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**Passenger Transport Statistics (PT)**  
June 2021. Provisional data

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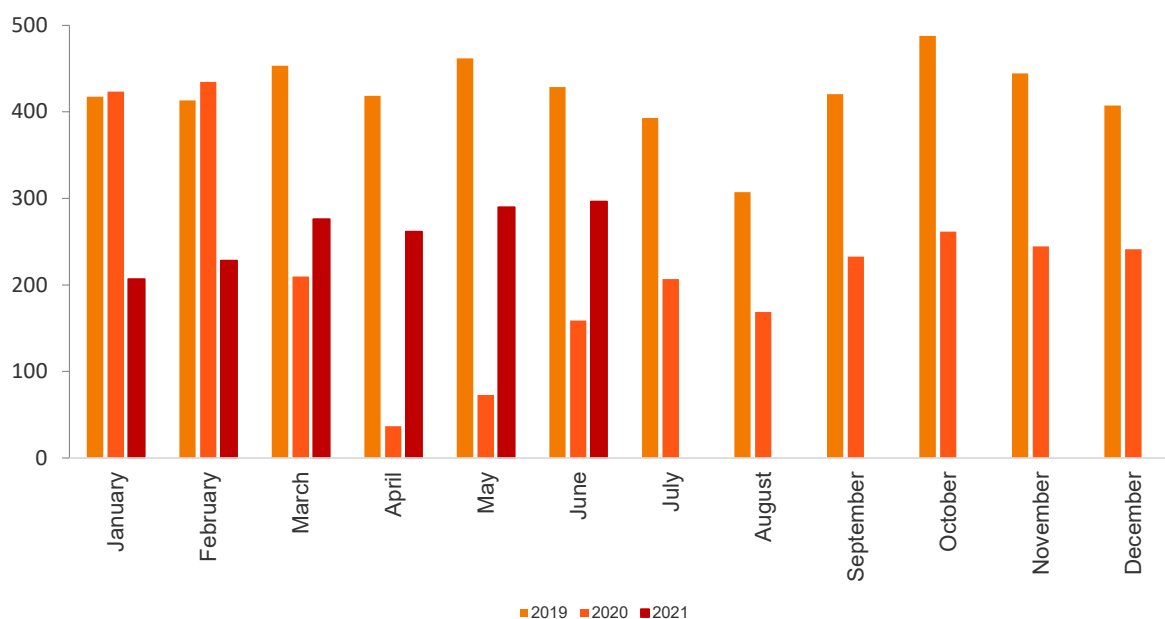
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**Evolution of passenger transport**

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**Monthly passengers. Comparative 2019-2021.**

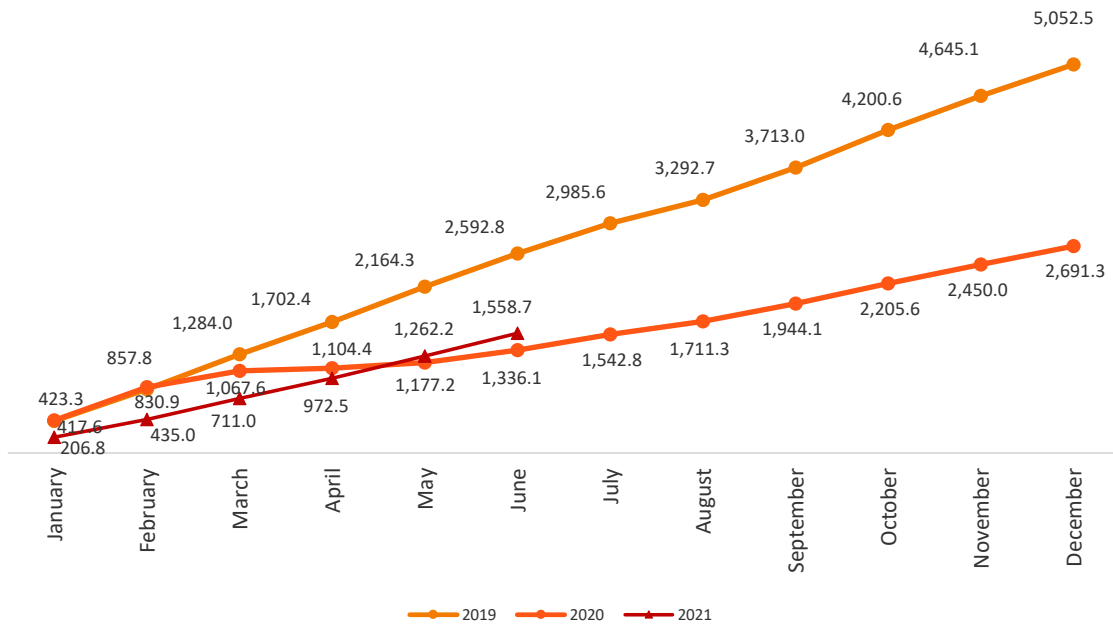
Millions.



In the first half of 2021 the number of passengers has increased by 16.7% compared to the same period last year.

<sup>1</sup> Because of to the low values presented by the passenger transport series in the month of June 2020, the annual variation rates are abnormally high. In order not to lose the statistical significance of the comparison, absolute values are offered in this note instead of annual variation rates. Anyway, the annual comparison appears in the final tables of the press release.

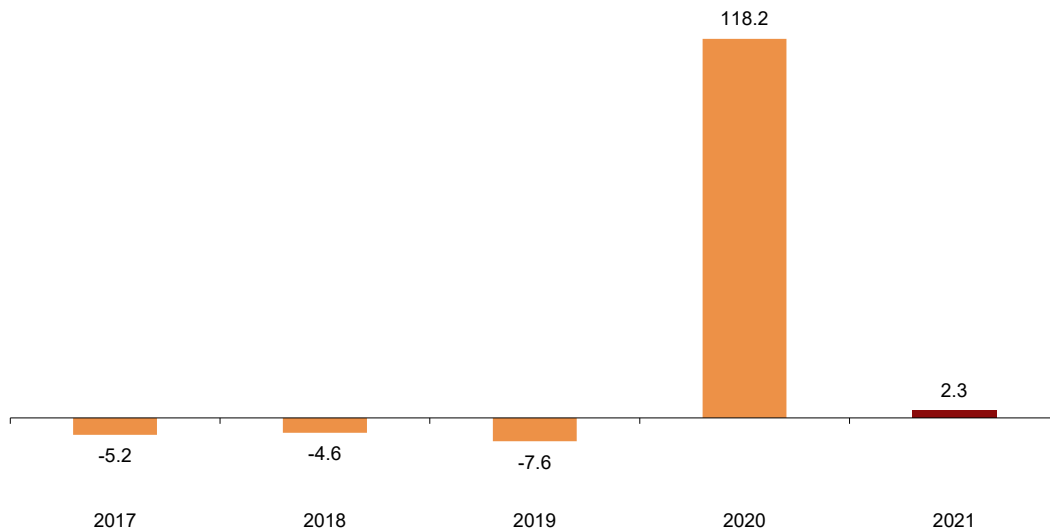
## Cumulative passengers. Comparative 2019-2021. Millions.



## Evolution of the monthly rate

The variation rate of the number of public transport passengers in June as compared with May was 2.3%. 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 June as compared with May. Percentage



### City transport

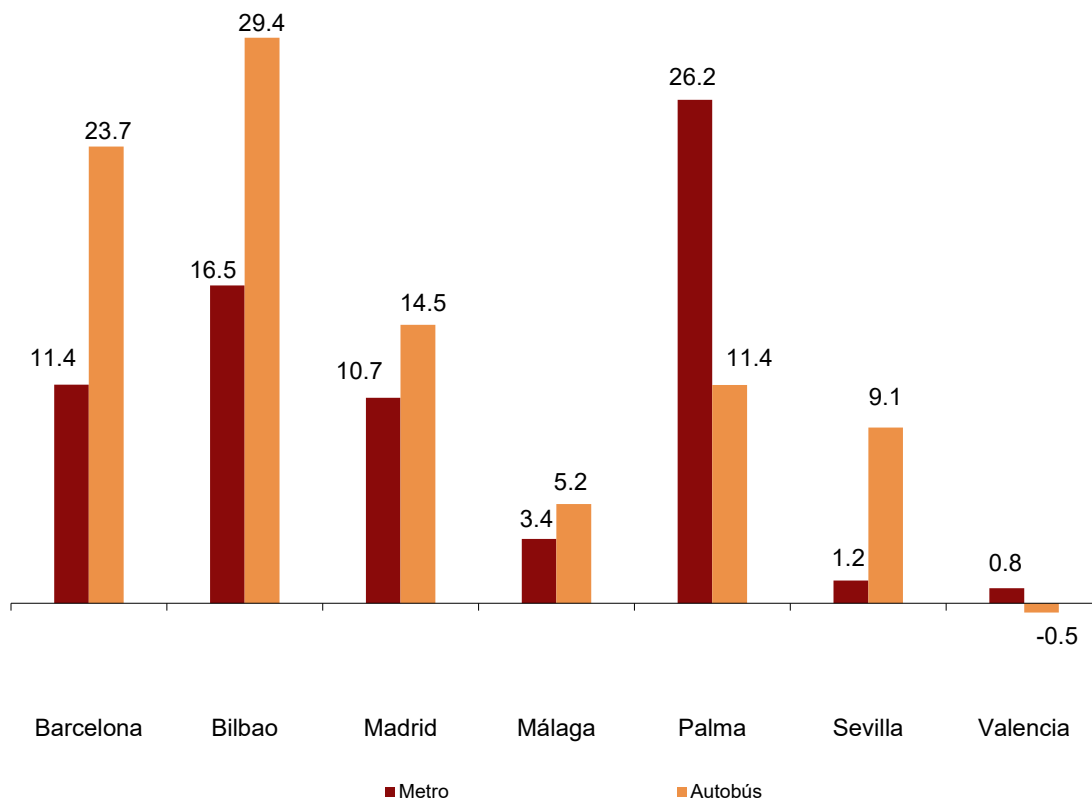
City transport was used by more than 182.1 million passengers in June, compared to 106.7 million in the same month of 2020.

In the period from January to June, the number of passengers who have used urban transport has increase by 10.7% compared to the same period in 20200

The number of metro users in June exceeded 7.2 million, while in the same month last year it exceeded 42.7 million passengers.

### Urban transport travelers in cities that have a subway. January- June 2021.

Cumulative annual rate. Percentage.



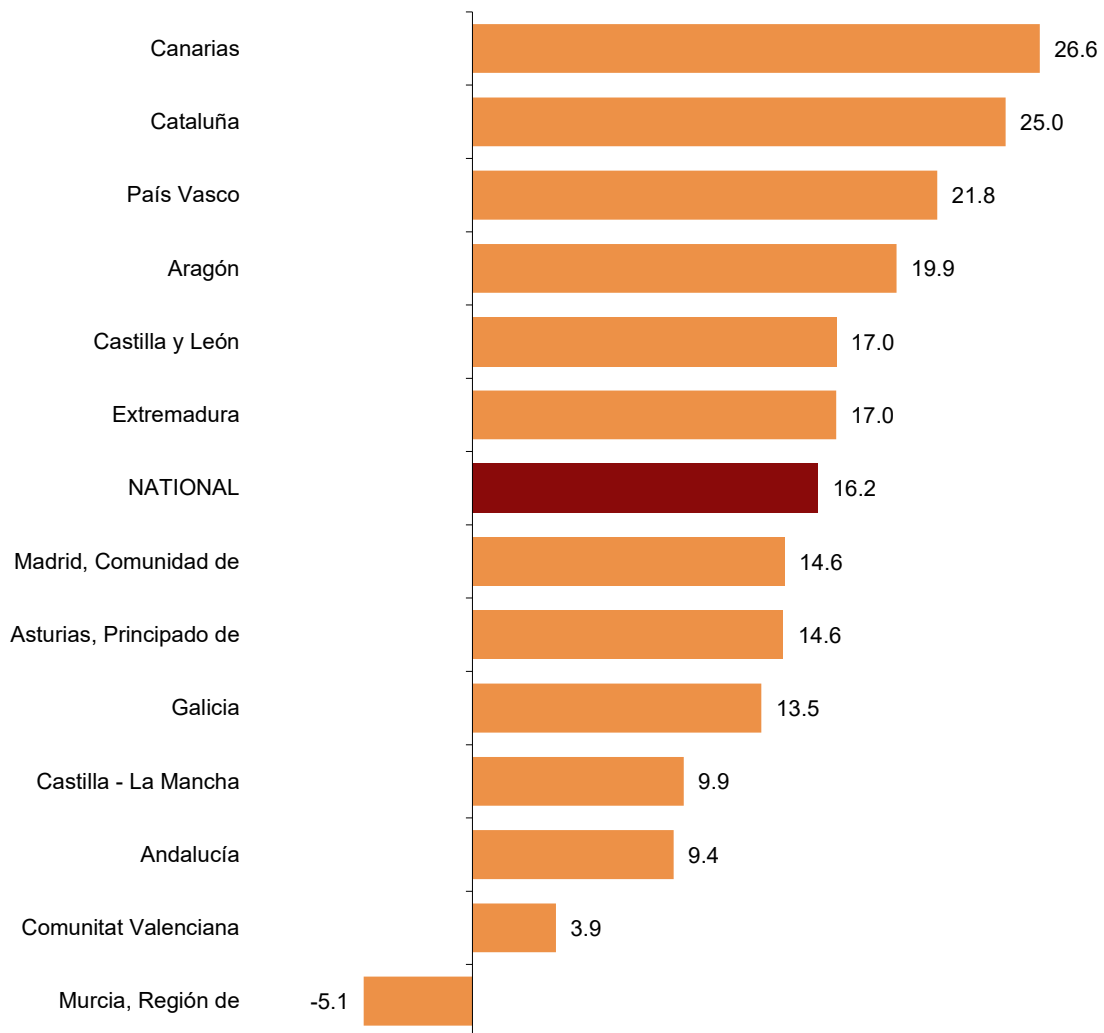
In June, more than 109.9 million passengers used urban transport by bus, compared to 64.0 million of passengers in the same month last year.

The cumulative variation rate for the first half of year is positive in all the autonomous communities, except in Región de Murcia (-5.1%).

Likewise, Canarias (26.6%), y Cataluña (25.0%), País Vasco (21.8%) registered the largest rates in the first half of the year.

### City transport by bus<sup>1</sup>. January - May 2021.

Cumulative annual rate. Percentage.



<sup>1</sup> 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 81.4 million passengers used inter-city transport in June, compared to same month last year, where it was used by more than 46.1 million.

In the first half of 2021, air transport decreased by 4.7%, while by rail it increased 9.6%, maritime by 4.4% and by bus 12.6%.

With respect to the same period, commuter transport increased 14.4% in bus transport increased and 11.0% in rail transport. The regional transport increased 9.5% in bus transport and 2.3% in rail.

Finally, long distance transport decreased 21.0% in bus transport and 12.1% in rail. Within the latter, the AVE (high-speed train) decreased 15.0%.

### Inter-city transport by mode of transport and distance. May 2021. June 2020.

	Passengers jun-21 (thousands)	Passengers jun-20 (thousands)	Year-to-date average mean %
<b>Bus</b>	42,495	24,224	
Local	31,191	18,074	14.4
Regional	10,601	5,865	9.5
Long-distance	703	284	-21.0
<b>Rail</b>	35,829	21,245	9.6
Local rail	32,429	20,282	11.0
Regional rail	1,679	509	2.3
Long-distance rail	1,721	455	-12.1
AVE train	1,080	279	-15.0
Rest of long-distance rail	641	176	-6.7
<b>Air (domestic)</b>	2,388	359	-4.7
Mainland Spain	728	44	-26.6
Mainland-Rest of territory	1,278	160	4.1
Inter-island	382	155	29.0
<b>Maritime (cabotage)</b>	711	360	4.4

Cumulative annual rate. Percentage

## Special and unscheduled transport

More than 32.8 million passengers used special and unscheduled transport in June, compared to more than 5.9 in the same month of 2020.

The number of special transport passengers increased by 84.0% in the first half of 2021 compared to the same period last year. Within this, the school transport increased 116.6% and the work transport increased 22.3%.

Finally, unscheduled transport decreases in the period from January to June by 34.2% compared to the same period in 2020.

## 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/dyngs/INEbase/en/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica\\_C&cid=1254736176906&menu=metodologia&idp=1254735576820](http://www.ine.es/dyngs/INEbase/en/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica_C&cid=1254736176906&menu=metodologia&idp=1254735576820)

And in the standardized methodological report:

<http://www.ine.es/dynt3/metadatos/en/RespuestaDatos.html?oe=30163>

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### 1. Passenger transport

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
<b>BY TYPE OF TRANSPORT</b>	<b>296,436</b>	<b>86.6</b>	<b>16.7</b>
City transport	182,190	70.6	13.9
Inter-city transport	81,422	76.3	10.8
Special and unscheduled transport	32,824	454.4	52.0

### 2. City transport

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
<b>CITY TRANSPORT</b>	<b>182,190</b>	<b>70.6</b>	<b>13.9</b>
Metro	72,234	69.1	10.7
Bus <sup>1</sup>	109,955	71.6	16.2

<sup>1</sup> 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	13,880	91.7	23.7
	Metro	23,705	73.9	11.4
Bilbao	City bus	2,400	55.7	29.4
	Metro	5,912	36.7	16.5
Madrid	City bus	27,104	84.3	14.5
	Metro	37,708	73.1	10.7
Málaga	City bus	2,684	51.9	5.2
	Metro	386	78.1	3.4
Palma	City bus	2,470	62.9	11.4
	Metro	66	206.8	26.2
Sevilla	City bus	4,463	53.8	9.1
	Metro	777	68.9	1.2
Valencia	City bus	5,403	54.2	-0.5
	Metro	3,679	61.2	0.8

## 2.2 Urban transport by bus by Autonomous Cities and Communities

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
<b>NATIONAL</b>	<b>109,955</b>	<b>71.6</b>	<b>16.2</b>
Andalucía	12,957	58.5	9.4
Aragón	7,841	46.4	19.9
Asturias, Principado de	2,028	51.4	14.6
Balears, Illes	.	.	.
Canarias	4,383	45.2	26.6
Cantabria	.	.	.
Castilla y León	3,907	95.5	17.0
Castilla - La Mancha	1,110	76.7	9.9
Cataluña	19,463	94.0	25.0
Comunitat Valenciana	8,709	57.4	3.9
Extremadura	622	76.0	17.0
Galicia	3,753	60.0	13.5
Madrid, Comunidad de	31,140	87.7	14.6
Murcia, Región de	1,057	70.3	-5.1
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	.	.	.
País Vasco	5,563	53.1	21.8
Rioja, La	.	.	.
Ceuta	.	.	.
Melilla	.	.	.

(.) Data not available due to statistical secrecy.



### 3. Inter-city transport

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<b>INTER-CITY TRANSPORT</b>	<b>81,422</b>	<b>76.3</b>	<b>10.8</b>
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<sup>1</sup> Local rail includes all rail operators and regional and long-distance rail include only RENFE

### 4. Special and unscheduled transport

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
<b>SPECIAL AND UNSCHEDULED TRANSPORT</b>	<b>32,824</b>	<b>454.4</b>	<b>52.0</b>
Special	26,416	441.1	84.0
School	19,655	21538.7	116.6
Work	6,761	41.1	22.3
Unscheduled	6,409	517.0	-34.2