

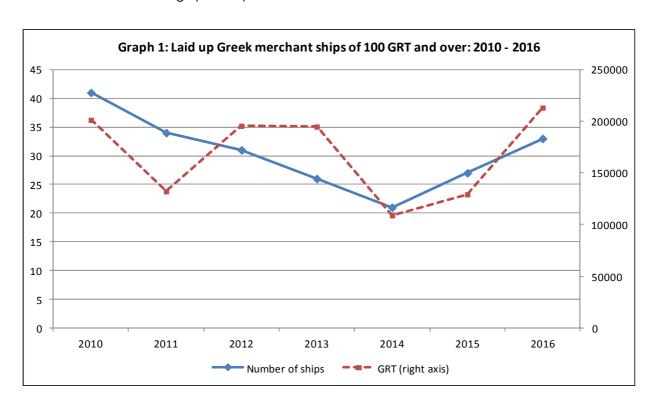


# **PRESS RELEASE**

**Laid-Up Merchant Ships: 2016** 

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces data on laid-up merchant ships of 100 GRT (Gross Register Tonnage) and over in Greek ports. More Specifically:

- In 2016, the number of laid-up ships in Greek ports amounted to 81; 33 out of these ships were under the Greek flag and 48 ships were under foreign flag.
- In 2016 compared with 2015, the total number of laid-up ships increased by 58,8% and the total tonnage by 115,4%. The corresponding period of 2015-2014, the total number of laid-up ships was increased by 37,8% and the total tonnage by 39,3% (Table 1).
- The number of laid-up ships of 100 GRT and over, under Greek flag in Greek ports increased by 22,2% and their total tonnage by 64,9%, respectively, in 2016 in comparison with the corresponding data of 2015. The corresponding period of 2015-2014, an increase of 28,6% had been observed in the number of laid-up ships of 100 GRT and over, under Greek flag, and 18,6% in their total tonnage (Table 1).



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Table 1. Laid up merchant ships under Greek and foreign flags of 100 GRT and over, at Greek ports: 2014 - 2016

Flag	2014		2015		2016		Change %			
							2015/2014		2016/2015	
	Number of ships	GRT	Number of ships	GRT	Number of ships	GRT	Number of ships	GRT	Number of ships	GRT
Total	37	303,548	51	422,947	81	911,088	37.8	39.3	58.8	115.4
Laid up merchant ships flying Greek flag	21	109,001	27	129,260	33	213,177	28.6	18.6	22.2	64.9
Laid up merchant ships flying foreign flags	16	194,547	24	293,687	48	697,911	50.0	51.0	100.0	137.6

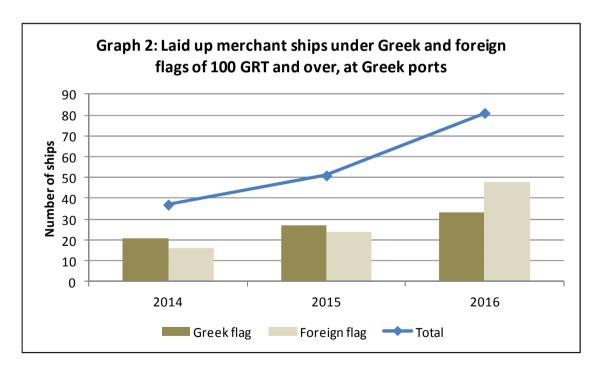
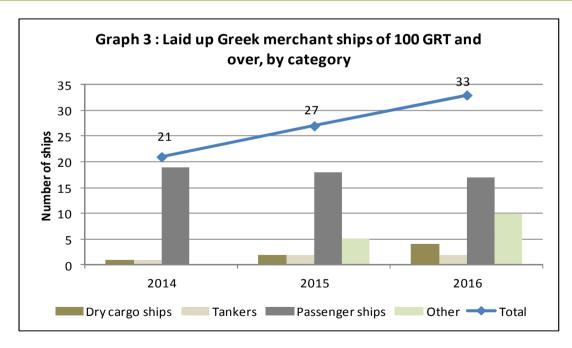


Table 2. Laid up Greek merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by categories: 2014 - 2016											
Type of ship	2014		2015		2016		Change %				
							2015/2014		2016/2015		
	Number of ships	GRT	Number of ships	GRT							
Total	21	109,001	27	129,260	33	213,177	28.6	18.6	22.2	64.9	
Dry cargo ships	1	240	2	39,744	4	44,678	100.0	16,460.0	100.0	12.4	
Tankers	1	1,998	2	42,036	2	6,088	100.0	2,003.9	0.0	-85.5	
Passenger ships	19	106,763	18	46,497	17	158,427	-5.3	-56.4	-5.6	240.7	
Other	0	0	5	983	10	3,984			100.0	305.3	



### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

# Survey on laid up merchant ships

The Survey on Laid up Merchant Ships of 100 GRT and over, under Greek and foreign flags at home ports is conducted since 1998 on annual basis. The purpose of the survey is to fully record statistical data on the number and basic characteristics of the laid up merchant ships at home ports.

### **Legal Framework**

The survey is conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Permanent Circular No 1 YEN/ΔΜΠ of the Ministry of Mercantile Marine dated 16/1/1975, which was replaced by the Permanent Joint Circular dated 15/4/1998, with retroactive effect since 1-1-1998.

**Reference Period** The results of the survey refer to the end of the year.

Coverage The survey covers all domestic Port Authorities, which send a report on a monthly basis to the Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) pertaining to the laid up merchant ships under Greek and foreign flag.

### **Definitions**

Laid up ship: A ship is laid up when it is retired from active service for various reasons, such as lack of freight, repair, inspection, putting out of commission, etc, for a period of more than one day.

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.

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

 $2.83 \text{ m}^3$ .

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.

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, which report to ELSTAT, on a monthly basis, information about the laid up merchant ships (such as category, GRT, etc.) beginning and ending dates of their laying-up, the reason for being laid up, etc.

### References

Further information (tables, charts) concerning the Survey on Laid up Mervhant Ships Fleet can be found on the webpage of ELSTAT (www.statistics.gr), under the link:<< Industry, Trade, Services, Transport > Shipping > Greek merchant fleet > Laid-up greek and foreign merchant ships of 100 GRT and over in Greek ports >>.