Natural Sciences history, meteorology & climatology of Greece



Location



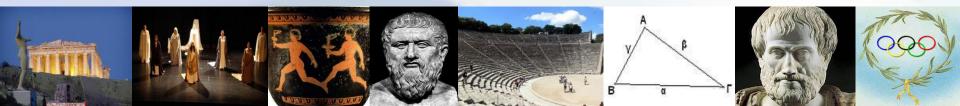
Small country, big history

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Greece, birth place of:

- The Olympic Games (776 BC)
- Philosophy (Socrates, Aristoteles, Platon...)
- Democracy (Athens 506 BC)
- Tragedy and comedy (Sophocles, Aristophanes...)
- Major scientific and mathematical principles (Pythagoras, Eucleides, Archimedes, Thales, Hippocrates...)
- Historiography (Herodotus, Homer...)
- ~40.000 words and derivatives in English/German language are pure Greek





Greece

- is located at the South East part of Europe
- has land borders with Turkey, Bulgaria,
- F.Y.R.O.M., Albania
- has sea borders with Aegean Sea, Ionian Sea, Mediterranean Sea
- is a member of the European Union (1981-?)

Population: 10.787.690 residents Area: 131.990 km² Coastline: 13.676 km (12th) Islands: 2.500 Capital: Athens (40% of pop.) Language: Greek Form of government: Parliamentary Democracy Life expectancy: 80,2 years





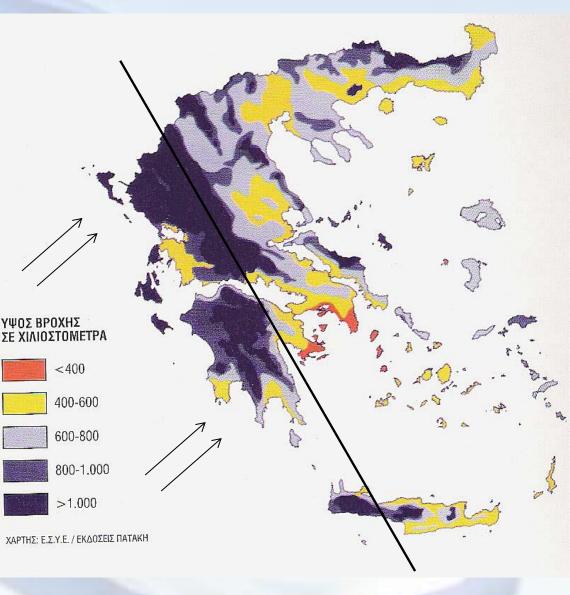


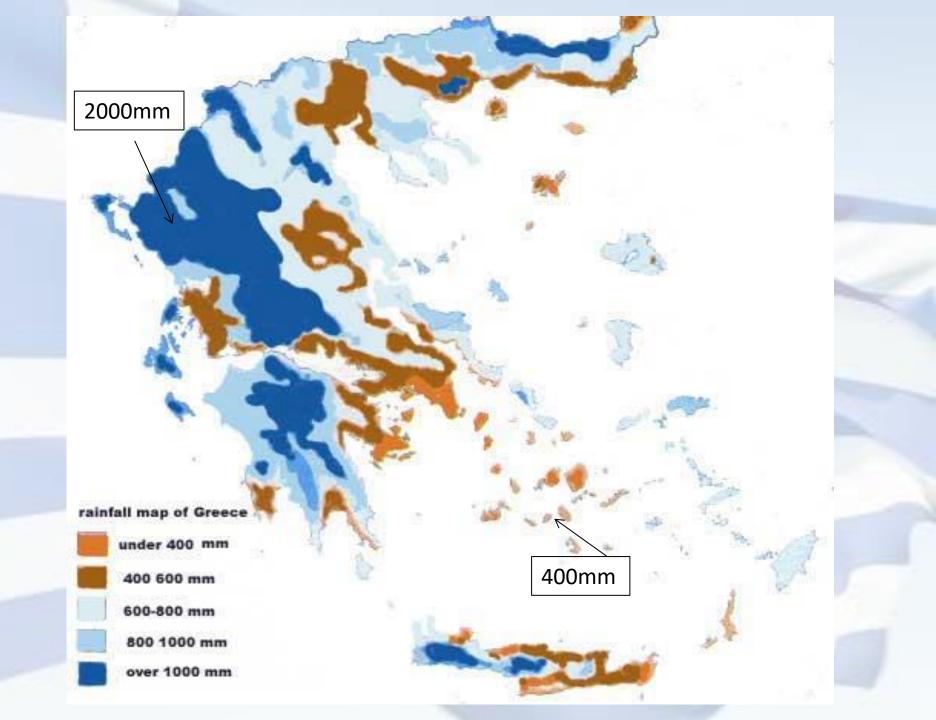




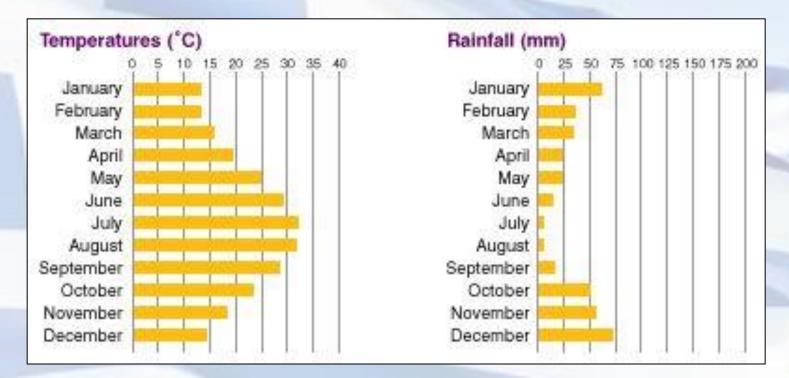
Climate

- Greece primarily has a <u>Mediterranean climate</u>, featuring mild, wet winters and hot, dry summers.
- The <u>Pindos mountain range</u> strongly affects the climate of the country, as areas to the west of the range are considerably wetter on average (due to greater exposure to south-westerly systems bringing in moisture) than the areas lying to the east of the range (due to a rain shadow effect).
- Snowfalls occur every year in the mountains and northern areas, and brief snowfalls are not unknown even in low-lying southern areas, such as Athens.



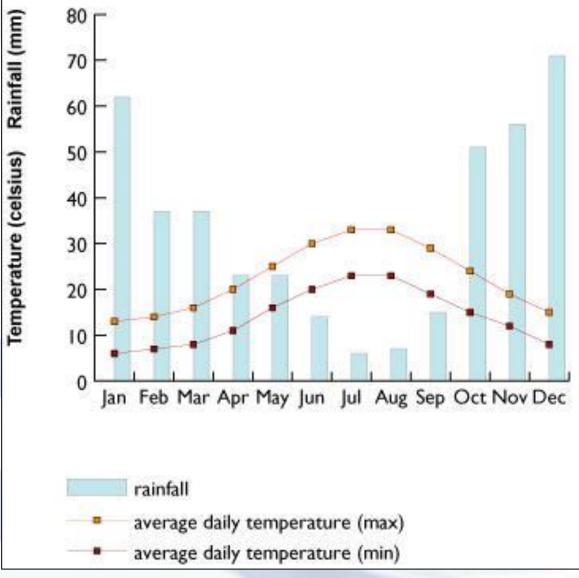


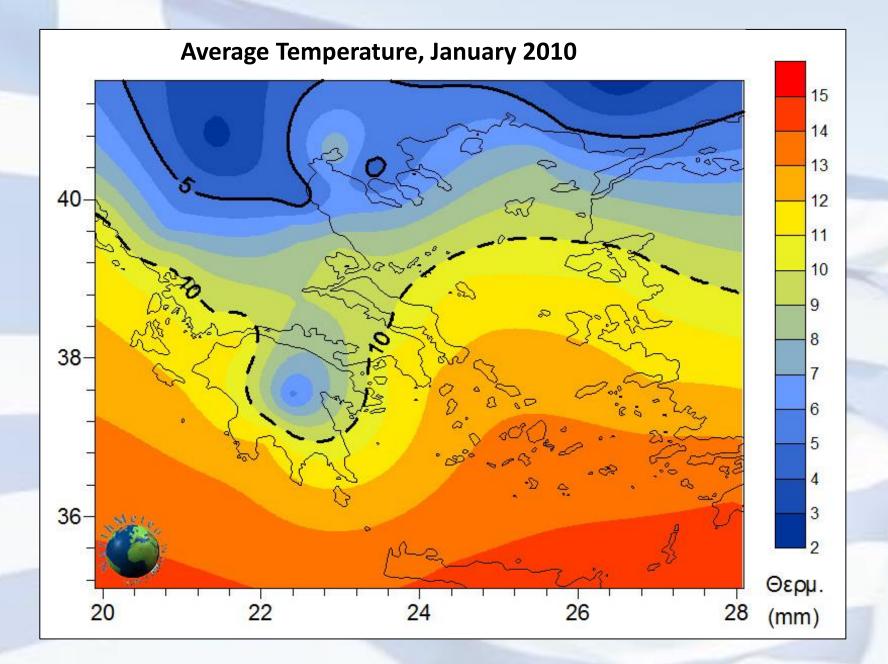
Temperature and rainfall

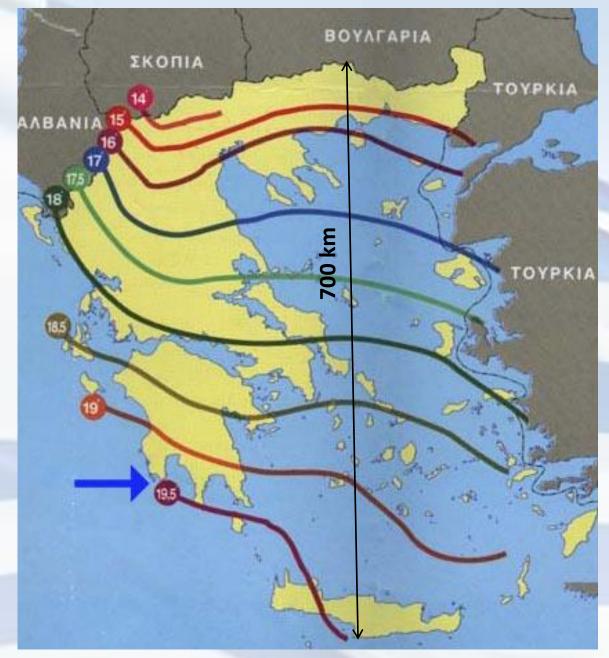


- Lowest mean temperature: December-January: 10-15 °C
- Highest mean temperature: July-August: 30-35 °C

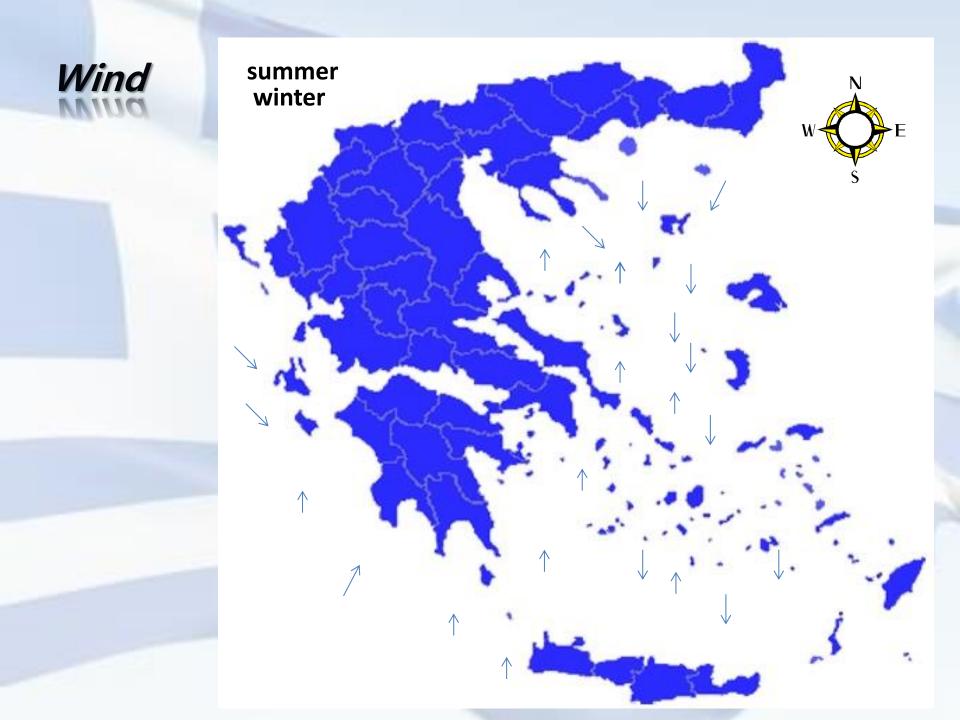
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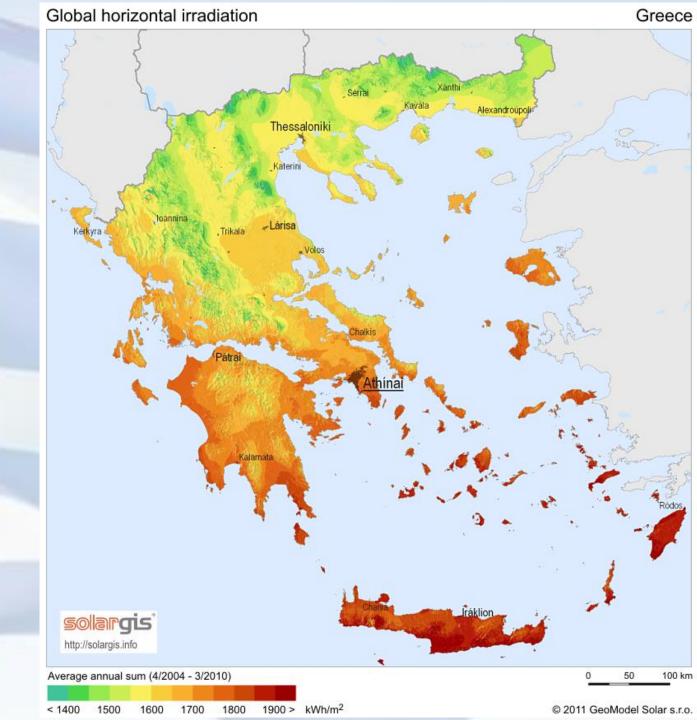
Isotherm lines for average annual temperature



Horizontal irradiation

Average annual sum: 1400 to 1900 kWh/m²

Sunshine approx. 300 days pes year



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