

Single Market Scoreboard

2019 Edition

Performance per Member State

Greece

Transposition of law

Transposition deficit: 0.5% (*last report: 0.9%*) – Marked increase by 0.4 percentage point and in a group of 10 Member States that achieved the proposed 0.5% target. However, Greece has transposed only 18 of the 23 directives (78%) with a transposition date within 6 months before the cut-off date for calculation (1.6.2018 – 30.11.2018). This shows that this Member State could monitor the timely transposition of Single Market-related directives even better, although its delay in transposing directives is already remarkably low (see below).

EU average = 0.7%; Proposed target (in Single Market Act) = 0.5%

Overdue directives: 5 (*last report: 9*). **No** directive more than 2 years overdue.

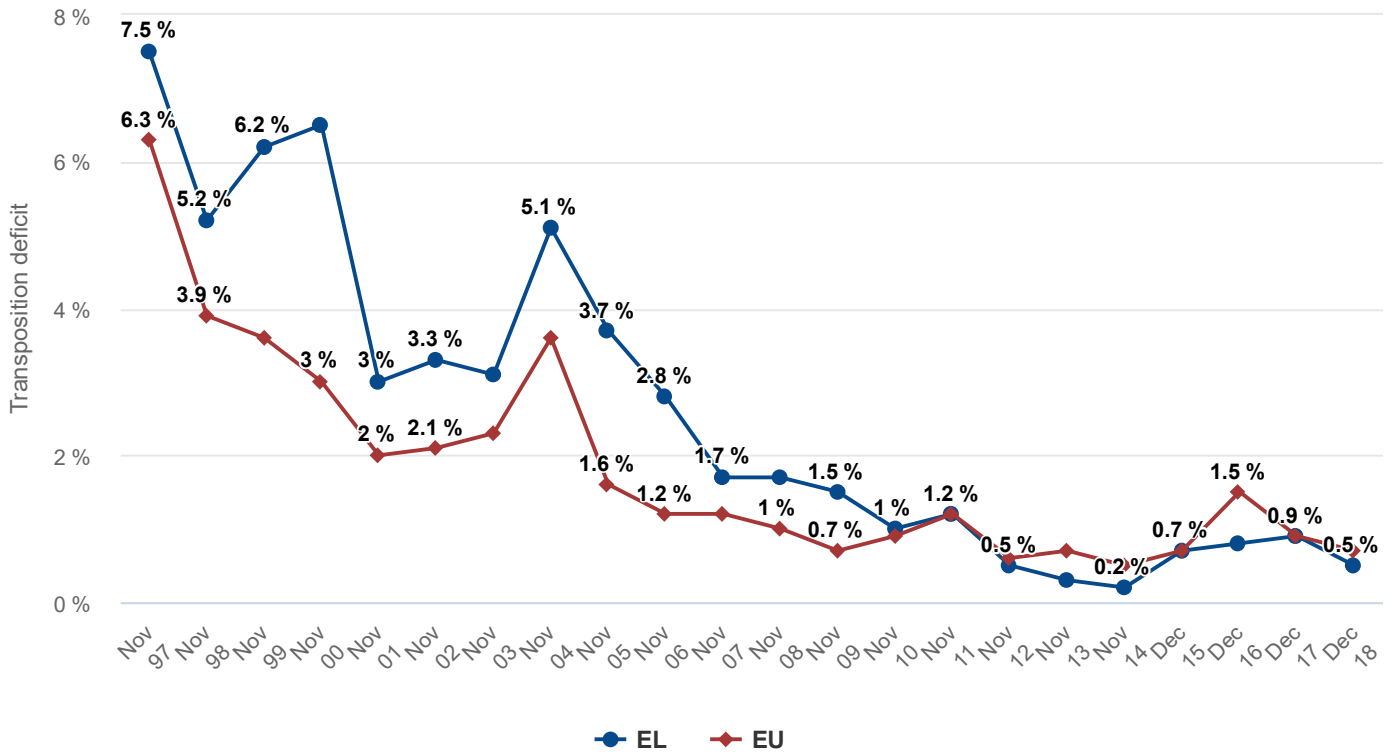
Average delay: 3.7 months (*last report: 6.2 months*) – Marked decrease by 2.5 months and the Member State with the 3rd lowest duration of cases. Greece is well under the EU average, as all of its 5 outstanding directives have been due for less than 6 months.

EU average = 8.4 months

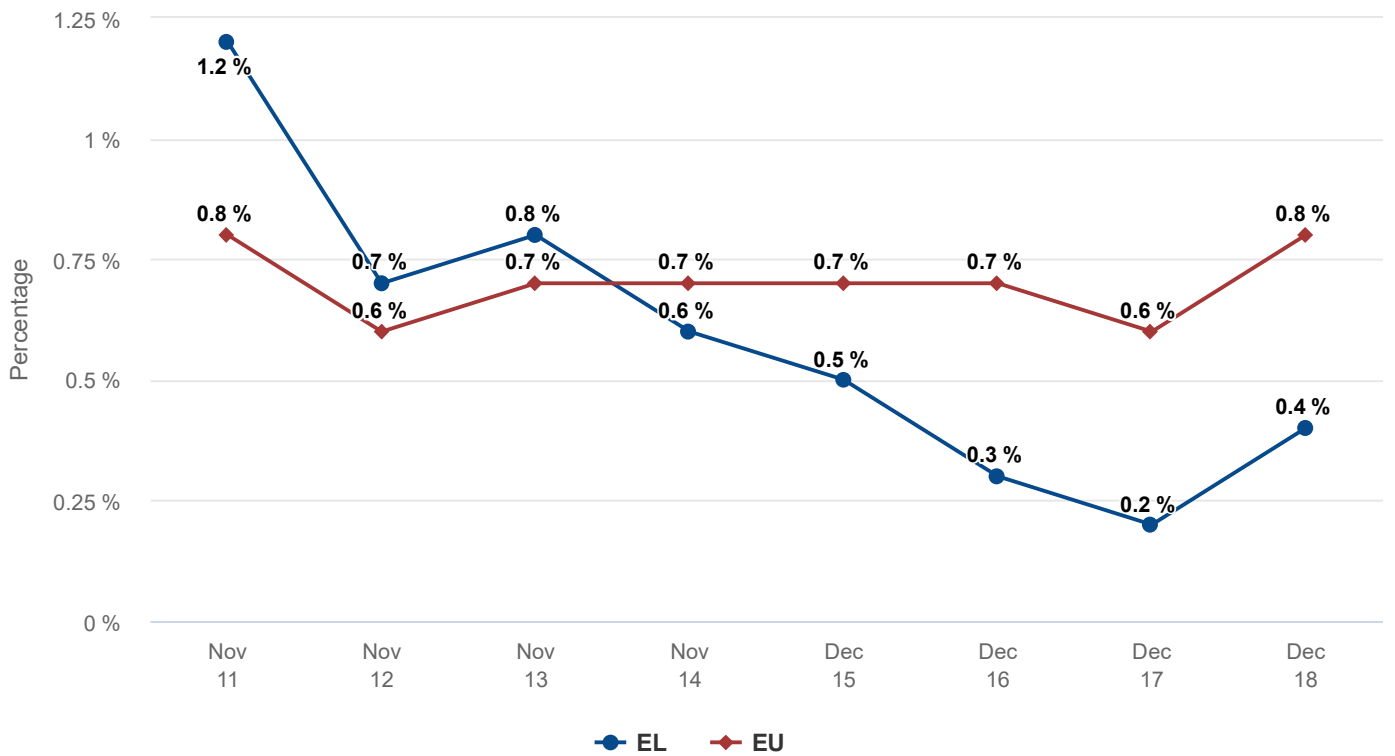
Conformity deficit: 0.4% (*last report: 0.2%*) – Increase by 0.2 percentage point but still well under both the EU average and the 0.5% proposed target (with 3 other Member States). With 4 such directives, Greece is among the leading 4 Member States with the fewest directives presumably incorrectly transposed. With Malta, Greece is also the only Member State that combined a very low conformity deficit with a very low transposition deficit (0.5% or less).

EU average = 0.8%; Proposed target (in Single Market Act) = 0.5%

Evolution of transposition deficit – Greece



Evolution of conformity deficit – Greece



Infringements

Pending cases: 33 (8 new cases and 10 cases closed including 3 in the environment sector; last report: 35 pending cases) – New decrease (by 2 cases) in the context of the decreasing trend that started 5 years ago (-49%). Greece has not had so few Single Market-related cases. However, it is in the top 5 of Member States with the highest number of infringement cases.

EU average = 25 cases

Problematic sectors: environment (15 cases), in particular water protection & management (6) and waste management (6) = 45% of all pending cases.

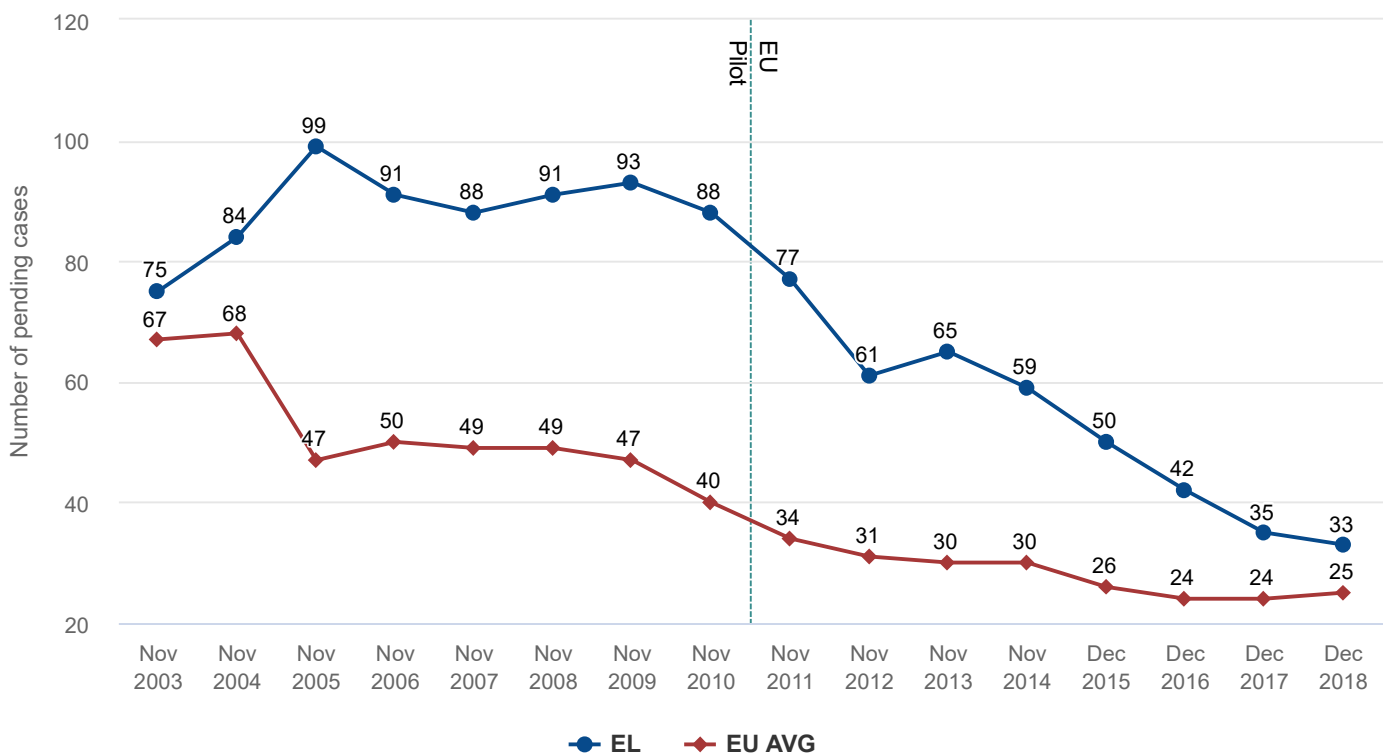
Average case duration: 47.3 months for the 17 cases not yet sent to the Court (last report: 52.2 months) – Decrease of 4.9 months; now the Member State with the 4th highest average case duration. Although Greece recently resolved 8 cases not yet sent to Court (including one pending for more than 10 years), it still has 7 very old pending cases that push up its average (1 case is more than 14 years old and the others have been ongoing for 5 to 9 years).

EU average = 38.1 months

Compliance with court rulings: 28.9 months for the 11 cases at this stage of the procedure and closed in the 5 last years (last report: 26.1 months) – Slight increase by 2.8 months in the compliance duration because 2 cases with quick compliance (3 months on average) are now older than 5 years and no longer part of the calculation. Greece's average delay is still close to the EU average but well above the 18-month threshold. Almost half of the rulings passed in the last 5 years concern taxation.

EU average = 28.2 months

Evolution of infringement cases – Greece



EU Pilot

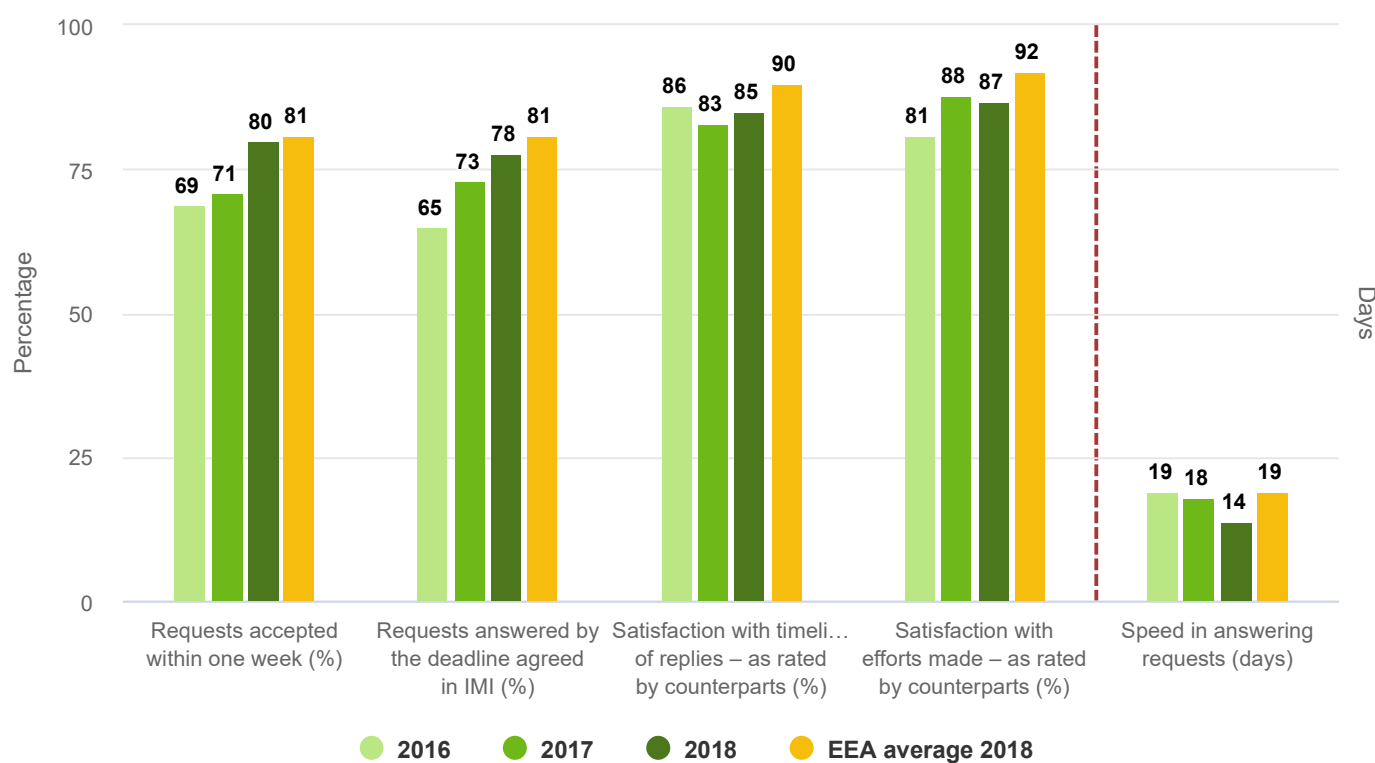
Greece's average response time currently exceeds the 70-day time limit in EU Pilot by 1 week.

Internal Market Information System

Performance – Greece's performance has improved and is now good .

- Greece showed a clear improvement in all 5 indicators.
- The percentage of requests accepted within 1 week increased significantly.
- 4 out of 5 indicators were still below the EEA average and could be further improved.

Internal Market Information System – Greece



EURES

National provider: [OAEA](#) (Public Employment Service Greece)

EURES advisers (nationally): 25

Performance: could be improved by providing more vacancies held by the PES to the EURES portal and by a higher number of EURES advisers.

Your Europe

The EU has set up a **single digital gateway** providing access to information, to procedures and to assistance and problem-solving services.

The specific regulation setting up the single digital pathway is Regulation 2018/1724 of 2 October 2018. Article 29 of the Regulation establishes a group to coordinate work on the gateway. The gateway coordination group will meet in three configurations, one devoted to information, meeting twice a year. The other two configurations are dedicated to ICT and e-procedures and assistance services.

The information group will largely continue the work of the Your Europe Editorial Board. This is to ensure that the gateway coordination group's work does not overlap with that of other expert groups or sub-groups.

National equivalent?

National portal in Greek, English, French and German: www.ermis.gov.gr

Record for this period

- No participation in the Editorial Board work
- responsive to some of the requests for information for the website
- promotional activities and back-linking from national websites to Your Europe

Recommended action

Resume its contribution to Your Europe and:

- provide information, when requested, on how the country applies single market rules
- raise awareness about Your Europe within the national administration and among potential end users
- link national websites to Your Europe

Make an effort to:

- provide all missing information on how the country applies single market rules (specifically on vehicles, residence, work, travel, taxation and running a business)

Consider:

- ensuring stable representation in the single digital gateway information group
- attending the single digital gateway information group meetings twice a year

SOLVIT

- **Caseload – medium**

Submitted cases: 18 (21 in 2017)

Received cases: 99 (85 in 2017)

- **Resolution rate:** 88% (90% in 2017)

- **Handling time (home centre)**

Reply in 7 days: 75% (50% in 2017) – **good**

Cases prepared in 30 days: 88% (90% in 2017) – **good**

Solutions accepted in 7 days: 40% (43% in 2017) – **poor - needs improving**

- **Handling time (lead centre)**

Cases accepted within 7 days: 63% (82% in 2017) – **poor**

Cases closed in 10 weeks: 21% (31% in 2017) – **poor - needs improving**

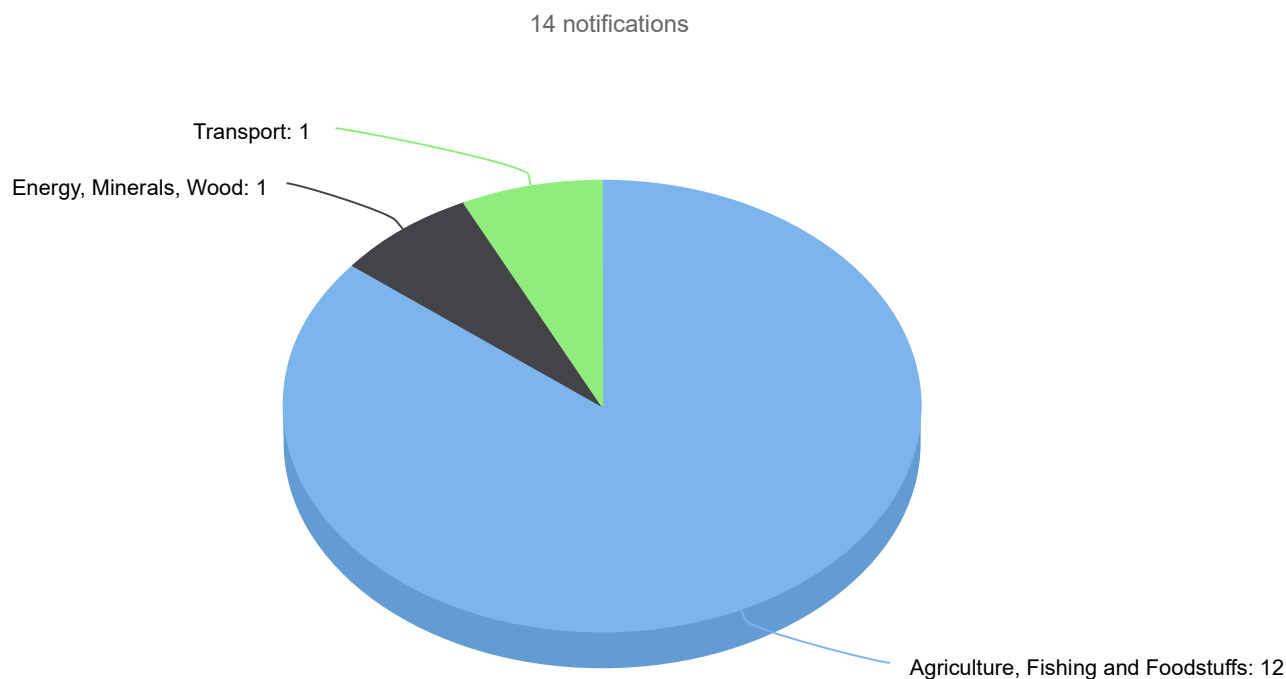
- **Staffing**

Continuity – yes

Sufficient for current caseload? yes

Technical Regulations Information System

Notifications per sector



Points of Single Contact

- 14 out of 20 analysed procedures (2 do not exist) are available online including 10 available fully online.
- Only “filling in standard form for registration deed” and “registration of a company name” are accessible for cross-border users.
- General information is available in another language.
- Points identified for improvement:
 - making procedures available fully online;
 - cross-border accessibility of online procedures;
 - translation of more specific information;
 - collection of user feedback.

Public procurement

Overall, Greece’s performance in 2018 was **unsatisfactory**. For further information and the methodology applied, please see the section on [Public procurement performance](#).

Postal services

For easier analysis, EU countries are divided into 3 groups reflecting absolute GDP per capita and EU accession date (as in the [EU postal sector study \(2010–13\)](#)):

- **Western** – Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Sweden, the UK
- **Southern** – Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Spain
- **Eastern** – Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia.

- **Transit time performance D+1**: quality of service, in terms of transit time performance, declined to 71.7% in 2017.



Some countries’ reference figures for the previous period may differ slightly from those in the last Scoreboard. This is because these countries updated their data after publication.

Trade in goods and services

Greece has the third lowest trade integration in the single market for goods. Trade integration for services is slightly below the EU average. In 2017, both indicators increased strongly.

		Goods	Services
Intra-EU trade integration	% GDP 2017	11.1	6.6
	Change 2016 – 2017	5.9	6.2
Intra-EU imports	% GDP 2017	13.8	4.0
	Change 2016 – 2017	5.9	9.9

Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)

In 2017, Greece's share of intra-EU FDI inflows increased while its share of EU FDI outflows remained unchanged. Its share of intra-EU FDI inward and outward stock remained unchanged.

	Share of intra-EU FDI flows		Share of intra-EU FDI stocks	
	inward	outward	inward	outward
% FDI 2017	0.8	0.1	0.3	0.1
Change 2016 – 17 (in pp)	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0

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% FDI 2017	0.8	0.2	0.1	0.1
Change 2016 – 17 (in pp)	0.6	0.7	0.0	0.0