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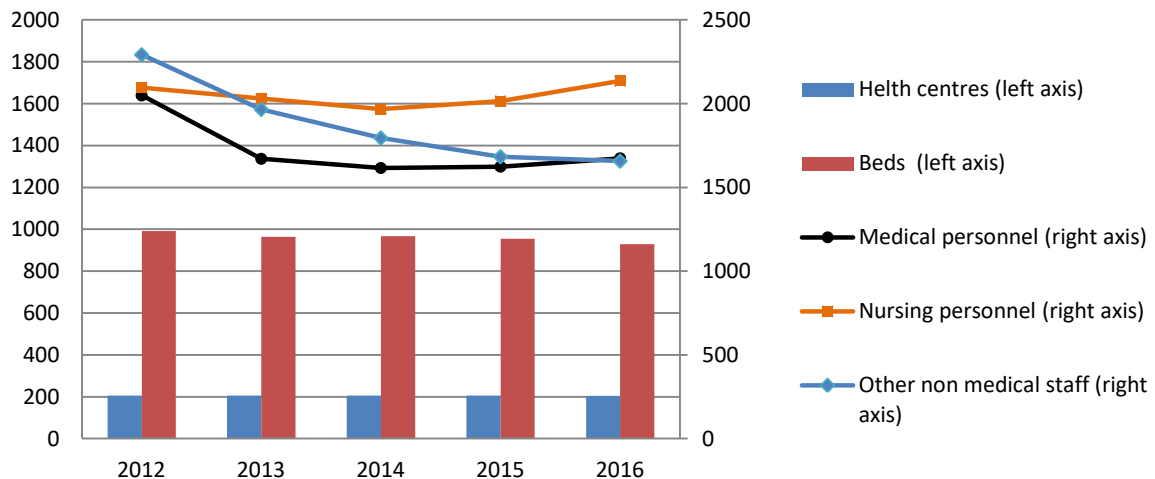
HEALTH CENTRES CENSUS - Primary Health Care Network: 2016

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces data on the Health Centres of the National Primary Health Care Network (PEDY) of Greece, on the basis of the results of the annual exhaustive survey conducted for the year 2016.

Table 1: Number, beds, personnel (medical, non-medical) and equipment of Health Centres, 2012-2016

| | Health centres | Beds | Medical personnel | Nursing personnel | Other personnel | Equipment |
|-------------|----------------|------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 2012 | 205 | 992 | 2,049 | 2,096 | 2,292 | 2,397 |
| 2013 | 205 | 964 | 1,671 | 2,030 | 1,966 | 2,349 |
| 2014 | 205 | 967 | 1,616 | 1,968 | 1,795 | 2,363 |
| 2015 | 205 | 955 | 1,624 | 2,015 | 1,683 | 2,324 |
| 2016 | 204 | 928 | 1,674 | 2,136 | 1,657 | 2,288 |

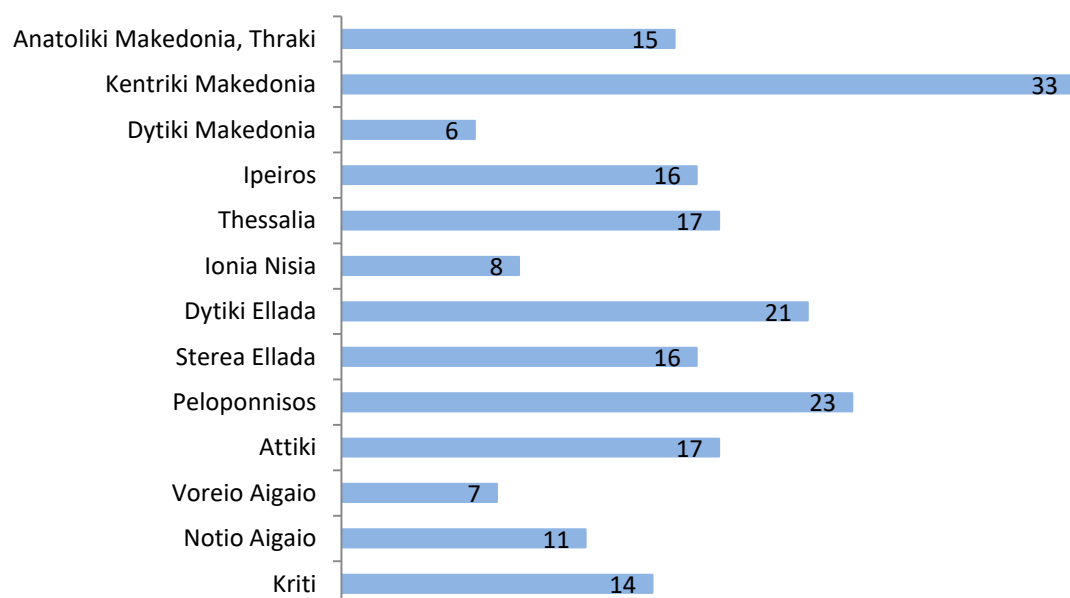
Graph 1: Health Centres, beds and personnel, 2012-2016



In 2016, the number of Health Centres dropped to 204, from 205 in 2015, since the Health Centre of Thira is now operating as hospital. On the basis of available data on the distribution of Health Centres to the 13 NUTS 2 Regions of Greece, it can be concluded that the majority of Health Centres are located in Kentriki Makedonia (33 Centres), Peloponnisos (23 Centres) and Dytiki Ellada (21 Centres), while the lowest number of Health Centres is recorded in Voreio Aigaio (7 Centres) and Dytiki Makedonia (6 Centres) (Graph 2).

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Graph 2: Number of Health Centres by NUTS 2 Region, 2016

On the basis of comparative data for the years 2016/2015, the following are observed:

- The number of beds in the Health Centres decreased by 2.8%, at the level of Greece total (Table 2).
- Medical personnel employed in the Health Centres of the Country recorded a slight increase of 3.1%. A significant increase is observed in Attiki and Sterea Ellada, namely 38.2% and 14.8%, respectively. On the contrary, a significant decrease is observed in Voreio Aigaio and Ipeiros, amounting to 26.9% and 22.0%, respectively (Table 2).
- Nursing personnel increased by 6.0%. The biggest increase is observed in Kentriki Makedonia and Dytiki Ellada, namely 15.2% and 13.7%, respectively. On the contrary, the biggest decrease is recorded in Ionia Nisia, amounting to 27.1% (Table 3).
- Non-medical personnel employed in the Health Centres, which includes all other personnel categories (other staff), recorded a decrease of 1.5% at the level of Greece total. On the contrary, the biggest decrease is recorded in Ionia Nisia, 17.9%, and in Dytiki Makedonia, 16.7% (Table 3).
- The number of medical equipment of Health Centers recorded a small decrease of 1.5% at the level of Greece total (Table 4).

Table 2: Health Centres, beds and medical personnel by NUTS 2 Region, 2015 and 2016

| | Health centres | | Beds | | | Medical personnel | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|--|
| | 2016 | 2015 | 2016 | Change % | 2015 | 2016 | Change % | |
| Greece total | 204 | 955 | 928 | -2.8 | 1,624 | 1,674 | 3.1 | |
| Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki | 15 | 58 | 58 | 0.0 | 104 | 105 | 1.0 | |
| Kentriki Makedonia | 33 | 117 | 124 | 6.0 | 293 | 316 | 7.8 | |
| Dytiki Makedonia | 6 | 29 | 29 | 0.0 | 43 | 47 | 9.3 | |
| Ipeiros | 16 | 75 | 72 | -4.0 | 100 | 78 | -22.0 | |
| Thessalia | 17 | 88 | 86 | -2.3 | 148 | 125 | -15.5 | |
| Ionia Nisia | 8 | 36 | 34 | -5.6 | 38 | 36 | -5.3 | |
| Dytiki Ellada | 21 | 84 | 85 | 1.2 | 169 | 154 | -8.9 | |
| Sterea Ellada | 16 | 82 | 82 | 0.0 | 115 | 132 | 14.8 | |
| Peloponnisos | 23 | 117 | 118 | 0.9 | 148 | 157 | 6.1 | |
| Attiki | 17 | 57 | 57 | 0.0 | 207 | 286 | 38.2 | |
| Voreio Aigaio | 7 | 44 | 44 | 0.0 | 52 | 38 | -26.9 | |
| Notio Aigaio | 11 | 90 | 77 | -14.4 | 92 | 87 | -5.4 | |
| Kriti | 14 | 78 | 62 | -20.5 | 115 | 113 | -1.7 | |

Table 3: Non-medical personnel of Health Centres by NUTS 2 Region, 2015 and 2016

| | Nursing personnel | | | Other personnel | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------|----------|-----------------|--------------|----------|
| | 2015 | 2016 | Change % | 2015 | 2016 | Change % |
| Greece total | 2,015 | 2,136 | 6.0 | 1,683 | 1,657 | -1.5 |
| Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki | 193 | 200 | 3.6 | 107 | 116 | 8.4 |
| Kentriki Makedonia | 427 | 492 | 15.2 | 285 | 294 | 3.2 |
| Dytiki Makedonia | 70 | 75 | 7.1 | 54 | 45 | -16.7 |
| Ipeiros | 167 | 172 | 3.0 | 124 | 115 | -7.3 |
| Thessalia | 233 | 259 | 11.2 | 183 | 165 | -9.8 |
| Ionia Nisia | 48 | 35 | -27.1 | 56 | 46 | -17.9 |
| Dytiki Ellada | 124 | 141 | 13.7 | 131 | 136 | 3.8 |
| Stereia Ellada | 135 | 142 | 5.2 | 140 | 129 | -7.9 |
| Peloponnisos | 140 | 139 | -0.7 | 133 | 142 | 6.8 |
| Attiki | 247 | 244 | -1.2 | 170 | 171 | 0.6 |
| Voreio Aigaio | 68 | 69 | 1.5 | 72 | 74 | 2.8 |
| Notio Aigaio | 74 | 71 | -4.1 | 105 | 102 | -2.9 |
| Kriti | 89 | 97 | 9.0 | 123 | 122 | -0.8 |

Table 4: Medical equipment available in the Health Centres by NUTS 2 Region, 2015 and 2016

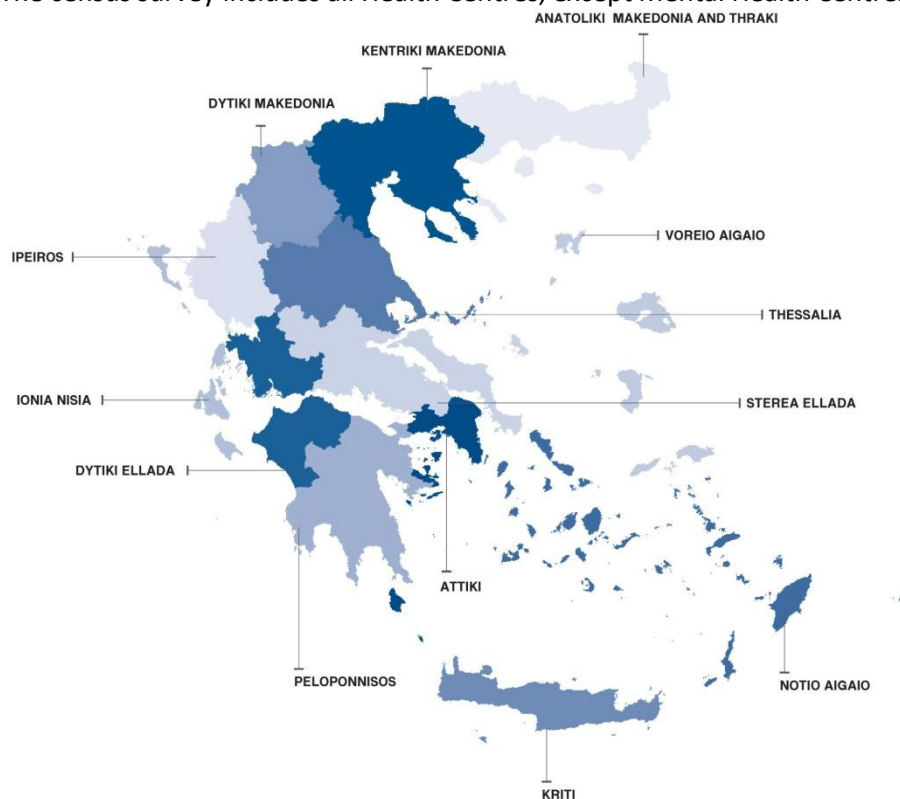
| | 2015 | 2016 | Change % |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| Greece total | 2,324 | 2,288 | -1.5 |
| Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki | 202 | 179 | -11.4 |
| Kentriki Makedonia | 381 | 362 | -5.0 |
| Dytiki Makedonia | 61 | 65 | 6.6 |
| Ipeiros | 152 | 172 | 13.2 |
| Thessalia | 210 | 219 | 4.3 |
| Ionia Nisia | 101 | 90 | -10.9 |
| Dytiki Ellada | 173 | 175 | 1.2 |
| Stereia Ellada | 166 | 158 | -4.8 |
| Peloponnisos | 241 | 241 | 0.0 |
| Attiki | 218 | 207 | -5.0 |
| Voreio Aigaio | 86 | 104 | 20.9 |
| Notio Aigaio | 143 | 131 | -8.4 |
| Kriti | 190 | 185 | -2.6 |

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Health Centres Census The survey is a census survey conducted on an annual basis and covers only the Health Centers of the Primary Health Care units of Greece. The data are presented at the level of the Country and at the level of NUTS 2 Region, covering national needs for statistical information.

Reference period Data refer to the total of Health Centre operating on 31 December of the reference year.

Coverage The census survey includes all Health Centres, except Mental Health Centres.



Time coverage The survey is conducted since 1992, on a yearly basis.

Statistical concepts and definitions **Medical personnel by specialty.**
The specialties of medical staff are: Hematologists, Radiologists, Allergists, General Pathologists, Dermatologists- Venereologists, Occupational Health specialists, Cardiologists, Social Medicine, Obstetricians – Gynecologists, Biopathologists (former Microbiologists), Neurologists, Dentists, Orthopedics, Urologists, Ophthalmologists, Physicians, Pediatricians, Language Pathologists – Pulmonologists, Surgeons of general surgery, Pediatric surgeons, Psychiatrists, Otolaryngologists, Rural doctors, and doctors under specialisation with no specialty.

Non-medical staff by specialty.
Non medical staff distinguishes: Administrative staff, Nursing staff, Paramedical staff, Social care staff, IT staff, Technical staff, Nutritional care staff and Administrative care staff.

Number of beds
(In health centres the beds are usually classified as “Short-term hospitalization” beds).

Medical equipment.
Medical equipment includes: Medical imaging, Automatic analyzers, Dialysis machines, Ultrasounds, Electroencephalographs, Cardiac scanners, Dental

equipment, Microscopes, Photometers, Defibrillators and Spectrometers.

Methodology

The data derive from the local health units by filling in the relevant questionnaire in which data are recorded regarding staff, medical and non medical, equipment and beds in the specific health centre. The data are collected by the Health, Social Security and Protection Statistics Section of ELSTAT and refer to Greece total. No international classification system is applied. The survey questionnaire contains specific codes, defined by ELSTAT for the Health Centres, medical specialties, and specialties of non-medical staff by educational attainment level and to medical equipment.

The data are based on the Register of Health Centres, where each health unit has a unique identification number, on the basis of the geographical code, address, etc. The Register is updated according to any new changes (establishment of new health centers, or closing of others).

References

Data is disseminated to all interested parties, through the posting of tables on the website of ELSTAT, at: <http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SHE06/>

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