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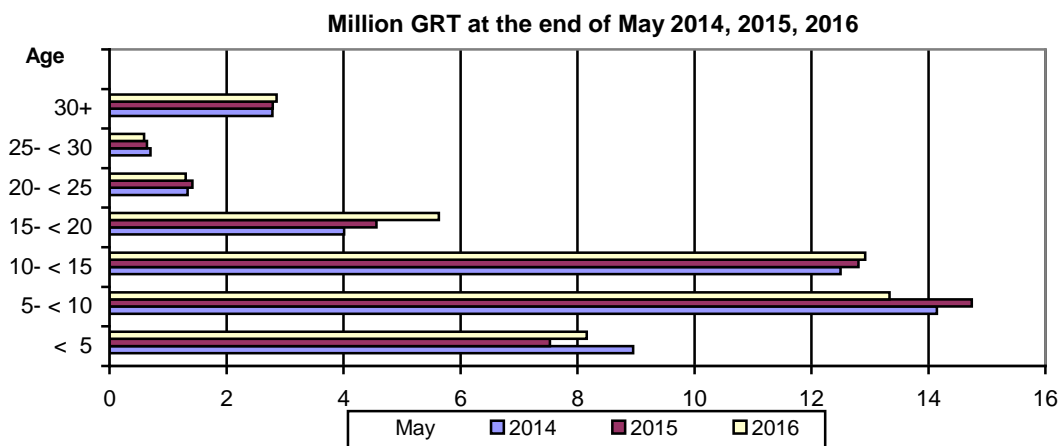
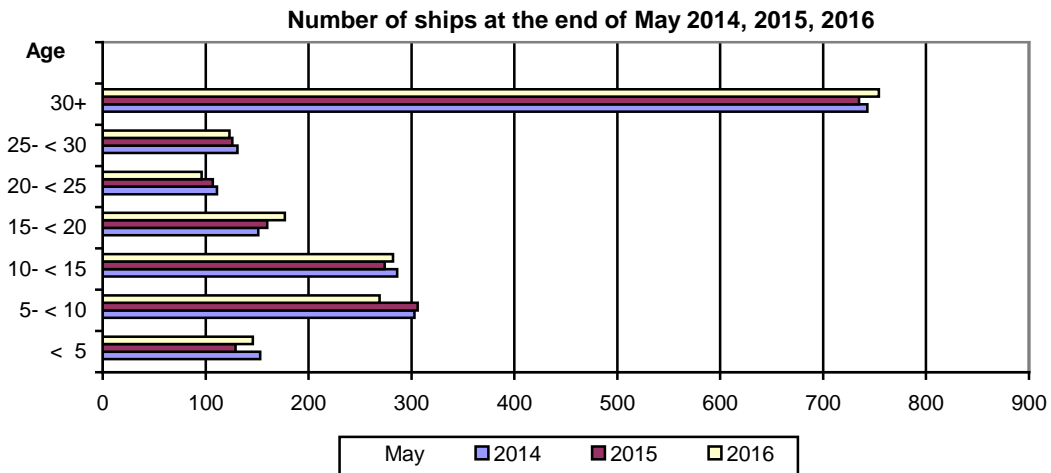
GREEK MERCHANT FLEET: MAY 2016

(Provisional data)

The Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, increased by 0.5% in May 2016 compared to May 2015, while the above Greek Merchant Fleet recorded a decline of 2.2% in May 2015 compared to May 2014 (Table 1).

The gross tonnage of the Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, shows increase by 0.7% in May 2016 compared to May 2015, while the above gross tonnage recorded an increase of 0.2% in May 2015 compared to May 2014 (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: May 2014, 2015, 2016

Type of ships	May									
	2014		2015		2016		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	1,878	44,420,855	1,837	44,489,064	1,847	44,795,636	-2.2	0.2	0.5	0.7
Cargo	508	16,424,433	488	15,832,960	472	15,497,190	-3.9	-3.6	-3.3	-2.1
Tankers	522	26,537,357	520	27,238,287	516	27,882,875	-0.4	2.6	-0.8	2.4
Passenger ships	616	1,390,400	600	1,350,626	618	1,330,898	-2.6	-2.9	3.0	-1.5
Other	232	68,665	229	67,191	241	84,673	-1.3	-2.1	5.2	26.0

**Table 2. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over by tonnage groups:
May 2014, 2015, 2016.**

Tonnage groups	May					
	2014		2015		2016	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
Total	1,878	44,420,855	1,837	44,489,064	1,847	44,795,636
100 -< 500	738	186,583	722	183,348	739	189,012
500- < 3.000	337	427,970	326	408,124	336	416,965
3.000 -< 7.000	69	312,861	71	316,823	72	321,255
7.000- < 10.000	25	211,867	23	195,134	21	177,795
10.000- < 20.000	42	640,231	41	618,618	46	684,794
20.000 -< 30.000	97	2,629,614	91	2,456,440	83	2,214,272
30.000 +	570	40,011,729	563	40,310,577	550	40,791,543

**Table 3. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over by age groups :
May 2014, 2015, 2016**

Age groups	May					
	2014		2015		2016	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
Total	1,878	44,420,855	1,837	44,489,064	1,847	44,795,636
< 5	153	8,951,661	129	7,530,130	146	8,159,993
5- < 10	303	14,142,339	306	14,743,519	269	13,335,413
10- < 15	286	12,499,205	274	12,806,955	282	12,916,686
15- < 20	151	4,008,876	160	4,565,973	177	5,631,708
20- < 25	111	1,335,019	107	1,415,935	96	1,302,264
25- < 30	131	700,915	126	638,025	123	591,882
30+	743	2,782,840	735	2,788,527	754	2,857,690

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 May 2016.
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: < Industry, Trade, Services, Transport > Transport >Shipping > Greek Merchant Fleet of 100 GRT and over>>.