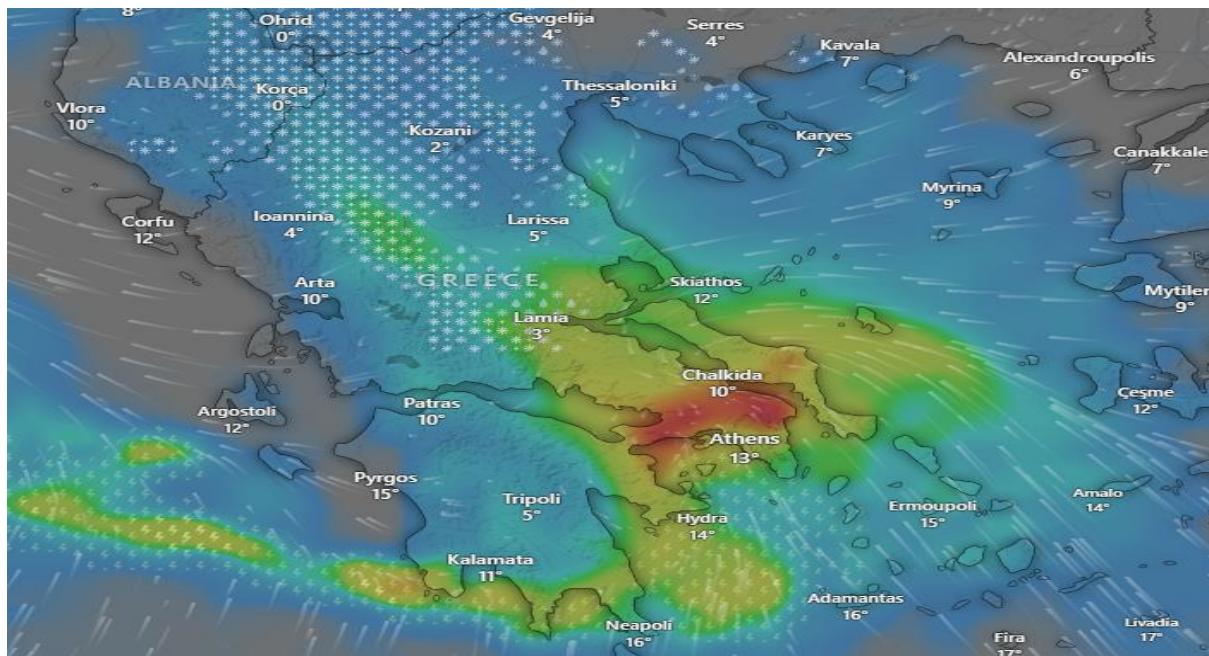




Jan 20, 2026

Heavy Rainfall and Flooding Risk - Greece



Affected Areas

Greece, with highest risk in the Peloponnese (Patras, Pyrgos, Tripoli, Kalamata), Attica (including Athens and surrounding basin), western/central Sterea Hellas, Evia, Thessaly (southern parts), Ionian Islands (e.g., Corfu, Zakynthos), and parts of the eastern Aegean and Cyclades.

Duration

January 20–24, 2026

Hazard Types

Heavy to very heavy rainfall, thunderstorms, gale-force winds

Hazard Summary

A potent frontal system combined with abundant moisture and strong southeasterly flow is producing widespread heavy and locally torrential rainfall across much of Greece, particularly from the Ionian Sea through the mainland to the Aegean. Orographic enhancement over elevated terrain (Peloponnese mountains, Parnitha near Athens) significantly increases precipitation rates. Accumulations of **50–150 mm** (and locally 200+ mm in hotspots) are possible over the next 48–72 hours, raising the risk of flash flooding, urban inundation (especially in Athens/Attica basin), landslides, and disruptions to transport/infrastructure. Thunderstorms will intensify short-duration rainfall rates, while strong winds and rough seas pose threats to maritime activities, coastal erosion, and exposed areas.