

User oriented quality report

Survey on the issuing of new road motor vehicle circulation licenses January 1985 - June 2014

The survey on the issuing of new motor vehicle circulation licenses is a census survey. The released data give information, at country level, on the brand and type of the motor vehicle, as well as whether it is new or used. The primary data derive from the Ministry of Infrastructure, Transport and Networks and are based on the issuing of new circulation licences. The survey does not include vehicles that move on rails, trolley busses, agricultural tractors and machinery. In addition, the following are excluded: all motor vehicles of the Armed Forces, Police, Fire Brigade, State Services, Diplomatic Corps, Foreign Missions, and Invalids of Wars, as well as motorcycles with a cylinder capacity less than 50 cc.

The legal framework covering the research is the Legislative Decree 3627/56 and Law 2392/96 and 3832/2010.

The data are collected on a monthly basis and the latest available data refer to June 2014. The production of monthly data is based on the registers held by the Ministry of Infrastructure, Transport and Networks, which records all the monthly changes observed in the vehicle registration licences at country level.

Road motor vehicle is any vehicle that, irrespective of the number of wheels, is moved by an engine and is designed to transport persons or cargo or both of them, either they are on the same single vehicle or on a trailer carried by the main motor vehicle. **New** road motor vehicle is any motor vehicle that is registered for the first time in Greece during the reference month and has not been put into circulation in any other country. **Used motor** vehicle is any motor vehicle that is registered for the first time in Greece and has been imported as a used one from abroad

Passenger motor vehicle: it is a motor vehicle designed to carry mostly people, having no more than 9 seats, including the driver's seat.

Bus: it is a motor vehicle, which is designed to carry mostly people, having more than 10 seats, including the driver's seat. (In the corresponding tables of this Press Release, this category also includes articulated buses.)

Lorry: it is motor vehicle designed to carry mostly cargo. (In the corresponding tables of this Press Release, this category also includes tractors, tow trucks, articulated tractors, and trucks with trailers

Motorcycle: any two-wheeled motor vehicle, with or without sidecar, with maximum authorized design speed over 45 km/h, or in case it is powered by a combustion engine, with a cylinder capacity of 50 cc or over (In the corresponding tables of this Press Release, this category also includes the three-wheeled motor vehicles – motor tricycles).

Tricycle motor vehicle: it is a motor vehicle with three symmetrical wheels with maximum authorized design speed over 45 km/h, or in case it is powered by a combustion engine, with a cylinder capacity over the 50 cc. This category also includes four-wheel vehicles, except the light four-wheel motorcycles, whose empty vehicle tare (excluding the weight of the fuel or mixture of fuel-oil or the weight of the batteries for electric cars) is up to 400 kg in the case the vehicle is designed for passenger use or up to 550 kg in case the vehicle is designed to carry cargo and whose engine is up to 15KW.

More information (graphs, tables) concerning the survey on the issuing of new motor vehicle circulation licences are available on the webpage of ELSTAT, www.statistics.gr, under the link "Statistical Themes > Transport > Vehicles > Vehicle > Vehicle Licensing – Vehicle Fleet