

Strumica

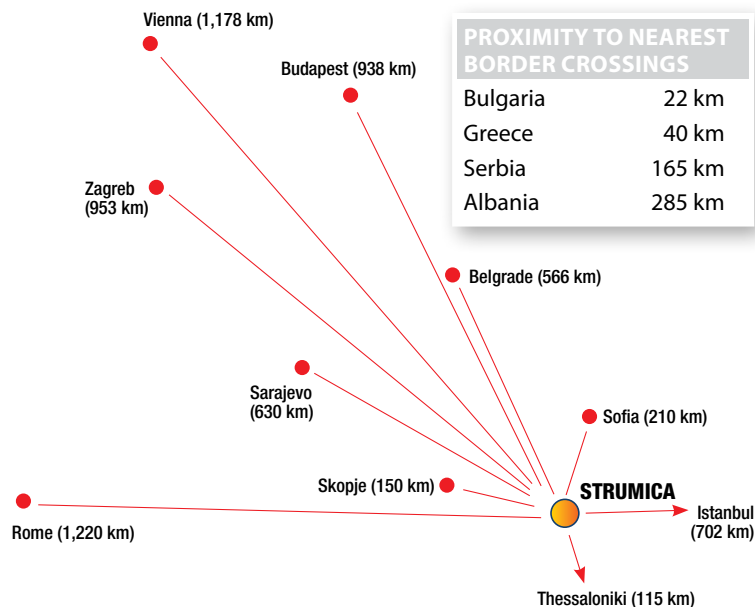


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Location	South East Macedonia
Population	56,280
Territory	321.87 km ² ; 25.26% arable land, 58.67% forests, 6.07% roads and other
Budget	€ 9.8 million; 68% capital investments
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The Municipality of Strumica, the country's agricultural capital, is located in the South East corner of Macedonia, close to the neighboring EU countries of Greece and Bulgaria. Strumica is one of the most progressive municipalities in Macedonia, already achieving milestones such as ISO International quality certification, gasification for cleaner and more efficient heating, and other efforts to enhance the transparency and response of municipal services. The municipality is the home of developed food, wood, textile, construction and metal industries and offers a highly-educated work force in various fields. The robust business infrastructure along with a B1 Moody's credit rating and the low cost of doing business is attracting many new residents and investments from Croatia, Greece, Turkey, and Germany. By practicing professional and responsible management, transparent work and developing strategic partnerships, Strumica aims to create an ever-improving municipality focused on the quality of life of its businesses and citizens.





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HUMAN RESOURCES

Work force: 33,383

Education structure: 11% college or university degree; 39% high school; 50% elementary and lower Main faculties / schools: Local courses of University of Shtip - agriculture, informatics, economics, private university FON - law, economics, philology, security, business academy, 4 high schools, 10 elementary schools

No. of unemployed: 14,075; unemployment rate 31.8%

Average gross salary: € 503 / month

LOCAL ECONOMY

No. of businesses: 2,570 companies

Size of businesses: 99.22% small, 0.43% middle-sized, 0.35% large

Dominant industries: Textile, wood, food-processing, metal-processing, electro-industry

The largest domestic companies: Strumica tabak (tobacco processing), Edinstvo (textile), Elenica (construction materials), Ograzden (non-metal mine), Zito Strumica (food industry), Groz (beverage industry), Trgoproduct, Mabi trade, Agrokomerc (vegetables and fruits processing), Nikov, Savelo, Al mak, Studio 2, Piramida, Mebel 2000, Dizajn 21, Ni Prom (wood industry)

The most significant foreign investors: Strumica tabak (tobacco processing, Greece), Agrokor (distributive center for gardening products, Croatia), other small foreign investors from Greece, Bulgaria, Turkey, Germany etc.



TRAFFIC CONNECTIONS

Highways: Indirect access to E-75 via Route 604 – 29 km away

Main roads: M-6 (border with Bulgaria)

Railroad lines: Indirect access to line Belgrade – Skopje – Thessaloniki – 40 km away

Ports: Port in Thessaloniki – 120 km away

Airports: International airport in Skopje – 135 km away, airport in Thessaloniki – 130 km away, airport in Sofia – 220 km away



INVESTMENT LOCATION

Land area and purpose	653,000 m ² , industrial land
Ownership structure	40% state ownership, 60% private ownership
Infrastructure	Water, sewerage, gas, high voltage electricity, access road, telecommunications
Location	2 km from city center, next to main road M-6
Price and type of acquisition	Starting price for auction: € 1 / m ² ; average price: € 15-25 / m ²
Other investment-related costs	€ 5 / m ² communal contributions and fees for factories, € 62 / m ² for office space
Local incentives	Reduction of communal fees for investors according to the number of new jobs created