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30.6% decrease in the volume of Total Building Activity

**Building Activity Survey:**

November 2010

According to provisional data published by the Hellenic Statistical Authority, in November 2010 the total Building Activity (private-public), in the whole country - which is calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits - amounted to 3.757. This figure corresponds to 730.4 thousand m<sup>2</sup> of surface and 2,781.3 thousand m<sup>3</sup> of volume, reflecting respectively a 21.7% decrease in the number of building permits, a 33.2% decrease in surface and a 30.6% decrease in volume, compared to the same month of 2009 (Table 1).

Private Building Activity, in the whole country, summed to 3,735 building permits, corresponding to 703.9 thousand m<sup>2</sup> of surface and 2,679.8 thousand m<sup>3</sup> of volume. In comparison with the same month of 2009 (Table 2), there is a 21.6% decrease in the number of building permits, a 34.4% decrease in surface and a 31.4% decrease in volume (Table 2).

Public Building Activity in the whole country in November 2010 amounted to 22 building permits corresponding to 26.5 thousand m<sup>2</sup> of surface and 101.5 thousand m<sup>3</sup> of volume. The Public Building Activity accounted for the 3.6% of the total building volume in November 2010.

In the last twelve months, from December 2009 until November 2010, the total Building Activity (Private and Public) in the whole country, calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 49,838. This figure corresponds to 10,494.0 thousand m<sup>2</sup> of surface and 37,671.1 thousand m<sup>3</sup> of volume, reflecting a decrease 11.6% decrease in the number of building permits, a 20.5% decrease in surface and a 25.2% decrease in volume, compared with the corresponding period of December 2008 - November 2009 (Table 3).

In the same period from December 2009 until November 2010, Private Building Activity in the whole country recorded a 11.4% decrease in the number of issued building permits, a 20.3% decrease in surface and a 24.5% decrease in volume, compared with the respective period from December 2008 to November 2009 (Table 4).

For the same period, the Public Building Activity accounted for the 3.1% of the total building volume.

During the period January-November 2010, the total Building Activity(private-public) in the whole country recorded a 12.4% decrease in the number of issued building permits, a 21.4 decrease in surface and a 25.9% decrease in volume, compared with the same period of the year 2009 (Table 5).

During the same period, January-November 2010, private building activity in the whole country recorded a 12.2% decrease in the number of issued building permits, a 21.3% decrease in surface and a 25.3% decrease in volume in comparison with the same period of January-November 2009 (Table 6).

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**Table 1. Total Building Activity (Private-Public), by Region, in November 2009 and 2010 \***

| Region               | Number of building permits |              |               | Surface (in thousand m <sup>2</sup> ) |              |               | Volume (in thousand m <sup>3</sup> ) |                |               |
|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
|                      | November                   |              | Change<br>(%) | November                              |              | Change<br>(%) | November                             |                | Change<br>(%) |
|                      | 2009                       | 2010         |               | 2009                                  | 2010         |               | 2009                                 | 2010           |               |
| Anatoliki            | 267                        | 205          | -23,2         | 48,1                                  | 33,3         | -30,8         | 166,8                                | 112,3          | -32,7         |
| Kentriki Makedonia   | 669                        | 382          | -42,9         | 138,6                                 | 70,2         | -49,4         | 597,1                                | 306,7          | -48,6         |
| Dytiki Makedonia     | 77                         | 60           | -22,1         | 17,1                                  | 10,3         | -39,5         | 67,5                                 | 46,9           | -30,5         |
| Thessalia            | 255                        | 228          | -10,6         | 70,4                                  | 45,5         | -35,3         | 248,8                                | 170,1          | -31,6         |
| Ipeiros              | 186                        | 144          | -22,6         | 101,3                                 | 23,9         | -76,4         | 428,1                                | 85,0           | -80,1         |
| Ionioi Nisoi         | 158                        | 164          | 3,8           | 26,3                                  | 22,2         | -15,5         | 92,8                                 | 93,6           | 0,8           |
| Dytiki Ellas         | 357                        | 305          | -14,6         | 70,3                                  | 51,6         | -26,6         | 258,6                                | 184,3          | -28,7         |
| Stereia Ellas        | 407                        | 317          | -22,1         | 87,6                                  | 69,4         | -20,8         | 348,2                                | 287,1          | -17,6         |
| Peloponnisos         | 387                        | 393          | 1,6           | 86,1                                  | 65,9         | -23,5         | 307,7                                | 239,2          | -22,3         |
| Attiki               | 1.360                      | 960          | -29,4         | 297,1                                 | 213,8        | -28,0         | 985,8                                | 798,2          | -19,0         |
| Voreio Aigaio        | 113                        | 102          | -9,7          | 15,1                                  | 11,1         | -26,8         | 49,9                                 | 40,1           | -19,6         |
| Notio Aigaio         | 289                        | 237          | -18,0         | 54,2                                  | 39,1         | -27,9         | 171,0                                | 134,1          | -21,6         |
| Kriti                | 276                        | 260          | -5,8          | 80,6                                  | 74,2         | -7,9          | 284,2                                | 283,8          | -0,2          |
| <b>Greece, Total</b> | <b>4.801</b>               | <b>3.757</b> | <b>-21,7</b>  | <b>1.092,6</b>                        | <b>730,4</b> | <b>-33,2</b>  | <b>4.006,4</b>                       | <b>2.781,3</b> | <b>-30,6</b>  |

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**Table 2. Private Building Activity, by Region, in November 2009 and 2010\***

| Region               | Number of building permits |              |               | Surface (in thousand m <sup>2</sup> ) |              |               | Volume (in thousand m <sup>3</sup> ) |                |               |
|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
|                      | November                   |              | Change<br>(%) | November                              |              | Change<br>(%) | November                             |                | Change<br>(%) |
|                      | 2009                       | 2010         |               | 2009                                  | 2010         |               | 2009                                 | 2010           |               |
| Anatoliki            | 262                        | 202          | -22,9         | 46,3                                  | 24,9         | -46,2         | 159,9                                | 85,9           | -46,3         |
| Kentriki Makedonia   | 664                        | 374          | -43,7         | 137,8                                 | 68,9         | -50,0         | 591,7                                | 301,8          | -49,0         |
| Dytiki Makedonia     | 74                         | 58           | -21,6         | 15,5                                  | 10,0         | -35,2         | 60,1                                 | 45,9           | -23,6         |
| Thessalia            | 251                        | 227          | -9,6          | 69,1                                  | 44,2         | -36,0         | 238,0                                | 165,0          | -30,7         |
| Ipeiros              | 184                        | 144          | -21,7         | 96,3                                  | 23,9         | -75,2         | 408,9                                | 85,0           | -79,2         |
| Ionioi Nisoi         | 154                        | 164          | 6,5           | 25,5                                  | 22,2         | -12,8         | 89,9                                 | 93,6           | 4,1           |
| Dytiki Ellas         | 355                        | 304          | -14,4         | 66,7                                  | 49,2         | -26,2         | 241,5                                | 178,9          | -25,9         |
| Stereia Ellas        | 405                        | 316          | -22,0         | 87,6                                  | 67,5         | -23,0         | 348,2                                | 280,2          | -19,5         |
| Peloponnisos         | 386                        | 392          | 1,6           | 83,9                                  | 65,7         | -21,7         | 298,4                                | 238,5          | -20,1         |
| Attiki               | 1.359                      | 960          | -29,4         | 295,3                                 | 213,8        | -27,6         | 973,6                                | 798,2          | -18,0         |
| Voreio Aigaio        | 112                        | 102          | -8,9          | 15,1                                  | 11,1         | -26,8         | 49,9                                 | 40,1           | -19,6         |
| Notio Aigaio         | 289                        | 237          | -18,0         | 53,4                                  | 39,1         | -26,8         | 166,7                                | 134,1          | -19,6         |
| Kriti                | 272                        | 255          | -6,3          | 80,2                                  | 63,3         | -21,0         | 282,4                                | 232,7          | -17,6         |
| <b>Greece, Total</b> | <b>4.767</b>               | <b>3.735</b> | <b>-21,6</b>  | <b>1.072,6</b>                        | <b>703,9</b> | <b>-34,4</b>  | <b>3.909,1</b>                       | <b>2.679,8</b> | <b>-31,4</b>  |

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**Table 3. Total Building Activity (Private-Public), by Region, for the period December 2008 - November 2009 and December 2009 -November 2010 \***

| Region               | Number of building permits |               |              | Surface (in thousand m <sup>2</sup> ) |                 |              | Volume (in thousand m <sup>3</sup> ) |                 |              |
|----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
|                      | December-November          |               | Change       | December-November                     |                 | Change       | December-November                    |                 | Change       |
|                      | 2008 -2009                 | 2009 - 2010   | (%)          | 2008 -2009                            | 2009 - 2010     | (%)          | 2008 -2009                           | 2009 - 2010     | (%)          |
| Anatoliki            | 2.946                      | 2.540         | -13,8        | 641,4                                 | 553,5           | -13,7        | 2.344,7                              | 1.993,7         | -15,0        |
| Kentriki Makedonia   | 7.379                      | 6.289         | -14,8        | 1.965,7                               | 1.721,6         | -12,4        | 8.459,7                              | 6.413,3         | -24,2        |
| Dytiki Makedonia     | 1.098                      | 847           | -22,9        | 301,3                                 | 224,2           | -25,6        | 1.211,5                              | 822,2           | -32,1        |
| Thessalia            | 3.341                      | 3.083         | -7,7         | 863,8                                 | 701,3           | -18,8        | 3.342,0                              | 2.487,8         | -25,6        |
| Ipeiros              | 2.040                      | 1.840         | -9,8         | 633,7                                 | 491,5           | -22,4        | 2.430,0                              | 1.773,8         | -27,0        |
| Ionioi Nisoi         | 2.016                      | 1.975         | -2,0         | 377,5                                 | 326,7           | -13,5        | 1.326,4                              | 1.129,6         | -14,8        |
| Dytiki Ellas         | 4.393                      | 4.195         | -4,5         | 987,0                                 | 754,8           | -23,5        | 3.760,1                              | 2.573,3         | -31,6        |
| Stereia Ellas        | 4.377                      | 3.843         | -12,2        | 1.050,6                               | 811,9           | -22,7        | 4.334,0                              | 2.871,5         | -33,7        |
| Peloponnisos         | 4.672                      | 4.538         | -2,9         | 1.068,9                               | 901,9           | -15,6        | 3.873,3                              | 3.125,6         | -19,3        |
| Attiki               | 15.365                     | 13.343        | -13,2        | 3.323,5                               | 2.391,7         | -28,0        | 12.295,7                             | 8.833,0         | -28,2        |
| Voreio Aigaio        | 1.610                      | 1.327         | -17,6        | 205,2                                 | 176,6           | -13,9        | 692,5                                | 591,7           | -14,6        |
| Notio Aigaio         | 3.373                      | 2.943         | -12,7        | 651,1                                 | 576,2           | -11,5        | 2.222,8                              | 1.862,8         | -16,2        |
| Kriti                | 3.741                      | 3.075         | -17,8        | 1.127,3                               | 862,0           | -23,5        | 4.042,9                              | 3.192,9         | -21,0        |
| <b>Greece, Total</b> | <b>56.351</b>              | <b>49.838</b> | <b>-11,6</b> | <b>13.196,9</b>                       | <b>10.494,0</b> | <b>-20,5</b> | <b>50.335,7</b>                      | <b>37.671,1</b> | <b>-25,2</b> |

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**Table 4. Private Building Activity , by Region, for the period December 2008 - November 2009 and December 2009 -November 2010 \***

| Region               | Number of building permits |               |              | Surface (in thousand m <sup>2</sup> ) |                 |              | Volume (in thousand m <sup>3</sup> ) |                 |              |
|----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
|                      | December-November          |               | Change       | December-November                     |                 | Change       | December-November                    |                 | Change       |
|                      | 2008 -2009                 | 2009 - 2010   | (%)          | 2008 -2009                            | 2009 - 2010     | (%)          | 2008 -2009                           | 2009 - 2010     | (%)          |
| Anatoliki            | 2.888                      | 2.497         | -13,5        | 612,1                                 | 492,8           | -19,5        | 2.222,6                              | 1.767,9         | -20,5        |
| Kentriki Makedonia   | 7.242                      | 6.168         | -14,8        | 1.847,1                               | 1.660,2         | -10,1        | 7.957,0                              | 6.152,9         | -22,7        |
| Dytiki Makedonia     | 1.066                      | 828           | -22,3        | 275,3                                 | 204,8           | -25,6        | 1.076,7                              | 736,5           | -31,6        |
| Thessalia            | 3.298                      | 3.055         | -7,4         | 819,1                                 | 682,5           | -16,7        | 3.109,1                              | 2.397,7         | -22,9        |
| Ipeiros              | 2.008                      | 1.819         | -9,4         | 604,6                                 | 466,4           | -22,9        | 2.313,7                              | 1.674,3         | -27,6        |
| Ionioi Nisoi         | 2.000                      | 1.971         | -1,5         | 373,9                                 | 326,2           | -12,8        | 1.312,1                              | 1.127,8         | -14,0        |
| Dytiki Ellas         | 4.364                      | 4.167         | -4,5         | 942,8                                 | 737,2           | -21,8        | 3.570,1                              | 2.498,7         | -30,0        |
| Stereia Ellas        | 4.330                      | 3.824         | -11,7        | 980,9                                 | 767,3           | -21,8        | 3.948,2                              | 2.829,9         | -28,3        |
| Peloponnisos         | 4.625                      | 4.514         | -2,4         | 1.047,3                               | 895,2           | -14,5        | 3.787,7                              | 3.104,1         | -18,0        |
| Attiki               | 15.343                     | 13.333        | -13,1        | 3.311,6                               | 2.383,7         | -28,0        | 12.228,6                             | 8.807,9         | -28,0        |
| Voreio Aigaio        | 1.597                      | 1.319         | -17,4        | 205,1                                 | 175,3           | -14,5        | 692,2                                | 586,5           | -15,3        |
| Notio Aigaio         | 3.362                      | 2.937         | -12,6        | 643,8                                 | 572,1           | -11,1        | 2.194,8                              | 1.850,9         | -15,7        |
| Kriti                | 3.713                      | 3.037         | -18,2        | 1.107,1                               | 812,1           | -26,7        | 3.951,7                              | 2.960,7         | -25,1        |
| <b>Greece, Total</b> | <b>55.836</b>              | <b>49.469</b> | <b>-11,4</b> | <b>12.770,8</b>                       | <b>10.175,7</b> | <b>-20,3</b> | <b>48.364,6</b>                      | <b>36.496,0</b> | <b>-24,5</b> |

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**Table 5. Total Building Activity (Private-Public), by Region, for the period January- November 2009 and 2010 \***

| Region               | Number of building permits |               |              | Surface (in thousand m <sup>2</sup> ) |                |              | Volume (in thousand m <sup>3</sup> ) |                 |              |
|----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
|                      | January-November           |               | Change (%)   | January-November                      |                | Change (%)   | January-November                     |                 | Change (%)   |
|                      | 2009                       | 2010          |              | 2009                                  | 2010           |              | 2009                                 | 2010            |              |
| Anatoliki            | 2.702                      | 2.284         | -15,5        | 587                                   | 496            | -15,4        | 2.164                                | 1.800           | -16,8        |
| Kentriki Makedonia   | 6.721                      | 5.667         | -15,7        | 1.785                                 | 1.568          | -12,1        | 7.756                                | 5.792           | -25,3        |
| Dytiki Makedonia     | 981                        | 773           | -21,2        | 258                                   | 212            | -18,1        | 1.020                                | 771             | -24,4        |
| Thessalia            | 3.034                      | 2.790         | -8,0         | 765                                   | 634            | -17,1        | 2.850                                | 2.252           | -21,0        |
| Ipeiros              | 1.867                      | 1.667         | -10,7        | 575                                   | 417            | -27,4        | 2.171                                | 1.502           | -30,8        |
| Ionioi Nisoi         | 1.850                      | 1.788         | -3,4         | 329                                   | 296            | -9,9         | 1.155                                | 1.026           | -11,2        |
| Dytiki Ellas         | 4.047                      | 3.815         | -5,7         | 870                                   | 684            | -21,4        | 3.290                                | 2.344           | -28,7        |
| Stereia Ellas        | 4.009                      | 3.479         | -13,2        | 981                                   | 744            | -24,2        | 4.074                                | 2.626           | -35,5        |
| Peloponnisos         | 4.245                      | 4.141         | -2,4         | 944                                   | 800            | -15,2        | 3.282                                | 2.723           | -17,0        |
| Attiki               | 13.909                     | 11.905        | -14,4        | 3.009                                 | 2.037          | -32,3        | 10.877                               | 7.295           | -32,9        |
| Voreio Aigaio        | 1.428                      | 1.186         | -16,9        | 179                                   | 142            | -20,6        | 592                                  | 477             | -19,3        |
| Notio Aigaio         | 3.034                      | 2.594         | -14,5        | 548                                   | 516            | -5,9         | 1.830                                | 1.667           | -8,9         |
| Kriti                | 3.371                      | 2.742         | -18,7        | 1.010                                 | 762            | -24,5        | 3.604                                | 2.837           | -21,3        |
| <b>Greece, Total</b> | <b>51.198</b>              | <b>44.831</b> | <b>-12,4</b> | <b>11.841,6</b>                       | <b>9.309,0</b> | <b>-21,4</b> | <b>44.664,8</b>                      | <b>33.113,1</b> | <b>-25,9</b> |

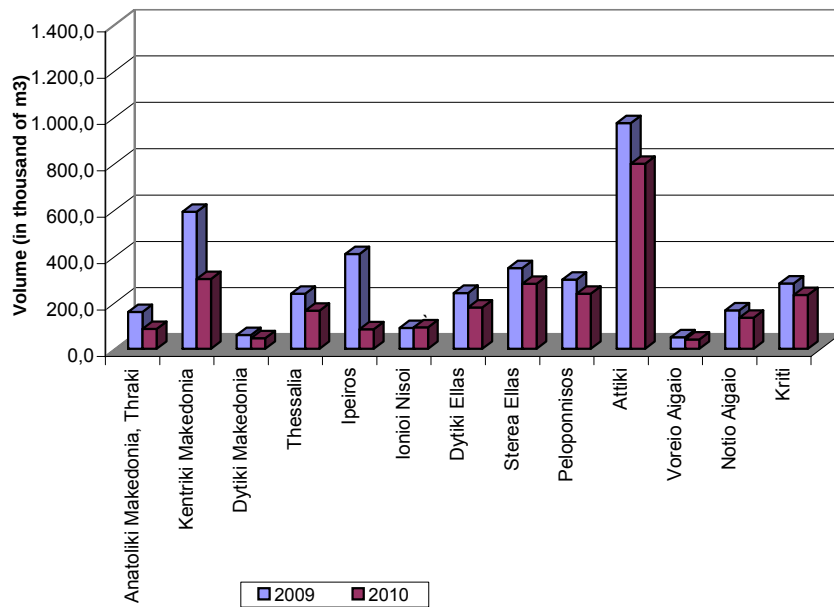
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**Table 6. Private Building Activity , by Region, for the period January- November 2009 and 2010 \***

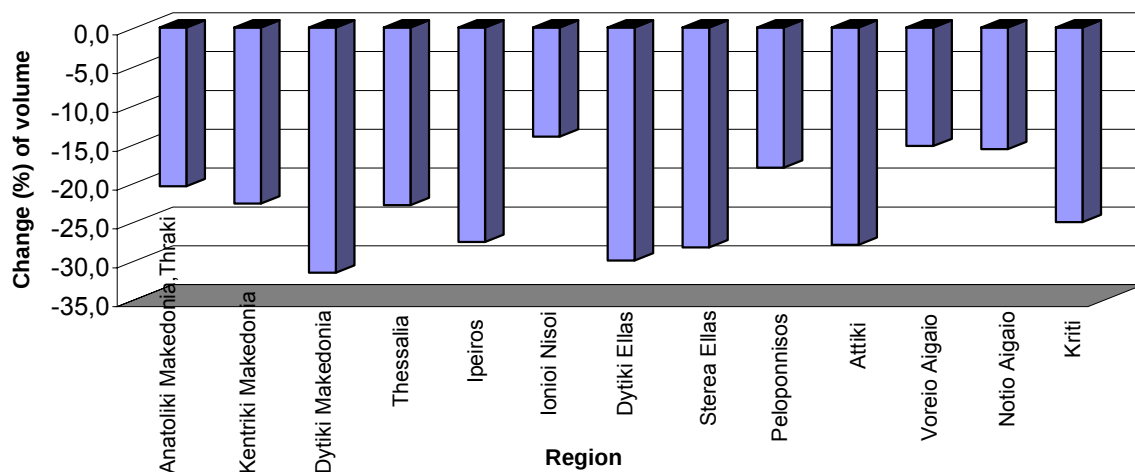
| Region               | Number of building permits |               |              | Surface (in thousand m <sup>2</sup> ) |                |              | Volume (in thousand m <sup>3</sup> ) |                 |              |
|----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
|                      | January-November           |               | Change (%)   | January-November                      |                | Change (%)   | January-November                     |                 | Change (%)   |
|                      | 2009                       | 2010          |              | 2009                                  | 2010           |              | 2009                                 | 2010            |              |
| Anatoliki            | 2.646                      | 2.245         | -15,2        | 558                                   | 438            | -21,5        | 2.043                                | 1.584           | -22,5        |
| Kentriki Makedonia   | 6.594                      | 5.560         | -15,7        | 1.683                                 | 1.515          | -10,0        | 7.297                                | 5.564           | -23,7        |
| Dytiki Makedonia     | 951                        | 757           | -20,4        | 233                                   | 194            | -16,9        | 889                                  | 691             | -22,2        |
| Thessalia            | 2.993                      | 2.762         | -7,7         | 729                                   | 615            | -15,6        | 2.692                                | 2.162           | -19,7        |
| Ipeiros              | 1.836                      | 1.648         | -10,2        | 550                                   | 393            | -28,6        | 2.072                                | 1.404           | -32,2        |
| Ionioi Nisoi         | 1.834                      | 1.785         | -2,7         | 325                                   | 296            | -9,0         | 1.141                                | 1.024           | -10,2        |
| Dytiki Ellas         | 4.022                      | 3.792         | -5,7         | 827                                   | 667            | -19,4        | 3.102                                | 2.271           | -26,8        |
| Stereia Ellas        | 3.962                      | 3.460         | -12,7        | 911                                   | 699            | -23,3        | 3.688                                | 2.584           | -29,9        |
| Peloponnisos         | 4.202                      | 4.121         | -1,9         | 928                                   | 797            | -14,0        | 3.216                                | 2.715           | -15,6        |
| Attiki               | 13.889                     | 11.895        | -14,4        | 2.997                                 | 2.029          | -32,3        | 10.810                               | 7.270           | -32,8        |
| Voreio Aigaio        | 1.415                      | 1.182         | -16,5        | 179                                   | 141            | -21,3        | 591                                  | 472             | -20,2        |
| Notio Aigaio         | 3.023                      | 2.588         | -14,4        | 542                                   | 512            | -5,5         | 1.804                                | 1.656           | -8,2         |
| Kriti                | 3.345                      | 2.707         | -19,1        | 990                                   | 721            | -27,2        | 3.516                                | 2.641           | -24,9        |
| <b>Greece, Total</b> | <b>50.712</b>              | <b>44.502</b> | <b>-12,2</b> | <b>11.451,5</b>                       | <b>9.016,6</b> | <b>-21,3</b> | <b>42.862,1</b>                      | <b>32.038,5</b> | <b>-25,3</b> |

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**Graph 1. Private Building Activity, by Region, in November 2009 and 2010**



**Graph 2. Private Building activity. Change (%) of building volume, by Region, for the period December 2008 - November 2009 and December 2009 - November 2010**



## EXPLANATORY NOTES

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| <b>Building Activity Survey</b> | The Building Activity Survey has been providing data on a monthly and yearly basis, since 1964. The purpose of this survey is to register the total number of building permits issued by the responsible administrative authorities, which are devolved to complete the questionnaire. The survey covers all the features of building activity, such as the type of building permit, the type of construction, the type and the characteristics of the building and its auxiliary spaces, as well as building usage, surface, volume and value.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Legal Framework</b>          | The survey is fully harmonized with the European legislation. The primary legislative act is Regulation (EU) 1165/1998, as it was amended according to Regulation (EU) 1158/2005.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Reference Period</b>         | 01/11/2010 to 30/11/2010                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Coverage</b>                 | The survey is exhaustive and covers the total number of issued building permits across the country.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Definitions</b>              | <p><b>Building Permit</b> refers to all types of building permits. These are permits for new buildings or permits for additions, repair, renovation, demolition, legitimization, amendment and modification of a building.</p> <p>The denotation of "built-property" is equal to "building".</p> <p><b>Building</b> is every permanent and independent structure, which has walls and a roof and consists of one or more rooms and other complementary spaces. Normally, buildings feature four walls. However, a construction open from one or even two sides will be considered a building, as long as it has a roof.</p> <p><b>New building</b> is any built-property raised on an uncovered site or in the place of an old building that has been demolished.</p> <p><b>Building Addition</b> is every construction that adds building volume (space) to an existing building, in terms of surface, height or both and creates a residence, a shop or both.</p> <p><b>Building volume</b> (the net building volume) refers to the area that is included between the external surface of the external walls, the lowest level (the basement or the sub-basement, if it exists) and the roof of the building. If there is an open ground floor not enclosed within walls between the lower floor and the roof, its volume is taken into account. The relevant authorities calculate the volume of the building during the issuing of the building permit.</p> <p><b>Surface of new-built property</b> is considered to be the sum of each floor space along with the outer space of the outer walls.</p> |
| <b>General Remark</b>           | Any delineation that may occur between the sum of sub totals and the totals is due to rounding.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>References</b>               | More information (questionnaires, methodology) with regards to the Building Activity Survey is available on EL.STAT's web-site: <a href="http://www.statistics.gr">www.statistics.gr</a> , under the links: Statistical Themes > Building and Constructions > Building Activity or Constructions.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |