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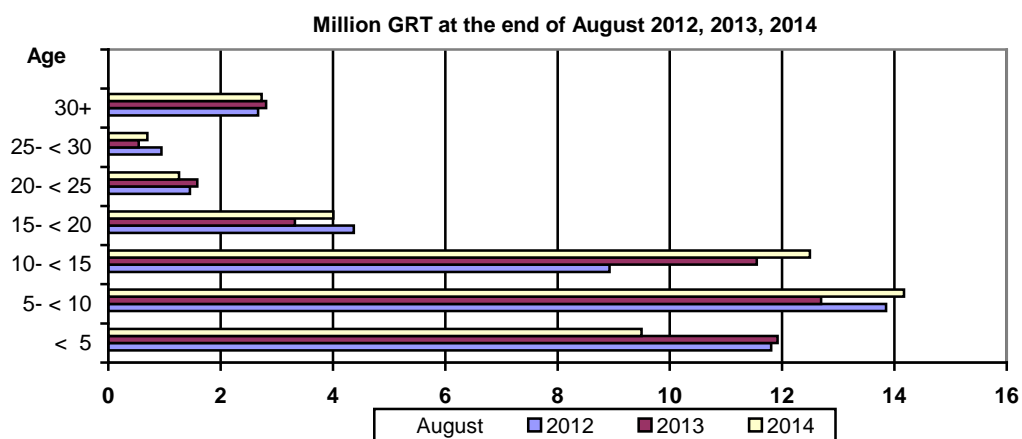
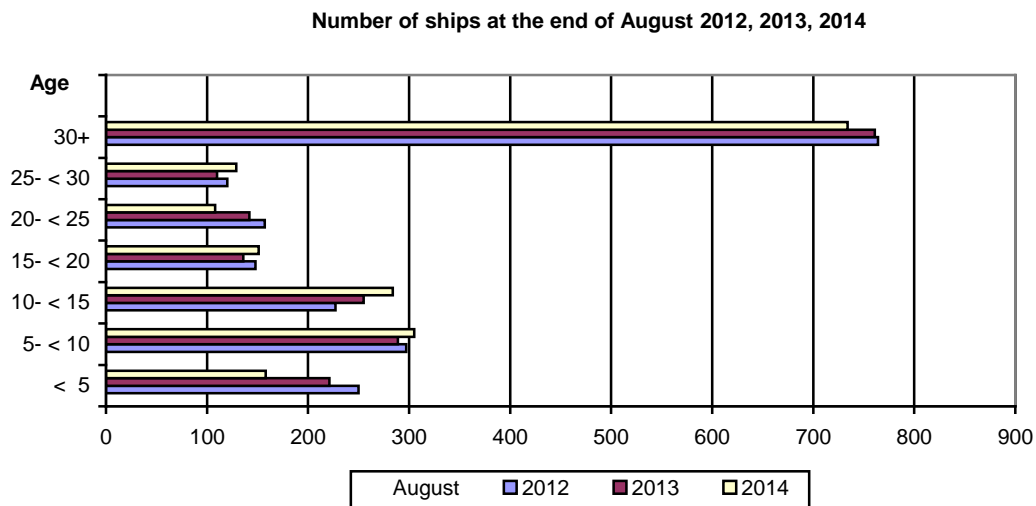
### GREEK MERCHANT FLEET: AUGUST 2014

(Provisional data)

The Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, decreased by 2,4% in August 2014 compared to August 2013, while the Greek Merchant Fleet recorded a decline of 2,5% in August 2013 compared with August 2012 (Table 1).

The gross tonnage of the Greek Merchant Fleet, for vessels of 100 GRT and over, increased by 1,0% in August 2014 compared to August 2013, while in August 2013 compared to August 2012 it was up by 0,9% (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 : August 2012, 2013, 2014**

August										
Type of ships	2012		2013		2014		Change%			
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	2013/2012		2014/2013	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.963</b>	<b>44.022.132</b>	<b>1.914</b>	<b>44.417.563</b>	<b>1.869</b>	<b>44.849.624</b>	<b>-2,5</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>-2,4</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Cargo	526	16.143.953	512	15.848.966	506	16.470.298	-2,7	-1,8	-1,2	3,9
Tankers	534	26.429.792	531	27.169.922	522	26.932.701	-0,6	2,8	-1,7	-0,9
Passenger ships	661	1.372.758	632	1.327.693	609	1.378.359	-4,4	-3,3	-3,6	3,8
Other	242	75.629	239	70.982	232	68.266	-1,2	-6,1	-2,9	-3,8

**Table 2. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over by tonnage groups:  
August 2012, 2013, 2014.**

Tonnage groups	August					
	2012		2013		2014	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.963</b>	<b>44.022.132</b>	<b>1.914</b>	<b>44.417.563</b>	<b>1.869</b>	<b>44.849.624</b>
100 -< 500	792	200.600	764	193.472	735	185.783
500- < 3.000	361	455.197	350	440.596	332	420.864
3.000 -< 7.000	74	332.678	71	317.429	68	304.665
7.000- < 10.000	27	228.670	26	220.740	25	211.867
10.000- < 20.000	52	791.223	45	692.283	42	640.231
20.000 -< 30.000	87	2.316.502	95	2.562.019	95	2.576.399
30.000 +	570	39.697.262	563	39.991.024	572	40.509.815

**Table 3. Distribution of the Greek Merchant ships of 100 GRT and over, by age groups :  
August 2012, 2013, 2014**

Age groups	August					
	2012		2013		2014	
	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)	Number of ships	Tonnage (GRT)
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.963</b>	<b>44.022.132</b>	<b>1.914</b>	<b>44.417.563</b>	<b>1.869</b>	<b>44.849.624</b>
< 5	250	11.806.430	221	11.921.522	158	9.495.619
5- < 10	297	13.850.815	289	12.692.700	305	14.167.776
10- < 15	227	8.926.624	255	11.547.405	284	12.492.319
15- < 20	148	4.369.802	136	3.323.026	151	4.008.775
20- < 25	157	1.455.969	142	1.583.556	108	1.257.004
25- < 30	120	943.565	110	539.338	129	695.962
30+	764	2.668.927	761	2.810.016	734	2.732.169

## METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

<b>Greek Merchant Fleet Survey</b>	The Survey on the Greek Merchant Fleet has been producing results since 1964. It has been conducted on a monthly basis 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.
<b>Legal Framework</b>	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.
<b>Reference Period</b>	The results of the survey refer to the end of August 2014
<b>Coverage</b>	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.
<b>Definitions</b>	<p><b>Merchant ship:</b> 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><b>Greek merchant fleet:</b> 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><b>Gross Register Tonnage (GRT):</b> 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 m<sup>3</sup>.</p> <p><b>Net Register Tonnage (NRT):</b> 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><b>Age of ship:</b> indicated by the year of original construction of the hull or that of the hull containing the engine room.</p>
<b>Methodology</b>	<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>
<b>References</b>	Further information (tables, charts) concerning the Survey on the Greek Merchant Fleet can be found on the webpage of ELSTAT ( <a href="http://www.statistics.gr">www.statistics.gr</a> ), under the link: - <i>Statistical Themes - Transport- Maritime transport – Greek Merchant Fleet of 10 GRT and over.</i>