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# 2023 - Property Outlook for Greece

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# **Executive Summary**



In 2023, Greece's economy experienced a **2.2% GDP growth**, driven by investments in construction and the Recovery and Resilience Plan (RRP), with **FDI increasing by 48.2% from 2021**.



The property market saw **strong performances** in storage spaces, offices, and hotels/residential sectors, while residential properties appeared overvalued. Positive influences included post-COVID-19 recovery, political stability, and increased tourism, though geopolitical uncertainties, inflation, and high construction costs posed challenges.

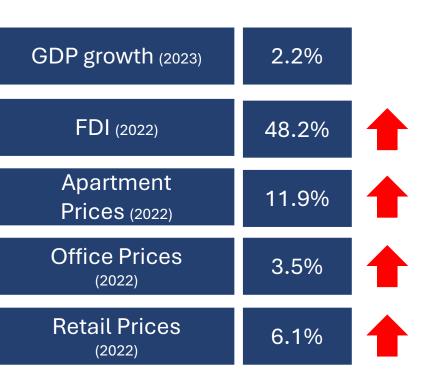


Looking ahead to the next six months, residential properties, offices, storage spaces, and vacation homes are expected to perform well. **Key drivers** for this positive outlook are economic stability, quality tourism, and investment-grade improvements, although high interest rates, inflation, and geopolitical tensions remain potential obstacles.





## **Economic Outlook**



## Economy

Greece's real GDP is estimated to have grown by 2.2% in 2023. Following the strong recovery in 2022, consumption growth decreased substantially but remained one of the main growth drivers last year. Despite tightening financing conditions, investment made a significant contribution, thanks to strong construction activity and the implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Plan (RRP). The slower than expected recovery of Greece's key EU trade partners weighed on export growth, still net exports had a positive contribution to growth. Economic growth is expected to remain broadly stable at 2.3% in 2024 and 2025.

https://economy-finance.ec.europa.eu/economic-surveillance-eu-economies/greece/economic-forecast-greece\_en

Greece presented an impressive increase of 48.2% in Foreign Direct Investments (FDI) in 2022 compared to 2021, while the increase reaches 76.8% compared to 2019 which was a pre Covid-19 year.

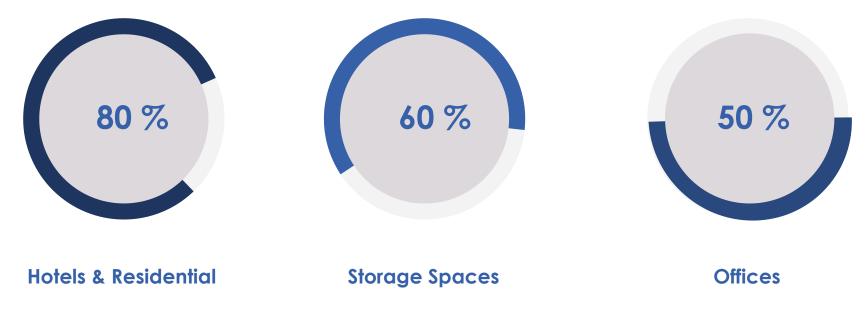
https://www.enterprisegreece.gov.gr/en/greece-today/why-greece/foreign-direct-investment





# Real Estate Market performance - 2023 7,5/10\*

#### Which Sectors have performed well in 2023?



Market 2023

\*(rating 1 to 10 with 10 is excellent)



## Real Estate Market Keys - 2023

#### **Overvalued Sector**

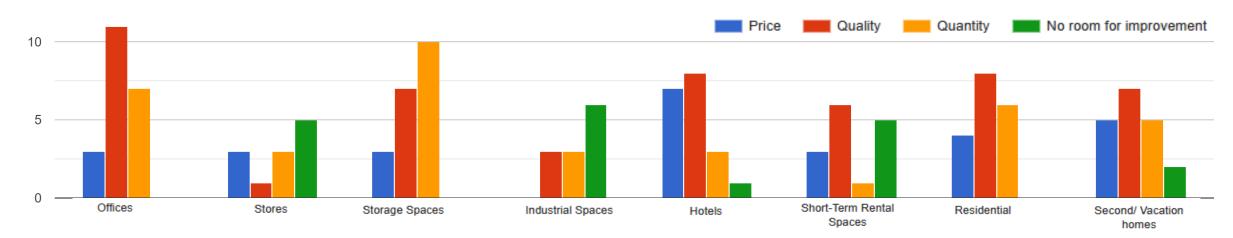
Residential

#### Sectors with upward momentum

Market 2023

- Second/Vacation Homes
- Hotels
- Offices

#### Which sectors do you consider to have room for improvement?





## **Real Estate Market Drivers - 2023**

#### Positive

- Spring effect due to COVID 19 delays
- Country's momentum / positive reputation
- The "recovery destination" story
- Country's economy upgrade by credit rating agencies
- Existence or various strategic investments
- Political stability
- Improvement of the domestic economic and investment climate
- Further increase in inbound tourism
- Competitive prices in the market
- Digitalization of the transaction and execution process
- Strong demand

#### Negative

- Geopolitical uncertainties in Europe and elsewhere
- War in Israel and fear of escalation in the area
- Competition from cheaper destinations
- Lack of adequate infrastructure
- Lack of modern real estate product
- Absence of a well-defined demand stream from abroad
- ➤ Inflation
- High interest rates
- Rise in construction and energy costs
- Europe is at a different point of the real estate cycle









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