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Building Activity Survey: August 2024

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces the data of the Building Activity Survey for the month August 2024. More specifically:

The Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece, in August 2024 which is calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 1,787. This figure corresponds to 454,416 m² of surface and 1,846,520 m³ of volume, reflecting, respectively, a 10.5% increase in the number of building permits, a 15.0% increase in surface and a 12.0% decrease in volume, compared with the corresponding month of 2023 (Table 1).

The building permits for the Private Building Activity issued in Greece in August 2024 amounted to 1,761. This figure corresponds to 443,744 m² of surface and 1,792,521 m³ of volume. In comparison with the same month of 2023 there is a 10.4% increase in the number of building permits, a 13.2% increase in surface and a 13.9% decrease in volume (Table 2).

The building permits for the Public Building Activity issued in Greece in August 2024 amounted to 26. This figure corresponds to 10,672 m² of surface and 53,999 m³ of volume. Public Building Activity accounted for a 2.9% of the total building volume in August 2024.

In the last twelve months, from September 2023 until August 2024, Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece, calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 30,311. This figure corresponds to 7,014,131 m² of surface and 30,919,309 m³ of volume. In comparison with the corresponding period from September 2022 until August 2023, there is a 13.8% increase in the number of building permits, a 17.2% increase in surface and an 11.5% increase in volume (Table 3).

In the same period, from September 2023 until August 2024, Private Building Activity in Greece recorded a 13.9% increase in the number of issued building permits, a 17.3% increase in surface and an 11.1% increase in volume, compared with the corresponding period from September 2022 to August 2023 (Table 4). During the same period, Public Building Activity accounted for a 2.8% of the total building volume.

During the period January - August 2024, Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece recorded a 19.5% increase in the number of issued building permits, a 20.0% increase in surface and a 9.6% increase in volume, compared with the corresponding period of 2023 (Table 5). During the same period, January - August 2024, Private Building Activity in Greece recorded a 19.6% increase in the number of issued building permits, a 20.6% increase in surface and a 9.1% increase in volume, in comparison with the period January - August 2023 (Table 6).

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Table 1. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), August 2023 and 2024

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	August		Change (%)	August		Change (%)	August		Change (%)
	2023	2024		2023	2024		2023	2024	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	87	112	28.7	17,348	30,333	74.9	79,345	103,508	30.5
Kentriki Makedonia	229	257	12.2	67,925	60,099	-11.5	392,085	278,524	-29.0
Dytiki Makedonia	21	31	47.6	2,699	3,290	21.9	13,944	12,743	-8.6
Thessalia	92	114	23.9	16,704	23,509	40.7	86,974	106,692	22.7
Ipeiros	65	66	1.5	17,488	9,112	-47.9	93,473	32,389	-65.3
Ionia Nisia	139	155	11.5	24,015	31,778	32.3	91,507	105,839	15.7
Dytiki Ellada	88	100	13.6	21,021	18,875	-10.2	121,578	79,172	-34.9
Stereia Ellada	105	87	-17.1	17,045	14,989	-12.1	100,316	68,799	-31.4
Peloponnisos	149	137	-8.1	29,671	20,307	-31.6	121,141	69,496	-42.6
Attiki	309	317	2.6	130,660	139,617	6.9	818,852	615,900	-24.8
Voreio Aigaio	39	43	10.3	2,608	6,475	148.3	9,567	23,907	149.9
Notio Aigaio	146	176	20.5	27,748	35,752	28.8	95,596	123,679	29.4
Kriti	148	192	29.7	20,221	60,280	198.1	74,354	225,872	203.8
Greece, Total	1,617	1,787	10.5	395,153	454,416	15.0	2,098,732	1,846,520	-12.0

It should be noted that the increase or decrease in the number of the issued building permits does not imply, necessity, an increase or decrease in underlying surface or volume. This is due to individual building permits involving big surface or volume or to building permits that do not concern surface or volume.

Table 2. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), August 2023 and 2024

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	August		Change (%)	August		Change (%)	August		Change (%)
	2023	2024		2023	2024		2023	2024	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	85	111	30.6	17,348	30,333	74.9	79,345	103,508	30.5
Kentriki Makedonia	227	248	9.3	66,623	58,980	-11.5	382,718	271,362	-29.1
Dytiki Makedonia	19	31	63.2	2,699	3,290	21.9	13,944	12,743	-8.6
Thessalia	90	114	26.7	15,943	23,509	47.5	83,905	106,692	27.2
Ipeiros	63	65	3.2	17,438	9,112	-47.7	93,273	32,389	-65.3
Ionia Nisia	138	153	10.9	23,553	31,430	33.4	88,898	103,359	16.3
Dytiki Ellada	86	98	14.0	21,021	17,448	-17.0	121,578	71,357	-41.3
Stereia Ellada	102	86	-15.7	16,872	13,461	-20.2	99,288	55,896	-43.7
Peloponnisos	148	136	-8.1	29,671	20,256	-31.7	121,141	69,319	-42.8
Attiki	307	316	2.9	130,587	139,617	6.9	818,635	615,900	-24.8
Voreio Aigaio	38	42	10.5	2,517	3,433	36.4	9,219	11,902	29.1
Notio Aigaio	146	173	18.5	27,748	34,843	25.6	95,596	118,966	24.4
Kriti	146	188	28.8	20,103	58,032	188.7	73,337	219,128	198.8
Greece, Total	1,595	1,761	10.4	392,123	443,744	13.2	2,080,877	1,792,521	-13.9

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Table 3. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), September 2022 - August 2023 and September 2023 - August 2024

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	September - August		Change (%)	September - August		Change (%)	September - August		Change (%)
	2022-2023	2023-2024		2022-2023	2023-2024		2022-2023	2023-2024	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	1,322	1,536	16.2	318,637	399,736	25.5	1,572,224	1,843,584	17.3
Kentriki Makedonia	3,670	4,130	12.5	958,832	1,111,376	15.9	5,035,107	5,363,533	6.5
Dytiki Makedonia	337	352	4.5	67,227	90,513	34.6	381,674	530,810	39.1
Thessalia	1,613	1,757	8.9	345,829	400,975	15.9	1,694,334	1,999,562	18.0
Ipeiros	906	1,164	28.5	250,395	271,449	8.4	1,106,426	1,105,223	-0.1
Ionia Nisia	1,798	2,478	37.8	326,117	473,399	45.2	1,128,784	1,702,773	50.9
Dytiki Ellada	1,568	1,657	5.7	241,921	314,467	30.0	1,131,601	1,458,850	28.9
Stereia Ellada	1,575	1,498	-4.9	246,468	345,491	40.2	1,357,990	2,176,689	60.3
Peloponnisos	2,051	2,268	10.6	359,529	361,134	0.4	1,581,644	1,514,847	-4.2
Attiki	6,093	6,591	8.2	1,806,518	1,908,697	5.7	8,700,582	8,109,025	-6.8
Voreio Aigaio	740	784	5.9	81,558	88,374	8.4	297,595	346,845	16.5
Notio Aigaio	2,668	3,133	17.4	510,799	561,073	9.8	1,843,321	2,000,961	8.6
Kriti	2,303	2,963	28.7	473,286	687,447	45.2	1,889,252	2,766,607	46.4
Greece, Total	26,644	30,311	13.8	5,987,116	7,014,131	17.2	27,720,534	30,919,309	11.5

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Table 4. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), September 2022 - August 2023 and September 2023 - August 2024

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	September - August		Change (%)	September - August		Change (%)	September - August		Change (%)
	2022-2023	2023-2024		2022-2023	2023-2024		2022-2023	2023-2024	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	1,307	1,523	16.5	315,670	396,147	25.5	1,561,330	1,826,242	17.0
Kentriki Makedonia	3,626	4,086	12.7	937,481	1,087,560	16.0	4,932,509	5,254,301	6.5
Dytiki Makedonia	328	342	4.3	56,482	89,930	59.2	322,532	528,467	63.8
Thessalia	1,590	1,749	10.0	336,610	386,585	14.8	1,630,950	1,877,894	15.1
Ipeiros	894	1,150	28.6	233,274	266,966	14.4	1,041,616	1,087,013	4.4
Ionia Nisia	1,791	2,465	37.6	325,437	469,255	44.2	1,125,456	1,666,038	48.0
Dytiki Ellada	1,554	1,626	4.6	239,346	301,474	26.0	1,119,056	1,406,446	25.7
Stereia Ellada	1,553	1,477	-4.9	241,723	332,784	37.7	1,339,760	2,113,723	57.8
Peloponnisos	2,035	2,252	10.7	327,417	359,278	9.7	1,403,399	1,505,931	7.3
Attiki	6,023	6,552	8.8	1,781,377	1,866,650	4.8	8,592,027	7,825,540	-8.9
Voreio Aigaio	725	767	5.8	80,604	76,794	-4.7	292,993	294,413	0.5
Notio Aigaio	2,662	3,110	16.8	509,317	556,017	9.2	1,832,883	1,975,523	7.8
Kriti	2,281	2,936	28.7	467,437	674,609	44.3	1,858,281	2,704,335	45.5
Greece, Total	26,369	30,035	13.9	5,852,175	6,864,049	17.3	27,052,792	30,065,866	11.1

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Table 5. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), January - August 2023 and 2024

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	January-August		Change (%)	January-August		Change (%)	January-August		Change (%)
	2023	2024		2023	2024		2023	2024	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	854	1,059	24.0	211,206	281,421	33.2	1,055,283	1,343,382	27.3
Kentriki Makedonia	2,354	2,746	16.7	614,184	733,834	19.5	3,294,185	3,283,078	-0.3
Dytiki Makedonia	200	251	25.5	38,081	57,322	50.5	223,034	351,511	57.6
Thessalia	1,043	1,233	18.2	225,443	280,835	24.6	1,121,267	1,410,607	25.8
Ipeiros	613	854	39.3	167,626	215,679	28.7	742,917	875,952	17.9
Ionia Nisia	1,168	1,715	46.8	199,247	327,717	64.5	691,468	1,178,348	70.4
Dytiki Ellada	974	1,106	13.6	160,897	209,958	30.5	758,511	1,000,546	31.9
Stereia Ellada	1,029	975	-5.2	155,471	185,835	19.5	887,295	1,064,024	19.9
Peloponnisos	1,358	1,565	15.2	260,091	240,531	-7.5	1,174,046	970,128	-17.4
Attiki	3,891	4,447	14.3	1,188,380	1,253,612	5.5	5,780,391	5,213,873	-9.8
Voreio Aigaio	463	523	13.0	42,254	60,895	44.1	154,241	233,552	51.4
Notio Aigaio	1,709	2,016	18.0	321,868	368,327	14.4	1,193,022	1,291,646	8.3
Kriti	1,503	2,018	34.3	290,544	435,441	49.9	1,122,270	1,729,470	54.1
Greece, Total	17,159	20,508	19.5	3,875,292	4,651,407	20.0	18,197,930	19,946,117	9.6

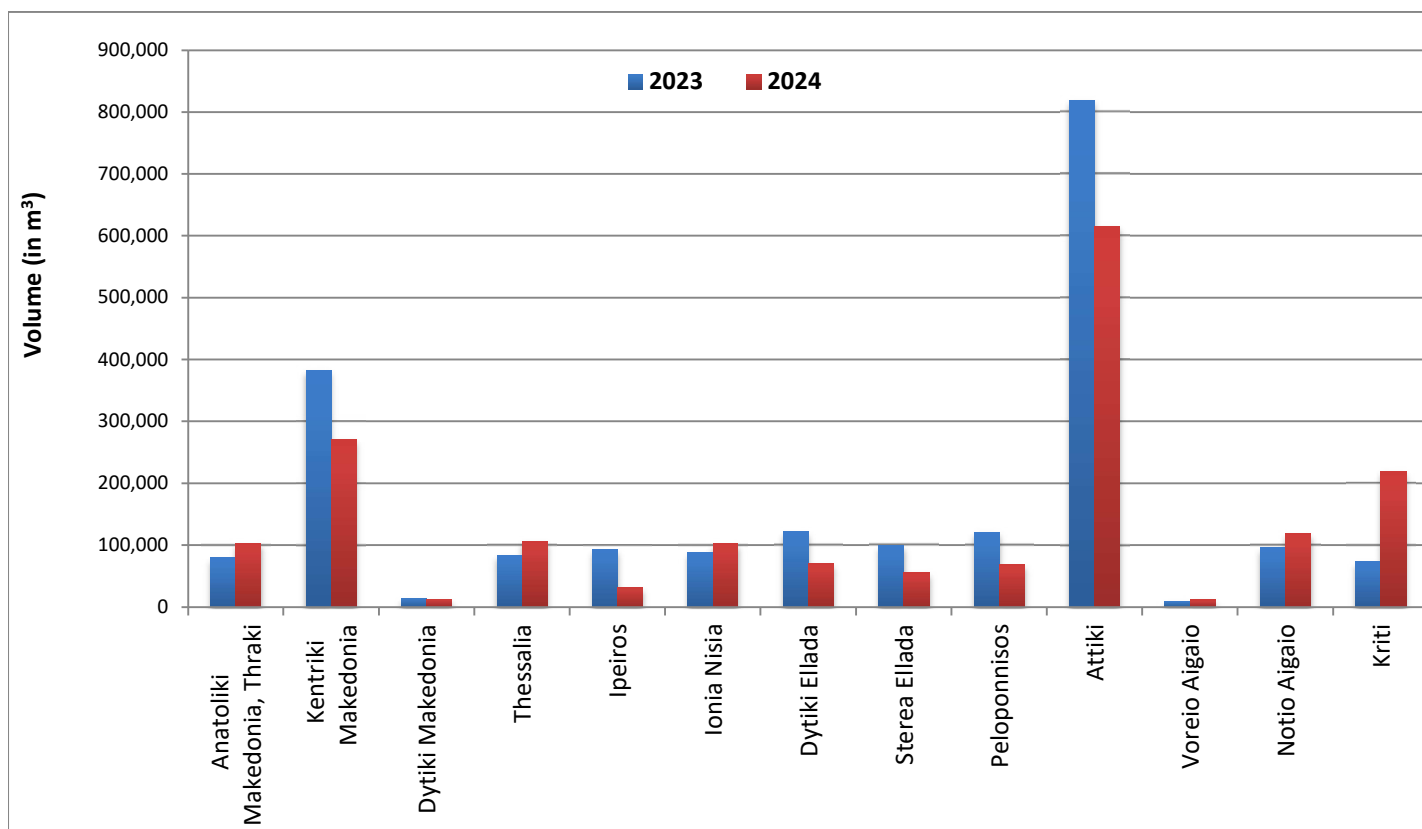
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Table 6. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), January - August 2023 and 2024

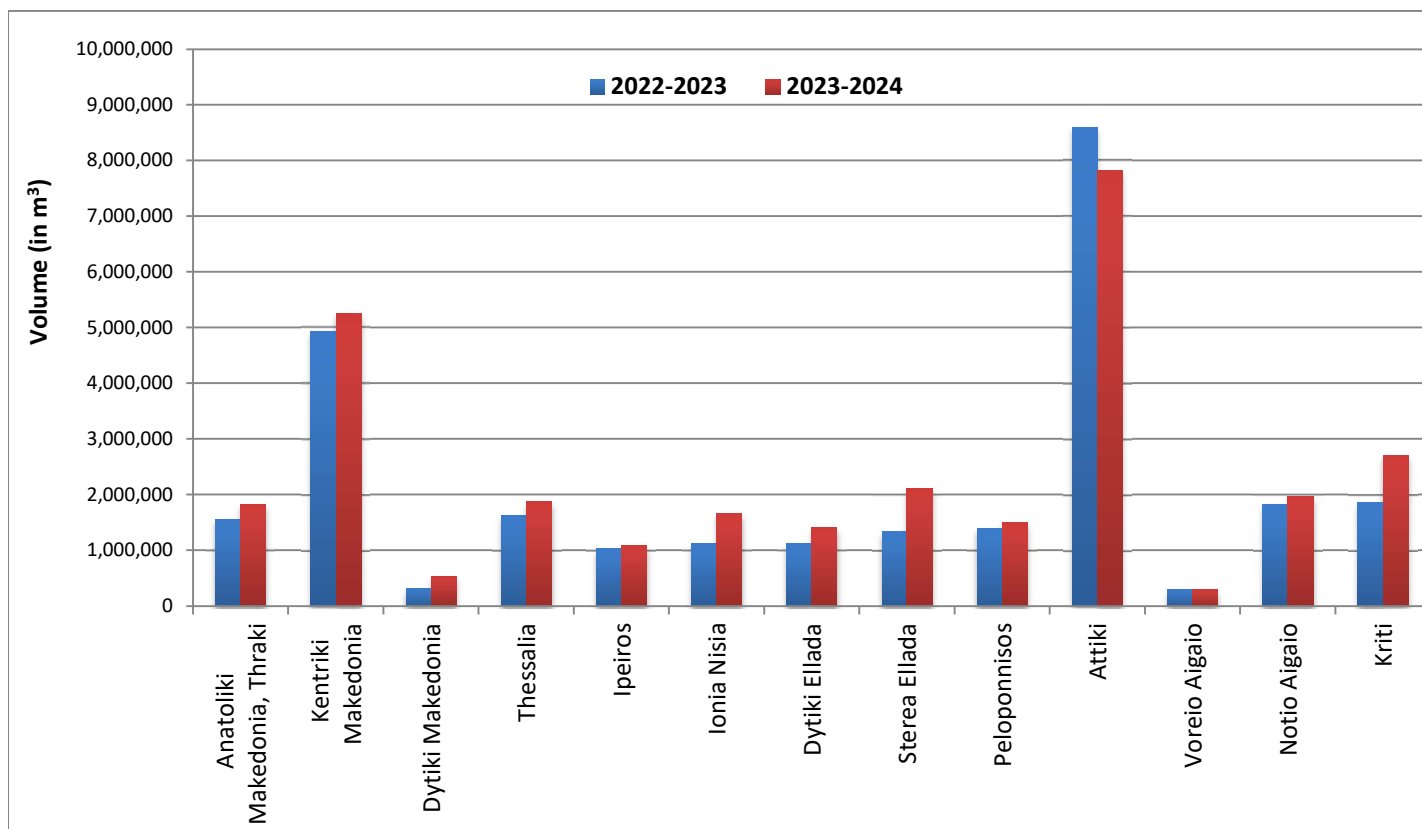
Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	January-August		Change (%)	January-August		Change (%)	January-August		Change (%)
	2023	2024		2023	2024		2023	2024	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	842	1,052	24.9	208,441	280,079	34.4	1,045,198	1,338,099	28.0
Kentriki Makedonia	2,327	2,715	16.7	594,931	720,189	21.1	3,203,584	3,225,152	0.7
Dytiki Makedonia	194	245	26.3	38,066	56,739	49.1	222,908	349,168	56.6
Thessalia	1,028	1,227	19.4	222,158	267,585	20.4	1,102,200	1,295,634	17.5
Ipeiros	604	846	40.1	150,838	212,595	40.9	679,169	864,336	27.3
Ionia Nisia	1,163	1,705	46.6	198,567	323,776	63.1	688,140	1,142,701	66.1
Dytiki Ellada	963	1,085	12.7	158,322	203,530	28.6	745,966	970,126	30.0
Stereia Ellada	1,018	962	-5.5	152,724	173,850	13.8	877,680	1,003,738	14.4
Peloponnisos	1,347	1,556	15.5	228,628	239,551	4.8	999,267	966,139	-3.3
Attiki	3,846	4,424	15.0	1,167,931	1,220,094	4.5	5,691,252	4,972,509	-12.6
Voreio Aigaio	456	508	11.4	42,163	49,315	17.0	153,893	181,120	17.7
Notio Aigaio	1,707	2,001	17.2	321,623	364,772	13.4	1,192,042	1,273,362	6.8
Kriti	1,493	1,999	33.9	285,202	433,036	51.8	1,093,981	1,722,257	57.4
Greece, Total	16,988	20,325	19.6	3,769,594	4,545,111	20.6	17,695,280	19,304,341	9.1

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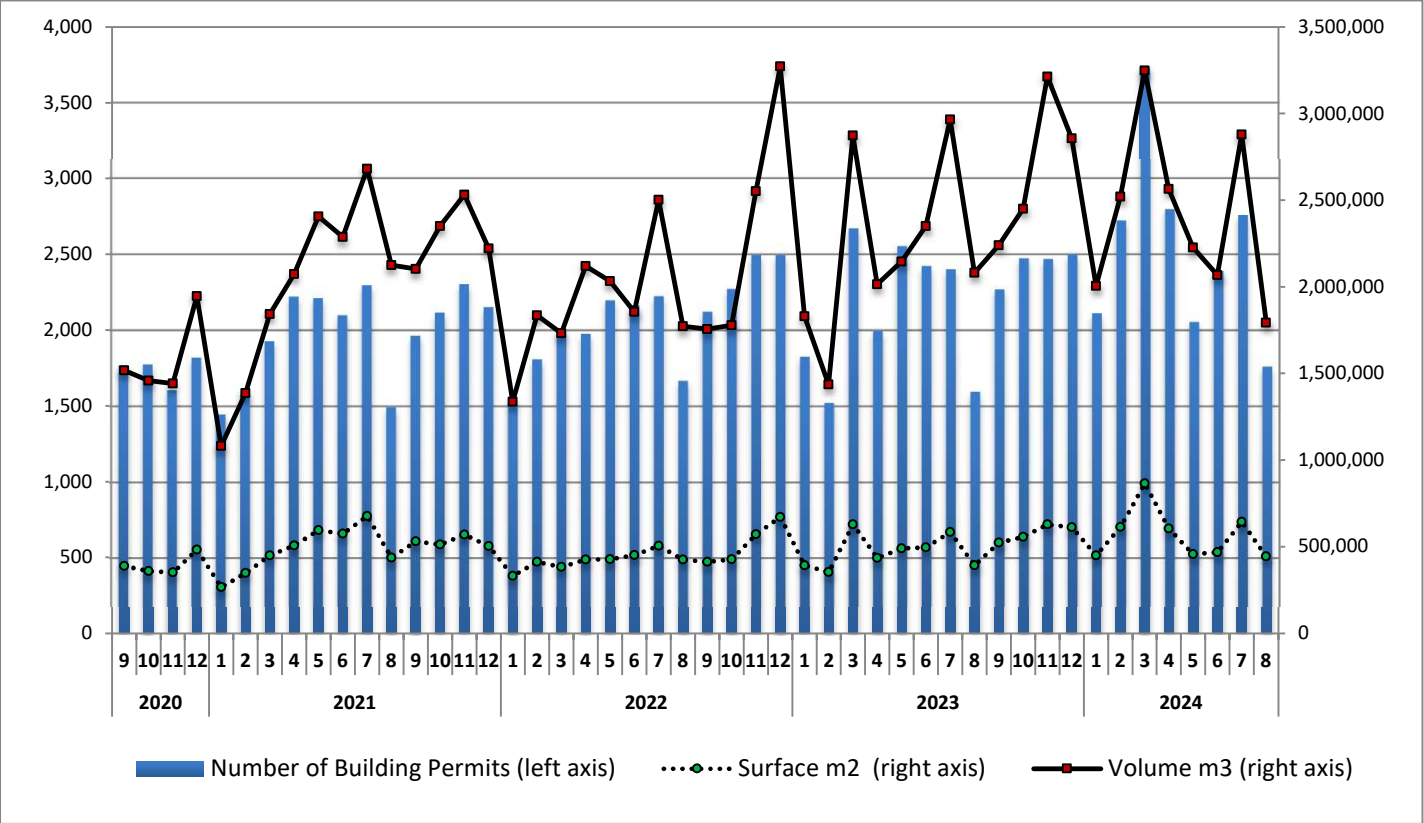
Graph 1. Private Building Activity (volume), by Region (NUTS II), August 2023 and 2024



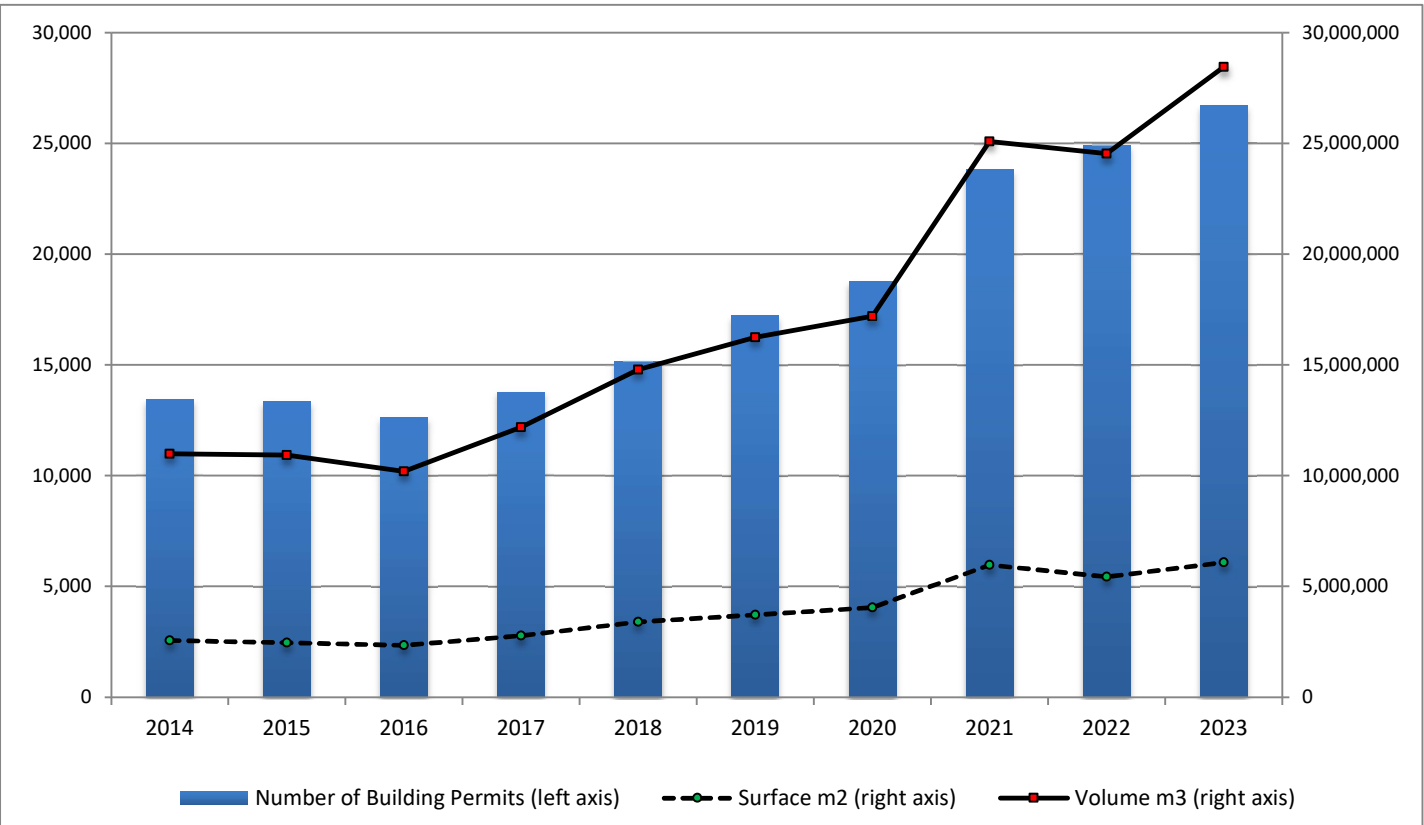
Graph 2. Private Building Activity (volume), by Region (NUTS II), September 2022 - August 2023 and September 2023 - August 2024



Graph 3. Monthly Private Building Activity (September 2020 – August 2024)



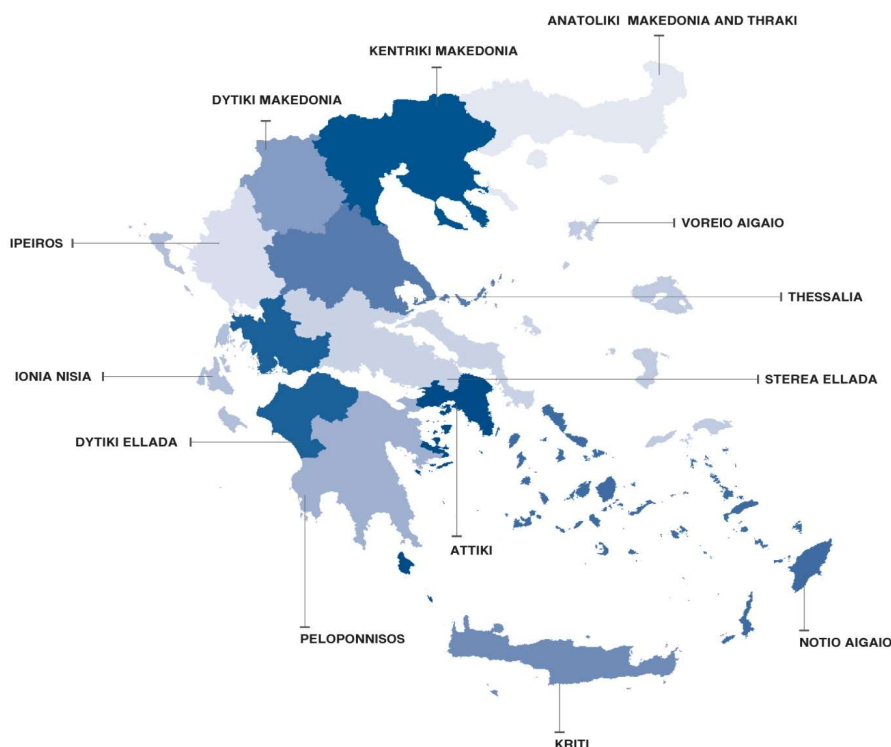
Graph 4. Annual Private Building Activity (2014 – 2023)



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) No 2019/2152 of the European Parliament and of the Council on European business statistics, as well as Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 2020/1197 laying down specifications and arrangements pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 2019/2152.
Reference Period	August 1, 2024 to August 31, 2024.
Coverage	The survey is exhaustive and covers the total number of issued building permits across the Country.
Geographical classification	The geographical classification is based on Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS).

Map of the 13 Regions (NUTS 2) of Greece



Definitions	<p>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.</p> <p>The denotation of "built-property" is equal to "building".</p> <p>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.</p> <p>New building is any built-property raised on an uncovered site or in the place of an old building that has been demolished.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Building volume (the gross 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>Surface of new-built property is considered to be the sum of each floor space along with the outer space of the outer walls.</p>
General Remark	Any delineation that may occur between the sum of sub totals and the totals is due to rounding.
References	More information (tables, questionnaires, methodology) with regards to the Building Activity Survey is available on ELSTAT's web-site (www.statistics.gr), under the link: http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SOP03/-