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Building Activity Survey: March 2025

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces the data of the Building Activity Survey for the month March 2025. More specifically:

The Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece, in March 2025 which is calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 2,206. This figure corresponds to 404,236 m² of surface and 1,861,803 m³ of volume, reflecting, respectively, a 41.3% decrease in the number of building permits, a 53.7% decrease in surface and a 43.3% decrease in volume, compared with the corresponding month of 2024 (Table 1).

The building permits for the Private Building Activity issued in Greece in March 2025 amounted to 2,194. This figure corresponds to 397,348 m² of surface and 1,825,995 m³ of volume. In comparison with the same month of 2024 there is a 41.1% decrease in the number of building permits, a 54.1% decrease in surface and a 43.8% decrease in volume (Table 2).

The building permits for the Public Building Activity issued in Greece in March 2025 amounted to 12. This figure corresponds to 6,888 m² of surface and 35,808 m³ of volume. Public Building Activity accounted for a 1.9% of the total building volume in March 2025.

In the last twelve months, from April 2024 until March 2025, Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece, calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 28,479. This figure corresponds to 6,437,904 m² of surface and 29,390,732 m³ of volume. In comparison with the corresponding period from April 2023 until March 2024, there is a 3.5% decrease in the number of building permits, a 5.1% decrease in surface and a 4.4% decrease in volume (Table 3).

In the same period, from April 2024 until March 2025, Private Building Activity in Greece recorded a 3.6% decrease in the number of issued building permits, a 5.8% decrease in surface and a 5.8% decrease in volume, compared with the corresponding period from April 2023 to March 2024 (Table 4). During the same period, Public Building Activity accounted for a 3.6% of the total building volume.

During the period January - March 2025, Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece recorded a 29.1% decrease in the number of issued building permits, a 43.2% decrease in surface and a 33.0% decrease in volume, compared with the corresponding period of 2024 (Table 5). During the same period, January - March 2025, Private Building Activity in Greece recorded a 29.2% decrease in the number of issued building permits, a 43.5% decrease in surface and a 33.3% decrease in volume, in comparison with the period January - March 2024 (Table 6).

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Table 1. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), March 2024 and 2025

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	March		Change (%)	March		Change (%)	March		Change (%)
	2024	2025		2024	2025		2024	2025	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	189	112	-40.7	46,722	20,538	-56.0	184,752	85,067	-54.0
Kentriki Makedonia	388	251	-35.3	101,320	61,915	-38.9	392,117	342,055	-12.8
Dytiki Makedonia	31	23	-25.8	2,944	3,773	28.2	13,811	18,617	34.8
Thessalia	198	117	-40.9	34,161	20,560	-39.8	139,200	86,722	-37.7
Ipeiros	278	81	-70.9	82,881	11,713	-85.9	315,238	41,296	-86.9
Ionia Nisia	434	193	-55.5	91,233	29,046	-68.2	306,687	96,145	-68.7
Dytiki Ellada	191	125	-34.6	33,788	16,102	-52.3	149,933	60,776	-59.5
Stereia Ellada	198	111	-43.9	36,055	31,795	-11.8	148,697	228,110	53.4
Peloponnisos	259	197	-23.9	44,901	41,980	-6.5	159,438	275,886	73.0
Attiki	624	455	-27.1	187,392	85,447	-54.4	706,032	330,654	-53.2
Voreio Aigaio	106	61	-42.5	15,377	4,165	-72.9	57,280	13,933	-75.7
Notio Aigaio	389	248	-36.2	100,406	41,706	-58.5	344,992	150,294	-56.4
Kriti	471	232	-50.7	95,856	35,496	-63.0	367,379	132,248	-64.0
Greece, Total	3,756	2,206	-41.3	873,036	404,236	-53.7	3,285,556	1,861,803	-43.3

It should be noted that the increase or decrease in the number of the issued building permits does not imply, necessarily, an increase or decrease in underlying surface or volume. This is due to individual building permits involving big surface or volume or to building permits that do not concern surface or volume.

Table 2. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), March 2024 and 2025

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	March		Change (%)	March		Change (%)	March		Change (%)
	2024	2025		2024	2025		2024	2025	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	187	112	-40.1	46,722	20,538	-56.0	184,752	85,067	-54.0
Kentriki Makedonia	388	248	-36.1	101,320	56,035	-44.7	392,117	312,029	-20.4
Dytiki Makedonia	30	23	-23.3	2,944	3,773	28.2	13,811	18,617	34.8
Thessalia	198	116	-41.4	34,161	19,552	-42.8	139,200	80,940	-41.9
Ipeiros	277	81	-70.8	82,881	11,713	-85.9	315,238	41,296	-86.9
Ionia Nisia	434	193	-55.5	91,233	29,046	-68.2	306,687	96,145	-68.7
Dytiki Ellada	188	123	-34.6	33,748	16,102	-52.3	149,782	60,776	-59.4
Stereia Ellada	196	110	-43.9	28,690	31,795	10.8	114,536	228,110	99.2
Peloponnisos	255	195	-23.5	44,852	41,980	-6.4	159,280	275,886	73.2
Attiki	620	454	-26.8	187,392	85,447	-54.4	706,032	330,654	-53.2
Voreio Aigaio	103	60	-41.7	14,961	4,165	-72.2	55,396	13,933	-74.8
Notio Aigaio	386	247	-36.0	100,228	41,706	-58.4	344,273	150,294	-56.3
Kriti	466	232	-50.2	95,856	35,496	-63.0	367,379	132,248	-64.0
Greece, Total	3,728	2,194	-41.1	864,988	397,348	-54.1	3,248,483	1,825,995	-43.8

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Table 3. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), April 2023 - March 2024 and April 2024 - March 2025

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	April - March		Change (%)	April - March		Change (%)	April - March		Change (%)
	2023-2024	2024-2025		2023-2024	2024-2025		2023-2024	2024-2025	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	1,475	1,524	3.3	361,119	370,604	2.6	1,651,801	1,607,739	-2.7
Kentriki Makedonia	3,939	3,945	0.2	1,049,677	1,099,586	4.8	5,388,749	5,388,287	0.0
Dytiki Makedonia	316	345	9.2	72,859	72,734	-0.2	416,239	407,248	-2.2
Thessalia	1,687	1,693	0.4	385,854	367,647	-4.7	1,961,606	1,847,860	-5.8
Ipeiros	1,210	922	-23.8	302,990	234,749	-22.5	1,319,153	1,194,217	-9.5
Ionia Nisia	2,370	2,225	-6.1	460,260	371,681	-19.2	1,633,402	1,336,535	-18.2
Dytiki Ellada	1,643	1,596	-2.9	280,788	270,989	-3.5	1,253,810	1,269,523	1.3
Stereia Ellada	1,620	1,346	-16.9	317,717	288,521	-9.2	1,872,535	1,822,650	-2.7
Peloponnisos	2,224	2,199	-1.1	400,036	392,392	-1.9	1,752,439	1,792,664	2.3
Attiki	6,311	6,452	2.2	1,898,203	1,891,876	-0.3	8,764,204	8,650,429	-1.3
Voreio Aigaio	790	697	-11.8	81,682	69,280	-15.2	318,271	266,063	-16.4
Notio Aigaio	3,006	2,845	-5.4	531,091	468,415	-11.8	1,919,512	1,658,886	-13.6
Kriti	2,921	2,690	-7.9	638,384	539,430	-15.5	2,502,841	2,148,631	-14.2
Greece, Total	29,512	28,479	-3.5	6,780,660	6,437,904	-5.1	30,754,562	29,390,732	-4.4

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Table 4. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), April 2023 - March 2024 and April 2024 - March 2025

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	April - March		Change (%)	April - March		Change (%)	April - March		Change (%)
	2023-2024	2024-2025		2023-2024	2024-2025		2023-2024	2024-2025	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	1,457	1,502	3.1	357,919	355,672	-0.6	1,636,077	1,517,367	-7.3
Kentriki Makedonia	3,902	3,871	-0.8	1,025,583	1,042,940	1.7	5,272,729	5,114,189	-3.0
Dytiki Makedonia	305	341	11.8	72,464	72,531	0.1	414,533	406,485	-1.9
Thessalia	1,672	1,682	0.6	381,782	350,932	-8.1	1,938,485	1,713,935	-11.6
Ipeiros	1,193	915	-23.3	297,682	234,241	-21.3	1,298,381	1,192,200	-8.2
Ionia Nisia	2,360	2,211	-6.3	459,300	362,246	-21.1	1,628,663	1,255,706	-22.9
Dytiki Ellada	1,619	1,566	-3.3	271,252	264,877	-2.4	1,219,887	1,239,638	1.6
Stereia Ellada	1,601	1,331	-16.9	304,291	281,489	-7.5	1,814,753	1,785,745	-1.6
Peloponnisos	2,204	2,177	-1.2	372,203	382,262	2.7	1,595,392	1,732,341	8.6
Attiki	6,257	6,422	2.6	1,871,949	1,857,934	-0.7	8,640,425	8,413,027	-2.6
Voreio Aigaio	776	678	-12.6	75,966	60,361	-20.5	291,891	226,516	-22.4
Notio Aigaio	2,993	2,817	-5.9	529,167	460,676	-12.9	1,910,659	1,620,156	-15.2
Kriti	2,902	2,663	-8.2	624,195	530,881	-14.9	2,431,195	2,120,079	-12.8
Greece, Total	29,241	28,176	-3.6	6,643,753	6,257,042	-5.8	30,093,070	28,337,384	-5.8

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Table 5. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), January - March 2024 and 2025

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	January-March		Change (%)	January-March		Change (%)	January-March		Change (%)
	2024	2025		2024	2025		2024	2025	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	423	309	-27.0	121,727	58,805	-51.7	598,247	249,021	-58.4
Kentriki Makedonia	1,041	733	-29.6	281,644	163,679	-41.9	1,158,425	887,876	-23.4
Dytiki Makedonia	72	64	-11.1	7,918	10,219	29.1	40,995	43,861	7.0
Thessalia	461	309	-33.0	109,929	57,036	-48.1	568,241	278,401	-51.0
Ipeiros	472	224	-52.5	144,124	85,806	-40.5	611,622	580,373	-5.1
Ionia Nisia	866	542	-37.4	189,671	75,153	-60.4	666,150	254,640	-61.8
Dytiki Ellada	453	357	-21.2	77,404	58,167	-24.9	332,226	259,078	-22.0
Stereia Ellada	425	336	-20.9	69,383	70,293	1.3	297,587	423,614	42.3
Peloponnisos	630	513	-18.6	103,622	93,485	-9.8	424,929	503,294	18.4
Attiki	1,658	1,262	-23.9	437,235	229,433	-47.5	1,692,370	1,067,783	-36.9
Voreio Aigaio	235	165	-29.8	31,823	13,021	-59.1	123,526	47,827	-61.3
Notio Aigaio	921	683	-25.8	179,463	106,195	-40.8	617,775	372,870	-39.6
Kriti	966	613	-36.5	203,707	90,759	-55.4	773,617	330,032	-57.3
Greece, Total	8,623	6,110	-29.1	1,957,650	1,112,051	-43.2	7,905,710	5,298,670	-33.0

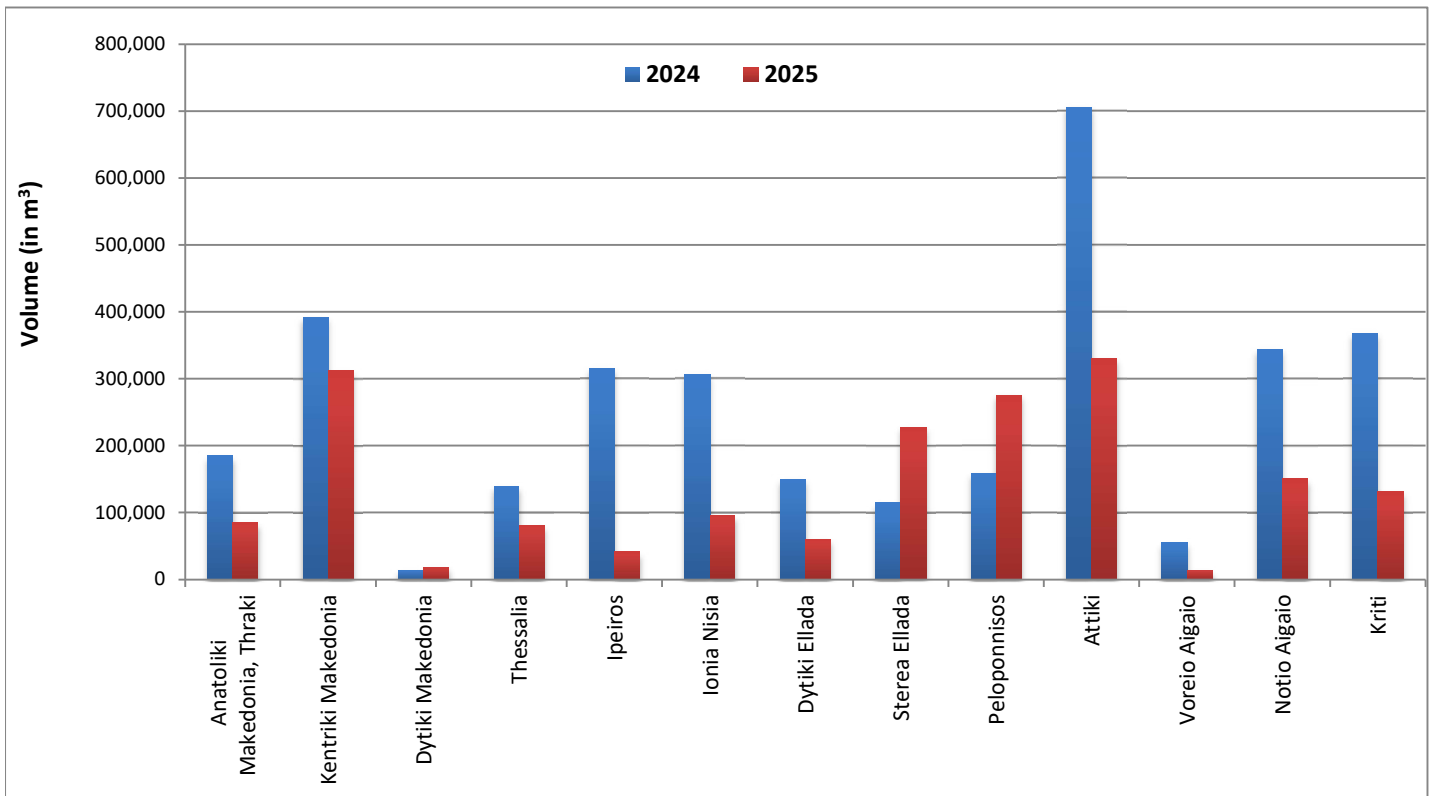
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Table 6. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), January - March 2024 and 2025

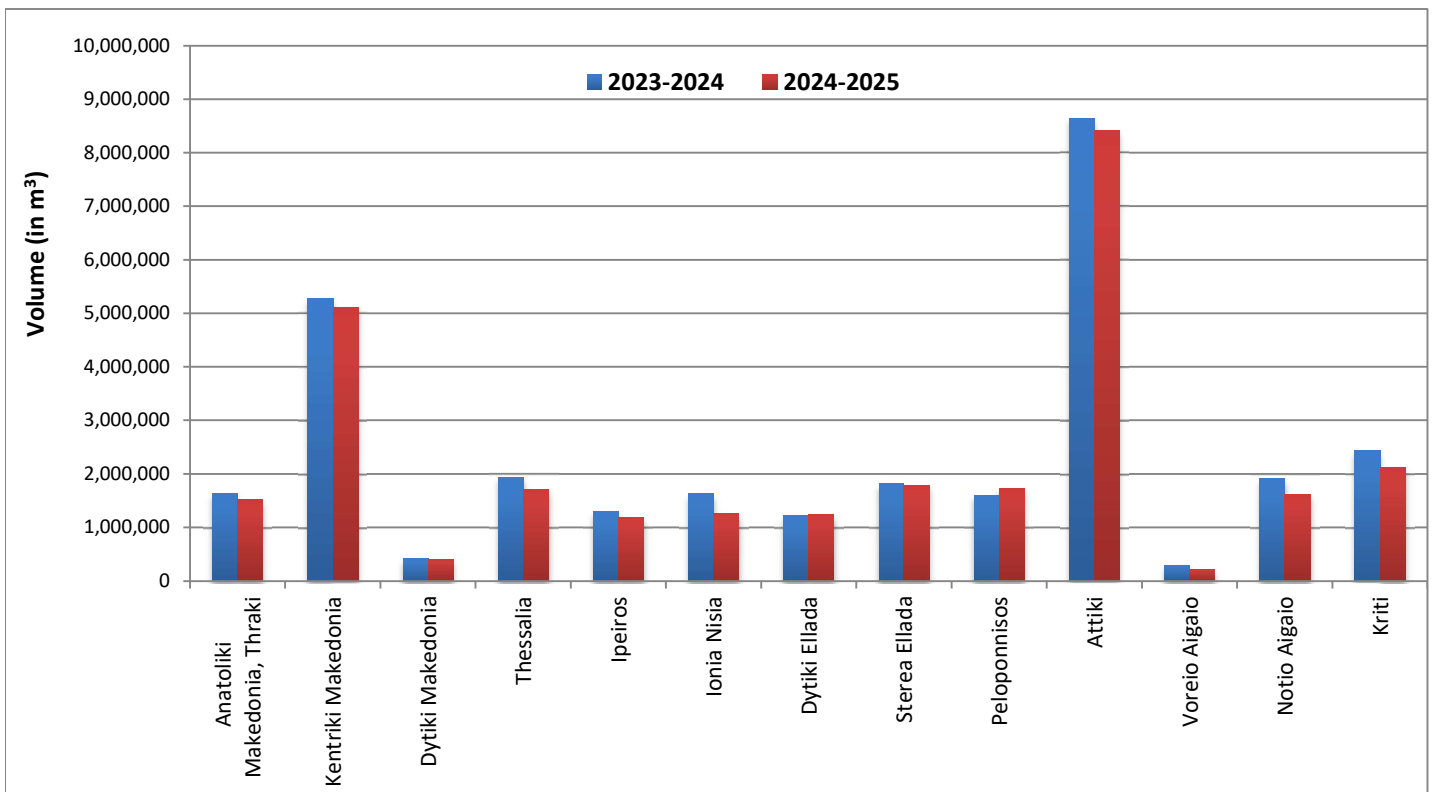
Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	January-March		Change (%)	January-March		Change (%)	January-March		Change (%)
	2024	2025		2024	2025		2024	2025	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	419	307	-26.7	120,774	58,500	-51.6	594,582	247,751	-58.3
Kentriki Makedonia	1,035	719	-30.5	279,029	146,536	-47.5	1,147,984	807,238	-29.7
Dytiki Makedonia	70	64	-8.6	7,538	10,219	35.6	39,415	43,861	11.3
Thessalia	460	305	-33.7	109,911	54,267	-50.6	568,173	262,529	-53.8
Ipeiros	469	224	-52.2	141,548	85,806	-39.4	602,023	580,373	-3.6
Ionia Nisia	862	538	-37.6	189,594	75,016	-60.4	665,827	253,876	-61.9
Dytiki Ellada	444	353	-20.5	75,221	58,135	-22.7	323,483	258,765	-20.0
Stereia Ellada	422	335	-20.6	59,426	70,293	18.3	252,100	423,614	68.0
Peloponnisos	626	508	-18.8	103,573	93,485	-9.7	424,771	503,294	18.5
Attiki	1,649	1,258	-23.7	432,257	229,433	-46.9	1,668,022	1,067,783	-36.0
Voreio Aigaio	228	160	-29.8	26,198	11,256	-57.0	97,494	40,760	-58.2
Notio Aigaio	918	681	-25.8	179,285	106,195	-40.8	617,056	372,870	-39.6
Kriti	960	608	-36.7	203,707	89,782	-55.9	773,617	326,790	-57.8
Greece, Total	8,562	6,060	-29.2	1,928,061	1,088,923	-43.5	7,774,547	5,189,504	-33.3

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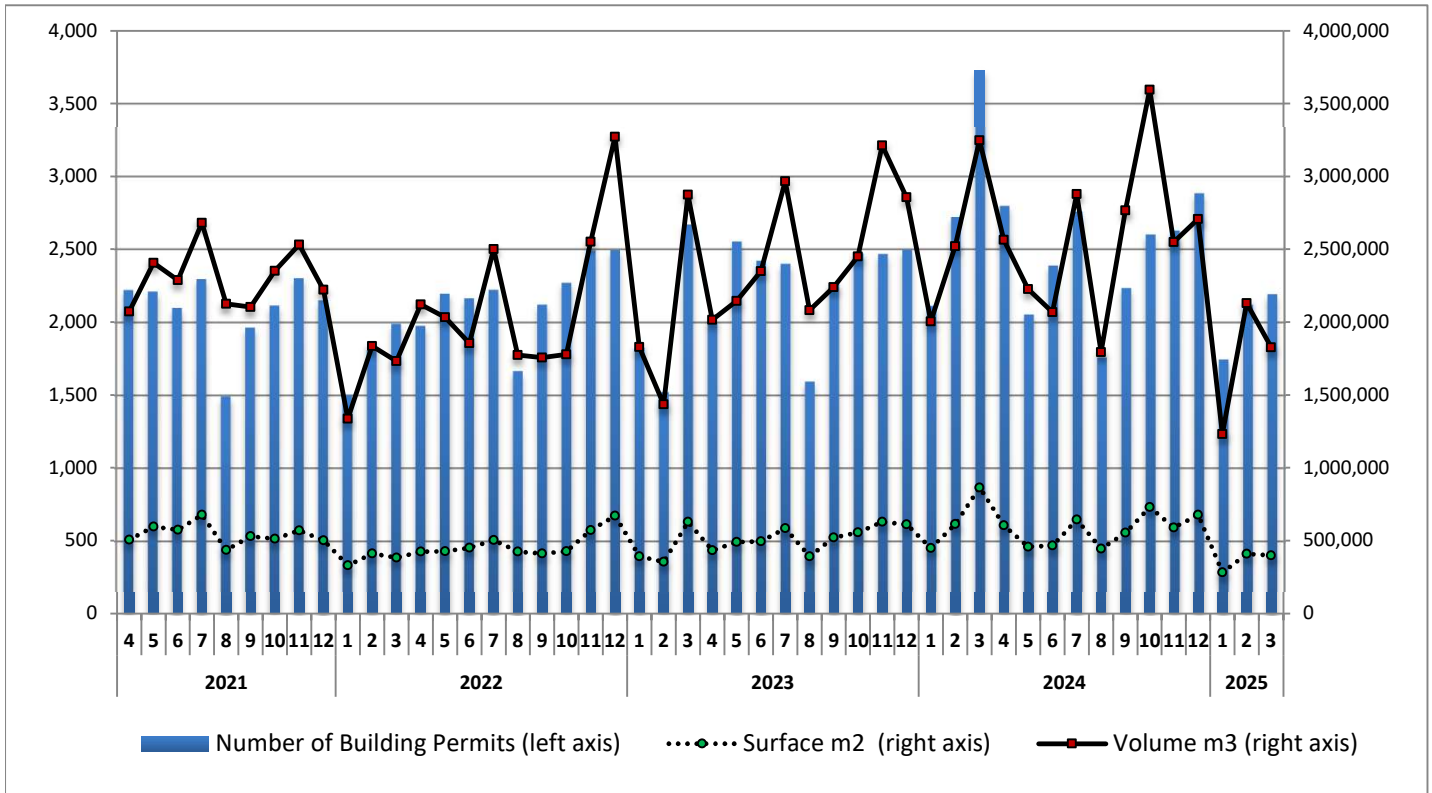
Graph 1. Private Building Activity (volume), by Region (NUTS II), March 2024 and 2025



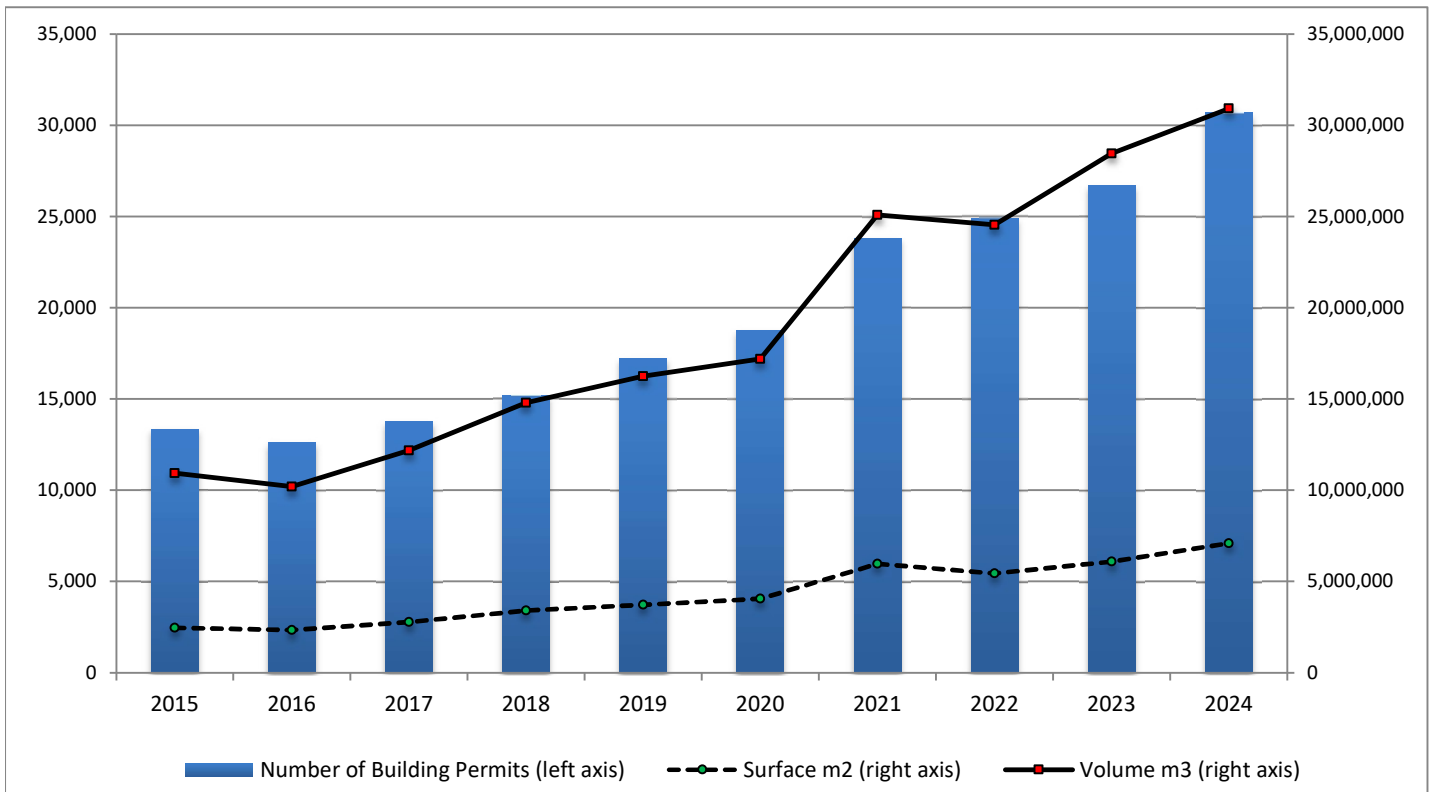
Graph 2. Private Building Activity (volume), by Region (NUTS II), April 2023 - March 2024 and April 2024 - March 2025



Graph 3. Monthly Private Building Activity (April 2021 – March 2025)



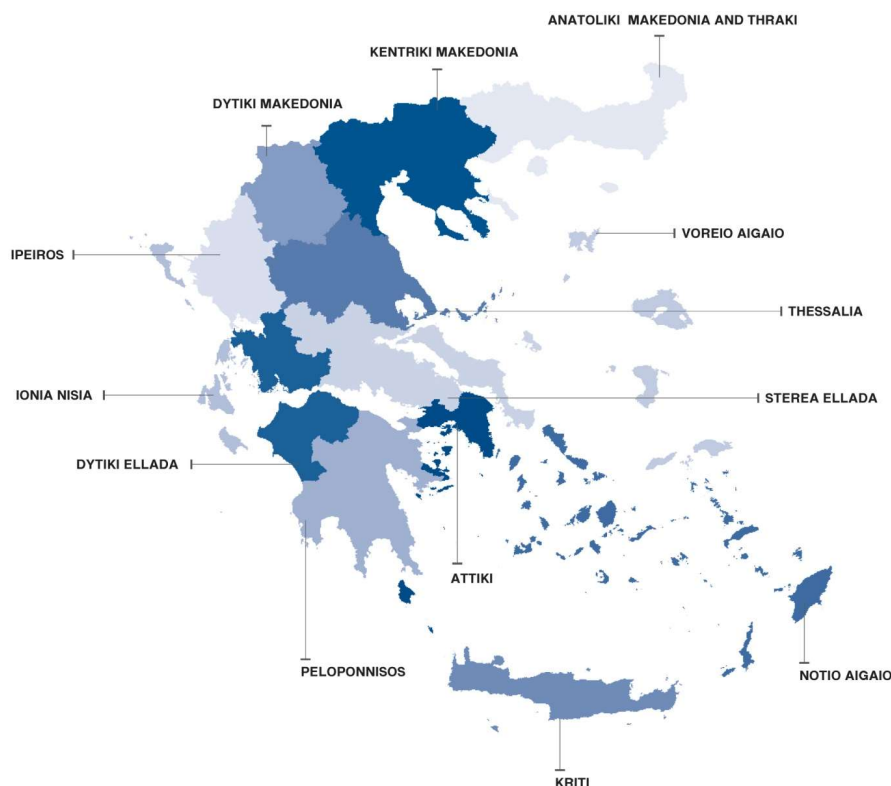
Graph 4. Annual Private Building Activity (2015 – 2024)



EXPLANATORY NOTES

Building Activity Survey	The Building Activity Survey has been providing data on a monthly and yearly basis, since 1964. The purpose of this survey is to register the total number of building permits issued by the responsible administrative authorities, which are devolved to complete the questionnaire. The survey covers all the features of building activity, such as the type of building permit, the type of construction, the type and the characteristics of the building and its auxiliary spaces, as well as building usage, surface, volume and value.
Legal Framework	The survey is fully harmonized with the European legislation. The primary legislative act is Regulation (EU) No 2019/2152 of the European Parliament and of the Council on European business statistics, as well as Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 2020/1197 laying down specifications and arrangements pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 2019/2152.
Reference Period	March 1, 2025 to March 31, 2025.
Coverage	The survey is exhaustive and covers the total number of issued building permits across the Country.
Geographical classification	The geographical classification is based on Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS).

Map of the 13 Regions (NUTS 2) of Greece



Definitions	<p>Building Permit refers to all types of building permits. These are permits for new buildings or permits for additions, repair, renovation, demolition, legitimization, amendment and modification of a building.</p> <p>The denotation of "built-property" is equal to "building".</p> <p>Building is every permanent and independent structure, which has walls and a roof and consists of one or more rooms and other complementary spaces. Normally, buildings feature four walls. However, a construction open from one or even two sides will be considered a building, as long as it has a roof.</p> <p>New building is any built-property raised on an uncovered site or in the place of an old building that has been demolished.</p> <p>Building Addition is every construction that adds building volume (space) to an existing building, in terms of surface, height or both and creates a residence, a shop or both.</p> <p>Building volume (the gross building volume) refers to the area that is included between the external surface of the external walls, the lowest level (the basement or the sub-basement, if it exists) and the roof of the building. If there is an open ground floor not enclosed within walls between the lower floor and the roof, its volume is taken into account. The relevant authorities calculate the volume of the building during the issuing of the building permit.</p> <p>Surface of new-built property is considered to be the sum of each floor space along with the outer space of the outer walls.</p>
General Remark	Any delineation that may occur between the sum of sub totals and the totals is due to rounding.
References	More information (tables, questionnaires, methodology) with regards to the Building Activity Survey is available on ELSTAT's web-site (www.statistics.gr), under the link: http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SOP03/-