

# European Union (EU): After Greece Exit, Israel Entry?

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*Will Netanyahu now Apply to Join the European Union - (in lieu of Greece) - together with its 5 million Dispossessed Palestinians, 400 Nuclear Warheads, 500,000 Illegal Settlers, 1.8m Civilians still under Blockade in Gaza plus its annual shipment of \$3bn of guns, missiles and bombs from the powerful U.S. Congress - or would the EU Commission consider such an application from a Middle East state to be somewhat less than advantageous to its 27 members and their incredibly important, European single market?*

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GREECE - Hellenic Republic, established 1830.

Full Member State of European Union

Location: Mediterranean

Capital: Athens

Population: 10,993,000

Surface Area: 131,960 km<sup>2</sup>

Currency: Euro

ISRAEL - UDI declared 1948

Location: Middle East (borders disputed)

Technically in a state of war with: Syria, Lebanon, Palestine and Iran.

Concluded (tenuous) peace treaties with Egypt and Jordan

Capital: Jerusalem (disputed)

Population: 8,212,000

Surface Area: 22,070 km<sup>2</sup> (disputed)

Currency: Israeli Shekel

<b>Government</b>				
	<b>Greece</b>		<b>Israel</b>	
GDP	2014	238,023 M.\$	303,771 M.\$	2014
GDP per capita	2014	21,653\$	36,991\$	2014
Debt	2014	421,259 M.\$	196,474 M.\$	2013
Debt (%GDP)	2014	177.10%	67.62%	2013
Debt Per Capita	2014	38,348\$	24,389\$	2013
Deficit	2013	-6,815 M.\$	-11,884 M.\$	2013
Deficit (%GDP)	2014	-3.50%	-4.09%	2013
Expenditure (M.\$)	2014	117,400.9	119,760.0	2013
Expenditure (%GDP)	2014	49.30%	41.22%	2013

<b>Trade</b>				
	<b>Greece</b>		<b>Israel</b>	
Exports	2014	35,966.6 M.\$	68,120.3 M.\$	2014
Exports % GDP	2014	15.13%	22.44%	2014
Imports	2014	63,399.1 M.\$	75,338.1 M.\$	2014
Imports % GDP	2014	26.67%	24.81%	2014
Trade balance	2014	-27,432.5 M.\$	-7,217.8 M.\$	2014
Trade balance % GDP	2014	-11.53%	-2.38%	2014
Retail Sales YoY	March 2015	1.2%		

<b>Socio-Demography</b>				
	<b>Greece</b>		<b>Israel</b>	
Population	2014	10,993,000	8,212,000	2014
Density	2014	83	372	2014

Source: <http://countryeconomy.com/countries/compare/greece/israel>

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