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Building Activity Survey: June 2012

According to provisional data published by the Hellenic Statistical Authority, in June 2012 the total Building Activity (private-public), in the whole country-which is calculated on the basis of the number of issued in the whole country -amounted to 1,962 . This figure corresponds to 299.5 thousand m² of surface and 1,111.1 thousand m³ of volume, reflecting respectively a 41.8 % decrease in the number of building permits, a 42.9 % decrease in surface and a 40.6 % decrease in volume, compared to the month of 2011 (Table 1).

Private Building Activity, in the whole country, summed to 1,950 building permits, corresponding to 295.9 thousand m² of surface and 1,097.0 thousand m³ of volume. In comparison with the same month of 2011, there is a 41.7% decrease in the number of building permits, a 42.4 % decrease in surface and a 40.0 % decrease in volume (Table 2).

Public Building Activity in the whole country in June 2012 amounted to 12 building permits, corresponding to 3.6 thousand m² of surface and 14.0 thousand m³ of volume. The Public Building Activity accounted for the 1,3 % of the total building volume in June 2012.

In the last twelve months, from July 2011 until June 2012, the total Building Activity (private-public) in the whole country, calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 32,893 . This figure corresponds to 5,720,2 thousand m² of surface and 22,014.3 thousand m³ of volume, reflecting a 19.7 % decrease in the number of building permits, 28.4 % decrease in surface and a 24.5 % decrease in volume, compared with the corresponding period of July 2010 until June 2011 (Table 3).

In the same period from July 2011 until June 2012 , Private Building Activity in the whole country recorded a 19.8 % decrease in the number of issued building permits, a 28.4 % decrease in surface and a 24.9 % decrease in volume, compared with the respective period from July 2010 until June 2011 (Table 4). For the same period, the Public Building Activity accounted for the 3.6 % of the total building volume.

During the period January- June 2012, the total Building Activity (private-public) in the whole country recorded a 17.6 % decrease in the number of building permits, a 13.4 % decrease in surface and a 11.5 % decrease in volume, compared with the same period of the year 2011 (Table 5).

During the same period, January- June 2012, Private Building Activity in the whole country recorded a 17.9 crease in the number of issued building permits, a 15.5 % decrease in surface and a 13.9 % decrease in volume, in comparison with the same period of January- June 2012 (Table 6).

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Table 1. Total Building Activity (Private-Public), by Region, in June 2011 and 2012 *

Region	Number of building permits			Surface (in thousand m ²)			Volume (in thousand m ³)		
	June		Change (%)	June		Change (%)	June		Change (%)
	2011	2012		2011	2012		2011	2012	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	164	89	-45,7	23,4	11,8	-49,7	86,8	41,9	-51,8
Kentriki Makedonia	507	273	-46,2	73,4	63,0	-14,2	279,9	254,0	-9,3
Dytiki Makedonia	70	33	-52,9	10,1	7,6	-25,2	31,7	30,1	-5,1
Thessalia	197	151	-23,4	30,4	17,6	-42,1	118,5	62,4	-47,4
Ipeiros	101	96	-5,0	34,7	15,7	-54,8	135,0	51,4	-61,9
Ionioi Nisoi	144	60	-58,3	19,6	9,5	-51,7	70,1	33,6	-52,0
Dytiki Ellada	255	162	-36,5	40,5	26,1	-35,6	138,0	96,9	-29,8
Stereia Ellada	277	110	-60,3	43,2	16,0	-62,9	154,3	62,0	-59,8
Peloponnisos	310	216	-30,3	47,2	32,7	-30,7	150,8	121,8	-19,2
Attiki	938	422	-55,0	129,7	48,8	-62,4	460,4	185,5	-59,7
Voreio Aigaio	90	59	-34,4	9,4	7,1	-25,0	31,4	24,7	-21,3
Notio Aigaio	143	161	12,6	21,3	23,8	11,4	70,8	74,9	5,7
Kriti	173	130	-24,9	41,2	19,9	-51,6	143,6	71,8	-50,0
Greece, Total	3.369	1.962	-41,8	524,2	299,5	-42,9	1.871,4	1.111,1	-40,6

* Provisional data

Table 2. Private Building Activity, by Region, in June 2011 and 2012*

Region	Number of building permits			Surface (in thousand m ²)			Volume (in thousand m ³)		
	June		Change (%)	June		Change (%)	June		Change (%)
	2011	2012		2011	2012		2011	2012	
An.Makedonia, Thraki	162	89	-45,1	22,6	11,8	-47,8	83,6	41,9	-49,9
Kentriki Makedonia	497	267	-46,3	72,5	59,6	-17,9	276,7	240,5	-13,1
Dytiki Makedonia	70	33	-52,9	10,1	7,6	-25,2	31,7	30,1	-5,1
Thessalia	195	149	-23,6	27,9	17,6	-36,8	107,5	62,4	-42,0
Ipeiros	98	95	-3,1	31,6	15,7	-50,4	119,3	51,4	-56,9
Ionioi Nisoi	144	59	-59,0	19,6	9,5	-51,7	70,1	33,6	-52,0
Dytiki Ellada	253	162	-36,0	39,9	26,1	-34,7	135,3	96,9	-28,4
Stereia Ellada	277	110	-60,3	43,2	16,0	-62,9	154,3	62,0	-59,8
Peloponnisos	309	214	-30,7	47,1	32,6	-30,9	150,5	121,3	-19,4
Attiki	937	422	-55,0	129,7	48,8	-62,4	460,4	185,5	-59,7
Voreio Aigaio	90	59	-34,4	9,4	7,1	-25,0	31,4	24,7	-21,3
Notio Aigaio	143	161	12,6	21,3	23,8	11,4	70,8	74,9	5,7
Kriti	168	130	-22,6	39,1	19,9	-49,0	135,7	71,8	-47,1
Greece, Total	3.343	1.950	-41,7	514,1	295,9	-42,4	1.827,4	1.097,0	-40,0

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Table 3. Total Building Activity (Private-Public), by Region, for the period July 2010 - June 2011 and July 2011 - June 2012 *

Region	Number of building permits			Surface (in thousand m ²)			Volume (in thousand m ³)		
	July-June		Change (%)	July-June		Change (%)	July-June		Change (%)
	2010 - 2011	2011 - 2012		2010 - 2011	2011 - 2012		2010 - 2011	2011 - 2012	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	2.010	1.565	-22,1	407,3	278,7	-31,6	1.430,7	1.026,9	-28,2
Kentriki Makedonia	5.022	4.606	-8,3	1.209,1	947,0	-21,7	4.882,7	4.050,1	-17,1
Dytiki Makedonia	715	593	-17,1	152,4	123,6	-18,9	580,1	502,3	-13,4
Thessalia	2.493	2.035	-18,4	546,2	375,4	-31,3	1.954,8	1.420,5	-27,3
Ipeiros	1.396	1.165	-16,5	378,1	208,5	-44,8	1.308,5	748,8	-42,8
Ionioi Nisoi	1.874	1.408	-24,9	281,8	210,7	-25,2	965,3	712,8	-26,2
Dytiki Ellada	3.433	2.538	-26,1	578,5	405,0	-30,0	2.068,1	1.458,0	-29,5
Stereia Ellada	3.339	2.610	-21,8	664,0	475,0	-28,5	2.335,9	2.081,2	-10,9
Peloponnisos	3.612	3.250	-10,0	661,5	632,4	-4,4	2.462,9	2.782,4	13,0
Attiki	11.090	8.080	-27,1	1.812,2	1.086,5	-40,0	6.732,0	3.911,7	-41,9
Voreio Aigaio	1.166	1.078	-7,5	140,9	143,5	1,8	477,9	514,0	7,6
Notio Aigaio	2.257	2.223	-1,5	496,8	408,1	-17,9	1.657,4	1.362,6	-17,8
Kriti	2.556	1.742	-31,8	664,9	425,8	-36,0	2.309,7	1.443,1	-37,5
Greece, Total	40.963	32.893	-19,7	7.993,6	5.720,2	-28,4	29.165,9	22.014,3	-24,5

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Table 4. Private Building Activity , by Region, for the period July 2010 - June 2011 and July 2011 - June 2012 *

Region	Number of building permits			Surface (in thousand m ²)			Volume (in thousand m ³)		
	July-June		Change (%)	July-June		Change (%)	July-June		Change (%)
	2010 - 2011	2011 - 2012		2010 - 2011	2011 - 2012		2010 - 2011	2011 - 2012	
An.Makedonia, Thraki	1.983	1.537	-22,5	348,6	270,1	-22,5	1.197,6	995,0	-16,9
Kentriki Makedonia	4.932	4.534	-8,1	1.162,5	889,1	-23,5	4.669,3	3.803,4	-18,5
Dytiki Makedonia	703	578	-17,8	149,0	105,1	-29,5	565,7	427,7	-24,4
Thessalia	2.478	2.030	-18,1	535,6	369,7	-31,0	1.906,4	1.397,6	-26,7
Ipeiros	1.378	1.159	-15,9	345,3	207,0	-40,1	1.195,3	743,0	-37,8
Ionioi Nisoi	1.872	1.407	-24,8	281,4	210,7	-25,1	963,9	712,8	-26,1
Dytiki Ellada	3.410	2.513	-26,3	564,7	378,8	-32,9	2.014,8	1.350,2	-33,0
Stereia Ellada	3.321	2.602	-21,7	621,4	472,4	-24,0	2.300,8	2.066,6	-10,2
Peloponnisos	3.597	3.194	-11,2	658,4	613,6	-6,8	2.451,1	2.686,3	9,6
Attiki	11.081	8.067	-27,2	1.805,9	1.073,7	-40,5	6.706,3	3.862,5	-42,4
Voreio Aigaio	1.162	1.074	-7,6	140,3	136,2	-2,9	475,8	469,7	-1,3
Notio Aigaio	2.252	2.221	-1,4	496,4	407,5	-17,9	1.655,9	1.360,5	-17,8
Kriti	2.526	1.731	-31,5	624,0	402,4	-35,5	2.156,6	1.352,7	-37,3
Greece, Total	40.695	32.647	-19,8	7.733,5	5.536,3	-28,4	28.259,5	21.228,1	-24,9

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Table 5. Total Building Activity (Private-Public), by Region, for the period January- June 2011 and 2012 *

Region	Number of building permits			Surface (in thousand m ²)			Volume (in thousand m ³)		
	January- June		Change	January- June		Change	January- June		Change
	2011	2012		2011	2012		2011	2012	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	781	628	-19,6	159	104	-34,5	547	387	-29,3
Kentriki Makedonia	2.026	1.807	-10,8	324	384	18,8	1.300	1.625	25,0
Dytiki Makedonia	269	239	-11,2	59	55	-6,1	216	218	1,2
Thessalia	941	836	-11,2	176	148	-16,0	645	521	-19,2
Ipeiros	487	529	8,6	118	90	-23,7	414	291	-29,6
Ionioi Nisoi	755	505	-33,1	110	80	-27,2	371	281	-24,2
Dytiki Ellada	1.237	1.031	-16,7	202	159	-21,5	766	591	-22,9
Stereia Ellada	1.303	1.022	-21,6	219	179	-18,3	791	841	6,3
Peloponnisos	1.313	1.384	5,4	237	249	4,9	884	949	7,4
Attiki	4.826	3.183	-34,0	706	519	-26,5	2.752	1.902	-30,9
Voreio Aigaio	495	435	-12,1	60	65	7,5	208	237	14,2
Notio Aigaio	876	982	12,1	176	175	-0,5	600	571	-4,8
Kriti	902	777	-13,9	213	182	-14,8	715	623	-12,8
Greece, Total	16.211	13.358	-17,6	2.760,0	2.389,4	-13,4	10.210,0	9.038,1	-11,5

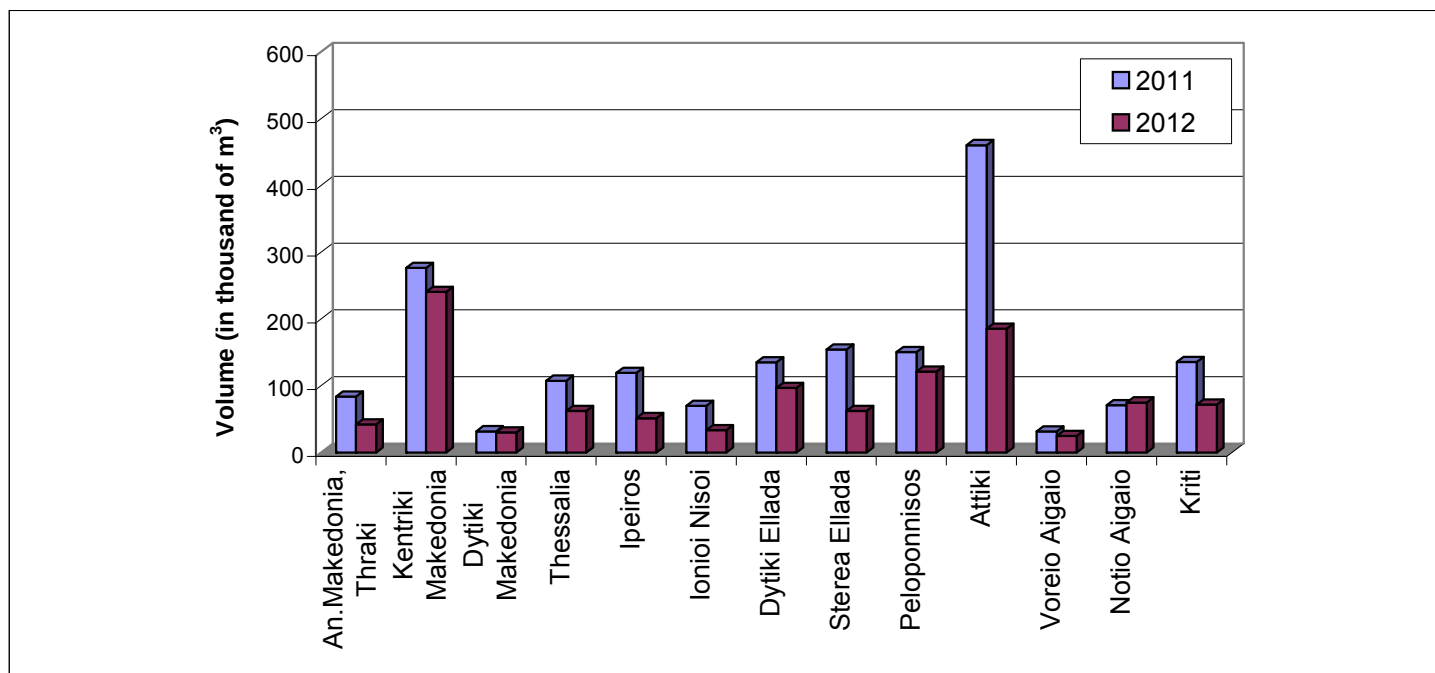
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Table 6. Private Building Activity , by Region, for the period January- June 2011 and 2012 *

Region	Number of building permits			Surface (in thousand m ²)			Volume (in thousand m ³)		
	January- June		Change	January- June		Change	January- June		Change
	2011	2012		2011	2012		2011	2012	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	769	618	-19,6	141	104	-26,3	486	386	-20,6
Kentriki Makedonia	1.996	1.769	-11,4	313	347	11,0	1.252	1.487	18,7
Dytiki Makedonia	267	234	-12,4	58	42	-27,4	212	172	-18,8
Thessalia	936	833	-11,0	173	148	-14,5	631	520	-17,5
Ipeiros	484	528	9,1	115	90	-21,7	398	291	-26,9
Ionioi Nisoi	754	504	-33,2	110	80	-27,0	370	281	-23,9
Dytiki Ellada	1.228	1.020	-16,9	200	151	-24,6	756	551	-27,1
Stereia Ellada	1.302	1.018	-21,8	219	179	-18,4	789	839	6,3
Peloponnisos	1.307	1.349	3,2	235	234	-0,3	875	869	-0,7
Attiki	4.823	3.174	-34,2	702	509	-27,5	2.737	1.869	-31,7
Voreio Aigaio	493	432	-12,4	60	58	-3,1	206	197	-4,7
Notio Aigaio	875	981	12,1	176	175	-0,3	598	570	-4,7
Kriti	889	771	-13,3	202	167	-17,6	678	567	-16,4
Greece, Total	16.123	13.231	-17,9	2.702,1	2.283,0	-15,5	9.989,9	8.600,0	-13,9

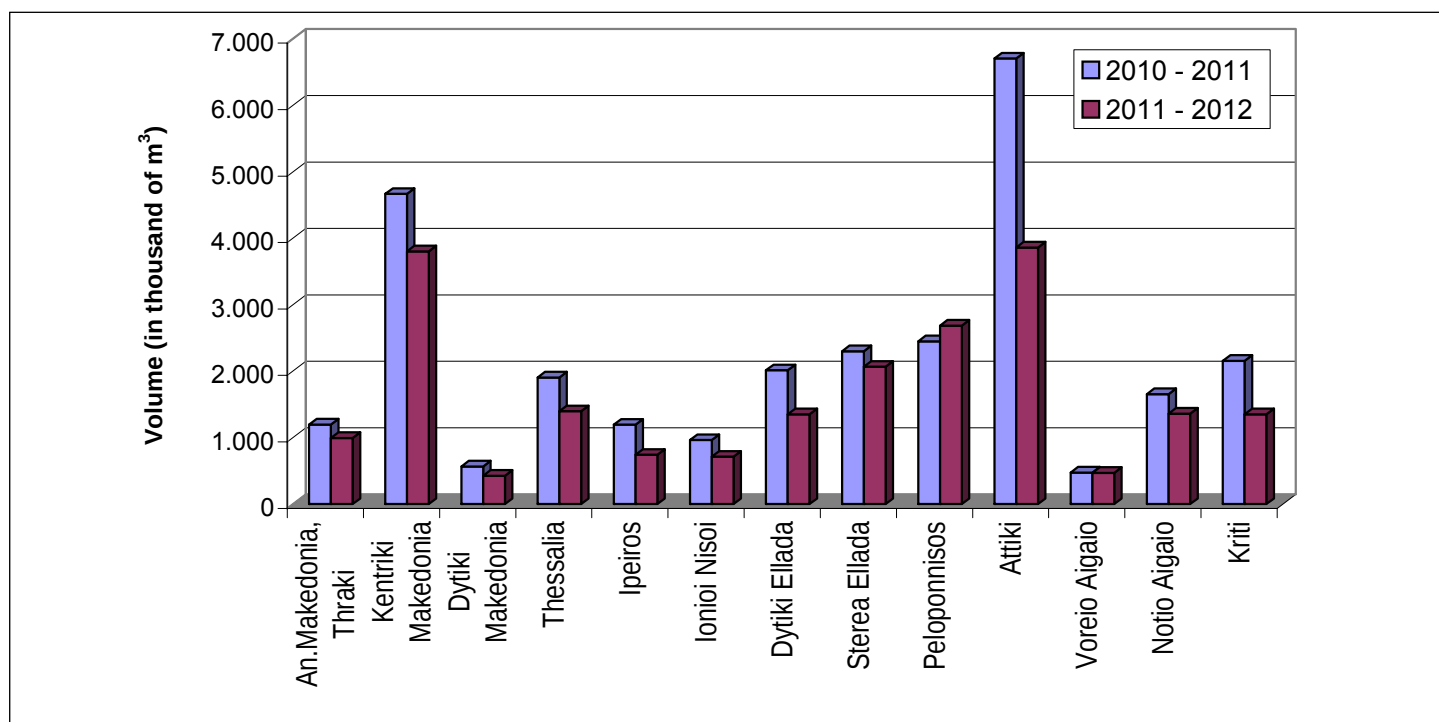
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Graph 1. Private Building Activity, by Region, in June 2011 and 2012*



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Graph 2. Private Building Activity, by Region, for the period July 2010 - June 2011 and July 2011 - June 2012 *



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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Building Activity Survey	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.
Legal Framework	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.
Reference Period	01/6/2012 to 30/6/2012
Coverage	The survey is exhaustive and covers the total number of issued building permits across the country.
Definitions	Building Permit 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. The denotation of "built-property" is equal to "building". Building 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. New building is any built-property raised on an uncovered site or in the place of an old building that has been demolished. Building Addition 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. Building volume (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. Surface of new-built property is considered to be the sum of each floor space along with the outer space of the outer walls.
General Remark	Any delineation that may occur between the sum of sub totals and the totals is due to rounding.
References	More information (questionnaires, methodology) with regards to the Building Activity Survey is available on EL.STAT's web-site: www.statistics.gr , under the links: Statistical Themes > Building and Constructions > Building Activity or Constructions.