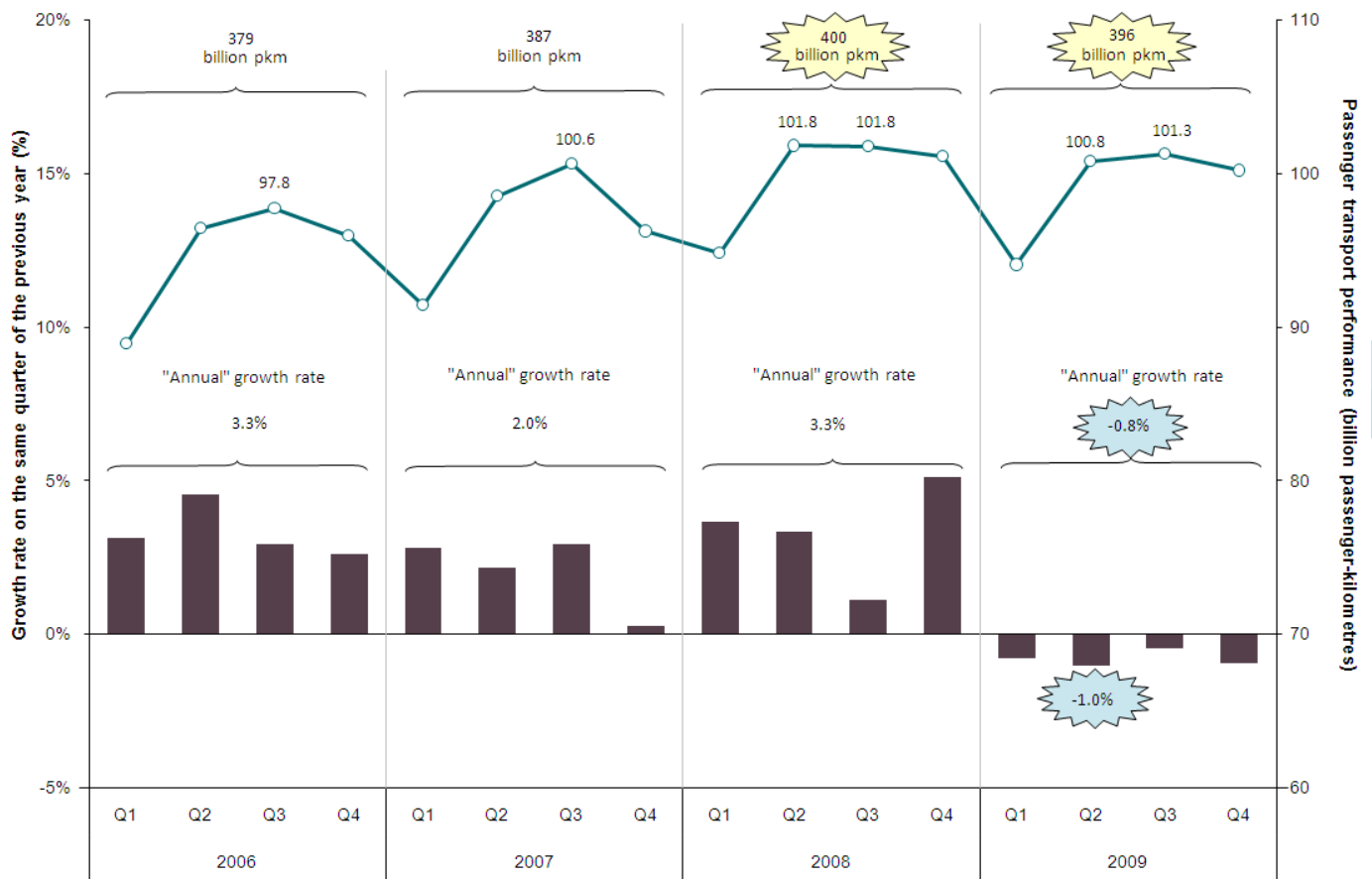


Rail transport of passengers between 2007 and 2009

Rail passenger transport performance decreased slightly between 2008 and 2009 (-0.8%). In 2009, the economic crisis stopped the steady increase observed in rail transport performance over recent years.

Graph 1: Quarterly evolution of rail passenger transport performance at EU27 level* - billion passenger-kilometres



* Data from Bulgaria not included until 2008 due to confidentiality issues

Source: Eurostat ([rail_pa_quartal](#))

Table 2: Evolution of rail passenger transport between 2007 and 2009 - 1000 passengers

	National			International			Total						
	2007	2008	Growth 2007-2008	Share in total 2008	2007	2008	Growth 2007-2008	Share in total 2008	2007	2008	2009*	Growth 2007-2008	Growth 2008-2009*
Belgium	192 246	200 926	4,5%	93,9%	8 808	13 009	47,7%	5,7%	201 054	213 934	219 447	6,4%	2,6%
Bulgaria	32 978	33 302	1,0%	98,7%	264	422	59,8%	1,2%	33 242	33 724	31 348	1,4%	-7,0%
Czech Republic	182 194	174 902	-4,0%	98,7%	1 990	2 355	18,3%	1,3%	184 184	177 257	164 958	-3,8%	-6,9%
Denmark	154 221	157 394	2,1%	93,2%	10 100	11 484	13,7%	6,4%	164 321	168 878	171 175	2,8%	1,4%
Germany	2 226 952	2 330 178	4,6%	99,5%	9 515	10 807	13,6%	0,5%	2 236 467	2 340 985	2 319 372	4,7%	-0,9%
Estonia	5 292	5 124	-3,2%	97,0%	150	161	7,3%	3,0%	5 442	5 285	4 894	-2,9%	-7,4%
Ireland	44 661	43 834	-1,9%	98,2%	850	813	-4,4%	1,8%	45 511	44 647	38 858	-1,9%	-13,0%
Greece	12 855	15 758	22,6%	98,2%	357	292	-18,2%	1,8%	13 212	16 050	15 272	21,5%	-4,8%
Spain	505 922	498 974	-1,4%	99,8%	698	771	10,5%	0,2%	506 620	499 746	466 795	-1,4%	-6,6%
France	1 033 887	1 063 314	2,8%	97,3%	31 536	29 719	-5,8%	2,6%	1 065 423	1 093 033	1 090 369	2,6%	-0,2%
Italy	552 819	584 175	5,7%	99,2%	5 052	4 830	-4,4%	0,8%	557 871	589 005	583 952	5,6%	-0,9%
Latvia	27 042	26 401	-2,4%	98,9%	338	301	-10,9%	1,1%	27 380	26 702	21 504	-2,5%	-19,5%
Lithuania	4 095	4 081	-0,3%	91,8%	383	366	-4,4%	7,6%	4 478	4 447	3 819	-0,7%	-14,1%
Luxembourg	11 748	12 505	6,4%	70,7%	4 693	5 170	10,2%	22,6%	16 442	17 676	17 039	7,5%	-3,6%
Hungary	147 684	142 738	-3,3%	98,5%	1 867	2 162	15,8%	1,5%	149 551	144 900	142 650	-3,1%	-1,6%
Netherlands	342 027	:	:	:	5 475	:	:	:	347 502	340 066	339 457	-2,1%	-0,2%
Austria	191 552	199 308	4,0%	97,0%	6 179	6 253	1,2%	3,0%	197 731	205 561	205 754	4,0%	0,1%
Poland	263 544	271 071	2,9%	99,3%	2 451	1 788	-27,1%	0,7%	265 995	272 859	263 715	2,6%	-3,4%
Portugal	156 511	158 300	1,1%	99,9%	201	155	-22,9%	0,1%	156 712	158 455	153 793	1,1%	-2,9%
Romania	85 284	74 851	-12,2%	99,3%	469	492	4,9%	0,6%	85 753	75 343	65 538	-12,1%	-13,0%
Slovenia	15 232	15 753	3,4%	96,9%	484	504	4,1%	3,0%	15 716	16 257	15 970	3,4%	-1,8%
Slovakia	43 990	45 591	3,6%	93,7%	2 994	3 064	2,3%	5,9%	46 984	48 655	46 175	3,6%	-5,1%
Finland	66 286	69 505	4,9%	99,4%	399	432	8,3%	0,6%	66 685	69 937	68 759	4,9%	-1,7%
Sweden	158 621	167 090	5,3%	93,6%	10 440	11 416	9,3%	6,0%	169 061	178 506	175 266	5,6%	-1,8%
United Kingdom	1 221 434	1 287 439	5,4%	98,7%	17 066	17 152	0,5%	1,3%	1 238 500	1 304 591	1 256 401	5,3%	-3,7%
EU25	7 560 817	:	:	:	122 026	:	:	:	7 682 843	7 937 432	7 785 394	3,3%	-1,9%
EU27	7 679 079	:	:	:	122 759	:	:	:	7 801 839	8 046 499	7 882 280	3,1%	-2,0%
Croatia	62 367	70 170	12,5%	99,1%	606	630	4,0%	0,9%	62 973	70 800	73 402	12,4%	3,7%
Turkey	81 052	78 931	-2,6%	99,7%	208	255	22,6%	0,3%	81 260	79 187	:	-2,6%	:
Liechtenstein	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	97	:	:	:	:
Norway	54 621	56 788	4,0%	99,6%	148	219	48,0%	0,4%	54 769	57 007	:	4,1%	:
Switzerland	:	315 203	:	96,5%	:	11 565	:	3,4%	:	326 768	:	:	:

Figures in italics are estimates (see methodological notes)

Source: Eurostat ([rail_pa_typedpas](#) (2007 and 2008 data), [rail_pa_quartal](#) (2009 data))

Methodology

Definition of passenger-kilometres by rail

A passenger-kilometre is a unit of measure of passenger transport which represents the transport of one passenger by rail over a distance of one kilometre. Only the distance on the national territory of the reporting country is taken into account.

Graph 1 and Table 1

The figures presented are based on quarterly data collected under the so-called 'detailed' reporting.

'Simplified' reporting is not included in the elements. Simplified reporting is an alternative to the normal detailed reporting for undertakings whose total transport performance is less than 200 million passenger-kilometres during the reference year. Unlike detailed reporting, only total annual transport is available from simplified reporting.

As a consequence, for countries which use simplified reporting as an alternative for small railway undertakings, quarterly data presented in this publication are underestimated ('smaller' undertakings are not included). However this is not the case for the following countries: BE, CZ, DE, EE, IE, EL, FR, LV, LT, LU, HU, PL, PT, SI, SK, FI, SE, UK, HR, TR and CH.

Table 2

At EU level, the aggregated figures presented for international transport do not exclude double counting: this means that passengers travelling between EU countries are counted twice, as reported by both partner countries.

The 2007 and 2008 figures presented are based on annual data collected under the so-called 'detailed' and 'simplified' reporting.

Figures in italics are estimates based on quarterly data (2008 data for the Netherlands and 2009 total transport data) collected under 'detailed' reporting.

The 2008/2009 growth available could thus be underestimated for countries providing both 'detailed' and 'simplified' reporting (i.e. DK, ES and AT).

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