

Production data and Sustainable Development Indicators (SDIs) for the Greek mining/metallurgical industry in the period 2007-2013

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This paper presents:

- 1) Production data for various mineral commodities produced in Greece in the period 2007-2013 . General performance of the Greek Mining/Metallurgical Industry.

Reported figures are combined data from (a) statistics provided by the Mineral Resources Division of the Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate Change (YPEKA) and (b) annual statistics provided by GMEA.

- 2) Data from twelve groups of Sustainable Development Indicators (SDIs) provided by the Greek Mining Enterprises Association (GMEA) in the period 2007-2013.

Sustainability performance indicators include employment matters, environmental management and land stewardship, waste management, energy and water management, H&S issues and local community development. Results are discussed.

The Greek Mining/Metallurgical Industry (GMMI)

- The Greek Mining/Metallurgical Industry (GMMI) constitutes an important sector of the economic activity of our country as it supplies essential raw materials for primary industries and various downstream users.
- Although the sector's significance to Greek economy has been declined during the past 20 years, GMMI still **contributes 3-5% of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP)**, with the inclusion of interrelated enterprises such as quarrying, concrete, processing and production of intermediate and final products.



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TABLE 1: Production of Mineral Commodities in Greece (metals, industrial minerals, mineral fuels and related materials) *

[quantities in metric tons unless otherwise specified]

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Bauxite	2,093,433	2,174,000	1,935,000	1,993,826	2,300,000	1,815,328	1,844,000
Aluminium, primary (Foundry Line)	167,937	162,339	134,7371	139,824	167,490	165,046	169,48
Alumina, calcined (Al₂O₃)	761,746	771,769	718,797	661,882	683,030	653,011	711,6
Alumina, hydrated (Al₂O₃)	789,000	807,500	795,500	785,100	809,700	784,400	811,6
Mixed sulphide ore	208,724	264,299	225,054	230,134	214,943	227,197	230
Galena, PbS (conc.)	22,407	23,314	17,027	17,674	16,592	18,062	18
Zinc blend , ZnS (conc.)	39,729	46,532	34,255	40,592	39,127	41,824	42
Auriferous Pyrite (conc.)(ong.* 1000)							15,20
Nickeliferrous ores (laterites)	2,367,000	2,261,637	1,400,000	1,902,976	2,235,966	2,256,686	2,220,790
Ferronickel:	94,300	87,664	42,423	69,596	93,905	96,435	88,905
Ni content of ferronickel	18,668	16,640	8,269	13,956	18,527	18,632	16,890
Slag by-product (coarse)	NA	85,345	62,022	57,156	69,674	86,776	84,296
Slag by-product (fine, - 5mm)	NA	90,180	52,696	59,500	79,011	85,511	83,968

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**TABLE 1: Production of various Mineral Commodities in Greece
(continued)***

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Magnesite, crude	399,475	455,069	250,234	513,487	541,813	351,266	360,000
Dead-burned magnesia	41,961	48,719	22,370	31,594	38,343	26,832	24,770
Caustic-calcined magnesia	71,032	70,545	55,545	61,628	59,838	60,625	61,120
Basic monolithic refractories	31,042	35,617	31,634	36,031	45,202	44,821	42,300
Bentonite, crude	1,382,800	1,500,000	844,8045	1,384,118	1,188,442	1,235,105	1,200,000
Attapulgite clay	7,000	28,584	81,382	39,012	17,748	19,872	20,000
Huntite, crude	16,370	19,600	10,652	16,350	23,800	24,200	15,200
Pozzolan, earth	1,520,000	1,059,000	830,000	550,000	350,000*	270,000	266,000
Pozzolan, specific use (not cement industry)	NA	NA	21,532	79,600	49,733	0	1,100
Kaolin, crude	30,000	4,360	0	1,045	NA	0	0
Perlite, crude	1,100,000	1,000,000	862,9358	790,100	842,870	876,396	700,000
Perlite, treated	650,000	600,000	398,4519	440,000	507,235	450,000	430,000
Pumice	838,000	828,000	381,000	412,700	468,960	385,917	420,000
Silica (SiO₂)	125,000	64,521	37,905	5,742	1,671	0	10,000
Gypsum and anhydrite, crude	836,967	1,000,000	730,000	574,768	590,000	621,329	760,000
Olivine	40,000	37,150	48,050	35,300	55,325	20,285	30,000

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TABLE 1: Production of Mineral Commodities in Greece (continued)*

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Amphibolite	57,367	57,500	25,902	23,453	23,263	10,398	19,360
Calcium Carbonate (CaCO₃), [processed, all sources]	500,000	600,000	580,000	450,000	400,000	380,000	345,000
Feldspar	95,000	62,000	28,617	17,380	10,563	13,000	0
Quartz	15,000	16,201	10,909	30,794	11,241	0	0
CO₂ [liquid]	12,500	12,200	8,000	9,980	10,200	10,760	10,040
Lignite	66,100,000	64,521,000	61,800,000	56,366,202	58,400,000	62,334,803	54,000,000
Crude oil, in barrels	575,413	477,679	628,278	894,002	675,504	661,510	609,390
Natural gas , in Nm³	21,221,053	14,058,056	11,123,714	6,124,844	5,927,401	6,401,717	5,415,000
Salt, sea salt	212,000	220,000	189,000	164,765	174,500	191,970	189,500
Mineral Aggregates (sand, gravel, crushed stones etc.) *	90,000,000	85,000,000	65,000,000	50,000,000	38,000,000	29,000,000	30,000,000
Marble, rough blocks plus slate stones (m³)	440,000*	430,000	360,520	400,000	470,000	500,000	520,000
Marble, rough shapeless blocks	420,000*	451,505	254,491	358,963	390,000	244,000	300,000
Emery	NA	NA	8,000	7,000	5,900	4,250	4,250

NA: not available,

*estimated

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A sector with two faces....

A domestic...

- ❑ Recession, fall in demand and prices of raw materials in the construction, steel, cement and concrete industries.
- ❑ Severe economic problems in mining enterprises and lack of investment initiatives (e.g sector of construction aggregate materials)

An international ...

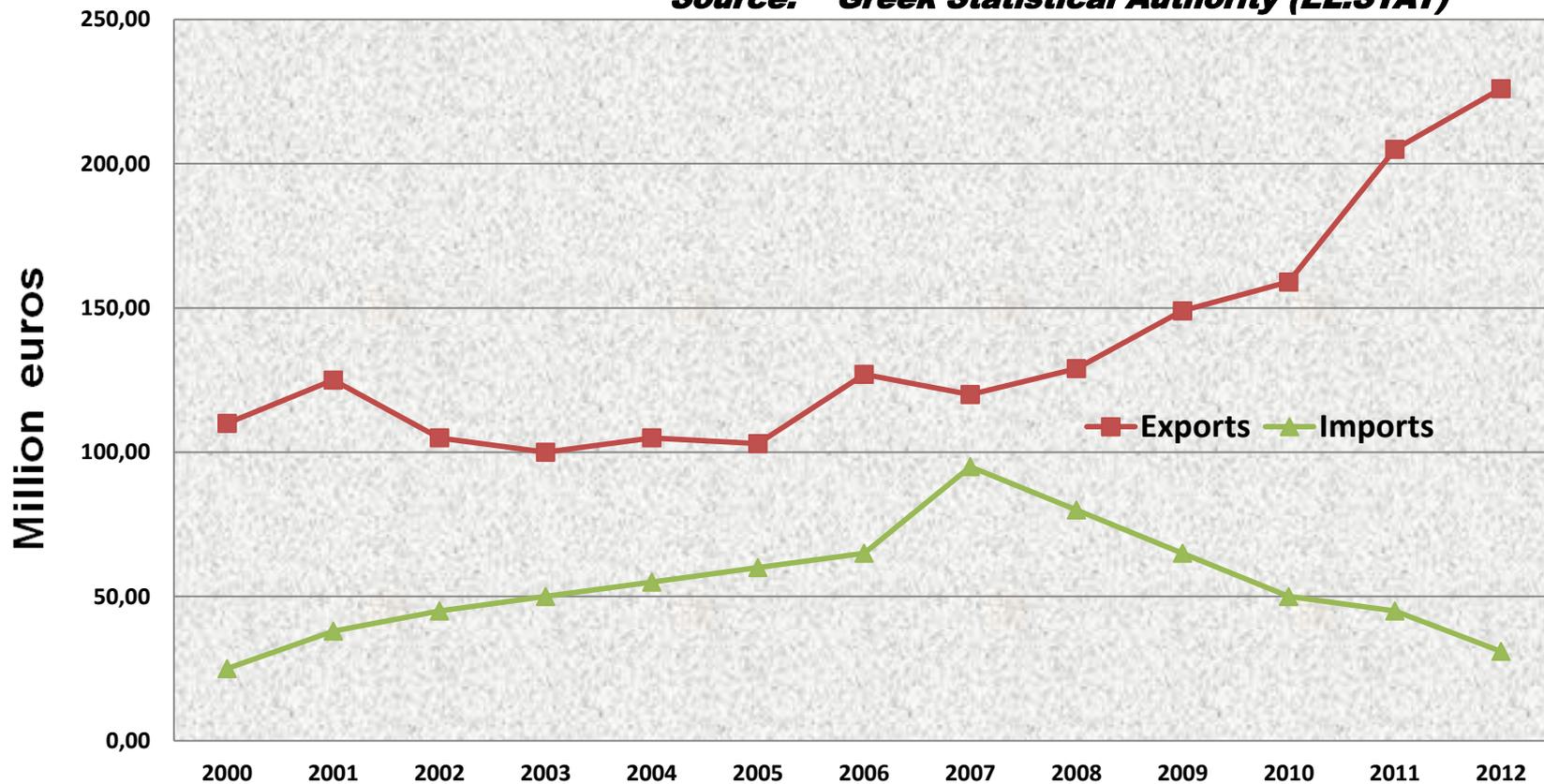
- ❑ Exports continued and increased
- ❑ Demand and prices soon rallied largely to pre-crisis levels.
(e.g the industrial minerals sector)

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The industry of marble products

Source: Greek Statistical Authority (EL.STAT)



Imports and Exports of marble and other natural stones [2000-2012]

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State Initiatives

❖ The state (Ministry of Environment, YPEKA) completed the new reformed **Regulation on Mining and Quarrying Activities** (KMLE, MD2223/11).

Strategic goal: to enhance health and safety in the mining sector.

❖ The state (Ministry of Environment, YPEKA) adopted the **National Policy for the Strategic Planning and Exploitation of Mineral Resources**.

Strategic goal: to ensure the supply of MRM to the society in a sustainable way and in compliance with other national sectoral development policies

❖ The state (Ministry of Environment, YPEKA) **issued a new law (4014/2011)** reforming the environmental licensing procedures for projects and activities.

Strategic goal: to facilitate environmental licensing while ensuring a high level of environmental protection

TABLE 2 : SDIs for the Greek Mining/Metallurgical Industry in the period 2007-2013

SD Indicators for the Greek Mining/Metallurgical Industry							
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
1. Employment							
a. Average number of people directly employed	10,392	10,920	10,305	10,166	9,729	9,208	9,175
b. Average number of people indirectly employed (including contractors)	4,193	5,203	5,151	4,769	5,446	11,427	11,541
c. Total number of hours worked (including a and b) [hours]	26,569	32,106	29,915	28,906	30,493	28,003	22,770
d. Number of hours worked per ton of marketable product [hours/t product]	0.27	0.31	0.31	0.34	0.38	0.34	0.39
2. Development of Skills							
a. Total number of training hours [hours]	118,743	106,967	89,117	124,154	129,906	117,742	227,414
b. Training hours per employee	8.32	6.69	5.78	8.31	8.56	5,74	10,97

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	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
3. Health and Safety							
a. Number of working hours lost due to accidents	34,504	29,495	32,643	23,050	24,585	22,746	21,469
b. Total number of hours in H & S training	43,810	47,004	41,779	54,625	66,481	59,044	52,770
c. Number of hours in H & S training per employee	3.07	2.93	2.71	3.66	4.38	2.88	2.55
d. Number of fatalities	3	5	7	0	3	2	3
e. Number of fatalities per 10,000 employees	2	3	4.5	0	2	2	1.45
f. Accident frequency indicator for all the employees (direct and indirect) ($\times 10^6$)	5.8	4.05	5.01	5	4.39	3.07	2.76
g. Accident seriousness indicator for all the employees ($\times 10^6$)	165.7	114.8	136.4	99.5	100.8	69.8	90.4
h. Employees that are periodically under medical supervision [% of total employees]	40	74	68	85	80	85	80
4. Total turnover & production							
a. Total turnover [million €]	2,109,97	2,031,74	1,786,78	1,973,58	2,123,11	2,081,71	1,736,68
b. Production of marketable products [million tons]	96.8	104.5	96.9	85.9	80.2	81,1	73,1
5. Exploration – R&D costs							
a. Total exploration costs [million €]	7.8	8.9	8.4	12.3	6.6	9.7	11.04
b. R&D costs per ton of marketable product (5a/4b) [€/t product]	0.08	0.087	0.086	0.14	0.082	0.119	0.15

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	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
6. Communication with the community							
a. Number of public events - "open days"	82	58	40	36	56	53	57
b. Number of visits (schools, universities)	236	231	178	161	153	130	138
c. Number of trained students	332	330	505	454	223	246	483
d. Resources available to the local community (infrastructure, unions, support, awards etc) [million €]	25.5	27.7	27.3	25.9	10.9	11.2	5.98
e. Resources available to the wider community (same as d) [€]	1,449,100	1,670,975	764,419	706,076	497,430	668,798	630,680
7. Energy Demand							
a. Total energy consumption [MJ]x10 ⁶	28,520	27,987	20,155	24,330	30,965	31,335	31,484
b. Energy consumption per ton of final product (7a/4b) [MJ/t product]	294.7	267.8	207.8	283.23	386.18	386.24	340.68
8. Water Demand							
a. Total net water consumption [m ³]	11,896,545	17,435,018	16,980,791	17,809,519	16,936,337	17,235,543	12,892,679
b. Total consumption of recycled water [m ³]	5,843,221	6,948,150	5,118,120	8,667,330	9,494,971	9,665,820	8,995,183
c. Water consumption during production [m ³]	12,890,396	18,013,768	15,894,993	10,745,469	18,119,550	17,087,140	15,449,168
d. Total net water consumption per ton of final product [m ³ /t product]	0.12	0.17	0.17	0.21	0.23	0.21	0.17
e. Water consumption in rehabilitation / restoration activities [m ³]	325,774	982,331	907,765	582,814	311,054	341,111	310,717

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in the period 2007-2013 (continued)**

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
9. Land Demand – Environmental Rehabilitation							
a. Total land in use for deposit exploitation at the end of the calendar year (rehabilitated surface is excluded) [acres]	154,742	154,868	157,675	154,779	164,001	175,469	167,183
b. Total land surface under rehabilitation [acres]	3,540	3,556	3,729	1,682	3,688	5,547	4,272
c. Total land surface returned to beneficial use or rehabilitated by planting trees [acres]	55,350	55,938	59,996	63,520	63,550	63,550	61,902
d. Number of planted trees at the end of the calendar year	156,048	622,367	588,468	506,193	169,024	212,348	159,329
e. Cost for rehabilitation of mines and protection of the environment [€]	11,280,096	11,675,475	9,376,164	16,151,915	8,732,448	10,130,178	10,742,980
f. Cost for rehabilitation per ton of final product (9e/4b) [€/t product]	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.19	0.11	0.12	0.14
10. Waste Management							
a. Wastes from mining activities the current year [thousand tons]	562,660	555,889	543,087	532,206	600,478	513,027	512,924
b. Wastes from mining activities per ton of final product (10a/4b) [tons/t product]	5.81	5.32	5.6	6.19	7.4	6.3	7.01
c. Wastes from mining activities used for backfilling [thousand tons]	450,475	405,576	462,059	439,480	440,882	417,851	439,316

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	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
d. Wastes recycled or/and used for the production of secondary materials <i>[thousand tons]</i>	1,120	1,328	1,153	797	508	854,7	1204
e. Other not mining wastes recycled <i>[thousand kg]</i>	4,150	4,908	9,923	13,678	14,641	11,333	11,947
11. Use of dangerous substances							
a. Quantity of classified dangerous substances used during production (lubricants are excluded) according to the Directive 67/548/EEC <i>[tons]</i>	6,600	6,286	2,287	3,966	38,432	40,625	36,018
12. Company Certification							
a. ISO 9001/2 <i>(GMEA members [%])</i>	48	50	59	66	65	68	78
b. ISO 14001 <i>(GMEA members [%])</i>	30	32	32	33	36	36	39
c. OHSAS 18001 <i>(GMEA members [%])</i>	10	14	20	24	27	27	27



CONCLUSION

- **Despite economic recession** and the collapse in the domestic materials market, the perspectives of the **Greek mineral industry appear to be positive, relying mainly to its export orientation**. However, the industry has to identify and exploit the trends and opportunities of the international business environment in order to overcome crisis, remain competitive and further improve its position and perspectives.
- Results from the list of key performance sustainability indicators (SDI's)) demonstrate **the significant strides the industry has made in regards to sustainability**. There is still a need for improvement in environmental performance and good practice has far to go before it spreads to all parts of the mining industry, especially for the **small-scale mining**. Also, questions remain as to whether current assessment and reporting can be translated into valuable knowledge on the ground, providing sufficient tools for companies and for communities.
- **Finally**, we need a new agenda focused on good practice guidance that is built around society's demands and the realistic aspirations of a much more capable industry sector.

