

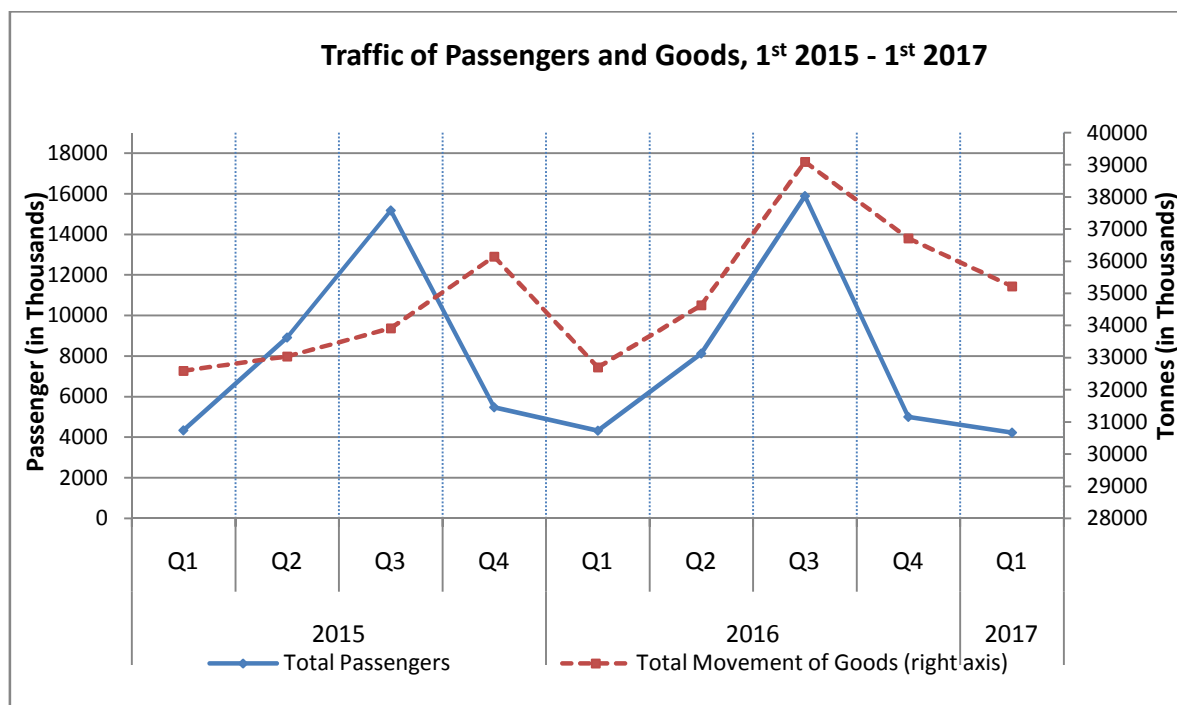


PRESS RELEASE

TRAFFIC OF PASSENGERS, GOODS AND MOBILE UNITS IN GREEK PORTS: 1ST QUARTER 2017 (Provisional data)

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces data on traffic of passengers, goods and mobile units in the Greek ports for the 1st Quarter 2017. Particularly:

- The total passenger traffic in Greek ports in the 1st quarter 2017 recorded a decrease of 2.1% compared with the 1st quarter 2016. In the corresponding quarter of 2016 compared with 2015 the total passenger traffic decreased by 0.4% (Table 1).
- The total movements of goods in Greek ports in the 1st quarter 2017 increased by 7.7% compared with the 1st quarter 2016. The corresponding period of 2016-2015, the total movements of goods also increased by 0.3% (Table 2).
- The total traffic of mobile units in Greek ports in the 1st quarter 2017 increased by 2.1% compared with the 1st quarter 2016. The corresponding period of 2016-2015, the total traffic of mobile units increased by 1.9% (Table 3).



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Table 1. Domestic and international passenger traffic in Greek ports: 1st Quarter 2015 - 2017

1 st Quarter					
	2015	2016	Change % 2016/2015	2017	Change % 2017/2016
Domestic passengers (Disembarked / embarked)	4,105,509	4,122,452	0.4%	4,042,893	-1.9%
International passengers	228,404	195,745	-14.3%	182,675	-6.7%
Disembarked	114,040	99,522	-12.7%	90,223	-9.3%
Embarked	114,364	96,223	-15.9%	92,452	-3.9%
Total:	4,333,913	4,318,197	-0.4%	4,225,568	-2.1%

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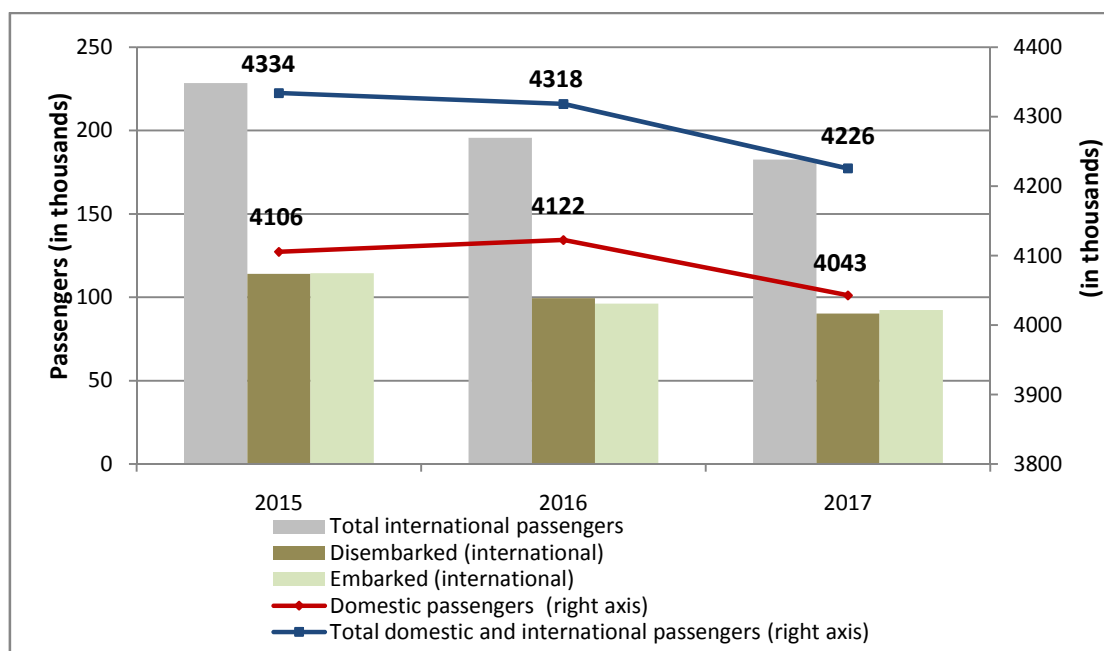


Table 2. Domestic and international movements of goods in Greek ports: 1st Quarter 2015 - 2017

1 st Quarter					
(in tons)	2015	2016	Change % 2016/2015	2017	Change % 2017/2016
Domestic goods (Unloaded / loaded)	6,890,744	7,087,052	2.8%	7,428,139	4.8%
International goods	25,700,574	25,616,011	-0.3%	27,795,571	8.5%
Unloaded	15,075,789	14,736,180	-2.3%	16,096,426	9.2%
Loaded	10,624,785	10,879,831	2.4%	11,699,145	7.5%
Total:	32,591,318	32,703,063	0.3%	35,223,710	7.7%

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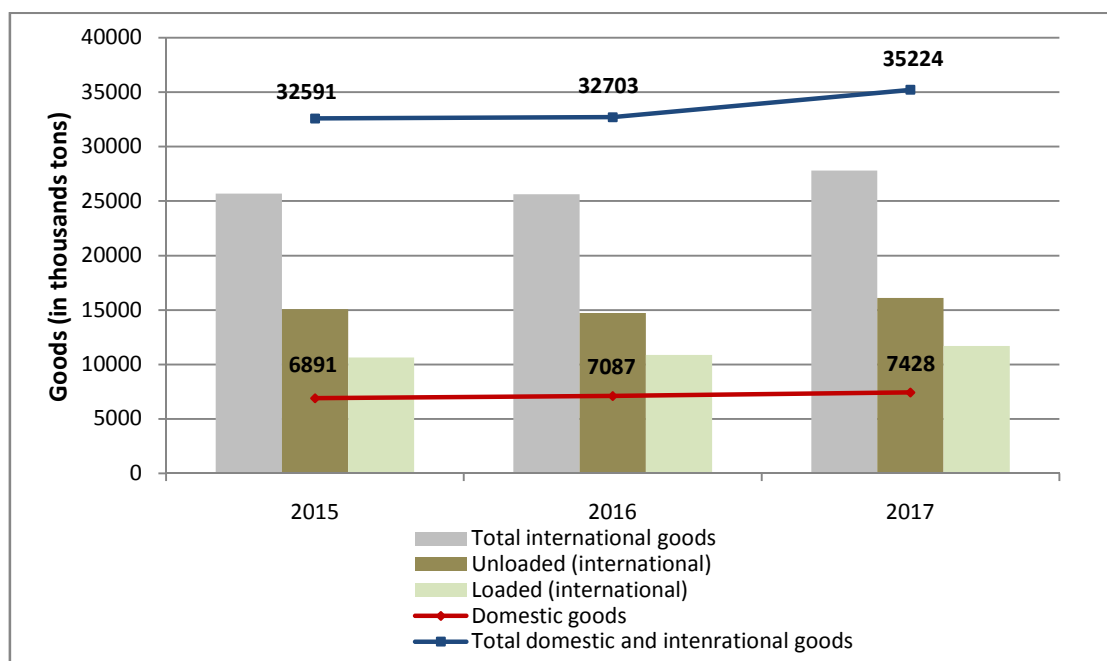
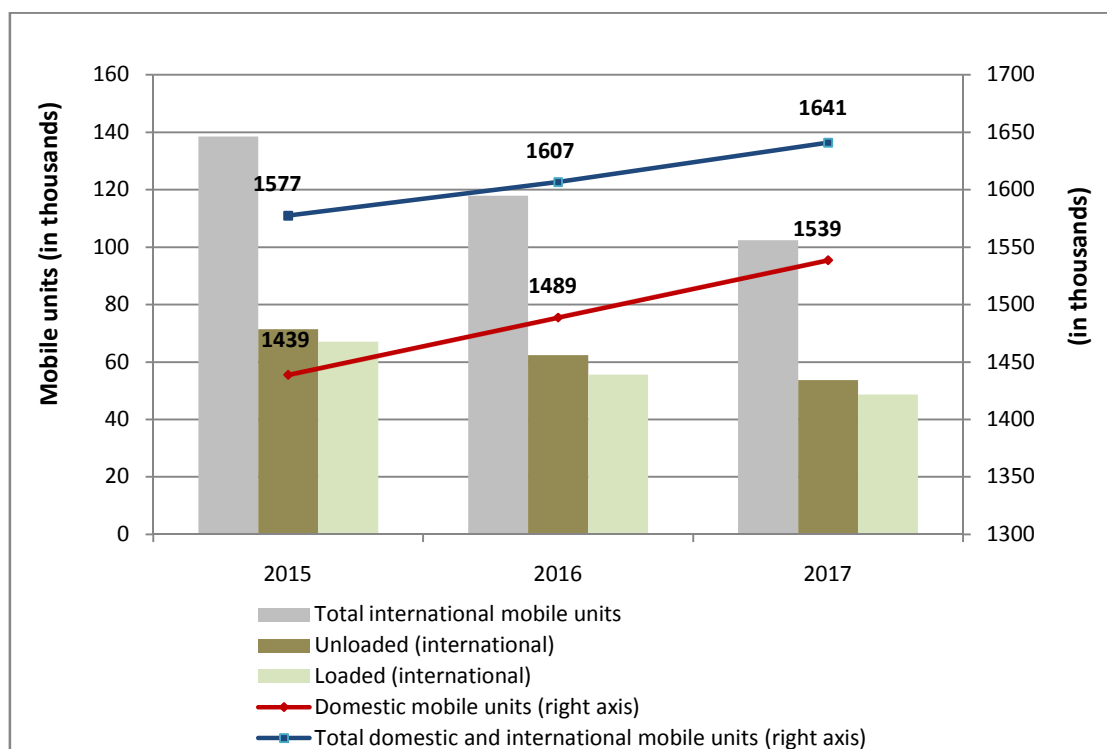


Table 3. Domestic and international traffic of mobile units in Greek ports: 1st Quarter 2015 - 2017

1 st Quarter					
	2015	2016	Change % 2016/2015)	2017	Change % 2017/2016
Domestic mobile units (Unloaded / loaded)	1,438,888	1,488,673	3.5%	1,538,526	3.3%
International mobile units	138,488	117,921	-14.9%	102,342	-13.2%
Unloaded	71,439	62,365	-12.7%	53,683	-13.9%
Loaded	67,049	55,556	-17.1%	48,659	-12.4%
Total:	1,577,376	1,606,594	1.9%	1,640,868	2.1%

Graph 3. Domestic and international traffic of mobile units in Greek ports: 1st Quarter 2015 - 2017



METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Survey on the traffic of passengers goods and mobile units in Greek ports	<p>The survey on traffic of passengers goods and mobile units in Greek ports is conducted on a monthly basis since 1960 and it has been producing quarterly and annual results. This survey is conducted in compliance with EU regulation 2009/42 which provides for the harmonization of statistical returns in respect of carriage of passengers goods by sea in the EU Member States.</p> <p>The purpose of the survey is to collect statistical data on maritime transport and to disseminate these data to all relevant users.</p>
Legal framework	<p>This survey is fully harmonized with EU legislation and more specifically with Council Directive (EC) 2009/42 of the European Parliament.</p>
Reference period	<p>The data of the survey refer to the 1st quarter 2017.</p>
Coverage	<p>The survey covers all merchant vessels of net tonnage 10 GRT and over which carry passengers goods and mobile units by sea to and from domestic and international ports for commercial purposes. Consequently fish-catching vessels, research and survey vessels, dredgers, naval vessels or vessels used solely for non-commercial purposes are not included in the survey.</p>
Definitions	<p>Domestic Passengers: Refers to movement of passengers between Greek ports International passengers: Refers to movement of passengers in Greek ports with embarking or disembarking at foreign ports.</p>
Methodology	<p>The survey is an exhaustive survey which is conducted for all vessels meeting the necessary criteria. The survey is carried out by means of specialized questionnaires which must be filled in by the competent bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) The domestic Port Authorities which have the responsibility to fill in the questionnaires for the goods transport in cooperation with the maritime transport agent.b) The shipping companies and the financial officers of the ships who have the responsibility to fill in the questionnaires for the passenger traffic.c) Piraeus Port Authority (OLP) and Thessaloniki Port Authority (OLTH) which record the large majority of goods transport data and send these statistical returns to ELSTAT electronically by means of a specially designed software application. <p>ELSTAT after having received all the above mentioned data proceeds to data checks, codification, processing and tabulation of the data.</p> <p>It should be stressed that the survey is conducted in compliance with international classifications and definitions applied for the variables of the relevant survey, which are laid down in Eurostat's manual «Reference Manual on Maritime Transport Statistics Version 3.0 July 2016».</p>
References	<p>More information (tables charts) concerning the survey on maritime transport of passenger, goods and mobile units in the Greek ports by merchant vessels can be found on the web page of ELSTAT (www.statistics.gr) under the link << <i>Industry, Trade, Services, Transport > Transport >Shipping > Passenger and goods transportation</i>>>.</p>