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GREEK MERCHANT FLEET: December 2016 (Provisional data)

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces data on the Greek Merchant Fleet (for vessels of 100 GRT¹) for December 2016. Particularly:

- The Greek Merchant Fleet increased by 0.1% in December 2016 compared with December 2015, while it recorded a decline of 1.3% in December 2015 compared with December 2014 (Table 1).
- The gross tonnage of the Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, recorded an increase of 0.1% in December 2016 compared with December 2015, while a decline of 1.2% was observed in December 2015 compared to December 2014 (Table 1).

45,200 1,920 45,000 1,900 44,800 1,880 44,600 **Number of ships** 1,860 44,400 44,200 1,840 44,000 1,820 43,800 1,800 43,600 1,780 43,400 Jan 2014 2015 2016 Number of Ships Tonnage

Graph 1. Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over: January 2014 - December 2016

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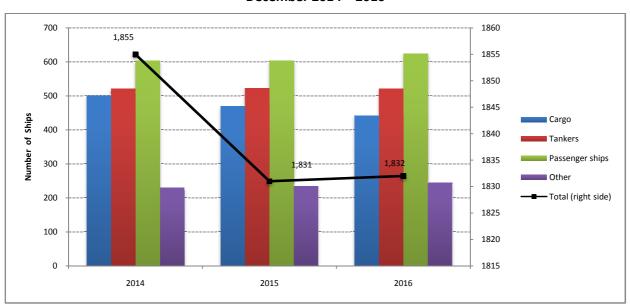
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¹ **GRT:** Gross Tonnage

Table 1. Number and tonnage of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by types of ships December 2014 – 2016

December											
	2014		2015		Change % 2015/2014		2016		Change % 2016/2015		
Types of ships	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	
Cargo	501	16,346,192	470	14,973,825	-6.2%	-8.4%	442	14,003,331	-6.0%	-6.5%	
Tankers	521	27,027,473	522	27,894,317	0.2%	3.2%	521	28,884,758	-0.2%	3.6%	
Passenger ships	603	1,363,535	604	1,343,645	0.2%	-1.5%	625	1,352,176	3.5%	0.6%	
Other	230	67,779	235	68,944	2.2%	1.7%	244	85,759	3.8%	24.4%	
Total:	1,855	44,804,979	1,831	44,280,731	-1.3%	-1.2%	1,832	44,326,024	0.1%	0.1%	

Graph 2a: Number of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by types of ships, December 2014 – 2016



Graph 2b: Tonnage of Greek Merchant Ships of 100 GRT and over, by types of ships,

December 2014 – 2016

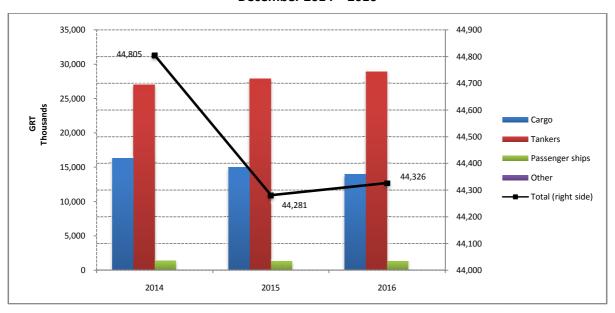


Table 2. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by tonnage groups,

December 2014 – 2016

December											
	2014		2015		Change % 2015/2014		2016		Change % 2016/2015		
Tonnage groups	Number	Tonnage	Number	Tonnage	Number	Tonnage	Number	Tonnage	Number	Tonnage	
	of ships	(GRT)	of ships	(GRT)	of ships	(GRT)	of ships	(GRT)	of ships	(GRT)	
[100-500)	729	184,666	725	184,640	-0,5%	0,0%	743	189,593	2.5%	2.7%	
[500-3.000)	330	412,394	328	406,882	-0,6%	-1,3%	340	421,185	3.7%	3.5%	
[3.000-7.000)	71	320,035	72	322,206	1,4%	0,7%	73	324,478	1.4%	0.7%	
[7.000-10.000)	23	195,134	23	195,134	0,0%	0,0%	20	169,974	-13.0%	-12.9%	
[10.000-20.000)	40	600,382	45	675,245	12,5%	12,5%	48	711,534	6.7%	5.4%	
[20.000-30.000)	92	2,491,111	85	2,282,631	-7,6%	-8,4%	81	2,162,861	-4.7%	-5.2%	
[30.000+	570	40,601,257	553	40,213,993	-3,0%	-1,0%	527	40,346,399	-4.7%	0.3%	
Total:	1,855	44,804,979	1,831	44,280,731	-1,3%	-1,2%	1,832	44,326,024	0.1%	0.1%	

Graph 3: Distribution of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by tonnage groups,

December 2014 – 2016

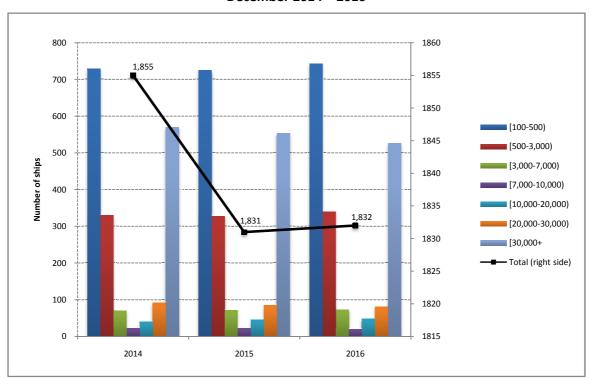
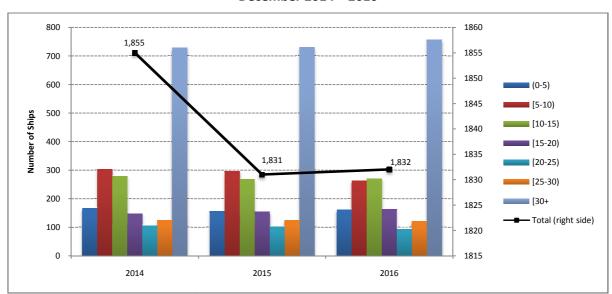


Table 3. Distribution of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by age groups, December 2014 – 2016

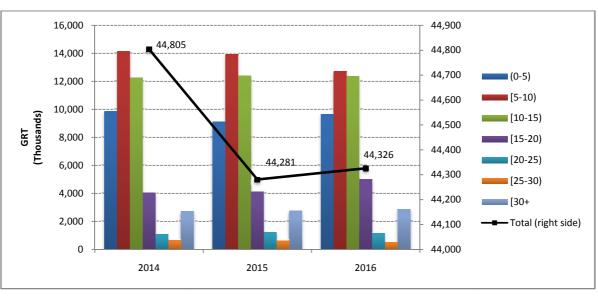
December											
	2014		2015		Change % 2015/2014		2016		Change % 2016/2015		
Age	Number	Tonnage	Number	Tonnage	Number	Tonnage	Number	Tonnage	Number	Tonnage	
groups	of ships	(GRT)	of ships	(GRT)	of ships	(GRT)	of ships	(GRT)	of ships	(GRT)	
(0-5)	166	9,858,738	156	9,119,114	-6.0%	-7.5%	162	9,662,177	3.8%	6.0%	
[5-10)	304	14,147,710	296	13,938,283	-2.6%	-1.5%	263	12,717,385	-11.1%	-8.8%	
[10-15)	279	12,271,305	268	12,419,270	-3.9%	1.2%	271	12,366,628	1.1%	-0.4%	
[15-20)	147	4,062,677	154	4,144,204	4.8%	2.0%	164	5,023,863	6.5%	21.2%	
[20-25)	105	1,095,689	102	1,237,808	-2.9%	13.0%	94	1,158,715	-7.8%	-6.4%	
[25-30)	125	644,222	124	635,076	-0.8%	-1.4%	121	517,990	-2.4%	-18.4%	
[30+	729	2,724,638	731	2,786,976	0.3%	2.3%	757	2,879,266	3.6%	3.3%	
Total:	1,855	44,804,979	1,831	44,280,731	-1.3%	-1.2%	1,832	44,326,024	0.1%	0.1%	

Graph 4a. Distribution of Greek Merchant ships 100 GRT and over, by age groups, December 2014 – 2016



Graph 4b. Tonnage of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over by age groups,

December 2014 – 2016



METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Greek Merchant Fleet Survey

Greek The Survey on the Greek Merchant Fleet is conducted on a monthly basis since 1964 without any major methodological changes ever since. The purpose of the survey is to fully record statistical data on the number and basic characteristics of the Greek merchant ships, thus depicting the evolution over the course of time of the Greek merchant fleet.

Legal Framework

The survey is conducted in compliance with the joint Ministerial Decision (No 6792/G-81/11-4-97), signed by the Minister of National Economy and the Minister of Mercantile Marine.

Reference Period

The results of the survey refer to the end of December 2016.

Coverage

The survey covers all domestic Port Authorities, as well as Greek Consular Port Authorities abroad, which keep ship registers. These Authorities have to send a report on a monthly basis to the Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) pertaining to the changes in the Greek merchant ships registered in their ship registers.

Definitions

Merchant ship: Seagoing self-propelled vessel, at least of 10 GRT, designed for the carriage of goods, transport of passengers, for fishing, towing or specially fitted out for other commercial maritime activities.

Greek merchant fleet: The total number of the merchant ships registered in Greece, which belong to natural or legal persons residing on the Greek territory. The Greek flag carried by these ships means that all their maritime activities (subsidies for ship building, cargo limitations and other tax provisions) are governed by commercial and economic rules which are laid down by the respective Greek authorities.

Gross Register Tonnage (GRT): Refers to the spaces within the hull and of the enclosed spaces above the deck which are available for carrying goods, food, passengers and crew. GRT is equal to the volume of 100 cubic feet or 2.83 m³.

Net Register Tonnage (NRT): It is derived from the gross tonnage by deducting allowances in respect of spaces used for the crew, navigating and propelling machinery, fuel and water ballasts, and other spaces not used for passengers or cargo.

Age of ship: indicated by the year of original construction of the hull or that of the hull containing the engine room.

Methodology

It is an exhaustive survey conducted by all domestic Port Authorities and Greek Consular Port Authorities abroad, which report to ELSTAT, on a monthly basis, on changes in the ships pertaining to: a) new registrations of ships in the ship registers, b) change in the name of a ship, c) change of ownership, d) transfers to or from a different port, e) deletion of a ship from a ship a register, f) final measurement – remeasurement of ships, g) replacement of the ship's engine.

All these data, after being dully processed, are used to update, through a specially designed software application, the Official Register of Greek Merchant Ships. This Register is used for the production of monthly and annual statistical results.

References

Further information (tables, charts) concerning the Survey on the Greek Merchant Fleet can be found on the webpage of ELSTAT (www.statistics.gr), under the link: < Industry, Trade, Services, Transport > Transport > Shipping > Greek Merchant Fleet of 100 GRT and over>>.