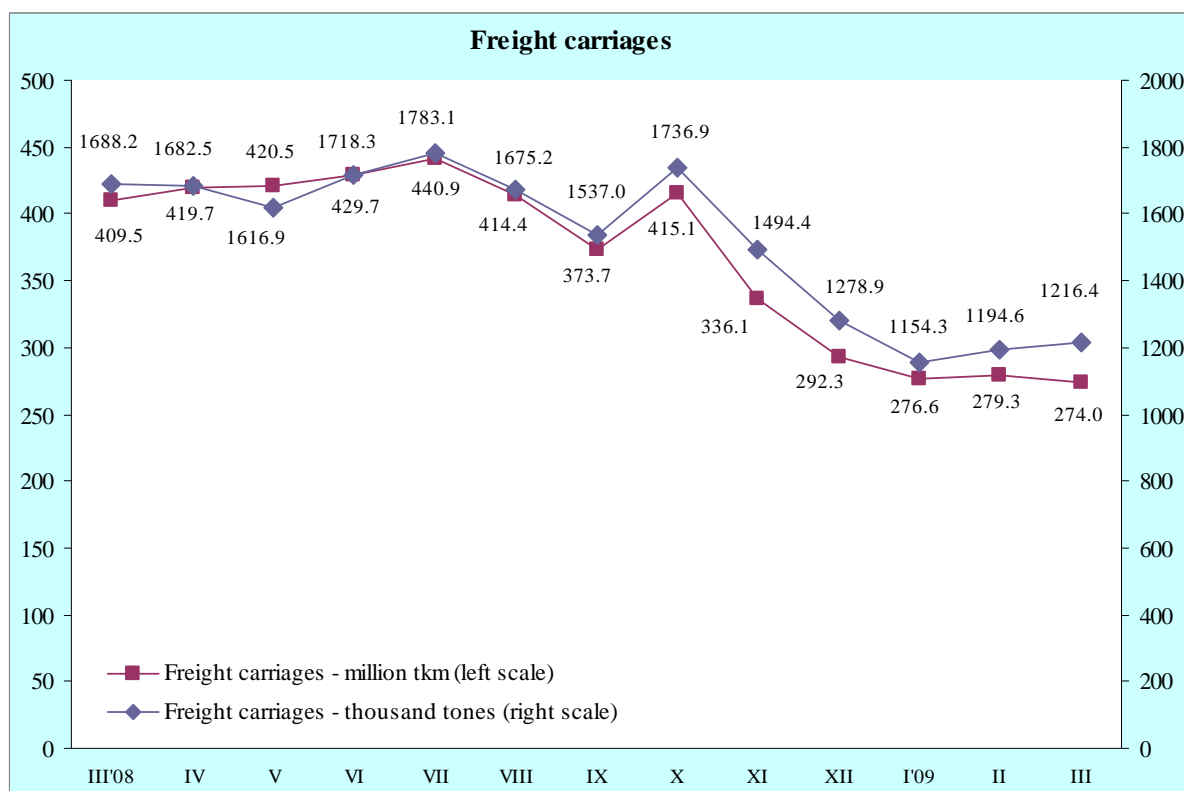


GOODS AND PASSENGERS CARRIED BY THE RAILWAY TRANSPORT IN MARCH 2009

Goods carried by the railway companies in March 2009 risen by 1.8% in comparison with the previous month and reached to 1 216.4 thousand tones, which is due to the increased volume of the national carriages by 5.8%. At the same time the performance dropped away by 1.9% to 274.0 million tkm, which is due to the decreased export of goods by 7.8%.

Compared to the same month of the previous year the goods carried in March 2009 decreased by 20.7%, while the performance was reduced by 21.5%.

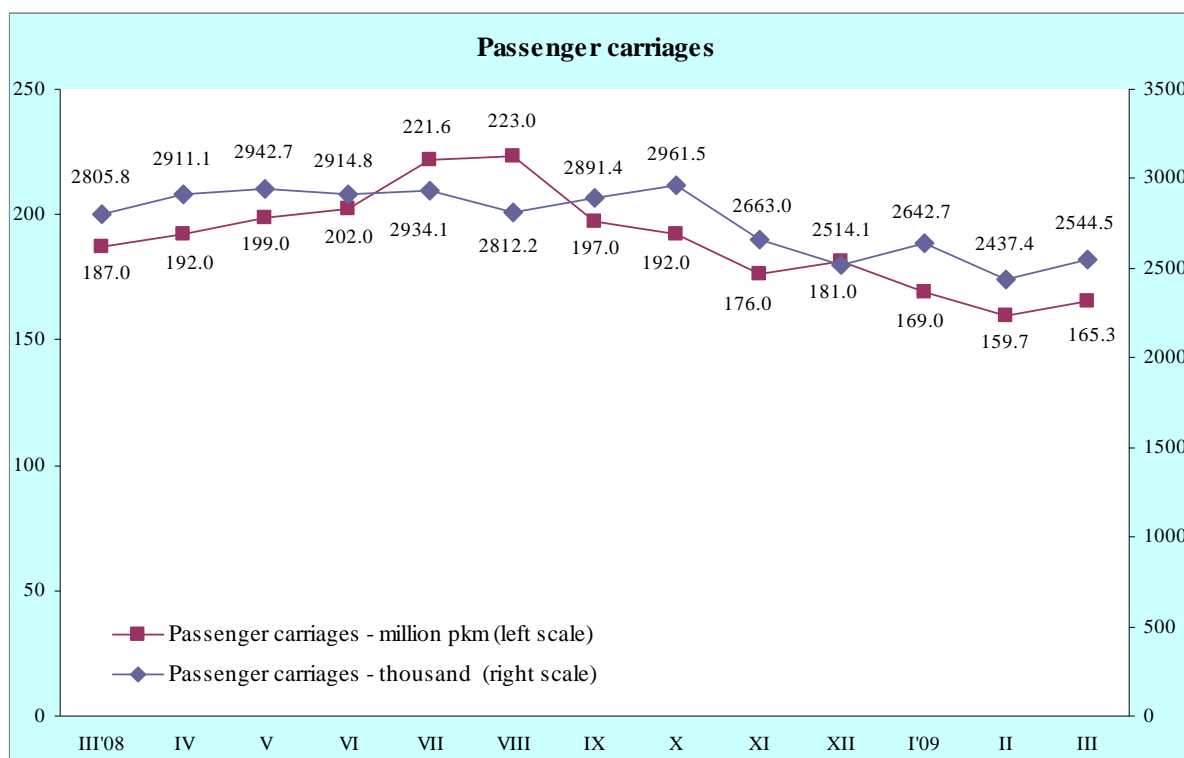
Goods carried and the performance by the railway transport



In March 2009 **the passengers carried** were by 4.4% more as compared to the previous month, reaching to 2 544.5 thousand, while the performance increases by 3.5% to 165.3 million pkm. The increased number of the passengers carried is due to the national transport, as their high share out of the total passengers carried - 99.3%. At the same time the international transport of passengers dropped by 47.1%, but their percentage is only 0.7% out of the total number of passengers and thus has no influence on the general trend.

The passengers carried by the railway transport in March 2009 were by 9.3% less in comparison with March 2008, while the performance in passenger - kilometers decreased by 11.5%, which is due to the total reduction of the carried passengers.

Passengers carried and the performance by the railway transport



GOODS AND PASSENGERS CARRIED BY THE RAILWAY TRANSPORT BY MONTHS

	Freight carriages		Passengers carried	
	Goods carried - thousand tones	Performance - million tkm	Passengers carried - thousands	Performance - million pkm
March, 2008	1688.2	409.5	2805.8	187.0
April, 2008	1682.5	419.7	2911.1	192.0
May, 2008	1616.9	420.5	2942.7	199.0
June, 2008	1718.3	429.7	2914.8	202.0
July, 2008	1783.1	440.9	2934.1	221.6
August, 2008	1675.2	414.4	2812.2	223.0
September, 2008	1537.0	373.7	2891.4	197.0
October, 2008	1736.9	415.1	2961.5	192.0
November, 2008	1494.4	336.1	2663.0	176.0
December, 2008	1278.9	292.3	2514.1	181.0
January, 2009	1154.3	276.6	2642.7	169.0
February, 2009	1194.6	279.3	2437.4	159.7
March, 2009	1216.4	274.0	2544.5	165.3