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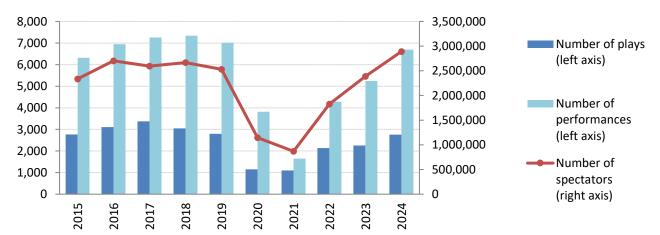
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SURVEY ON THE ACTIVITIES OF STATE - MUNICIPAL THEATRES AND ORCHESTRAS, 2024

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces the data of the Survey on the Activities of State - Municipal Theatres and Orchestras for the theatrical year 2023-2024⁽¹⁾. According to the results of the survey for this period, the following are observed:

- The activity of state municipal theatres and orchestras, amounted to 2,756 plays, to 6,698 performances and to 2,891,185 spectators, recording an increase of 22.3% in the number of plays, of 27.8% in the number of performances and of 21.2% in the number of spectators, when compared to the theatrical year of 2022-2023 (Table 1, Graph 1).
- During the winter season, the highest number of spectators was recorded for concerts (313,005), for the category of "other types of theatre" (205,285) and for children's theatre (204,255), whereas during the summer season, the highest number of spectators was observed for concerts (559,054), for the category of "other types of theatre" (206,897), and for ancient Greek drama (200,233) (Table 2, Graph 2).
- The total amount of subsidies received by state and municipal theatres and orchestras, amounted to 64,751,727 euros, recording an increase of 3.2% when compared with the according period of 2023 (Table 3, Graph 3).

Data on the capacity of state municipal theaters and orchestras for the years 2022 to 2024, as well as on the persons employed in state - municipal theaters and orchestras for the year 2024, are presented in Tables 4 and 5 and Graph 5.



Graph 1: Activities of State - Municipal Theatres and Orchestras, 2015 to 2024

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⁽¹⁾ Reference year of the survey refers to the theatrical year which begins on October 1st of year t-1 and ends on September 30rd of the next year (year t).

Table 1: Activities of State - Municipal Theatres and Orchestras, 2023 and 2024

	2023	2024	Change (%) 2024/2023
Number of plays	2,254	2,756	22.3%
Number of performances	5,241	6,698	27.8%
Number of spectators	2,385,871	2,891,185	21.2%

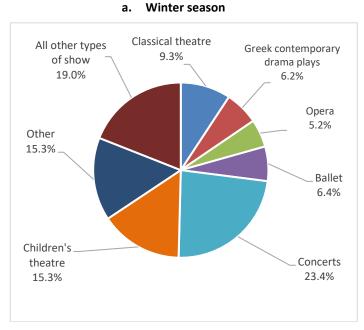
Table 2: Activities of State - Municipal Theatres and Orchestras, by type of show and period, 2024

	Winter season		Summer season			
Type of show	Number of plays	Number of performances	Number of spectators	Number of plays	Number of performances	Number of spectators
Ancient Greek drama	1	4	350	81	110	200,233
Classical theatre	55	444	123,989	66	105	71,405
Modern Drama	25	192	25,661	13	20	9,612
Satirical plays	10	86	36,238	3	5	5,640
Foreign comedy plays	9	62	11,854	47	97	67,781
Greek comedy plays	51	240	62,527	59	205	81,946
Foreign contemporary drama plays	27	336	42,767	30	69	29,993
Greek contemporary drama plays	50	579	83,494	29	59	22,083
Boulevard theatre	3	3	422	2	6	703
Romantic comedy	5	7	1,290	4	4	4,700
Musical theatre	17	136	37,118	20	30	50,337
Opera	28	79	69,017	8	21	43,367
Operetta	2	2	600	5	5	3,853
Ballet	18	77	85,461	25	41	37,317
Concerts	395	429	313,005	410	426	559,054
Dance	39	66	35,915	109	175	66,590
Children's theatre	123	1,181	204,255	150	185	90,426
Other	412	740	205,285	425	472	206,897
Total	1,270	4,663	1,339,248	1,486	2,035	1,551,937

Graph 2: Activities of State – Municipal Theatres and Orchestras (number of spectators), by type of show, 2024

a. Winter season

b. Summer season



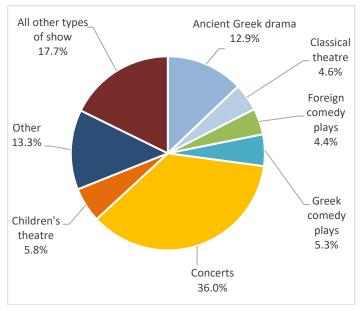


Table 3 and Graph 3: Subsidies received by State - Municipal Theatres and Orchestras, 2015 to 2024

Year	Subsidies (in euro)	
2015	30,801,600	
2016	35,788,267	
2017	41,337,129	
2018	54,053,581	
2019	41,798,193	
2020	49,574,886	
2021	48,708,013	
2022	46,867,131	
2023	62,725,564	
2024	64,751,727	

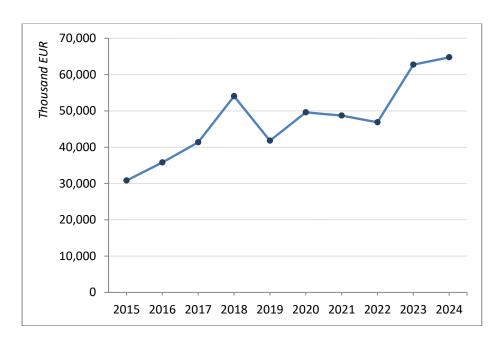
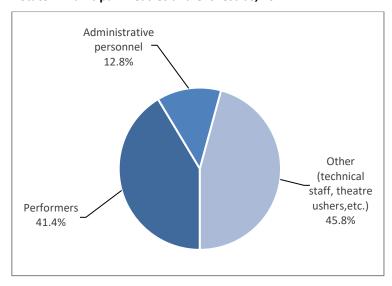


Table 4: Capacity of the facilities of State - Municipal Theatres and Orchestras, for years 2022, 2023 and 2024

	2022	2023	2024
Number of seats	91,956	93,112	93,419
Surface area of halls (m²)	27,631	28,471	29,306
Surface area of stages (m²)	18,063	18,286	15,621
Surface area of dressing rooms (m ²)	11,833	11,606	11,044
Surface area of foyers (m²)	23,090	23,012	22,398

Table and Graph 5: Persons employed in State – Municipal Theatres and Orchestras, 2024

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Performers	1,004
Administrative personnel	498
Other	1,774
(technical staff, theatre ushers, etc.)	
Total personnel	3,876



EXPLANATORY NOTES

Survey on the activities of State - Municipal **Theatre and Orchestras**

The Survey on the Activities of State - Municipal Theaters and Orchestras has been carried out since 1970. The survey collects data on the activities of the state municipal theatres and orchestras by type of show (ancient, classic and modern drama, comedy plays, opera, concerts etc.).

Data are collected on the number of plays, the number of performances and spectators, the capacity of theatres' facilities, their personnel and the subsidies.

Legal framework The survey is conducted by virtue of the Law 3832/2010, as amended and in force.

Reference Period Theatrical year 1/10/2023-30/9/2024.

Methodology

The survey is a census survey and is carried out on an annual basis. The reference year of the survey refers to the theatrical year, which begins on 1st October of year t-1 and ends in September of the next year (year t). Data are collected from the State Theatres of Greece, the Municipal Regional Theatres and Orchestras and other Municipal Theatres.

References More information on the Survey on the Activities of State - Municipal Theaters and Orchestras are available on the website of the Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) (www.statistics.gr) at:

https://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SCI15/-