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Building Activity Survey: April 2024

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

The Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece, in April 2024 which is calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 2,823. This figure corresponds to 621,905 m² of surface and 2,700,893 m³ of volume, reflecting, respectively, a 40.1% increase in the number of building permits, a 38.6% increase in surface and a 29.9% increase in volume, compared with the corresponding month of 2023 (Table 1).

The building permits for the Private Building Activity issued in Greece in April 2024 amounted to 2,798. This figure corresponds to 604,732 m² of surface and 2,565,475 m³ of volume. In comparison with the same month of 2023 there is a 40.3% increase in the number of building permits, a 39.4% increase in surface and a 27.3% increase in volume (Table 2).

The building permits for the Public Building Activity issued in Greece in April 2024 amounted to 25. This figure corresponds to 17,173 m² of surface and 135,418 m³ of volume. Public Building Activity accounted for a 5.0% of the total building volume in April 2024.

In the last twelve months, from May 2023 until April 2024, Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece, calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 30,320. This figure corresponds to 6,953,774 m² of surface and 31,375,645 m³ of volume. In comparison with the corresponding period from May 2022 until April 2023, there is a 17.0% increase in the number of building permits, an 18.8% increase in surface and an 18.8% increase in volume (Table 3).

In the same period, from May 2023 until April 2024, Private Building Activity in Greece recorded a 17.1% increase in the number of issued building permits, a 19.6% increase in surface and a 19.4% increase in volume, compared with the corresponding period from May 2022 to April 2023 (Table 4). During the same period, Public Building Activity accounted for a 2.3% of the total building volume.

During the period January - April 2024, Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece recorded a 41.5% increase in the number of issued building permits, a 38.4% increase in surface and a 26.2% increase in volume, compared with the corresponding period of 2023 (Table 5). During the same period, January - April 2024, Private Building Activity in Greece recorded a 41.8% increase in the number of issued building permits, a 40.2% increase in surface and a 26.8% increase in volume, in comparison with the period January - April 2023 (Table 6).

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

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	April		Change (%)	April		Change (%)	April		Change (%)
	2023	2024		2023	2024		2023	2024	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	99	138	39.4	23,154	32,320	39.6	115,312	145,417	26.1
Kentriki Makedonia	271	399	47.2	89,932	116,166	29.2	559,051	578,688	3.5
Dytiki Makedonia	24	36	50.0	6,180	5,271	-14.7	25,633	22,695	-11.5
Thessalia	126	168	33.3	30,695	48,051	56.5	168,537	258,881	53.6
Ipeiros	91	84	-7.7	27,406	13,444	-50.9	129,972	47,182	-63.7
Ionia Nisia	117	202	72.6	24,183	25,613	5.9	87,123	101,137	16.1
Dytiki Ellada	114	142	24.6	20,125	24,906	23.8	95,145	109,112	14.7
Stereia Ellada	117	145	23.9	14,318	24,722	72.7	65,502	145,492	122.1
Peloponnisos	173	219	26.6	28,462	31,842	11.9	118,931	128,496	8.0
Attiki	492	725	47.4	115,849	185,305	60.0	458,786	723,057	57.6
Voreio Aigaio	56	66	17.9	6,338	6,541	3.2	23,480	24,127	2.8
Notio Aigaio	166	256	54.2	25,031	42,294	69.0	88,498	156,005	76.3
Kriti	169	243	43.8	37,118	65,430	76.3	143,840	260,604	81.2
Greece, Total	2,015	2,823	40.1	448,791	621,905	38.6	2,079,810	2,700,893	29.9

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), April 2023 and 2024

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	April		Change (%)	April		Change (%)	April		Change (%)
	2023	2024		2023	2024		2023	2024	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	97	138	42.3	23,154	32,320	39.6	115,312	145,417	26.1
Kentriki Makedonia	266	394	48.1	80,056	112,209	40.2	514,641	562,982	9.4
Dytiki Makedonia	23	34	47.8	6,180	5,271	-14.7	25,633	22,695	-11.5
Thessalia	124	167	34.7	30,695	38,781	26.3	168,537	166,188	-1.4
Ipeiros	90	83	-7.8	27,371	13,016	-52.4	129,832	45,470	-65.0
Ionia Nisia	117	200	70.9	24,183	23,852	-1.4	87,123	85,496	-1.9
Dytiki Ellada	114	142	24.6	20,125	24,906	23.8	95,145	109,112	14.7
Stereia Ellada	116	142	22.4	11,820	24,520	107.4	57,206	144,816	153.1
Peloponnisos	171	218	27.5	28,367	31,842	12.3	118,599	128,496	8.3
Attiki	486	723	48.8	113,279	185,305	63.6	447,016	723,057	61.8
Voreio Aigaio	56	66	17.9	6,338	6,541	3.2	23,480	24,127	2.8
Notio Aigaio	166	251	51.2	25,031	40,860	63.2	88,498	147,384	66.5
Kriti	169	240	42.0	37,118	65,309	75.9	143,840	260,235	80.9
Greece, Total	1,995	2,798	40.3	433,717	604,732	39.4	2,014,862	2,565,475	27.3

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

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	May - April		Change (%)	May - April		Change (%)	May - April		Change (%)
	2022-2023	2023-2024		2022-2023	2023-2024		2022-2023	2023-2024	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	1,274	1,514	18.8	395,724	370,285	-6.4	2,086,193	1,681,906	-19.4
Kentriki Makedonia	3,580	4,067	13.6	920,335	1,075,911	16.9	4,660,401	5,408,386	16.0
Dytiki Makedonia	343	328	-4.4	57,239	71,950	25.7	282,105	413,301	46.5
Thessalia	1,557	1,729	11.0	339,349	403,210	18.8	1,606,975	2,051,950	27.7
Ipeiros	889	1,203	35.3	257,697	289,028	12.2	1,101,216	1,236,363	12.3
Ionia Nisia	1,650	2,455	48.8	289,373	461,690	59.5	986,162	1,647,416	67.1
Dytiki Ellada	1,554	1,671	7.5	221,275	285,569	29.1	973,053	1,267,777	30.3
Stereia Ellada	1,515	1,648	8.8	264,798	328,121	23.9	1,519,863	1,952,525	28.5
Peloponnisos	2,060	2,270	10.2	304,423	403,416	32.5	1,280,702	1,762,004	37.6
Attiki	5,992	6,544	9.2	1,706,112	1,967,659	15.3	7,831,299	9,028,475	15.3
Voreio Aigaio	697	800	14.8	87,629	81,885	-6.6	312,438	318,918	2.1
Notio Aigaio	2,675	3,096	15.7	550,622	548,354	-0.4	1,934,790	1,987,019	2.7
Kriti	2,124	2,995	41.0	457,210	666,696	45.8	1,844,081	2,619,605	42.1
Greece, Total	25,910	30,320	17.0	5,851,786	6,953,774	18.8	26,419,278	31,375,645	18.8

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

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	May - April		Change (%)	May - April		Change (%)	May - April		Change (%)
	2022-2023	2023-2024		2022-2023	2023-2024		2022-2023	2023-2024	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	1,259	1,498	19.0	361,489	367,085	1.5	1,909,465	1,666,182	-12.7
Kentriki Makedonia	3,533	4,030	14.1	893,243	1,057,736	18.4	4,532,382	5,321,070	17.4
Dytiki Makedonia	337	316	-6.2	46,509	71,555	53.9	223,089	411,595	84.5
Thessalia	1,543	1,715	11.1	332,487	389,868	17.3	1,557,211	1,936,136	24.3
Ipeiros	881	1,186	34.6	241,500	283,327	17.3	1,038,819	1,214,019	16.9
Ionia Nisia	1,642	2,443	48.8	289,373	458,969	58.6	986,162	1,627,036	65.0
Dytiki Ellada	1,537	1,647	7.2	219,284	276,033	25.9	963,047	1,233,854	28.1
Stereia Ellada	1,497	1,627	8.7	260,171	316,991	21.8	1,502,356	1,902,363	26.6
Peloponnisos	2,044	2,251	10.1	298,945	375,678	25.7	1,253,394	1,605,289	28.1
Attiki	5,925	6,494	9.6	1,666,944	1,943,975	16.6	7,668,011	8,916,466	16.3
Voreio Aigaio	686	786	14.6	86,766	76,169	-12.2	308,184	292,538	-5.1
Notio Aigaio	2,668	3,078	15.4	549,385	544,996	-0.8	1,925,332	1,969,545	2.3
Kriti	2,096	2,973	41.8	451,535	652,386	44.5	1,806,723	2,547,590	41.0
Greece, Total	25,648	30,044	17.1	5,697,631	6,814,768	19.6	25,674,175	30,643,683	19.4

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

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	January-April		Change (%)	January-April		Change (%)	January-April		Change (%)
	2023	2024		2023	2024		2023	2024	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	378	561	48.4	113,283	154,047	36.0	617,243	743,664	20.5
Kentriki Makedonia	1,111	1,440	29.6	313,625	397,810	26.8	1,703,367	1,737,113	2.0
Dytiki Makedonia	81	108	33.3	12,511	13,189	5.4	52,722	63,690	20.8
Thessalia	467	629	34.7	100,353	157,980	57.4	485,394	827,122	70.4
Ipeiros	276	556	101.4	91,936	157,568	71.4	394,629	658,804	66.9
Ionia Nisia	544	1,068	96.3	98,523	215,284	118.5	335,764	767,287	128.5
Dytiki Ellada	449	595	32.5	82,147	102,310	24.5	390,376	441,338	13.1
Stereia Ellada	474	570	20.3	81,111	94,105	16.0	490,514	443,079	-9.7
Peloponnisos	640	849	32.7	112,742	135,464	20.2	510,186	553,425	8.5
Attiki	1,874	2,383	27.2	498,346	622,540	24.9	2,062,495	2,415,427	17.1
Voreio Aigaio	225	301	33.8	26,212	38,364	46.4	96,269	147,653	53.4
Notio Aigaio	907	1,177	29.8	188,017	221,757	17.9	689,098	773,780	12.3
Kriti	662	1,209	82.6	144,991	269,137	85.6	574,023	1,034,221	80.2
Greece, Total	8,088	11,446	41.5	1,863,797	2,579,555	38.4	8,402,080	10,606,603	26.2

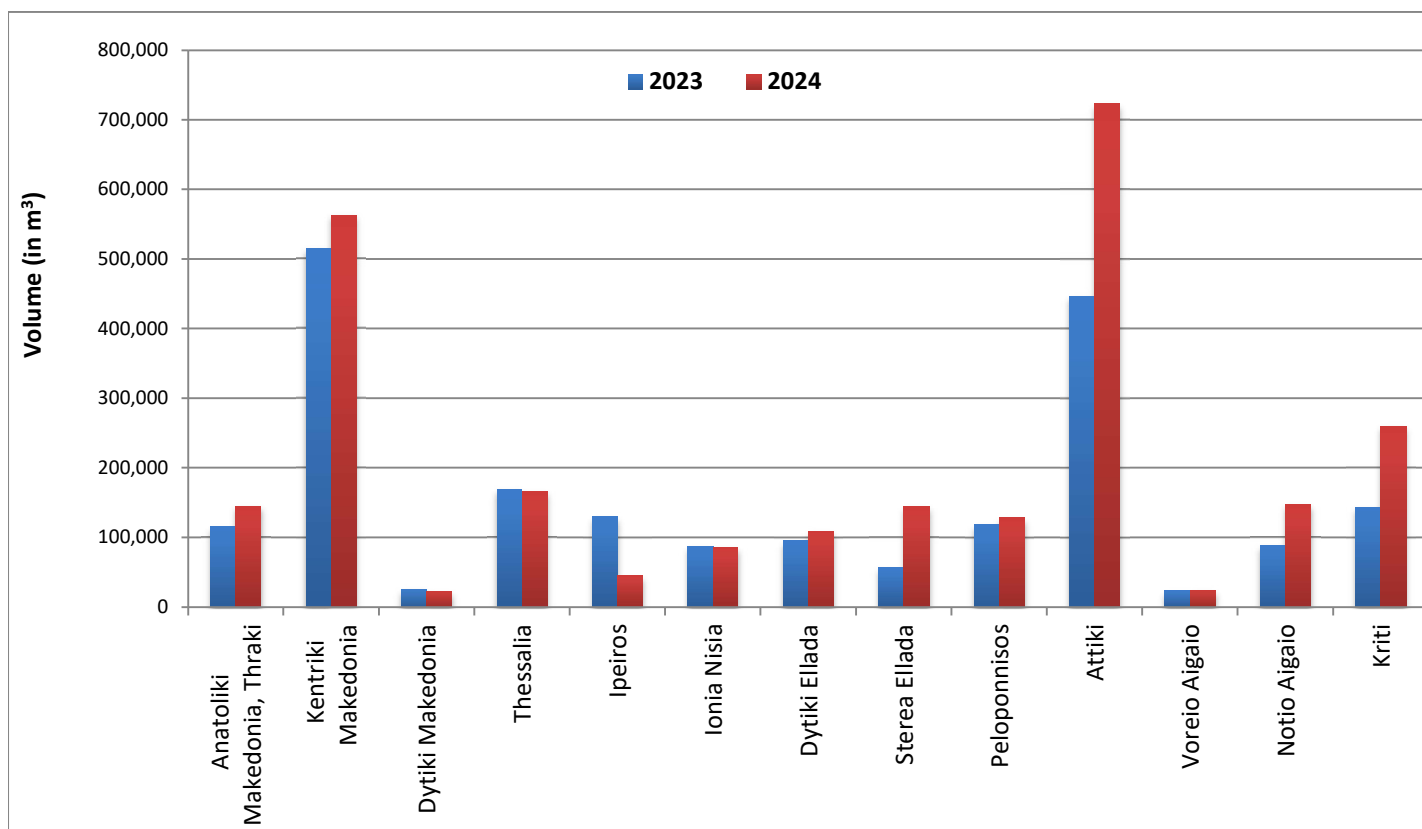
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Table 6. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), January - April 2023 and 2024

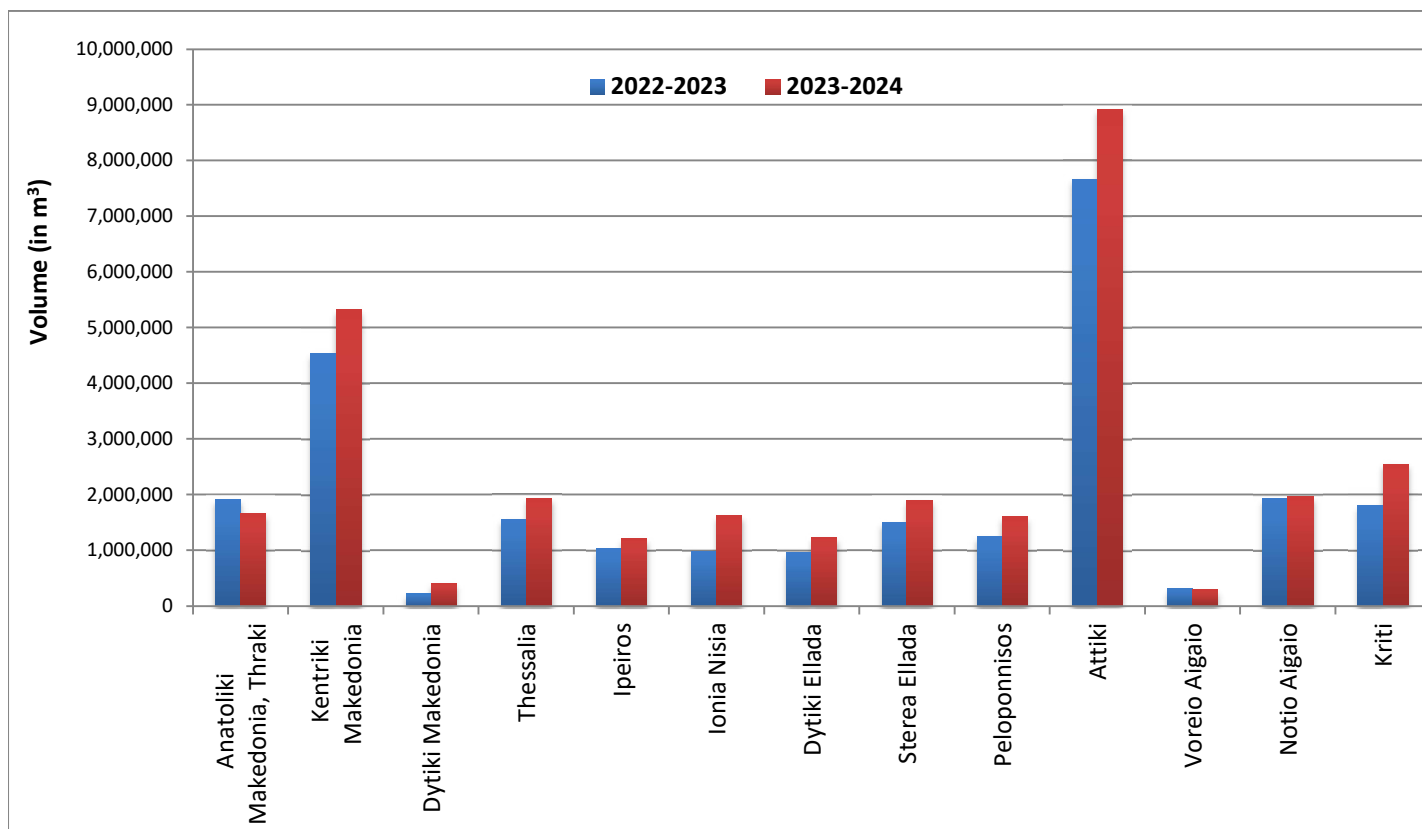
Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	January-April		Change (%)	January-April		Change (%)	January-April		Change (%)
	2023	2024		2023	2024		2023	2024	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	372	557	49.7	110,518	153,094	38.5	607,158	739,999	21.9
Kentriki Makedonia	1,097	1,429	30.3	295,804	391,238	32.3	1,622,629	1,710,966	5.4
Dytiki Makedonia	79	104	31.6	12,511	12,809	2.4	52,722	62,110	17.8
Thessalia	462	627	35.7	99,982	148,692	48.7	482,685	734,361	52.1
Ipeiros	274	552	101.5	76,446	154,564	102.2	335,320	647,493	93.1
Ionia Nisia	542	1,062	95.9	98,523	213,446	116.6	335,764	751,323	123.8
Dytiki Ellada	443	586	32.3	80,360	100,127	24.6	381,027	432,595	13.5
Stereia Ellada	470	564	20.0	78,613	83,946	6.8	482,218	396,916	-17.7
Peloponnisos	636	844	32.7	108,092	135,415	25.3	487,037	553,267	13.6
Attiki	1,852	2,372	28.1	488,074	617,562	26.5	2,018,896	2,391,079	18.4
Voreio Aigaio	223	294	31.8	26,212	32,739	24.9	96,269	121,621	26.3
Notio Aigaio	907	1,169	28.9	188,017	220,145	17.1	689,098	764,440	10.9
Kriti	657	1,200	82.6	143,405	269,016	87.6	562,321	1,033,852	83.9
Greece, Total	8,014	11,360	41.8	1,806,557	2,532,793	40.2	8,153,144	10,340,022	26.8

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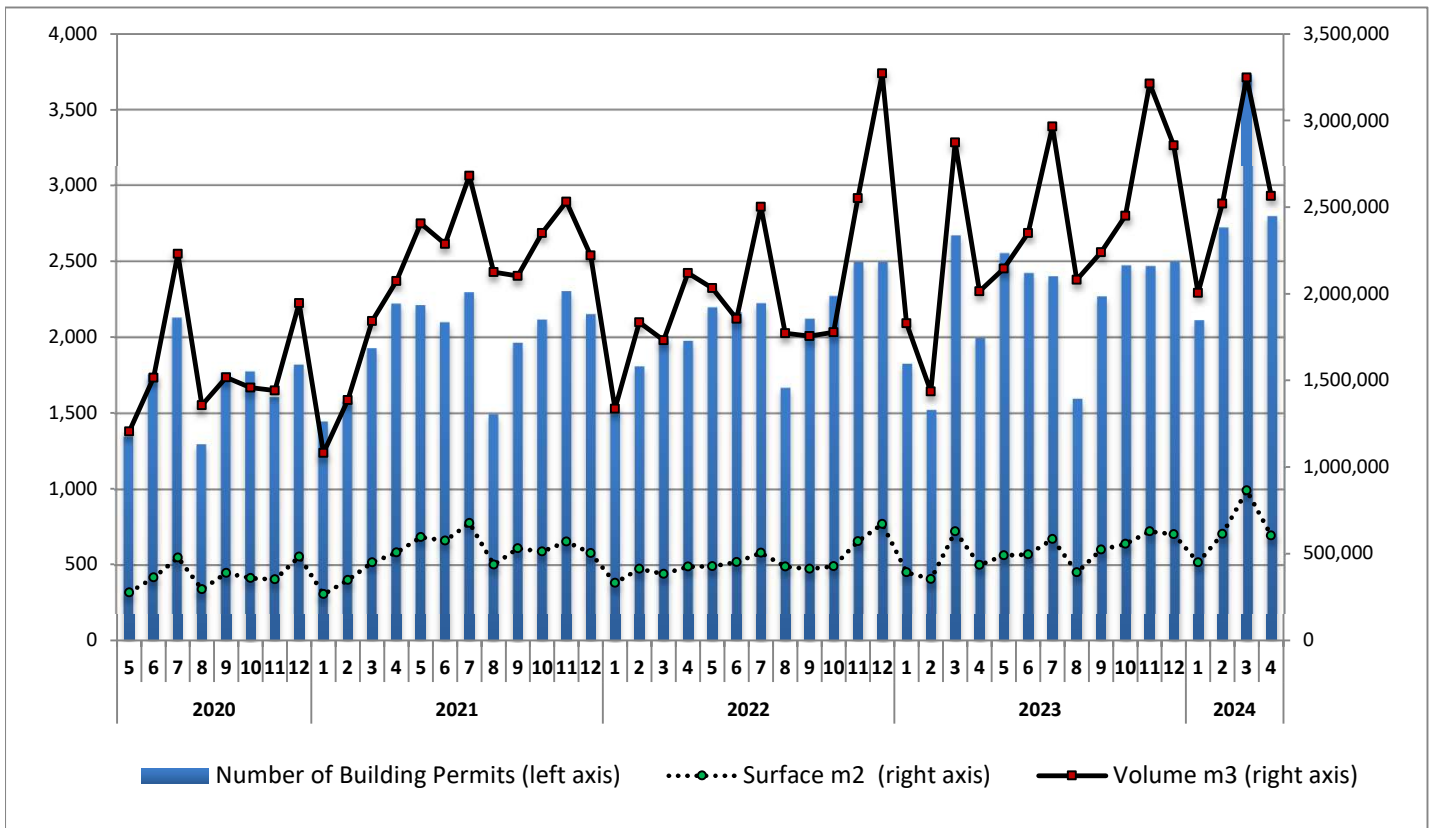
Graph 1. Private Building Activity (volume), by Region (NUTS II), April 2023 and 2024



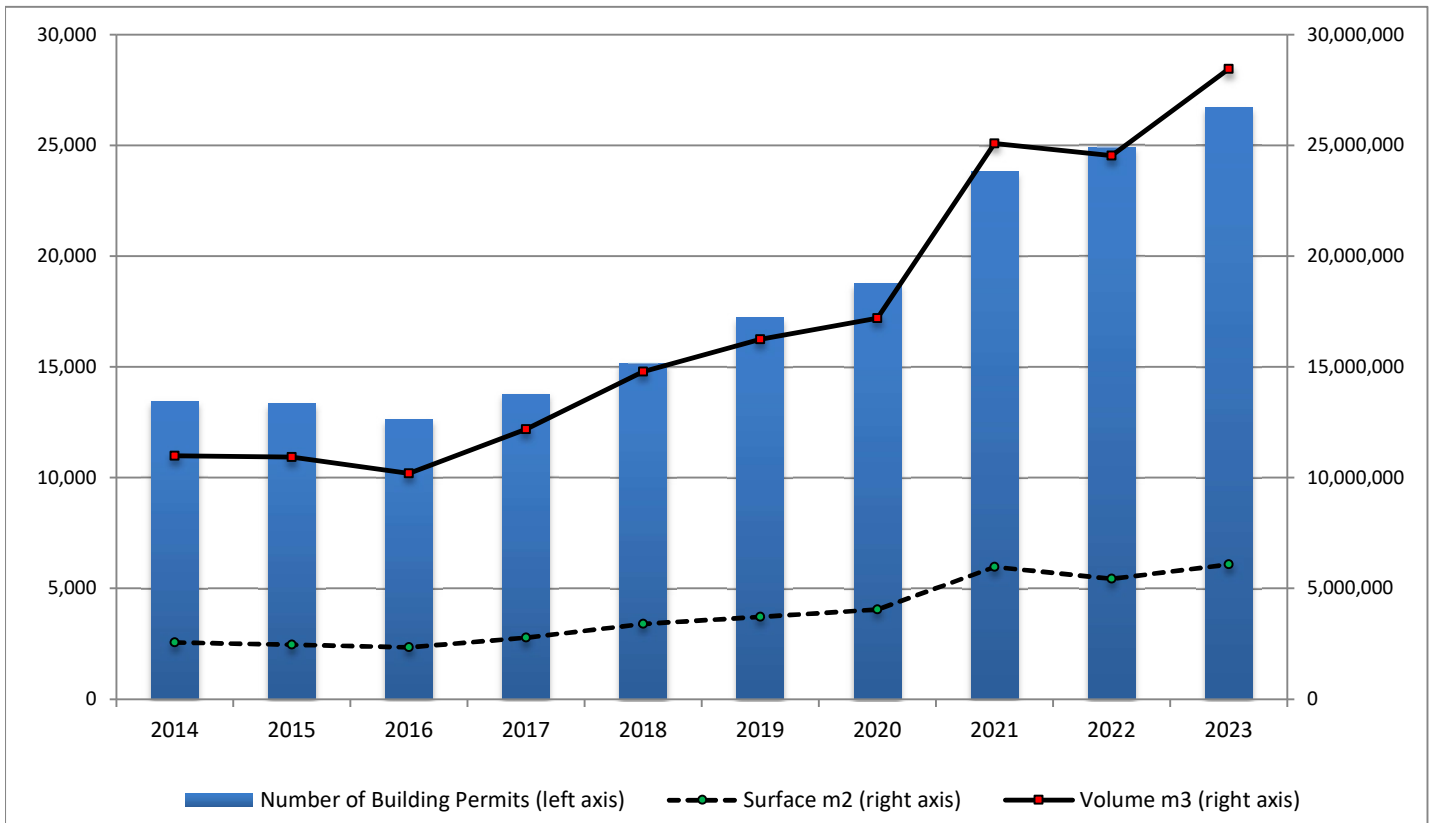
Graph 2. Private Building Activity (volume), by Region (NUTS II), May 2022 - April 2023 and May 2023 - April 2024



Graph 3. Monthly Private Building Activity (May 2020 – April 2024)



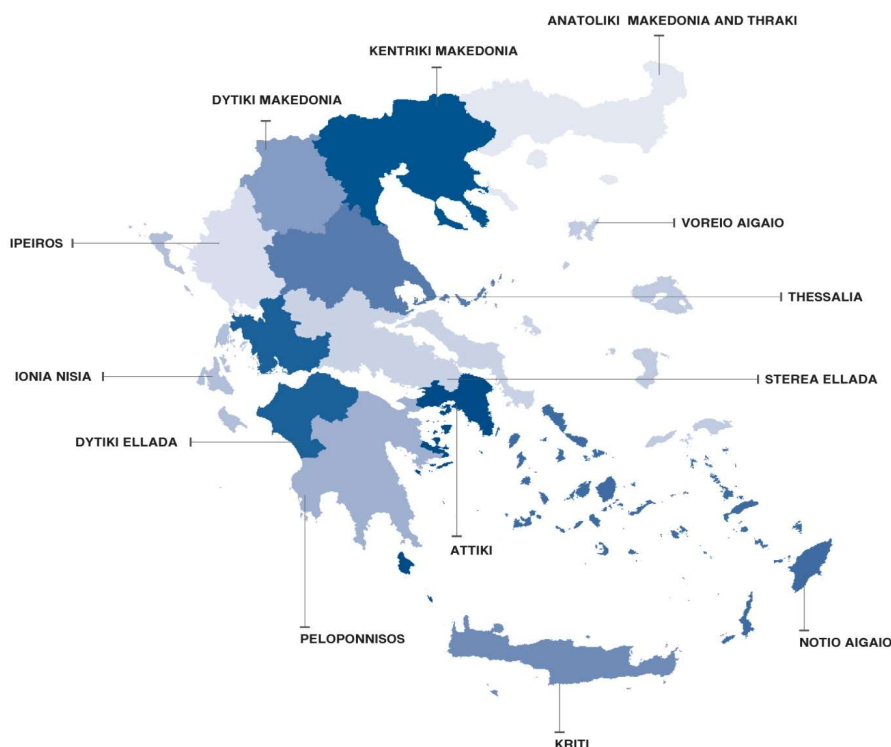
Graph 4. Annual Private Building Activity (2014 – 2023)



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	April 1, 2024 to April 30, 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/-