

Transport activity
4th quarter 2017

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## **Transport activity: Preliminary results for 2017**

In 2017, passengers transported by air increased by 16.4%, reinforcing the evolution of the previous year (+14.3% in 2016). By heavy railway, there was an increase of 5.9% and by underground a 5.6% rise (+2.7% and +5.3%, in the same order, in 2016).

In relation to the movement of goods, in 2017 there were increases in ports (+1.4%), at airports (+19.1%), by road (+6.3%) and by rail (+2.4%). In the previous year there were variations of +5.1%, +1.9%, -4.0% and -6.3%, in the same order.

In the 4th quarter 2017, the national airports registered a movement of 11.9 million passengers, resulting in an increase of  $12.5\%^1$  (+14.7% in Q3). Passengers carried by rail and underground also continued to increase (+4.5% and +2.9%, respectively, after +6.3% and +3.8% in Q3).

The movement of goods in ports totalled 21.9 million tons in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, decreasing 6.6%, after +0.2% in Q3.

The goods transported registered acceleration in the  $4^{th}$  quarter both by rail (+8.3%, compared to +7.1% in Q3, totalling 2.8 million tonnes) and by road (+5.5%, after +3.8% in Q3, totalling 37.4 million tonnes).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unless stated otherwise, the change rates presented in this press release were calculated in relation to the same period of the previous year (year-on-year change rates).