

## Single Integrated Metadata Structure (SIMS v2.0)

**Country:** Greece

**Compiling agency:** ELSTAT

**Domain name:** SURVEY ON EPHORATES OF ANTIQUITIES

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<b>2. Metadata update</b>		<a href="#">Top</a>
<b>2.1 Metadata last certified</b>	September 2022	
<b>2.2 Metadata last posted</b>	September 2022	
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<b>3. Statistical presentation</b>		<a href="#">Top</a>
<b>3.1 Data description</b>		
<p>The survey is an annual, census survey that collects data from all the Ephorates of Antiquities and the Services of Modern Monuments, that are supervised by Ministry of Culture, pertaining to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The number and type of excavations by Ephorate and kind of findings</li> <li>2. The funding of excavations by Ephorate and the funding amount</li> <li>3. Appropriations for excavations</li> <li>4. Declaration of archaeological sites by tenure status</li> <li>5. Exhibition of archaeological findings by kind</li> <li>6. Suggestions of new archaeological positions by category, deliveries of objects, antiquities smuggling</li> <li>7. Donations of archaeological objects by type of donor and category of objects</li> <li>8. Permits for studies and surveys on archaeological objects and sites by category</li> <li>9. Permits for export and re-export of artworks by tenure status</li> <li>10. Permits for sale of archaeological copies by category</li> <li>11. Free admissions by type</li> <li>12. Expenditure of projects for monuments and archaeological sites by type of expenditure and by type of archaeological site</li> <li>13. Expenditure of projects for museums and other buildings by type of expenditure</li> <li>14. Maintenance work and recording of archaeological findings by category and by type of work</li> <li>15. Number and kind of imported objects in museums and archaeological collections</li> </ol>		
<b>3.2 Classification system</b>		
The collected data are classified geographically and presented by NUTS 0 Region.		
<b>3.3 Sector coverage</b>		
Not applicable.		
<b>3.4 Statistical concepts and definitions</b>		
<p>The main variables of the survey are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Excavations</li> <li>• Funding of excavations</li> <li>• Declaration of archaeological sites and traditional settlements</li> <li>• Exhibitions of archaeological findings</li> <li>• Suggestions for new archaeological positions</li> <li>• Deliveries of antiquities and antiquities smuggling</li> <li>• Permits for studies on archaeological objects</li> <li>• Expenditure of projects for monuments and archaeological sites</li> <li>• Expenditure of projects for museums and other buildings</li> </ul>		

<b>3.5 Statistical unit</b>	
The statistical unit is the Ephorate of Antiquities, the Service of Modern Monuments and Technical Works and other units and departments of the relevant Ministry.	
<b>3.6 Statistical population</b>	
The Ephorates Antiquities, the Service of Modern Monuments and Technical Works, the Byzantine Museum, the Museum of Byzantine Culture, the Numismatic Museum of Athens, the Museum of Asiatic Art, the Archaeological Museum of Herakleion, the Ephorate of Palaeoanthropology and Speleology and the Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities.	
<b>3.7 Reference area</b>	
Greece total.	
<b>3.8 Time coverage</b>	
The survey is conducted annually since 1970. Since 1999 the survey results are published on the website of ELSTAT.	
<b>3.9 Base period</b>	
Not applicable.	
<b>4. Unit of measure</b>	<a href="#">Top</a>
The unit of measure for the variables “funding of excavations” and “expenditure of projects” (in monuments, archaeological sites, museums and other buildings) is the Euro and the other variables are measured in pure numbers	
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<b>6. Institutional mandate</b>	<a href="#">Top</a>
<b>6.1 Legal acts and other agreements</b>	
The legal framework concerning the organization and operation of ELSTAT is detailed in the following link: <a href="http://www.statistics.gr/en/legal-framework">http://www.statistics.gr/en/legal-framework</a>	
Moreover, the legal act governing the survey is the Joint Ministerial Decision 15189/ B379/73.	
<b>EU legal basis:</b> There is no relevant EU legislation.	
<b>6.2 Data sharing</b>	
Not applicable.	
<b>7. Confidentiality</b>	<a href="#">Top</a>
<b>7.1 Confidentiality - policy</b>	
The issues concerning the observance of statistical confidentiality by the Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) are arranged by articles 7, 8 and 9 of the Law 3832/2010 as in force, by Articles 8, 10 and 11(2) of the Regulation on Statistical Obligations of the agencies of the Hellenic Statistical System and by Articles 10 and 15 of the Regulation on the Operation and Administration of ELSTAT.	
More precisely:	
ELSTAT disseminates the statistics in compliance with the statistical principles of the European Statistics Code of Practice and in particular with the principle of statistical confidentiality.	
<a href="http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistical-confidentiality?inheritRedirect=true">http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistical-confidentiality?inheritRedirect=true</a>	
<u>Protection of personal data</u>	

ELSTAT abides by the commitments and obligations arising from the applicable EU and national legislation on the protection of the individual from the processing of personal data and the relevant decisions, guidelines and regulatory acts of the Hellenic Data Protection Authority.

Pursuant to the Regulation on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data [Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 (General Data Protection Regulation - GDPR)], ELSTAT implements the appropriate technical and organisational measures for ensuring adequate level of security against risks for the personal data it collects and has access to, in the context of carrying out its tasks, in order to meet the requirements of this Regulation and to protect these personal data from any unauthorised access or illegal processing.

The personal data collected by ELSTAT are used exclusively for purposes related to the conduct of surveys and the production of relevant statistics. Only ELSTAT has access to the data. The controller is the person appointed by law pursuant to the relevant provisions concerning the Legal Entities of Public Law and the Independent Authorities. The data are stored in the databases of ELSTAT for as long as required by the relevant legislation.

Legal basis of the processing: Article 6, para 1(c) and 1(d) of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

<https://www.statistics.gr/el/privacy-info>

## 7.2 Confidentiality - data treatment

- ELSTAT protects and does not disseminate data it has obtained or it has access to, which enable the direct or indirect identification of the statistical units that have provided them by the disclosure of individual information directly received for statistical purposes or indirectly supplied from administrative or other sources. ELSTAT takes all appropriate preventive measures so as to render impossible the identification of individual statistical units by technical or other means that might reasonably be used by a third party. Statistical data that could potentially enable the identification of the statistical unit are disseminated by ELSTAT if and only if:
  - a) these data have been treated, as it is specifically set out in the Regulation on Statistical Obligations of the agencies of the Hellenic Statistical System (ELSS), in such a way that their dissemination does not prejudice statistical confidentiality or
  - b) the statistical unit has given its consent, without any reservations, for the disclosure of data.
- The confidential data that are transmitted by ELSS agencies to ELSTAT are used exclusively for statistical purposes and the only persons who have the right to have access to these data are the personnel engaged in this task and appointed by an act of the President of ELSTAT.
- ELSTAT may grant researchers conducting statistical analyses for scientific purposes access to data that enable the indirect identification of the statistical units concerned. The access is granted provided the following conditions are satisfied:
  - a) an appropriate request together with a detailed research proposal in conformity with current scientific standards have been submitted;
  - b) the research proposal indicates in sufficient detail the set of data to be accessed, the methods of analyzing them, and the time needed for the research;
  - c) a contract specifying the conditions for access, the obligations of the researchers, the measures for respecting the confidentiality of statistical data and the sanctions in case of breach of these obligations has been signed by the individual researcher, by his/her institution, or by the organization commissioning the research, as the case may be, and by ELSTAT.
- Issues referring to the observance of statistical confidentiality are examined by the Statistical Confidentiality Committee (SCC) operating in ELSTAT. The responsibilities of this Committee are to make recommendations to the President of ELSTAT on:
  - the level of detail at which statistical data can be disseminated, so as the identification, either

directly or indirectly, of the surveyed statistical unit is not possible;

- the anonymization criteria for the microdata provided to users;
  - the granting to researchers access to confidential data for scientific purposes.
- The staff of ELSTAT, under any employment status, as well as the temporary survey workers who are employed for the collection of statistical data in statistical surveys conducted by ELSTAT, who acquire access by any means to confidential data, are bound by the principle of confidentiality and must use these data exclusively for the statistical purposes of ELSTAT. After the termination of their term of office, they are not allowed to use these data for any purpose.
- Violation of data confidentiality and/or statistical confidentiality by any civil servant or employee of ELSTAT constitutes the disciplinary offence of violation of duty and may be punished with the penalty of final dismissal.
- ELSTAT, by its decision, may impose a penalty amounting from ten thousand (10,000) up to two hundred thousand (200,000) euros to anyone who violates the confidentiality of data and/or statistical confidentiality. The penalty is always imposed after the hearing of the defense of the person liable for the breach, depending on the gravity and the repercussions of the violation. Any relapse constitutes an aggravating factor for the assessment of the administrative sanction.
- Pursuant to the Regulation on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data [Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council, of 27 April 2016 (General Data Protection Regulation - GDPR)], ELSTAT implements the appropriate technical and organisational measures for ensuring adequate level of security against risks for the personal data it collects and has access to, in the context of carrying out its tasks, in order to meet the requirements of this Regulation and to protect these personal data from any unauthorised access or illegal processing.

## 8. Release policy

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### 8.1 Release calendar

ELSTAT publishes, on a yearly basis, a [Press Releases Calendar](#) including the precise dates for the announcement of the Press Releases of all of its surveys for the next year.

### 8.2 Release calendar access

Users can have access to the Press Releases Calendar at the following link:

<https://www.statistics.gr/en/calendar>

### 8.3 User access

The information is available concomitantly to all interested parties, with tables posted on the website of ELSTAT ([www.statistics.gr](http://www.statistics.gr)) and at the link "Statistics > Population and Social Conditions> Ephorates of Antiquities, <https://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SCI18/->

Equal access of users to data is governed by EU statistics legislation and the [European Statistics Code of Practice](#), fully respecting professional independence, in an objective, professional and transparent manner in which all users are treated equally.

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The survey results are disseminated on a monthly basis, 4 months after the reference month of the data.

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### 10.1 News release

A Press Release is published and posted on the [website](#) of ELSTAT

### 10.2 Publications

General Publications ("Statistical Yearbooks of Greece") and Special Publications containing data on the survey, are available at ELSTAT's [Digital Library](#).

### 10.3 On-line database

There is no on-line database for the survey data.

#### 10.3.1 Data tables - consultations

The total access to the site of the survey on the website of ELSTAT for the year 2020 amounts to 1,024 hits.

### 10.4 Micro-data access

For confidentiality reasons survey micro data are made available only in accordance with ELSTAT's procedure ensuring data confidentiality, and after a relevant request submitted to the Division of Statistical Information and Publications/Data Dissemination Section and after the approval of the Statistical Confidentiality Committee of ELSTAT.

<https://www.statistics.gr/en/provision-of-statistical-data>

### 10.5 Other

Past years data are available at ELSTAT's [Digital Library](#).

More detailed data can be made available upon request by the Dissemination Section of ELSTAT and according to ELSTAT'S [policy](#).

Data requests should be addressed to:

Division of Statistical Information and Publications,  
46, Peiraios and Eponiton Str.,  
18510 Piraeus  
Tel: +30 213 135 2022  
e-mail: [data.dissem@statistics.gr](mailto:data.dissem@statistics.gr)

#### 10.5.1 Metadata – consultations

See paragraph 10.3.1

### 10.6 Documentation on methodology

Not compiled.

#### 10.6.1 Metadata completeness – rate

Metadata is complete .

### 10.7 Quality documentation

Quality is assured by ELSTAT, by means of logical checks (e.g. comparison with data of the previous years, etc.) and by the competent authorities that collect the primary data.

## 11. Quality management

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### 11.1 Quality assurance

Quality is assured by means of logical checks in terms of the correctness and completeness of the data. Moreover comparisons are made with the previous years, as well as quality controls on the tabulated results of the survey. Finally, data quality is assured by the [Quality Policy](#) of ELSTAT.

### 11.2 Quality assessment

The quality of the data obtained is considered high, taking into account the quality control checks, carried out at each stage.

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### 12.1 User needs

The most important users of the data are:

- International and European bodies
- The Ministry of Culture
- Universities and researchers
- Media
- Tourism enterprises
- Local Government

## 12.2 User satisfaction

The Statistical Data Dissemination Section conducts a survey on users' satisfaction. The results are available at the following link:  
<http://www.statistics.gr/en/user-satisfaction-survey>

## 12.3 Data completeness

The completeness of data and the level of breakdown is considered satisfactory.

## 13. Accuracy and reliability

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### 13.1 Overall accuracy

The survey results are characterised by high overall accuracy, since it is a census survey and any errors are detected by analytical checks and are fully corrected.

### 13.2 Sampling error

No sampling error. The survey is a census survey.

### 13.3 Non-sampling error

There are no non-sampling errors

**a. Unit non response:**

Not applicable.

**b. Item non-response:**

Not applicable.

#### **13.3.1 Coverage error**

Not applicable

**13.3.1.1 Over-coverage – rate**

Not applicable.

**13.3.1.2 Common units – proportion**

Not applicable.

#### **13.3.2 Measurement error**

No measurement errors are observed.

#### **13.3.3 Processing error**

No processing errors are observed.

#### **13.3.4 Model assumption error**

Not applicable.

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### 14.1 Timeliness

The Press Release is published one year after the end of the reference year.

<b>14.2 Punctuality</b>	
All publications, press releases and tabulated data are disseminated according to the scheduled publication dates.	
<b>15. Coherence and comparability</b>	<a href="#">Top</a>
<b>15.1 Comparability - geographical</b>	
The data are produced at the level of NUTS0 Region (Greece total) and, therefore, there is no issue of geographical comparability	
<b><u>15.1.1 Asymmetry for mirror flows statistics – coefficient</u></b>	
Not applicable.	
<b>15.2 Comparability over time</b>	
The survey is conducted since 1975 on the basis of the same definitions, thus ensuring comparability over time.	
<b>15.3 Coherence cross-domain</b>	
There are no relevant data on this survey from other sources or ELSS agencies.	
<b><u>15.3.1 Coherence – sub annual and annual statistics</u></b>	
Not applicable, the survey is a monthly survey.	
<b><u>15.3.2 Coherence – National Accounts</u></b>	
Not applicable.	
<b>15.4 Coherence – internal</b>	
Data are internally coherent, since there are no relevant data coming from other surveys.	
<b>16. Cost and burden</b>	<a href="#">Top</a>
Not estimated.	
<b>17. Data revision</b>	<a href="#">Top</a>
<b>17.1 Revision policy</b>	
Any revisions, if necessary, are in accordance with the <a href="#">revision policy</a> of ELSTAT.	
<b>17.2 Revision practice</b>	
No revisions have been made to the survey data	
<b>18. Statistical processing</b>	<a href="#">Top</a>
<b>18.1 Source data</b>	
The primary data of the survey derive from the survey conducted by ELSTAT on the Ephorates of Antiquities and the Services of Modern Monuments and Technical Works and other agencies supervised by Ministry of Culture.	
<b>18.2 Frequency of data collection</b>	
The data collection is carried out annually.	
<b>18.3 Data collection</b>	
The data are transmitted electronically (questionnaires in xls format) by the the Ephorates of Antiquities.	
<b>18.4 Data validation</b>	
Validation of data is carried out by means of the necessary controls (logical checks, comparison with the relevant data of previous years, etc.)	
<b>18.5 Data compilation</b>	
Once validated, the data are tabulated in the monthly tables of the survey time series and in the concise tables of the monthly Press Release.	
No imputation, weighting or adjustment for non-response are applied.	
<b><u>18.5.1 Imputation – rate</u></b>	
Not applicable	
<b>18.6 Adjustment</b>	

Not applicable.

**18.6.1 Seasonal adjustment**

Not applicable.

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