

GREECE

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GEOGRAPHY



WELL-KNOWN FACTS

- **Greek mythology;**
- **The Greek invented theatre and the Olympic games;**
- **They contributed a lot to philosophy, mathematics, astronomy, and medicine;**
- **The Greece is known to have the tastiest olives, fish, marine food and cheese.**



CULTURE

- **Ancient Greece was the basis of much of Western culture today;**
- **The Greek spoken today is derived from Ancient Greek and is part of the Indo-European language family;**
- **The 98% of the Greeks are Christians Orthodox;**



INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESS

- The major products are textiles, clothing, shoes, processed food and tobacco, beverages etc.;
- Small enterprises dominate;
- Is focused on industrial development, and resolving the national debt;



CELEBRATIONS AND GIFTS

- **The most popular celebrations are Ochi Day (28 October),; Independence Day (25 March),; New Year's Day, and, Labor Day (1 May);**
- **Gifts are exchanged on Christmas and «namedays»;**







In Greek, we say

χαρμολύπη

to express a mixture of joy
and sorrow.