



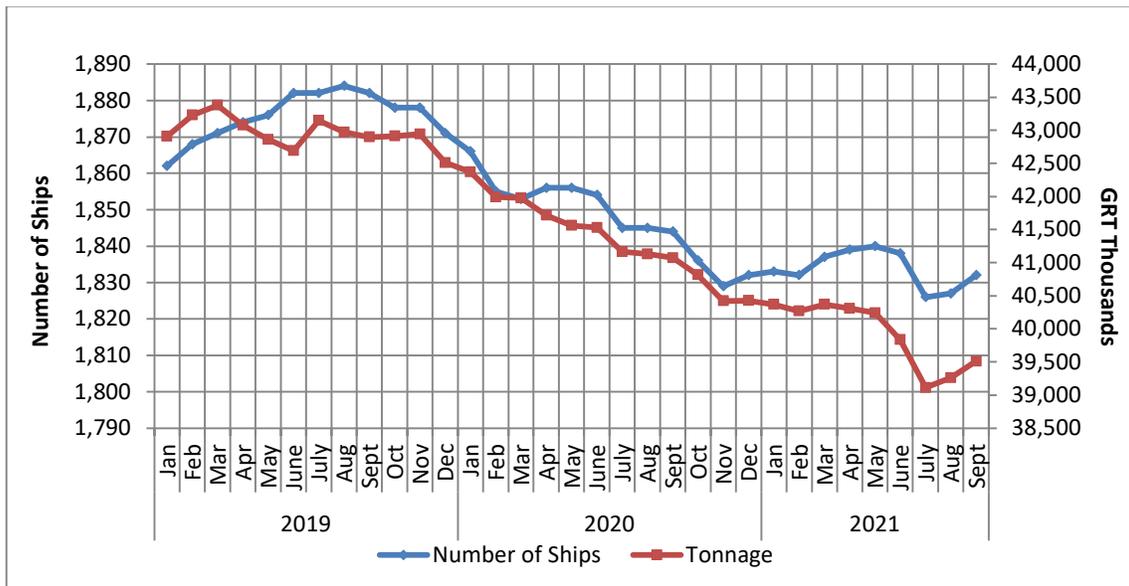
**PRESS RELEASE**

**GREEK MERCHANT FLEET: September 2021 (Provisional data)**

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces data on the Greek Merchant Fleet (for vessels of 100 GRT<sup>1</sup>) for September 2021. Particularly:

- The Greek Merchant Fleet decreased by 0.7% in September 2021 compared with September 2020. A decrease of 2.0% was recorded in September 2020 compared with September 2019 (Table 1).
- The gross tonnage of the Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, recorded a decrease of 3.8% in September 2021 compared with September 2020. A decrease of 4.3% was recorded in September 2020 compared with September 2019 (Table 1).

**Graph 1: Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over: January 2019 – September 2021**



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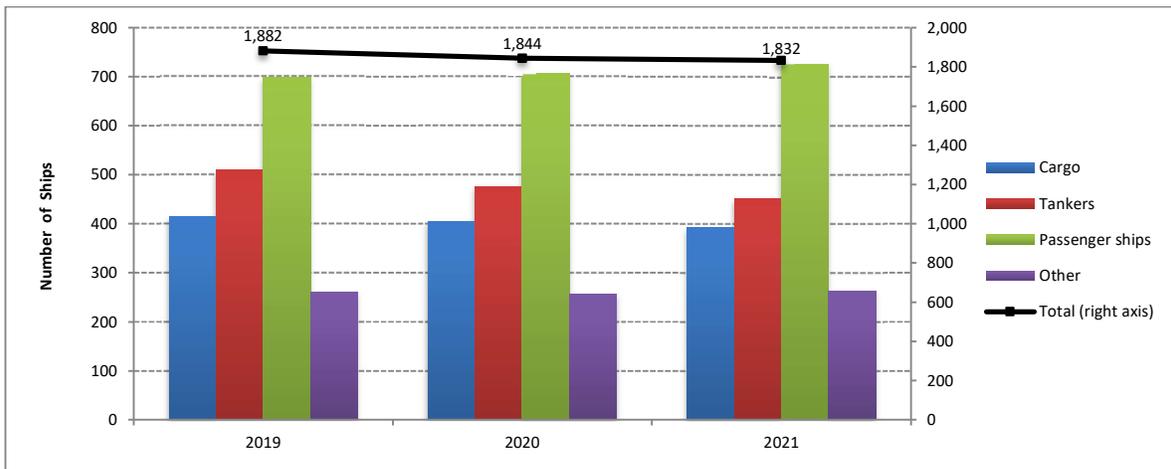
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<sup>1</sup> GRT: Gross Tonnage

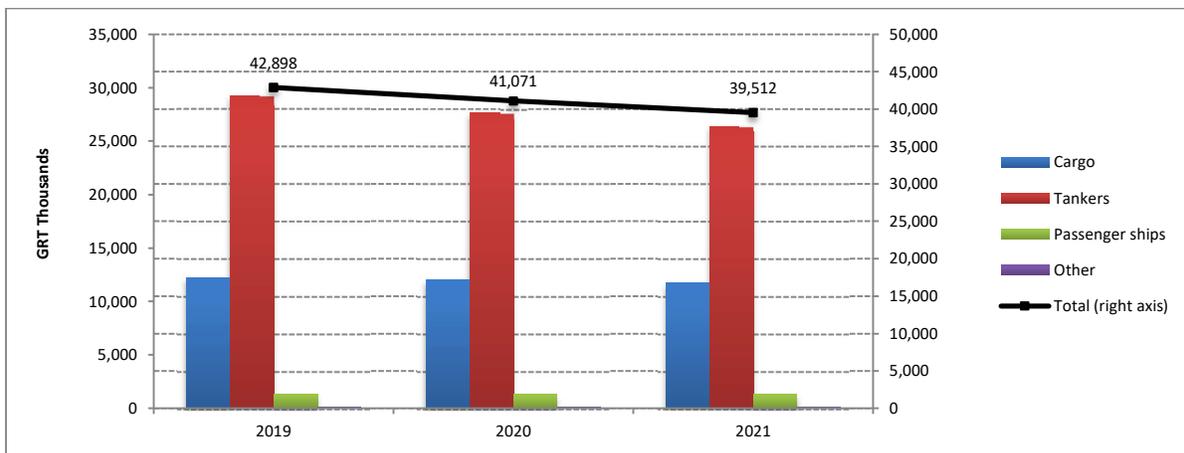
**Table 1. Number and tonnage of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by types of ships, September 2019 – 2021**

September										
Types of ships	2019		2020		Change % 2020/2019		2021		Change % 2021/2020	
	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)
<b>Total:</b>	<b>1,882</b>	<b>42,897,890</b>	<b>1,844</b>	<b>41,071,074</b>	<b>-2.0</b>	<b>-4.3</b>	<b>1,832</b>	<b>39,511,845</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>-3.8</b>
<b>Cargo</b>	414	12,260,004	405	12,036,497	-2.2	-1.8	392	11,716,004	-3.2	-2.7
<b>Tankers</b>	509	29,230,388	476	27,657,956	-6.5	-5.4	451	26,398,166	-5.3	-4.6
<b>Passenger ships</b>	698	1,317,610	706	1,283,422	1.1	-2.6	726	1,284,448	2.8	0.1
<b>Other</b>	261	89,888	257	93,199	-1.5	3.7	263	113,227	2.3	21.5

**Graph 2a: Number of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by types of ships, September 2019 – 2021**



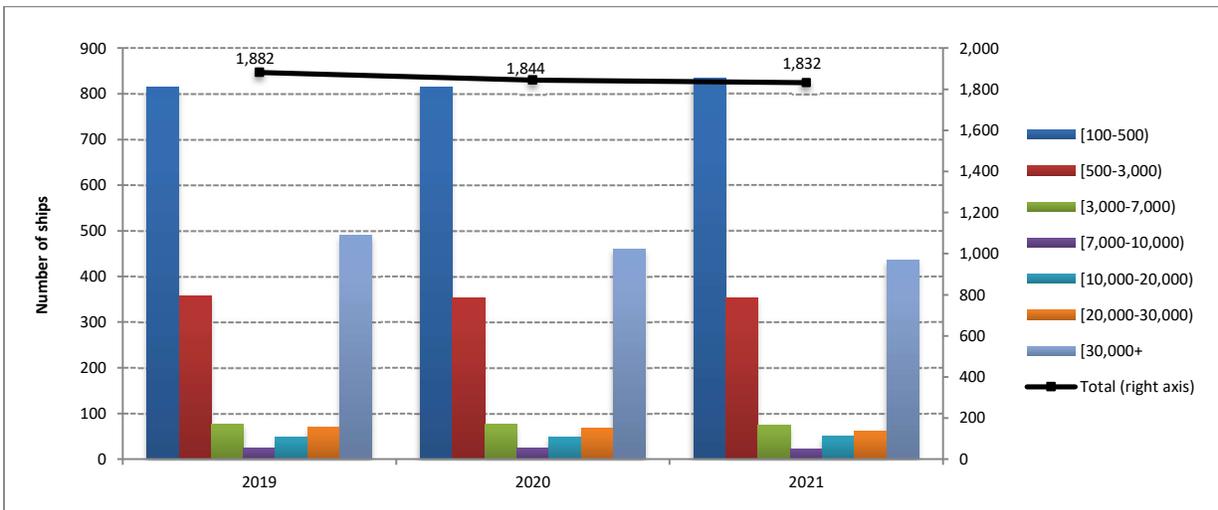
**Graph 2b: Tonnage of Greek Merchant Ships of 100 GRT and over, by types of ships, September 2019 – 2021**



**Table 2. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by tonnage groups, September 2019 – 2021**

September										
Tonnage Groups	2019		2020		Change % 2020/2019		2021		Change % 2021/2020	
	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)
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[100-500)	815	201,341	815	202,193	0.0	0.4	834	205,552	2.3	1.7
[500-3,000)	357	438,507	354	438,891	-0.8	0.1	354	445,885	0.0	1.6
[3,000-7,000)	77	344,030	76	338,391	-1.3	-1.6	75	335,068	-1.3	-1.0
[7,000-10,000)	25	211,833	24	204,176	-4.0	-3.6	23	195,082	-4.2	-4.5
[10,000-20,000)	49	717,534	48	701,143	-2.0	-2.3	50	730,132	4.2	4.1
[20,000-30,000)	70	1,852,792	67	1,761,874	-4.3	-4.9	61	1,605,640	-9.0	-8.9
[30,000+)	489	39,131,853	460	37,424,406	-5.9	-4.4	435	35,994,486	-5.4	-3.8

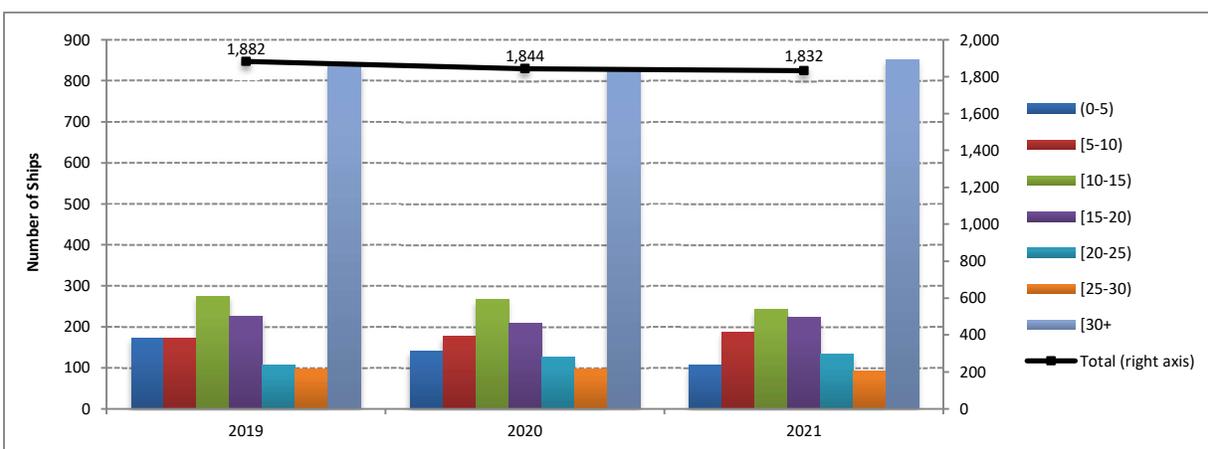
**Graph 3: Distribution of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by tonnage groups, September 2019 – 2021**



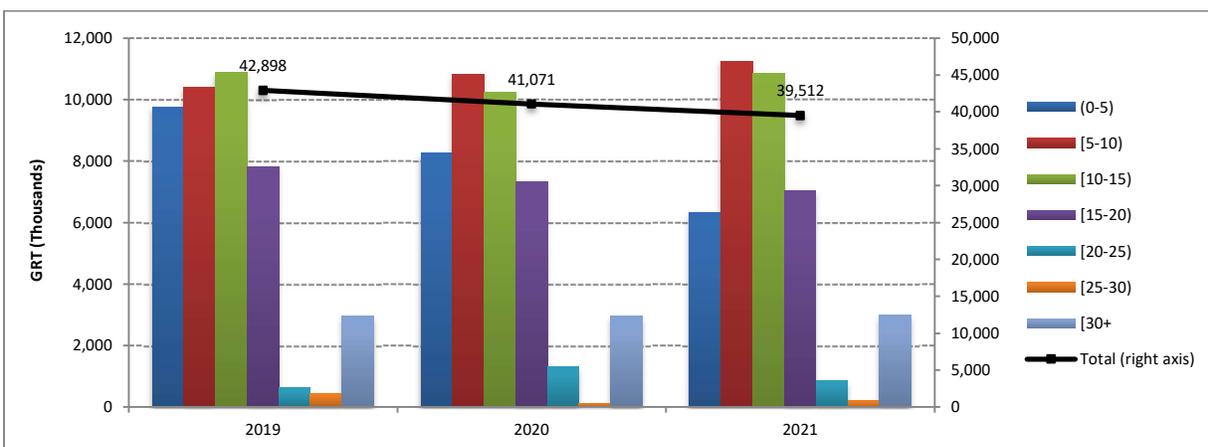
**Table 3. Distribution of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by age groups, September 2019 – 2021**

September										
2019			2020		Change % 2020/2019		2021		Change % 2021/2020	
Age Groups	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of Ships	Tonnage (GRT)
<b>Total:</b>	<b>1,882</b>	<b>42,897,890</b>	<b>1,844</b>	<b>41,071,074</b>	<b>-2.0</b>	<b>-4.3</b>	<b>1,832</b>	<b>39,511,845</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>-3.8</b>
(0-5)	172	9,764,908	140	8,246,592	-18.6	-15.5	106	6,340,700	-24.3	-23.1
[5-10)	173	10,413,825	177	10,831,102	2.3	4.0	186	11,245,850	5.1	3.8
[10-15)	275	10,874,038	266	10,248,977	-3.3	-5.7	243	10,837,011	-8.6	5.7
[15-20)	225	7,824,293	208	7,337,886	-7.6	-6.2	222	7,033,922	6.7	-4.1
[20-25)	107	623,963	125	1,321,434	16.8	111.8	132	862,352	5.6	-34.7
[25-30)	96	425,851	97	121,328	1.0	-71.5	93	201,608	-4.1	66.2
[30+	834	2,971,012	831	2,963,755	-0.4	-0.2	850	2,990,402	2.3	0.9

**Graph 4a: Distribution of Greek Merchant ships 100 GRT and over, by age groups, September 2019 – 2021**



**Graph 4b: Tonnage of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by age groups, September 2019 – 2021**



## METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

**Greek Merchant Fleet Survey** The Survey on the Greek Merchant Fleet is conducted on a monthly basis since 1964 without any major methodological changes ever since. The purpose of the survey is to fully record statistical data on the number and basic characteristics of the Greek merchant ships, thus depicting the evolution over the course of time of the Greek merchant fleet.

**Legal Framework** The survey is conducted in compliance with the joint Ministerial Decision (No 6792/G-81/11-4-97), signed by the Minister of National Economy and the Minister of Mercantile Marine.

**Reference Period** The results of the survey refer to the end of September 2021.

**Coverage** The survey covers all domestic Port Authorities, as well as Greek Consular Port Authorities abroad, which keep ship registers. These Authorities have to send a report on a monthly basis to the Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT), pertaining to the changes in the Greek merchant ships registered in their ship registers.

**Definitions** **Merchant ship:** Seagoing self-propelled vessel, at least of 10 GRT, designed for the carriage of goods, transport of passengers, for fishing, towing or specially fitted out for other commercial maritime activities.

**Greek merchant fleet:** The total number of the merchant ships under Greek flag. The Greek flag carried by these ships means that all their maritime activities (subsidies for ship building, cargo limitations and other tax provisions) are governed by commercial and economic rules which are laid down by the respective Greek authorities.

**Gross Register Tonnage (GRT):** Refers to the spaces within the hull and of the enclosed spaces above the deck which are available for carrying goods, food, passengers and crew, GRT is equal to the volume of 100 cubic feet or 2,83 m<sup>3</sup>.

**Net Register Tonnage (NRT):** It is derived from the gross tonnage by deducting allowances in respect of spaces used for the crew, navigating and propelling machinery, fuel and water ballasts, and other spaces not used for passengers or cargo.

**Age of ship:** indicated by the year of original construction of the hull or that of the hull containing the engine room.

**Methodology** It is an exhaustive survey conducted by all domestic Port Authorities and Greek Consular Port Authorities abroad, which report to ELSTAT, on a monthly basis, on changes in the ships pertaining to: a) new registrations of ships in the ship registers, b) change in the name of a ship, c) change of ownership, d) transfers to or from a different port, e) deletion of a ship from a ship's register, f) final measurement – remeasurement of ships, g) replacement of the ship's engine.

All these data, after being dully processed, are used to update, through a specially designed software application, the Official Register of Greek Merchant Ships. This Register is used for the production of monthly and annual statistical results.

**References** Further information (tables, charts) concerning the Survey on the Greek Merchant Fleet can be found on the webpage of ELSTAT ([www.statistics.gr](http://www.statistics.gr)), under the link: <https://www.statistics.gr/el/statistics/-/publication/SMA27>