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Transport activity

2nd Quarter 2014

Movement of goods declined in ports and in road mode yet increased in railway

Movement of passengers grew steadily in airports, increased again in light railway but is still reducing in inland waterways

In the 2nd quarter 2014, the movement of goods in ports decreased by 0.7%¹ (+5.2% in the 1st quarter 2014), as a result of a 12.3% decline in national traffic, in spite of a 1.4% increase in the international movement.

Railway freight transport recorded increases of 8.6% in terms of tonnage (+20.3% in the 1st quarter 2014) and 13.5% considering tonne-kilometres (+30.4% in the 1st quarter 2014).

In air transport mode, the movement of aircrafts, passengers and cargo/mail increased by 7.4%, 11.4% and 6.8%, respectively (+3.3%, +6.5% and +3.4% in the 1st quarter 2014).

The relative weight of goods transported in road freight vehicles with national registration declined by 2.7%, an inversion of the growing trend registered since the 2nd quarter 2013.

With regard to the transport of passengers, there was a decline in heavy railway mode (-0.8%) and in inland waterways (-2.6%) on a par with an increase in light railway systems (+2.2%).

¹ Unless stated otherwise, the change rates presented in this press release were calculated in relation to the same period of the previous year, therefore they should be considered as year-on-year change rates.