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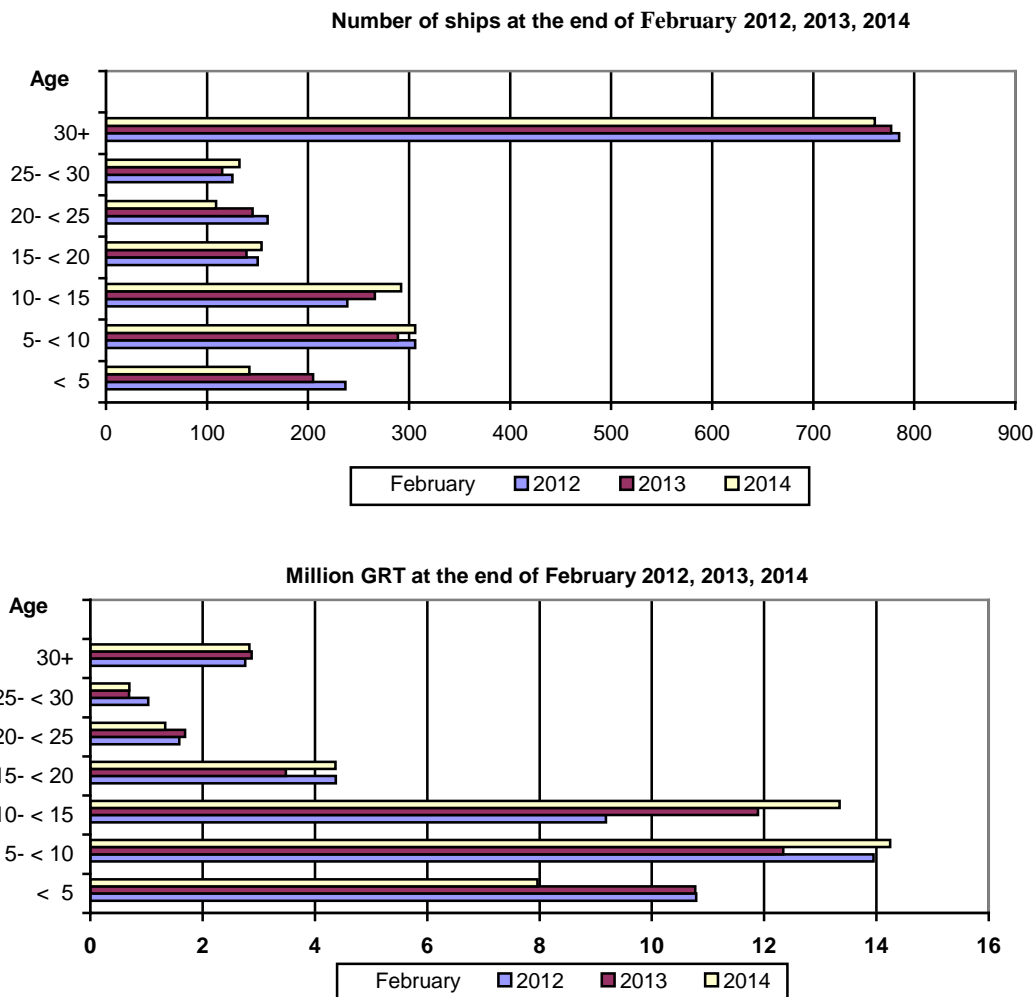
## GREEK MERCHANT FLEET: FEBRUARY 2014

(Provisional data)

The Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, decreased by 2,1% in February 2014 compared to February 2013, while the Greek Merchant Fleet recorded a decline of 3,3% in February 2013 compared to February 2012 (Table 1).

The gross tonnage of the Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, increased by 2,4% in February 2014 compared to February 2013, while in February 2013 compared to February 2012 it was up by 0,2% (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 : February 2012, 2013, 2014**

Type of ships	February									
	2012		2013		2014		Change%			
	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>2.002</b>	<b>43.668.486</b>	<b>1.936</b>	<b>43.735.293</b>	<b>1.896</b>	<b>44.782.910</b>	<b>-3,3</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>-2,1</b>	<b>2,4</b>
Cargo	531	15.963.292	520	15.988.227	508	15.912.887	-2,1	0,2	-2,3	-0,5
Tankers	538	26.131.044	530	26.284.821	533	27.425.739	-1,5	0,6	0,6	4,3
Passenger ships	687	1.497.493	645	1.388.186	619	1.374.722	-6,1	-7,3	-4,0	-1,0
Other	246	76.657	241	74.059	236	69.562	-2,0	-3,4	-2,1	-6,1

**Table 2. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over by tonnage groups:  
February 2012, 2013, 2014.**

Tonnage groups	February					
	2012		2013		2014	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.002</b>	<b>43.668.486</b>	<b>1.936</b>	<b>43.735.293</b>	<b>1.896</b>	<b>44.782.910</b>
100 -< 500	816	205.925	779	197.956	750	189.969
500- < 3.000	367	459.834	352	442.373	342	434.878
3.000 -< 7.000	79	354.648	72	323.390	69	309.643
7.000- < 10.000	28	236.697	27	228.670	25	210.969
10.000- < 20.000	56	837.765	48	731.447	43	661.337
20.000 -< 30.000	90	2.376.609	91	2.436.980	96	2.600.815
30.000 +	566	39.197.008	567	39.374.477	571	40.375.299

**Table 3. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by age groups :  
February 2012, 2013, 2014**

Age groups	February					
	2012		2013		2014	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.002</b>	<b>43.668.486</b>	<b>1.936</b>	<b>43.735.293</b>	<b>1.896</b>	<b>44.782.910</b>
< 5	237	10.789.553	205	10.770.911	142	7.964.053
5- < 10	306	13.946.048	289	12.341.907	306	14.242.592
10- < 15	239	9.180.989	266	11.890.402	292	13.345.061
15- < 20	150	4.372.312	139	3.481.532	154	4.367.966
20- < 25	160	1.584.795	145	1.689.513	109	1.333.833
25- < 30	125	1.033.420	115	690.596	132	697.946
30+	785	2.761.369	777	2.870.432	761	2.831.459

## 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 February 2014
- 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 m<sup>3</sup>.
- 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](http://www.statistics.gr)), under the link: - *Statistical Themes - Transport- Maritime transport – Greek Merchant Fleet of 10 GRT and over.*