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**Passenger Transport Statistics
November 2008. Provisional data**

The number of passengers using city transport decreases 2% in November as compared with the same month of the previous year

The number of passengers using inter-city transport decreases 1.3% in the interannual rate

More than 274 million passengers used **city transport** in November, representing a 2.0% decrease with regard to the same month of 2007. Decreases of -2.3% in the bus service and -1.4% in the metropolitan service were recorded in November.

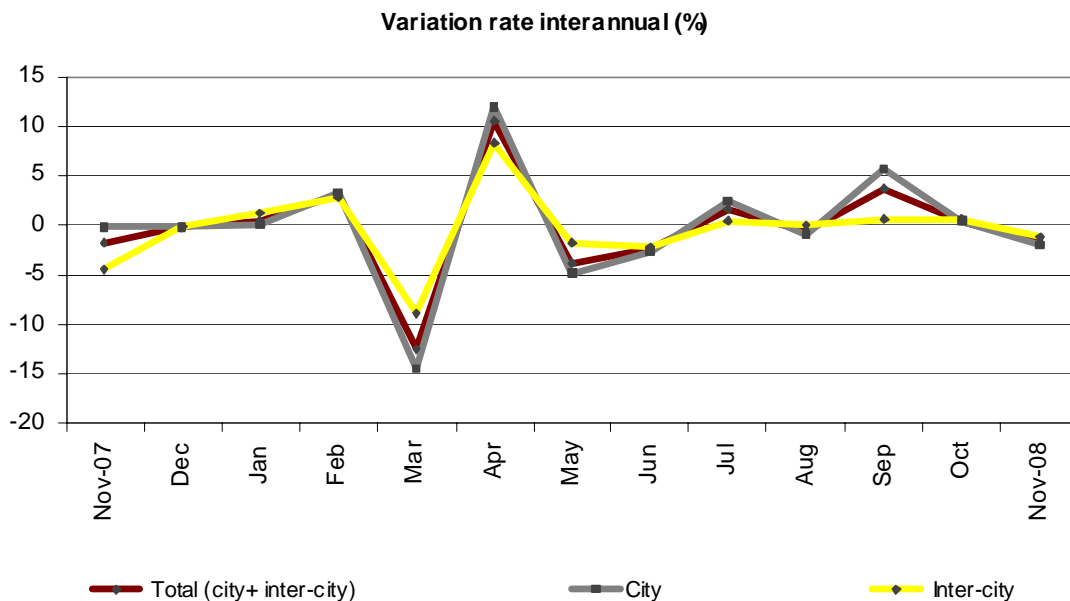
On the other hand, **inter-city transport** was used by more 161 million passengers, that is, 1.3% less than during the same month of the previous year.

	No. of passengers (thousands)	Variation rate	
		Interannual	Accumulated interannual
City transport			
TOTAL	274,195	-1.95	-0.41
Buses	169,199	-2.27	-1.08
- Scheduled ¹	168,158	-2.22	-1.15
General scheduled	158,431	-2.43	-1.51
Special scheduled	9,727	1.23	-2.32
- Non-scheduled	1,041	-9.23	0.39
Metropolitan	104,996	-1.44	0.68
Inter-city transport			
TOTAL	161,642	-1.26	-0.13
Road transport	106,679	-1.54	0.34
- Scheduled ¹	93,308	-0.83	0.63
- Non-scheduled	13,371	-6.24	-1.22
Railway transport	51,625	0.60	-0.61
Air transport (domestic)	2,820	-19.51	-6.80
Sea transport (cabotage) ^{2, 3}	518	-2.67	-0.83

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

(2) Disembarked passengers only.

(3) Estimated data.



General scheduled city transport by bus decreases 2.4%

More than 158.4 million passengers used the general scheduled city bus this past month of November, representing a decrease of 2.4% as compared with the same month of 2007.

By Autonomous Community, it is worth noting the interannual increase registered in Canarias (3.2%) and the decrease registered in Murcia (-7.5%).

General scheduled city bus service

	No. of passengers (thousands)	Variation rate	
		interannual	Accumulated interannual
TOTAL	158,431	-2.43	-1.51
Andalucía	21,815	-3.22	1.71
Aragón	11,239	-1.00	6.42
Asturias (Principado de)	3,481	-2.21	2.52
Canarias	3,776	3.20	0.31
Castilla y León	6,567	-0.50	0.73
Castilla-La Mancha	2,057	-0.43	4.38
Cataluña	29,680	-1.06	-3.07
Comunitat Valenciana	12,523	-1.05	-1.91
Extremadura	1,199	-5.63	-1.90
Galicia	5,259	-2.29	1.25
Madrid (Comunidad de)	42,875	-4.27	-6.65
Murcia (Región de)	1,841	-7.53	0.94
País Vasco	7,102	-0.30	1.15
Others ¹	9,017	-3.91	2.22

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 1.2%

During the month of November, the special scheduled city bus service experienced an increase of 1.2% in the interannual rate. Within this, the special scheduled school bus service registered an increase of 2.9%, while the special scheduled work bus service experienced a decrease of 3.7%.

Special scheduled city bus

	No. of passengers (thousands)	Variation rate interannual	Accumulated interannual
TOTAL	9,727	1.23	-2.32
Students	7,416	2.86	-2.40
Workers	2,311	-3.67	-2.12

Transport by metropolitan decreases 1.4% in the interannual rate

The number of passengers using the metropolitan decreased 1.4% in November as compared with the same month in 2007. An increase was recorded in Valencia (3.4%), while the Barcelona, Madrid and Bilbao metropolitan services presented decreases of 2.7%, 1.3% and 0.8%, respectively.

Metropolitan

	No. of passengers (thousands)	Variation rate interannual	Accumulated interannual
TOTAL	104,996	-1.44	0.68
Barcelona	31,932	-2.71	2.67
Bilbao	7,483	-0.83	0.69
Madrid	59,317	-1.32	-0.35
Valencia	6,264	3.42	0.29

Inter-city transport decreases 1.3% as compared with November 2007

The number of passengers using inter-city transport exceeded 161.6 million persons during the month of November, representing an interannual decrease of 1.3%.

In road transport, the number of passengers using the bus to commute decreased 1.5% in the interannual rate. A decrease was registered among the users of general scheduled transport (-1.4%), whereas the passengers using special scheduled transport experienced a slight increase of 0.1%. In turn, non-scheduled transport decreased 6.2% as compared with the same month the previous year.

Air transport suffered a significant drop of 19.5% in the interannual rate, with respect to November 2007.

Inter-city Transport

	No. of passengers (thousands)	Variation rate	
		Interannual	Accumulated interannual
TOTAL	161,642	-1.26	-0.13
Road transport	106,679	-1.54	0.34
General Scheduled	58,962	-1.38	0.55
Special scheduled	34,346	0.13	0.81
- Students	24,833	1.03	0.57
- Workers	9,513	-2.13	1.33
Non-scheduled	13,371	-6.24	-1.22
	51,625	0.60	-0.61
RENFE	44,200	0.30	-0.54
- AVE - Long distance ²	1,739	28.52	24.40
- Regional ³	2,591	6.22	2.46
- Local	39,870	-1.00	-1.76
Narrow gauge trains	7,425	2.41	-0.97
Air (domestic)	2,820	-19.51	-6.80
Sea transport (cabotage) ¹	518	-2.67	-0.83

(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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