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Passenger Transport Statistics (PT)

September 2026. Provisional data

Main results

- The number of passengers using public transport increased by 2.6% in September, as compared with the same month of 2025.
- The annual rate for city transport increased by 2.5% and for inter-city transport by 3.6%.

Más información

- Tables annex (includes information by autonomous community and type of transport)
- Detailed results (monthly and annual data)

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More than 508.4 million passengers used public transport in September, 2.6% more than in the same month of 2025.

The annual rate for city transport increased by 2.5% and for inter-city transport 3.6%. Within the latter, it is worth noting the 7.5% rise in the bus transport.

Annual evolution of passenger transport by mode of transport
Percentage

		City	Intercity	Special and unscheduled
2025	September	6.0	4.6	-2.1
	October	5.4	3.6	0.9
	November	6.8	1.8	-0.6
	December	3.4	3.6	4.6
2026	January	-0.2	-4.7	-4.4
	February	2.0	-4.1	-1.4
	March	4.8	0.1	1.8
	April	8.4	1.2	6.1
	May	1.8	-1.0	-0.1
	June	3.1	-0.6	3.0
	July	1.2	0.1	6.9
	August	4.1	1.5	4.2
	September	2.5	3.6	0.1

City transport

City transport was used by more than 316.7 million passengers in September, 2.5% more than in the same month of 2025.

Metro transport increased by 2.5% in annual rate and City transport by bus increased by 2.5% in September.

Inter-city transport

More than 150.6 million passengers used inter-city transport in September, representing a 3.6% increase as compared with the same month of 2025.

By mode of transport, the bus transport increased by 7.5%, and the air transport by 1.8%, whereas the rail transport decreased by 1.4%, and the maritime transport by 3.8%.

Inter-city transport by mode of transport and distance. September 2026
Annual rate. Percentage

			Passengers (thousands)	Annual rate (%)
Bus	TOTAL		87,120	7.5
	Local		58,060	6.1
	Regional		27,272	11.0
	Long-distance		1,788	1.1
Rail[1]	TOTAL		57,936	-1.4
	Local		49,744	0.3
	Regional		3,711	-19.6
	Long-distance	TOTAL	4,481	-1.0
		High Speed	3,744	-0.3
		Rest of long-distance rail	737	-4.6
Air (domestic)	TOTAL		4,437	1.8
	Mainland Spain		1,492	4.0
	Mainland - Rest of territory		2,397	0.8
	Inter-island		548	0.2
Maritime (cabotage)	TOTAL		1,130	-3.8

[1] Local rail includes RENFE and all autonomic rail operators. Long-distance rail includes AVE, AVLO, OUIGO e IRYO.

Special and unscheduled transport

More than 41.0 million passengers used special and unscheduled transport in September, indicating an increase of 0.1% in annual rate.

The number of special transport passengers decreased by 2.8%, reaching more than 24.2 million users. Within this, school transport decreased by 3.5% and work transport did so by 0.9%.

Finally, unscheduled transport increased by 4.6% as compared with the same month of 2025, with more than 16.8 million passengers.

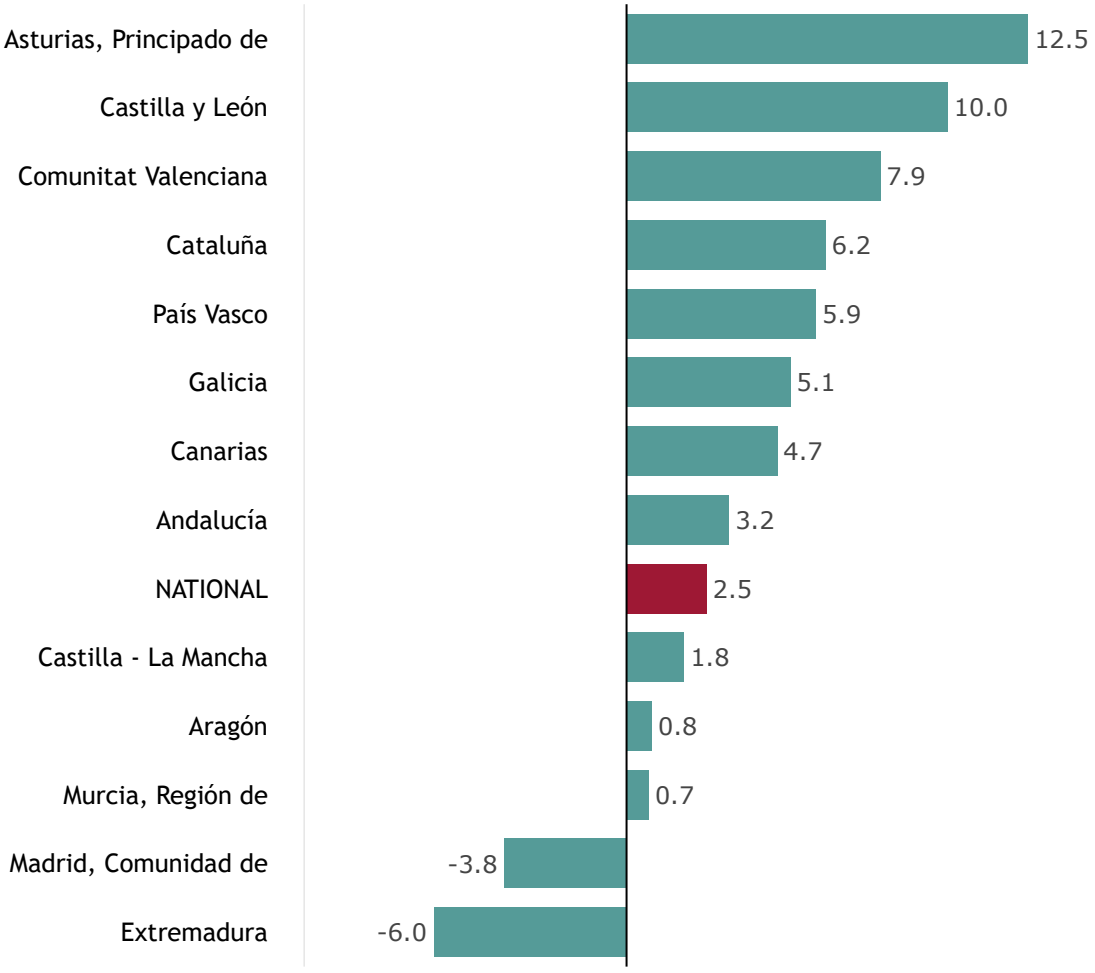
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Result by Autonomous Communities

The number of bus transport passengers showed the highest increases in Principado de Asturias (12.5%), Castilla y León (10.0%) and Comunitat Valenciana (7.9%).

In turn, the largest decreases in bus transport passengers were shown in Extremadura (-6.0%) and Comunidad de Madrid (-3.8%) in bus transport.

City transport by bus[1]. September 2026
Annual rate. Percentage



[1] In order to maintain statistical secrecy, data of Autonomous Communities of Illes Balears, Cantabria, Comunidad Foral de Navarra and La Rioja, and the Autonomous Cities of Ceuta and Melilla are not separately published.

Metro transport increased in all cities with this type of transport as compared with the same month of the previous year, except Valencia's, which decreased by 0.3%. Sevilla's metro registered the highest increase (7.7%).

Data revisions and updates

On the press release day, INE has updated PT data for the same month of the previous year. Results are available at INEbase.

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Methodological note

The purpose of the Passenger Transport Statistics (PT) is to provide monthly information regarding the number of passengers transported by city transport (bus and metropolitan), inter-city transport (road, rail, air and sea) and special and unscheduled bus transport.

Road transport in researched through a simple survey. For rail transport, the number of passengers is calculated using the information provided by the railway operators (RENFE and other autonomous companies). The information for air transport is provided by Civil Aviation, and for sea transport, the number of passengers disembarked is compiled using information from State Ports.

Survey Type: ongoing monthly.

Population scope: companies involved in passenger transport irrespective of their main activity.

Geographical scope: the whole county

Reference period of the results: month.

Reference period of the information: month.

Sample size: Approximately 1,500 companies.

Type of sampling: stratified random sampling of companies, by Autonomous Communities, number of employees and type of transport.

Collection method: fill in a questionnaire by respondent using one of the following methods: internet (IRIA system), email, fax, telephone or post.

Further information is available in the methodology and in the standardized methodological report.

INE's statistics are produced according to the European Statistics Code of Practice**.** For further information at Quality at INE and Code of Practice**.**

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