



Early School Leaving
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Responsibilities

- Skills
- Knowledge
- Education
- Responsible citizens
- Collaboration
- Guidance
- Self-expression



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Dropping out of School

- Society looks on unfavorably
- Derogatory term
- Early School Leaving



Drop-Out 90%



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EU Definition

“...early school leavers [are] people aged 18-24 who have only lower secondary education or less and are no longer in education or training. Early school leavers are therefore those who have only achieved pre-primary, primary, lower secondary or a short upper secondary education of less than 2 years.”



Dropping out of School

- Before completing compulsory education
- No upper secondary qualifications
- No qualifications equivalent to upper secondary level



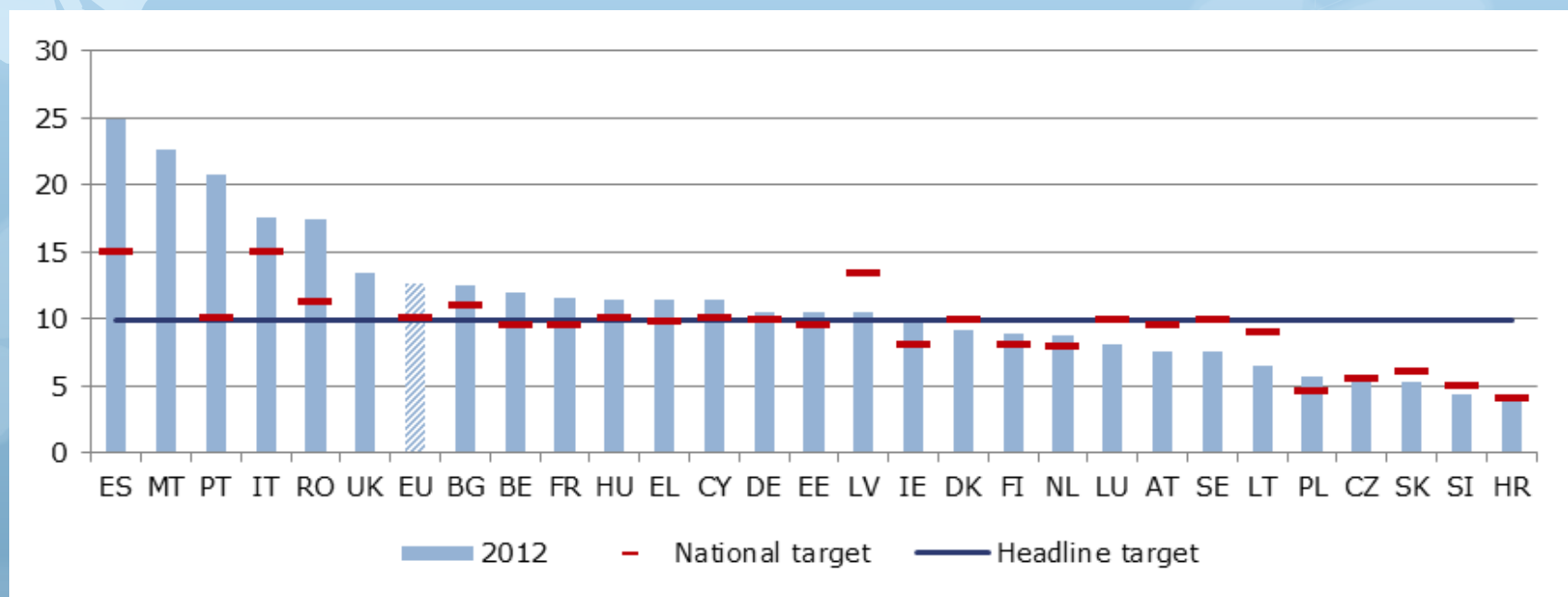
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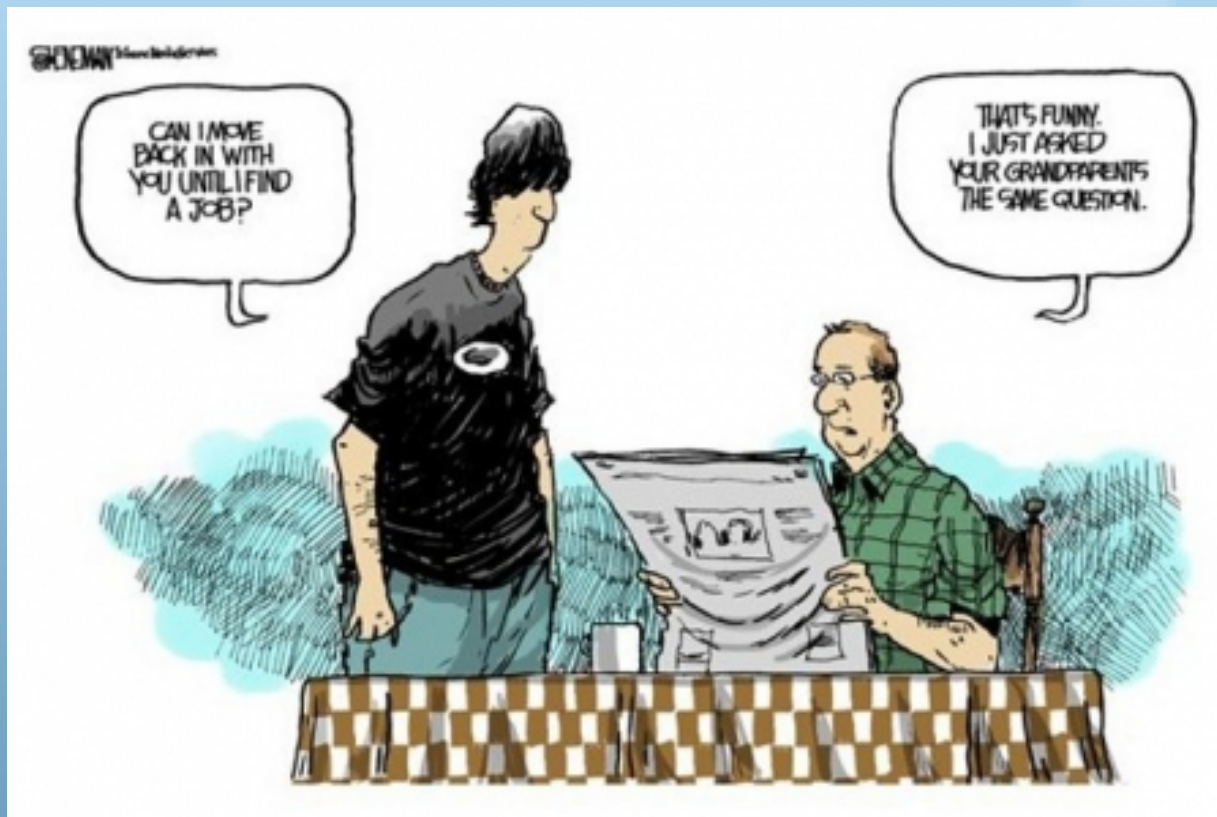
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Some EU Statistics



Unemployment



European Commission

“...reducing the average European rate of early school leaving by just 1 percentage point would provide the European economy each year with nearly half a million additional qualified potential young employees.”



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Strategy for Europe 2020

- Smart growth
- Sustainable growth
- Inclusive growth



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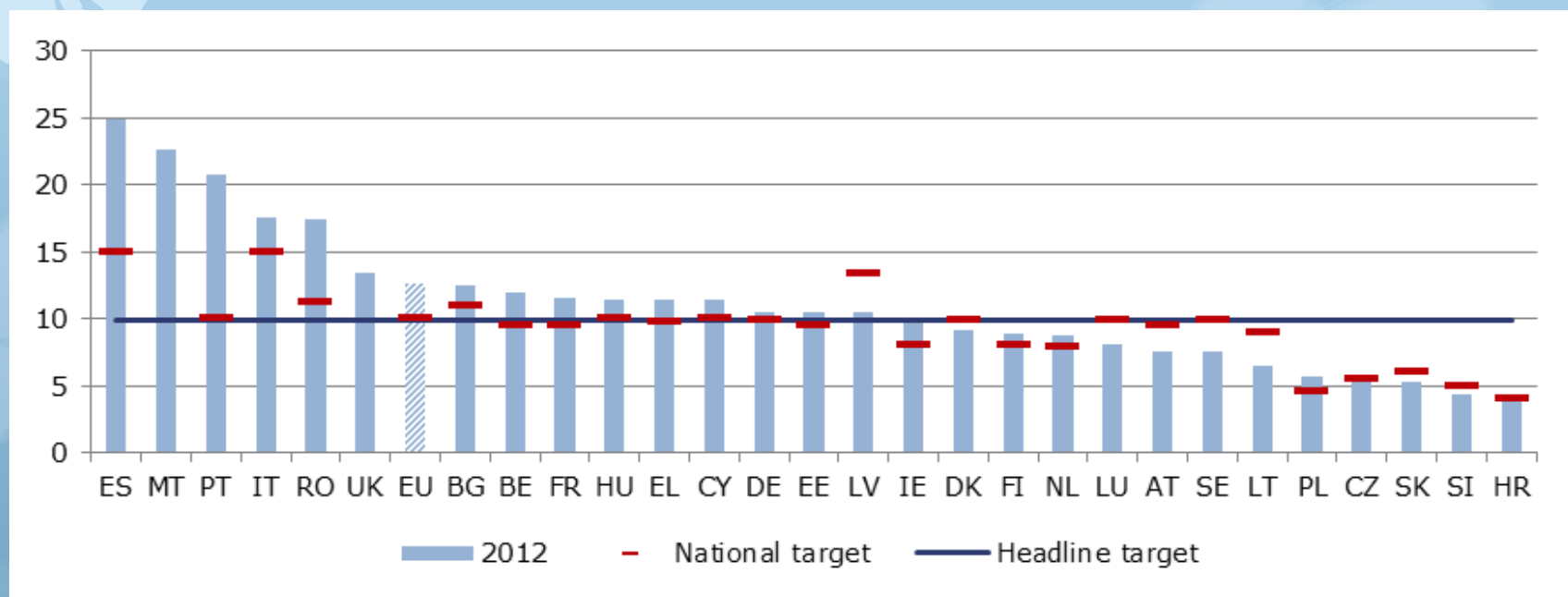
“...[we need to reduce] the drop out rate to 10% from the current 15%, whilst increasing the share of the population aged 30-34 having completed tertiary education from 31% to at least 40% in 2020.”



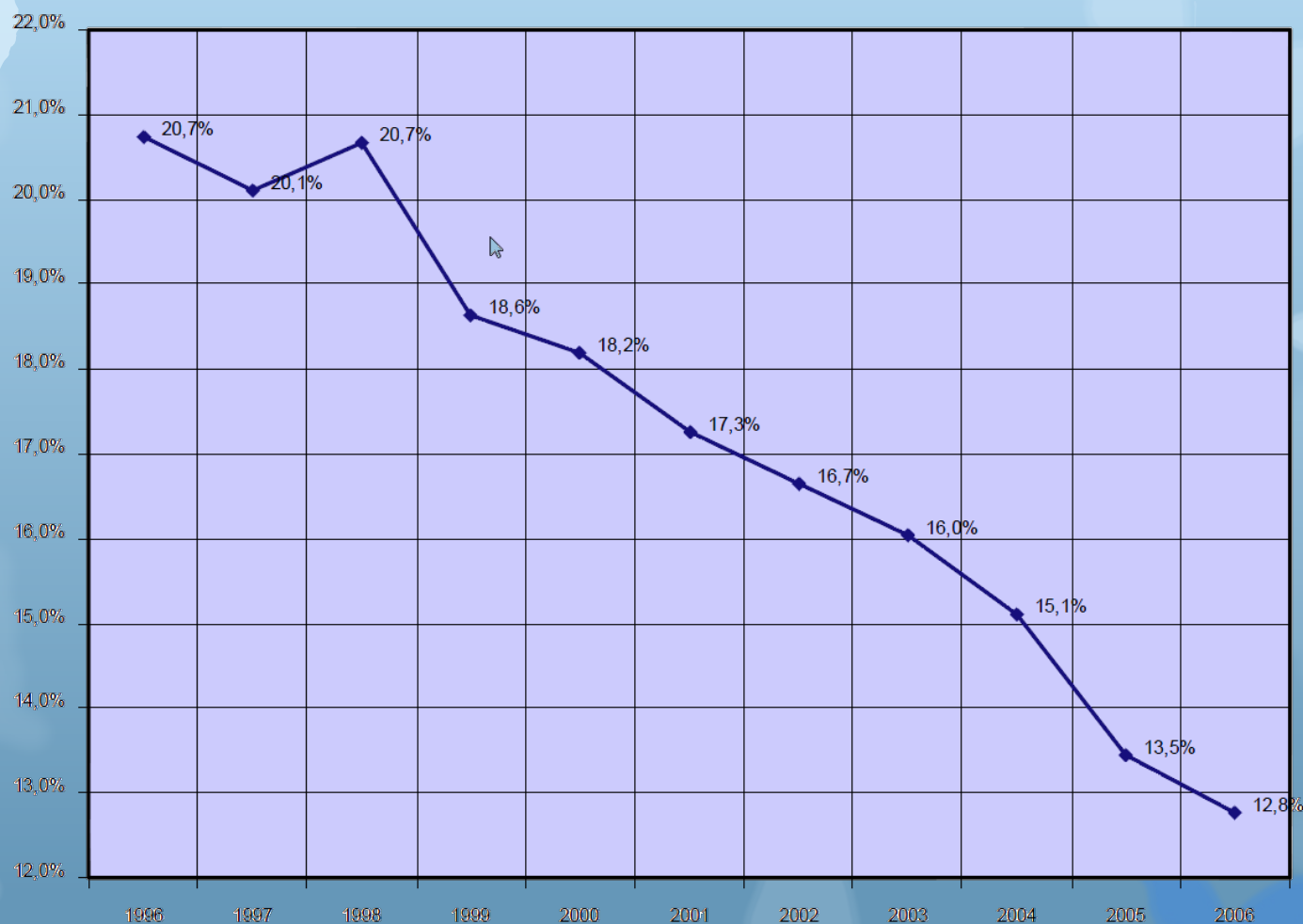
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Headline and National Targets



Greece: Early School Leaving

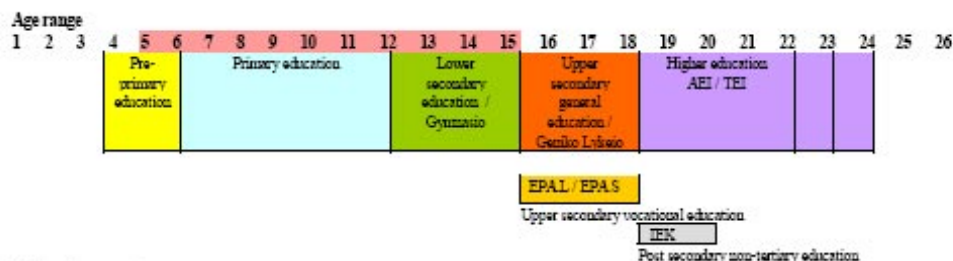


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Greece: Education System

Structure of the Greek education system from pre-primary to tertiary education (ISCED 0 to 5)



Explanatory notes

- Compulsory education
- ISCED 0: Pre-primary education / ages 4 to 6 responsibility of the Ministry of National Education and Religious Affairs
- ISCED 1: Primary education / ages 6 to 12
- ISCED 2: Lower education / ages 12 to 15
- ISCED 3: Upper secondary general education (non compulsory)
- ISCED 3: Upper secondary vocational education (non compulsory)
- ISCED 4: Post secondary non-tertiary education (non compulsory)
- ISCED 5: Tertiary Education / ages 18 to 24 depending on the type of studies

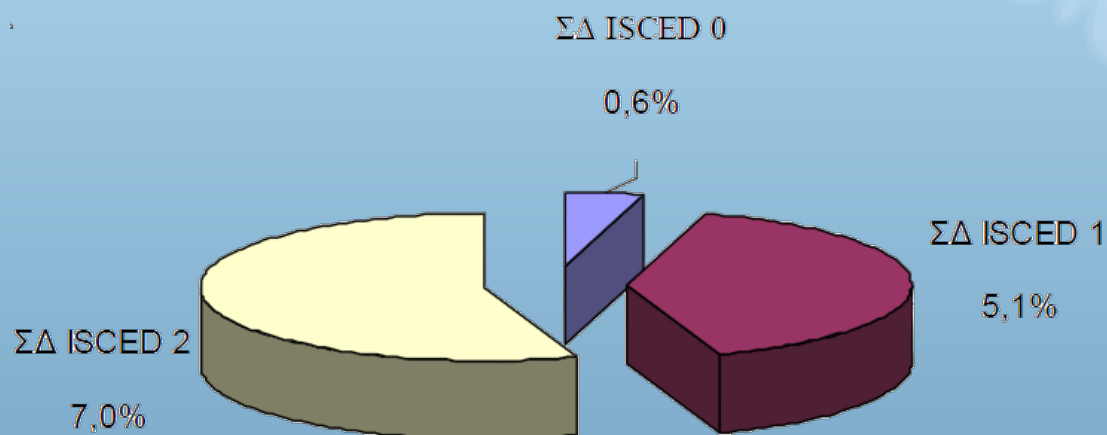
Diagram 1. Structure of the Greek Education System

Source: Ensydice, 2007.



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LOVE GREEK
EDUCATION SYSTEM**

Greece: Education System



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Greece: Roma or Kale People



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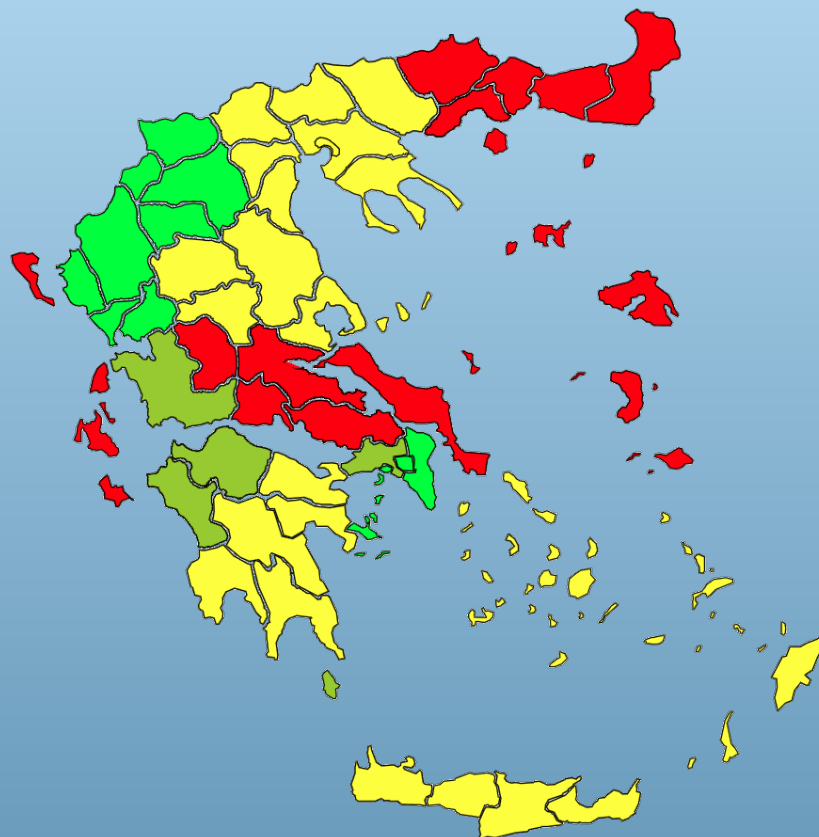
Greece: Muslim Minority in Thrace



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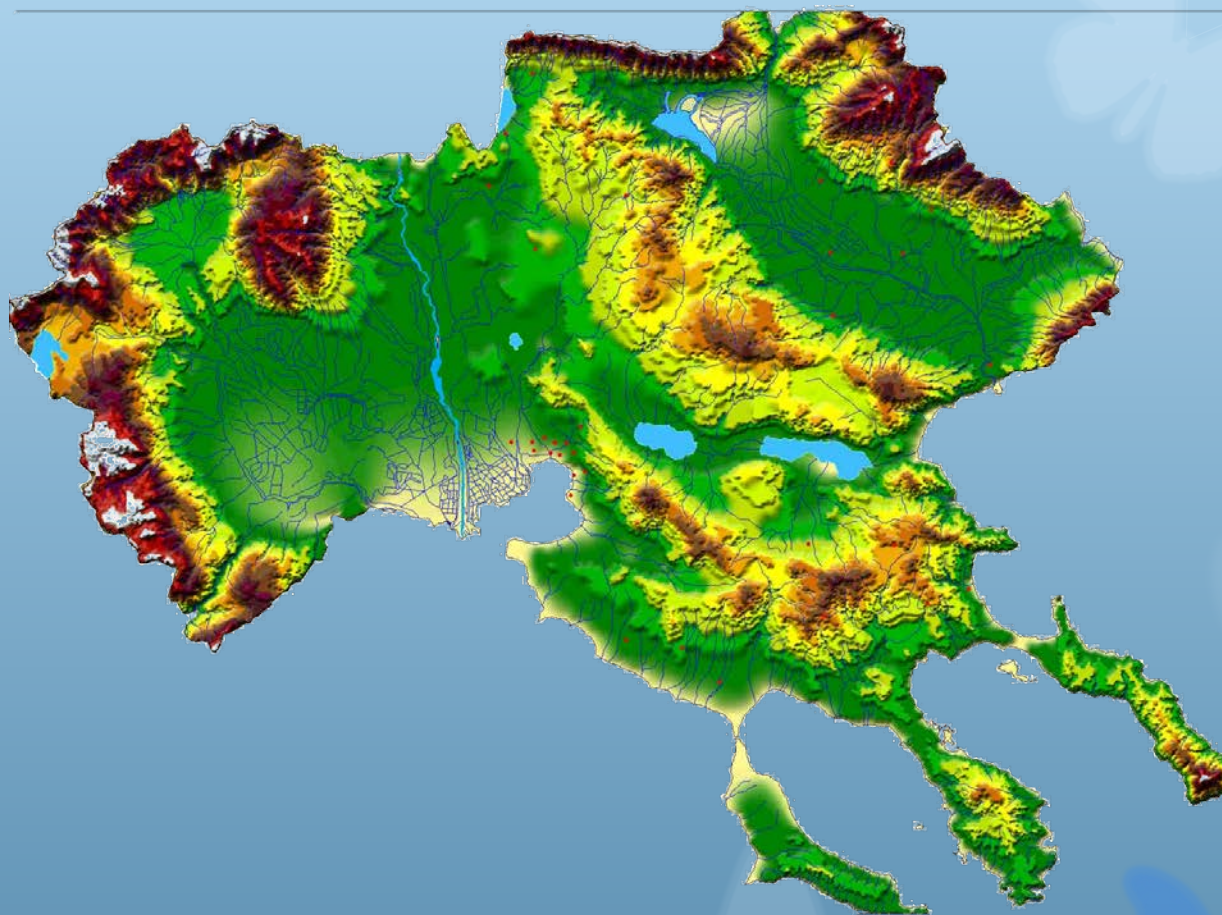
Greece: Regional Differences



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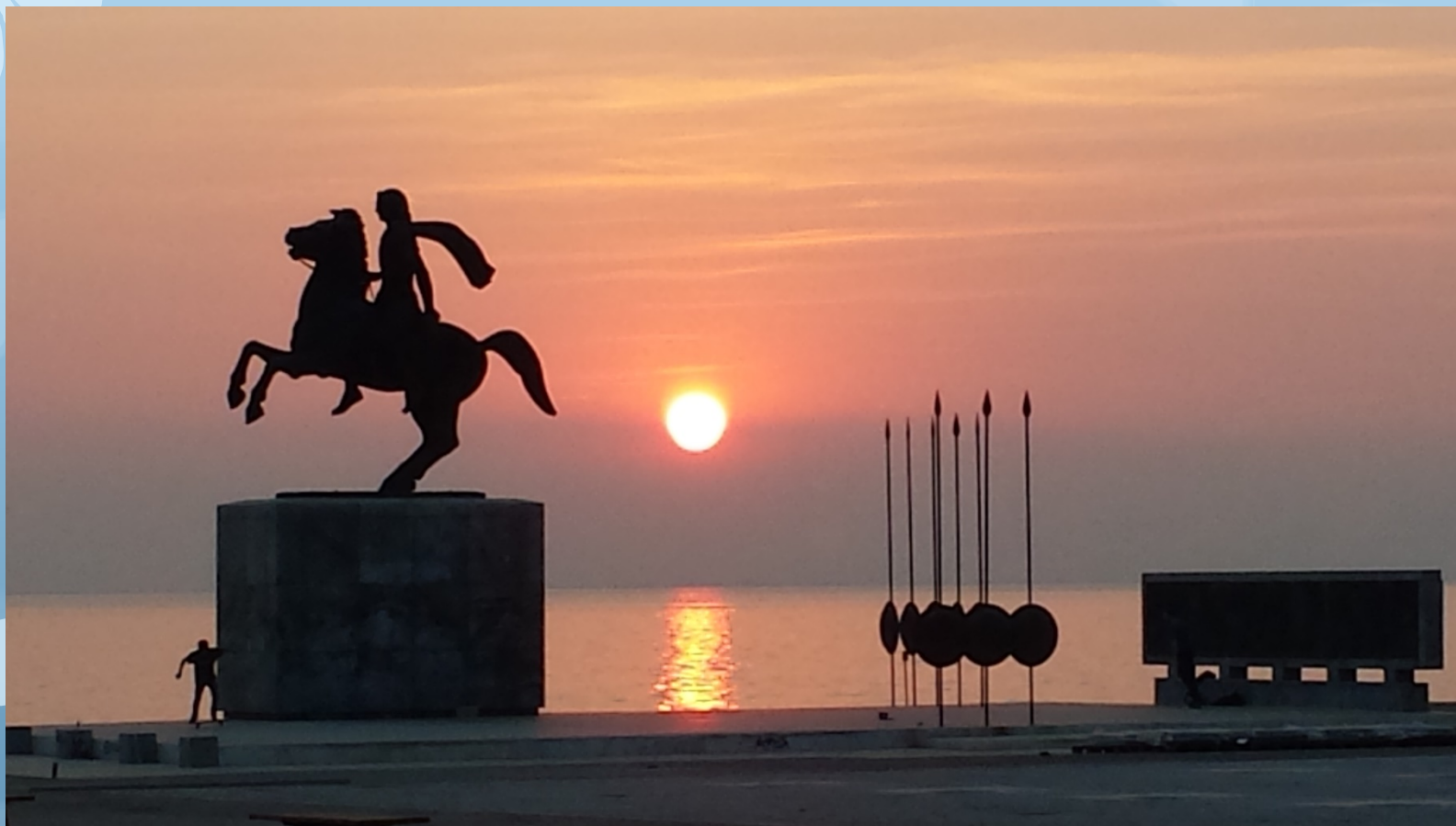
Greece: Central Macedonia



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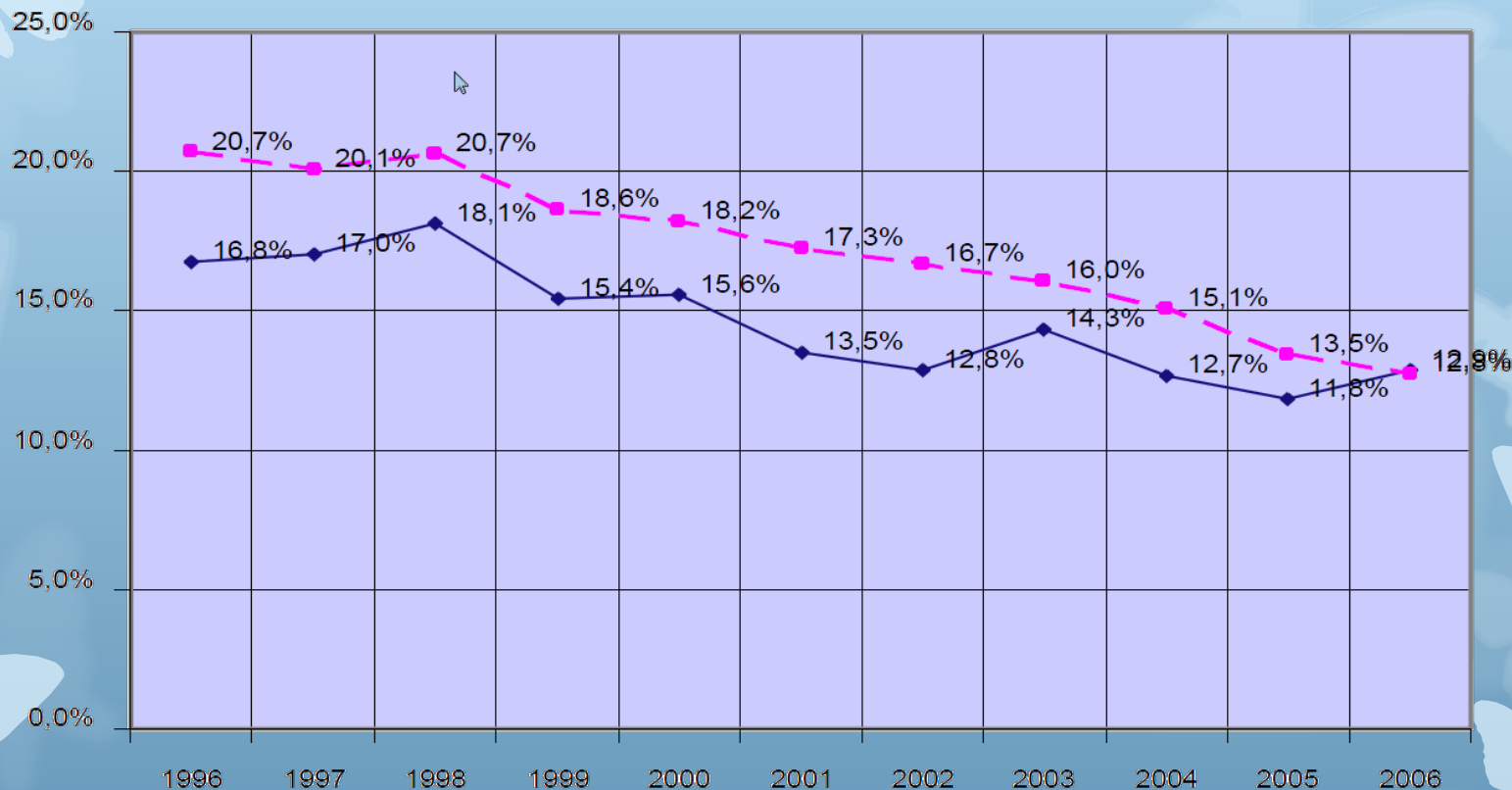
Greece: Thessaloniki



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Central Macedonia: ESL



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Early School Leaving Intensifiers

- Social and educational inequalities
- Social exclusion and poverty
- Immigrants



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Early School Leaving Intensifiers



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European Union Response

- Strategic Level Responses
- Preventive Strategies
- Reintegration Strategies



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European Union Response

- Strategic Level Responses
 - Statistic Monitoring
 - Policy Coordination
 - Headline and National Targets



European Union Response

● Preventive Strategies

- Targeted approaches
- Mentoring
- Extra tuition and financial support
- Teacher training and curricular reform
- Guidance and Counseling
- Cooperation with parents or student guardians



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Thank you!



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