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Passenger Transport Statistics
October 2008. Provisional data

The number of passengers using city transport increases 0.4% in October as compared with the same month of the previous year

The number of passengers using inter-city transport increases 0.7% in the interannual rate

More than 296.3 million passengers used **city transport** in October, representing a 0.4% increase with regard to the same month of 2007. Increases of 1.1% in the metropolitan service were recorded in October, while the bus service recorded practically no change.

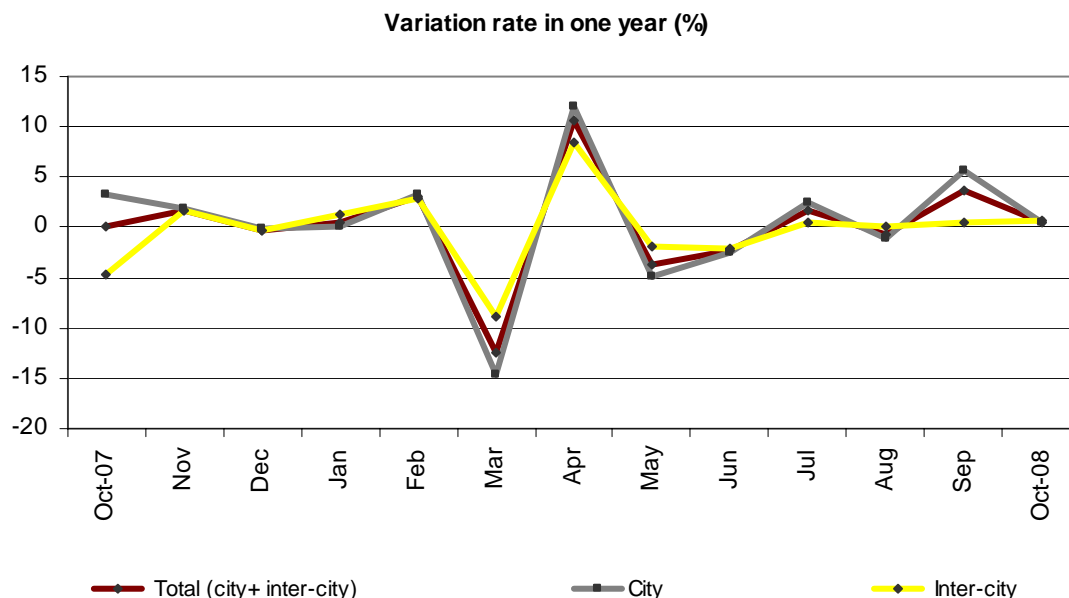
On the other hand, **inter-city transport** was used by nearly 175.5 million passengers, that is, 0.7% more than during the same month of the previous year.

	No. of passengers (thousands)	% rate	
		Inter-annual	Accumulated inter-annual
City transport			
TOTAL	296,324	0.42	-0.25
Buses	183,337	0.03	-0.95
- Scheduled ¹	182,159	0.04	-1.03
General scheduled	171,804	-0.06	-1.42
Special scheduled	10,356	1.66	-2.74
- Non-scheduled	1,178	-0.41	1.25
Metropolitan	112,986	1.06	0.90
Inter-city transport			
TOTAL	175,463	0.66	-0.01
Road transport	117,132	1.27	0.54
- Scheduled ¹	101,625	2.06	0.79
- Non-scheduled	15,507	-3.66	-0.79
Railway transport	54,457	0.63	-0.73
Air transport (domestic) ³	3,240	-15.91	-5.37
Sea transport (cabotage) ^{2, 3}	634	-7.09	-1.09

(1) Inter-city transport by road includes: general scheduled and special scheduled (scholars and workers).

(2) Disembarked passengers only.

(3) Estimated data.



General scheduled city transport by bus decreases 0.1%

More than 171.8 million passengers used the general scheduled city bus in the last month of October, representing a decrease of 0.1% as compared with the same month of 2007.

By Autonomous Community it is worth noting the interannual increase registered in Andalucía (5.6%) and the decrease registered in Extremadura (-5.6%).

General scheduled city bus service

	No. of passengers (thousands)	% rate	
		inter-annual	Accumulated inter-annual
TOTAL	171,804	-0.06	-1.42
Andalucía	23,234	5.57	2.26
Aragón	12,962	1.61	7.19
Asturias (Principado de)	3,728	0.02	3.01
Canarias	4,023	2.58	0.07
Castilla y León	7,044	0.60	0.86
Castilla-La Mancha	2,232	2.03	4.93
Cataluña	32,354	-0.51	-3.28
Comunitat Valenciana	13,326	0.45	-2.00
Extremadura	1,343	-5.58	-1.48
Galicia	5,973	2.75	1.62
Madrid (Comunidad de)	45,749	-3.74	-6.90
Murcia (Región de)	1,964	2.39	1.93
País Vasco	7,676	1.42	1.31
Others ¹	10,196	-0.69	2.85

¹ In order to protect the statistical secrecy, Autonomous Communities are grouped in those cases in which data at a company level could be identified.

Transport by special scheduled city bus increases 1.7%

During the month of October, the special scheduled city bus service experienced an increase of 1.7% in the interannual rate. Within this, special scheduled school bus service registered an increase of 3.9%, while special scheduled work bus service experienced a decrease of 4.7%.

Special scheduled city bus

	No. of passengers (thousands)	% rate	
		inter-annual	Accumulated inter-annual
TOTAL	10,356	1.66	-2.74
School	7,850	3.87	-3.06
Workers	2,506	-4.70	-1.95

Transport by metropolitan increases 1.1% in the interannual rate

The number of passengers using the metropolitan increased 1.1% in October as compared with the same month in 2007. Increases were recorded in Valencia (2.6%), Barcelona (2.5%) and Bilbao (2.3%), while the Madrid metropolitan presented a slight decrease.

Metropolitan

	No. of passengers (thousands)	% rate	
		inter-annual	Accumulated inter-annual
TOTAL	112,987	1.06	0.90
Barcelona	34,876	2.53	3.25
Bilbao	8,036	2.28	0.85
Madrid	63,712	-0.04	-0.25
Valencia	6,363	2.62	-0.04

Inter-city transport increases 0.7% as compared with October 2007

The number of passengers on inter-city transport was approximately 175.5 million during the month of October, representing an interannual increase of 0.7%.

In road transport, the number of passengers using the bus to commute increased 1.3% in the interannual rate. Increases were registered in both scheduled transport modalities, 2.4% among users of general scheduled transport and 1.5% among users of special scheduled transport. In contrast, non-scheduled transport decreased 3.7% as compared with the same month the previous year.

Railway transport increased 0.6% in the interannual rate. This increase was mainly due to the increase of passengers using RENFE AVE-Long Distance (28.5%).

Inter-city Transport

	No. of passengers (thousands)	% rate	
		Interannual	Accumulated interannual
TOTAL	175,463	0.66	-0.01
Road transport	117,132	1.27	0.54
General Scheduled	65,080	2.39	0.75
Special scheduled	36,545	1.49	0.89
- School	26,983	4.12	0.51
- Workers	9,562	-5.25	1.72
Non-scheduled	15,507	-3.66	-0.79
	54,457	0.63	-0.73
RENFE	46,217	0.47	-0.63
- AVE - Long distance ²	2,073	28.52	24.05
- Regional ³	2,973	6.22	2.11
- Local	41,171	-1.01	-1.85
Narrow gauge trains	8,240	1.55	-1.31
Air (domestic) ¹	3,240	-15.91	-5.37
Sea transport (cabotage) ¹	634	-7.09	-1.09

(1) Estimated data.

(2) Long Distance includes long distance and long distance high speed.

(3) Regional includes regional and regional high speed.

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