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MUSEUMS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES ATTENDANCE SURVEY OCTOBER 2015

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces the results of the Survey on Museums and Archaeological Sites

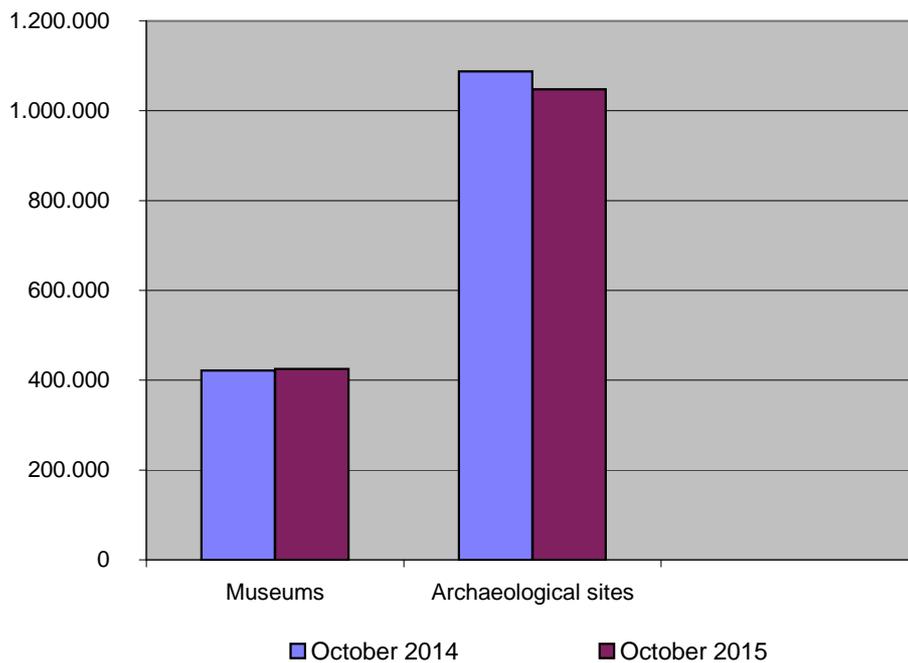
During October 2015, the museums recorded an increase of 0,8% in the number of visitors and a decrease of 3,2% in their receipts, in comparison with the corresponding month of 2014.

The number of visitors at archaeological sites, in October 2015, recorded a decrease of 3,7% while the respective receipts recorded a decrease of 0,9% , in comparison with the corresponding month of 2014 (Table 1).

During the ten-months of 2015, there was an increase of 6,2% in the number of visitors of museums and an increase of 6,5% in the respective receipts, in comparison with the corresponding period of 2014.

The number of visitors at archaeological sites, during the ten-months of 2015 recorded an increase of 3,8% while the respective receipts recorded an increase of by 2,9%, in comparison with the corresponding period of 2014 (Table 2).

**SURVEY ON MUSEUMS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES
OCTOBER 2015**



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**TABLE 1: VISITORS OF MUSEUMS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES - TOTAL RECEIPTS
(OCTOBER 2014 AND OCTOBER 2015)**

Museums - Archaeological sites	OCTOBER		Change % 2015/2014
	2014	2015	
	NUMBER OF VISITORS ⁽²⁾		
A. Museums (total)	421.586	424.800	0,8
Acropolis Museum	141.016	139.673	-1,0
National Archaeological	48.448	44.662	-7,8
Ancient Olympia	14.119	12.896	-8,7
Palace of the Grand Master (Rhodes)	27.019	26.934	-0,3
Herakleion Archaeological (Crete)	22.136	31.180	40,9
Rhodes	8.607	9.842	14,3
Delphi	19.051	18.246	-4,2
Other museums	141.190	141.367	0,1
B. Archaeological Sites (total)	1.087.631	1.047.513	-3,7
Epidavros ⁽¹⁾	40.457	37.337	-7,7
The Acropolis of Mycenae & Atreus' Treasure	36.659	34.359	-6,3
The Acropolis of Athens	200.886	208.907	4,0
Sounio	23.627	23.096	-2,2
The Acropolis of Lindos	66.539	56.745	-14,7
Kameiros (Rhodes)	19.056	15.880	-16,7
Ancient Olympia	51.032	54.225	6,3
Knossos (Crete)	70.403	73.918	5,0
Phaistos (Crete)	12.171	11.251	-7,6
Ancient Korinthos ⁽¹⁾	21.951	17.600	-19,8
Mystras ⁽¹⁾	11.211	10.291	-8,2
Delphi	29.563	27.353	-7,5
Other archaeological sites	504.076	476.551	-5,5
	NUMBER OF VISITORS WITH FREE ADMISSION TICKETS		
Total	383.353	320.827	-16,3
A. Museums (free admission ticket)	150.970	96.314	-36,2
B. Archaeological sites (free admission ticket)	232.383	224.513	-3,4
	RECEIPTS (euros)		
Total	6.053.539,00	5.970.961,00	-1,4
A. Museums	1.314.993,00	1.272.896,00	-3,2
B. Archaeological sites	4.738.546,00	4.698.065,00	-0,9

(1) Flat rate ticket, valid both for the museum and the archaeological site.

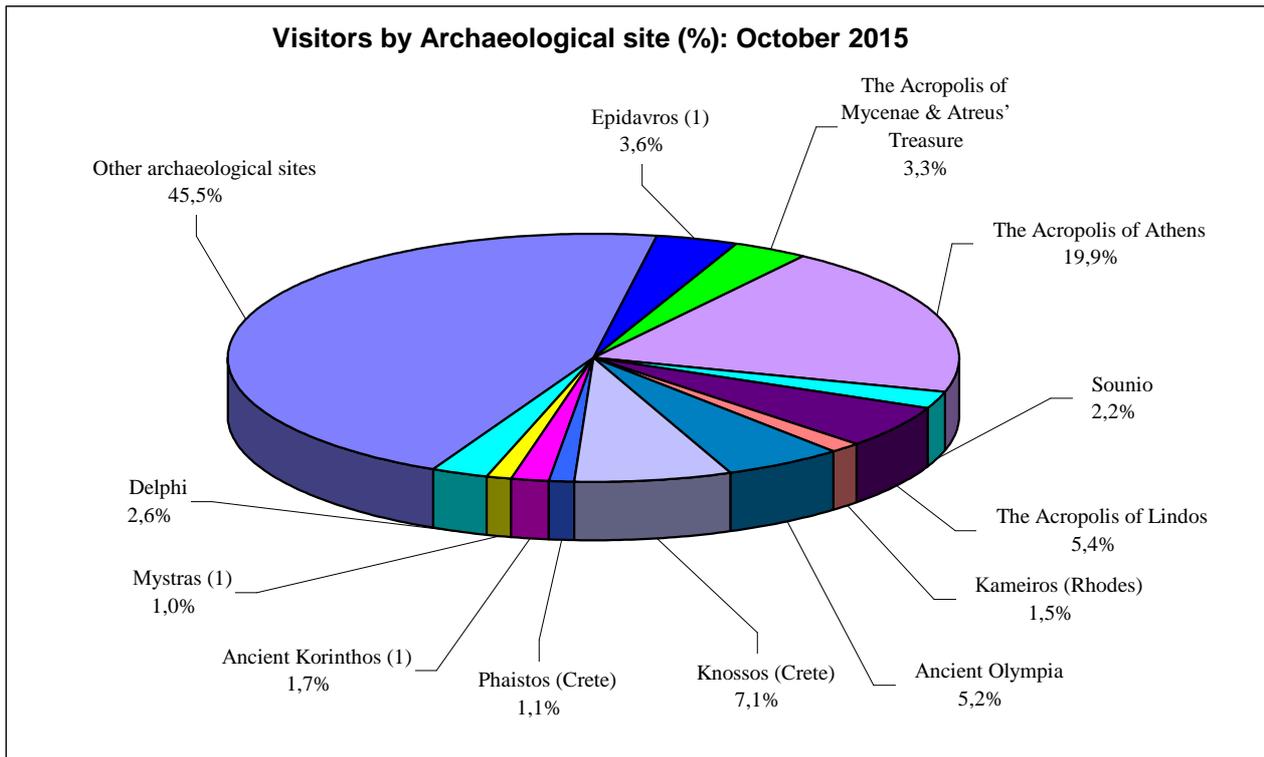
(2) Including also free admission tickets for museums and archaeological sites.

**TABLE 2: VISITORS OF MUSEUMS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES - TOTAL RECEIPTS
(2013,2014, AND JANUARY- OCTOBER 2014 & 2015)**

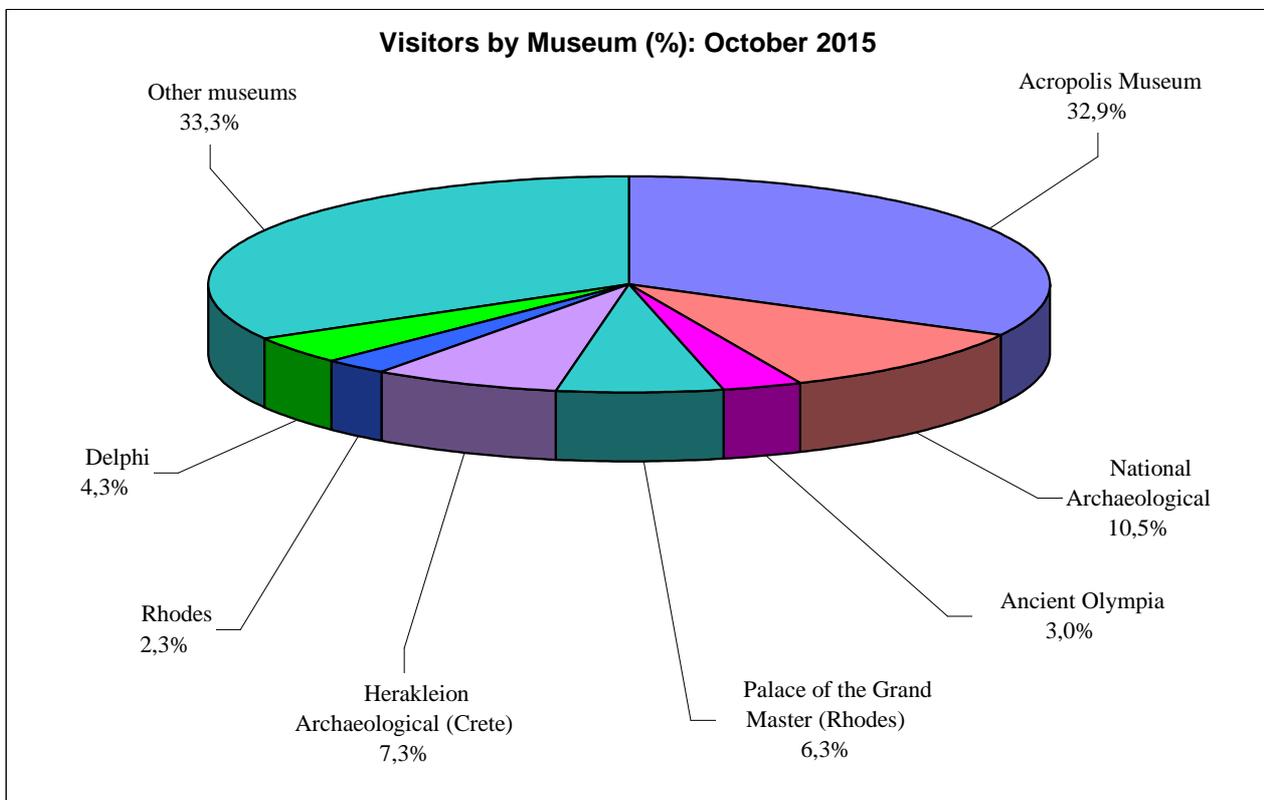
Museums - Archaeological sites	2013	2014	JANUARY-OCTOBER		Change % 2015/2014
			2014	2015	
	NUMBER OF VISITORS				
A. Museums (total)	3.391.218	4.154.142	3.786.207	4.020.995	6,2
Acropolis Museum	1.091.139	1.377.409	1.221.870	1.361.686	11,4
National Archaeological	395.091	459.115	412.888	434.591	5,3
Ancient Olympia	106.997	134.976	128.891	129.803	0,7
Palace of the Grand Master (Rhodes)	217.329	258.906	254.441	245.688	-3,4
Herakleion Archaeological (Crete)	135.963	198.942	193.119	196.105	1,5
Rhodes	67.985	79.878	78.321	85.918	9,7
Delphi	145.298	190.314	177.266	193.971	9,4
Other museums	1.231.416	1.454.602	1.319.411	1.373.233	4,1
B. Archaeological sites (total)	8.167.889	9.953.161	9.469.208	9.833.690	3,8
Epidavros ⁽¹⁾	318.537	416.323	398.429	429.731	7,9
The Acropolis of Mycenae & Atreus' Treasure	280.468	377.336	359.684	386.515	7,5
The Acropolis of Athens	1.390.056	1.563.434	1.422.960	1.904.964	33,9
Sounio	175.370	203.269	188.528	221.813	17,7
The Acropolis of Lindos	497.647	630.042	627.557	576.041	-8,2
Kameiros (Rhodes)	163.878	177.859	177.325	151.382	-14,6
Ancient Olympia	462.370	464.990	443.224	418.540	-5,6
Knossos (Crete)	697.121	670.499	657.888	615.344	-6,5
Phaistos (Crete)	88.691	105.643	104.031	93.250	-10,4
Ancient Korinthos ⁽¹⁾	123.888	161.819	152.681	135.038	-11,6
Mystras ⁽¹⁾	89.165	113.815	109.633	112.822	2,9
Delphi	227.079	293.944	276.466	304.180	10,0
Other archaeological sites	3.653.619	4.774.188	4.550.802	4.484.070	-1,5
	NUMBER OF VISITORS WITH FREE ADMISSION TICKETS				
Total	3.689.062	4.717.338	4.357.971	3.704.338	-15,0
A. Museums	1.469.069	1.715.777	1.533.247	1.311.758	-14,4
B. Archaeological sites	2.219.993	3.001.561	2.824.724	2.392.580	-15,3
	R E C E I P T S (euros)				
Total	47.004.957,00	54.663.545,00	51.769.867,00	53.678.584,00	3,7
A. Museums	9.224.241,00	11.793.726,00	10.965.592,00	11.673.281,00	6,5
B. Archaeological sites	37.780.716,00	42.869.819,00	40.804.275,00	42.005.303,00	2,9

(1) Flat rate ticket, valid both for the museum and the archaeological site.

Graph 1



Graph 2



EXPLANATORY NOTES

Museums and Archaeological Sites Survey	<p>The Survey on Museums and Archaeological Sites Attendance produces results since 1970, on the basis of data collected by the Archaeological Receipts Fund (ARF) of the Ministry of Culture and Sports. The ARF collects data on the number of visitors and the receipts from the tickets sold in the museums and archaeological sites of the country.</p> <p>The corresponding data for the Acropolis Museum are available from December 2009 onwards.</p>
Legal Framework	<p>The continuously conducted since 1970 one and produces results on a monthly and yearly basis in compliance with the Joint Ministerial Decision 15189/B379/73. ELSTAT is proceeds to the tabulatig of data concerning the museums and the archaeological sites all over Greece.</p>
Reference Period	<p>1/10/2015 to 31/10/2015</p>
Information on tickets	<p>From January 2002 onwards, the number of museums' visitors includes both the visitors who have bought a ticket and the visitors with free admission. From 16-06-1996 onwards, the museums and the archaeological sites all over Greece have a paid admission for all the visitors, Greeks and foreigners, all over the year, except in the following days, which are free admission days:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. National Holidays (25th of March and 28th of October)2. The first Sunday every month during the five month period from 1 November to 31 March3. The 6th of March (in memory of Melina Merkouri)4. The 18th of April (International Monuments Day)5. The 18th of May (International Museums Day)6. The 5th of June (International Environment Day)7. The last weekend of September annually (European Heritage Days)
Free admissions	<p>The admission is free for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Young people from EU-countries aged under 18 years, by showing their indetiky card.2. Students of Universities and of Higher and Technical Education Institutions or equivalent institutions of EU- countries, as well as of Tour Guide Training Institutes, by showing their indetiky student identity card or International Student Identity Card (ISIC)3. Employees of the Hellenic Ministry of Culture and Sports by showing their professional indetiky card4. ICOM and ICOMOS cardholders5. Tour Guides by showing professional indetiky card of the Ministry of Economy Development and Tourism6. Teachers accompanying pupils and students on primary, secondary and tertiary education institution tours7. Journalists with current journalists' identification card8. Members of Associations and Societies of Friends of Museums and Archaeological Sites9. Official guests of the Greek Government, after relevant approval10. Escorts of blind persons and persons with disabilities11. Free admission cardholders12. Holders of the Culture Card
Number of flat rate tickets	<p>From April 1999 onwards, in addition to the ordinary tickets a new "flat rate ticket" was established, in some museums and the nearby archaeological site which is valid for both some museums and the nearby archaeological site. The total number of these flat rate tickets for October 2015 is 153.232.</p>
References	<p>More information on the Museums and Archaeological Sites Survey are available on the website of ELSTAT (www.statistics.gr). In addition, more details on the current and previous time series are also available on the website of ELSTAT.</p>