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TRAFFIC OF PASSENGERS GOODS AND MOBILE UNITS IN GREEK PORTS:

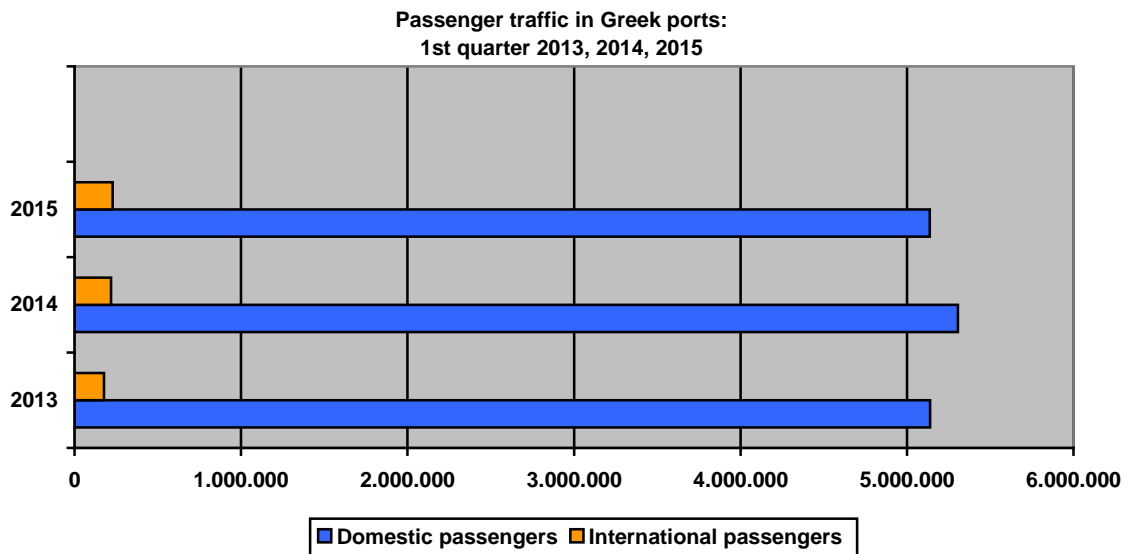
1ST QUARTER 2015

(Provisional data)

In the 1st quarter 2015 the total passenger traffic in Greek ports recorded a decrease of 2.9% compared with the 1st quarter 2014. The corresponding quarter of 2014 compared with 2013 the total passenger traffic increased by 3.9% (table 1)

In the 1st quarter 2015 the total movements of goods in Greek ports rose 4.4% in comparison with the 1st quarter 2014. In contrast the corresponding quarter of 2014 compared with 2013 the total movements of goods increased by 3.3% (table 2)

The corresponding changes in the traffic of mobile units are illustrated in table 3



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**Table 1 Domestic and international passenger traffic in Greek ports:
1st quarter 2013, 2014, 2015**

	1 st Quarter				
	2013	2014	2015	Change % 2014/2013 2015/2014	
Domestic passengers (Disembarked or embarked)	5,139,606	5,305,715	5,137,002	3.2	-3.2
International passengers	176,679	220,120	228,404	24.6	3.8
Disembarked	92,031	111,068	114,040	20.7	2.7
Embarked	84,648	109,052	114,364	28.8	4.9
Total	5,316,285	5,525,835	5,365,406	3.9	-2.9

**Table 2 Domestic and international movements of goods in Greek ports:
1st quarter 2013, 2014, 2015**

In tones	1 st Quarter				
	2013	2014	2015	Change % 2014/2013 2015/2014	
Domestic goods (Unloaded or loaded)	6,592,491	6,761,957	6,890,744	2.6	1.9
International goods	23,640,894	24,462,331	25,700,574	3.5	5.1
Unloaded	13,912,183	13,473,175	15,075,789	-3.2	11.9
Loaded	9,728,711	10,989,156	10,624,785	13.0	-3.3
Total	30,233,385	31,224,288	32,591,318	3.3	4.4

**Table 3 Domestic and international traffic of mobile units in Greek ports:
1st quarter 2013, 2014, 2015**

	1 st Quarter				
	2013	2014	2015	Change % 2014/2013 2015/2014	
Domestic mobile units (Unloaded or loaded)	1,566,880	1,563,637	1,438,888	-0.2	-8.0
International mobile units	110,004	117,856	138,488	7.1	17.5
Unloaded	59,956	62,063	71,439	3.5	15.1
Loaded	50,048	55,793	67,049	11.5	20.2
Total	1,676,884	1,681,493	1,577,376	0.3	-6.2

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Survey on the traffic of passengers goods and mobile units in Greek ports	<p>The survey on traffic of passengers goods and mobile units in Greek ports has been conducted on a monthly basis since 1960 and it has been producing quarterly and annual results This survey is conducted in compliance with EU regulation 2009/42 which provides for the harmonization of statistical returns in respect of carriage of passengers goods by sea in the EU Member States</p> <p>The purpose of the survey is to collect statistical data on maritime transport and to disseminate these data to all relevant users and mostly to Eurostat</p>
Legal framework	<p>This survey is fully harmonized with EU legislation and more specifically with Council Directive (EC) 95/64 of 8/12/1995 which was replaced by Directive (EC) 2009/42 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6/5/2009</p>
Reference period	<p>The data of the survey refer to the 1st quarter 2015</p>
Coverage	<p>The survey applies to all merchant vessels of net tonnage 10 GRT and over which carry passengers goods and mobile units by sea to and from domestic and international ports for commercial purposes Consequently the above Directive shall not apply to fish-catching vessels research and survey vessels dredgers naval vessels or vessels used solely for non-commercial purposes</p>
Methodology	<p>The survey is an exhaustive which is conducted for all vessels meeting the necessary criteria The survey is carried out by means of specialized questionnaires which must be filled in by the competent bodies These bodies are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) The domestic Port Authorities which have the responsibility to fill in the questionnaires for the goods transport in cooperation with the maritime transport agentb) The shipping companies and the financial officers of the ships who have the responsibility to fill in the questionnaires for the passenger traffic It should be noted that the shipping companies which are equipped with the necessary computerized system submit the data electronically to ELSTATc) Piraeus Port Authority (OLP) and Thessaloniki Port Authority (OLTH) which record the large majority of goods transport data send these statistical returns to ELSTAT electronically by means of a specially designed software application <p>ELSTAT after having received all the above mentioned data proceeds to data controls codification processing and tabulation of the data</p> <p>It should be stressed that the survey is conducted in compliance with international classifications and definitions applied for the variables of the relevant survey which are laid down in Eurostat's manual «Reference Manual on Maritime Transport Statistics Version November 2012»</p>
References	<p>More information (tables charts) concerning the survey on maritime transport of passenger goods and mobile units in the Greek ports by merchant vessels can be found on the web page of ELSTAT (www.statistics.gr) under the link: <i>Statistical Themes >Transport> Maritime Transport> Passengers and goods transport</i></p>