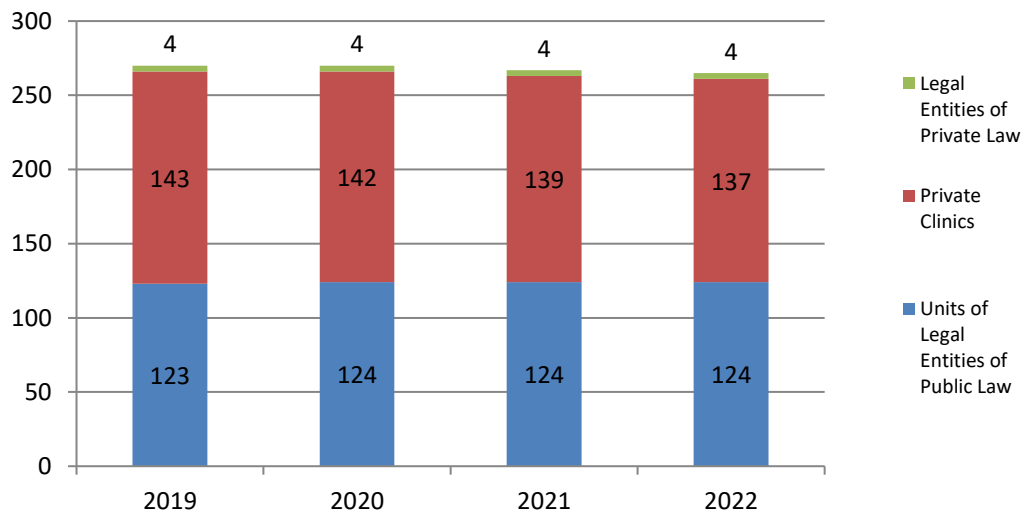
The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces the data of the annual exhaustive survey on hospitals for the year 2022. According to the census results, the number of hospitals decreased to 265 units in 2022 from 267 units in 2021 (a decrease of 0.7%).

In year 2022 the largest percentage of the hospitals (51.7%) were private (Table 1, Graph 1).

**Table 1. Hospitals by legal status and category for the years 2019-2022**

Year	Legal Entities of Private Law	Units of Public Law Legal Entities	Private clinics	Total	General	Specialized	Mixed Specialties
2019	4	123	143	270	171	86	13
2020	4	124	142	270	172	85	13
2021	4	124	139	267	170	83	14
2022	4	124	137	265	172	84	9

**Graph 1. Hospitals by legal status for the years 2019 – 2022**



**Information on methodological issues:**

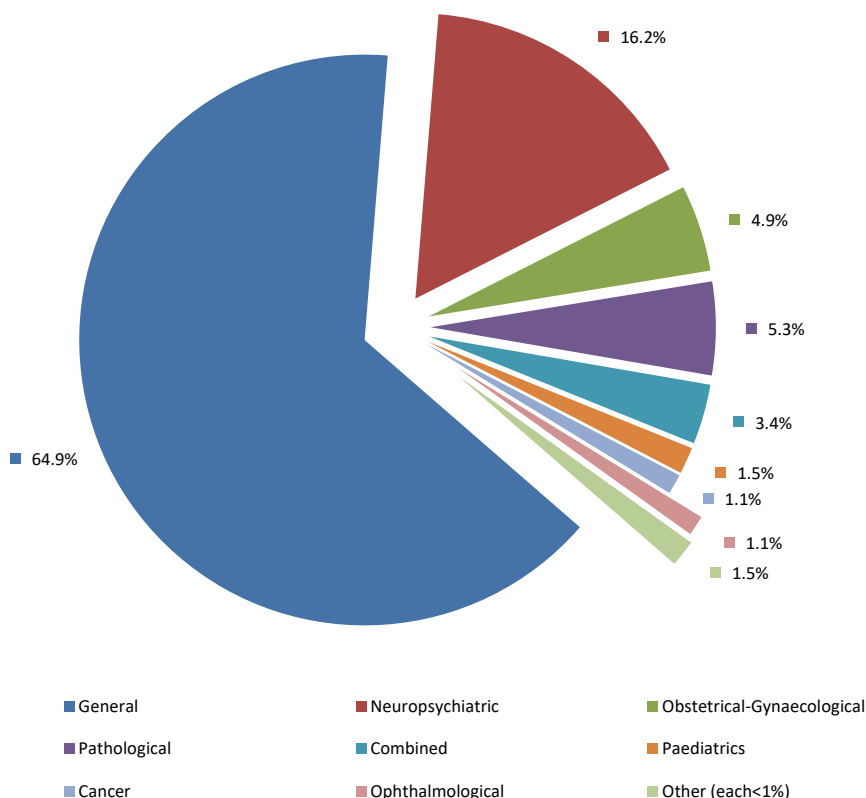
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The number of hospitals during the four-year period 2019-2022 decreased by 1.9%. As regards hospital specialties, in 2022 64.9% of hospitals were General hospitals, 31.7% were Specialized hospitals (Pathological, Neuropsychiatric, Cancer, Ophthalmological, Obstetrical-Gynaecological, Paediatrics and other specialties) and 3.4% were hospitals of Mixed specialties. The largest percentage of specialized hospitals were Neuropsychiatric (16.2%) followed by Obstetric-Gynaecological (4.9%) (Table 1, Graph 2).

**Graph 2. Hospitals by specialty, year 2022**

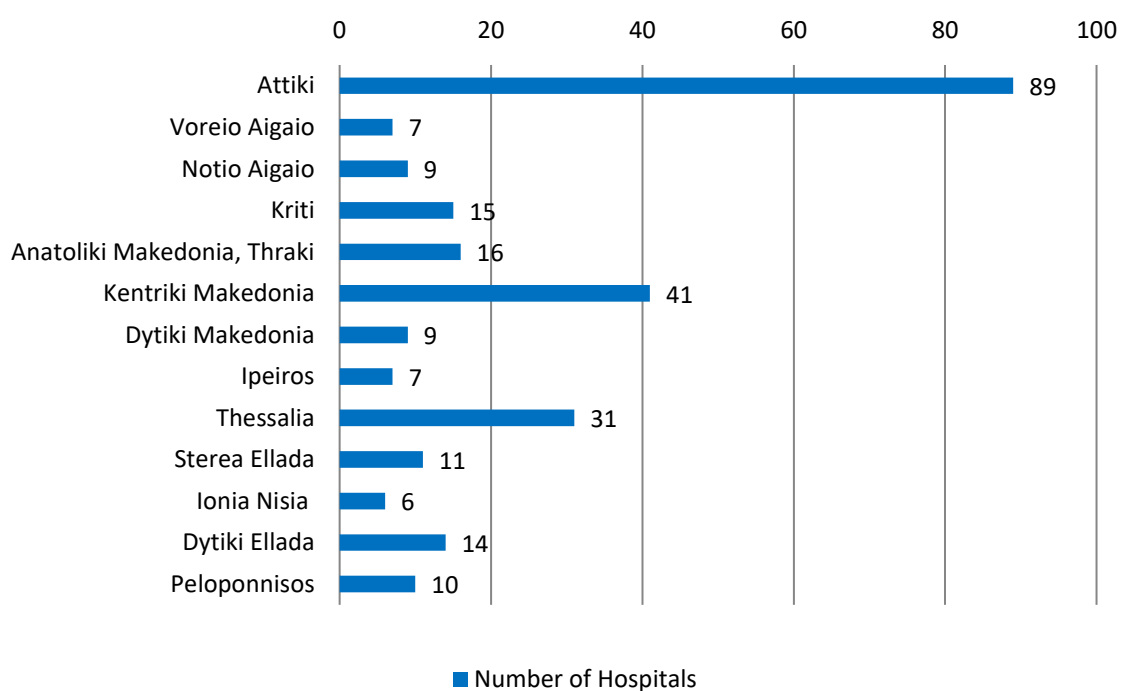


As regards the percentage distribution of hospitals into the 13 Regions of Greece for the year 2022 most hospitals (33.6%) were located in the Region of Attiki, followed by the Region of Kentriki Makedonia (15.5%) and Thessalia (11.7%). The smallest percentage of hospitals was recorded in the Regions of Ionia Nisia, Ipeiros and Voreio Aigaio, where the hospitals in total in the three aforementioned Regions account for 7.5% of the total number of hospitals in Greece (Table 2, Graph 3).

**Table 2. Hospitals by Region (NUTS 2) for the years 2019-2022**

REGIONS	2019	2020	2021	2022	Percentage (%) distribution 2022
<b>TOTAL</b>	270	270	267	265	100.0
<b>Attiki</b>	92	91	90	89	33.6
<b>Voreio Aigaio</b>	7	7	7	7	2.6
<b>Notio Aigaio</b>	8	9	9	9	3.4
<b>Kriti</b>	15	15	15	15	5.7
<b>Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki</b>	17	17	16	16	6.0
<b>Kentriki Makedonia</b>	43	43	42	41	15.5
<b>Dytiki Makedonia</b>	9	9	9	9	3.4
<b>Ipeiros</b>	7	7	7	7	2.6
<b>Thessalia</b>	32	32	32	31	11.7
<b>Stereia Ellada</b>	10	10	10	11	4.2
<b>Ionia Nisia</b>	6	6	6	6	2.3
<b>Dytiki Ellada</b>	14	14	14	14	5.3
<b>Peloponnisos</b>	10	10	10	10	3.8

**Graph 3. Hospitals by Region (NUTS 2), year 2022**



The number of available in-patient beds in the period 2019-2022 decreased by 50 beds (0.1%). In the year 2022 compared to 2021 the decrease was 326 beds (0.7%). The number of day-care beds during the period 2019-2022 recorded an increase of 312 beds (8.5%). An increase of 198 beds (5.2%) was recorded in 2022 compared to 2021 (Table 3).

**Table 3. Number of hospital beds for the years 2019-2022**

Year	In-patient beds	Day-care beds	Total beds
2019	44,518*	3,680	48,204*
2020	44,921*	3,904	48,825*
2021	44,794*	3,794	48,588*
2022	44,468	3,992	48,460

\*Revised Data

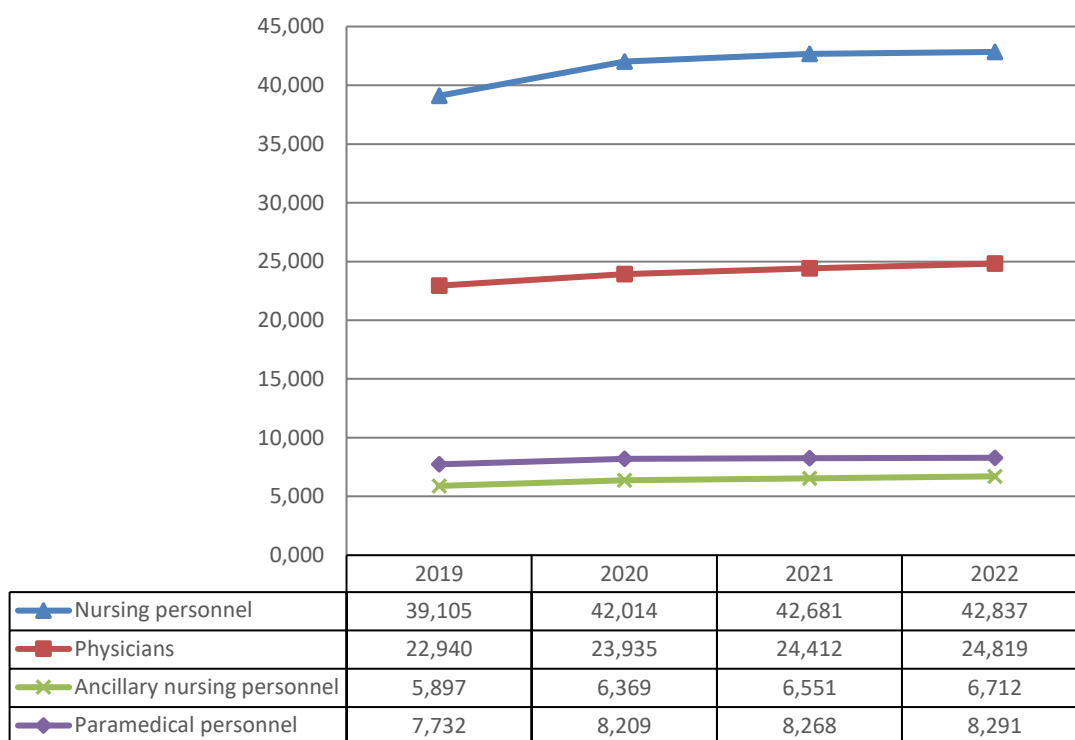
In 2022 the largest percentage of beds (68.0%) belonged to hospitals with of Public Law Legal status followed by Private Clinics (30.1%) (Table 4).

**Table 4. Number of hospital beds by legal status of hospitals, year 2022**

Legal Status	In-patient beds	Day-care beds	Total Beds	Percentage (%) Distribution
Public Law Legal Entities	29,769	3,206	<b>32,975</b>	<b>68.0%</b>
Private Law Entities	798	118	<b>916</b>	<b>1.9%</b>
Private clinics	13,901	668	<b>14,569</b>	<b>30.1%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>44,468</b>	<b>3,992</b>	<b>48,460</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

During the period 2019-2022, an increase of 8.2% was recorded in the medical personnel employed in the hospitals under permanent employment status (full time), while in the year 2022 compared to 2021 the increase was 1.7% (Graph 4). Also, during the period 2019-2022 the nursing personnel increased by 9.5%, the paramedical personnel (medical laboratory technologists & assistants, radiologic technologists & assistants, physiotherapists, occupational & speech therapists) by 7.2% and the ancillary nursing staff (paramedics, chamber assistants etc.) by 13.8 %.

**Graph 4. Hospital personnel by personnel category for the years 2019-2022**



According to the data of the Table 5, in 2022 the largest percentage of nursing personnel (56.0%) and ancillary personnel (10.6%) offered services in Private Clinics. The largest percentage of medical (31.4%) and paramedical personnel (10.2%) served in Legal Entities of Public Law.

**Table 5. Hospital Personnel by legal status of hospital, year 2022**

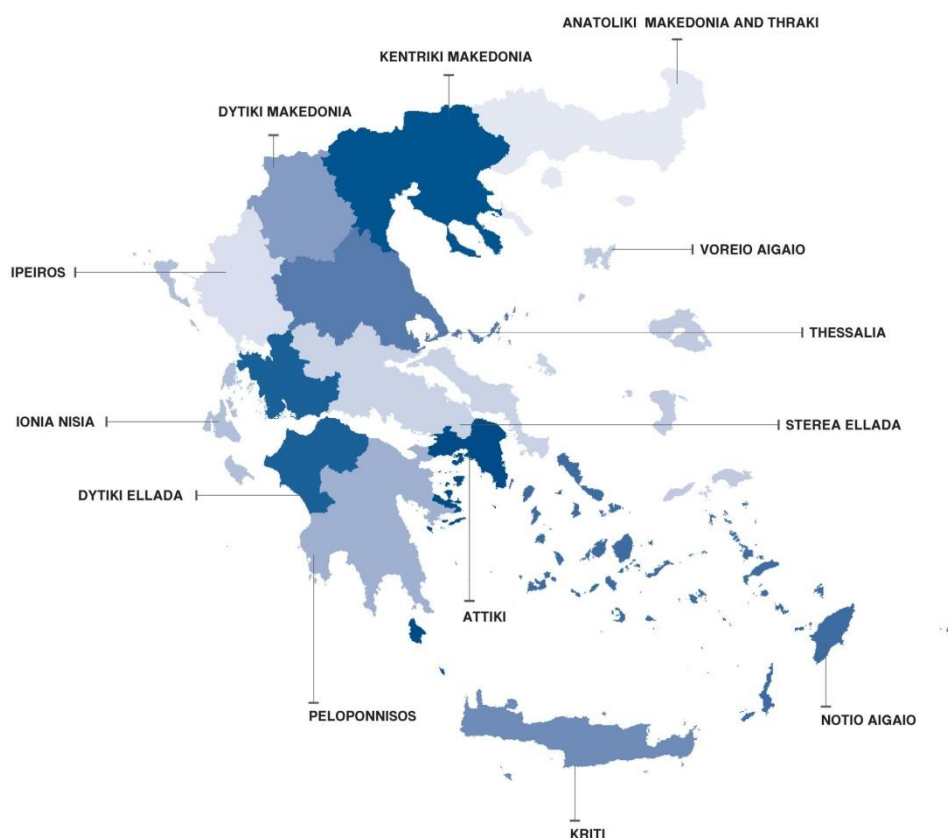
Hospital Personnel	Total	Percentage % Distribution	Units of Public Law Legal Entities	Percentage % Distribution	Legal Entities of Private Law	Percentage % Distribution	Private Clinics	Percentage % Distribution
Nursing	<b>42,837</b>	<b>51.8%</b>	33,317	50.9%	1,077	50.7%	8,443	56.0%
Medical	<b>24,819</b>	<b>30.0%</b>	20,553	31.4%	639	30.1%	3,627	24.0%
Ancillary	<b>6,712</b>	<b>8.1%</b>	4,917	7.5%	195	9.2%	1,600	10.6%
Paramedical	<b>8,291</b>	<b>10.1%</b>	6,660	10.2%	214	10.1%	1,417	9.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>82,659</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>65,447</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>2,125</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>15,087</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

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- Hospital Census:** The Hospital Census is conducted on a yearly basis since 1962, aiming at covering national needs in statistical information.
- Reference period:** The data refer to the hospitals and clinics on the 31st of December of the reference year.
- Coverage:** In the Hospital Census data are collected from all hospitals in the country and they are presented at Country level and by Region.



**Legal basis:** Common Ministerial Decision 26262/128/59.

**Definition of basic variables:** **Bed capacity:** Bed capacity is distinguished in the Legal Bed Capacity (on the basis of the Organization of the Hospital or the operation license of the clinic) and the Available Beds, which are the number of beds available for hospitalization. There are in-patient hospitalization beds and day-care beds. In addition, the beds are presented by sector of the hospital, namely Pathological, Surgical, Psychiatric or cross-sectoral.

**Medical personnel by specialty.** The medical specialties of the personnel are as follows: Hematologists, Radiotherapists, Radiologists, Allergists, Anaesthesiologists, Gastroenterologists, Endocrinologists, Coroners, General Pathologists, Dermatologists, Venereologists, Public Health and Social Medicine specialists, Occupational Health specialists, Cardiologists, Cytologists, Obstetricians-Gynaecologists, Biopathologists, Neurologists, Neurosurgeons, Dentists, Orthopedics, Urologists, Ophthalmologists, Pathologists, Internists, Pediatricians, Child Psychiatrists, Nuclear Physicians, Rheumatologists, Pulmonologists, Surgeons of general surgery, Pediatric surgeons, Plastic surgeons, Psychiatrists, Otolaryngologists, Vascular surgeons, Oral and Maxillofacial, Oncologists, Intensive-care specialists, Emergency-care specialists and Physicians with no specialty.

**Methodology:** The data are collected from the hospitals and clinics all over Greece. Data are derived from the local units, which fill in a specially designed questionnaire collecting data on the hospital characteristics, (beds, medical and non-medical personnel, medical equipment, etc.). No international classification system is applied.

The exhaustive survey on Hospitals is based on ELSTAT Hospital Register, which is updated annually from data provided by administrative sources for possible changes (new units or abolishment of units, etc). Furthermore, the units (private), which are idle for various reasons e.g. renovation, temporary withdrawal of operating license, etc. are not counted in the total number of hospitals.

It is clarified that a large number of physicians collaborate as external collaborators or freelancers of varying and not fixed working hours, depending on the needs of each clinic, mainly in private clinics, which are not included in the results of this survey.

**References:** The data of the survey are available concomitantly to all interested parties through the tables which are posted on the website of ELSTAT at the link [Statistics>Population and Social Conditions>Health>Health Care>Hospitals and local health centres](#). Information that is not available to users through the website can be requested from ELSTAT at the address <http://www.statistics.gr/el/statistical-data-request>