

Transport statistics*

September 2021

Tirana, 27 October 2021: The volume of freight loading/unloading in ports, in September 2021 is 435.6 thousand / tonnes, increasing 19.1 % compared to September 2020.

In the nine months of 2021, the volume of freight loading/unloading in ports is 3,676.7 thousand / tonnes, increasing by 18.8 % compared to the nine months of 2020.

The volume of freight transported by rail in September 2021 is 2,331 thousand / tonnes – km, increasing 1.7 % compared to September 2020.

In the nine months of 2021, volume of freights transported by rail is 20,620 thousand tonnes-km, increasing by 10.7 %, compared to the nine months of year 2020.

Tab. 1 Volume of freight transported by sea, by rail and by air

Period	Freight Transport		
	By sea / tonnes	By rail 000/ton.km	By air*/ tonnes
September 2020	365,740	2,291	159.4
September 2021	435,633	2,331	175.8
The annual change (%)	19.1	1.7	10.3
January-September 2020	3,094,080	18,624	1,304.3
January-September 2021	3,676,758	20,620	1,466.8
The annual change (%)	18.8	10.7	12.5

*Includes mines and mail

Source: Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, calculations of INSTAT

In September 2021, the volume of freights transported by air is 175.8 tonnes, increasing 10.3 % compared to September 2020.

In the nine months of 2021, the volume of freights transported by air is 1,466.8 tonnes, increasing by 12.5 % compared to the nine months of year 2020.

In September 2021, the number of flights is 3,400 increasing by 2.0 tiems compared to September 2020.

* This publication does not include the volume of freights and the number of passengers transported through the road transport.

Tab. 2 Air transport specific indicators

Period	Number of airlines*	Number of flights	Number of overflights
September 2020	15	1,696	11,105
September 2021	18	3,400	17,504
The annual change (%)	20.0	100.5	57.6
January-September 2020	15	11,478	69,448
January-September 2021	18	19,184	93,502
The annual change (%)	20.0	67.1	34.6

* Number of airlines refers to the number of companies which are licensed to operate flights in the beginning of the year

Source: Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, calculations of INSTAT

In September 2021, the number of passengers traveling by sea line is 90,342 passengers. Compared to September 2020, this indicator increased by 3.3 times.

In the nine months of 2021, 721,789 passengers travelled by sea, increased by 2.4 times, compared to same period of 2020.

In September 2021, passenger air transport occupies 81.0 % of the total transport.

In September 2021, the number of passengers traveling by air is 390,491 passengers, increased by 3.0 times compared to September 2020.

In the nine months of 2021, the number of passengers traveling by air line is 2,130,936 passengers, increasing by 2.0 times compared to the nine months of year 2020.

Tab. 3 Passenger transport by mode of travel

Period	Passenger Transport		
	By rail	By sea	By air
September 2020	841	27,501	127,813
September 2021	1,058	90,342	390,491
The annual change (%)	25.8	228.5	205.5
January-September 2020	16,312	295,066	1,043,457
January-September 2021	21,510	721,789	2,130,936
The annual change (%)	31.9	144.6	104.2

Source: Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, calculations of INSTAT

Exports/Imports of goods by mode of transport

In September 2021, the value of goods traded (exports and imports) is 102.1 billion ALL and 47.8 % of them is transported by sea. In the nine months of 2021, value of goods traded (exports and imports) is 804.2 billion ALL and 48.6 % of them is transported by sea.

Exports of goods

In September 2021, goods exported by sea represent 56.1 %, by road 38.3 % and by air 0.4 % of total exports of goods. Goods exported by road increased by 18.6 %, compared with the same period of 2021.

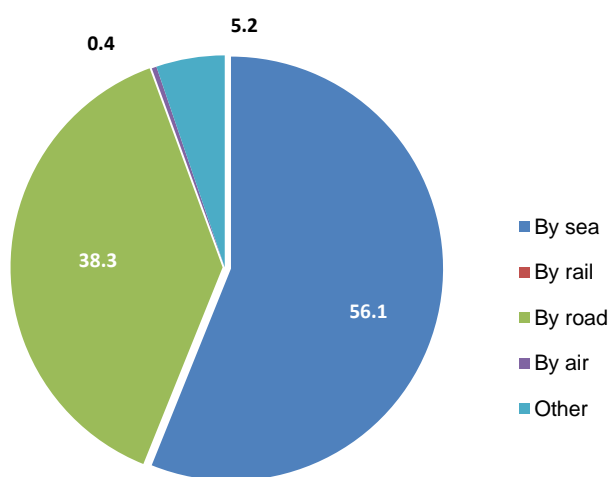
Tab. 4 Exports of goods by mode of transport

Period	Export (billion ALL)				
	By sea	By rail	By road	By air	Other
September 2020	14,176	2	10,700	154	236
September 2021	18,581	-	12,688	123	1,729
The annual change (%)	31.1	0	18.6	20.1	633.4
January-September 2020	110,719	5	84,184	825	3,239
January-September 2021	141,828	1	100,944	1,194	17,276
Progressive annual change (%)	28.1	-71.3	19.9	44.8	433.4

Source: General Directorate of Customs, INSTAT calculations

In the nine months of 2021, goods exported by sea represent 54.3 %, by road 38.6 % and by air 0.5 %. Goods exported by road increased by 19.9 % compared to same period of 2020.

Fig. 1 Structure of exports by mode of transport, September 2021



Source: General Directorate of Customs, INSTAT calculations

Imports of goods

In September 2021, goods imported by road represent 44.6 %, by sea 43.8 % and by air 2.9 %. Goods imported by road in September 2021 increased by 21.1 %, compared to September 2020.

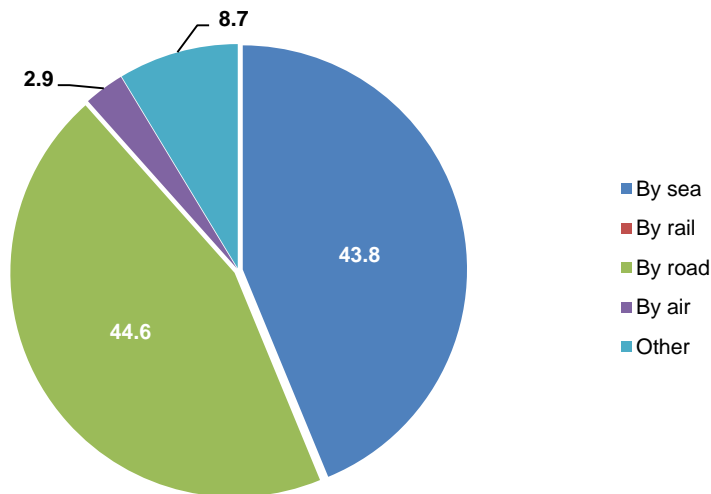
Tab. 5 Imports of goods by mode of transport

Period	Import (billion ALL)				
	By sea	By rail	By road	By air	Other
September 2020	23,262	245	25,438	1,743	1,754
September 2021	30,206	0	30,810	2,007	5,981
The annual change (%)	29.8	0	21.1	15.1	240.9
January-September 2020	207,901	2,105	207,114	12,876	11,408
January-September 2021	248,825	1,786	256,415	21,324	14,648
Progressive the annual change (%)	19.7	15.1	23.8	65.6	28.4

Source: General Directorate of Customs, INSTAT calculations

In the nine months of 2021, goods imported by road represented 47.2 %, by sea 45.8 % and by air 3.9 %. Goods imported by road increased by 23.8 %, compared with the same period of 2020.

Fig. 2 Structure of imports by mode of transport, September 2021



Source: General Directorate of Customs, INSTAT calculations

Methodology

The Publication of Transport Statistics presents the results on the transport of goods and passengers by type, as well as the export and import of goods by mode of transport, on a monthly basis. The data are administrative. The main source of information is the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy and General Directorate of Customs.

Definitions

Airlines: Companies that transport passengers and goods.

Transport: Movement of people and / or frnines using various means of transport. Transport is carried out by land, air and sea means.

Rail transport: Every movement of frnines and / passengers using wheeled vehicles run on the track,

Maritime transport: Any movement of goods and / or passengers using commercial vessel trips, which are undertaken wholly or partly by sea.

Air transport: Any movement of frnines and / or passengers using aircraft on trips, which are undertaken wholly or partly by air.

Exports: Goods destined to a third country, placed under customs export or outward processing arrangements or re-exported following inward processing.

The FOB (free on board): Value of exports of goods is the value of the goods at the exporter's customs frontier.

Imports: Goods arrived from a third country and are directly placed, or are left in warehouse, under customs procedure of release for free circulation, inward processing or processing under customs control.

The cost, insurance and frnine (CIF): Price of a good delivered at the frontier of the importing country, or the price of a service delivered to resident, before the payment of any import duties or other taxes on imports or trade and transport margins within the country.

NST 2007: A statistical nomenclature for the goods transported by four modes of transport: road, rail, inland waterways and sea (maritime).

The data of maritime, rail and air transport are preliminary and subject to revision. For more refer: [Statistical revision policy](#).

Explanation of Symbols

0 - value less than half of unit of measure

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