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REGIONAL ACCOUNTS: 2009 (provisional data)

The Hellenic Statistical Authority announces the provisional results of the National Accounts at Regional level (NUTS II), regarding the Gross Value Added, the Gross Domestic Product and the Gross Domestic Product per capita for the year 2009. These data are produced according to the ESA95 (European System of Accounts) and are consistent with the respective national figures.

1. Gross Value Added (GVA)

During the year 2009, the Gross Value Added (GVA) increased by 0.4% in the total of the country (Table 1). The biggest increase occurred in the regions of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace and of Thessalia, while a decrease was noted in the region of Western Macedonia.

Table 1
GROSS VALUE ADDED PER SECTOR OF PRODUCTION

(millions €, current values)	Primary Sector			Secondary Sector			Tertiary Sector			Total of Value Added		
Regions	2008	2009	Change (%)	2008	2009	Change (%)	2008	2009	Change (%)	2008	2009	Change (%)
Eastern Macedonia and Thrace	501	504	0.6	1760	1714	-2.6	5752	5907	2.7	8013	8125	1.4
Central Macedonia	1365	1377	0.9	6232	6136	-1.5	23782	24151	1.6	31379	31664	0.9
Western Macedonia	254	256	0.8	1625	1558	-4.1	3045	3085	1.3	4924	4899	-0.5
Thessalia	846	858	1.4	2551	2549	-0.1	8024	8157	1.7	11421	11564	1.3
Epiros	271	271	0.0	844	808	-4.3	4042	4116	1.8	5157	5195	0.7
Ionian Islands	99	99	0.0	479	451	-5.8	3534	3578	1.2	4112	4128	0.4
Western Greece	762	770	1.0	1880	1882	0.1	8085	8176	1.1	10727	10828	0.9
Sterea Hellas	635	637	0.3	4438	4425	-0.3	6015	6133	2.0	11088	11195	1.0
Peloponnese	627	628	0.2	2733	2677	-2.0	6578	6698	1.8	9938	10003	0.7
Attiki	301	300	-0.3	12568	12502	-0.5	78578	78604	0.0	91447	91406	0.0
Northern Aegean Sea	126	126	0.0	423	406	-4.0	2617	2660	1.6	3166	3192	0.8
Southern Aegean Sea	161	162	0.6	883	837	-5.2	5872	5980	1.8	6916	6979	0.9
Crete	626	632	1.0	1574	1512	-3.9	9175	9284	1.2	11375	11428	0.5
Total of the Country	6574	6620	0.7	37990	37457	-1.4	165099	166529	0.9	209662	210605	0.4

In the Primary Sector, the GVA increased by 0.7% for the total of the country. The biggest increase occurred in the regions of Thessalia, Western Greece and Crete, while a small decrease was noted in the region of Attiki. The GVA of the Secondary Sector decreased by 1.4% for the total of the country. The region of Western Greece was the only region with a small increase, while the biggest decrease was recorded in the regions of the Ionian Islands and the Southern Aegean Sea. Finally, in the Tertiary Sector, where the GVA increased by 0.4% for the total of the country, the regions of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace and Thessalia record the biggest increases.

Regarding the participation of the regions in the production of the GVA, in the Primary Sector, of which the participation in the total GVA remained stable between the years 2008 and 2009 at 3.1%, the biggest share has the region of Central Macedonia with 20.8% for the year 2009, followed by the region of Thessalia with 13% and the region of Western Greece with 11.6% (Table 2). In the Secondary Sector, where a decrease occurred at the participation in the total of the GVA from 18.1% to 17.8%, the biggest share holds the region of Attiki with 33.4%, followed by the region of the Central Macedonia with 16.4%. The Tertiary Sector, which is the biggest sector of the economy (79.1% of the total), increased its participation in the GVA comparing to the year 2008, and the regions of Attiki and Central Macedonia contributed the 61.7% of the total GVA of the sector.

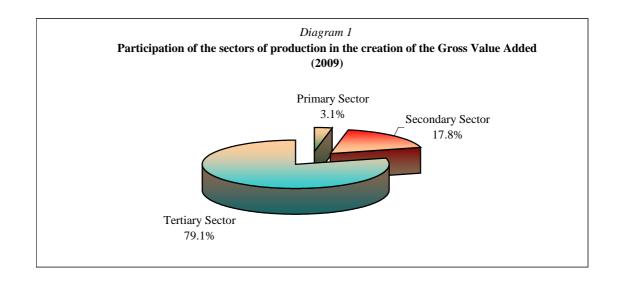
Table 2

GROSS VALUE ADDED PER SECTOR OF PRODUCTION

Participation of region in the total of the Country per sector –

Participation of the sector in the total of the Country

	Primary Sector		Secondar	ry Sector	Tertiary Sector	
Regions	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
Eastern Macedonia and Thrace	7.6%	7.6%	4.6%	4.6%	3.5%	3.5%
Central Macedonia	20.8%	20.8%	16.4%	16.4%	14.4%	14.5%
Western Macedonia	3.9%	3.9%	4.3%	4.2%	1.8%	1.9%
Thessalia	12.9%	13.0%	6.7%	6.8%	4.9%	4.9%
Epiros	4.1%	4.1%	2.2%	2.2%	2.4%	2.5%
Ionian Islands	1.5%	1.5%	1.3%	1.2%	2.1%	2.1%
Western Greece	11.6%	11.6%	4.9%	5.0%	4.9%	4.9%
Sterea Hellas	9.7%	9.6%	11.7%	11.8%	3.6%	3.7%
Peloponnese	9.5%	9.5%	7.2%	7.1%	4.0%	4.0%
Attiki	4.6%	4.5%	33.1%	33.4%	47.6%	47.2%
Northern Aegean Sea	1.9%	1.9%	1.1%	1.1%	1.6%	1.6%
Southern Aegean Sea	2.4%	2.4%	2.3%	2.2%	3.6%	3.6%
Crete	9.5%	9.5%	4.1%	4.0%	5.6%	5.6%
Total of the Country	3.1%	3.1%	18.1%	17.8%	78.7%	79.1%

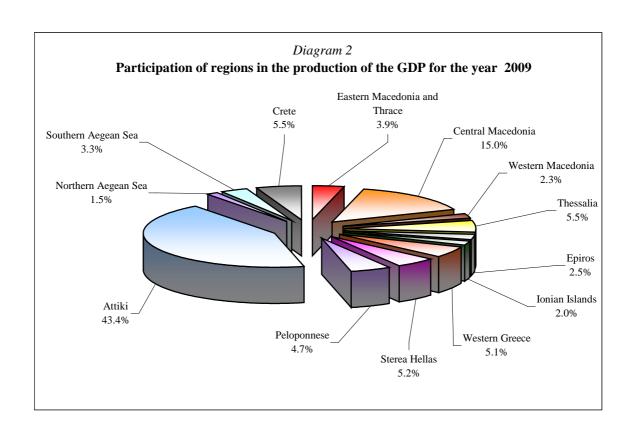


2 Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

The biggest part of the Gross Domestic Product was mainly produced in the regions of Attiki and Central Macedonia (Table 3). The participation of the regions in the GDP is remained relatively stable in most of the regions during the years 2008-2009.

Table 3

(millions €, current values)	2008	Participation in the total of the country	2009	Participation in the total of the country
Eastern Macedonia and				
Thrace	9055	3.8%	9067	3.9%
Central Macedonia	35458	15.0%	35334	15.0%
Western Macedonia	5564	2.3%	5467	2.3%
Thessalia	12906	5.4%	12904	5.5%
Epiros	5827	2.5%	5797	2.5%
Ionian Islands	4647	2.0%	4606	2.0%
Western Greece	12121	5.1%	12083	5.1%
Sterea Hellas	12529	5.3%	12493	5.3%
Peloponnese	11230	4.7%	11162	4.7%
Attiki	103334	43.6%	102001	43.4%
Northern Aegean Sea	3578	1.5%	3562	1.5%
Southern Aegean Sea	7815	3.3%	7788	3.3%
Crete	12854	5.4%	12753	5.4%
Total of the Country	236917	100.0%	235017	100.0%



3 Gross Domestic Product per capita

The Gross Domestic Product per capita for the year 2009 is estimated at 20830 €, having a decrease of 1.2% (Table 4). The highest GDP per capita was recorded in the region of Southern Aegean Sea and it is followed by the respective figures of the regions of Attiki and Sterea Hellas. On the contrary the lowest GDPs per capita was recorded in the regions of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace, Epiros and Western Greece. As it can be noted in the following table, the regions of the Ionian Islands, Attiki and Western Macedonia present the higher change rates in the GDP per capita.

Table 4

(millions €, of current values)	2008	2009	Change (%)
Eastern Macedonia and	2000	2002	(70)
Thrace	14925	14945	0.1
Central Macedonia	18275	18123	-0.8
Western Macedonia	18967	18651	-1.7
Thessalia	17535	17534	0.0
Epiros	16484	16232	-1.5
Ionian Islands	20196	19773	-2.1
Western Greece	16370	16247	-0.8
Sterea Hellas	22587	22534	-0.2
Peloponnese	18948	18867	-0.4
Attiki	25359	24884	-1.9
Northern Aegean Sea	17859	17799	-0.3
Southern Aegean Sea	25491	25290	-0.8
Crete	21157	20896	-1.2
Total of the Country	21084	20830	-1.2





Methodological note

It is noted that for the data estimations a new method was applied for the regional allocation of Gross Value Added (GVA) in the trade and transport-communications industries, using employment data from the Labour Force Survey of ELSTAT.

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