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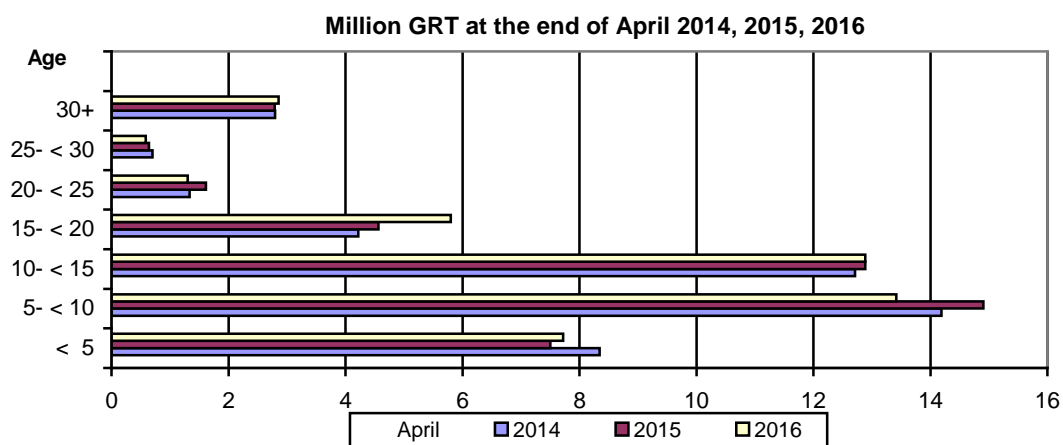
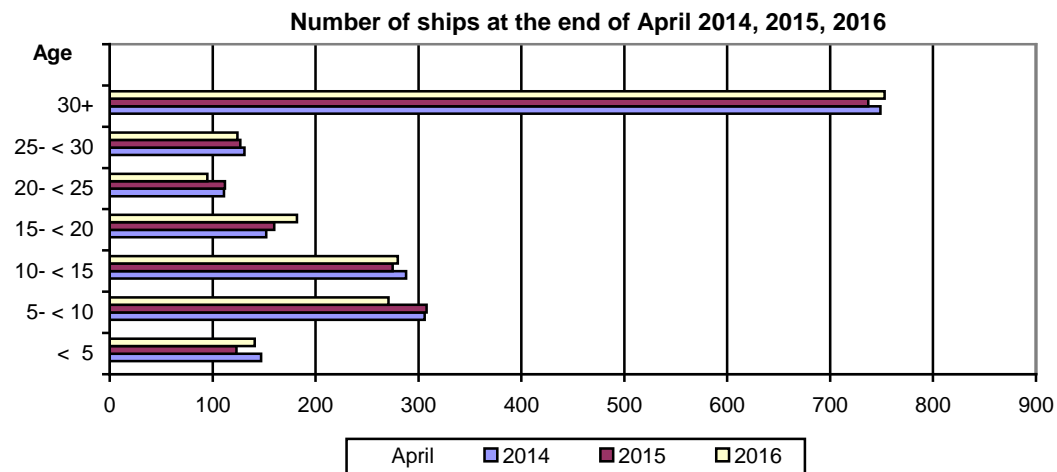
GREEK MERCHANT FLEET: APRIL 2016

(Provisional data)

The Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, increased by 0.2% in April 2016 compared to April 2015, while the above Greek Merchant Fleet recorded a decline of 2.2% in April 2015 compared to April 2014 (Table 1).

The gross tonnage of the Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, shows decrease by 0.7% in April 2016 compared to April 2015, while the above gross tonnage recorded an increase of 1.4% in April 2015 compared to April 2014 (Table 1).

Chart 1. Distribution of the Greek merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by age groups.



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Table 1. Greek Merchant Fleet of 100 GRT and over: April 2014, 2015, 2016

April										
Type of ships	2014		2015		2016		Change%			
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	2015/2014	2016/2015	2015/2014	2016/2015
Total	1,884	44,291,703	1,842	44,904,755	1,846	44,569,706	-2.2	1.4	0.2	-0.7
Cargo	506	16,144,422	493	16,037,075	473	15,455,779	-2.6	-0.7	-4.1	-3.6
Tankers	525	26,683,422	523	27,440,050	516	27,676,415	-0.4	2.8	-1.3	0.9
Passenger ships	618	1,394,468	597	1,360,439	616	1,352,944	-3.4	-2.4	3.2	-0.6
Other	235	69,391	229	67,191	241	84,568	-2.6	-3.2	5.2	25.9

**Table 2. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over by tonnage groups:
April 2014, 2015, 2016.**

Tonnage groups	April					
	2014		2015		2016	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
Total	1,884	44,291,703	1,842	44,904,755	1,846	44,569,706
100 -< 500	740	187,163	723	183,758	736	188,171
500- < 3.000	341	431,749	324	406,378	337	420,234
3.000 -< 7.000	70	317,966	71	316,823	71	316,328
7.000- < 10.000	25	211,867	23	195,134	22	187,629
10.000- < 20.000	42	640,231	40	600,382	45	669,432
20.000 -< 30.000	97	2,629,614	91	2,461,176	86	2,229,060
30.000 +	569	38,873,113	570	40,741,104	549	40,488,852

**Table 3. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over by age groups :
April 2014, 2015, 2016**

Age groups	April					
	2014		2015		2016	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
Total	1,884	44,291,703	1,842	44,904,755	1,846	44,569,706
< 5	147	8,345,773	123	7,501,925	141	7,721,923
5- < 10	306	14,186,270	308	14,906,705	271	13,417,820
10- < 15	288	12,713,197	275	12,887,732	280	12,884,338
15- < 20	152	4,219,914	160	4,565,973	182	5,799,735
20- < 25	111	1,335,019	112	1,613,532	95	1,301,919
25- < 30	131	697,817	127	638,844	124	586,646
30+	749	2,793,713	737	2,790,044	753	2,857,325

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Greek Merchant Fleet Survey	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 April 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	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Gross Register Tonnage (GRT): 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 m³.</p> <p>Net Register Tonnage (NRT): unit of measurement 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.</p> <p>Age of ship: indicated by the year of original construction of the hull or that of the hull containing the engine room.</p>
Methodology	<p>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 register, f) final measurement – remeasurement of ships, g) replacement of the ship's engine.</p> <p>All these data, after being fully 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.</p>
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>>.