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**Passenger Transport Statistics**  
**January 2009. Provisional data**

**The number of passengers using city transport decreases 5.7% in January, as compared with the same month the previous year**

**The number of passengers using inter-city transport decreases 4.1% in the interannual rate**

More than 262.3 million passengers used **city transport** in January, representing a 5.7% decrease with regard to the same month of 2008. Decreases of 6.1% in the bus service, and 5.1% in the metropolitan service, were recorded in January.

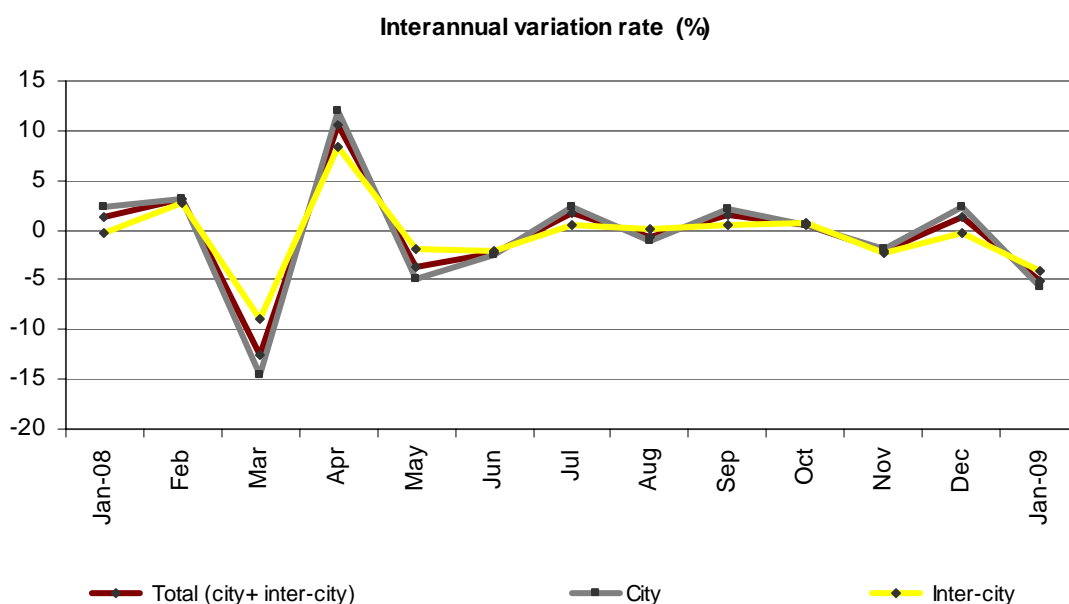
On the other hand, **inter-city transport** was used by nearly 147.5 million passengers, 4.1% less than during the same month the previous year.

	No. of passengers (thousands)	Variation rate	
		Interannual	Accumulated interannual
<b>City transport</b>			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>262,338</b>	<b>-5.67</b>	<b>-5.67</b>
Buses	161,300	-6.05	-6.05
- Scheduled <sup>1</sup>	160,430	-6.07	-6.07
General scheduled	152,275	-6.11	-6.11
Special scheduled	8,155	-5.44	-5.44
- Unscheduled	870	-2.11	-2.11
Metropolitan	101,038	-5.06	-5.06
<b>Inter-city transport</b>			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>147,407</b>	<b>-4.07</b>	<b>-4.07</b>
Road transport	97,267	-2.93	-2.93
- Scheduled <sup>1</sup>	86,639	-2.68	-2.68
- Unscheduled	10,628	-4.91	-4.91
Rail transport	47,337	-5.16	-5.16
Air transport (domestic)	2,339	-23.15	-23.15
Sea transport (cabotage) <sup>2, 3</sup>	464	-6.94	-6.94

(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 6.1%

More than 152.2 million passengers used the general scheduled city bus this past month of January, representing a decrease of 6.1% as compared with the same month of 2008.

By Autonomous Community, it is worth noting the interannual decreases registered in Extremadura (-11.3%), and Comunidad de Madrid (-10.5%).

## General scheduled city bus service

	No. of passengers (thousands)	Variation rate	
		interannual	Accumulated interannual
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>152,275</b>	<b>-6.11</b>	<b>-6.11</b>
Andalucía	22,431	-3.48	-3.48
Aragón	10,593	-2.69	-2.69
Asturias (Principado de)	4,494	-3.27	-3.27
Canarias	3,013	-7.89	-7.89
Castilla y León	6,349	-3.83	-3.83
Castilla-La Mancha	1,834	-5.91	-5.91
Cataluña	27,647	-3.18	-3.18
Comunitat Valenciana	11,453	-9.27	-9.27
Extremadura	1,046	-11.31	-11.31
Galicia	5,916	-5.20	-5.20
Madrid (Comunidad de)	40,227	-10.47	-10.47
Murcia (Región de)	1,725	-9.09	-9.09
País Vasco	6,823	-4.05	-4.05
Others <sup>1</sup>	8,724	-3.55	-3.55

<sup>1</sup> In order to protect 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 decreases 5.4%

During the month of January, the special scheduled city bus service experienced a decrease of 5.4% in the interannual rate. This decrease was observed by the two types of transport that comprise it: for students (-4.6%) and for workers (-8.0%).

#### Special scheduled city bus

	No. of passengers (thousands)	Variation rate	
		interannual	Accumulated interannual
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,155</b>	<b>-5.44</b>	<b>-5.44</b>
Students	6,210	-4.61	-4.61
Workers	1,945	-8.00	-8.00

### Transport by metropolitan decreases 5.1% in the interannual rate

The number of passengers using the metropolitan decreased 5.1% in January as compared with the same month in 2008. While Valencia registered an increase of 4.8%, the number of passengers transported decreased in Bilbao, Madrid and Barcelona, by 6.1%, 5.7% and 5.4%, respectively.

#### Metropolitan

	No. of passengers (thousands)	Variation rate	
		interannual	Accumulated interannual
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>101,038</b>	<b>-5.06</b>	<b>-5.06</b>
Barcelona	30,558	-5.43	-5.43
Bilbao	7,409	-6.11	-6.11
Madrid	56,830	-5.70	-5.70
Valencia	6,241	4.81	4.81

## Inter-city transport decreases 4.1% as compared with January 2008

The number of passengers using inter-city transport exceeded 147 million during the month of January, representing an interannual decrease of 4.1%.

In road transport, the number of passengers using the bus to commute decreased 2.9% in the interannual rate. Decreases were registered among the users of scheduled transport in both cases: general scheduled (-2.3%) and special scheduled (-3.5%). Unscheduled transport decreased 4.9% as compared with the same month the previous year.

Domestic air transport experienced a drop of 23.2% in the interannual rate, as compared with January 2008. Rail transport registered a rate of -5.2%, due to the decrease in the number of local train users.

### Inter-city transport

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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>147,407</b>	<b>-4.07</b>	<b>-4.07</b>
<b>Road transport</b>	<b>97,267</b>	<b>-2.93</b>	<b>-2.93</b>
General scheduled	57,484	-2.28	-2.28
Special scheduled	29,155	-3.46	-3.46
- Students	21,481	-2.63	-2.63
- Workers	7,674	-5.73	-5.73
- Unscheduled	10,628	-4.91	-4.91
<b>Rail transport</b>	<b>47,337</b>	<b>-5.16</b>	<b>-5.16</b>
RENFE	40,088	-6.48	-6.48
- AVE - Long distance <sup>2</sup>	1,613	14.40	14.40
- Regional <sup>3</sup>	2,417	3.69	3.69
- Local	36,058	-7.84	-7.84
Narrow gauge trains	7,249	2.92	2.92
<b>Air transport (domestic)</b>	<b>2,339</b>	<b>-23.15</b>	<b>-23.15</b>
<b>Sea transport (cabotage) <sup>1</sup></b>	<b>464</b>	<b>-6.94</b>	<b>-6.94</b>

(1) Estimated data.

(2) Long distance includes long distance and long distance high speed.

(3) Regional includes regional and regional high speed.