

## FLOODS IN GREECE:LEVEL 10

Nearly a year since a powerful storm triggered floods and swept away roads and homes in Volos city.

Helicopters plucked people from rooftops and military personnel rescued families in rubber boats from floods up to three meters deep in dozens of stranded villages in central Greece. The death toll from deadly floods rose to 10.

The 10 dead were all found in the area of Thessaly, about 330 kilometers (205 miles) north of Athens, four people were also reported missing.

Meanwhile, 1,700 people had been rescued in total, among them 296 airlifted away from their homes. However, people calling television stations said hundreds of people were still stranded.

Houses were washed away by torrents, bridges collapsed, roads became impassable, power lines collapsed, and crops on the fertile plain of Thessaly were destroyed.

The flooding follows the hottest summer on record and massive wildfires that devoured forests and homes across swathes of the country, killing more than a dozen people.

## THOUSANDS OF DEAD FISHES IN VOLO'S PORT:

More than 100 tons of dead fishes were collected in and around the port of Volos. The dead freshwater fish filled the bay 200 miles north of Athens, and nearby rivers. Water levels in the area were swollen by floods in 2023, followed by months of severe drought.

The fishes came from Lake Karla in central Greece, a lake that was created in the early 1960s and restored in 2018 to combat the effects of drought.

The living conditions near the port were awful, you couldn't stand because of the smell. We needed to stay inside our houses, although the government took care of the problem by picking up all the dead fishes immediately.