



GOODS AND PASSENGERS CARRIED AND TRANSPORT PERFORMANCE BY MODE OF TRANSPORT IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2015 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

Quarterly changes

According to preliminary seasonally adjusted data in the third quarter of 2015 compared to the previous quarter there was an increase in the goods carried by 2.5%, while the transport performance by the freight transport fell by 0.9% (Figure 1).

In comparison with the second quarter of 2015 transported passengers by land, water and urban electrical transport rose by 0.3% while the transport performance decreased by 0.8% (Figure 2).

Figure 1. Goods carried and transport performance by freight transport (Seasonally adjusted data)

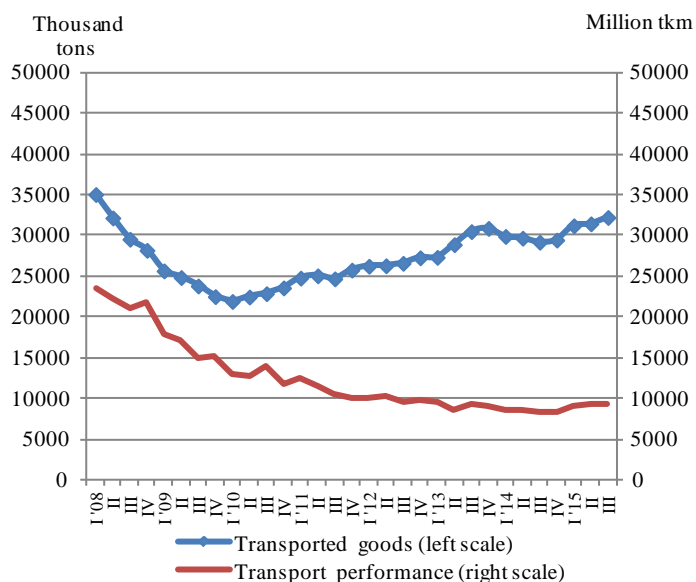
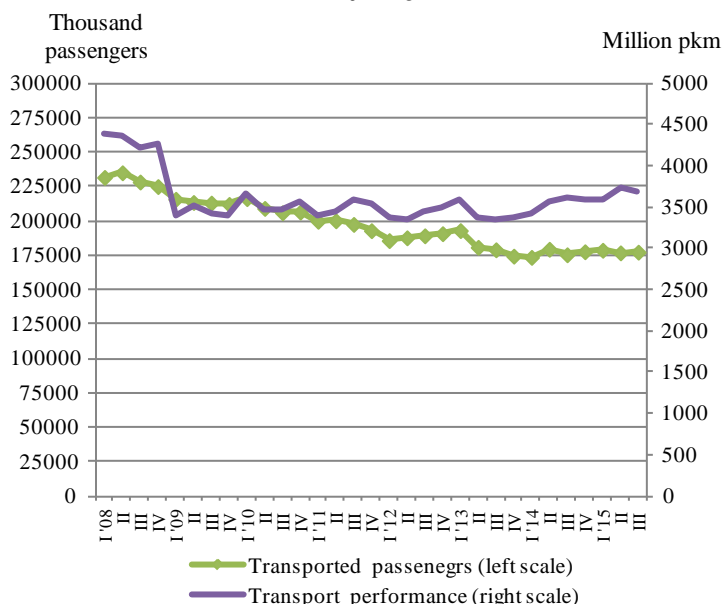


Figure 2. Transported passengers and transport performance by passenger transport (Seasonally adjusted data)





Annual changes

According to preliminary data during the third quarter of 2015 in comparison with the same period of 2014 there was a growth in the transported goods (by 5 364.0 thousand tons) as well in the transport performance (by 1 806.6 million tkm) from the freight land and water transport.

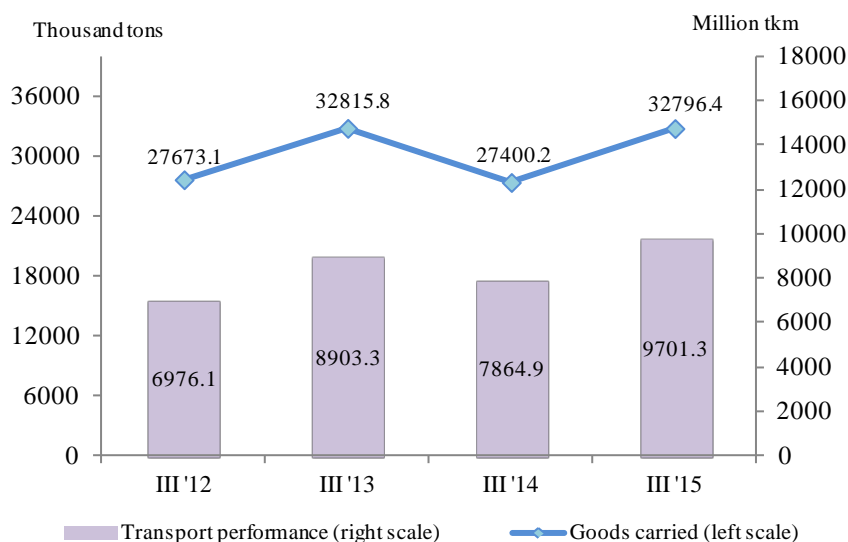
Compared to the corresponding quarter of the previous year the number of transported passengers by passenger transport (land, water and urban electrical transport) rose by 1.5%. The transport performance also increased by 4.3% compared to third quarter of 2014.

Land transport

In the third quarter of 2015 the **transported goods** by land transport were 32 796.4 thousand tons or by 5 396.2 thousand tons more than the corresponding quarter of 2014 (Figure 3), the increase was observed both in national and in international carriages.

The **transport performance** in the third quarter of 2015 also increased by 23.3% compared to the third quarter of 2014 and reached 9 701.3 million tkm (Figure 3), which was mainly due to the international carriages of the railway and road freight transport.

Figure 3. Transported goods and transport performance by land transport

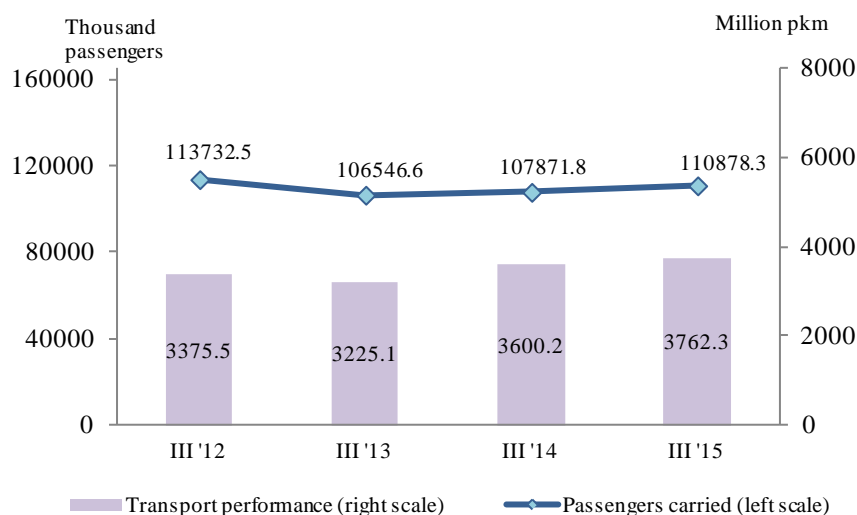


In the third quarter of 2015 the **transported passengers** by rail and bus transport were 110 878.3 thousand, or by 2.8% more than the same period of the previous year (Figure 4), which was due to growth in the international carriages. The number of passengers transported by bus transport rose by 3.5%, while in the railway transport there was an 8.2% decrease.

The **transport performance** also rose by 4.5% compared to the third quarter of 2014 and reached 3 762.3 million passenger-kilometres (Figure 4). The increase was a result of the carriages by bus transport (growth by 6.3%), while the transport performance by the railway transport dropped by 7.9%.



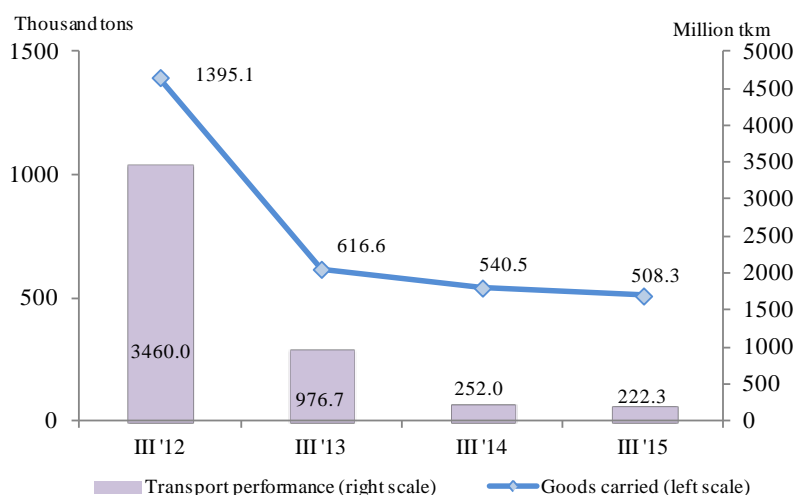
Figure 4. Transported passengers and transport performance by land transport



Water transport

The **transported goods** as well the **transport performance** by the water transport decreased compared to the third quarter of 2014 - by 6.0% and 11.8%, respectively (Figure 5). The registered drop was due to the less volume of transported goods as well due to the decreased average distance travelled by both maritime and inland waterway transport.

Figure 5. Transported goods and transport performance by water transport

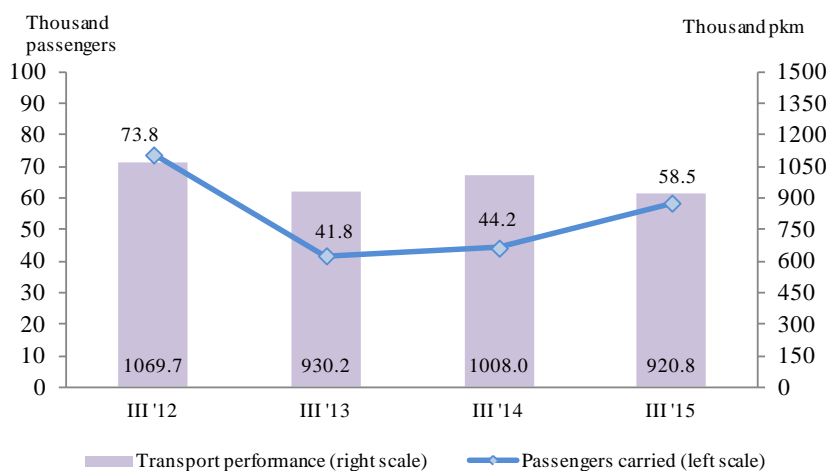


The **transported passengers** by water transport registered a 32.3% growth in the third quarter of 2015 compared to the corresponding quarter of the previous year, which was mainly due to increased number of transported passengers by inland waterway transport (Figure 6).



At the same time the **transport performance** measured in passenger-kilometres registered a drop by 8.7% in comparison with the third quarter of 2014. The decrease was due to the carriages by the maritime which decreased by 11.1%.

Figure 6. Transported passengers and transport performance by water transport

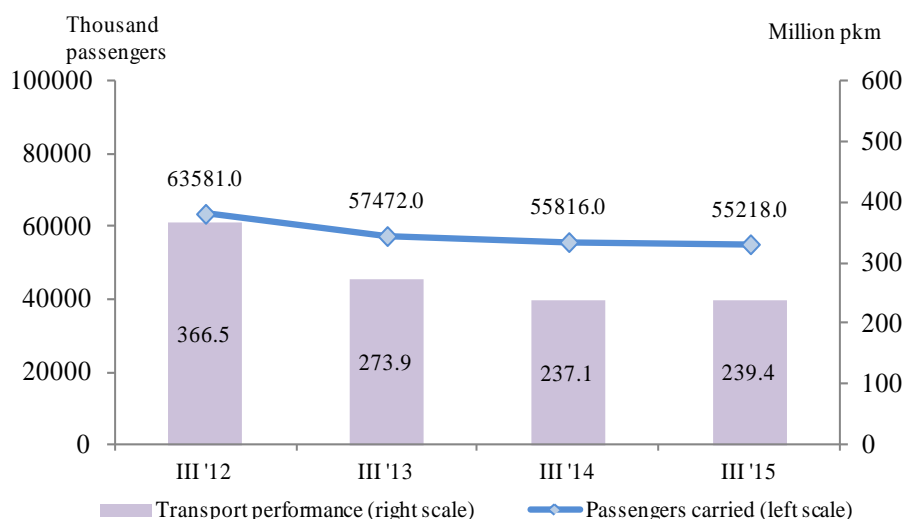


Urban electrical transport

During the third quarter of 2015 the enterprises in urban electrical transport (trams, trolleybuses and metro) transported **55 218.0 thousand passengers** or by 1.1% less in comparison with the corresponding quarter of 2014 (Figure 7). An increase by 6.7% was registered only in the metro carriages, while the tram and trolleybus transport fell by 3.2% and 7.3%, respectively.

The **transport performance** measured in passenger-kilometres registered a 1.0% growth compared to the third quarter of 2014 and reached 239.4 million pkm.

Figure 7. Transported passengers and transport performance by urban electrical transport





Methodological notes

Land freight transport covers the freight carriages by road and rail transport from vehicles with Bulgarian registration as well as transmission of goods by pipelines.

Land passenger transport covers the passengers' carriages by road and rail transport from vehicles with Bulgarian registration.

Water transport covers the passengers' or freight carriages and transport performance by maritime and IWW vessels with Bulgarian registration.

Urban electrical transport includes passengers carried and transport performance of trolleybus transport in the country, tramway transport, and metro in Sofia.

Goods carried (tons) - measures the total volume of goods carried **for hire or reward** between two places (place of loading and place of unloading).

Transport performance of freight transport (tonne-kilometres) - corresponds to the transportation of one ton over one kilometre.

Passengers carried (in numbers) - measures the total number of passengers **with paid fares** carried by the corresponding type of transport between two places (place of embarkation and place of disembarkation).

Transport performance of passenger transport (passenger-kilometres) - corresponds to the transportation of one passenger over one kilometre.

Since April 2013 the number of the transported passengers in the urban carriages in Sofia (stolitsa) has been calculated according to a new methodology applied by the 'Centre for urban mobility' AD - Sofia according to which the distribution of the transported passengers from the tram, trolleybus and bus transport and the metro is made on the basis of inquiry survey of the urban carriages. In order a comparability of data to be ensured, data since 2012 have been recalculated according to the new methodology.



Annex

Table 1

Main indicators of the freight transport activity, third quarter of 2014 and 2015

Freight transport	III-rd quarter 2014	III-rd quarter 2015	Change in % compared to the third quarter of 2014
Land transport - transported goods			
Total - thousand tons	27400.2	32796.4	119.7
National	18982.4	22411.5	118.1
International	8417.8	10384.9	123.4
Land transport - transport performance			
Total - million tkm	7864.9	9701.3	123.3
National	1940.6	2320.3	119.6
International	5924.3	7381.0	124.6
Water transport - transported goods			
Total - thousand tons	540.5	508.3	94.0
National	14.2	1.1	7.7
International	526.3	507.2	96.4
Water transport - transport performance			
Total - million tkm	252.0	222.3	88.2
National	3.60	0.0	0.3
International	248.4	222.3	89.5



Table 2

**Main indicators of the passenger transport activity,
third quarter of 2014 and 2015**

Passenger transport	III-rd quarter 2014	III-rd quarter 2015	Change in % compared to the third quarter of 2014
Land transport - transported passengers			
Total – in thousands	107871.8	110878.3	102.8
National	107234.8	110014.8	102.6
International	637.0	863.5	135.6
Land transport - transport performance			
Total - million pkm	3600.2	3762.3	104.5
National	3021.2	2988.7	98.9
International	579.0	773.6	133.6
Water transport - transported passengers			
Total - in thousands	44.2	58.5	132.3
National	22.8	18.7	82.0
International	21.5	39.8	185.5
Water transport - transport performance			
Total - million pkm	1.01	0.92	91.30
National	0.72	0.59	81.10
International	0.29	0.33	117.20
Urban electrical transport - transported passengers			
Total - in thousands	55816.0	55218.0	98.9
Urban electrical transport - transport performance			
Total - million pkm	237.1	239.4	101.0