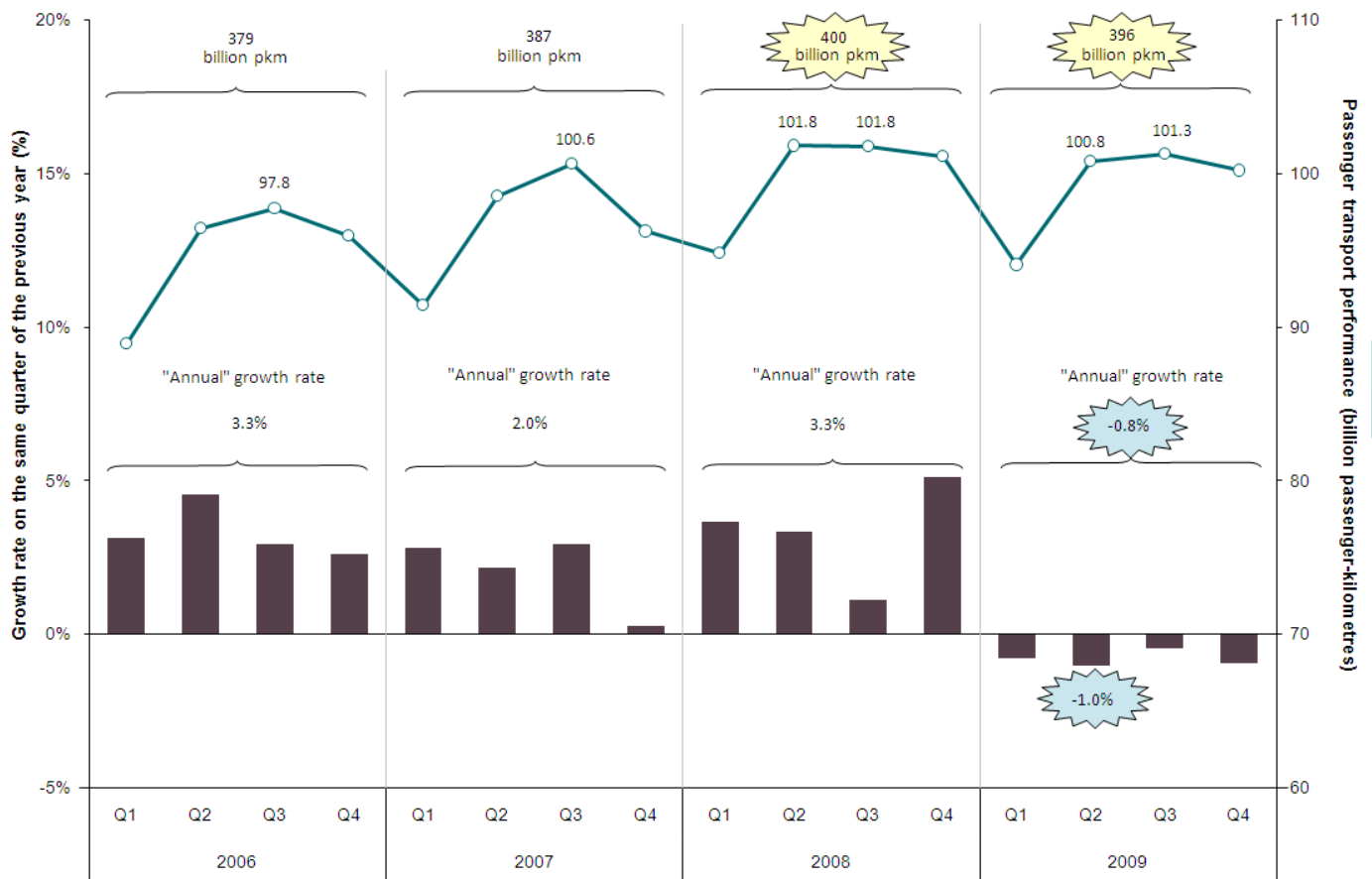


Rail transport of passengers between 2007 and 2009

Rail passenger transport performance decreased slightly between 2008 and 2009 (-0.8%). In 2009, the economic crisis stopped the steady increase observed in rail transport performance over recent years.

Graph 1: Quarterly evolution of rail passenger transport performance at EU27 level* - billion passenger-kilometres



* Data from Bulgaria not included until 2008 due to confidentiality issues

Source: Eurostat ([rail_pa_quartal](#))

Table 1: Quarterly evolution of rail passenger transport performance - million passenger-kilometres

	2007				2008				2009											
	Passenger transport performance								Passenger transport performance and growth on same quarter of previous year											
	1st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter	4th quarter	1st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter	4th quarter	1st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter	4th quarter								
Belgium	2 377	2 543	2 376	2 633	2 542	2 647	2 481	2 731	2 592	2 682	2 452	2 726	2 452	2 682	2 452	2 726	-1,2%	-1,2%	-0,2%	
Bulgaria	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	494	550	586	514	586	550	586	514	.	.	.	
Czech Republic	1 656	1 782	1 727	1 734	1 557	1 734	1 701	1 811	1 548	1 698	1 639	1 617	1 639	1 698	1 639	1 617	-3,6%	-3,6%	-10,7%	
Denmark	1 398	1 501	1 499	1 570	1 428	1 521	1 547	1 596	1 400	1 509	1 527	1 549	1 527	1 509	1 527	1 549	-1,3%	-1,3%	-2,9%	
Germany	18 642	19 821	20 594	19 763	18 983	20 198	21 480	21 101	19 398	19 919	20 869	20 651	20 869	19 919	20 869	20 651	-2,8%	-2,8%	-2,1%	
Estonia	61	71	74	68	63	71	74	66	59	63	65	63	65	63	65	63	-12,2%	-12,2%	-4,5%	
Ireland	437	614	481	465	441	607	476	451	391	517	394	380	394	517	394	380	-17,2%	-17,2%	-15,7%	
Greece	443	470	536	484	407	437	425	388	359	379	347	329	347	379	347	329	-18,4%	-18,4%	-15,2%	
Spain	4 759	5 237	5 108	4 862	5 057	5 682	5 771	5 563	5 040	5 634	5 532	5 524	5 532	5 634	5 532	5 524	-4,1%	-4,1%	-0,7%	
France	19 118	21 344	21 844	19 655	20 352	22 084	20 352	21 737	20 018	22 281	21 766	21 970	21 766	22 281	21 766	21 970	6,9%	6,9%	1,1%	
Italy	10 929	11 940	11 972	11 144	11 090	11 848	11 672	11 157	10 641	11 766	11 327	10 670	11 327	11 766	11 327	10 670	-3,0%	-3,0%	-4,4%	
Cyprus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Latvia	217	254	274	237	207	240	272	222	193	199	192	164	192	199	192	164	-17,1%	-17,1%	-26,1%	
Lithuania	51	61	78	56	52	60	82	64	53	57	69	52	69	57	69	52	-5,0%	-5,0%	-18,8%	
Luxembourg	84	80	69	84	88	90	77	90	88	82	75	87	82	82	75	87	-8,9%	-8,9%	-3,3%	
Hungary	2 106	2 288	2 099	2 258	1 976	2 109	2 105	2 102	1 870	2 117	2 024	2 018	2 024	2 117	2 024	2 018	0,4%	0,4%	-4,0%	
Malta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	3 832	3 981	3 813	4 257	3 846	4 186	3 932	4 379	3 815	4 152	4 007	4 481	4 007	4 152	4 007	4 481	-0,8%	-0,8%	2,3%	
Austria	2 212	2 246	2 233	2 236	2 378	2 592	2 552	2 638	2 336	2 433	2 635	2 686	2 635	2 433	2 635	2 686	-1,8%	-1,8%	1,8%	
Poland	4 178	4 755	5 594	4 621	4 508	4 956	5 631	4 563	4 177	4 645	5 170	4 201	5 170	4 645	5 170	4 201	-6,3%	-6,3%	-7,9%	
Portugal	943	995	1 029	1 020	1 003	1 062	1 108	1 039	983	1 056	1 084	1 029	1 084	1 056	1 084	1 029	-0,6%	-0,6%	-1,0%	
Romania	1 753	1 879	2 134	1 651	1 531	1 715	2 065	1 566	1 344	1 532	1 769	1 330	1 769	1 532	1 769	1 330	-12,2%	-12,2%	-15,1%	
Slovenia	196	202	204	210	189	194	194	188	194	191	190	198	190	191	190	198	2,6%	2,6%	5,3%	
Slovakia	513	545	548	558	537	574	585	601	517	577	569	580	569	577	569	580	-3,7%	-3,7%	-3,5%	
Finland	937	899	957	996	1 024	958	1 021	1 050	973	931	978	1 005	978	931	978	1 005	-5,0%	-5,0%	-4,3%	
Sweden	2 485	2 592	2 467	2 716	2 668	2 782	2 673	2 894	2 784	2 811	2 701	2 921	2 701	2 811	2 701	2 921	4,3%	4,3%	0,9%	
United Kingdom	12 130	12 445	12 934	12 954	12 879	13 477	13 483	13 163	12 802	13 004	13 320	13 457	13 320	13 004	13 320	13 457	-0,6%	-0,6%	2,2%	
EU25	89 703	96 667	98 511	94 591	93 274	100 107	99 694	99 595	92 231	98 704	98 931	98 357	98 931	98 704	98 931	98 357	-1,1%	-1,4%	-0,8%	
EU27	.	.	.	.	.	100 107	99 694	99 595	94 069	100 787	101 286	100 201	101 286	100 787	101 286	100 201	.	.	.
Croatia	374	381	379	439	428	448	435	458	439	462	448	453	448	462	448	453	3,0%	3,0%	-1,1%	
Turkey	1 234	1 540	1 452	1 327	1 269	1 340	1 287	1 201	1 211	1 384	1 433	1 347	1 433	1 384	1 433	1 347	-4,6%	3,3%	12,2%	
Liechtenstein
Norway	753	747	750	741	718	731	803	779	705	716	796	776	796	716	796	776	-1,8%	-2,1%	-0,9%	
Switzerland	.	.	.	.	3 952	4 169	4 231	4 278	4 296	4 310	4 454	4 385	4 454	4 310	4 454	4 385	8,7%	3,4%	2,5%

BG: data confidential until 2008

Source: Eurostat (rail.pa.quarta)

Table 2: Evolution of rail passenger transport between 2007 and 2009 - 1000 passengers

	National			International			Total						
	2007	2008	Growth 2007-2008	Share in total 2008	2007	2008	Growth 2007-2008	Share in total 2008	2007	2008	2009*	Growth 2007-2008	Growth 2008-2009*
Belgium	192 246	200 926	4,5%	93,9%	8 808	13 009	47,7%	5,7%	201 054	213 934	219 447	6,4%	2,6%
Bulgaria	32 978	33 302	1,0%	98,7%	264	422	59,8%	1,2%	33 242	33 724	31 348	1,4%	-7,0%
Czech Republic	182 194	174 902	-4,0%	98,7%	1 990	2 355	18,3%	1,3%	184 184	177 257	164 958	-3,8%	-6,9%
Denmark	154 221	157 394	2,1%	93,2%	10 100	11 484	13,7%	6,4%	164 321	168 878	171 175	2,8%	1,4%
Germany	2 226 952	2 330 178	4,6%	99,5%	9 515	10 807	13,6%	0,5%	2 236 467	2 340 985	2 319 372	4,7%	-0,9%
Estonia	5 292	5 124	-3,2%	97,0%	150	161	7,3%	3,0%	5 442	5 285	4 894	-2,9%	-7,4%
Ireland	44 661	43 834	-1,9%	98,2%	850	813	-4,4%	1,8%	45 511	44 647	38 858	-1,9%	-13,0%
Greece	12 855	15 758	22,6%	98,2%	357	292	-18,2%	1,8%	13 212	16 050	15 272	21,5%	-4,8%
Spain	505 922	498 974	-1,4%	99,8%	698	771	10,5%	0,2%	506 620	499 746	466 795	-1,4%	-6,6%
France	1 033 887	1 063 314	2,8%	97,3%	31 536	29 719	-5,8%	2,6%	1 065 423	1 093 033	1 090 369	2,6%	-0,2%
Italy	552 819	584 175	5,7%	99,2%	5 052	4 830	-4,4%	0,8%	557 871	589 005	583 952	5,6%	-0,9%
Latvia	27 042	26 401	-2,4%	98,9%	338	301	-10,9%	1,1%	27 380	26 702	21 504	-2,5%	-19,5%
Lithuania	4 095	4 081	-0,3%	91,8%	383	366	-4,4%	7,6%	4 478	4 447	3 819	-0,7%	-14,1%
Luxembourg	11 748	12 505	6,4%	70,7%	4 693	5 170	10,2%	22,6%	16 442	17 676	17 039	7,5%	-3,6%
Hungary	147 684	142 738	-3,3%	98,5%	1 867	2 162	15,8%	1,5%	149 551	144 900	142 650	-3,1%	-1,6%
Netherlands	342 027	:	:	:	5 475	:	:	:	347 502	340 066	339 457	-2,1%	-0,2%
Austria	191 552	199 308	4,0%	97,0%	6 179	6 253	1,2%	3,0%	197 731	205 561	205 754	4,0%	0,1%
Poland	263 544	271 071	2,9%	99,3%	2 451	1 788	-27,1%	0,7%	265 995	272 859	263 715	2,6%	-3,4%
Portugal	156 511	158 300	1,1%	99,9%	201	155	-22,9%	0,1%	156 712	158 455	153 793	1,1%	-2,9%
Romania	85 284	74 851	-12,2%	99,3%	469	492	4,9%	0,6%	85 753	75 343	65 538	-12,1%	-13,0%
Slovenia	15 232	15 753	3,4%	96,9%	484	504	4,1%	3,0%	15 716	16 257	15 970	3,4%	-1,8%
Slovakia	43 990	45 591	3,6%	93,7%	2 994	3 064	2,3%	5,9%	46 984	48 655	46 175	3,6%	-5,1%
Finland	66 286	69 505	4,9%	99,4%	399	432	8,3%	0,6%	66 685	69 937	68 759	4,9%	-1,7%
Sweden	158 621	167 090	5,3%	93,6%	10 440	11 416	9,3%	6,0%	169 061	178 506	175 266	5,6%	-1,8%
United Kingdom	1 221 434	1 287 439	5,4%	98,7%	17 066	17 152	0,5%	1,3%	1 238 500	1 304 591	1 256 401	5,3%	-3,7%
EU25	7 560 817	:	:	:	122 026	:	:	:	7 682 843	7 937 432	7 785 394	3,3%	-1,9%
EU27	7 679 079	:	:	:	122 759	:	:	:	7 801 839	8 046 499	7 882 280	3,1%	-2,0%
Croatia	62 367	70 170	12,5%	99,1%	606	630	4,0%	0,9%	62 973	70 800	73 402	12,4%	3,7%
Turkey	81 052	78 931	-2,6%	99,7%	208	255	22,6%	0,3%	81 260	79 187	:	-2,6%	:
Liechtenstein	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	97	:	:	:	:
Norway	54 621	56 788	4,0%	99,6%	148	219	48,0%	0,4%	54 769	57 007	:	4,1%	:
Switzerland	:	315 203	:	96,5%	:	11 565	:	3,4%	:	326 768	:	:	:

Figures in italics are estimates (see methodological notes)
 Source: Eurostat ([rail_pa_typedpas](#) (2007 and 2008 data), [rail_pa_quartal](#) (2009 data))

Methodology

Definition of passenger-kilometres by rail

A passenger-kilometre is a unit of measure of passenger transport which represents the transport of one passenger by rail over a distance of one kilometre. Only the distance on the national territory of the reporting country is taken into account.

Graph 1 and Table 1

The figures presented are based on quarterly data collected under the so-called 'detailed' reporting.

'Simplified' reporting is not included in the elements. Simplified reporting is an alternative to the normal detailed reporting for undertakings whose total transport performance is less than 200 million passenger-kilometres during the reference year. Unlike detailed reporting, only total annual transport is available from simplified reporting.

As a consequence, for countries which use simplified reporting as an alternative for small railway undertakings, quarterly data presented in this publication are underestimated ('smaller' undertakings are not included). However this is not the case for the following countries: BE, CZ, DE, EE, IE, EL, FR, LV, LT, LU, HU, PL, PT, SI, SK, FI, SE, UK, HR, TR and CH.

Table 2

At EU level, the aggregated figures presented for international transport do not exclude double counting: this means that passengers travelling between EU countries are counted twice, as reported by both partner countries.

The 2007 and 2008 figures presented are based on annual data collected under the so-called 'detailed' and 'simplified' reporting.

Figures in italics are estimates based on quarterly data (2008 data for the Netherlands and 2009 total transport data) collected under 'detailed' reporting.

The 2008/2009 growth available could thus be underestimated for countries providing both 'detailed' and 'simplified' reporting (i.e. DK, ES and AT).

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