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GREEK MERCHANT FLEET:

May 2025 (Provisional data)

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces data on the Greek Merchant Fleet (for vessels of 100 GRT¹) for May 2025. Particularly:

- The Greek Merchant Fleet increased by 0.8% in May 2025 compared with May 2024. An increase of 0.2% was recorded in May 2024 compared with May 2023 (Table 1).
- The gross tonnage of the Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, recorded a decrease of 3.5% in May 2025 compared with May 2024. A decrease of 3.5% was recorded in May 2024 compared with May 2023 (Table 1).



Graph 1: Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over: January 2023 – May 2025

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Table 1: Number and tonnage of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by types of ships,May 2023 - 2025

Мау											
	2023*		2024*		Change % 2024/2023		2025		Change % 2025/2024		
Types of ships	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:	1,820	37,696,848	1,823	36,387,482	0.2	-3.5	1,838	35,105,595	0.8	-3.5	
Cargo	363	10,694,213	359	10,353,924	-1.1	-3.2	353	9,363,318	-1.7	-9.6	
Tankers	425	25,587,466	412	24,690,085	-3.1	-3.5	406	24,417,078	-1.5	-1.1	
Passenger ships	760	1,272,968	776	1,201,065	2.1	-5.6	797	1,181,690	2.7	-1.6	
Other	272	142,201	276	142,408	1.5	0.1	282	143,509	2.2	0.8	

*revised data





Graph 2b: Tonnage of Greek Merchant Ships of 100 GRT and over, by types of ships, May 2023 – 2025



Table 2: Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by tonnage groups,May 2023 – 2025

Мау											
	2	2023*	2024*		Change % 2024/2023		2025		Change % 2025/2024		
Tonnage Groups	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:	1,820	37,696,848	1,823	36,387,482	0.2	-3.5	1,838	35,105,595	0.8	-3.5	
[100-500)	860	208,785	883	216,136	2.7	3.5	912	223,688	3.3	3.5	
[500-3,000)	349	436,664	346	437,748	-0.9	0.2	351	445,261	1.4	1.7	
[3,000-7,000)	79	350,501	78	343,314	-1.3	-2.1	78	346,489	0.0	0.9	
[7,000-10,000)	24	200,542	23	191,805	-4.2	-4.4	24	199,985	4.3	4.3	
[10,000-20,000)	47	675,108	51	729,484	8.5	8.1	50	721,394	-2.0	-1.1	
[20,000-30,000)	59	1,569,181	53	1,387,162	-10.2	-11.6	54	1,414,392	1.9	2.0	
[30,000+	402	34,256,067	389	33,081,833	-3.2	-3.4	369	31,754,386	-5.1	-4.0	

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Graph 3: Distribution of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by tonnage groups, May 2023 – 2025



Table 3: Distribution of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by age groups,May 2023 – 2025

May											
	2023*		2024*		Change % 2024/2023		2025		Change % 2025/2024		
Age Groups	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:	1,820	37,696,848	1,823	36,387,482	0.2	-3.5	1,838	35,105,595	0.8	-3.5	
(0-5)	101	6,182,685	112	5,881,967	10.9	-4.9	125	5,469,712	11.6	-7.0	
[5-10)	178	10,363,087	182	10,669,939	2.2	3.0	160	9,768,477	-12.1	-8.4	
[10-15)	229	11,615,710	176	9,463,629	-23.1	-18.5	168	9,414,638	-4.5	-0.5	
[15-20)	226	5,739,399	241	6,203,981	6.6	8.1	244	6,136,803	1.2	-1.1	
[20-25)	137	979,060	153	1,328,961	11.7	35.7	150	1,378,941	-2.0	3.8	
[25-30)	101	242,816	109	306,781	7.9	26.3	125	380,884	14.7	24.2	
[30+	848	2,574,091	850	2,532,224	0.2	-1.6	866	2,556,140	1.9	0.9	

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Graph 4b: Tonnage of Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by age groups, May 2023 – 2025



METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

GreekThe Survey on the Greek Merchant Fleet is conducted on a monthly basis since 1964 withoutMerchant Fleetany major methodological changes ever since. The purpose of the survey is to fully recordSurveystatistical 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 The survey is conducted in compliance with the joint Ministerial Decision (No 6792/G-81/11-**Framework** 4-97), signed by the Minister of National Economy and the Minister of Mercantile Marine.

- **Reference** The results of the survey refer <u>to the end of May 2025</u>. **Period**
- **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** Merchant ship: Seagoing self-propelled vessel, at least 10 GRT, designed for the carriage of goods, transport of passengers, for fishing, towing or specially fitted out for other commercial maritime activities.

Greek merchant fleet: The total number of the merchant ships under Greek flag. 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.

Gross Register Tonnage (GRT): Refers to the spaces within the hull and of the enclosed spaces above the deck which are available for carrying goods, food, passengers and crew, GRT is equal to the volume of 100 cubic feet or 2.83 m³.

Net Register Tonnage (NRT): It is 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.

Age of ship: indicated by the year of original construction of the hull or that of the hull containing the engine room.

Methodology 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' s register, f) final measurement – remeasurement of ships, g) replacement of the ship's engine.

All these data, after being dully 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.

References Further information (tables, charts) concerning the Survey on the Greek Merchant Fleet can be found on the webpage of ELSTAT (<u>www.statistics.gr</u>),under the link: <u>https://www.statistics.gr/el/statistics/-/publication/SMA27</u>