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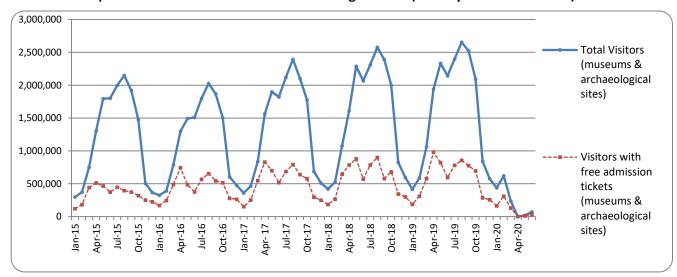
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## SURVEY ON MUSEUMS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES ATTENDANCE JUNE 2020

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces the results of the *Survey on Museums and Archaeological Sites Attendance* for June 2020. More specifically:

- Museums, whose operation was suspended on March 14<sup>th</sup> 2020 in the framework of the preventive measures for Covid-19 pandemic, re-operated on June 16<sup>th</sup> 2020, i.e. they operated for a total period of fifteen (15) calendar days. During June 2020, compared with June 2019, the number of visitors at Museums recorder a decrease of 97.0%, while a decrease of 95.3% was observed in the number of free admission visitors and a decrease of 98.2% in the corresponding receipts (Table 1).
- In June 2020 compared with the corresponding month of 2019, the number of visitors at Archaeological sites recorded a decrease of 96.4%, while a decrease of 94.3% was observed in the number of free admission visitors and a 97.6% decrease in the corresponding receipts (Table 1).
- During the six-month period from January to June 2020 compared to the corresponding period of 2019, a decrease of 80.1% was observed in the number of visitors of Museums, while a decrease of 78.2% was recorded in the number of free admission visitors and an 86.7% decrease in the relevant receipts, taking into consideration that the operation of Museums had been suspended from March 14<sup>th</sup> until June 15<sup>th</sup> 2020 (Table 2).
- As regards Archaeological sites, during the six-month period from January to June 2020 compared to the corresponding period of 2019, a decrease of 85.3% was recorded in the number of visitors, while an 83.2% decrease was observed in the number of free admission visitors and a 90.3% decrease in the relevant receipts, taking into consideration that the operation of Archaeological sites had been suspended from March 14<sup>th</sup> to May 17<sup>th</sup> 2020 (Table 2).

Graph 1: Visitors of Museums and Archaeological sites (January 2015 – June 2020)



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TABLE 1: VISITORS OF MUSEUMS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES - TOTAL RECEIPTS (JUNE 2019 & JUNE 2020)

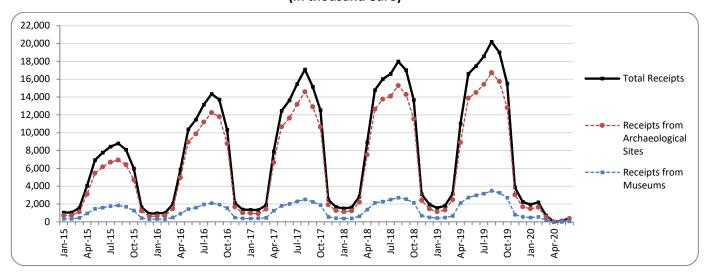
I. NUMBER OF VISITORS	•		
Museums and Archaeological sites	2019	2020(1)	Change 2020/2019
Total number of visitors (A+B)	2,141,580	72,954	-96.6%
A. Museums (C+E)	581,037	17,222	-97.0%
Acropolis Museum	189,737	4,636	-97.6%
National Archaeological	53,440	820	-98.5%
Ancient Olympia	15,306	217	-98.6%
Palace of the Grand Master (Rhodes)	31,860	380	-98.8%
Herakleion Archaeological (Crete)	76,190	401	-99.5%
White Tower	14,533	1,262	-91.3%
Delphi	27,842	450	-98.4%
Other museums	172,129	9,056	-94.7%
B. Archaeological Sites (D+F)	1,560,543	55,732	-96.4%
Epidavros <sup>(2)</sup>	54,693	2,221	-95.9%
The Acropolis of Mycenae & Atreus' Treasure	49,507	1,936	-96.1%
The Acropolis of Athens	399,019	11,757	-97.1%
Sounio	38,382	5,279	-86.2%
The Acropolis of Lindos	74,142	326	-99.6%
Royal Tombs of Vergina	21,044	369	-98.2%
Ancient Olympia	54,505	1,474	-97.3%
Knossos (Crete)	115,277	1,460	-98.7%
Phaistos (Crete)	13,675	294	-97.9%
Ancient Korinthos (2)	22,944	522	-97.7%
Mystras <sup>(2)</sup>	14,173	1,075	-92.4%
Delphi	44,165	1,899	-95.7%
Other archaeological sites	659,017	27,120	-95.9%
II. VISITORS WHO PAID TICKET			
	2019	2020	Change 2020/2019
Total number of visitors who paid ticket (C+D)	1,546,043	40,855	-97.4%
C. Museums	386,080	8,002	-97.9%
D. Archaeological sites	1,159,963	32,853	-97.2%
III. VISITORS WITH FREE ADMISSION TICKETS			
	2019	2020	Change 2020/2019
Total number of visitors with free admission ticket (E+F)	595,537	32,099	-94.6%
E. Museums	194,957	9,220	-95.3%
F. Archaeological sites	400,580	22,879	-94.3%
IV. RECEIPTS (euros)			
	2019	2020	Change 2020/2019
Total Receipts (G+H)	17,468,365	404,340	-97.7%
G. Museums	2,967,778	54,652	-98.2%
H. Archaeological sites	14,500,587	349,688	-97.6%

Museums remained closed from March 14<sup>th</sup> to June 15<sup>th</sup> 2020, while Archaeological sites remained closed from March 14<sup>th</sup> to May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020, in the framework of the preventive measures for Covid-19 pandemic.

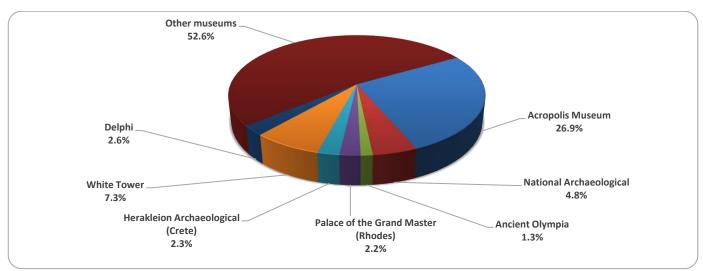
<sup>(2)</sup> Flat rate ticket, valid both for the museum and the archaeological site.

The following graphs depict the evolution of the receipts (Graph 2), as well as the number of visitors by Museum and Archaeological Site (Graphs 3 and 4).

Graph 2: Receipts from Museums and Archaeological Sites (January 2015 – June 2020) (in thousand euro)



Graph 3: Percentage distribution of visitors by Museum, June 2020



Graph 4: Percentage distribution of visitors by Archaeological site, June 2020

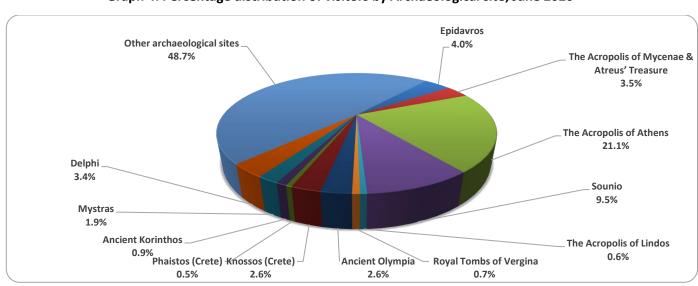


TABLE 2: VISITORS OF MUSEUMS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES - TOTAL RECEIPTS (2018, 2019, JANUARY-JUNE 2019, 2020)

Nuseums and Archaeological sites         2018         2019         JANUARY-JUNE 2020/12         chang 2020/22           Total number of visitors (A+B)         18,603,576         19,559,278         8,473,175         1,387,784         -83           A. Museums (C+E)         5,702,211         5,895,927         2,694,510         537,527         -80           Acropolis Museum         1,774,304         1,755,435         845,768         188,347         -77           National Archaeological         594,219         608,876         291,914         61,945         -78           Ancient Olympia         156,658         159,348         84,540         8,346         -90           Palace of the Grand Master (Rhodes)         242,759         263,958         82,568         5,019         -93           Herakleion Archaeological (Crete)         555,031         660,533         227,554         19,481         -93           White Tower         225,944         251,760         104,912         37,384         -64           Delphi         249,754         275,993         142,534         22,985         -83           Other museums         1,903,542         1,920,024         914,720         194,020         -78           Epidavros (2)         548,890
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Total number of visitors who paid ticket (C+D) 11,576,404 12,434,987 5,003,819 739,304 -85
C. Museums 3,155,269 3,345,997 1,404,143 255,895 -81
D. Archaeological sites 8,421,135 9,088,990 3,599,676 483,409 -86
III. VISITORS WITH FREE ADMISSION TICKETS
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Total number of visitors with free admission
ticket (E+F) 7,027,172 7,124,291 3,469,356 648,480 -81
E. Museums 2,546,942 2,549,930 1,290,367 281,632 -78
F. Archaeological sites 4,480,230 4,574,361 2,178,989 366,848 -83
IV. RECEIPTS (euros)
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G. Museums 18,251,493 23,343,026 9,375,817 1,248,215 -86
H. Archaeological sites 97,523,023 107,595,820 42,199,309 4,073,339 -90

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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

Survey on Museums and Archaeological Sites Attendance The Survey on Museums and Archaeological Sites Attendance has been producing results since 1970, The survey collects data from the Archaeological Receipts Fund (ARF) of the Ministry of Culture and Sports concerning the number of visitors and the receipts from the tickets sold in the Museums and Archaeological sites of the country.

The corresponding data for the Acropolis Museum is available from December 2009 onwards.

**Legal Framework** 

The survey is conducted since 1970 on a regular basis and it produces results on a monthly and yearly basis, in compliance with the Joint Ministerial Decision 15189/B379/73.

**Reference Period** 

01/06/2020 to 30/06/2020

Methodology and Definitions The Survey is conducted on a monthly basis from data mainly collected from the Archaeological Receipts Fund (ARF) of the Ministry of Culture and Sports concerning the number of visitors and the receipts from the tickets sold in the Museums and Archaeological sites of the Country. ELSTAT tabulates and present the data for the whole of the Country, by month and by year.

### Number of flat rate tickets

From April 1999 onwards, in some museums and the nearby archaeological sites, in addition to the ordinary ticket, a new "flat rate ticket" was established, which is valid for both the museum and the nearby archaeological site, The total number of these flat rate tickets for **June 2020** was **1,897** 

References

More information on the Survey on Museums and Archaeological Sites Attendance and detailed time series are available on: <a href="http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SCI21/-">http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SCI21/-</a>