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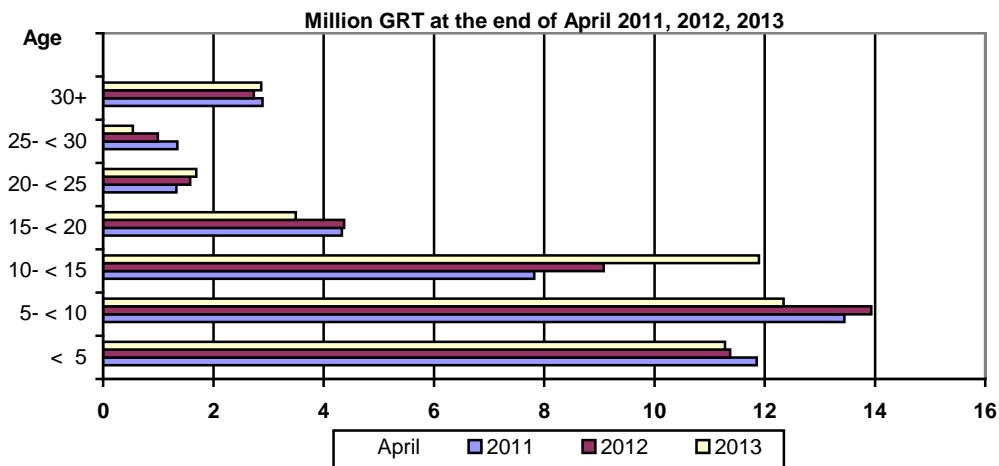
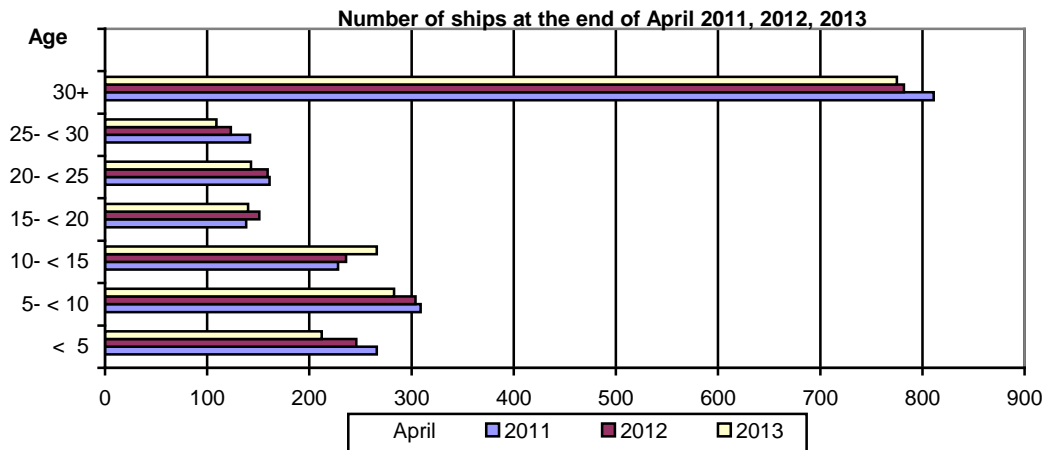
GREEK MERCHANT FLEET: APRIL 2013

(Provisional data)

The Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, decreased by 3,6% in April 2013 compared with April 2012, while the Greek Merchant Fleet recorded a decline of 2,6% in April 2012 compared with April 2011 (Table 1).

The gross tonnage of the Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, increased by 0,1% in April 2013 compared with April 2012, while in April 2012 compared with April 2011 it was up by 2,4% (Table 1).

Chart 1. Distribution of the Greek merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by age groups.



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Table 1. Greek Merchant Fleet of 100 GRT and over : April 2011, 2012, 2013

April										
Type of ships	2011		2012		2013		Change%			
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	2012/2011	2013/2012	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
Total	2.055	43.020.243	2.001	44.061.430	1.928	44.104.112	-2,6	2,4	-3,6	0,1
Cargo	551	15.954.091	531	16.012.939	519	16.107.660	-3,6	0,4	-2,3	0,6
Tankers	542	25.436.576	540	26.485.754	533	26.572.762	-0,4	4,1	-1,3	0,3
Passenger ships	714	1.554.315	683	1.485.775	638	1.351.038	-4,3	-4,4	-6,6	-9,1
Other	248	75.261	247	76.962	238	72.652	-0,4	2,3	-3,6	-5,6

**Table 2. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over by tonnage groups:
April 2011, 2012, 2013.**

April						
Tonnage groups	2011		2012		2013	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
Total	2.055	43.020.243	2.001	44.061.430	1.928	44.104.112
100 -< 500	849	213.732	814	205.860	771	195.528
500- < 3.000	384	474.924	364	456.131	350	440.218
3.000 -< 7.000	76	341.952	79	353.847	72	323.390
7.000- < 10.000	30	253.257	28	236.565	27	228.670
10.000- < 20.000	62	935.388	55	822.545	48	731.607
20.000 -< 30.000	98	2.572.024	89	2.362.607	91	2.444.831
30.000 +	556	38.228.966	572	39.623.875	569	39.739.868

**Table3. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by age groups :
April 2011, 2012, 2013**

April						
Age groups	2011		2012		2013	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
Total	2.055	43.020.243	2.001	44.061.430	1.928	44.104.112
< 5	266	11.852.872	246	11.372.960	212	11.277.265
5- < 10	309	13.448.358	304	13.934.367	283	12.340.323
10- < 15	228	7.817.510	236	9.080.489	266	11.897.532
15- < 20	138	4.329.482	151	4.372.617	140	3.492.457
20- < 25	161	1.330.683	159	1.577.519	143	1.687.857
25- < 30	142	1.349.756	123	989.976	109	538.842
30+	811	2.891.582	782	2.733.502	775	2.869.836

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

- Greek Merchant Fleet Survey** The Survey on the Greek Merchant Fleet has been producing results since 1964. It has been conducted on a monthly basis 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 April 2013
- 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 registered in Greece, which belong to natural or legal persons residing on the Greek territory. 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):** unit of measurement of the total volume in cubic feet of the spaces within the hull and of the enclosed spaces above the deck which are available for carrying goods, food, passengers and crew. It equals to the volume of 100 cubic feet or 2.83 m³.
- Net Register Tonnage (NRT):** unit of measurement 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 register, f) final measurement – remeasurement of ships, g) replacement of the ship's engine.
All these data, after being fully 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), under the link: - *Statistical Themes - Transport- Maritime transport – Greek Merchant Fleet of 10 GRT and over.*