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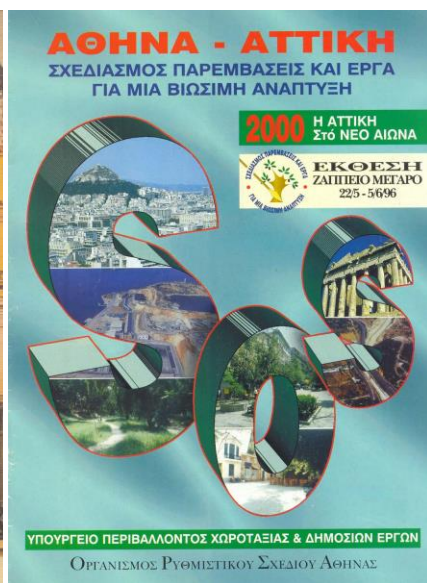
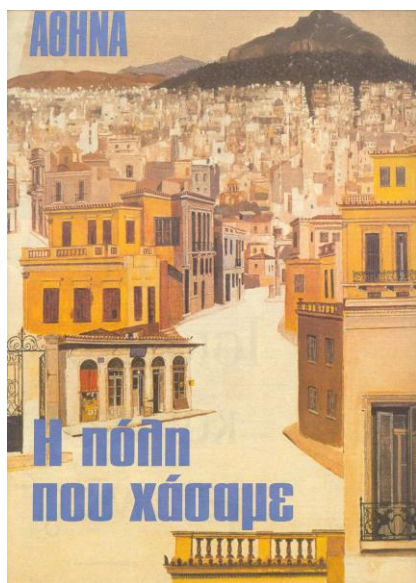
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Perspectives for the historic centre of Athens

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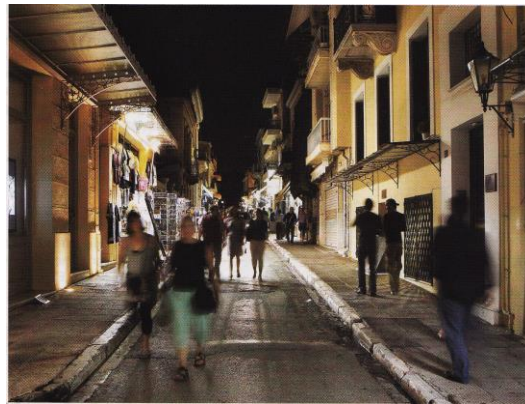




Change in the traditional uses and withdrawal of traditional occupations



Conflicts of use and withdrawal of the habitat



Socio-demographic concerns

- The change in the social composition of the central areas in Athens during the last 20 years is connected with two important phenomena:
- the pre-urbanization suburbanization (from the '70s)
- and the influx and installation of immigrants (from the '90s)

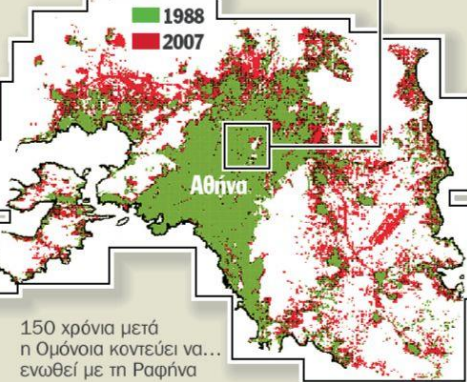
Τσιμεντένιο δάσος

1 Η Αθήνα του 1865

Χάρτης του Κάουπερτ που αποτυπώνει το πρώτο ρυμοτομικό σχέδιο της πρωτεύουσας



2 ... και η επέκτασή της σήμερα



Η πόλη που απλώθηκε

1988-2007

191.924

τα στρέμματα επέκτασης των οικισμών της Αττικής πάνω σε δάση και χορτολιβαδικές εκτάσεις

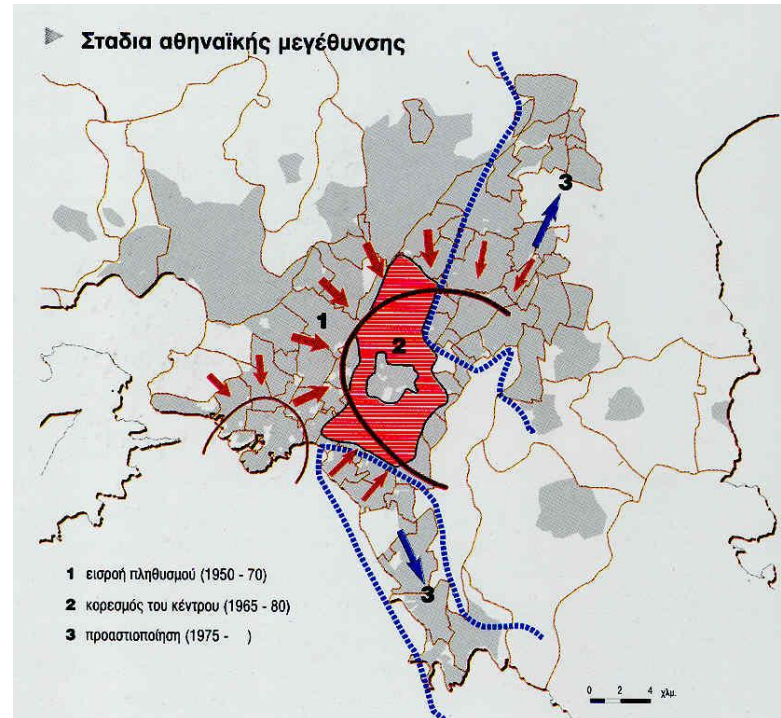
Το δάσος που χάθηκε

1987- 2007

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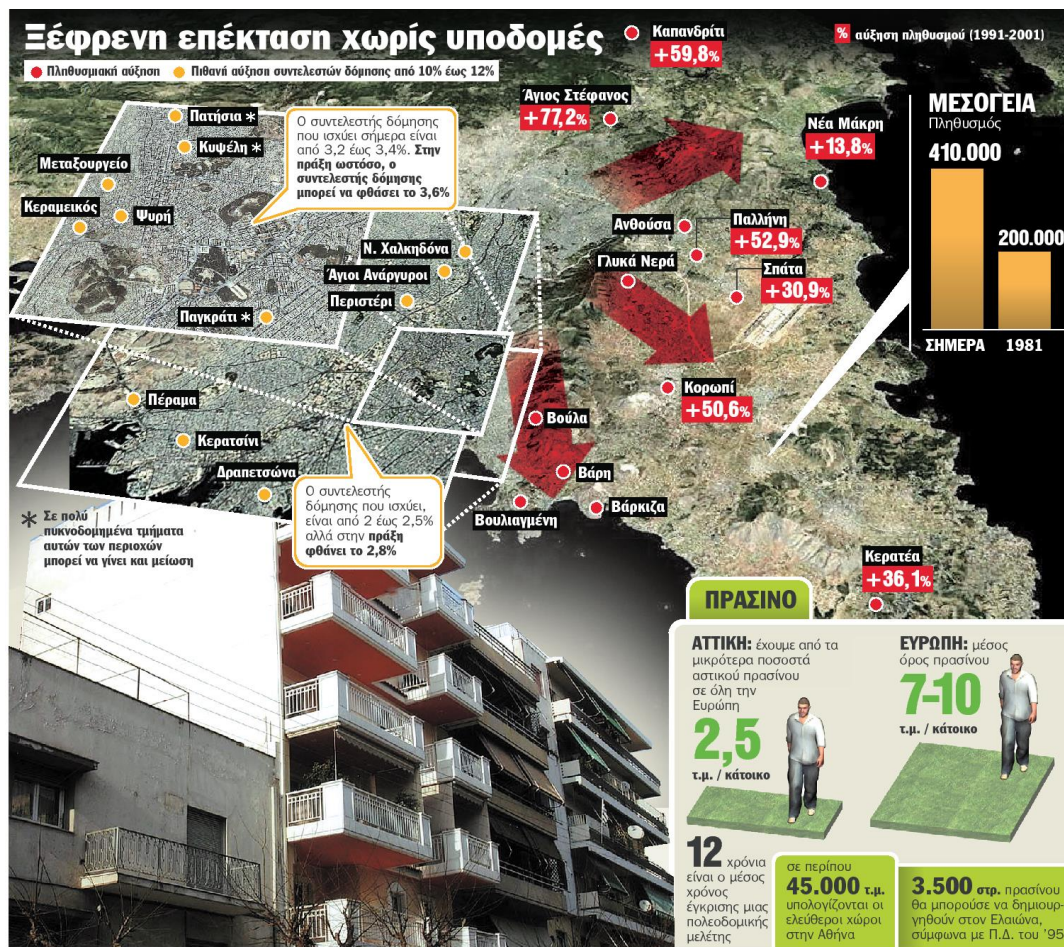
στρέμματα δάσους χάθηκαν στην Αττική (κυρίως πευκοδάσος), τα οποία απέκτησαν οικιστικό και γεωργικό χαρακτήρα

From urban concentration to the departure of residents from the centre and the installation of immigrants

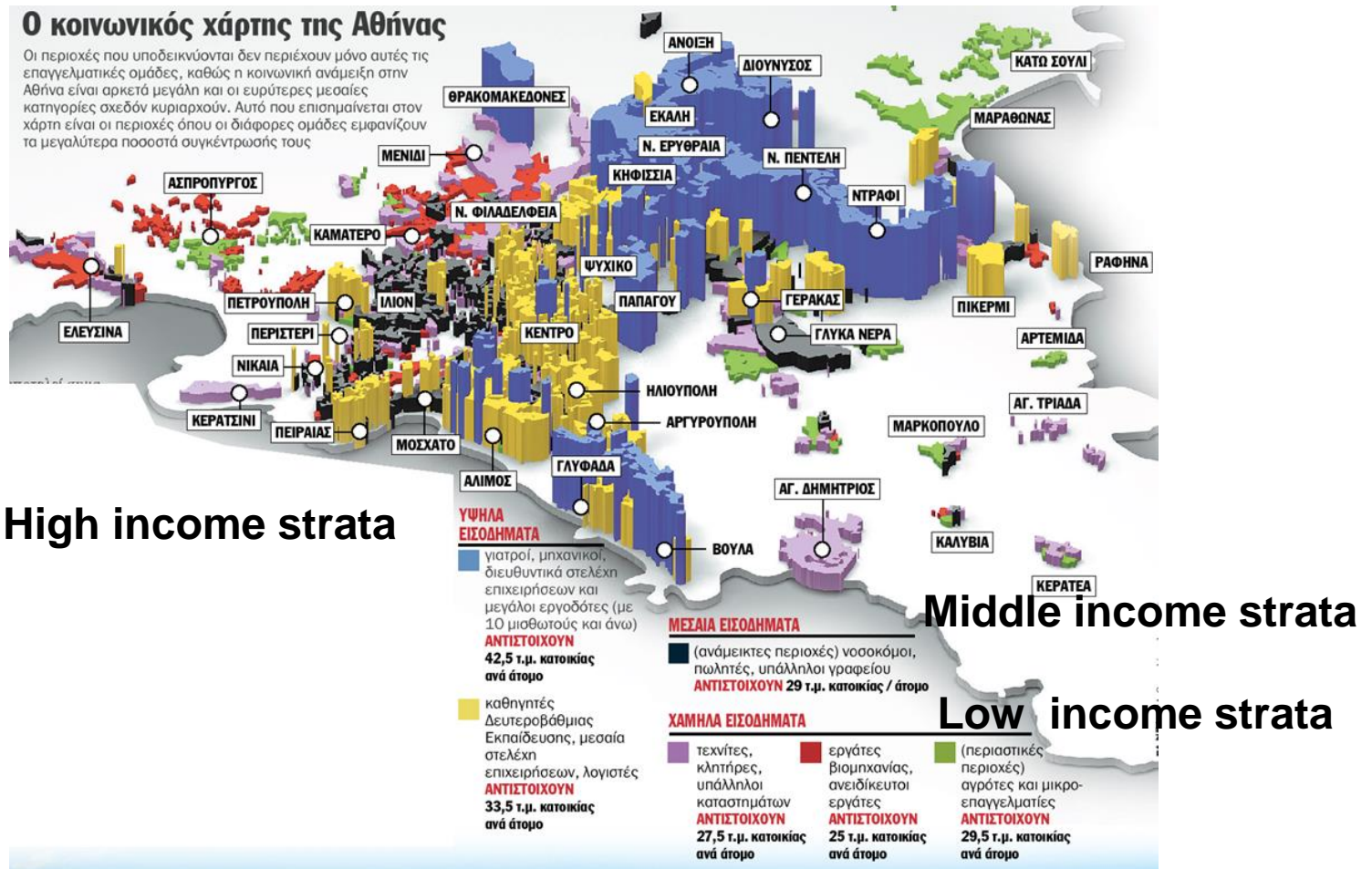


1. 250.000 INHABITANTS 1950-70
2. 1965-80 DENSIFICATION
3. SUBURBANISATION 1975-

Expansion from the centre towards the northeast and southeast suburbs



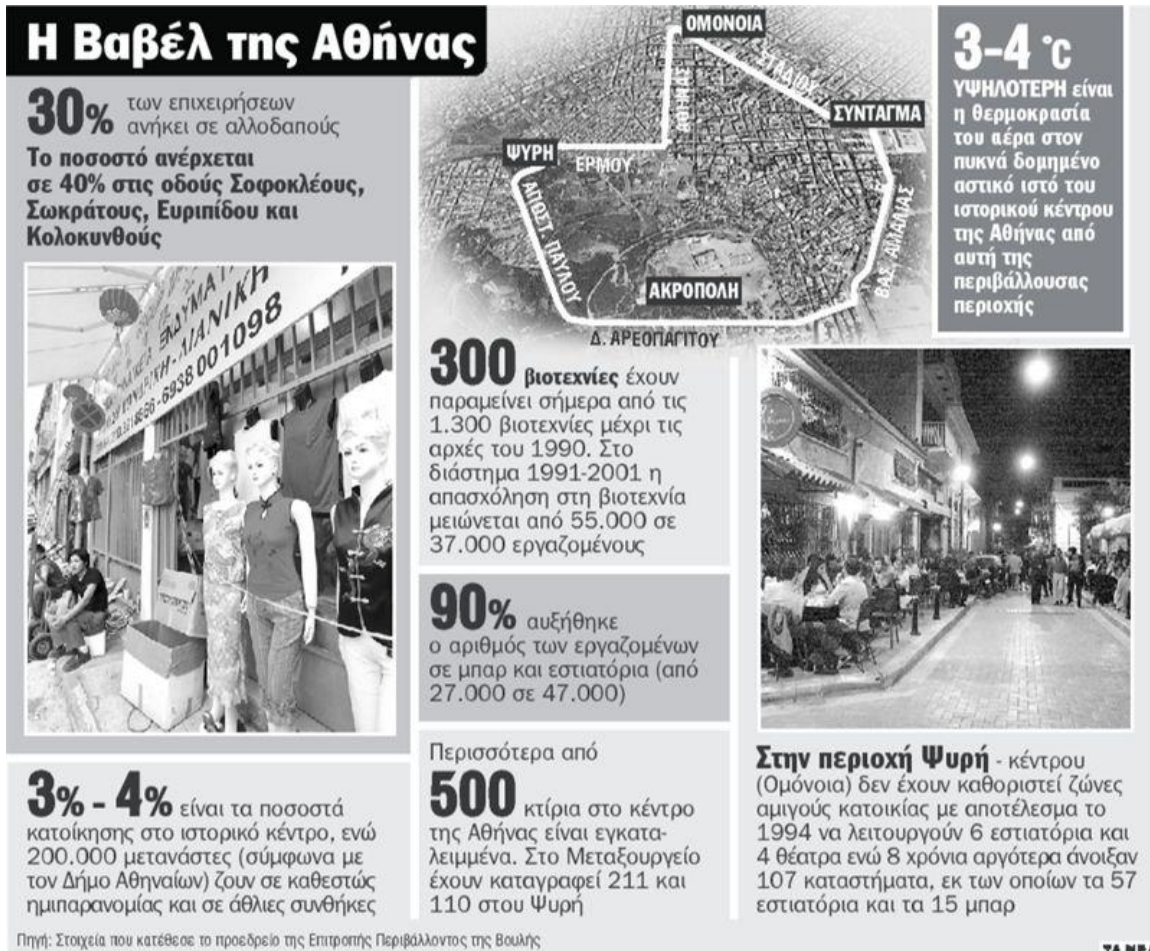
The social map of Athens area 2010



Change of the functional role of the Athens center

30% of Small – Medium Enterprises

1994: 1300 crafts
2010: 300 crafts



3-4° C Temperature higher than the suburbs

Densification of restaurants and bars

3-4% use habitat,
200 000 immigrants

500 unused buildings

Neglected building potential

- An important depreciation of the building reserve
- The phenomenon of *gentrification*
- New housing models, corresponding to new lifestyles and new forms



The historicity and its contribution to a sustainable perspective for the historic centre of Athens

Residents

**Competent bodies
local government**

Specialists

*are now realizing that
a new approach is needed*

The major problems from the residents' point of view are the:

- Traffic
- Parking
- Noise and atmospheric pollution
- Lack of green spaces



The main advantages from the residents' point of view are the:

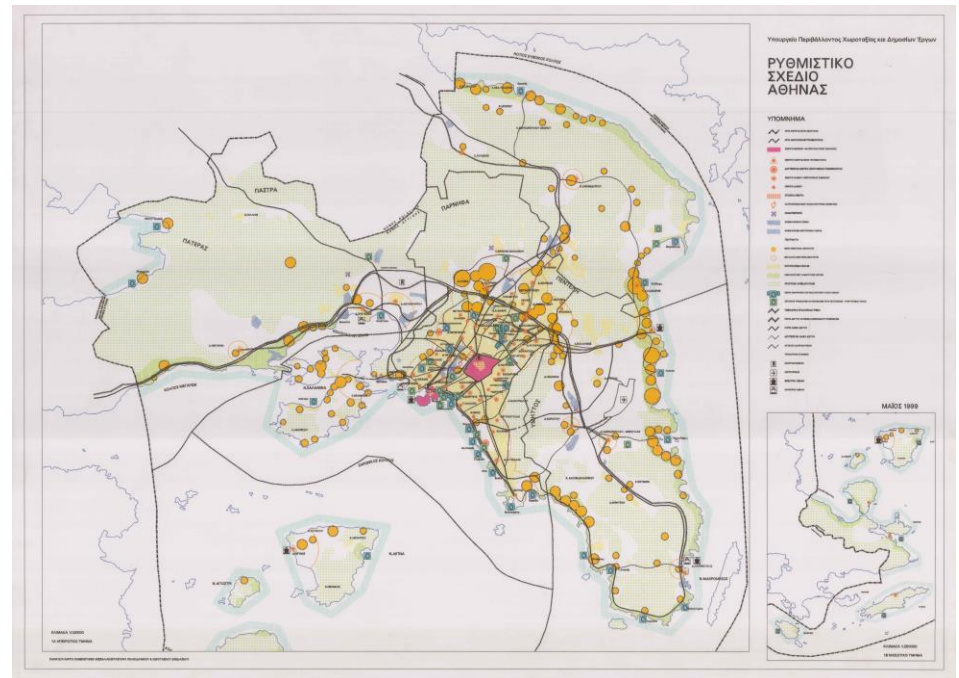
- area's central character
- easy access to public services and bodies
- commercial stores and recreational areas



From the point of view of the state and the local government


The Athens Master Plan N.1515/1985

- recognizes and delimitates legislatively the ***Athens's historic centre***
- acknowledges the ***historicity of the city***



Interventions concerning the

- Protection of the historic district of Plaka,
- Listing of the historic buildings of the centre
- Unification of archaeological sites,
- Works for the Olympic Games of 2004

The background of the slide is a photograph of a rustic stone wall. The wall is constructed from irregular, light-colored stones. A single, long, light-colored wooden plank leans vertically against the right side of the wall. The overall tone is warm and textured.

The sustainable protection and
management of the Athens historic
centre through the
recovery of territorial cohesion
becomes a basic target for
the Athenian historic centre

Factors of a sustainable change.

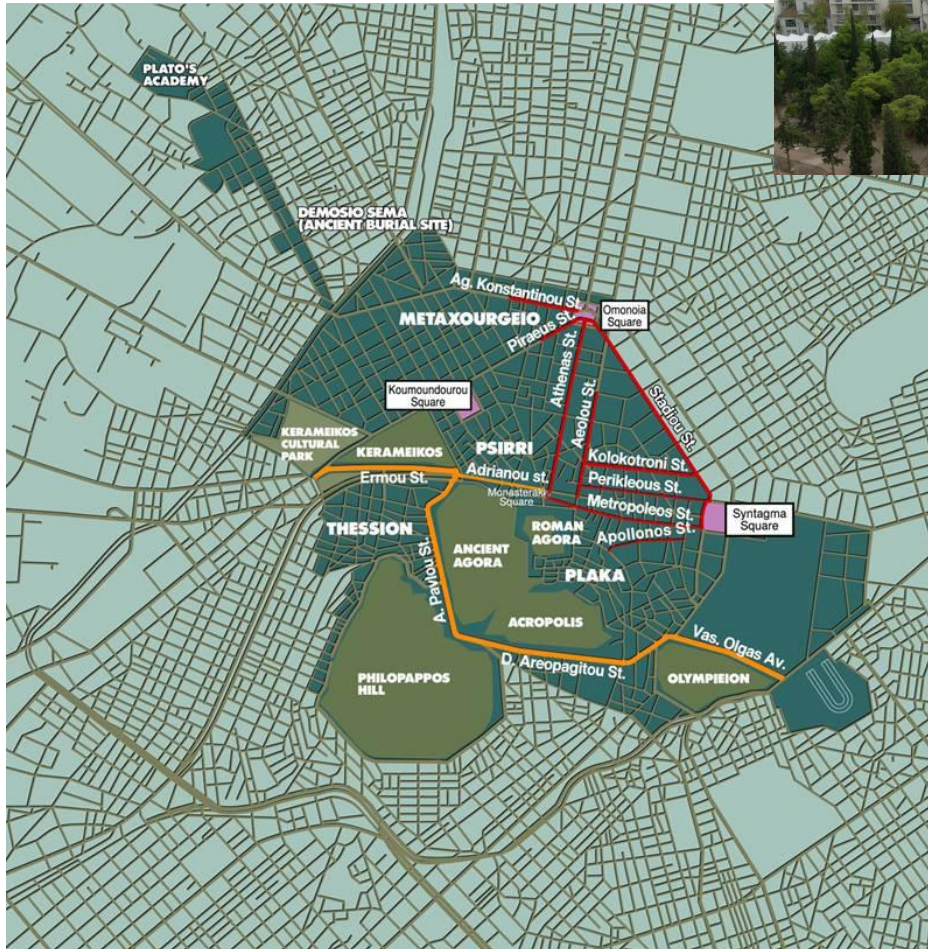
- Promotion and connection of the historically important sites, so as to complete the Athens “walk” and “archaeological park”
- Encouragement for the return of residences,
- Protection, revitalization and promotion of certain traditional professions with modern terms
- Social policies dealing with criminality and welcoming immigrants



For the specialists there are
three in severable dimensions

- *the architectural*
- *the urban-planning*
- *the environmental dimension*

Athens walk and archaeological park



The documentation of historicity and the recording of important facts which should be preserved in order to be bequeathed to future generations, within the context of a sustainable urban development, are recognized as a particular and important factor of development

