



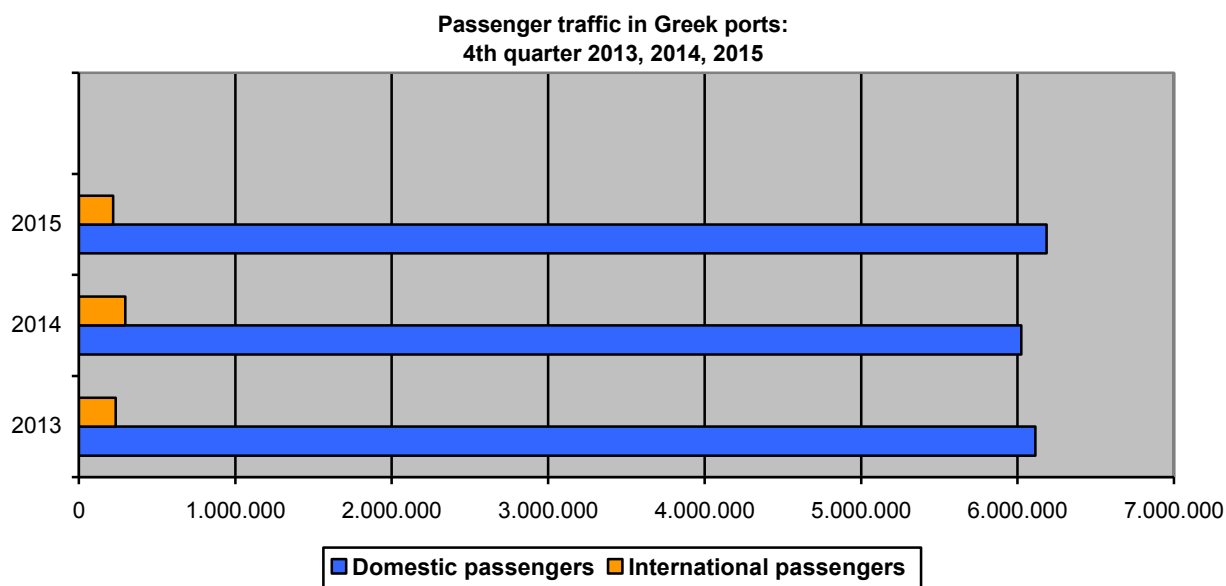
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TRAFFIC OF PASSENGERS, GOODS AND MOBILE UNITS IN GREEK PORTS: 4TH QUARTER 2015 (Provisional data)

In the 4th quarter 2015 the total passenger traffic in Greek ports recorded an increase of 1.3% compared with the 4th quarter 2014. In the corresponding quarter of 2014 compared with 2013 the total passenger traffic decreased by 0.5% (table 1)

In the 4th quarter 2015 the total movements of goods in Greek ports increased by 2.5% in comparison with the 4th quarter 2014. In contrast, in the corresponding quarter of 2014 compared with 2013 the total movements of goods increased by 5.7%¹ (table 2).

The corresponding changes in the traffic of mobile units are illustrated in Table 3



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¹ Data for the movement of goods have been revised for the 4th quarter of 2014 on account of the submission of erroneous data by an enterprise.

**Table 1 Domestic and international passenger traffic in Greek ports:
4th quarter 2013, 2014, 2015**

	4 th Quarter			Change %	
	2013	2014	2015	2014/2013	2015/2014
Domestic passengers (Disembarked or embarked)	6,114,935	6,023,531	6,186,326	-1.5	2.7
International passengers	236,067	297,000	218,647	25.8	-26.4
Disembarked	115,387	145,379	104,440	26.0	-28.2
Embarked	120,680	151,621	114,207	25.6	-24.7
Total	6,351,002	6,320,531	6,404,973	-0.5	1.3

**Table 2 Domestic and international movements of goods in Greek ports:
4th quarter 2013, 2014, 2015**

In tonnes	4 th Quarter			Change %	
	2013	2014	2015	2014/2013	2015/2014
Domestic goods (Unloaded or loaded)	7,572,932	7,493,760²	7,876,517	-1.0	5.1
International goods	25,756,673	27,735,822	28,234,681	7.7	1.8
Unloaded	14,428,090	15,939,005	16,275,127	10.5	2.1
Loaded	11,328,583	11,796,817	11,959,554	4.1	1.4
Total	33,329,605	35,229,582	36,111,198	5.7	2.5

**Table 3 Domestic and international traffic of mobile units in Greek ports:
4th quarter 2013, 2014, 2015**

	4 th Quarter			Change %	
	2013	2014	2015	2014/2013	2015/2014
Domestic mobile units (Unloaded or loaded)	1,763,508	1,726,339	1,737,176	-2.1	0.6
International mobile units	128,790	180,327	136,516	40.0	-24.3
Unloaded	65,757	90,661	68,134	37.9	-24.8
Loaded	63,038	89,666	68,382	42.2	-23.7
Total	1,892,298	1,906,666	1,873,692	0.8	-1.7

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METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Survey on the traffic of passengers goods and mobile units in Greek ports	<p>The survey on traffic of passengers goods and mobile units in Greek ports is conducted on a monthly basis since 1960 and it has been producing quarterly and annual results This survey is conducted in compliance with EU regulation 2009/42 which provides for the harmonization of statistical returns in respect of carriage of passengers goods by sea in the EU Member States</p> <p>The purpose of the survey is to collect statistical data on maritime transport and to disseminate these data to all relevant users and mostly to Eurostat.</p>
Legal framework	<p>This survey is fully harmonized with EU legislation and more specifically with Council Directive (EC) 95/64 of 8/12/1995 which was replaced by Directive (EC) 2009/42 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6/5/2009</p>
Reference period	<p>The data of the survey refer to the 4th quarter 2015.</p>
Coverage	<p>The survey covers all merchant vessels of net tonnage 10 GRT and over which carry passengers goods and mobile units by sea to and from domestic and international ports for commercial purposes. Consequently the above Directive shall not apply to fish-catching vessels, research and survey vessels, dredgers, naval vessels or vessels used solely for non-commercial purposes.</p>
Methodology	<p>The survey is an exhaustive survey which is conducted for all vessels meeting the necessary criteria The survey is carried out by means of specialized questionnaires which must be filed in by the competent bodies These bodies are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) The domestic Port Authorities which have the responsibility to fill in the questionnaires for the goods transport in cooperation with the maritime transport agent,b) The shipping companies and the financial officers of the ships who have the responsibility to fill in the questionnaires for the passenger traffic. It should be noted that the shipping companies which are equipped with the necessary computerized system submit the data electronically to ELSTAT,c) Piraeus Port Authority (OLP) and Thessaloniki Port Authority (OLTH) which record the large majority of goods transport data and send these statistical returns to ELSTAT electronically by means of a specially designed software application. <p>ELSTAT after having received all the above mentioned data proceeds to data checks, codification, processing and tabulation of the data.</p> <p>It should be stressed that the survey is conducted in compliance with international classifications and definitions applied for the variables of the relevant survey, which are laid down in Eurostat's manual «Reference Manual on Maritime Transport Statistics Version November 2012»</p>
References	<p>More information (tables charts) concerning the survey on maritime transport of passenger, goods and mobile units in the Greek ports by merchant vessels can be found on the web page of ELSTAT (www.statistics.gr) under the link << <i>Industry, Trade, Services, Transport > Transport >Shipping > Passenger and goods transportation</i>>>.</p>