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## **Building Activity Survey: January 2025**

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces the data of the Building Activity Survey for the month January 2025. More specifically:

The Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece, in January 2025 which is calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 1,762. This figure corresponds to 288,063 m<sup>2</sup> of surface and 1,260,482 m<sup>3</sup> of volume, reflecting, respectively, a 17.0% decrease in the number of building permits, a 37.0% decrease in surface and a 38.2% decrease in volume, compared with the corresponding month of 2024 (Table 1).

The building permits for the Private Building Activity issued in Greece in January 2025 amounted to 1,746. This figure corresponds to 282,535 m<sup>2</sup> of surface and 1,234,455 m<sup>3</sup> of volume. In comparison with the same month of 2024 there is a 17.3% decrease in the number of building permits, a 37.2% decrease in surface and a 38.4% decrease in volume (Table 2).

The building permits for the Public Building Activity issued in Greece in January 2025 amounted to 16. This figure corresponds to 5,528 m<sup>2</sup> of surface and 26,027 m<sup>3</sup> of volume. Public Building Activity accounted for a 2.1% of the total building volume in January 2025.

In the last twelve months, from February 2024 until January 2025, Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece, calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 30,631. This figure corresponds to 7,114,222 m<sup>2</sup> of surface and 31,219,130 m<sup>3</sup> of volume. In comparison with the corresponding period from February 2023 until January 2024, there is a 12.4% increase in the number of building permits, a 13.0% increase in surface and a 6.4% increase in volume (Table 3).

In the same period, from February 2024 until January 2025, Private Building Activity in Greece recorded a 12.3% increase in the number of issued building permits, a 12.7% increase in surface and a 5.3% increase in volume, compared with the corresponding period from February 2023 to January 2024 (Table 4). During the same period, Public Building Activity accounted for a 3.4% of the total building volume.

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**Table 1. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), January 2024 and 2025**

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m <sup>2</sup> )			Volume (in m <sup>3</sup> )		
	January		Change (%)	January		Change (%)	January		Change (%)
	2024	2025		2024	2025		2024	2025	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	100	90	-10.0	22,694	17,853	-21.3	89,497	76,987	-14.0
Kentriki Makedonia	309	213	-31.1	76,421	41,122	-46.2	376,441	215,852	-42.7
Dytiki Makedonia	22	23	4.5	971	4,889	403.5	3,760	19,128	408.7
Thessalia	118	84	-28.8	43,694	15,441	-64.7	280,819	84,560	-69.9
Ipeiros	75	77	2.7	28,141	25,859	-8.1	178,492	176,098	-1.3
Ionia Nisia	172	163	-5.2	27,660	24,646	-10.9	94,524	84,414	-10.7
Dytiki Ellada	131	101	-22.9	17,908	17,862	-0.3	73,998	71,102	-3.9
Stereia Ellada	101	101	0.0	8,420	16,980	101.7	35,523	74,097	108.6
Peloponnisos	175	147	-16.0	26,843	14,474	-46.1	135,821	51,622	-62.0
Attiki	451	348	-22.8	114,989	44,870	-61.0	436,365	187,650	-57.0
Voreio Aigaio	47	48	2.1	9,207	3,388	-63.2	40,126	12,049	-70.0
Notio Aigaio	221	185	-16.3	34,839	31,987	-8.2	119,939	108,939	-9.2
Kriti	201	182	-9.5	45,557	28,692	-37.0	173,819	97,984	-43.6
Greece, Total	2,123	1,762	-17.0	457,344	288,063	-37.0	2,039,124	1,260,482	-38.2

*It should be noted that the increase or decrease in the number of the issued building permits does not imply, necessarily, 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), January 2024 and 2025**

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m <sup>2</sup> )			Volume (in m <sup>3</sup> )		
	January		Change (%)	January		Change (%)	January		Change (%)
	2024	2025		2024	2025		2024	2025	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	100	90	-10.0	22,694	17,853	-21.3	89,497	76,987	-14.0
Kentriki Makedonia	307	209	-31.9	76,151	38,332	-49.7	375,496	203,954	-45.7
Dytiki Makedonia	22	23	4.5	971	4,889	403.5	3,760	19,128	408.7
Thessalia	118	81	-31.4	43,694	13,680	-68.7	280,819	74,470	-73.5
Ipeiros	74	77	4.1	28,141	25,859	-8.1	178,492	176,098	-1.3
Ionia Nisia	171	161	-5.8	27,583	24,509	-11.1	94,201	83,650	-11.2
Dytiki Ellada	128	100	-21.9	17,908	17,830	-0.4	73,998	70,789	-4.3
Stereia Ellada	101	101	0.0	8,420	16,980	101.7	35,523	74,097	108.6
Peloponnisos	175	146	-16.6	26,843	14,474	-46.1	135,821	51,622	-62.0
Attiki	450	347	-22.9	112,855	44,870	-60.2	426,100	187,650	-56.0
Voreio Aigaio	45	45	0.0	4,358	2,580	-40.8	17,408	9,087	-47.8
Notio Aigaio	221	184	-16.7	34,839	31,987	-8.2	119,939	108,939	-9.2
Kriti	200	182	-9.0	45,557	28,692	-37.0	173,819	97,984	-43.6
Greece, Total	2,112	1,746	-17.3	450,014	282,535	-37.2	2,004,873	1,234,455	-38.4

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**Table 3. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), February 2023 - January 2024 and February 2024 - January 2025**

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m <sup>2</sup> )			Volume (in m <sup>3</sup> )		
	February - January		Change (%)	February - January		Change (%)	February - January		Change (%)
	2023-2024	2024-2025		2023-2024	2024-2025		2023-2024	2024-2025	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	1,352	1,628	20.4	332,871	428,685	28.8	1,532,852	1,944,455	26.9
Kentriki Makedonia	3,816	4,157	8.9	1,018,534	1,182,252	16.1	5,513,403	5,498,247	-0.3
Dytiki Makedonia	312	354	13.5	71,388	74,351	4.2	402,012	419,750	4.4
Thessalia	1,569	1,811	15.4	360,365	392,287	8.9	1,860,725	1,941,441	4.3
Ipeiros	938	1,172	24.9	239,791	290,785	21.3	1,110,384	1,223,072	10.1
Ionia Nisia	1,956	2,540	29.9	352,545	483,185	37.1	1,241,014	1,737,935	40.0
Dytiki Ellada	1,556	1,662	6.8	264,810	290,180	9.6	1,194,165	1,339,775	12.2
Stereia Ellada	1,544	1,435	-7.1	293,247	296,171	1.0	1,806,209	1,735,197	-3.9
Peloponnisos	2,091	2,288	9.4	384,085	390,160	1.6	1,759,789	1,630,100	-7.4
Attiki	6,065	6,745	11.2	1,839,860	2,029,559	10.3	8,553,725	9,026,301	5.5
Voreio Aigaio	711	768	8.0	71,989	82,263	14.3	282,281	313,685	11.1
Notio Aigaio	2,834	3,047	7.5	511,206	538,831	5.4	1,883,220	1,892,791	0.5
Kriti	2,497	3,024	21.1	555,829	635,513	14.3	2,203,801	2,516,381	14.2
Greece, Total	27,241	30,631	12.4	6,296,520	7,114,222	13.0	29,343,580	31,219,130	6.4

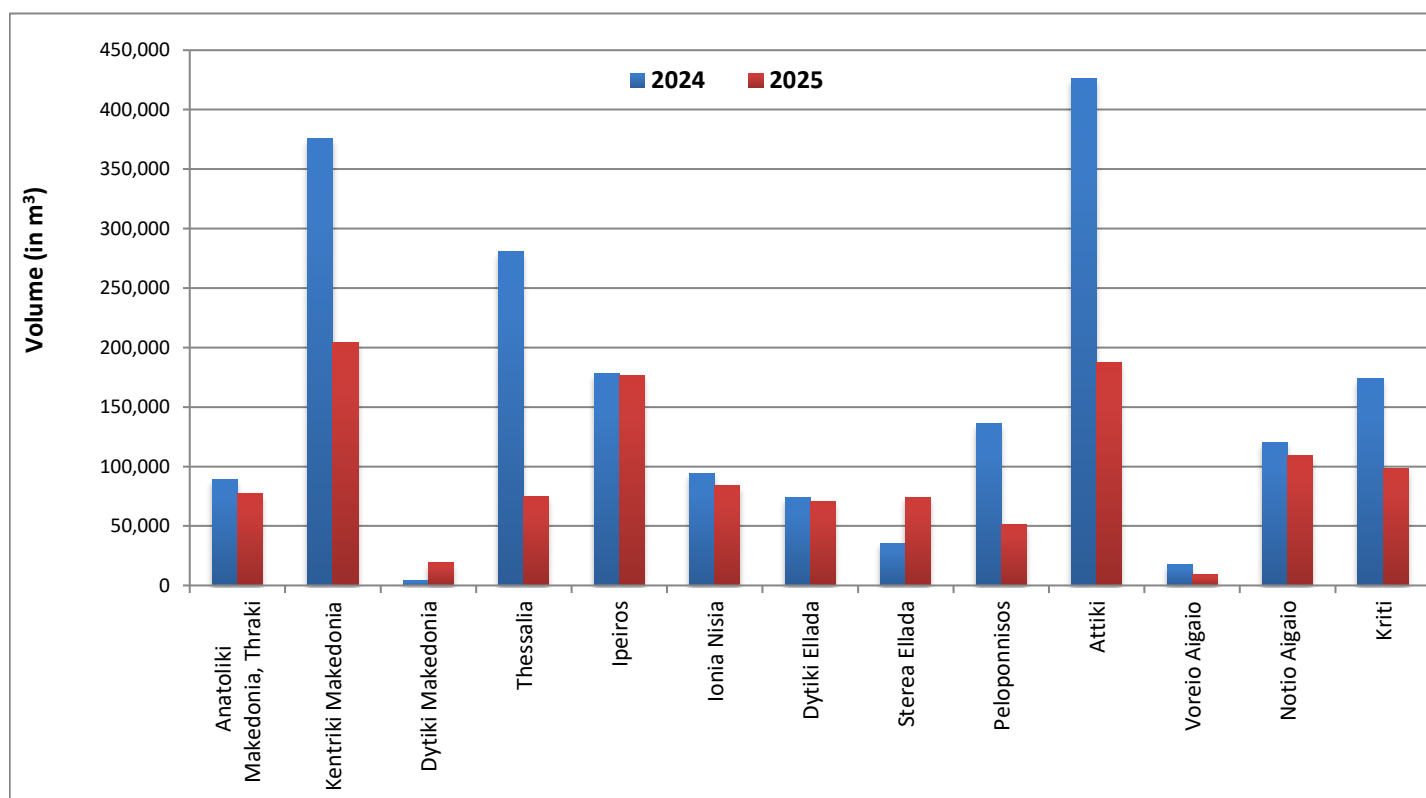
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**Table 4. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), February 2023 - January 2024 and February 2024 - January 2025**

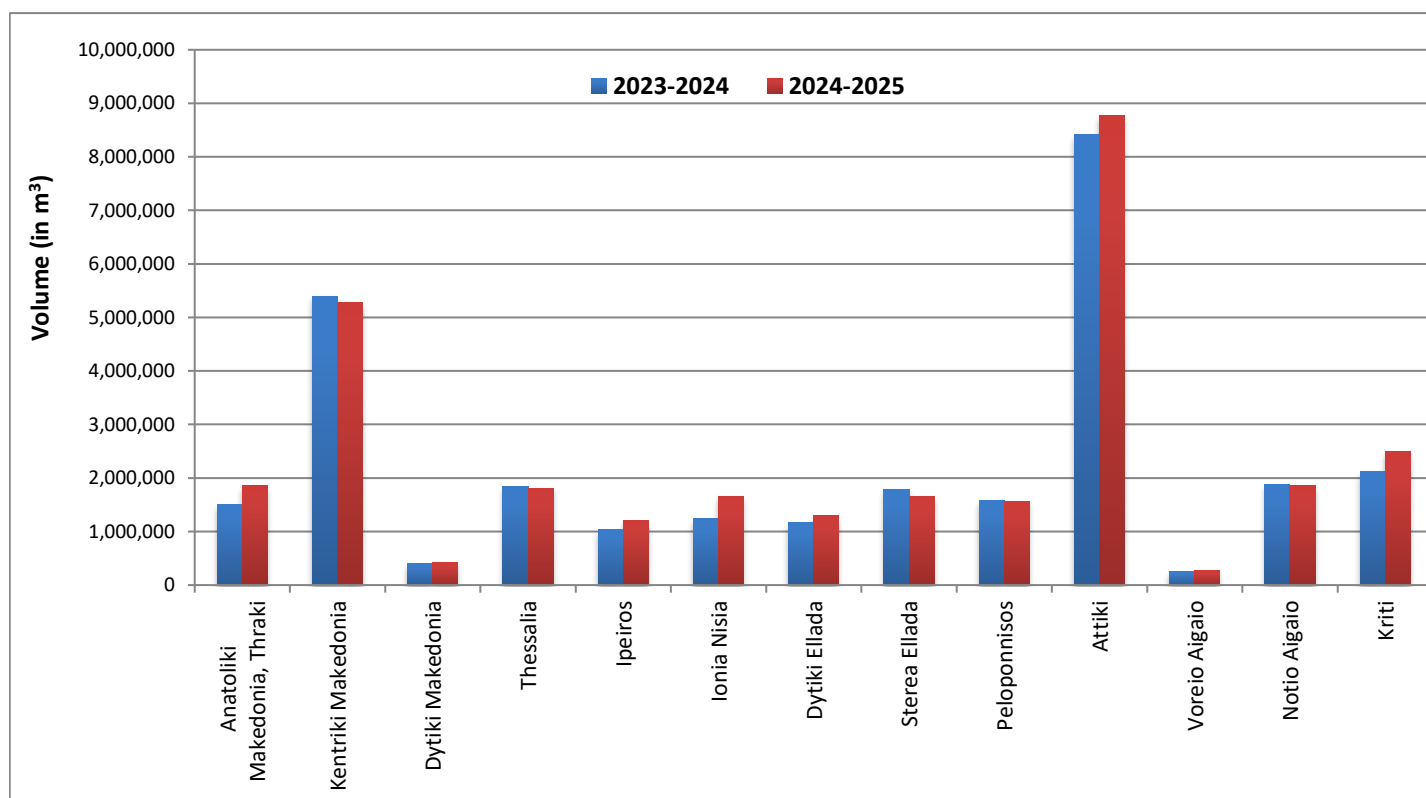
Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m <sup>2</sup> )			Volume (in m <sup>3</sup> )		
	February - January		Change (%)	February - January		Change (%)	February - January		Change (%)
	2023-2024	2024-2025		2023-2024	2024-2025		2023-2024	2024-2025	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	1,334	1,604	20.2	327,859	413,105	26.0	1,510,708	1,851,688	22.6
Kentriki Makedonia	3,779	4,089	8.2	994,537	1,137,614	14.4	5,398,530	5,283,393	-2.1
Dytiki Makedonia	302	348	15.2	71,373	73,768	3.4	401,886	417,407	3.9
Thessalia	1,553	1,800	15.9	355,940	376,562	5.8	1,834,963	1,813,230	-1.2
Ipeiros	922	1,163	26.1	221,604	287,701	29.8	1,040,042	1,211,456	16.5
Ionia Nisia	1,947	2,525	29.7	351,585	473,750	34.7	1,236,275	1,657,106	34.0
Dytiki Ellada	1,535	1,629	6.1	256,899	281,885	9.7	1,166,907	1,301,147	11.5
Stereia Ellada	1,525	1,418	-7.0	289,778	279,182	-3.7	1,793,914	1,652,805	-7.9
Peloponnisos	2,074	2,266	9.3	351,746	379,981	8.0	1,580,083	1,569,619	-0.7
Attiki	6,007	6,710	11.7	1,809,302	1,992,773	10.1	8,414,591	8,774,816	4.3
Voreio Aigaio	702	746	6.3	67,049	73,525	9.7	259,215	274,929	6.1
Notio Aigaio	2,824	3,017	6.8	509,460	530,914	4.2	1,875,086	1,853,342	-1.2
Kriti	2,480	2,997	20.8	540,054	627,941	16.3	2,120,453	2,491,071	17.5
Greece, Total	26,984	30,312	12.3	6,147,186	6,928,701	12.7	28,632,653	30,152,009	5.3

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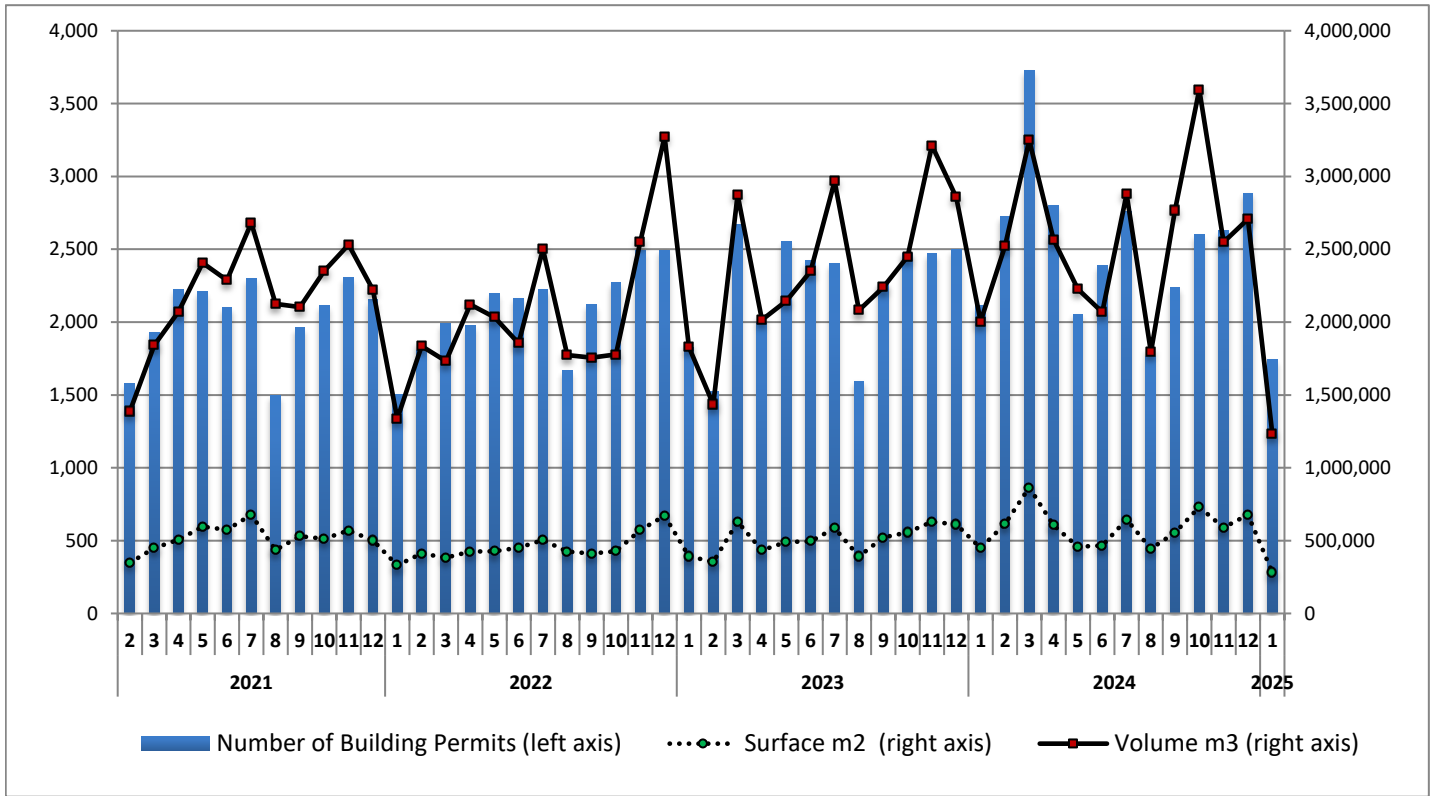
**Graph 1. Private Building Activity (volume), by Region (NUTS II), January 2024 and 2025**



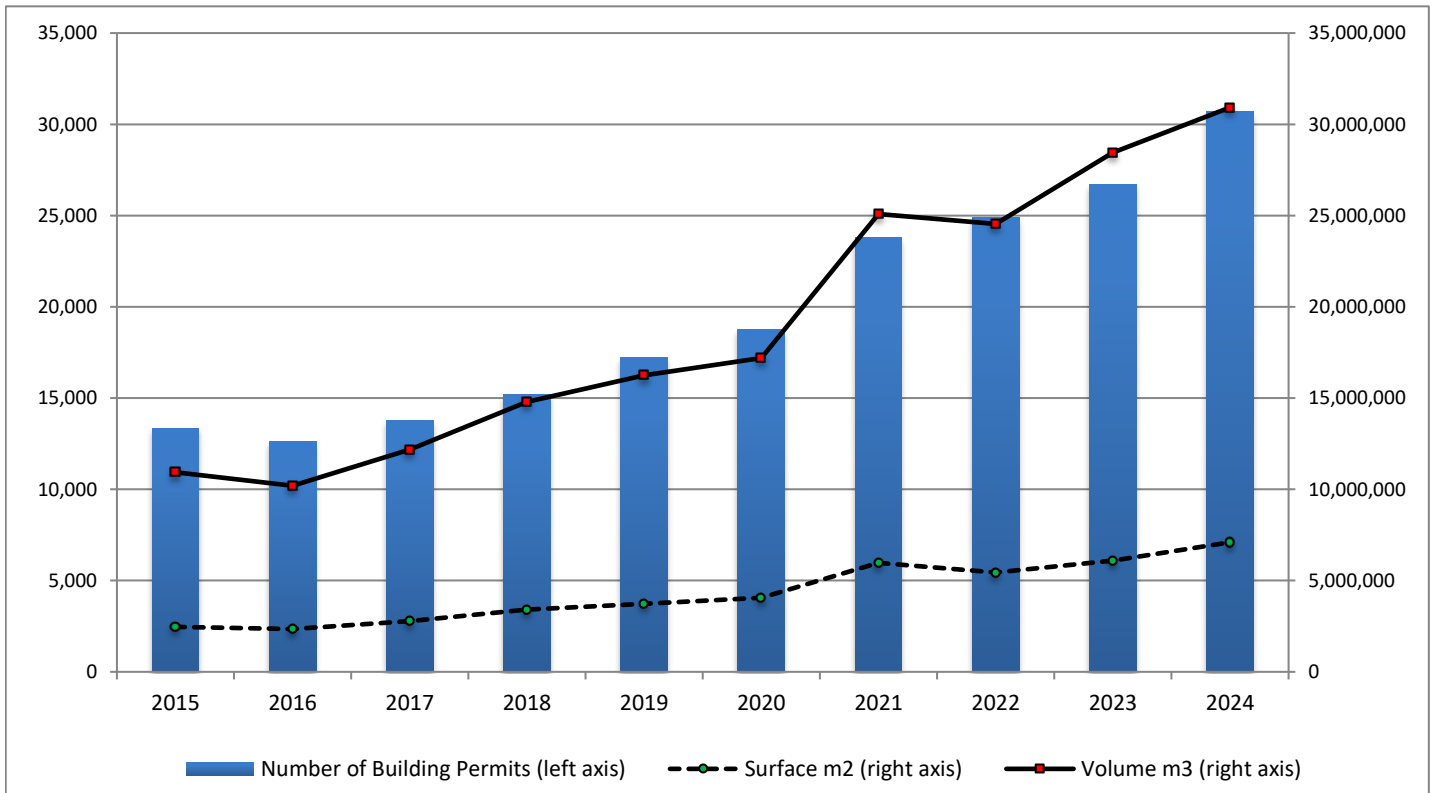
**Graph 2. Private Building Activity (volume), by Region (NUTS II), February 2023 - January 2024 and February 2024 - January 2025**



Graph 3. Monthly Private Building Activity (February 2021 – January 2025)



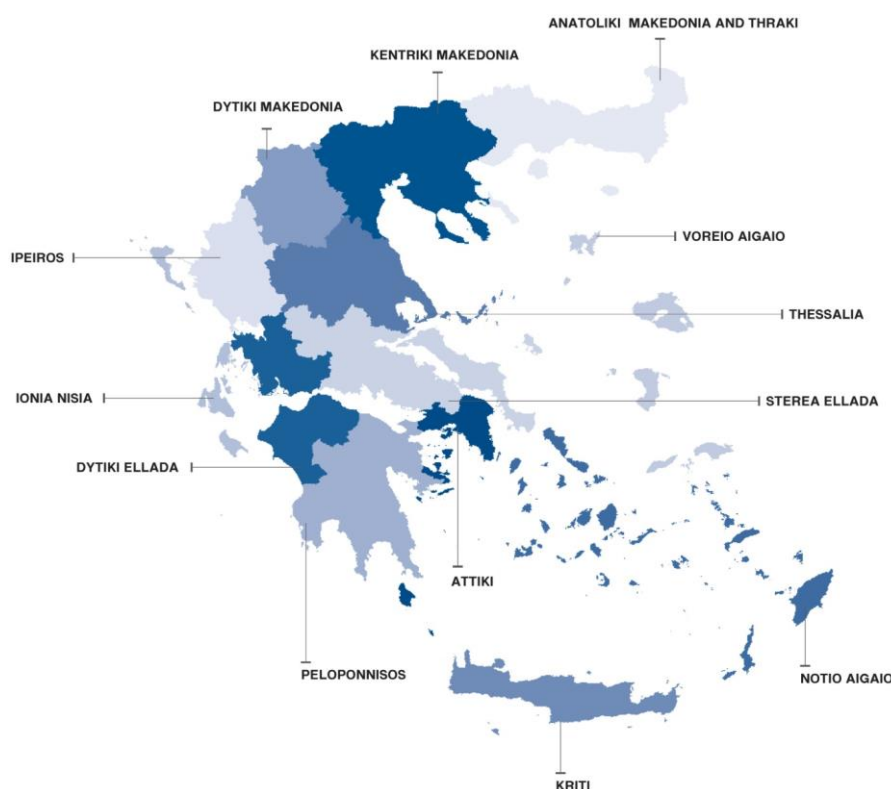
Graph 4. Annual Private Building Activity (2015 – 2024)



## EXPLANATORY NOTES

<b>Building Activity Survey</b>	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.
<b>Legal Framework</b>	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.
<b>Reference Period</b>	January 1, 2025 to January 31, 2025.
<b>Coverage</b>	The survey is exhaustive and covers the total number of issued building permits across the Country.
<b>Geographical classification</b>	The geographical classification is based on Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS).

**Map of the 13 Regions (NUTS 2) of Greece**



<b>Definitions</b>	<p><b>Building Permit</b> 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><b>The denotation of "built-property"</b> is equal to "building".</p> <p><b>Building</b> 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><b>New building</b> is any built-property raised on an uncovered site or in the place of an old building that has been demolished.</p> <p><b>Building Addition</b> 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><b>Building volume</b> (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><b>Surface of new-built property</b> is considered to be the sum of each floor space along with the outer space of the outer walls.</p>
<b>General Remark</b>	Any delineation that may occur between the sum of sub totals and the totals is due to rounding.
<b>References</b>	More information (tables, questionnaires, methodology) with regards to the Building Activity Survey is available on ELSTAT's web-site ( <a href="http://www.statistics.gr">www.statistics.gr</a> ), under the link: <a href="http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SOP03/-">http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SOP03/-</a>