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Building Activity Survey: May 2025

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces the data of the Building Activity Survey for the month May

2025. More specifically:

The Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece, in May 2025 which is calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 2,717. This figure corresponds to 569,587 m² of surface and 2,598,199 m³ of volume, reflecting, respectively, a 31.6% increase in the number of building permits, a 23.5% increase in surface and a

15.7% increase in volume, compared with the corresponding month of 2024 (Table 1).

The building permits for the Private Building Activity issued in Greece in May 2025 amounted to 2,690. This figure

corresponds to 559,910 m² of surface and 2,546,487 m³ of volume. In comparison with the same month of 2024 there

is a 30.9% increase in the number of building permits, a 22.4% increase in surface and a 14.4% increase in volume

(Table 2).

The building permits for the Public Building Activity issued in Greece in May 2025 amounted to 27. This figure

corresponds to 9,677 m² of surface and 51,712 m³ of volume. Public Building Activity accounted for a 2.0% of the

total building volume in May 2025.

In the last twelve months, from June 2024 until May 2025, Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece, calculated

on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 28,642. This figure corresponds to 6,346,153 m²

of surface and 28,828,485 m³ of volume. In comparison with the corresponding period from June 2023 until May

2024, there is a 3.9% decrease in the number of building permits, an 8.3% decrease in surface and an 8.3% decrease

in volume (Table 3).

In the same period, from June 2024 untill May 2025, Private Building Activity in Greece recorded a 4.2% decrease in

the number of issued building permits, a 9.0% decrease in surface and a 9.3% decrease in volume, compared with the

corresponding period from June 2023 to May 2024 (Table 4). During the same period, Public Building Activity

accounted for a 3.4% of the total building volume.

During the period January - May 2025, Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece recorded a 17.4% decrease in

the number of issued building permits, a 30.8% decrease in surface and a 24.7% decrease in volume, compared with

the corresponding period of 2024 (Table 5). During the same period, January - May 2025, Private Building Activity in

Greece recorded a 17.6% decrease in the number of issued building permits, a 30.9% decrease in surface and a 24.4%

decrease in volume, in comparison with the period January - May 2024 (Table 6).

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

	Number	of Building P	ermits	Sı	urface (in m²)		Volume (in m³)		
Region	May		Change Ma		ay	Change	May		Change
	2024	2025	(%)	2024	2025	(%)	2024	2025	(%)
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	107	138	29.0	35,793	30,082	-16.0	195,750	142,545	-27.2
Kentriki Makedonia	297	333	12.1	72,838	62,977	-13.5	356,894	328,336	-8.0
Dytiki Makedonia	37	33	-10.8	4,618	5,920	28.2	17,907	27,787	55.2
Thessalia	143	178	24.5	34,701	44,055	27.0	174,251	236,169	35.5
Ipeiros	56	100	78.6	16,274	18,399	13.1	56,304	62,321	10.7
Ionia Nisia	146	210	43.8	23,293	28,787	23.6	90,595	95,153	5.0
Dytiki Ellada	114	169	48.2	32,160	34,592	7.6	212,897	140,423	-34.0
Sterea Ellada	95	142	49.5	35,846	22,372	-37.6	305,614	120,148	-60.7
Peloponnisos	172	194	12.8	28,333	57,897	104.3	124,468	355,990	186.0
Attiki	480	611	27.3	114,204	171,079	49.8	475,806	744,530	56.5
Voreio Aigaio	53	66	24.5	4,436	5,418	22.1	14,987	19,181	28.0
Notio Aigaio	186	259	39.2	28,611	37,661	31.6	104,269	132,176	26.8
Kriti	179	284	58.7	30,037	50,348	67.6	116,259	193,440	66.4
Greece, Total	2,065	2,717	31.6	461,144	569,587	23.5	2,246,001	2,598,199	15.7

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), May 2024 and 2025

	Number	of Building Po	ermits	Sı	urface (in m²)		v		
Region	May		Change	M	May		May		Change
	2024	2025	(%)	2024	2025	(%)	2024	2025	(%)
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	107	137	28.0	35,793	30,082	-16.0	195,750	142,545	-27.2
Kentriki Makedonia	296	327	10.5	72,838	62,977	-13.5	356,894	328,336	-8.0
Dytiki Makedonia	36	31	-13.9	4,570	5,420	18.6	17,763	25,152	41.6
Thessalia	142	178	25.4	33,283	44,055	32.4	165,792	236,169	42.4
Ipeiros	56	99	76.8	16,274	18,378	12.9	56,304	62,114	10.3
Ionia Nisia	145	210	44.8	23,293	28,787	23.6	90,595	95,153	5.0
Dytiki Ellada	113	168	48.7	32,160	34,592	7.6	212,897	140,423	-34.0
Sterea Ellada	92	141	53.3	35,635	22,169	-37.8	304,761	119,456	-60.8
Peloponnisos	172	190	10.5	28,333	55,066	94.4	124,468	340,639	173.7
Attiki	479	606	26.5	112,160	167,504	49.3	465,147	725,392	55.9
Voreio Aigaio	53	66	24.5	4,436	5,418	22.1	14,987	19,181	28.0
Notio Aigaio	185	258	39.5	28,611	37,656	31.6	104,269	132,165	26.8
Kriti	179	279	55.9	30,037	47,806	59.2	116,259	179,762	54.6
Greece, Total	2,055	2,690	30.9	457,423	559,910	22.4	2,225,886	2,546,487	14.4

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Table 3. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), June 2023 - May 2024 and June 2024 - May 2025

	Number	of Building Pe	ermits	Si	urface (in m²)		Volume (in m³)		
Region	June - May		Change Jur		- May	Change	June - May		Change
	2023-2024	2024-2025	(%)	2023-2024	2024-2025	(%)	2023-2024	2024-2025	(%)
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	1,483	1,544	4.1	379,916	366,270	-3.6	1,774,964	1,539,205	-13.3
Kentriki Makedonia	4,007	3,864	-3.6	1,055,792	1,039,461	-1.5	5,260,599	5,105,132	-3.0
Dytiki Makedonia	330	324	-1.8	71,919	71,919	0.0	410,224	415,184	1.2
Thessalia	1,701	1,686	-0.9	403,455	358,306	-11.2	2,072,075	1,809,367	-12.7
Ipeiros	1,173	980	-16.5	292,235	240,426	-17.7	1,239,780	1,215,818	-1.9
Ionia Nisia	2,412	2,289	-5.1	450,546	382,311	-15.1	1,625,609	1,342,698	-17.4
Dytiki Ellada	1,640	1,645	0.3	301,087	271,986	-9.7	1,413,687	1,196,347	-15.4
Sterea Ellada	1,593	1,359	-14.7	344,614	264,903	-23.1	2,166,438	1,564,065	-27.8
Peloponnisos	2,247	2,206	-1.8	392,728	420,023	7.0	1,707,463	2,019,863	18.3
Attiki	6,476	6,391	-1.3	1,948,547	1,861,827	-4.5	8,911,880	8,585,627	-3.7
Voreio Aigaio	778	714	-8.2	81,362	70,026	-13.9	317,092	266,567	-15.9
Notio Aigaio	3,056	2,865	-6.3	548,338	460,024	-16.1	1,988,704	1,626,844	-18.2
Kriti	2,919	2,775	-4.9	650,004	538,671	-17.1	2,562,293	2,141,768	-16.4
Greece, Total	29,815	28,642	-3.9	6,920,543	6,346,153	-8.3	31,450,808	28,828,485	-8.3

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Table 4. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), June 2023 - May 2024 and June 2024 - May 2025

	Number	of Building Pe	ermits	Sı	urface (in m²)		Volume (in m³)			
Region	June - May		Change	June - May		Change	June - May		Change	
	2023-2024	2024-2025	(%)	2023-2024	2024-2025	(%)	2023-2024	2024-2025	(%)	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	1,469	1,519	3.4	376,716	351,319	-6.7	1,759,240	1,448,748	-17.6	
Kentriki Makedonia	3,970	3,786	-4.6	1,037,617	986,595	-4.9	5,173,283	4,846,210	-6.3	
Dytiki Makedonia	318	321	0.9	71,476	71,264	-0.3	408,374	411,930	0.9	
Thessalia	1,687	1,677	-0.6	388,695	352,279	-9.4	1,947,802	1,776,594	-8.8	
Ipeiros	1,156	971	-16.0	286,534	240,246	-16.2	1,217,436	1,215,069	-0.2	
Ionia Nisia	2,399	2,275	-5.2	447,825	374,637	-16.3	1,605,229	1,277,510	-20.4	
Dytiki Ellada	1,616	1,607	-0.6	292,195	263,105	-10.0	1,382,175	1,153,739	-16.5	
Sterea Ellada	1,570	1,348	-14.1	333,262	257,933	-22.6	2,115,347	1,527,080	-27.8	
Peloponnisos	2,230	2,180	-2.2	367,813	407,062	10.7	1,573,640	1,944,189	23.5	
Attiki	6,428	6,356	-1.1	1,922,819	1,825,153	-5.1	8,789,212	8,333,377	-5.2	
Voreio Aigaio	765	694	-9.3	75,646	61,107	-19.2	290,712	227,020	-21.9	
Notio Aigaio	3,039	2,839	-6.6	545,205	453,734	-16.8	1,971,850	1,597,084	-19.0	
Kriti	2,898	2,743	-5.3	635,694	526,540	-17.2	2,490,278	2,095,066	-15.9	
Greece, Total	29,545	28,316	-4.2	6,781,497	6,170,974	-9.0	30,724,578	27,853,616	-9.3	

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Table 5. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), January - May 2024 and 2025

	Number	of Building Po	ermits	Sı	urface (in m²)		Volume (in m³)			
Region	January-May		Change Jan		y-May	Change	January-May		Change	
	2024	2025	(%)	2024	2025	(%)	2024	2025	(%)	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	668	574	-14.1	189,840	122,584	-35.4	939,414	521,654	-44.5	
Kentriki Makedonia	1,737	1,348	-22.4	470,648	292,558	-37.8	2,094,007	1,540,303	-26.4	
Dytiki Makedonia	145	116	-20.0	17,807	19,293	8.3	81,597	92,399	13.2	
Thessalia	772	613	-20.6	192,681	130,447	-32.3	1,001,373	673,040	-32.8	
Ipeiros	612	422	-31.0	173,842	121,201	-30.3	715,108	705,460	-1.3	
Ionia Nisia	1,214	954	-21.4	238,577	134,689	-43.5	857,882	452,535	-47.2	
Dytiki Ellada	709	662	-6.6	134,470	116,230	-13.6	654,235	507,911	-22.4	
Sterea Ellada	665	589	-11.4	130,038	107,330	-17.5	749,060	616,502	-17.7	
Peloponnisos	1,021	911	-10.8	163,797	181,291	10.7	677,893	983,457	45.1	
Attiki	2,863	2,406	-16.0	736,744	498,893	-32.3	2,891,233	2,201,844	-23.8	
Voreio Aigaio	354	301	-15.0	42,800	24,744	-42.2	162,640	87,445	-46.2	
Notio Aigaio	1,363	1,145	-16.0	250,388	168,729	-32.6	878,409	601,462	-31.5	
Kriti	1,388	1,120	-19.3	299,174	185,467	-38.0	1,150,480	700,032	-39.2	
Greece, Total	13,511	11,161	-17.4	3,040,806	2,103,456	-30.8	12,853,331	9,684,044	-24.7	

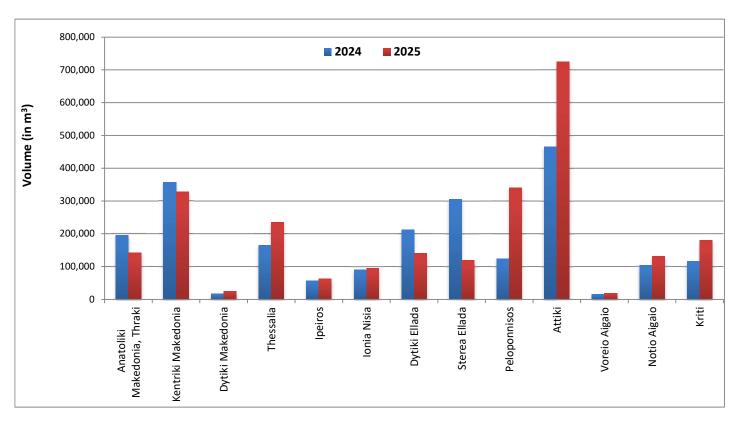
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Table 6. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), January - May 2024 and 2025

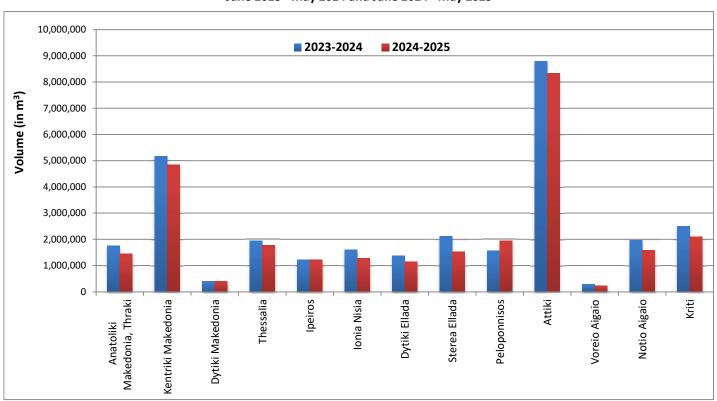
	Number	of Building Po	ermits	Sı	urface (in m²)		Volume (in m³)		
Region	January-May		Change January		у-Мау	Change	January-May		Change
	2024	2025	(%)	2024	2025	(%)	2024	2025	(%)
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	664	569	-14.3	188,887	122,260	-35.3	935,749	520,299	-44.4
Kentriki Makedonia	1,725	1,324	-23.2	464,076	275,238	-40.7	2,067,860	1,459,135	-29.4
Dytiki Makedonia	140	114	-18.6	17,379	18,793	8.1	79,873	89,764	12.4
Thessalia	769	609	-20.8	181,975	127,678	-29.8	900,153	657,168	-27.0
Ipeiros	608	419	-31.1	170,838	121,101	-29.1	703,797	705,016	0.2
Ionia Nisia	1,207	947	-21.5	236,739	134,552	-43.2	841,918	451,771	-46.3
Dytiki Ellada	699	649	-7.2	132,287	113,429	-14.3	645,492	494,875	-23.3
Sterea Ellada	656	586	-10.7	119,581	106,892	-10.6	701,677	614,526	-12.4
Peloponnisos	1,016	901	-11.3	163,748	178,460	9.0	677,735	968,106	42.8
Attiki	2,851	2,394	-16.0	729,722	494,117	-32.3	2,856,226	2,176,337	-23.8
Voreio Aigaio	347	295	-15.0	37,175	22,979	-38.2	136,608	80,378	-41.2
Notio Aigaio	1,354	1,139	-15.9	248,756	168,724	-32.2	868,709	601,451	-30.8
Kriti	1,379	1,107	-19.7	299,053	180,787	-39.5	1,150,111	678,271	-41.0
Greece, Total	13,415	11,053	-17.6	2,990,216	2,065,010	-30.9	12,565,908	9,497,097	-24.4

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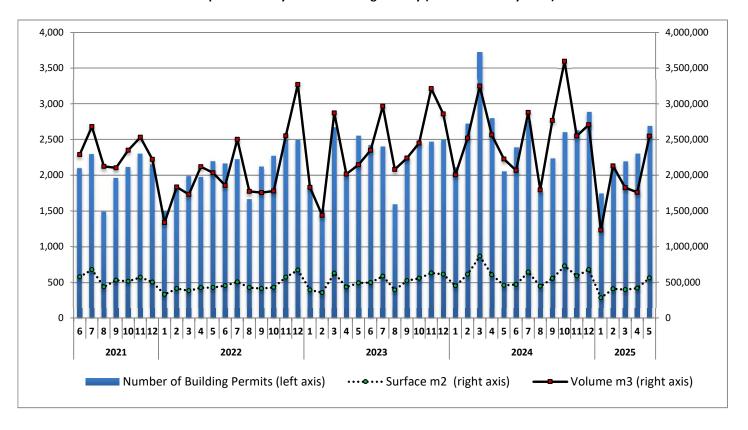
Graph 1. Private Building Activity (volume), by Region (NUTS II), May 2024 and 2025



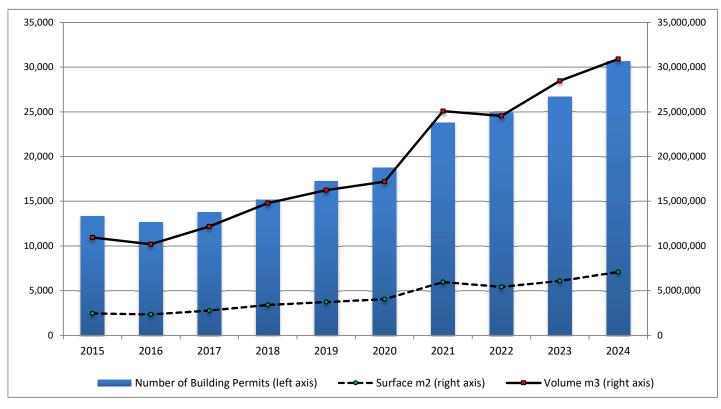
Graph 2. Private Building Activity (volume), by Region (NUTS II), June 2023 - May 2024 and June 2024 - May 2025



Graph 3. Monthly Private Building Activity (June 2021 - May 2025)



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



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

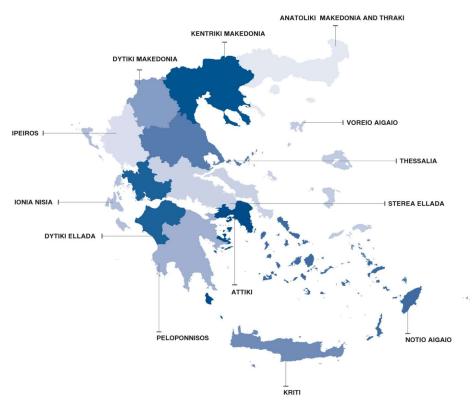
May 1, 2025 to May 31, 2025.

Coverage

The survey is exhaustive and covers the total number of issued building permits across the Country.

Geographical classification

The geografical classification is based on Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS).



Map of the 13 Regions (NUTS 2) of Greece

Definitions

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.

The denotation of "built-property" is equal to "building".

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.

New building is any built-property raised on an uncovered site or in the place of an old building that has been demolished.

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.

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.

Surface of new-built property is considered to be the sum of each floor space along with the outer space of the outer walls.

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/-