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## ANNOUNCEMENT

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT), in the context of its mission to produce topical and useful statistics for the public, the enterprises and the policy makers, is launching a series of experimental statistics, aiming at providing statistical information on selected important domains of the economic and social life of Greece, reflecting, inter alia, the economic conjuncture for the immediate future.

Experimental statistics are new, developing and innovative statistics. They are published labeled as experimental statistics, so that users and other stakeholders can be involved in the evaluation of their usefulness and relevance, to adequately capture the subject of the survey and ultimately to contribute to the adaptation of these statistics to their needs for information.

As the first main thematic area of experimental statistics series, the estimation for the expectations of Greek export enterprises, in terms of percentage change of exports of goods value for the current year, 2020, is presented.

This selection was based on the particular importance of exports for the Greek economy and the role they can play as an incentive / stimulus for its further development.

ELSTAT's initiative aims at:

- capturing the expectations of enterprises for the level of exports they are going to carry out during the current / next calendar year, providing a preliminary estimate of the trend of Greek exports of goods.
- creating a new data source of useful statistical information which will serve as the basis for the policy makers to draw conclusions on the differentiation of markets and the opportunities of enhancing extroversion and competitiveness of Greek enterprises.
- Developing a methodological tool for statistical monitoring of the accrued export volume compared to the reflected expectations of the enterprises, which will produce timely information, immediately usable for the economic policy makers.

In the next period, ELSTAT plans to further enrich the launched Series of Experimental Statistics with new thematic fields, about which users will be regularly informed.

The Press Release with the estimates for the Expectations of the Greek Export Enterprises for the year 2020, is available at the following link:

<https://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SFC13/>