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Passenger Transport Statistics (PT)
April 2019. Provisional data

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Evolution of passenger transport

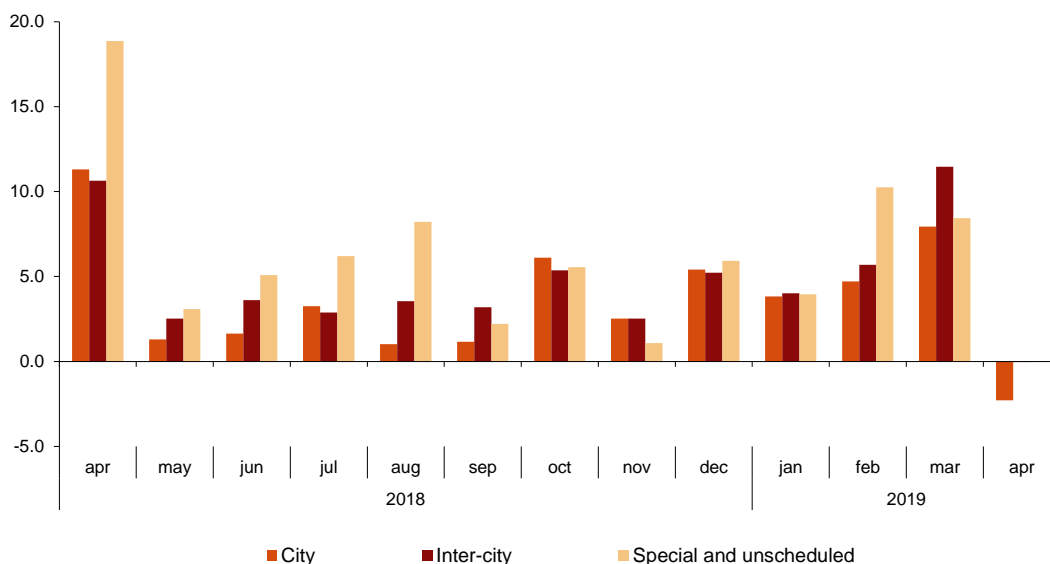
More than 422.2 million passengers used public transport in April, 1.4% less than in the same month of 2018.

The annual rate for city transport decreases by 2.3% and for inter-city transport by 0.0%. Within the latter, it is worth noting the 7.2% rise in the air transport.

During the aggregate March-April period, the number of passengers increased by 3.6% with respect to the same period in 2018.

Passenger Transport by mode of transport.

Annual rate. Percentage



¹ Easter, which this year took place in April, while in 2018 took place between March and April, has positive and negative effects on the passenger transport series depending on the type of transport. It would be appropriate to wait to have the next month's results to make a joint analysis of the different types of transport.

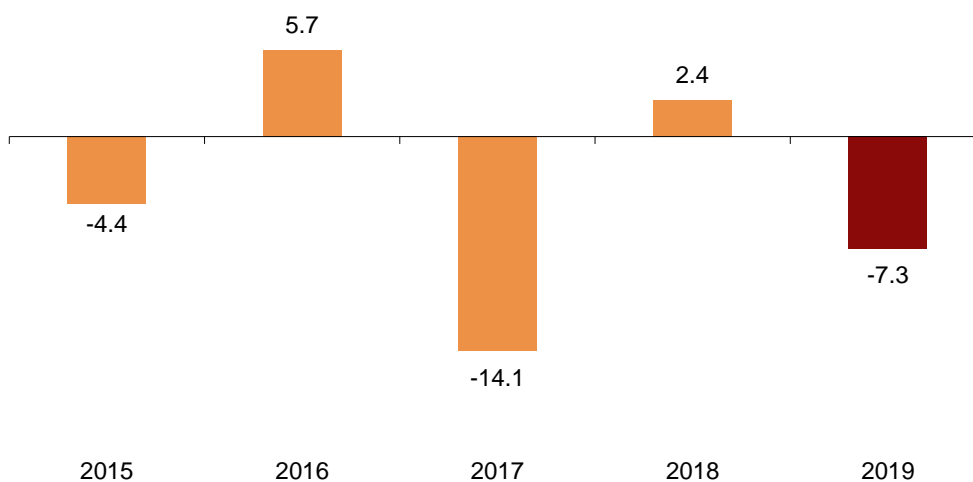
Annual evolution of passenger transport by mode of transport

	City	Inter-city	Special and unschedule
2018 April	11.3	10.6	18.9
May	1.3	2.5	3.1
June	1.6	3.6	5.1
July	3.3	2.9	6.2
August	1.0	3.5	8.2
September	1.1	3.2	2.2
October	6.1	5.4	5.5
November	2.5	2.5	1.1
December	5.4	5.2	5.9
2019 January	3.8	4.0	3.9
February	4.7	5.7	10.3
March	7.9	11.5	8.4
April	-2.3	0.0	0.0

Evolution of the monthly rate

The variation rate of the number of public transport passengers in April as compared with March was -7.3% . 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 April as compared with March



City transport

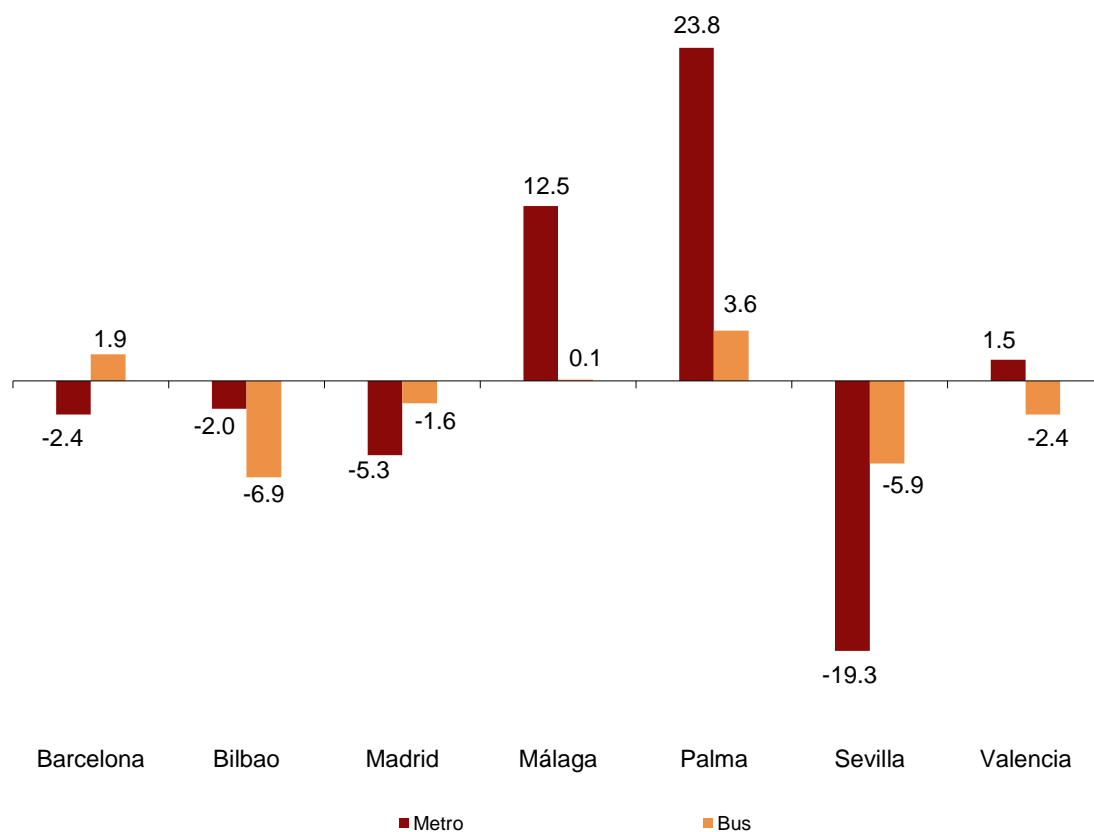
City transport was used by more than 255.4 million passengers in April, 2.3% less than in the same month of 2018.

Metro transport decreased by 4.0% in annual rate. Palma's metro registered the highest increase (23.8%) and Sevilla's the lowest (-19.3%).

Among the cities with metro, the highest increase in bus transport was registered in Palma (3.6%) and the highest decrease was registered in Bilbao (-6.9%).

City transport passengers in cities with metro. April 2019.

Annual rate. Percentage



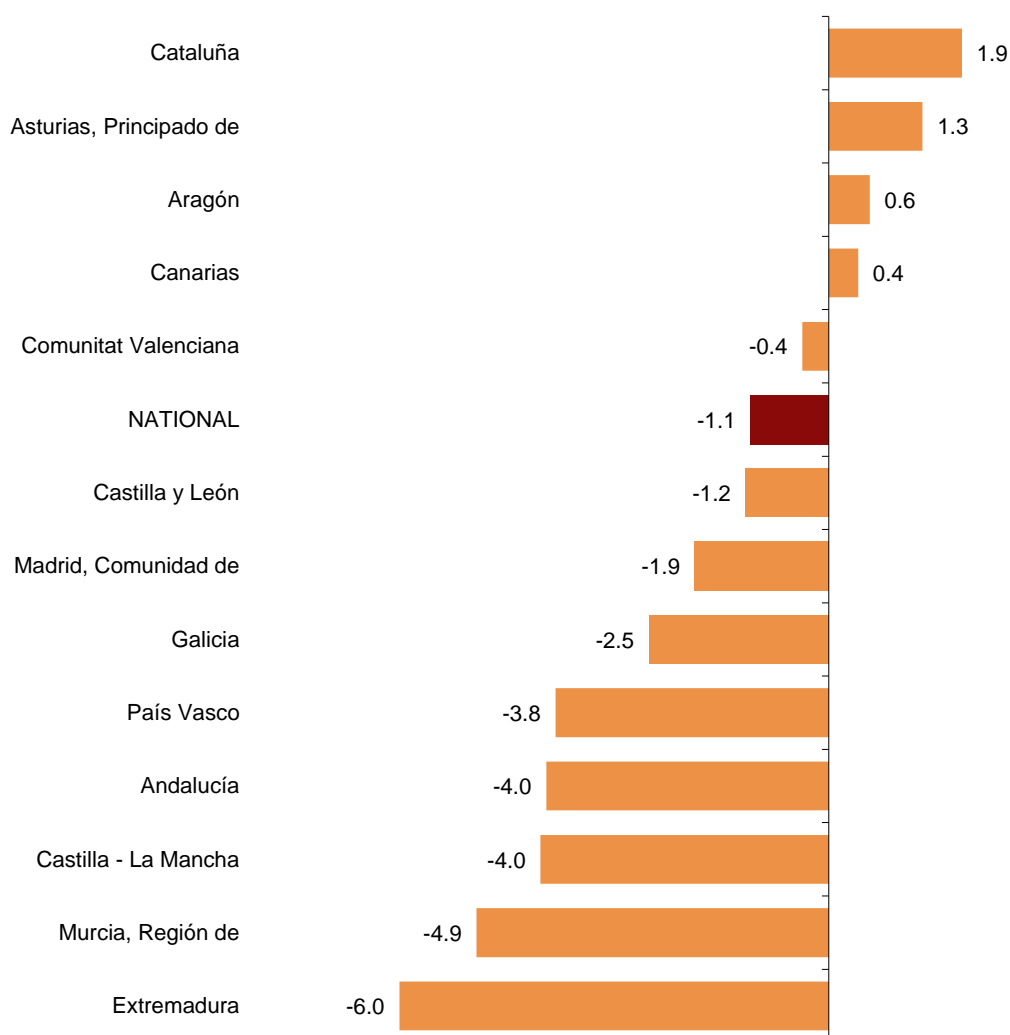
City transport by bus decreased by 1.1% in April, as compared with the same month of 2018.

The number of bus transport passengers were showed the highest increases in Cataluña (1.9%), Principado de Asturias (1.3%) and Aragón (0.6%).

In turn, the largest decreases were showed in Extremadura (-6.0%), Región de Murcia (-4.9%) and Castilla - La Mancha and Andalucía (-4.0% in both cases).

City transport by bus. April 2019.

Annual rate. Percentage



¹ 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 116.9 million passengers used inter-city transport in April, representing no variation as compared with the same month of 2018.

By mode of transport, the maritime transport increased by 19.0%, the air transport by 7.2%, the bus transport by 2.7%, whereas the rail transport decreased by 3.7%.

Commuter transport increased by 1.7% by bus while by rail transport decreased by 4.5%. Regional transport increased by 5.0% by bus and by 3.1% by rail transport.

Finally, long distance transport increased by 8.5% by bus and by 4.0% by rail transport. Within the latter, AVE (high speed railway) increased by 4.1%.

Inter-city transport by mode of transport and distance. April 2019.

Annual rate. Percentage

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Annual rate %
Bus	59,359	
Local	41,151	2.7
Regional	16,852	1.7
Long-distance	1,356	5.0
Rail	53,079	-3.7
Local	47,202	-4.5
Regional	2,944	3.1
Long-distance	2,932	4.0
AVE train	1,901	4.1
Rest of long-distance rail	1,032	3.8
Air (domestic)	3,570	7.2
Mainland Spain	1,485	4.0
Mainland-Rest of territory	1,626	10.6
Inter-island	459	6.8
Maritime (cabotage)	953	19.0

Special and unscheduled transport

More than 49.7 million passengers used special and unscheduled transport in April, indicating no change in annual rate.

The number of special transport passengers decreased by 4.3%, reaching more than 29.3 million users. Within this, school transport decreased by 6.9%, and work transport increased by 5.2%.

Finally, unscheduled transport increased by 6.7% as compared with the same month of 2018, with more than 20.4 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/dynqs/INEbase/en/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica_C&cid=1254736176906&menu=metodologia&idp=1254735576820

And in the standardized methodological report:

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1. Passenger transport

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
BY TYPE OF TRANSPORT	422,208	-1.4	4.2
City transport	255,475	-2.3	3.5
Inter-city transport	116,961	0.0	5.2
Special and unscheduled transport	49,772	0.0	5.5

2. City transport

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
CITY TRANSPORT	255,475	-2.3	3.5
Metro	105,016	-4.0	2.8
Bus ¹	150,459	-1.1	4.0

¹ 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	18,950	1.9	6.1
	Metro	34,779	-2.4	3.2
Bilbao	City bus	2,814	-6.9	-3.0
	Metro	7,107	-2.0	2.6
Madrid	City bus	36,739	-1.6	7.3
	Metro	55,267	-5.3	2.7
Málaga	City bus	4,005	0.1	-0.3
	Metro	611	12.5	10.8
Palma	City bus	3,529	3.6	5.1
	Metro	95	23.8	22.3
Sevilla	City bus	7,363	-5.9	0.3
	Metro	1,633	-19.3	-8.2
Valencia	City bus	7,611	-2.4	0.4
	Metro	5,524	1.5	3.1

2.2 Urban transport by bus by Autonomous Cities and Communities

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
NATIONAL	150,459	-1.1	4.0
Andalucía	20,451	-4.0	-0.1
Aragón	10,256	0.6	2.5
Asturias, Principado de	2,760	1.3	1.6
Balears, Illes	.	.	.
Canarias	5,287	0.4	7.6
Cantabria	.	.	.
Castilla y León	5,513	-1.2	1.5
Castilla - La Mancha	1,637	-4.0	4.7
Cataluña	26,243	1.9	6.3
Comunitat Valenciana	11,644	-0.4	1.5
Extremadura	886	-6.0	1.0
Galicia	5,225	-2.5	2.8
Madrid, Comunidad de	41,999	-1.9	7.1
Murcia, Región de	1,645	-4.9	1.1
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	.	.	.
País Vasco	6,997	-3.8	-0.4
Rioja, La	.	.	.
Ceuta	.	.	.
Melilla	.	.	.

(.) Data not available due to statistical secrecy.

3. Inter-city transport

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		Annual	Year-to-date average
INTER-CITY TRANSPORT	116,961	0.0	5.2
Bus	59,359	2.7	5.8
Local	41,151	1.7	6.4
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4. Special and unscheduled transport

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
SPECIAL AND UNSCHEDULED TRANSPORT	49,772	0.0	5.5
Special	29,304	-4.3	5.5
School	22,268	-6.9	5.4
Work	7,036	5.2	5.6
Unscheduled	20,468	6.7	5.7