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Building Activity Survey: November 2011

According to provisional data published by the Hellenic Statistical Authority, in November 2011 the total Building Activity (private-public), in the whole country-which is calculated on the basis of the number of issued in the whole country -amounted to 3,457 . This figure corresponds to 536.4 thousand m² of surface and 2,044.7 thousand m³ of volume, reflecting respectively a 8.0 % decrease in the number of building permits, a 28.5 % decrease in surface and a 26.6 % decrease in volume, compared to the month of 2010 (Table 1).

Private Building Activity, in the whole country, summed to 3,437 building permits, corresponding to 527.3 thousand m² of surface and 1,996.1 thousand m³ of volume. In comparison with the same month of 2010, there is a 8.0 % decrease in the number of building permits, a 27.3% decrease in surface and a 25.8 % decrease in volume (Table 2).

Public Building Activity in the whole country in November 2011 amounted to 20 building permits, corresponding to 9.1 thousand m² of surface and 48.6 thousand m³ of volume. The Public Building Activity accounted for the 2.4% of the total building volume in November 2011.

In the last twelve months, from December 2010 until November 2011, the total Building Activity (private-public) in the whole country, calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 37,892 . This figure corresponds to 6,693.7 thousand m² of surface and 25,393.4 thousand m³ of volume, reflecting a 24.0 % decrease in the number of building permits, 36.3 % decrease in surface and a 32.6 % decrease in volume, compared with the corresponding period of December 2009 until November 2010 (Table 3).

In the same period from December 2010 until November 2011, Private Building Activity in the whole country recorded a 23.8 % decrease in the number of issued building permits, a 35.9% decrease in surface and a 32.2 % decrease in volume, compared with the respective period from December 2009 until November 2010 (Table 4). For the same period, the Public Building Activity accounted for the 2.5 % of the total building volume.

During the period January- November 2011, the total Building Activity (private-public) in the whole country recorded a 27.0 % decrease in the number of building permits, a 40.8 % decrease in surface and a 36.6 % decrease in volume, compared with the same period of the year 2010 (Table 5).

During the same period, January- November 2011, Private Building Activity in the whole country recorded a 26.8% decrease in the number of issued building permits, a 40.1 % decrease in surface and a 36.0 % decrease in volume, in comparison with the same period of January- November 2010 (Table 6).

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Table 1. Total Building Activity (Private-Public), by Region, in November 2010 and 2011 *

Περιφέρεια	Number of building permits			Surface (in thousand m ²)			Volume (in thousand m ³)		
	November		Change (%)	November		Change (%)	November		Change (%)
	2010	2011		2010	2011		2010	2011	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	205	169	-17,6	33,9	33,5	-1,1	113,3	123,6	9,2
Kentriki Makedonia	382	400	4,7	71,7	80,9	12,8	308,9	363,8	17,8
Dytiki Makedonia	60	53	-11,7	9,8	10,0	2,1	45,3	45,2	-0,3
Thessalia	228	216	-5,3	44,2	44,2	-0,1	156,4	201,0	28,5
Ipeiros	144	113	-21,5	24,5	23,6	-3,6	86,7	91,1	5,1
Ionioi Nisoi	164	181	10,4	23,8	26,7	12,4	92,9	87,7	-5,6
Dytiki Ellada	305	280	-8,2	54,1	34,9	-35,5	184,5	117,8	-36,2
Stereia Ellada	317	295	-6,9	67,6	47,2	-30,2	284,6	192,7	-32,3
Peloponnisos	393	362	-7,9	68,1	64,9	-4,7	231,4	221,5	-4,3
Attiki	960	938	-2,3	209,3	97,3	-53,5	776,5	359,9	-53,7
Voreio Aigaio	102	101	-1,0	9,3	11,6	24,2	32,9	36,8	11,9
Notio Aigaio	237	191	-19,4	59,1	32,6	-44,8	190,5	109,8	-42,4
Kriti	260	158	-39,2	74,3	29,0	-60,9	281,7	93,7	-66,7
Greece, Total	3.757	3.457	-8,0	749,8	536,4	-28,5	2.785,6	2.044,7	-26,6

* Provisional data

Table 2. Private Building Activity, by Region, in November 2010 and 2011*

Περιφέρεια	Number of building permits			Surface (in thousand m ²)			Volume (in thousand m ³)		
	November		Change (%)	November		Change (%)	November		Change (%)
	2010	2011		2010	2011		2010	2011	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	202	167	-17,3	25,6	33,4	30,3	86,9	123,0	41,6
Kentriki Makedonia	374	393	5,1	70,2	77,6	10,5	303,1	340,2	12,2
Dytiki Makedonia	58	52	-10,3	9,8	9,3	-5,3	45,1	40,6	-10,1
Thessalia	227	216	-4,8	42,9	44,2	3,0	151,3	201,0	32,8
Ipeiros	144	111	-22,9	24,5	22,3	-9,2	86,7	85,8	-1,0
Ionioi Nisoi	164	181	10,4	23,8	26,7	12,4	92,9	87,7	-5,6
Dytiki Ellada	304	279	-8,2	51,7	33,4	-35,5	179,1	111,7	-37,6
Stereia Ellada	316	295	-6,6	67,6	47,2	-30,2	284,6	192,7	-32,3
Peloponnisos	392	357	-8,9	68,0	63,0	-7,4	230,8	213,2	-7,6
Attiki	960	937	-2,4	209,3	97,3	-53,5	776,5	359,9	-53,7
Voreio Aigaio	102	101	-1,0	9,3	11,6	24,2	32,9	36,8	11,9
Notio Aigaio	237	191	-19,4	59,1	32,6	-44,8	190,5	109,8	-42,4
Kriti	255	157	-38,4	63,8	29,0	-54,5	230,6	93,7	-59,3
Greece, Total	3.735	3.437	-8,0	725,6	527,3	-27,3	2.691,0	1.996,1	-25,8

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**Table 3. Total Building Activity (Private-Public), by Region, for the period
December 2009 - November 2010 and December 2010 - November 2011 ***

Περιφέρεια	Number of building permits			Surface (in thousand m ²)			Volume (in thousand m ³)		
	December -November		Change (%)	December -November		Change (%)	December -November		Change (%)
	2009 -2010	2010 - 2011		2009 -2010	2010 - 2011		2009 -2010	2010 - 2011	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	2.540	1.788	-29,6	554,1	349,9	-36,9	1.994,6	1.270,9	-36,3
Kentriki Makedonia	6.289	5.067	-19,4	1.723,1	1.004,4	-41,7	6.415,5	4.098,5	-36,1
Dytiki Makedonia	847	657	-22,4	223,7	133,6	-40,3	820,6	526,0	-35,9
Thessalia	3.083	2.227	-27,8	700,0	439,5	-37,2	2.474,1	1.680,6	-32,1
Ipeiros	1.840	1.181	-35,8	492,2	273,3	-44,5	1.775,5	977,8	-44,9
Ionioi Nisoi	1.975	1.731	-12,4	328,3	250,1	-23,8	1.128,9	836,2	-25,9
Dytiki Ellada	4.195	2.979	-29,0	757,3	501,1	-33,8	2.573,5	1.844,8	-28,3
Stereia Ellada	3.843	3.076	-20,0	810,1	548,8	-32,3	2.869,1	2.140,4	-25,4
Peloponnisos	4.538	3.406	-24,9	904,2	663,8	-26,6	3.117,9	2.969,9	-4,7
Attiki	13.343	10.353	-22,4	2.387,2	1.423,1	-40,4	8.811,3	5.269,9	-40,2
Voreio Aigaio	1.327	1.184	-10,8	174,9	150,4	-14,0	584,5	516,9	-11,6
Notio Aigaio	2.943	2.117	-28,1	596,3	445,1	-25,4	1.919,2	1.509,1	-21,4
Kriti	3.075	2.126	-30,9	862,1	510,5	-40,8	3.190,8	1.752,5	-45,1
Greece, Total	49.838	37.892	-24,0	10.513,4	6.693,7	-36,3	37.675,4	25.393,4	-32,6

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**Table 4. Private Building Activity , by Region, for the period
December 2009 - November 2010 and December 2010 - November 2011 ***

Περιφέρεια	Number of building permits			Surface (in thousand m ²)			Volume (in thousand m ³)		
	December -November		Change (%)	December -November		Change (%)	December -November		Change (%)
	2009 -2010	2010 - 2011		2009 -2010	2010 - 2011		2009 -2010	2010 - 2011	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	2.497	1.761	-29,5	493,4	318,1	-35,5	1.769,0	1.126,0	-36,3
Kentriki Makedonia	6.168	5.001	-18,9	1.661,5	977,4	-41,2	6.154,2	3.972,2	-35,5
Dytiki Makedonia	828	643	-22,3	204,5	127,8	-37,5	735,8	496,6	-32,5
Thessalia	3.055	2.222	-27,3	681,1	436,1	-36,0	2.384,0	1.666,6	-30,1
Ipeiros	1.819	1.169	-35,7	467,0	255,5	-45,3	1.676,1	913,0	-45,5
Ionioi Nisoi	1.971	1.729	-12,3	327,8	249,7	-23,8	1.127,2	834,8	-25,9
Dytiki Ellada	4.167	2.954	-29,1	739,7	478,9	-35,3	2.498,9	1.760,9	-29,5
Stereia Ellada	3.824	3.068	-19,8	767,4	546,7	-28,8	2.834,3	2.126,6	-25,0
Peloponnisos	4.514	3.383	-25,1	897,5	658,0	-26,7	3.096,4	2.947,6	-4,8
Attiki	13.333	10.344	-22,4	2.379,2	1.414,5	-40,5	8.786,2	5.229,2	-40,5
Voreio Aigaio	1.319	1.180	-10,5	173,6	149,6	-13,8	579,3	511,7	-11,7
Notio Aigaio	2.937	2.115	-28,0	592,1	444,2	-25,0	1.907,3	1.506,2	-21,0
Kriti	3.037	2.105	-30,7	812,6	484,1	-40,4	2.958,6	1.660,3	-43,9
Greece, Total	49.469	37.674	-23,8	10.197,4	6.540,7	-35,9	36.507,1	24.751,7	-32,2

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Table 5. Total Building Activity (Private-Public), by Region, for the period January- November 2010 and 2011 *

Περιφέρεια	Αριθμός αδειών			Surface (in thousand m ²)			Volume (in thousand m ³)		
	January - November		Change (%)	January - November		Change (%)	January - November		Change (%)
	2010	2011		2010	2011		2010	2011	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	2.284	1.587	-30,5	497	311	-37,4	1.801	1.109	-38,4
Kentriki Makedonia	5.667	4.436	-21,7	1.570	772	-50,8	5.795	3.130	-46,0
Dytiki Makedonia	773	563	-27,2	211	117	-44,5	770	462	-39,9
Thessalia	2.790	1.940	-30,5	633	372	-41,3	2.238	1.428	-36,2
Ipeiros	1.667	1.009	-39,5	418	215	-48,7	1.504	785	-47,8
Ionioi Nisoi	1.788	1.489	-16,7	298	212	-29,0	1.025	705	-31,3
Dytiki Ellada	3.815	2.514	-34,1	687	416	-39,4	2.344	1.520	-35,2
Stereia Ellada	3.479	2.629	-24,4	742	472	-36,4	2.624	1.852	-29,4
Peloponnisos	4.141	2.913	-29,7	802	562	-29,9	2.715	2.500	-7,9
Attiki	11.905	9.036	-24,1	2.032	1.184	-41,7	7.273	4.448	-38,8
Voreio Aigaio	1.186	1.026	-13,5	141	126	-10,4	470	441	-6,2
Notio Aigaio	2.594	1.899	-26,8	536	377	-29,7	1.724	1.283	-25,6
Kriti	2.742	1.708	-37,7	762	390	-48,9	2.835	1.318	-53,5
Greece, Total	44.831	32.749	-27,0	9.328,3	5.524,8	-40,8	33.117,4	20.982,3	-36,6

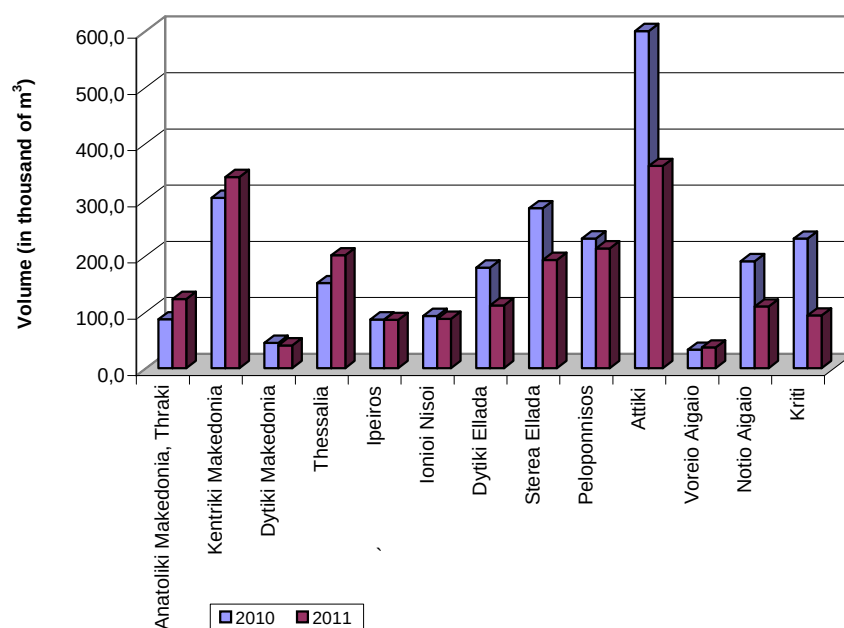
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Table 6. Private Building Activity , by Region, for the period January- November 2010 and 2011 *

Περιφέρεια	Number of building permits			Surface (in thousand m ²)			Volume (in thousand m ³)		
	January - November		Change (%)	January - November		Change (%)	January - November		Change (%)
	2010	2011		2010	2011		2010	2011	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	2.245	1.562	-30,4	439	286	-34,8	1.585	1.021	-35,6
Kentriki Makedonia	5.560	4.380	-21,2	1.516	751	-50,4	5.566	3.033	-45,5
Dytiki Makedonia	757	553	-26,9	193	112	-41,8	691	439	-36,5
Thessalia	2.762	1.935	-29,9	614	368	-40,0	2.148	1.414	-34,2
Ipeiros	1.648	1.001	-39,3	393	210	-46,6	1.406	764	-45,7
Ionioi Nisoi	1.785	1.488	-16,6	297	211	-29,0	1.024	703	-31,3
Dytiki Ellada	3.792	2.492	-34,3	669	395	-40,9	2.271	1.441	-36,5
Stereia Ellada	3.460	2.626	-24,1	699	470	-32,7	2.589	1.840	-28,9
Peloponnisos	4.121	2.892	-29,8	800	557	-30,4	2.707	2.478	-8,5
Attiki	11.895	9.029	-24,1	2.024	1.178	-41,8	7.248	4.416	-39,1
Voreio Aigaio	1.182	1.023	-13,5	139	125	-10,1	465	436	-6,2
Notio Aigaio	2.588	1.897	-26,7	532	376	-29,3	1.712	1.280	-25,2
Kriti	2.707	1.690	-37,6	722	370	-48,7	2.639	1.247	-52,7
Greece, Total	44.502	32.568	-26,8	9.038,3	5.410,4	-40,1	32.049,6	20.512,8	-36,0

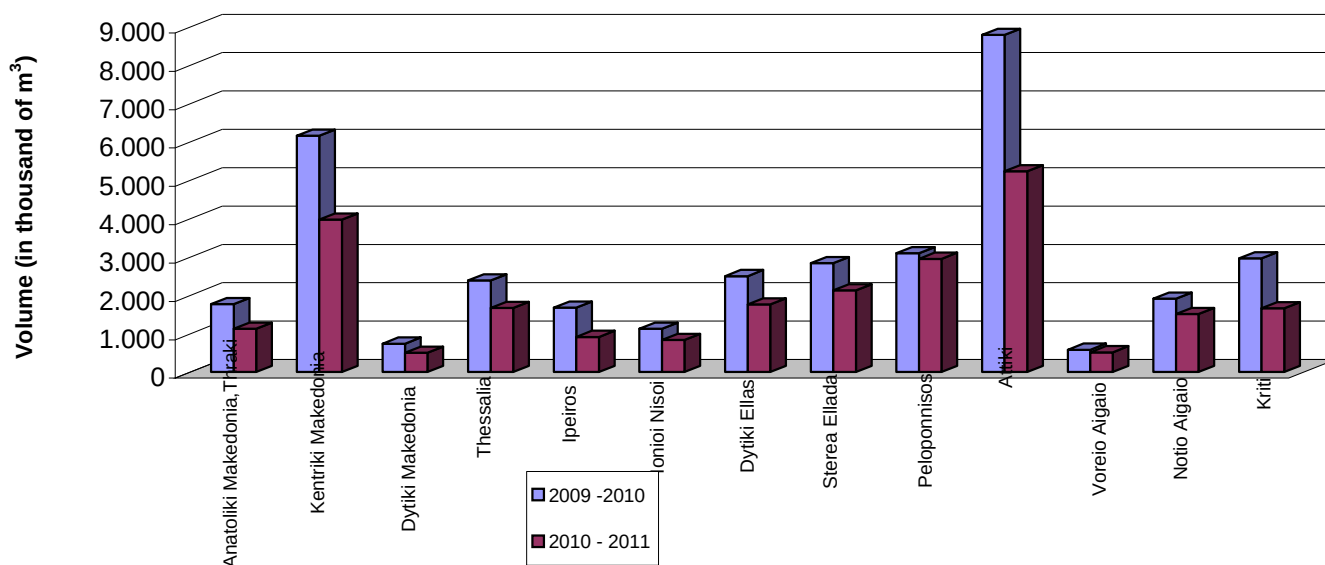
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Graph 1. Private Building Activity, by Region, in November 2010 and 2011*



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Graph 2. Private Building Activity, by Region, for the period December 2009 - November 2010 and December 2010 - November 2011 *



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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) 1165/1998, as it was amended according to Regulation (EU) 1158/2005.
Reference Period	01/11/2011 to 30/11/2011
Coverage	The survey is exhaustive and covers the total number of issued building permits across the country.
Definitions	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. The denotation of "built-property" is equal to "building". 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. New building is any built-property raised on an uncovered site or in the place of an old building that has been demolished. 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. Building volume (the net 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. Surface of new-built property is considered to be the sum of each floor space along with the outer space of the outer walls.
General Remark	Any delineation that may occur between the sum of sub totals and the totals is due to rounding.
References	More information (questionnaires, methodology) with regards to the Building Activity Survey is available on EL.STAT's web-site: www.statistics.gr , under the links: Statistical Themes > Building and Constructions > Building Activity or Constructions.