

Review of: "Developments in Regional Inequality in Greece"

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1. How do you rate the significance of the research (on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being the most significant)?

I rate the article on the scale of 1 to 5, giving a grade of 3

2. How do you rate the originality (on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being the highest)?

I rate the originality of the article on the scale of 1 to 5, giving a grade of 2

3. How do you rate the experimental design and quality of data (on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being the highest)?

I rate the experimental design and quality of data of the article on the scale of 1 to 5, giving a grade of 3

4. Is the organization of the article appropriate?

The structure of the article is good, but the article needs improvement. See comments below.

5. Did you find any language problems?

There are a few syntactic errors in the text that need to be corrected

6. Your decision for this manuscript: accept, minor, major, or reject

Accept with major improvements

7. Comments to the Editor (Confidential):

I recommend that the article be accepted for publication in the Journal after the improvements suggested below.

8. Comments to the Author:

This is an interesting paper in which an empirical investigation is carried out on the estimation of income inequalities in Greece. Specifically, the paper studies the developments of income inequality in Greece in the period 2017-2023, focusing mainly on the effects of the pandemic crisis and the regional dimension of inequality. In addition, the paper deals with the regional dimensions of inequalities, as regional economic differences are seen as a potential threat to economic progress and social cohesion. Many of the results and conclusions drawn from the data analysis in the paper are logical and rather expected!

The **main points** where I think **the article should be improved** in order to be published in the Journal are the following:

- For a better understanding of inequality indicators, **I think the equations used for the calculations made in the article should be written.** In addition, to justify their use by describing the advantages of these indicators for measuring regional inequalities
- As mentioned in Section 1, Introduction, the paper aims to find out whether there are different levels of resilience between regions to different economic shocks. I think this article's goal is not being achieved, **since inequalities are calculated, but resilience levels are not.**
- Also, the other objective of this article, that is, investigating the sources of income inequality, is not achieved, since the issue is not thoroughly analyzed and the sources of inequality are not determined. **The search and identification of the sources of regional inequalities in Greece is a complex subject, and I believe that a wider analysis is required than the one included in the article.**

I hope that my comments will be helpful to the author.

Sincerely,