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Passenger Transport Statistics (PT)

November 2020. Provisional data

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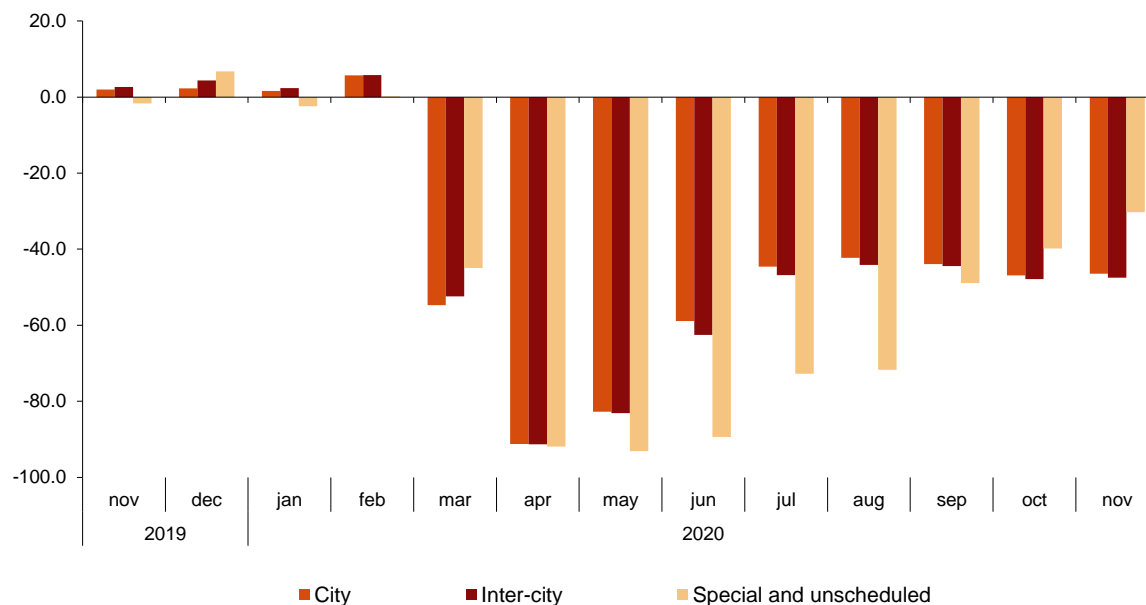
Evolution of passenger transport

More than 244.4 million passengers used public transport in November, 45.0% less than in the same month of 2019.

The annual rate for city transport decreases by 46.5% and for inter-city transport by 47.5%. Within the latter, it is worth noting the 73.3% fall in the air transport.

Passenger Transport by mode of transport.

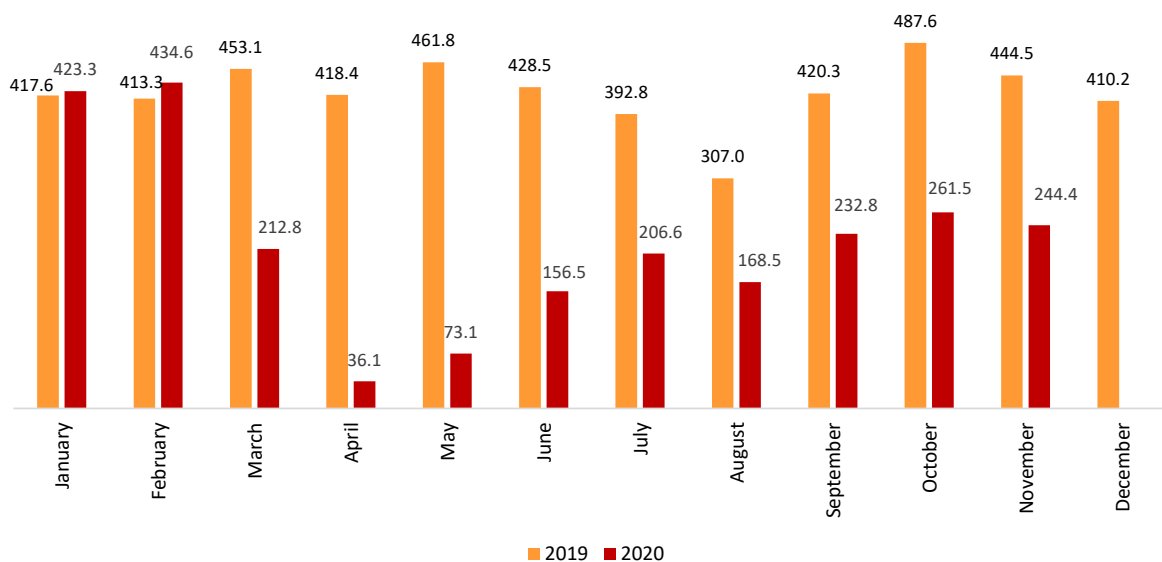
Annual rate. Percentage



Annual evolution of passenger transport by mode of transport

	City	Inter-city	Special and unschedule
2019 November	2.0	2.7	-1.7
December	2.3	4.4	6.8
2020 January	1.6	2.4	-2.4
February	5.7	5.8	0.2
March	-54.7	-52.4	-45.0
April	-91.3	-91.3	-91.9
May	-82.8	-83.1	-93.1
June	-58.9	-62.5	-89.4
July	-44.6	-46.8	-72.7
August	-42.3	-44.1	-71.7
September	-43.9	-44.5	-48.9
October	-46.9	-47.9	-39.8
November	-46.5	-47.5	-30.3

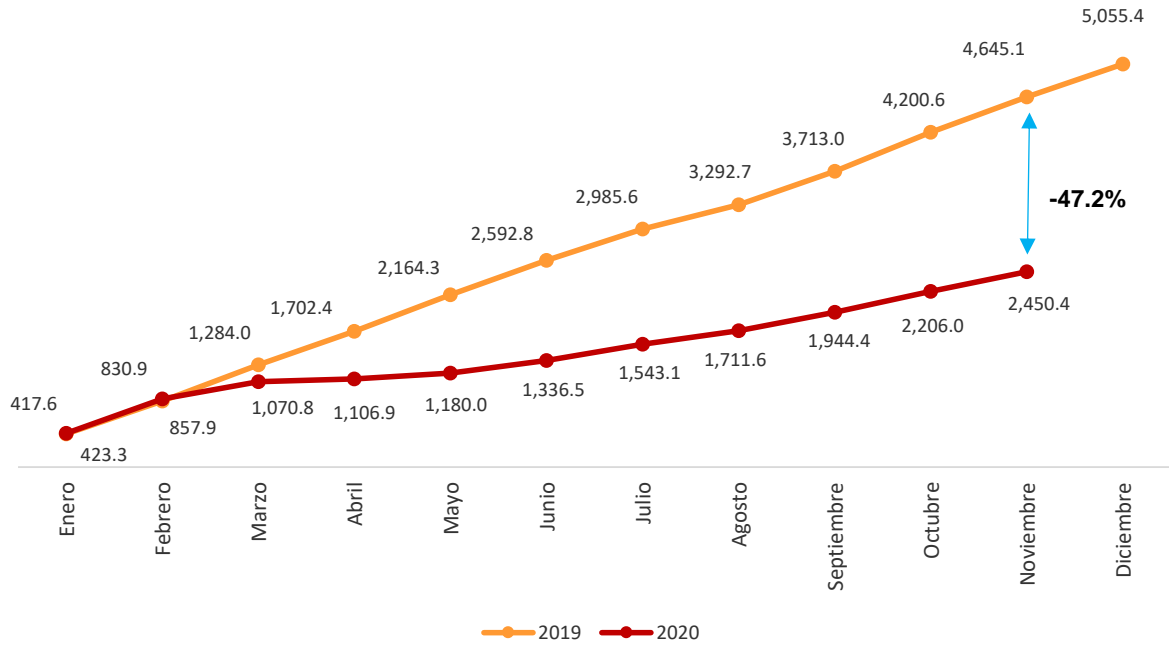
Monthly passengers. Comparative 2019-2020.
Millions



In the first 11 months of 2020 the number of passengers has almost halved compared to the same period last year.

Cumulative passengers. Comparative 2019-2020.

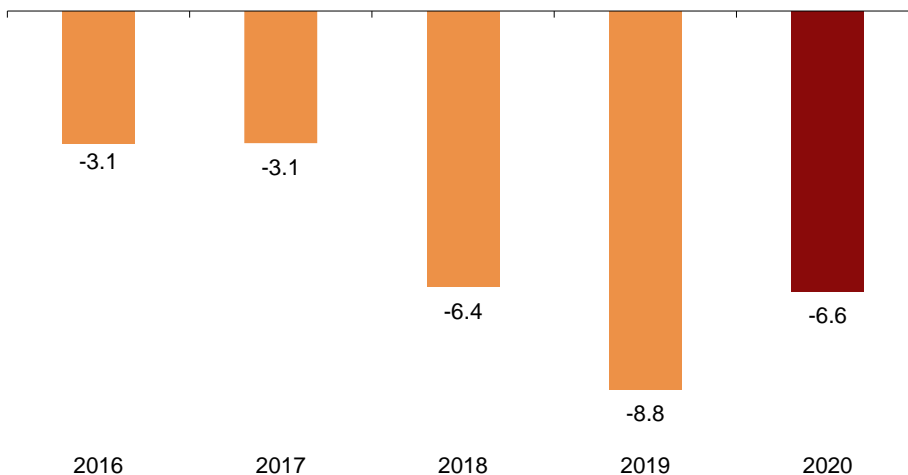
Millions



Evolution of the monthly rate

The variation rate of the number of public transport passengers in November as compared with October was -6.6%. 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 November as compared with October**



City transport

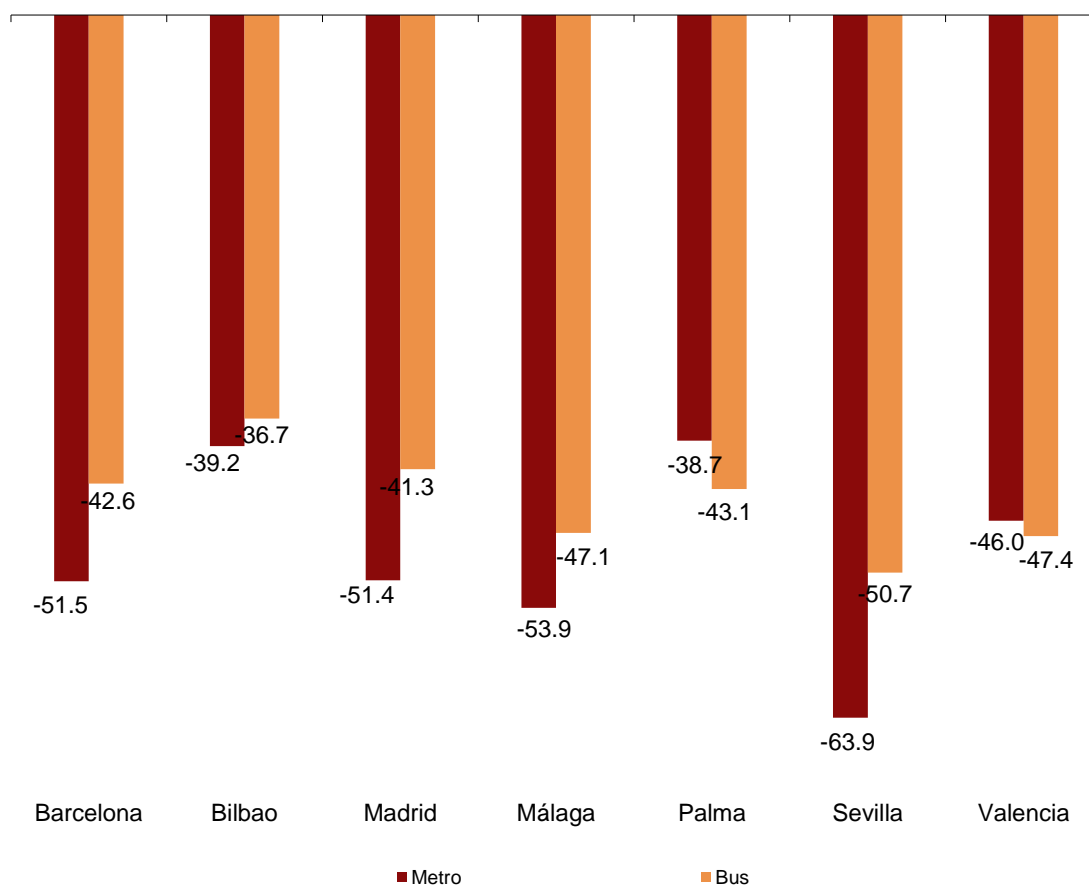
City transport was used by more than 147.4 million passengers in November, 46.5% less than in the same month of 2019.

Metro transport decreased by 50.5% in annual rate. Sevilla's metro registered the highest decrease (-63.9%). And Palma's metro the lowest decrease (-38.7%).

Among the cities with metro, the highest decrease in bus transport was registered in Sevilla (-50.7%). Bilbao registered the lowest decrease (-36.7%).

City transport passengers in cities with metro. November 2020.

Annual rate. Percentage



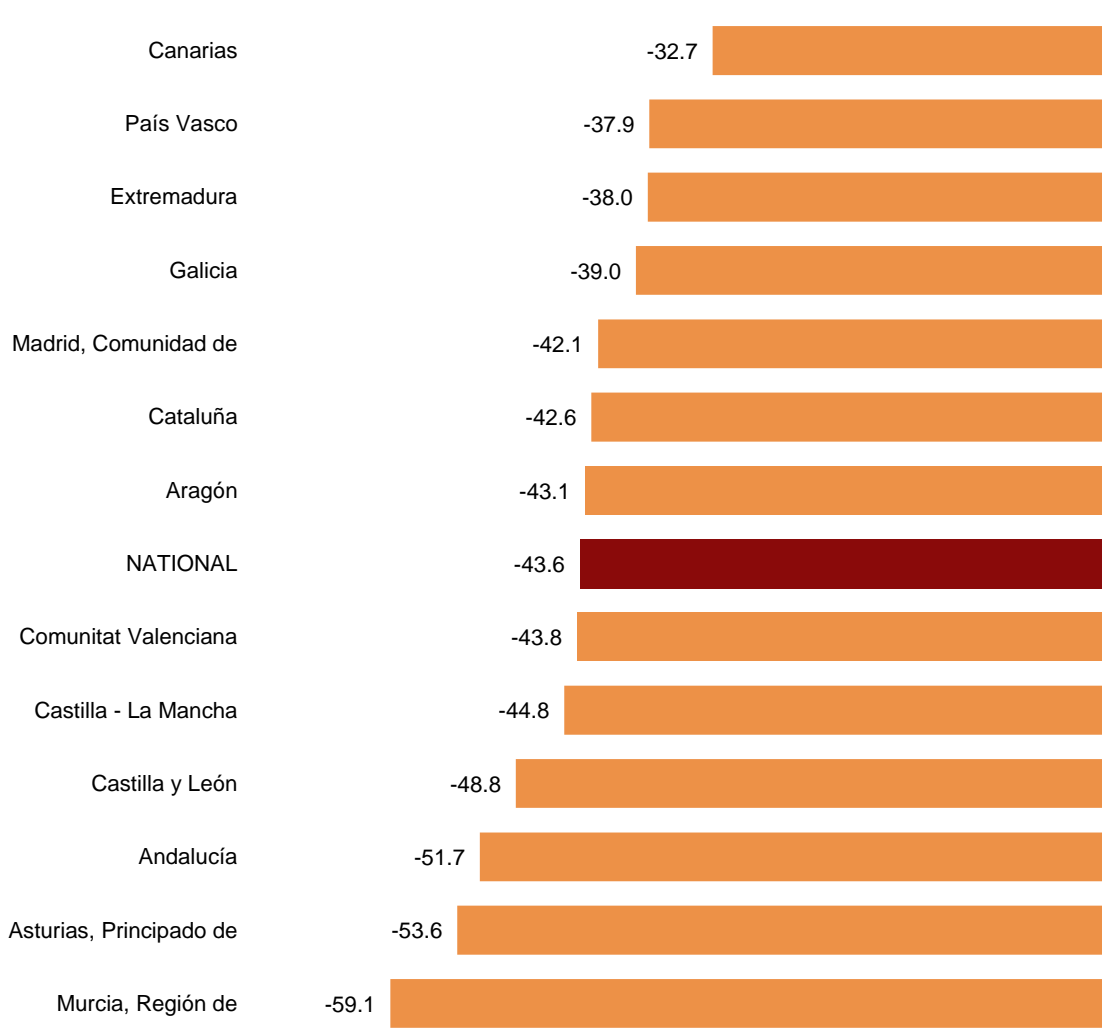
City transport by bus decreased by 43.6% in November, as compared with the same month of 2019.

All the Autonomous Communities showed negative annual rates in bus transport passengers. The highest decreases were showed in Región de Murcia (-59.1%), Principado de Asturias (-53.6%) and Andalucía (-51.7%).

In turn, Canarias (-32.7%), País Vasco (-37.9%) and Extremadura (-38.0%) showed the lowest decreases in bus transport passengers in bus transport.

City transport by bus¹. November 2020.

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 63.7 million passengers used inter-city transport in November, representing a 47.5% decrease as compared with the same month of 2019.

By mode of transport, the bus transport decreased by 43.8%, the rail transport by 49.9%, the maritime transport by 58.6%, and the air transport by 73.3%.

Commuter transport decreased by 431% for bus transport and by 47.5% for rail transport. Regional transport dropped by 435% by bus and by 64.1% by rail transport.

Finally, long distance transport decreased by 75.6% by bus by 79.4% by rail transport. Within the latter, AVE (high speed railway) decreased by 80.4%.

Inter-city transport by mode of transport and distance. November 2020.

Annual rate. Percentage

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Annual rate %
Bus	34,561	
Local	25,793	-43.8
Regional	8,484	-43.1
Long-distance	283	-43.5
Rail	28,073	
Local	26,493	-75.6
Regional	1,018	-49.9
Long-distance	562	-47.5
AVE train	358	-64.1
Rest of long-distance rail	204	-79.4
Air (domestic)	865	
Mainland Spain	226	-80.4
Mainland-Rest of territory	361	-77.5
Inter-island	278	-73.3
Maritime (cabotage)	290	
		-58.6

Special and unscheduled transport

More than 33.1 million passengers used special and unscheduled transport in November, indicating a decrease of 30.3% in annual rate.

The number of special transport passengers decreased by 5.6%, reaching more than 30.4 million users. Within this, school transport decreased by 6.0% and work transport did so by 4.1%.

Finally, unscheduled transport decreased by 82.2% as compared with the same month of 2019, with more than 2.7 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:

<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
BY TYPE OF TRANSPORT	244,409	-45.0	-47.2
City transport	147,444	-46.5	-46.3
Inter-city transport	63,790	-47.5	-47.2
Special and unscheduled transport	33,174	-30.3	-53.1

2. City transport

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
CITY TRANSPORT	147,444	-46.5	-46.3
Metro	57,413	-50.5	-47.5
Bus ¹	90,031	-43.6	-45.4

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	10,930	-42.6	-47.1
	Metro	17,741	-51.5	-47.4
Bilbao	City bus	2,091	-36.7	-40.5
	Metro	4,875	-39.2	-39.1
Madrid	City bus	22,532	-41.3	-46.2
	Metro	30,493	-51.4	-48.5
Málaga	City bus	2,085	-47.1	-45.4
	Metro	306	-53.9	-46.7
Palma	City bus	1,862	-43.1	-52.7
	Metro	72	-38.7	-50.7
Sevilla	City bus	3,706	-50.7	-46.8
	Metro	562	-63.9	-53.5
Valencia	City bus	4,539	-47.4	-46.7
	Metro	3,364	-46.0	-47.0

2.2 Urban transport by bus by Autonomous Cities and Communities

	Passengers transported (thousands)	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
NATIONAL	90,031	-43.6	-45.4
Andalucía	9,503	-51.7	-46.9
Aragón	6,432	-43.1	-43.2
Asturias, Principado de	1,344	-53.6	-42.9
Balears, Illes	.	.	.
Canarias	3,954	-32.7	-36.2
Cantabria	.	.	.
Castilla y León	3,154	-48.8	-46.6
Castilla - La Mancha	1,010	-44.8	-46.1
Cataluña	15,412	-42.6	-46.9
Comunitat Valenciana	7,338	-43.8	-44.8
Extremadura	637	-38.0	-43.4
Galicia	3,378	-39.0	-41.7
Madrid, Comunidad de	26,199	-42.1	-46.3
Murcia, Región de	797	-59.1	-49.7
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	.	.	.
País Vasco	4,964	-37.9	-41.3
Rioja, La	.	.	.
Ceuta	.	.	.
Melilla	.	.	.

(.) Data not available due to statistical secrecy.

3. Inter-city transport

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¹ 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
SPECIAL AND UNSCHEDULED TRANSPORT	33,174	-30.3	-53.1
Special	30,444	-5.6	-38.4
School	23,897	-6.0	-43.0
Work	6,546	-4.1	-25.7
Unscheduled	2,731	-82.2	-74.9