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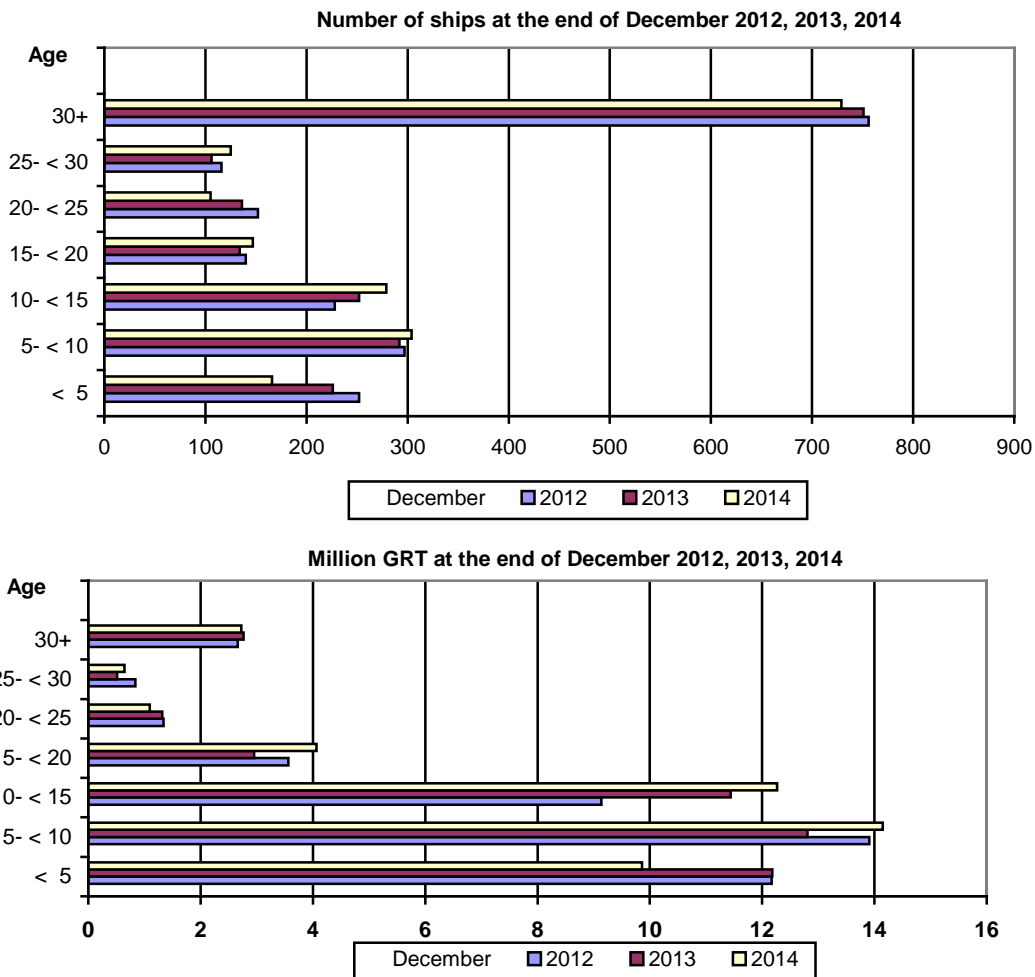
## GREEK MERCHANT FLEET: DECEMBER 2014

(Provisional data)

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

The gross tonnage of the Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, increased by 1,9% in December 2014 compared to December 2013, while in December 2013 compared to December 2012 it was up by 0,8% (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 : December 2012, 2013, 2014**

Type of ships	December									
	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>1.941</b>	<b>43.614.138</b>	<b>1.897</b>	<b>43.978.476</b>	<b>1.855</b>	<b>44.800.622</b>	<b>-2,3</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>-2,2</b>	<b>1,9</b>
Cargo	521	16.022.220	505	15.665.470	501	16.346.192	-3,1	-2,2	-0,8	4,3
Tankers	530	26.148.497	528	26.904.006	521	26.027.473	-0,4	2,9	-1,3	0,5
Passenger ships	649	1.369.362	627	1.338.970	603	1.359.178	-3,4	-2,2	-3,8	1,5
Other	241	74.059	237	70.030	230	67.779	-1,7	-5,4	-3,0	-3,2

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

Tonnage groups	December					
	2012		2013		2014	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.941</b>	<b>43.614.138</b>	<b>1.897</b>	<b>43.978.476</b>	<b>1.855</b>	<b>44.800.622</b>
100 -< 500	782	198.715	760	192.331	729	184.666
500- < 3.000	353	444.894	344	437.188	331	415.361
3.000 -< 7.000	73	327.686	69	309.643	70	312.711
7.000- < 10.000	27	228.670	25	210.969	23	195.134
10.000- < 20.000	51	777.368	43	661.337	40	600.382
20.000 -< 30.000	91	2.426.966	96	2.600.743	92	2.491.111
30.000 +	564	39.209.839	560	39.566.265	570	40.601.257

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

Age groups	December					
	2012		2013		2014	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.941</b>	<b>43.614.138</b>	<b>1.897</b>	<b>43.978.476</b>	<b>1.855</b>	<b>44.800.622</b>
< 5	252	12.170.387	226	12.181.622	166	9.858.738
5- < 10	297	13.905.551	292	12.808.489	304	14.145.764
10- < 15	228	9.134.847	252	11.439.024	279	12.268.894
15- < 20	140	3.565.055	134	2.952.706	147	4.062.677
20- < 25	152	1.337.701	136	1.318.305	105	1.095.689
25- < 30	116	835.988	106	513.287	125	644.222
30+	756	2.664.609	751	2.765.043	729	2.724.638

## METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

<b>Greek Merchant Fleet Survey</b>	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.
<b>Legal Framework</b>	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.
<b>Reference Period</b>	The results of the survey refer to the end of December 2014
<b>Coverage</b>	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.
<b>Definitions</b>	<p><b>Merchant ship:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Greek merchant fleet:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Gross Register Tonnage (GRT):</b> 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>.</p> <p><b>Net Register Tonnage (NRT):</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Age of ship:</b> indicated by the year of original construction of the hull or that of the hull containing the engine room.</p>
<b>Methodology</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<b>References</b>	Further information (tables, charts) concerning the Survey on the Greek Merchant Fleet can be found on the webpage of ELSTAT ( <a href="http://www.statistics.gr">www.statistics.gr</a> ), under the link: - <i>Statistical Themes - Transport- Maritime transport – Greek Merchant Fleet of 10 GRT and over.</i>