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Abstract

Greece, just like almost all developed countries on our planet, is characterized by low fertility indices, increased life expectancy, positive migration balance and population ageing. At the same time, family structures progressively transform, even though nuclear family remains dominant. Despite an increase in one-parent families, family largely continues to play an extremely important role as an informal safety net. Policies in support of family in our country, as well as in the other European countries, are progressively intensified with an aim to promote it, to reconcile the professional and private lives of their members and indirectly to boost fertility. In this paper, after a brief presentation of the latest demographic developments in our country, we present in short the main components of Greek family policy.