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TRAFFIC OF PASSENGERS, GOODS AND MOBILE UNITS IN GREEK PORTS: 1ST QUARTER 2019 (Provisional data)

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces data on traffic of passengers, goods and mobile units in the Greek ports for the 1st Quarter 2019. Particularly:

- The total passenger traffic in Greek ports in the 1st quarter 2019 recorded a decrease of 2.5% compared with the 1st quarter 2018. The corresponding period of 2018-2017, the total passenger traffic increased by 8.3% (Table 1).
- The total movements of goods in Greek ports in the 1st quarter 2019 increased by 2.0% compared with the 1st quarter 2018. The corresponding period of 2018-2017, the total movements of goods increased by 6.2% (Table 2).
- The total traffic of mobile units in Greek ports in the 1st quarter 2019 decreased by 2.4% compared with the 1st quarter 2018. The corresponding period of 2018-2017, the total traffic of mobile units increased by 5.4% (Table 3).

Graph 1. Traffic of Passengers and Goods, 1st Quarter 2017 - 1st Quarter 2019

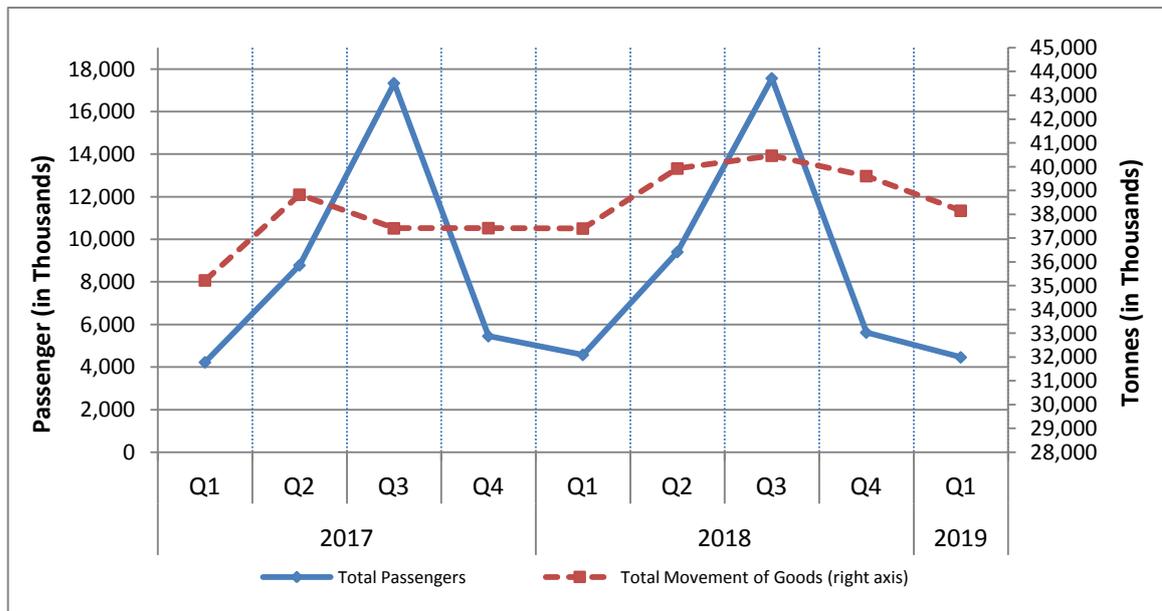


Table 1. Domestic and international passenger traffic in Greek ports: 1st Quarter 2017 - 2019

1 st Quarter					
	2017	2018	Change % 2018/2017	2019	Change % 2019/2018
Domestic passengers (Disembarked / embarked)	4,042,893	4,382,580	8.4	4,270,291	-2.6
International passengers	182,675	194,558	6.5	190,441	-2.1
Disembarked	90,223	99,167	9.9	95,615	-3.6
Embarked	92,452	95,391	3.2	94,826	-0.6
Total:	4,225,568	4,577,138	8.3	4,460,732	-2.5

Graph 2. Domestic and international passenger traffic in Greek ports: 1st Quarter 2017 - 2019

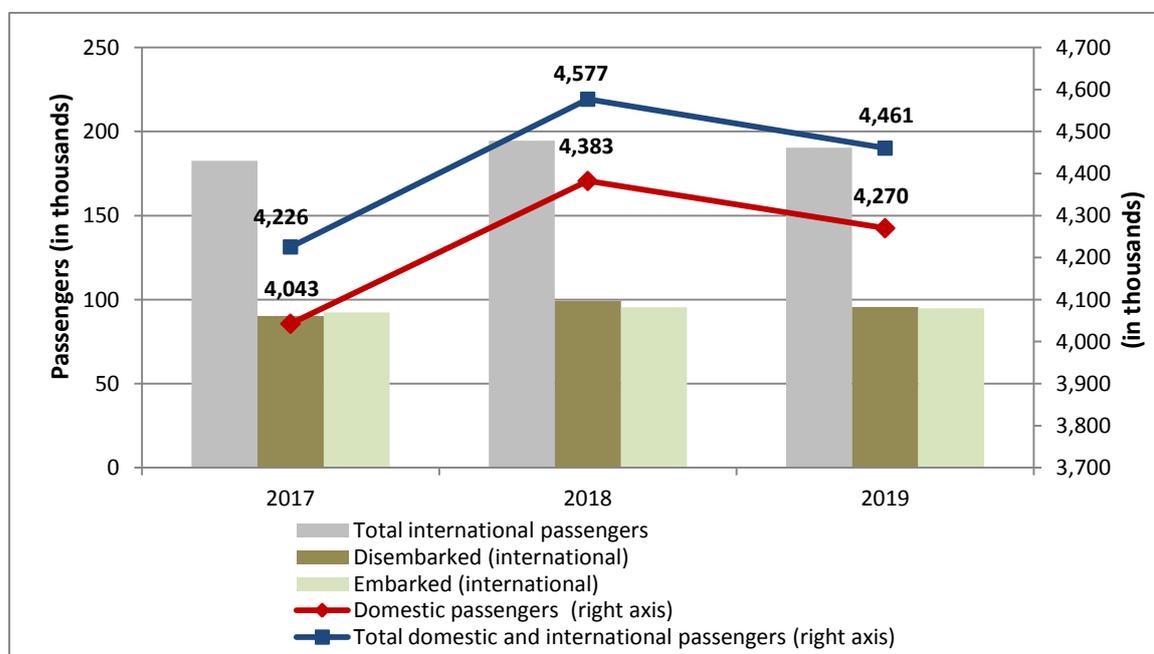


Table 2. Domestic and international movements of goods in Greek ports: 1st Quarter 2017 - 2019

1 st Quarter					
(in tons)	2017	2018	Change % 2018/2017	2019	Change % 2019/2018
Domestic goods (Unloaded / loaded)	7,428,139	7,820,008	5.3	7,084,687	-9.4
International goods	27,795,571	29,583,617	6.4	31,066,692	5.0
Unloaded	16,096,426	16,645,917	3.4	18,120,088	8.9
Loaded	11,699,145	12,937,700	10.6	12,946,604	0.1
Total:	35,223,710	37,403,625	6.2	38,151,379	2.0

Graph 3. Domestic and international movements of goods in Greek ports: 1st Quarter 2017– 2019

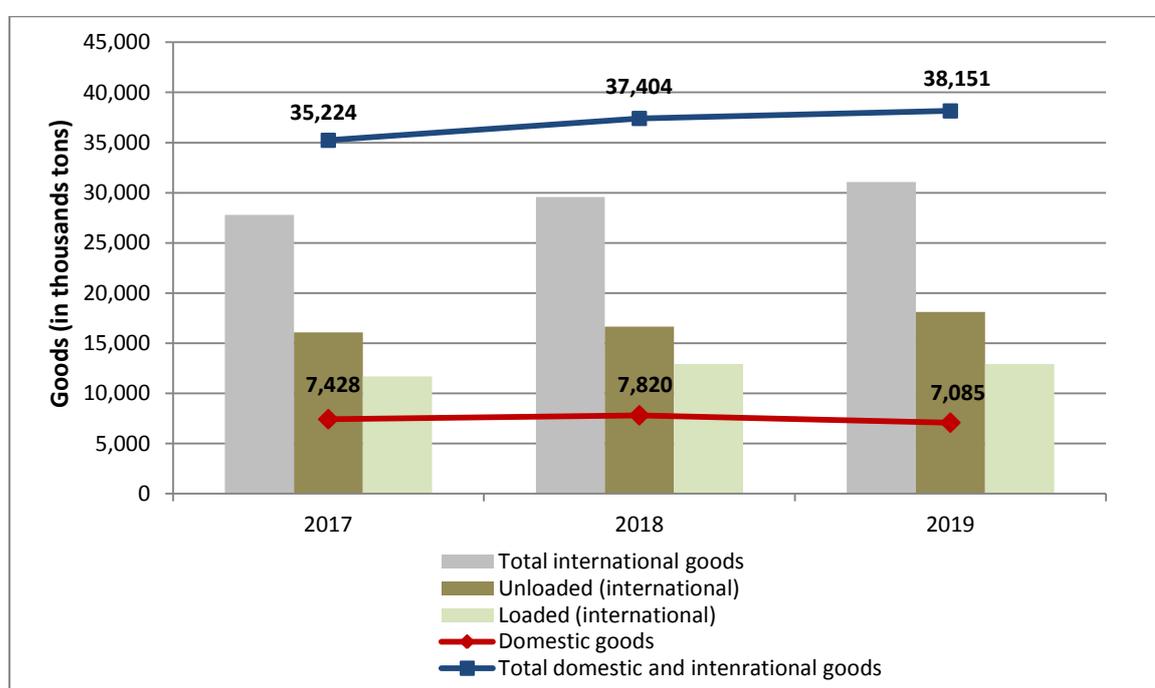
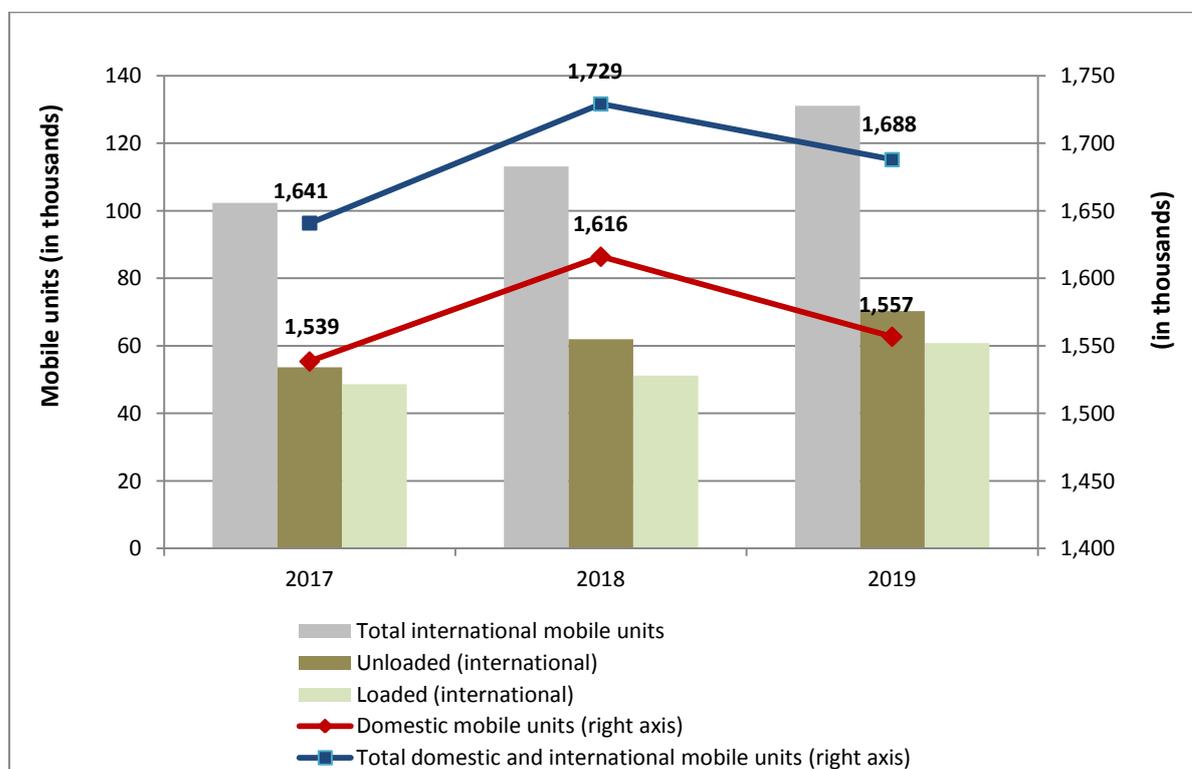


Table 3. Domestic and international traffic of mobile units in Greek ports: 1st Quarter 2017 - 2019

1 st Quarter					
	2017	2018	Change % 2018/2017	2019	Change % 2019/2018
Domestic mobile units (Unloaded / loaded)	1,538,526	1,616,069	5.0	1,556,824	-3.7
International mobile units	102,342	113,143	10.6	131,144	15.9
Unloaded	53,683	61,946	15.4	70,338	13.5
Loaded	48,659	51,197	5.2	60,806	18.8
Total:	1,640,868	1,729,212	5.4	1,687,968	-2.4

Graph 4. Domestic and international traffic of mobile units in Greek ports: 1st Quarter 2017 - 2019



METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Survey on the traffic of passengers goods and mobile units in Greek ports	<p>The survey on traffic of passengers goods and mobile units in Greek ports is conducted on a monthly basis since 1960 and it has been producing quarterly and annual results. This survey is conducted in compliance with EU regulation 2009/42 which provides for the harmonization of statistical returns in respect of carriage of passengers goods by sea in the EU Member States.</p> <p>The purpose of the survey is to collect statistical data on maritime transport and to disseminate these data to all relevant users.</p>
Legal framework	<p>This survey is fully harmonized with EU legislation and more specifically with Council Directive (EC) 2009/42 of the European Parliament.</p>
Reference period	<p>The data of the survey refer to the 1st quarter 2019.</p>
Coverage	<p>The survey covers all merchant vessels of net tonnage 10 GRT and over which carry passengers goods and mobile units by sea to and from domestic and international ports for commercial purposes. Consequently fish-catching vessels, research and survey vessels, dredgers, naval vessels or vessels used solely for non-commercial purposes are not included in the survey.</p>
Definitions	<p>Domestic Passengers: Refers to movement of passengers between Greek ports International passengers: Refers to movement of passengers in Greek ports with embarking or disembarking at foreign ports.</p>
Methodology	<p>The survey is an exhaustive survey which is conducted for all vessels meeting the necessary criteria. The survey is carried out by means of specialized questionnaires which must be filed in by the competent bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) The domestic Port Authorities which have the responsibility to fill in the questionnaires for the goods transport in cooperation with the maritime transport agent.b) The shipping companies and the financial officers of the ships who have the responsibility to fill in the questionnaires for the passenger traffic.c) Piraeus Port Authority (OLP) and Thessaloniki Port Authority (OLTH) which record the large majority of goods transport data and send these statistical returns to ELSTAT electronically by means of a specially designed software application. <p>ELSTAT after having received all the above mentioned data proceeds to data checks, codification, processing and tabulation of the data.</p> <p>It should be stressed that the survey is conducted in compliance with international classifications and definitions applied for the variables of the relevant survey, which are laid down in Eurostat's manual «Reference Manual on Maritime Transport Statistics Version 3.0 July 2016».</p>
References	<p>More information (tables charts) concerning the survey on maritime transport of passenger, goods and mobile units in the Greek ports by merchant vessels can be found on the web page of ELSTAT (www.statistics.gr) under the link << <i>Industry, Trade, Services, Transport > Transport >Shipping > Passenger and goods transportation</i>>>.</p>