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**Passenger Transport Statistics (PT)**  
November 2021. Provisional data

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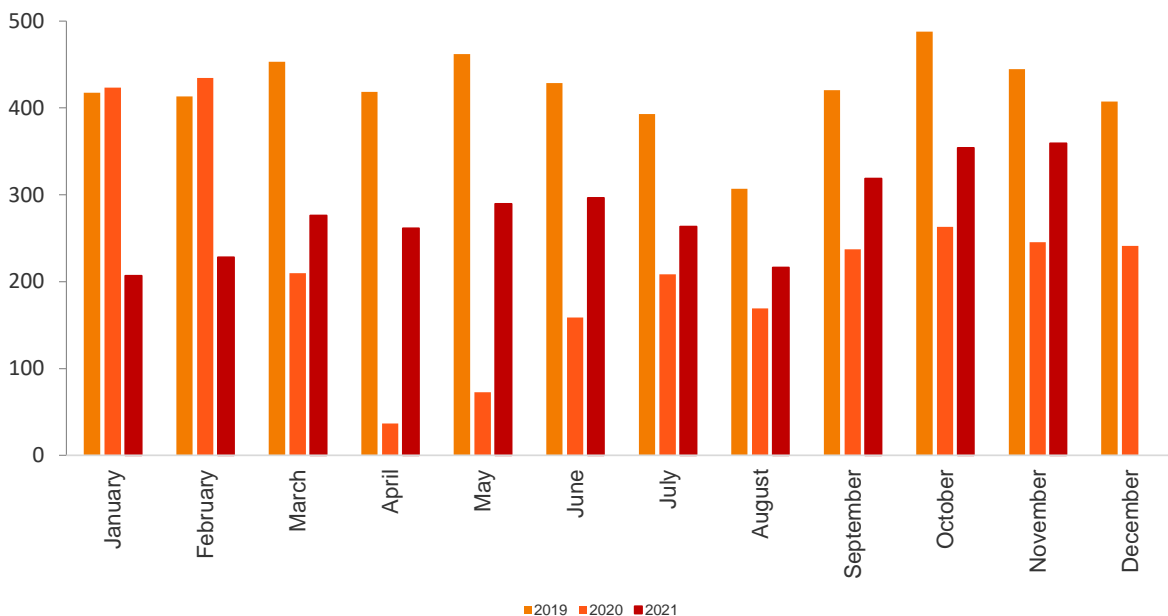
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**Evolution of passenger transport**

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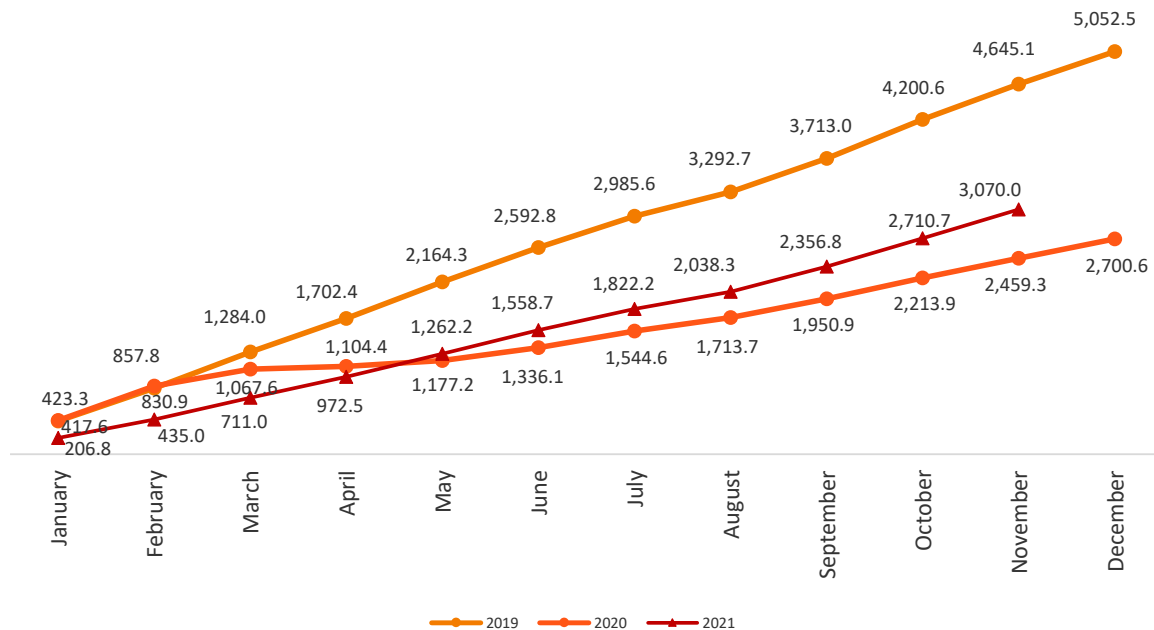
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Millions.



In the first eleven months of 2021 the number of passengers has increased by 24.8% compared to the same period last year.

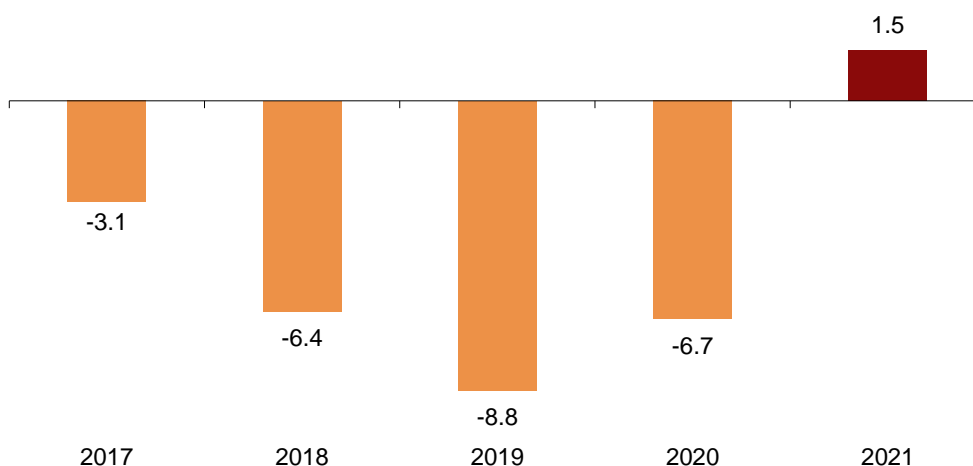
**Cumulative passengers. Comparative 2019-2021.**  
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**Evolution of the monthly rate**

The variation rate of the number of public transport passengers in November as compared with October was 1.5%. In order to contribute to the analysis and interpretation of data, the evolution of the monthly rate of public transport passengers in recent years is shown in the following chart.

**Evolution of the monthly rate of number of public passengers transport**  
**Month-on-month rate of November as compared with October**



## City transport

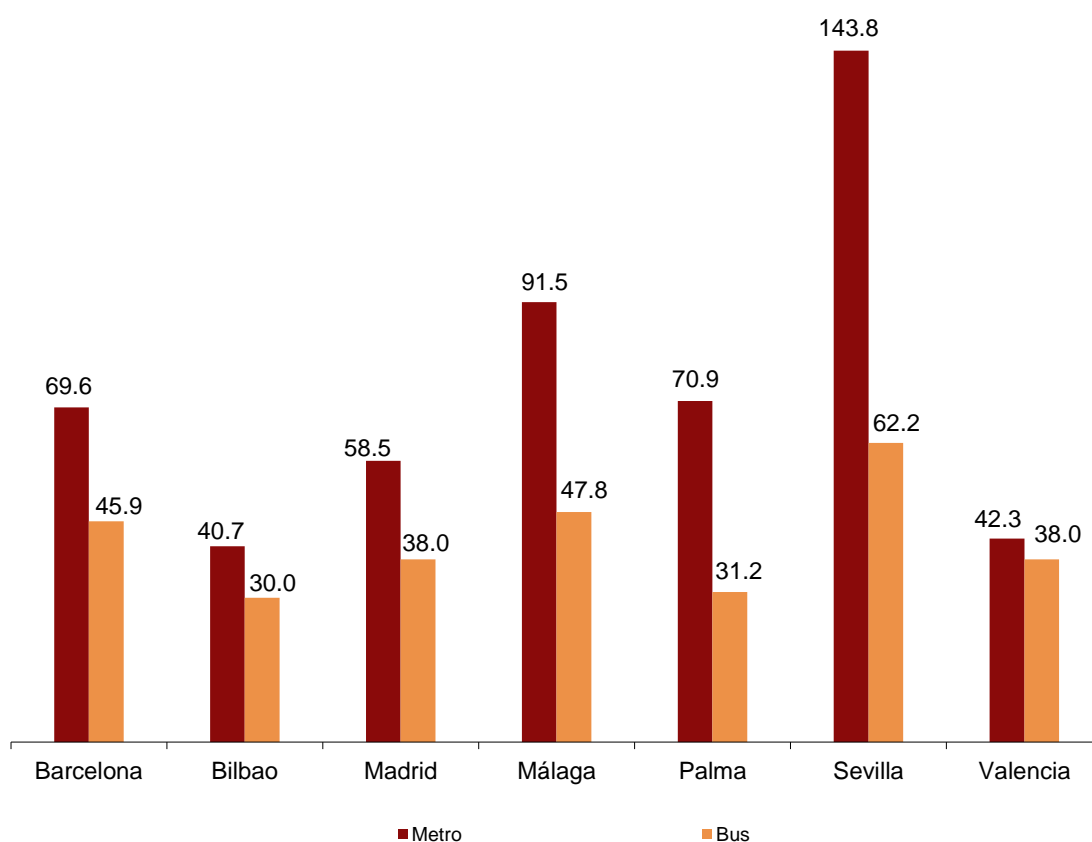
City transport was used by more than 219.7 million passengers in November, 48.7% more than in the same month of 2020.

Metro transport increased by 60.5% in annual rate. Sevilla's metro registered the highest increase (143.8%) and Bilbao's the lowest (40.7%).

Among the cities with metro, the highest increase in bus transport was registered in Sevilla (62.2%) and the lowest in Bilbao (30.0%)

### City transport passengers in cities with metro. November 2021.

Annual rate. Percentage



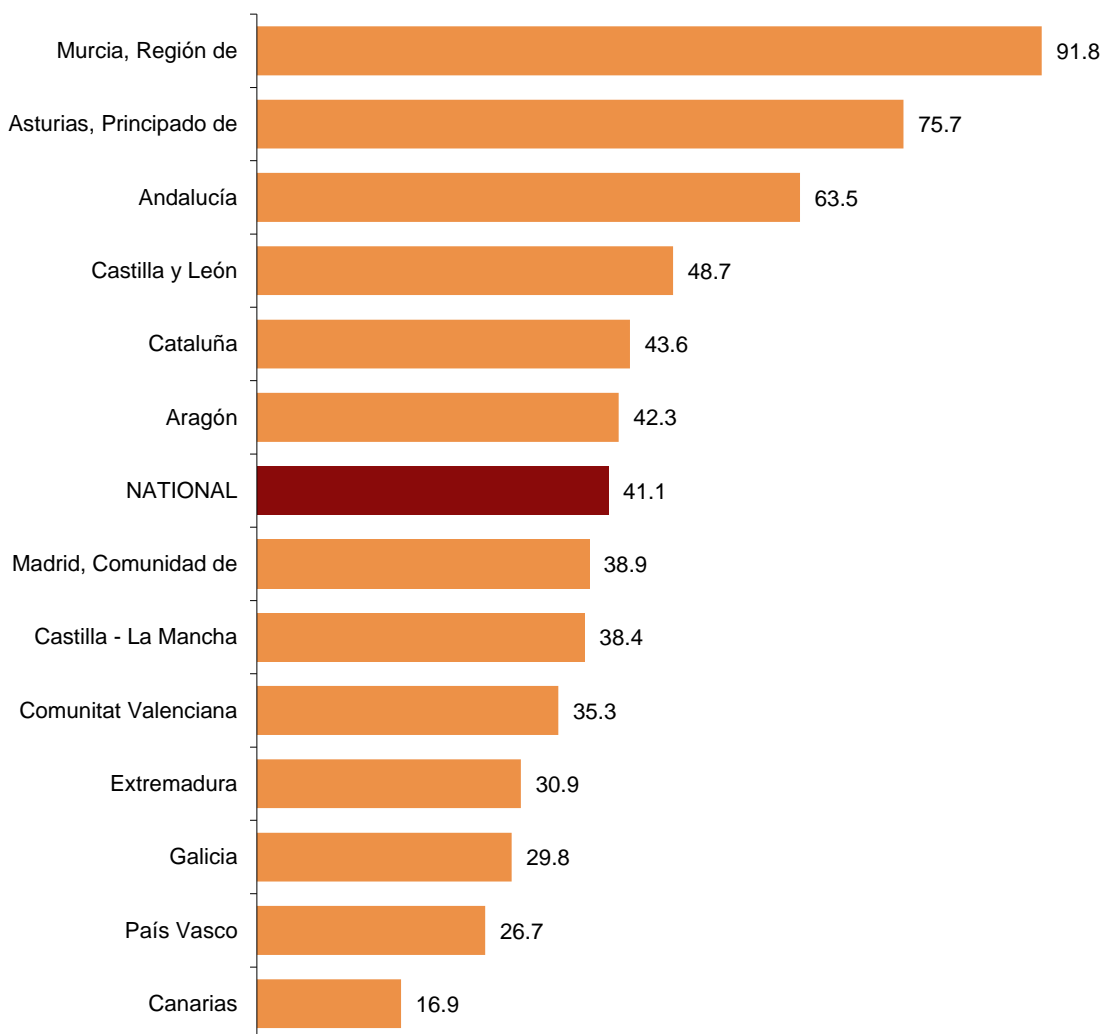
City transport by bus increased by 41.1% in November, as compared with the same month of 2020.

All the Autonomous Communities showed positive annual rates. The highest increases were showed in Región de Murcia (91.8%), Principado de Asturias (75.7%) and Andalucía (63.5%).

In turn, Canarias (16.9%), País Vasco (26.7%) and Galicia (29.8%) showed the lowest increases in bus transport.

### City transport by bus<sup>1</sup>. November 2021.

Annual rate. Percentage



<sup>1</sup> 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.

## Inter-city transport

More than 98.1 million passengers used inter-city transport in November, representing a 54.9% increase as compared with the same month of 2020.

By mode of transport, the air transport increased by 195.2%, the maritime transport by 113.4%, the rail transport increased by 58.1% and the bus transport by 48.4%.

Commuter transport increased by 43.8% by bus and by rail transport by 51.0%. Regional transport increased by 58.0% by bus and by 111.3% by rail transport.

Finally, long distance transport increased by 177.6% by bus and by 287.1% by rail transport. Within the latter, AVE (high speed railway) increased by 318.0%.

## Inter-city transport by mode of transport and distance. November 2021.

Annual rate. Percentage

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Annual rate %
<b>Bus</b>	51,517	48.4
Local	37,278	43.8
Regional	13,451	58.0
Long-distance	787	177.6
<b>Rail <sup>1</sup></b>	43,500	58.1
Local	39,172	51.0
Regional	2,151	111.3
Long-distance	2,177	287.1
AVE train	1,497	318.0
Rest of long-distance rail	679	232.7
<b>Air (domestic)</b>	2,554	195.2
Mainland Spain	997	340.8
Mainland-Rest of territory	1,200	232.8
Inter-island	356	28.0
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<sup>1</sup> Local rail includes RENFE and all autonomic rail operators and regional and long-distance rail include only RENFE

## Special and unscheduled transport

More than 41.4 million passengers used special and unscheduled transport in November, indicating an increase of 21.0% in annual rate.

The number of special transport passengers increased by 2.7%, reaching more than 32.3 million users. Within this, school transport increased by 2.8% and work transport did so by 2.3%.

Finally, unscheduled transport increased by 229.8% as compared with the same month of 2020, with more than 9.0 million passengers.

## Revisions and data update

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

## 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 is 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 country.

**Reference period of the results:** month.

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**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:

[http://www.ine.es/dyngs/INEbase/en/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica\\_C&cid=1254736176906&menu=metodologia&idp=1254735576820](http://www.ine.es/dyngs/INEbase/en/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica_C&cid=1254736176906&menu=metodologia&idp=1254735576820)

And in the standardized methodological report:

<http://www.ine.es/dynt3/metadatos/en/RespuestaDatos.html?oe=30163>

INE's statistics are produced according to the European Statistics Code of Practice, that underlies the policy and strategy of the institution quality. For further information, take a look at the section [Quality at INE and Code of Practice](#) at INE Website

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### 1. Passenger transport

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
<b>BY TYPE OF TRANSPORT</b>	<b>359,317</b>	<b>46.4</b>	<b>24.8</b>
City transport	219,723	48.7	23.1
Inter-city transport	98,191	54.9	22.9
Special and unscheduled transport	41,403	21.0	41.7

### 2. City transport

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
<b>CITY TRANSPORT</b>	<b>219,723</b>	<b>48.7</b>	<b>23.1</b>
Metro	92,145	60.5	24.5
Bus <sup>1</sup>	127,578	41.1	22.2

<sup>1</sup> Including trams and funiculars

## 2.1 City transport in major cities with Metro

		Passengers transported (thousands)	% variation	
			Annual	Year-to-date average
Barcelona	City bus	15,949	45.9	28.1
	Metro	30,092	69.6	26.4
Bilbao	City bus	2,717	30.0	25.7
	Metro	6,860	40.7	18.9
Madrid	City bus	31,098	38.0	22.8
	Metro	48,329	58.5	25.1
Málaga	City bus	3,083	47.8	16.6
	Metro	586	91.5	24.3
Palma	City bus	2,443	31.2	22.0
	Metro	123	70.9	43.0
Sevilla	City bus	6,014	62.2	18.5
	Metro	1,369	143.8	28.8
Valencia	City bus	6,264	38.0	11.6
	Metro	4,786	42.3	14.3

## 2.2 Urban transport by bus by Autonomous Cities and Communities

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		Annual	Year-to-date average
<b>NATIONAL</b>	<b>127,578</b>	<b>41.1</b>	<b>22.2</b>
Andalucía	16,228	63.5	20.2
Aragón	8,980	42.3	23.1
Asturias, Principado de	2,359	75.7	21.3
Balears, Illes	.	.	.
Canarias	5,069	16.9	21.2
Cantabria	.	.	.
Castilla y León	4,690	48.7	21.1
Castilla - La Mancha	1,403	38.4	17.5
Cataluña	22,150	43.6	28.3
Comunitat Valenciana	9,925	35.3	14.2
Extremadura	834	30.9	19.1
Galicia	4,362	29.8	16.4
Madrid, Comunidad de	35,951	38.9	22.8
Murcia, Región de	1,529	91.8	21.6
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	.	.	.
País Vasco	6,289	26.7	20.1
Rioja, La	.	.	.
Ceuta	.	.	.
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### 4. Special and unscheduled transport

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<b>SPECIAL AND UNSCHEDULED TRANSPORT</b>	<b>41,403</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>41.7</b>
<b>Special</b>	32,325	2.7	43.2
School	25,624	2.8	56.5
Work	6,702	2.3	15.0
<b>Unscheduled</b>	9,078	229.8	36.0