

Bulgaria's Population is Shrinking

Bulgaria, a southeastern country in the European Union, is one of the fastest shrinking countries. In the last years, the population of Bulgaria has fallen from 9 to 7 million. Young people often leave the country for postsecondary studies and do not return for years. Approximately 1 million Bulgarians currently live abroad. Bulgarians are also having children. Despite the shrinking population, some Bulgarians do return after realizing that they miss some aspects of home, including the and relaxed pace of living.