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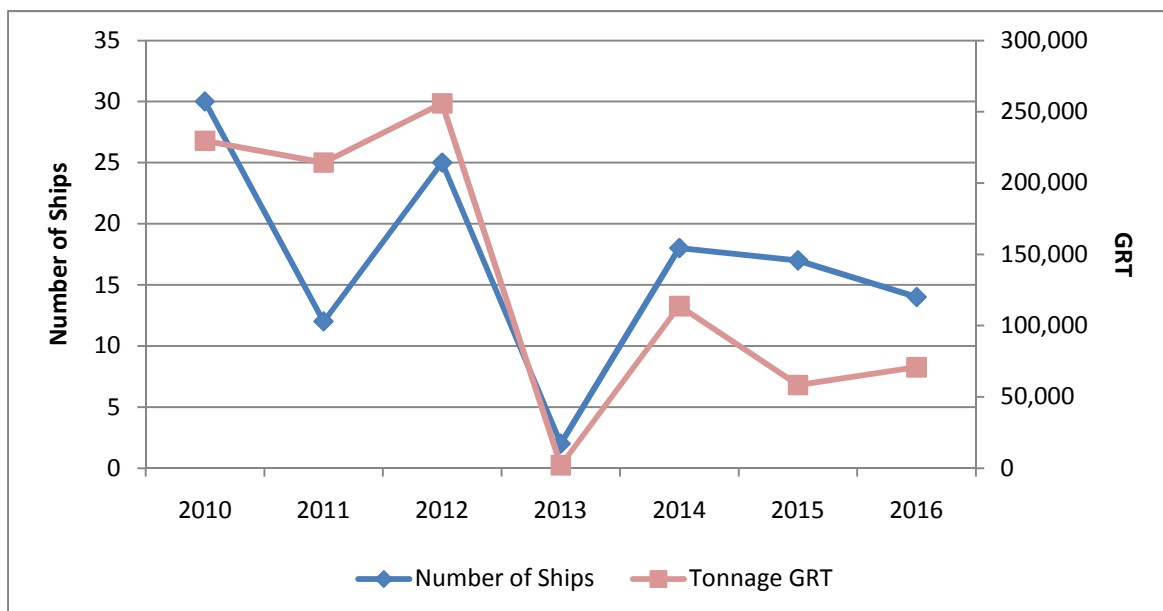
## PRESS RELEASE

### Maritime accidents on Greek merchant ships of 100 GRT and over: 2016

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces the results of the survey on maritime accidents on Greek merchant ships of 100 GRT (Gross Register Tonnage) and over, for the year 2016. Particularly:

- A total number of 14 Greek merchant ships with total tonnage 70,767 GRT suffered an accident during 2016, representing 0.76% of the Greek merchant fleet and 0.16% of the total tonnage (Table1).
- The majority of the above 14 ships that suffered an accident were passenger (42.9%) and cargo ships (42.9%) (Graph 2).
- The cause for the majority of the accidents was the grounding (6 ships) or the engine damage (3 ships), while 2 accidents occurred due to crash, 1 due to fire or explosion and 1 due to other reasons (Table 2, Graph 3).
- All accidents caused a casualty to the ship, while no loss or damage of transported goods or loss of life or severe injury was caused by these accidents (Table 3, Graph 4).

**Graph 1. Number and tonnage of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, suffering a maritime accident: 2010-2016**



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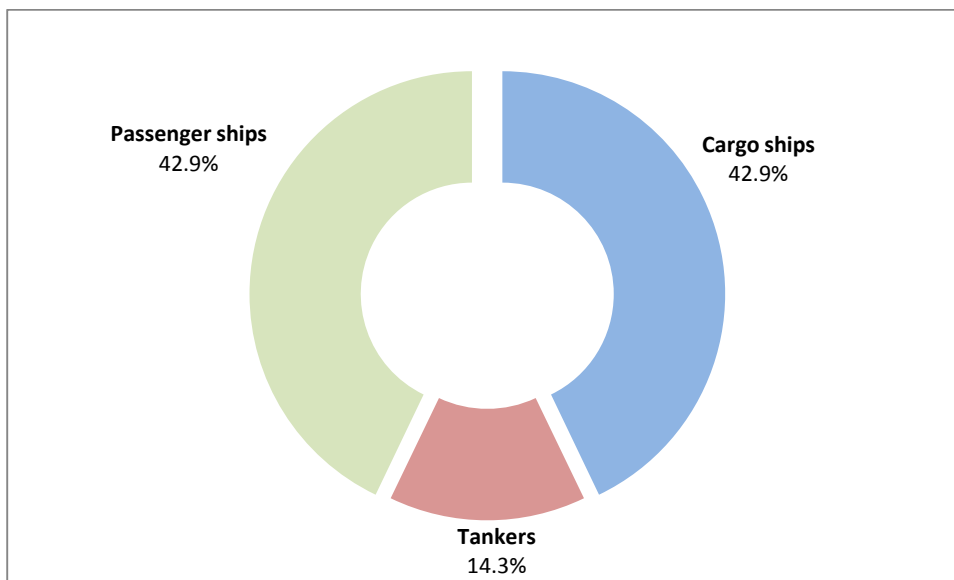
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**Table 1. Greek merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, suffering a maritime accident, by ship category: 2016**

Category of ships	Greek merchant fleet		Merchant ships suffering an accident		Percentage (%)	
	Number of ships	GRT	Number of ships	GRT	Number of ships	GRT
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,832</b>	<b>44,326,024</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>70,767</b>	<b>0.76</b>	<b>0.16</b>
<b>Cargo ships</b>	442	14,003,331	6	4,975	1.36	0.04
<b>Tankers</b>	521	28,884,758	2	53,564	0.38	0.19
<b>Passenger ships</b>	625	1,352,176	6	12,228	0.96	0.90
<b>Other<sup>(1)</sup></b>	244	85,759	0	0	0.00	0.00

(1) i.e.: towage, salvage, cable ships, fishing-boats, etc.

**Graph 2. Greek merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, suffering a maritime accident, by ship category: 2016**



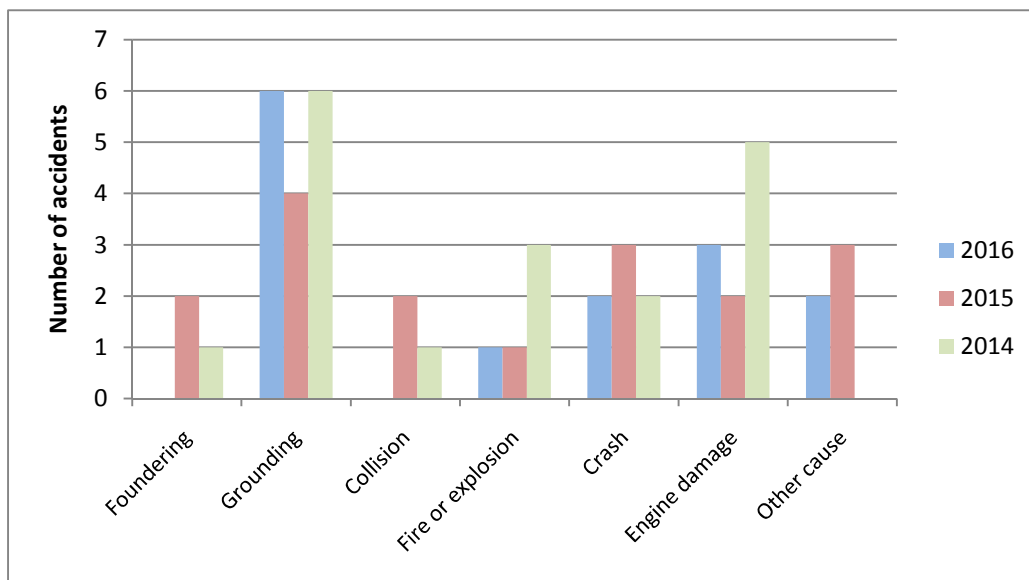
**Table 2. Maritime accidents on Greek merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by cause of the accident: 2014-2016**

	2016		2015		2014	
	Number of Ships	Tonnage GRT	Number of Ships	Tonnage GRT	Number of Ships	Tonnage GRT
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>70,767</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>58,311</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>113,654</b>
<b>Foundering<sup>(1)</sup></b>	0	0	2	1,621	1	398
<b>Grounding</b>	6	4,310	4	10,852	6	85,300
<b>Collision</b>	0	0	2	406	1	4,986
<b>Fire or explosion</b>	1	141	1	433	3	2,177
<b>Crash</b>	2	487	3	13,384	2	2,818
<b>Engine damage<sup>(2)</sup></b>	3	60,589	2	28,523	5	17,975
<b>Other cause</b>	2	5,240	3	3,092	0	0

(1) Including abrupt foundering of unidentified cause.

(2) Including damage of propeller or boiler.

**Graph 3. Maritime accidents on Greek merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by cause of the accident: 2014-2016**

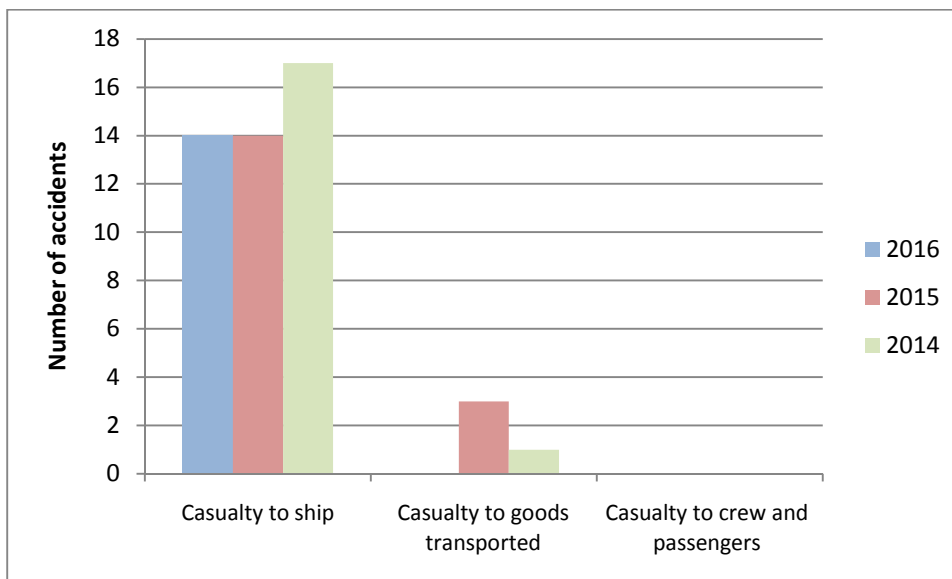


**Table 3. Maritime accidents on Greek merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by effect of casualty: 2014-2016**

Effect of casualty <sup>(1)</sup>	2016	2015	2014
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Casualty to ship</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>
Approved lost	0	2	1
Reckoned lost	0	1	5
Deserted to insurers	1	0	2
Definitely deserted by the crew	0	0	0
Continually ungoverned due to serious damage	3	2	3
Run aground without serious damage	6	5	6
Temporarily deserted by the crew	4	4	0
<b>Casualty to goods transported</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>
Loss or damage of transported goods by the ¼ at least	0	3	1
<b>Casualty to crew and passengers</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Dead or seriously wounded	0	0	0

(1) As provided by article 1 of the DL 712/70.

**Graph 4. Maritime accidents on Greek merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by effect of casualty: 2014-2016**



## EXPLANATORY NOTES

<b>Survey on shipping casualties</b>	The survey on maritime accidents on Greek merchant ships 100 GRT and over is conducted since 1975 on an annual basis. The purpose of the survey is to fully record maritime accidents of Greek merchant ships 100 GRT and over, which took place during the journey or during the ship's entering the port or uploading of cargo.
<b>Legal framework</b>	The survey is conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Permanent Circular No 1 of the Ministry of Economy and Finance and the National Statistical Service of Greece (NSSG) dated 16/1/1975, which was replaced by the Permanent Joint Circular dated 15/4/1998, with retroactive effect since 1/1/1998.
<b>Reference Period</b>	The results of the survey refer to the year of 2016.
<b>Coverage</b>	The survey covers the maritime accidents of Greek merchant ships of 100 GRT and over that were recorded by the domestic port authorities. Maritime accidents of Greek merchant ships that occurred abroad were recorded by the corresponding consulates and sent to the port authority of Piraeus.
<b>Definitions</b>	<p><b>Merchant ship:</b> Seagoing self-propelled vessel, of at least ten NRT, designed for the carriage of goods, transport of passengers, for fishing, towing or especially fitted out for other maritime activities.</p> <p><b>Greek merchant fleet:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Gross Register Tonnage (GRT):</b> unit of measurement of the total volume in cubic feet of the spaces within the hull and of the enclosed spaces above the deck which are available for carrying goods, food, passengers and crew. It equals to the volume of 100 cubic feet or 2.83 m<sup>3</sup>.</p> <p><b>Net Register Tonnage (GRT):</b> unit of measurement that results from Gross Register Tonnage after deducting volume of spaces used by the crew, navigational instrument, engines, and the volume of other spaces not used by passengers or freight.</p> <p><b>Real Total Loss of Ship:</b> Refers to ship that is proven to be totally destroyed or lost and results to being erased from of the Greek merchant ships fleet</p> <p><b>Imputed Total loss:</b> refers to a ship that is abandoned because either its real loss is deemed inevitable or its retrieval or repair costs more than its value</p>
<b>Methodology</b>	The domestic port authorities report to ELSTAT information about the maritime accidents of Greek merchant ships 100 GRT and over. The information includes the name of ship, tonnage group, registration port, ship's category, whether it was loaded or in ballast, whether the accident was caused by intention or negligence, personal data of the person responsible for the accident, marine region, weather conditions, visibility, date of the accident, damage of the ship or injury/death of a person, cause of the accident.
<b>References</b>	Further information (tables, graphs) concerning the survey on maritime accidents of the Hellenic merchant ships can be found on the webpage of ELSTAT ( <a href="http://www.statistics.gr">www.statistics.gr</a> ), at the link: «Industry, Trade, Services, Transport > Transport > Shipping > Marine accidents > Maritime accidents of the Hellenic merchant ships, 100 GRT and over ».