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GOODS AND PASSENGERS CARRIED AND TRANSPORT PERFORMANCE BY MODE OF TRANSPORT

1. Land transport

1.1. Freight transport

According to the preliminary data of NSI in the third quarter of 2010 there is an increase in comparison with the previous quarter for the **transported goods** by 2.1%, which is mainly due to increased volume of the goods carried (by 17.7%) by the inland carriages of the road transport. Compared to the same period of the previous year transported goods by the road and pipeline transport registered decrease by 19.0 and 24.0% respectively.

During the third quarter of 2010 the **transport performance** in tonne-kilometres reaches 6 143.6 million tkm. A growth is registered compared to the previous three months, as well as to the corresponding quarter of 2009, by 14.2 and by 3.3% respectively, which is due to the increased average distance travelled mainly in the international carriages by railway and road transport.



Figure 1. Transported goods and transport performance by the land transport

1.2. Passenger transport

The **transported passengers** by land transport in third quarter of 2010 are 127 413.2 thousand. There is a decline both in comparison with the previous three months by 6.8% and the same period of 2009 - by 6.1%. The international carriages are by 39.1% more than the previous quarter and by 26.4% in comparison with the same period of 2009, but their low percentage do not influence the total decrease of the transported passengers by the land transport.

At the same time during the third quarter of 2010 the **transport performance** in passengers-kilometers is by 4.2% more compared to the previous three months and reaches 3 332.0 million pkm, while in comparison with the corresponding quarter of 2009 there is a drop by 1.7%.



Figure 2. Transported passengers and transport performance by the land transport



2. Water transport

2.1. Freight transport

The volume of the **goods carried** by water transport in the third quarter of 2010 is 2 113.0 thousand tones or by 7.7% more that the previous three months, while in comparison with the same quarter of 2009 they are by 17.7% lower. The drop of the goods carried by the maritime transport is 5.6% and by inland waterway transport – 32.6% and is mainly due to decrease in the international carriages.

The **transport performance** (in tkms) is 7 495 million tkm or by 35.0% less than the third quarter of 2009. In comparison with the second quarter of 2010 the transport performance fell by 1.8%.

Figure 3. Transported goods and transport performance by the water transport





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2.2. Passenger transport

The number of the **transported passengers** by water transport in the third quarter of 2010 increase by 40.6% as compared to the previous three months, while in comparison with the same period of 2009 is registered a drop by 31.0%.

Transport performance in passenger-kilometers increase by 410 thousand pkm compared to the second quarter of 2010 and by 580 thousand pkm in comparison to the third quarter of 2009.





3. Urban electrical transport

During the third quarter of 2010 the **passengers transported** by urban electrical transport are 66 418 thousand. Decrease is observed in comparison with the previous quarter, as well to the corresponding period of 2009 – by 9.8 and 2.2% respectively.

Compared to the second quarter of 2010 the **transport performance** in pkms fell by 8.5%. Compared to the third quarter of 2009 the transport performance is by 3.4% more, due to the increased average distance travelled at which the passengers have been transported.



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Figure 5. Transported passengers and transport performance by the 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, transport, and metro in Sofia.

Goods carried - (tons) is measured the total volume of goods carried between two places (place of loading and place of unloading).

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

Passengers carried (number) - 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.