



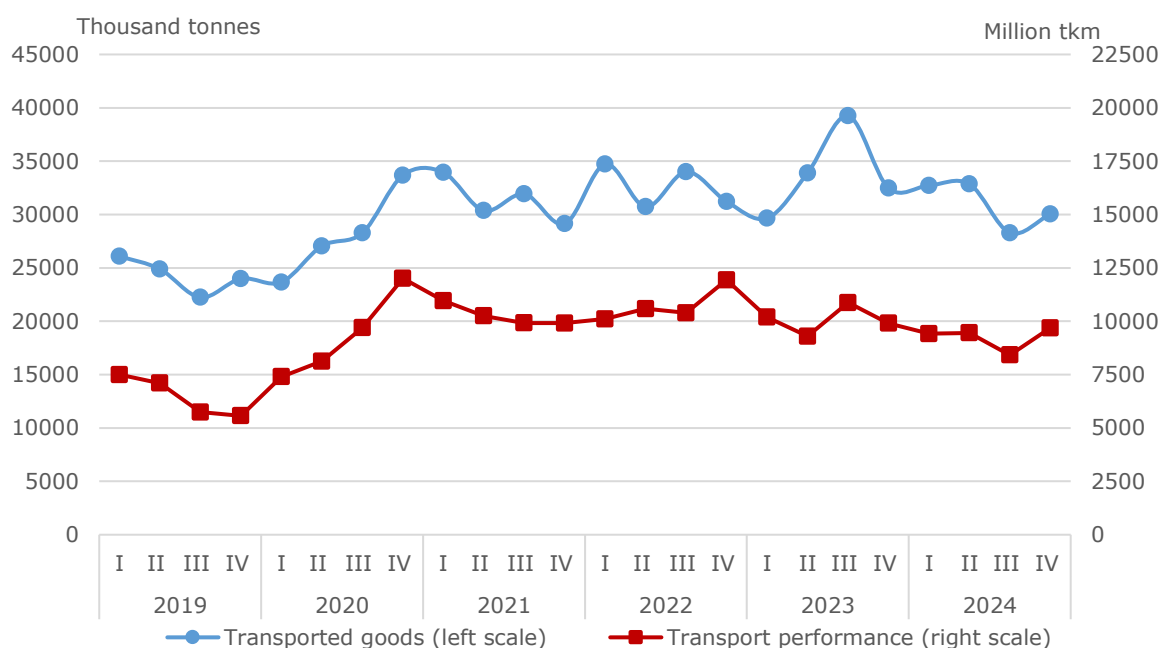
## TRANSPORT (FREIGHT AND PASSENGER, LAND, WATER AND URBAN ELECTRIC TRANSPORT) IN THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 2024 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

### Transport - Total

#### Quarterly changes

In the fourth quarter of 2024, there was an increase in both the goods carried by freight transport and the transport performance by 6.2% and 15.0% respectively in comparison with the previous quarter (Figure 1). The data are preliminary and seasonally adjusted.

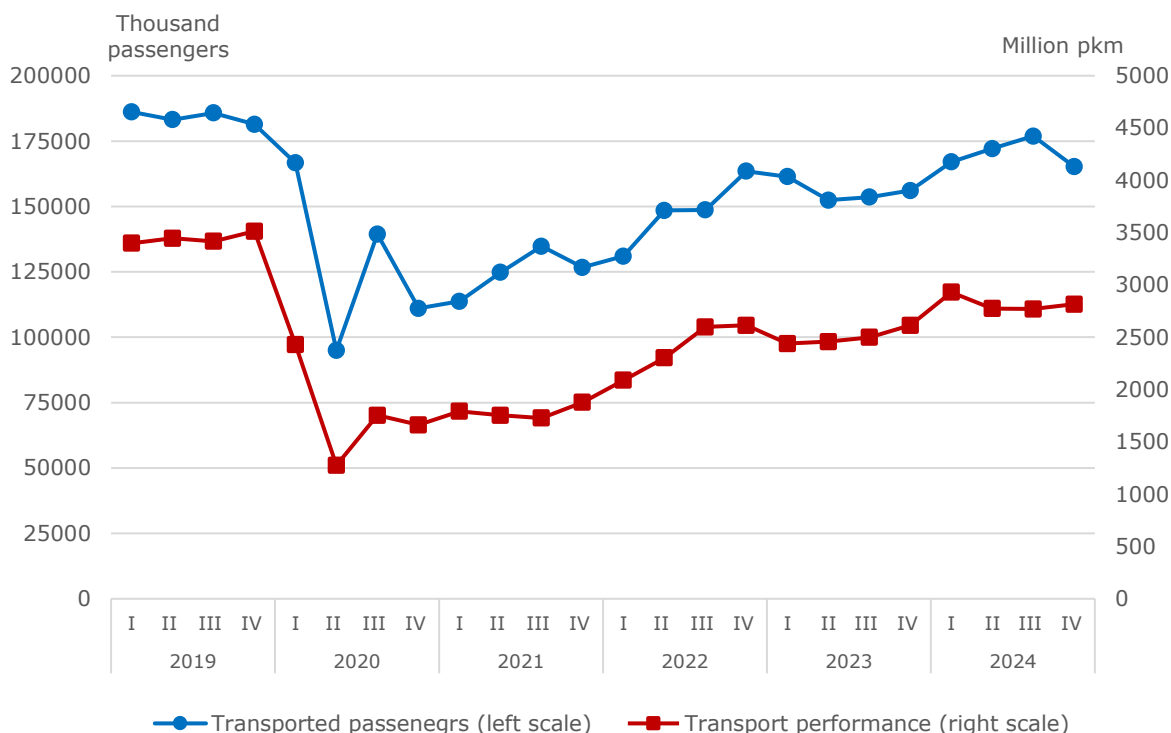
**Figure 1. Goods carried and transport performance by freight transport  
(Seasonally adjusted data)**



The passengers carried by **passenger transport** (land, water and urban electrical transport) decreased by 6.6%, while the transport performance rose by 1.6% due to an increase in international carriages and the average distance travelled respectively (Figure 2).

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**Figure 2. Transported passengers and transport performance by passenger  
transport  
(Seasonally adjusted data)**



### Annual changes

In the fourth quarter of 2024, the goods carried by freight land and water transport dropped by 7.5% and the transport performance - by 2.1% in comparison with the same quarter of 2023. The data are preliminary.

The number of passengers carried by passenger transport (land, water and urban electrical transport) increased by 4.8% as did the transport performance, which recorded a 7.8% rise.

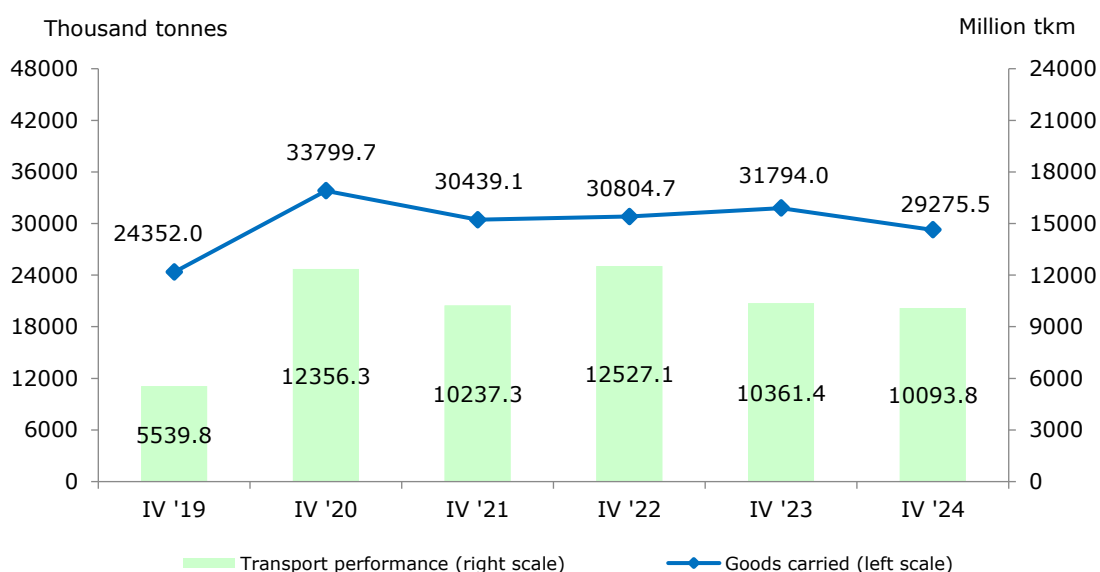
### Freight land transport

The **goods carried** by land transport in the fourth quarter of 2024 totalled 29 275.5 thousand tonnes, which was 7.9% less than the same quarter of 2023 (Figure 3). The national carriages declined by 10.9% and the international ones - by 2.4%.

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The **transport performance** stood at 10 093.8 million tkm, which was 2.6% down on the same quarter of the previous year (Figure 3).

**Figure 3. Transported goods and transport performance  
by land transport**



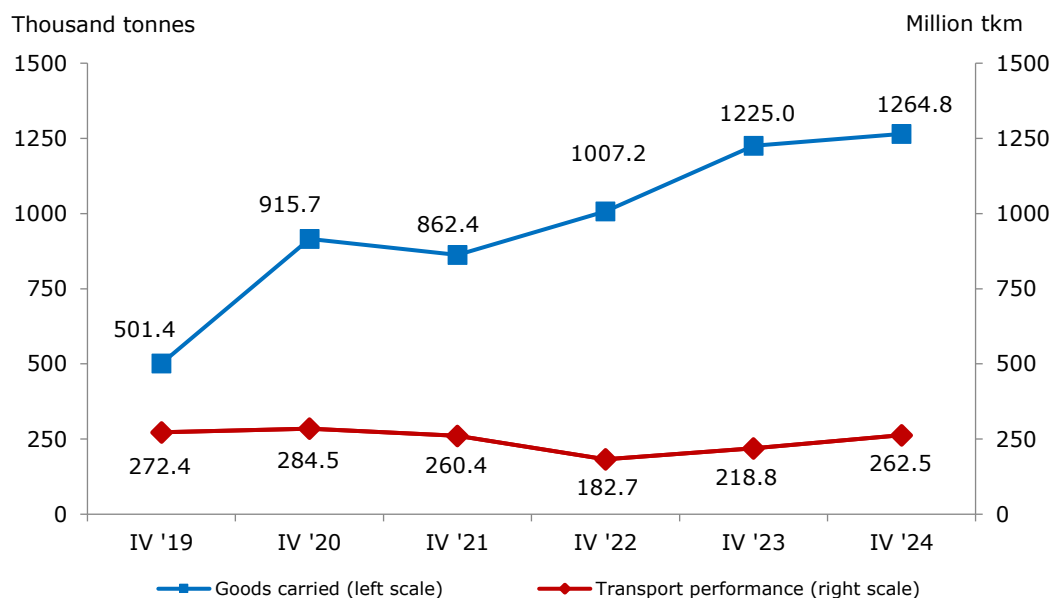
### Freight water transport

The **goods transported** by sea and inland waterway transport were 39.8 thousand tonnes more than in the fourth quarter of 2023, due to the greater volumes of goods carried by inland waterway transport (Figure 4).

The **transport performance**, measured in tonne-kilometres, increased by 20.0% on the same period of the previous year due to the greater distance travelled.

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**Figure 4. Transported goods and transport performance  
by water transport**



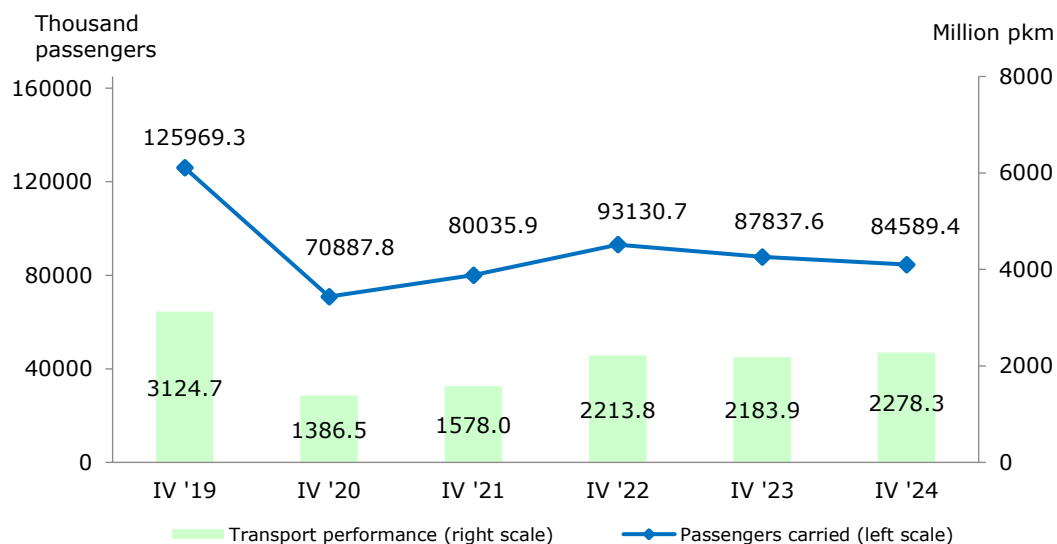
### Passengers land transport

The number of **transported passengers** by land transport was 84 589.4 thousand, or 3.7% down on the fourth quarter of 2023 (Figure 5). Bus and rail passenger numbers decreased by 3.6% and 5.4%, respectively.

The **transport performance** reached 2 278.3 million passenger-kilometres, which represented a 4.3% rise on the corresponding quarter of 2023, as a result of an increase in international carriages and the average distance travelled respectively.

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**Figure 5. Transported passengers and transport performance  
by land transport**

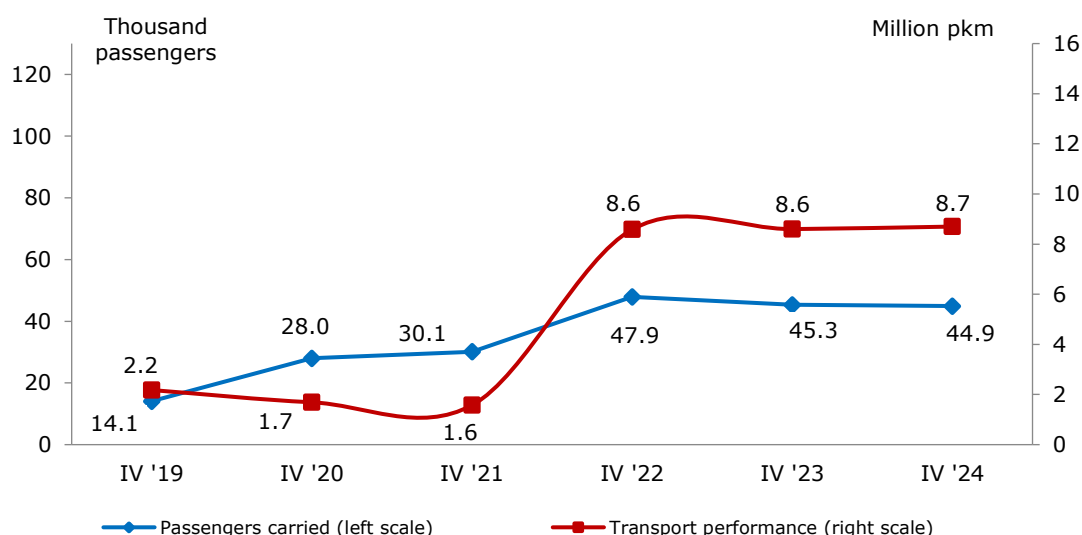


### Passenger water transport

There was a decline of 0.4 thousand passengers in the number of **transported passengers** by water transport, compared to the same period of 2023, due to the smaller number of passengers carried by inland waterway and sea transport. Meanwhile, the **transport performance** increased by 1.2% as a result of the greater average distance travelled (Figure 6).

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**Figure 6. Transported passengers and transport performance  
by water transport**

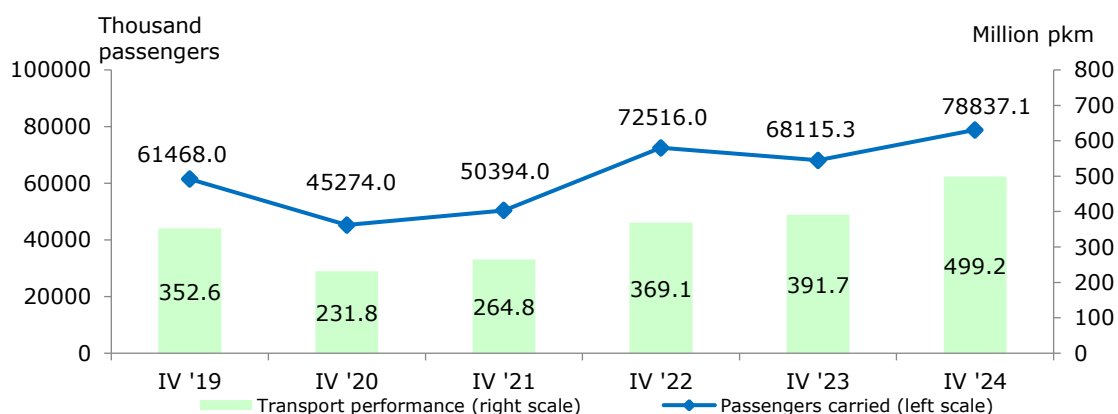


### Urban electrical transport

During the period October - December 2024, the enterprises performing urban electric transport carried a total of 78 837.1 thousand **passengers**, or 15.7% more than in the same period of 2023 (Figure 7).

The **transport performance** also increased by 27.4% and reached 499.2 million passenger-kilometres.

**Figure 7. Transported passengers and transport performance  
by urban electrical transport**



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**Methodological notes**

**Land freight transport** covers the freight carriages by road and rail transport from vehicles with Bulgarian registration as well as transmission of goods by pipelines.

**Land passenger transport** covers the passengers' carriages by road and rail transport from vehicles with Bulgarian registration.

**Water transport** covers the passengers' and freight carriages and transport performance by maritime and IWW vessels with Bulgarian registration.

**Urban electrical transport** includes passengers carried and transport performance of trolleybus and electric bus transport in the country, tramway transport and metro in Sofia.

**Goods carried** (tonnes) - measures the total volume of goods carried **for hire or reward** between two places (place of loading and place of unloading).

**Transport performance of freight transport** (tonne-kilometres) - corresponds to the transportation of one tonne over one kilometre.

**Passengers carried** (in numbers) - measures the total number of passengers **with paid fares** carried by the corresponding type of transport between two places (place of embarkation and place of disembarkation)

**Transport performance of passenger transport** (passenger-kilometres) - corresponds to the transportation of one passenger over one kilometre.

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**Annex**

**Table 1**

**Main indicators of the freight transport activity,  
fourth quarter of 2023 and 2024**

<b>Freight transport</b>	<b>IV -th quarter 2023</b>	<b>IV -th quarter 2024</b>	<b>Index of change compared to the fourth quarter of 2023</b>
Land transport - transported goods			
<b>Total - thousand tonnes</b>	<b>31794.0</b>	<b>29275.5</b>	<b>92.1</b>
National	20617.3	18369.6	89.1
International	11176.7	10905.9	97.6
Land transport - transport performance			
<b>Total - million tkm</b>	<b>10361.4</b>	<b>10093.8</b>	<b>97.4</b>
National	2804.1	2444.5	87.2
International	7557.3	7649.3	101.2
Water transport - transported goods			
<b>Total - thousand tonnes</b>	<b>1225.0</b>	<b>1264.8</b>	<b>103.2</b>
National	-	-	-
International	1225.0	1264.8	103.2
Water transport - transport performance			
<b>Total - million tkm</b>	<b>218.8</b>	<b>262.5</b>	<b>120.0</b>
National	.1	-	-
International	218.8	262.5	120.0

<sup>1</sup> - no case registered.



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**Table 2**

**Main indicators of the passenger transport activity,  
fourth quarter of 2023 and 2024**

<b>Passenger transport</b>	<b>IV -th quarter 2023</b>	<b>IV -th quarter 2024</b>	<b>Index of change compared to the fourth quarter of 2023</b>
Land transport - transported passengers			
<b>Total - thousands</b>	<b>87837.6</b>	<b>84589.4</b>	<b>96.3</b>
National	87085.9	83536.7	95.9
International	751.7	1052.7	140.0
Land transport - transport performance			
<b>Total - million pkm</b>	<b>2183.9</b>	<b>2278.3</b>	<b>104.3</b>
National	1838.2	1688.1	91.8
International	345.7	590.2	170.7
Water transport - transported passengers			
<b>Total - thousands</b>	<b>45.3</b>	<b>44.9</b>	<b>99.1</b>
National	-	-	-
International	45.3	44.9	99.1
Water transport - transport performance			
<b>Total - million pkm</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>101.2</b>
National	-	-	-
International	8.6	8.7	101.2
Urban electrical transport - transported passengers			
<b>Total - thousands</b>	<b>68115.3</b>	<b>78837.1</b>	<b>115.7</b>
Urban electrical transport - transport performance			
<b>Total - million pkm</b>	<b>391.7</b>	<b>499.2</b>	<b>127.4</b>