



## **ACTIVITIES OF NOTARIES: Year 2022**

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces statistics on the activities of notaries for the year 2022. The data derive from the annual census survey on notaries which is conducted by ELSTAT on the basis of a standard statistical questionnaire filled in by the notaries all over Greece, with the cooperation of their Regional Associations. The total of notaries for the year 2022 is 2,718.

In 2022, the concluded notaries' deeds were 804,322 in comparison with 727,610 in 2021, recording an increase of 10.5%. On the basis of the available data for the period 2013 – 2022, an increase of 44.8% is recorded taking into account the conclusion of 804,322 deeds in 2022 compared with 555,473 deeds in 2013 (Tables 1, 2).

In the year 2022 compared to the year 2021, the following categories recorded the greater increase:

- "Notices of seizure", 14,939 deeds compared to 6,199
- "Real estate transactions", 112,283 deeds compared to 104,746 and
- "Auctions", 5,760 deeds compared to 2,393 (Tables 1, 2).

In the year 2022, the main notarial deeds drawn up concern the following categories:

- "Deeds of procuration" (210,236 deeds)
- "Real estate transactions"(112,283 deeds). It should be clarified that the data on real estate transactions refer to the relevant deeds concluded (a deed may relate to more than one real estate or share/s of immovable property).
- "Parental grants" (46,113 deeds) (Tables 1, 2).

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**Table 1. Notarial deeds by type, 2013 – 2022**

Type of notarial deed	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<b>Total</b>	<b>555,473</b>	<b>500,992</b>	<b>535,992</b>	<b>551,076</b>	<b>599,159</b>	<b>638,522</b>	<b>919,258</b>	<b>619,944</b>	<b>727,610</b>	<b>804,322</b>
Notices of seizure	8,310	6,291	4,088	2,288	4,520	6,994	8,255	6,846	6,199	14,939
Auctions	2,724	2,428	1,204	724	1,186	3,388	4,829	2,683	2,393	5,760
Protests	3,435	2,022	1,347	1,069	961	-	-	-	-	-
Wills and testaments	29,952	30,856	31,528	32,256	31,708	31,106	31,615	30,204	33,655	33,206
Establishment of companies	2,604	1,940	1,565	1,663	1,747	1,713	1,672	1,271	1,474	1,109
Dissolution of companies	1,816	2,510	2,078	1,655	1,303	886	903	547	545	630
Real estate transactions	49,774	43,443	54,631	60,540	69,826	79,532	96,662	74,769	104,746	112,283
Car transactions	2,754	2,364	2,772	2,232	1,332	1,360	1,763	1,200	1,481	1,816
Donations in life	20,541	17,882	19,110	20,953	19,512	19,020	22,691	15,693	22,669	18,870
Donations in prospect of death	391	391	498	539	336	316	372	219	269	241
Parental grants	28,680	23,221	28,258	34,307	31,719	31,385	34,924	25,944	49,452	46,113
Loans	352	364	367	427	83	58	170	293	200	485
Deeds of procuration	192,637	176,611	192,196	190,318	201,864	206,148	224,682	170,532	210,600	210,236
Acknowledgement of paternity of child <sup>2</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	4,623	4,598	4,000	4,273	4,673
Unilateral dissolution of registered partnership <sup>2</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	212	233	233	268	447
Dissolution of registered partnership by mutual consent <sup>2</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	622	838	758	857	1,118
Dissolution of marriage by mutual consent (without children) <sup>2,3</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	3,175	3,763	3,487	3,750	4,142
Dissolution of marriage by mutual consent (with children) <sup>2,3</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	5,621	7,259	7,151	7,897	8,269
Other deeds <sup>4</sup>	211,503	190,669	196,350	202,105	233,062	242,363	474,029	274,114	276,882	339,985

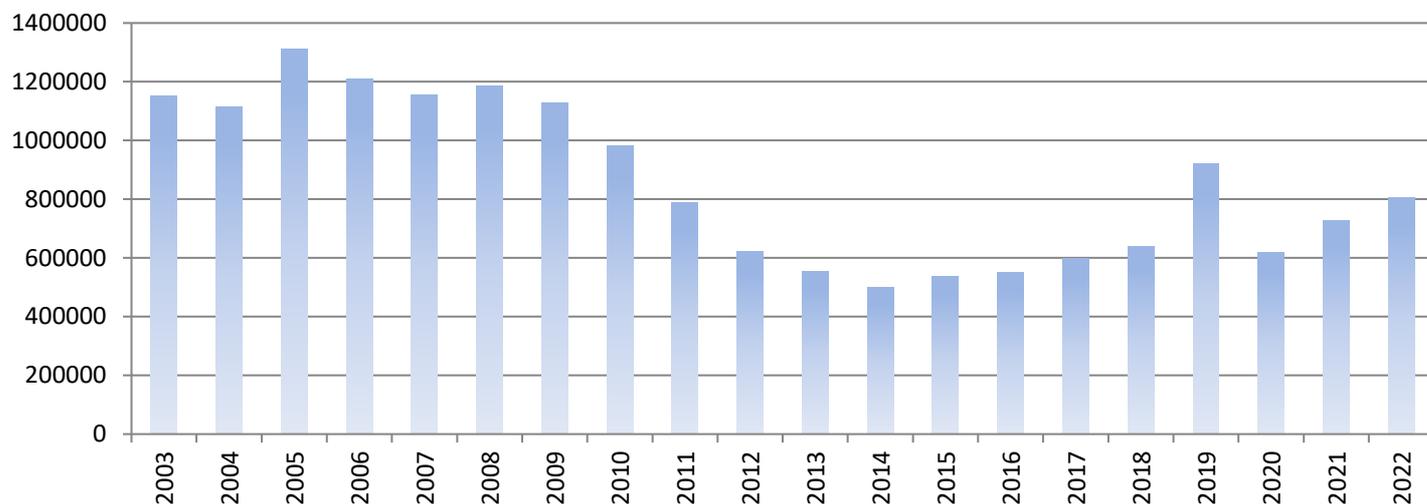
<sup>1</sup> From reference year 2018, the notary deed "Protests" is included in "Other deeds"

<sup>2</sup> Addition of notarial deed from reference year 2018.

<sup>3</sup> It is noted that these are notarial deeds of dissolution of marriages by mutual consent which were carried out in the corresponding year, which are then required to be declared in the competent Registries.

<sup>4</sup> "Other deeds" may refer to: lease contracts, statements in writing sworn, statements of legal capacity, approvals of private agreements, zone reservation contracts, distributions, exchanges, assignments, mergers, registered partnerships, acceptance of inheritance etc.

**Graph 1. Number of notarial deeds, 2003-2022**



**Table 2. Notarial deeds, by type and annual percentage change, 2013, 2019-2022**

Type of notarial deed	Number of notarial deeds					Annual change (%)			
	2013	2019	2020	2021	2022	2020/2019	2021/2020	2022/2021	2022/2013
<b>Total</b>	<b>555,473</b>	<b>919,258</b>	<b>619,944</b>	<b>727,610</b>	<b>804,322</b>	<b>-32.6</b>	<b>17.4</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>44.8</b>
Notices of seizure	8,310	8,255	6,846	6,199	14,939	-17.1	-9.5	141.0	79.8
Auctions	2,724	4,829	2,683	2,393	5,760	-44.4	-10.8	140.7	111.5
Protests	3,435	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wills and testaments	29,952	31,615	30,204	33,655	33,206	-4.5	11.4	-1.3	10.9
Establishment of companies	2,604	1,672	1,271	1,474	1,109	-24.0	16.0	-24.8	-57.4
Dissolution of companies	1,816	903	547	545	630	-39.4	-0.4	15.6	-65.3
Real estate transactions	49,774	96,662	74,769	104,746	112,283	-22.6	40.1	7.2	125.6
Car transactions	2,754	1,763	1,200	1,481	1,816	-31.9	23.4	22.6	-34.1
Donations in life	20,541	22,691	15,693	22,669	18,870	-30.8	44.5	-16.8	-8.1
Donations in prospect of death	391	372	219	269	241	-41.1	22.8	-10.4	-38.4
Parental grants	28,680	34,924	25,944	49,452	46,113	-25.7	90.6	-6.8	60.8
Loans	352	170	293	200	485	72.4	-31.7	142.5	37.8
Deeds of procuration	192,637	224,682	170,532	210,600	210,236	-24.1	23.5	-0.2	9.1
Acknowledgement of paternity of child <sup>2</sup>	-	4,598	4,000	4,273	4,673	-13.0	6.8	9.4	-
Unilateral dissolution of registered partnership <sup>2</sup>	-	233	233	268	447	0.0	15.0	66.8	-
Dissolution of registered partnership by mutual consent <sup>2</sup>	-	838	758	857	1,118	-9.5	13.1	30.5	-
Dissolution of marriage by mutual consent (without children) <sup>2</sup>	-	3,763	3,487	3,750	4,142	-7.3	7.5	10.5	-
Dissolution of marriage by mutual consent (with children) <sup>2</sup>	-	7,259	7,151	7,897	8,269	-1.5	10.4	4.7	-
Other deeds	211,503	474,029	274,114	276,882	339,985	-42.2	1.0	22.8	60.7

<sup>1</sup> From reference year 2018, the notary deed "Protests" is included in "Other deeds"

<sup>2</sup> Addition of notarial deed from reference year 2018.

Table 3 below presents the number of notaries who responded to the survey per regional Court of Appeal, for the years 2019 - 2022. The coverage rate for the years 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 is 95.9%, 95.5%, 96.3% and 95.9% respectively.

**Table 3. Number of notaries who responded to the survey by regional Courts of Appeal, 2019 - 2022**

Courts of Appeal	2019	2020	2021	2022
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,708</b>	<b>2,756</b>	<b>2,700</b>	<b>2,607</b>
Athens	979	990	962	944
Aigaio	49	54	48	39
Dodecanese	39	41	38	37
Thessaloniki	452	450	459	456
Thraki	102	107	107	106
Ioannina	47	52	52	50
Kerkyra	41	39	36	35
Dytiki Makedonia	53	46	45	44
Kriti	53	54	46	45
Larisa	166	176	183	178
Nafplio	123	125	120	118
Patra	130	134	132	123
Piraeus	138	143	137	128
Lamia	64	65	63	55
Kalamata	59	62	62	58
Anatoliki Kriti	73	74	72	64
Dytiki Sterea Ellada	42	46	44	40
Voreio Aigaio	40	41	40	38
Evia	58	57	54	49

**Table 4. Notarial deeds by type of deed and by regional Courts of Appeal, 2022**

Courts of Appeal	Deeds in total	Type of notarial deed															
		Notices of seizure	Auctions (real estate)	Auctions (chattels)	Wills and testaments	Establishment of companies	Dissolution of companies	Real estate transactions	Car transactions	Donations Total	Parental grants	Deeds of procuracy	Acknowledgement of paternity of child	Dissolution of registered partnership	Dissolution of marriage by mutual consent (without children)	Dissolution of marriage by mutual consent (with children)	Other deeds <sup>1</sup>
<b>Total</b>	<b>804,322</b>	<b>14,939</b>	<b>5,666</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>33,206</b>	<b>1,109</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>112,283</b>	<b>1,816</b>	<b>19,111</b>	<b>46,113</b>	<b>210,236</b>	<b>4,673</b>	<b>1,565</b>	<b>4,142</b>	<b>8,269</b>	<b>340,470</b>
Athens	276,595	4,150	1,677	41	6,510	647	278	36,465	1,324	4,873	15,325	82,437	1,486	788	1,704	3,062	115,828
Aigaio	13,901	129	23	0	514	8	5	1,895	17	324	795	5,529	54	29	40	128	4,411
Dodecanese	12,156	139	76	0	485	13	4	1,253	24	326	886	4,763	107	34	85	170	3,791
Thessaloniki	149,739	4,143	1,566	26	7,524	167	125	23,755	236	3,744	8,221	31,903	669	162	733	1,442	65,323
Thraki	40,389	670	245	5	3,106	20	15	6,685	19	1,341	2,029	10,578	290	35	176	343	14,832
Ioannina	17,689	193	93	2	862	21	14	2,262	17	507	1,164	3,982	97	22	81	186	8,186
Kerkyra	10,694	0	0	0	646	4	9	1,664	21	197	507	3,881	84	24	49	115	3,493
Dytiki Makedonia	16,263	417	154	3	1,419	4	7	2,113	19	562	873	3,623	68	9	61	143	6,788
Kriti	22,984	317	60	2	611	21	4	2,597	30	406	1,125	5,752	114	49	82	228	11,586
Larisa	47,999	1,648	281	5	3,168	36	84	7,408	11	1,565	3,246	9,633	273	37	213	494	19,897
Nafplio	30,184	778	357	3	1,271	10	7	4,067	5	888	1,842	6,867	144	24	96	197	13,628
Patra	39,639	1,071	249	4	1,722	28	16	4,916	36	1,021	2,400	10,065	268	79	194	392	17,178
Piraeus	35,039	278	397	3	1,281	62	27	3,785	12	747	2,127	9,616	218	122	251	474	15,639
Lamia	14,983	81	235	0	769	8	2	2,348	4	505	1,086	2,830	74	15	45	88	6,893
Kalamata	14,576	254	64	0	843	7	2	2,443	0	403	806	3,654	325	19	56	114	5,586
Anatoliki Kriti	22,427	120	47	0	488	29	7	3,023	28	440	856	5,146	207	55	114	313	11,554
Dytiki Sterea Ellada	12,329	11	9	0	642	14	12	1,892	5	439	951	3,177	66	24	41	111	4,935
Voreio Aigaio	11,436	365	31	0	600	4	5	1,568	1	304	760	3,375	50	18	49	93	4,213
Evia	15,300	175	102	0	745	6	7	2,144	7	519	1,114	3,425	79	20	72	176	6,709

<sup>1</sup> In "Other deeds" loans are also included.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### Survey on Notaries' activities

The survey on Notaries' Activities is a census survey; it is conducted on a yearly basis, during the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the year n for the data referring to the year n-1. The survey collects information on the number of notarial deeds per year by type of deed. The collected data are broken down by Judicial Regions of Courts of Appeal. The competent persons for the completion of the annual statistical table of notarial deeds are the Notaries.

The main variables of the survey are the Judicial Region and the type of deeds, such as notices for seizure, protests, wills and testaments, real estate transactions, donations, parental grants, deeds of procuration, etc.

From reference year 2018, the following notarial deeds have been added: acknowledgement of paternity of child, registered partnerships, dissolution of registered partnerships, dissolution of marriages by mutual consent. It is noted that these are notarial deeds of dissolution of marriages by mutual consent which were carried out in the corresponding year, which are then required to be declared in the competent Registries.

**Legal basis** The survey on the notaries' activities is conducted by virtue of the Greek Statistical Law 3832/2010, as in force, and the Joint Ministerial Decision 10498/B115/16.05.1963.

**Periodicity** Annual

**Definitions** **Notaries** are unsalaried public officials. They are appointed to existing places following a public competition; their main duty is to draft contracts, wills, memoranda of agreement etc. Their professional status is governed by the Notaries Code, and they are organized in professional associations of notaries. The geographical distribution of the deeds is according to the seat of the notaries who concluded the acts, aggregated by the regions of Courts of Appeal.

#### **Type of notarial deeds:**

- Notices of seizure
- Auctions: refers to the concluded auctions. Postponements, annulments, non-awarded auctions are included in "Other deeds".
- Wills and testaments
- Establishment/dissolution of companies
- Real estate transactions: a deed that refers to more than one transaction of immovable property or share/s of immovable property is counted as one transaction.
- Vehicles purchase and sales.
- Donations (in life, in prospect of death)
- Parental grants
- Loans deeds
- Procuracy deeds
- Acknowledgement of paternity of child
- Dissolution of registered partnerships
- Dissolution of marriages by mutual consent
- Other deeds: lease contracts, statements in writing sworn, statements of legal capacity, approvals of private agreements, zone reservation contracts, distributions, exchanges, assignments, mergers, acceptance of inheritance, registered partnerships etc.

**Methodology** Data are collected through a standard statistical table which is filled in by the Notaries. More information on the methodology of the survey is available on the webpage of ELSTAT ([www.statistics.gr](http://www.statistics.gr)), Statistics → Population and Social Conditions → Civil Justice → Notarial acts → Methodology

**References** More information on the survey is available on the webpage of ELSTAT ([www.statistics.gr](http://www.statistics.gr)) Section: Statistics → Population and Social Conditions → Civil Justice → Notarial acts