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Building Activity Survey: September 2022

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces the final data, for the month September 2022, of the Building Activity Survey. More specifically:

The Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece, in September 2022 which is calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 2,153. This figure corresponds to 419,835 m² of surface and 1,792,908 m³ of volume, reflecting, respectively, a 9.1% increase in the number of building permits, a 22.1% decrease in surface and a 16.6% decrease in volume, compared with the corresponding month of 2021 (Table 1).

The building permits for the Private Building Activity issued in Greece in September 2022 amounted to 2,122. This figure corresponds to 411,883 m² of surface and 1,755,032 m³ of volume. In comparison with the same month of 2021 there is an 8.0% increase in the number of building permits, a 22.3% decrease in surface and a 16.5% decrease in volume (Table 2).

The building permits for the Public Building Activity issued in Greece in September 2022 amounted to 31. This figure corresponds to 7,952 m² of surface and 37,876 m³ of volume. Public Building Activity accounted for a 2.1% of the total building volume in September 2022.

In the last twelve months, from October 2021 until September 2022, Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece, calculated on the basis of the number of issued building permits, amounted to 24,435. This figure corresponds to 5,467,178 m² of surface and 24,563,456 m³ of volume. In comparison with the corresponding period from October 2020 until September 2021, there is an 8.1% increase in the number of building permits, a 4.0% decrease in surface and a 4.2% increase in volume (Table 3).

In the same period, from October 2021 until September 2022, Private Building Activity in Greece recorded an 8.0% increase in the number of issued building permits, a 4.0% decrease in surface and a 5.3% increase in volume, compared with the corresponding period from October 2020 to September 2021 (Table 4). During the same period, Public Building Activity accounted for a 2.1% of the total building volume.

During the period January - September 2022, Total Building Activity (private-public) in Greece recorded a 2.7% increase in the number of issued building permits, a 13.2% decrease in surface and a 5.8% decrease in volume, compared with the corresponding period of 2021 (Table 5). During the same period, January - September 2022, Private Building Activity in Greece recorded a 2.4% increase in the number of issued building permits, a 14.0% decrease in surface and a 5.8% decrease in volume, in comparison with the period of January - September 2021 (Table 6).

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Table 1. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), September 2021 and 2022*

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	September		Change (%)	September		Change (%)	September		Change (%)
	2021	2022		2021	2022		2021	2022	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	92	116	26,1	16.968	25.556	50,6	67.116	113.827	69,6
Kentriki Makedonia	306	277	-9,5	71.436	55.967	-21,7	331.013	239.504	-27,6
Dytiki Makedonia	25	39	56,0	5.578	10.136	81,7	23.941	46.046	92,3
Thessalia	131	138	5,3	36.155	23.207	-35,8	157.012	88.806	-43,4
Ipeiros	90	74	-17,8	28.213	16.933	-40,0	142.812	81.435	-43,0
Ionia Nisia	126	123	-2,4	47.222	21.446	-54,6	182.563	67.599	-63,0
Dytiki Ellada	139	137	-1,4	34.347	14.052	-59,1	105.651	60.778	-42,5
Stereia Ellada	104	121	16,3	20.431	13.894	-32,0	92.333	59.573	-35,5
Peloponnisos	163	158	-3,1	29.994	17.777	-40,7	117.572	61.335	-47,8
Attiki	415	509	22,7	150.807	135.575	-10,1	589.600	672.690	14,1
Voreio Aigaio	42	72	71,4	7.875	7.358	-6,6	35.652	24.801	-30,4
Notio Aigaio	168	213	26,8	57.067	36.154	-36,6	186.915	118.368	-36,7
Kriti	173	176	1,7	32.989	41.780	26,6	118.866	158.146	33,0
Greece, Total	1.974	2.153	9,1	539.082	419.835	-22,1	2.151.046	1.792.908	-16,6

*Final data for September 2022.

It should be noted that the increase or decrease in the number of the issued building permits does not imply, necessarily, an increase or decrease in underlying surface or volume. This is due to individual building permits involving big surface or volume or to building permits that do not concern surface or volume.

Table 2. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), September 2021 and 2022*

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	September		Change (%)	September		Change (%)	September		Change (%)
	2021	2022		2021	2022		2021	2022	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	92	115	25,0	16.968	25.556	50,6	67.116	113.827	69,6
Kentriki Makedonia	305	274	-10,2	71.436	55.862	-21,8	331.013	239.175	-27,7
Dytiki Makedonia	25	37	48,0	5.578	4.408	-21,0	23.941	18.397	-23,2
Thessalia	129	134	3,9	34.943	22.863	-34,6	152.383	87.182	-42,8
Ipeiros	90	72	-20,0	28.213	16.818	-40,4	142.812	81.090	-43,2
Ionia Nisia	126	121	-4,0	47.222	21.446	-54,6	182.563	67.599	-63,0
Dytiki Ellada	139	137	-1,4	34.347	14.052	-59,1	105.651	60.778	-42,5
Stereia Ellada	102	118	15,7	18.791	13.551	-27,9	78.733	58.000	-26,3
Peloponnisos	160	154	-3,8	27.362	17.577	-35,8	102.571	60.269	-41,2
Attiki	413	505	22,3	147.334	134.458	-8,7	574.431	667.400	16,2
Voreio Aigaio	42	70	66,7	7.875	7.358	-6,6	35.652	24.801	-30,4
Notio Aigaio	168	213	26,8	57.067	36.154	-36,6	186.915	118.368	-36,7
Kriti	173	172	-0,6	32.989	41.780	26,6	118.866	158.146	33,0
Greece, Total	1.964	2.122	8,0	530.125	411.883	-22,3	2.102.647	1.755.032	-16,5

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Table 3. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), October 2020 - September 2021 and October 2021 - September 2022*

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	October - September		Change (%)	October - September		Change (%)	October - September		Change (%)
	2020-2021	2021-2022		2020-2021	2021-2022		2020-2021	2021-2022	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	1.207	1.298	7,5	318.660	375.364	17,8	1.441.220	1.922.143	33,4
Kentriki Makedonia	2.998	3.334	11,2	746.587	831.393	11,4	3.470.607	4.067.742	17,2
Dytiki Makedonia	274	347	26,6	73.323	72.980	-0,5	313.376	351.341	12,1
Thessalia	1.435	1.586	10,5	364.293	378.701	4,0	1.814.352	1.732.631	-4,5
Ipeiros	876	845	-3,5	290.658	206.499	-29,0	1.268.933	884.742	-30,3
Ionia Nisia	1.480	1.474	-0,4	372.670	229.941	-38,3	1.294.217	782.729	-39,5
Dytiki Ellada	1.619	1.499	-7,4	291.055	196.141	-32,6	1.147.251	786.912	-31,4
Stereia Ellada	1.370	1.377	0,5	307.366	235.352	-23,4	1.811.228	1.318.073	-27,2
Peloponnisos	1.803	1.982	9,9	365.007	302.373	-17,2	1.673.461	1.288.675	-23,0
Attiki	4.992	5.726	14,7	1.556.681	1.644.270	5,6	5.771.423	7.664.735	32,8
Voreio Aigaio	551	621	12,7	83.629	84.258	0,8	315.923	296.060	-6,3
Notio Aigaio	2.057	2.434	18,3	446.233	466.044	4,4	1.472.815	1.605.038	9,0
Kriti	1.949	1.912	-1,9	477.797	443.862	-7,1	1.778.112	1.862.635	4,8
Greece, Total	22.611	24.435	8,1	5.693.959	5.467.178	-4,0	23.572.918	24.563.456	4,2

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Table 4. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), October 2020 - September 2021 and October 2021 - September 2022*

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	October - September		Change (%)	October - September		Change (%)	October - September		Change (%)
	2020-2021	2021-2022		2020-2021	2021-2022		2020-2021	2021-2022	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	1.194	1.286	7,7	296.970	344.046	15,9	1.256.779	1.756.109	39,7
Kentriki Makedonia	2.981	3.297	10,6	743.319	819.786	10,3	3.458.988	4.011.855	16,0
Dytiki Makedonia	268	338	26,1	65.814	66.184	0,6	286.192	319.795	11,7
Thessalia	1.422	1.581	11,2	360.466	377.800	4,8	1.779.962	1.728.269	-2,9
Ipeiros	866	836	-3,5	282.900	205.477	-27,4	1.227.074	880.478	-28,2
Ionia Nisia	1.479	1.465	-0,9	367.023	229.941	-37,3	1.278.338	782.729	-38,8
Dytiki Ellada	1.609	1.487	-7,6	287.469	195.901	-31,9	1.129.656	785.895	-30,4
Stereia Ellada	1.358	1.368	0,7	305.021	234.705	-23,1	1.794.321	1.314.876	-26,7
Peloponnisos	1.784	1.963	10,0	333.153	299.919	-10,0	1.405.921	1.280.205	-8,9
Attiki	4.950	5.672	14,6	1.546.041	1.601.784	3,6	5.723.656	7.490.054	30,9
Voreio Aigaio	548	617	12,6	83.294	83.370	0,1	311.542	292.113	-6,2
Notio Aigaio	2.051	2.431	18,5	445.882	466.044	4,5	1.471.415	1.605.038	9,1
Kriti	1.926	1.884	-2,2	458.292	429.664	-6,2	1.707.986	1.796.205	5,2
Greece, Total	22.436	24.225	8,0	5.575.644	5.354.621	-4,0	22.831.830	24.043.621	5,3

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Table 5. Total Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), January - September 2021 and 2022*

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	January-September		Change (%)	January-September		Change (%)	January-September		Change (%)
	2021	2022		2021	2022		2021	2022	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	962	942	-2,1	256.970	284.735	10,8	1.143.254	1.463.901	28,0
Kentriki Makedonia	2.351	2.418	2,8	600.036	581.891	-3,0	2.796.423	2.751.944	-1,6
Dytiki Makedonia	209	261	24,9	57.064	37.952	-33,5	251.113	172.732	-31,2
Thessalia	1.094	1.135	3,7	264.619	255.125	-3,6	1.299.233	1.148.782	-11,6
Ipeiros	699	628	-10,2	227.601	143.179	-37,1	996.326	617.539	-38,0
Ionia Nisia	1.135	1.069	-5,8	261.643	154.355	-41,0	903.872	515.906	-42,9
Dytiki Ellada	1.252	1.084	-13,4	227.404	132.516	-41,7	896.863	522.531	-41,7
Stereia Ellada	1.047	993	-5,2	245.936	174.991	-28,8	1.463.879	1.049.948	-28,3
Peloponnisos	1.407	1.472	4,6	304.628	218.155	-28,4	1.455.612	916.859	-37,0
Attiki	3.775	4.174	10,6	1.235.349	1.196.180	-3,2	4.483.394	5.757.941	28,4
Voreio Aigaio	440	467	6,1	64.513	59.129	-8,3	254.848	202.319	-20,6
Notio Aigaio	1.524	1.788	17,3	357.114	341.994	-4,2	1.174.472	1.168.199	-0,5
Kriti	1.473	1.402	-4,8	354.159	288.707	-18,5	1.354.100	1.121.192	-17,2
Greece, Total	17.368	17.833	2,7	4.457.036	3.868.909	-13,2	18.473.389	17.409.793	-5,8

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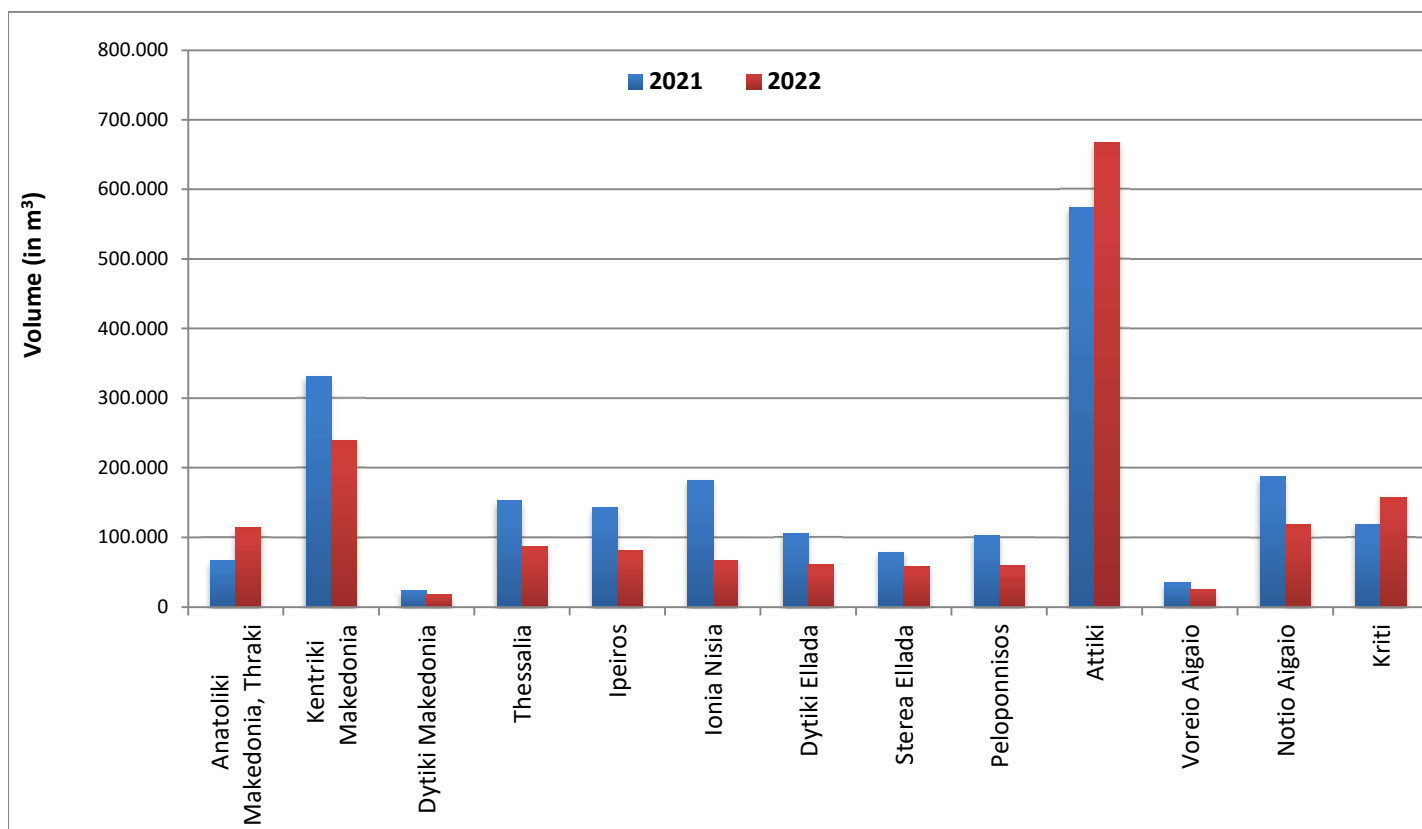
Table 6. Private Building Activity, by Region (NUTS II), January - September 2021 and 2022*

Region	Number of Building Permits			Surface (in m ²)			Volume (in m ³)		
	January-September		Change (%)	January-September		Change (%)	January-September		Change (%)
	2021	2022		2021	2022		2021	2022	
Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	954	930	-2,5	250.738	253.417	1,1	1.101.390	1.297.867	17,8
Kentriki Makedonia	2.338	2.387	2,1	598.021	571.268	-4,5	2.790.454	2.699.613	-3,3
Dytiki Makedonia	204	254	24,5	56.289	31.174	-44,6	247.651	141.267	-43,0
Thessalia	1.082	1.130	4,4	260.792	254.224	-2,5	1.264.843	1.144.420	-9,5
Ipeiros	691	620	-10,3	220.410	142.361	-35,4	956.224	613.805	-35,8
Ionia Nisia	1.134	1.060	-6,5	255.996	154.355	-39,7	887.993	515.906	-41,9
Dytiki Ellada	1.243	1.074	-13,6	227.202	132.312	-41,8	896.217	521.874	-41,8
Stereia Ellada	1.037	985	-5,0	243.636	174.344	-28,4	1.447.111	1.046.751	-27,7
Peloponnisos	1.390	1.457	4,8	272.835	217.345	-20,3	1.188.387	913.419	-23,1
Attiki	3.748	4.129	10,2	1.227.999	1.161.198	-5,4	4.451.480	5.609.516	26,0
Voreio Aigaio	438	464	5,9	64.457	59.129	-8,3	254.467	202.319	-20,5
Notio Aigaio	1.519	1.785	17,5	356.763	341.994	-4,1	1.173.072	1.168.199	-0,4
Kriti	1.458	1.379	-5,4	348.247	276.197	-20,7	1.326.202	1.065.409	-19,7
Greece, Total	17.236	17.654	2,4	4.383.385	3.769.318	-14,0	17.985.491	16.940.365	-5,8

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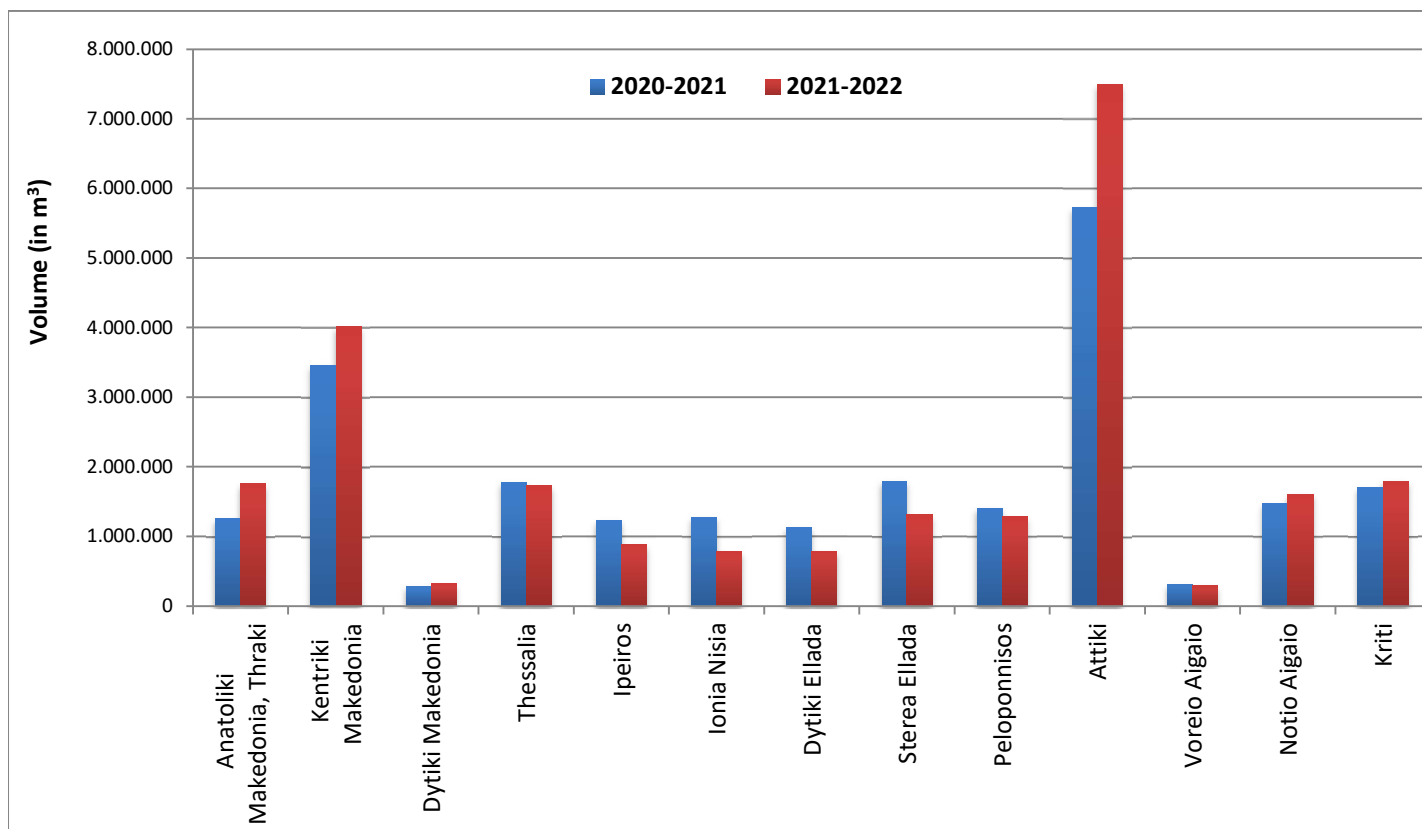
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Graph 1. Private Building Activity (volume), by Region (NUTS II), September 2021 and 2022*



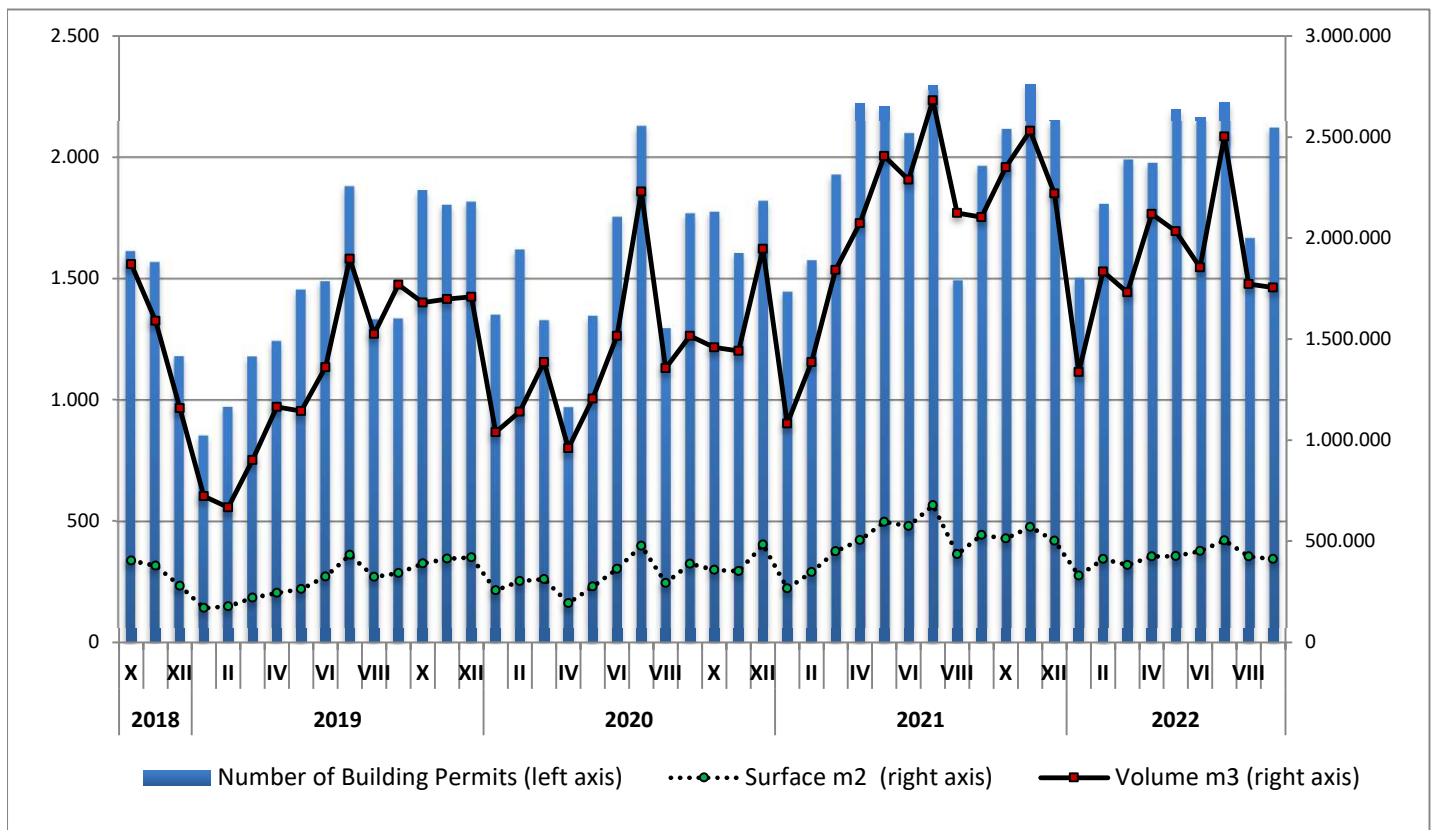
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Graph 2. Private Building Activity (volume), by Region (NUTS II), October 2020 - September 2021 and October 2021 - September 2022*



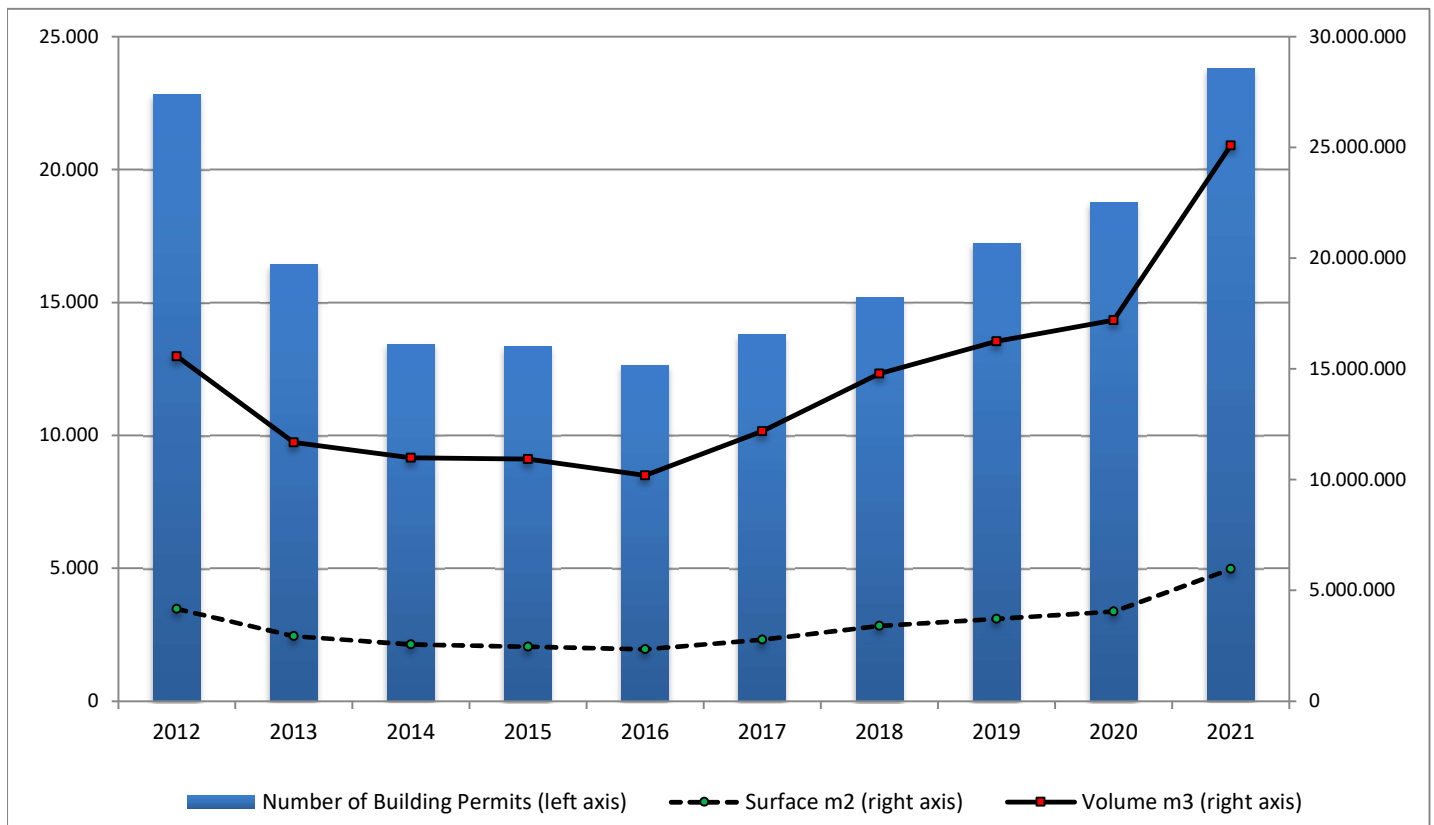
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Graph 3. Monthly Private Building Activity (October 2018 – September 2022*)



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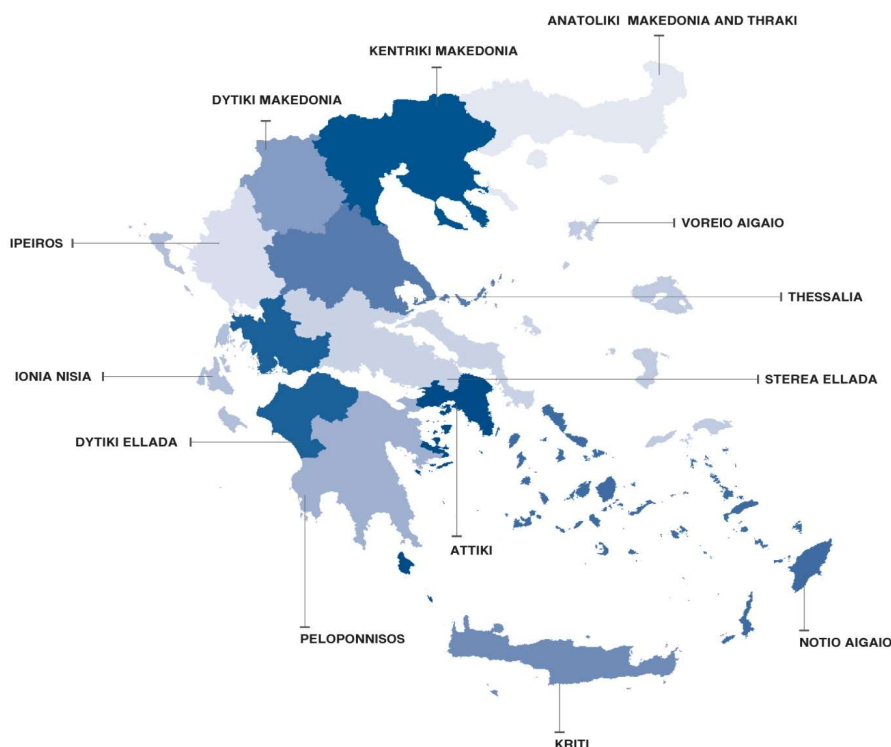
Graph 4. Annual Private Building Activity (2012 – 2021)



EXPLANATORY NOTE

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 (EC) 1165/1998, as it was amended according to Regulation (EC) 1158/2005 and Regulation (EU) No 2019/2152 of the European Parliament and of the Council on European business statistics, as well as Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 2020/1197 laying down specifications and arrangements pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 2019/2152.
Reference Period	September 1, 2022 to September 30, 2022.
Coverage	The survey is exhaustive and covers the total number of issued building permits across the Country.
Geographical classification	The geographical classification is based on Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS).

Map of the 13 Regions (NUTS 2) of Greece



Definitions	<p>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.</p> <p>The denotation of "built-property" is equal to "building".</p> <p>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.</p> <p>New building is any built-property raised on an uncovered site or in the place of an old building that has been demolished.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Building volume (the gross 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.</p> <p>Surface of new-built property is considered to be the sum of each floor space along with the outer space of the outer walls.</p>
General Remark	Any delineation that may occur between the sum of sub totals and the totals is due to rounding.
References	More information (tables, questionnaires, methodology) with regards to the Building Activity Survey is available on ELSTAT's web-site (www.statistics.gr), under the link: http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SOP03/-