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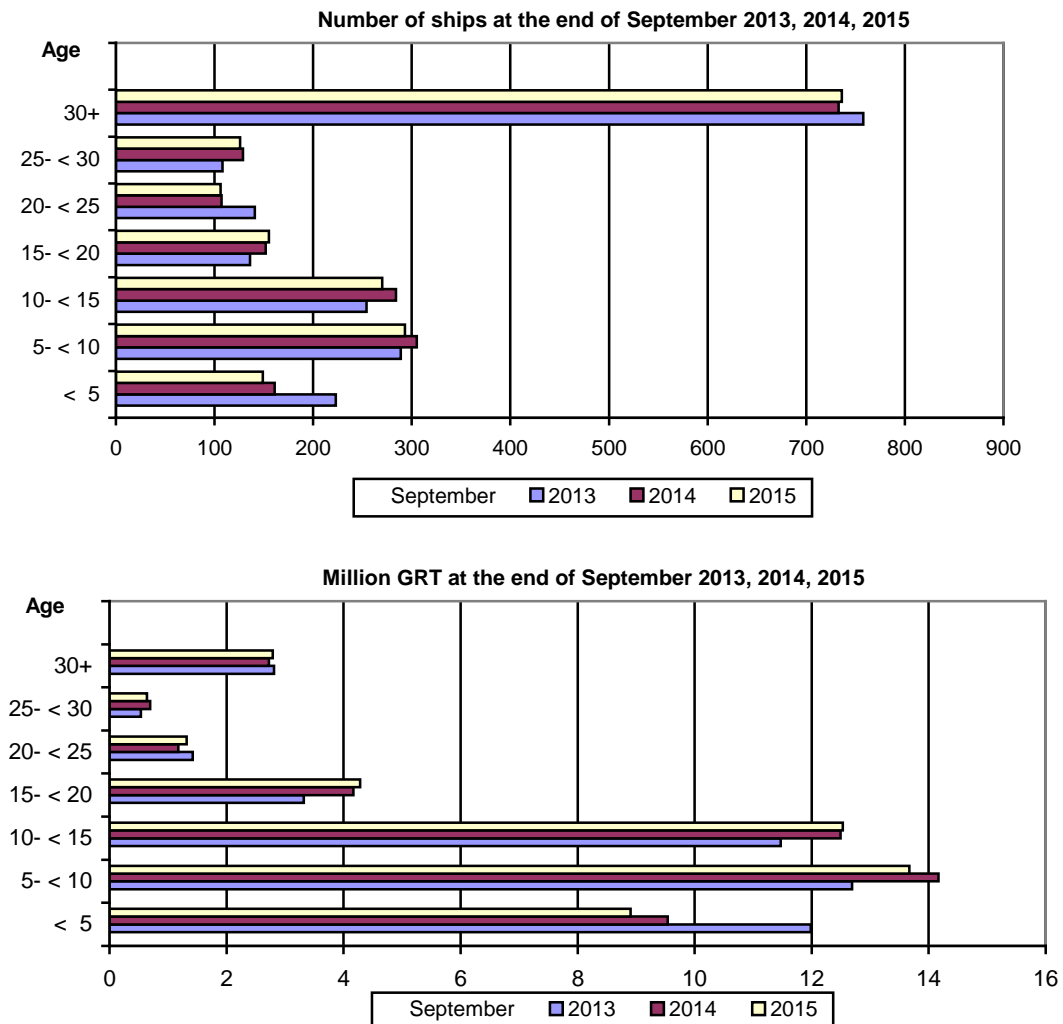
GREEK MERCHANT FLEET: SEPTEMBER 2015

(Provisional data)

The Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, decreased by 1.9% in September 2015 compared to September 2014, while the above Greek Merchant Fleet recorded a decline of 2.0% in September 2014 compared to September 2013 (Table 1).

The gross tonnage of the Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, decreased by 1.8% in September 2015 compared to September 2014, while the above gross tonnage recorded an increase of 1.6% in September 2014 compared to September 2013 (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: September 2013, 2014, 2015

Type of ships	September									
	2013		2014		2015		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)
Total	1,909	44,241,594	1,871	44,964,391	1,835	44,138,319	-2.0	1.6	-1.9	-1.8
Cargo	512	15,808,761	505	16,449,178	478	15,186,696	-1.4	4.1	-5.3	-7.7
Tankers	529	27,035,199	524	27,071,494	522	27,547,484	-0.9	0.1	-0.4	1.8
Passenger ships	630	1,326,828	608	1,375,048	601	1,335,464	-3.5	3.6	-1.2	-2.9
Other	238	70,806	234	68,671	234	68,675	-1.7	-3.0	0.0	0.0

**Table 2. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over by tonnage groups:
September 2013, 2014, 2015.**

Tonnage groups	September					
	2013		2014		2015	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
Total	1,909	44,241,594	1,871	44,964,391	1,835	44,138,319
100 -< 500	762	193,004	737	186,209	727	185,227
500- < 3.000	348	439,260	331	417,917	328	409,454
3.000 -< 7.000	70	313,615	70	316,800	71	317,544
7.000- < 10.000	26	220,740	24	204,158	23	195,134
10.000- < 20.000	45	692,283	42	640,231	44	661,451
20.000 -< 30.000	95	2,562,019	95	2,576,399	86	2,314,909
30.000 +	563	39,820,673	572	40,622,677	556	40,054,600

**Table 3. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by age groups :
September 2013, 2014, 2015**

Age groups	September					
	2013		2014		2015	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
Total	1,909	44,241,594	1,871	44,964,391	1,835	44,138,319
< 5	223	11,986,179	161	9,540,516	149	8,905,454
5- < 10	289	12,692,700	305	14,167,380	293	13,670,964
10- < 15	254	11,472,744	284	12,494,730	270	12,532,076
15- < 20	136	3,323,026	152	4,165,533	155	4,284,813
20- < 25	141	1,423,209	107	1,175,810	106	1,316,331
25- < 30	108	534,761	129	695,962	126	638,088
30+	758	2,808,975	733	2,724,460	736	2,790,593

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Greek Merchant Fleet Survey	The Survey on the Greek Merchant Fleet is conducted on a monthly basis since 1964 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 September 2015
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	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Age of ship: indicated by the year of original construction of the hull or that of the hull containing the engine room.</p>
Methodology	<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>
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: - <i>Statistical Themes - Transport- Maritime transport – Greek Merchant Fleet of 10 GRT and over.</i>