

Air Transport Statistics

Fourth Quarter, 2023

Tirana, 29 January 2024: In air transport, operate 20 airlines, of which 18 are foreign companies and 2 are Albanian companies. During the fourth quarter of 2023, 66,262 aircrafts have flown in the Albanian airspace, of which 79.1% were overpasses. The number of overpasses in Albanian airspace was increased by 13.7 % compared to the fourth quarter of 2022.

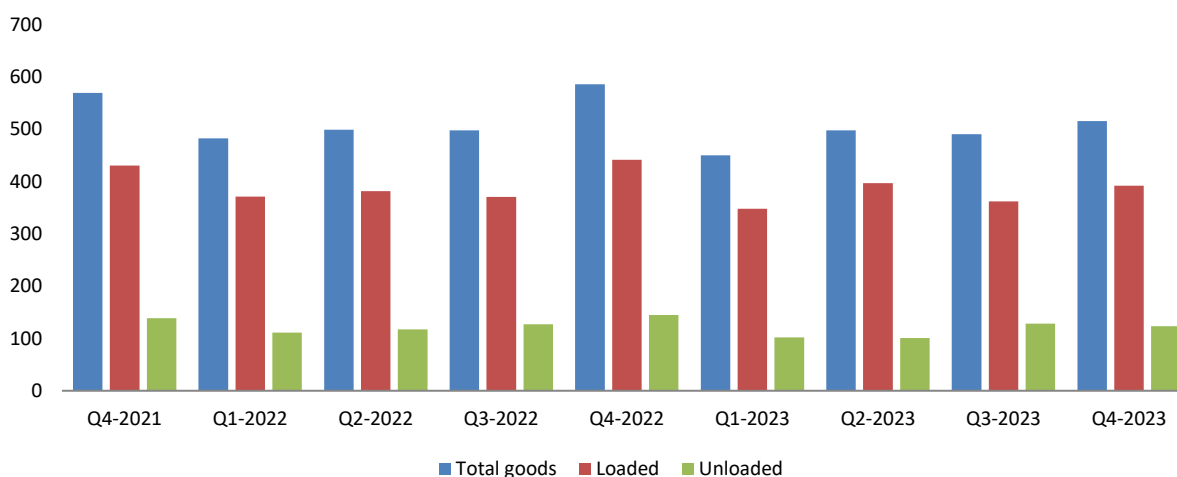
Tab. 1: Dynamics of air transport

Period	Q4-2021	Q1-2022	Q2-2022	Q3-2022	Q4-2022	Q1-2023	Q2-2023	Q3-2023	Q4-2023
Number of airlines	17	17	18	20	17	17	20	21	20
Number of flights	7,150	6,384	10,286	13,140	9,252	8,386	12,468	16,360	13,836
Number of overpasses	35,708	26,468	59,166	82,176	46,107	36,701	69,269	96,490	52,426

Source: Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, calculations INSTAT

The volume of loaded and unloaded freights (including airmail) via air transport is 515.4 tons, of which 76.0 % are loaded and 24.0 % are unloaded freights. Compared to the fourth quarter of 2022, the volume of freights decreased by 12.0 %.

Fig. 1: Volume of freights and mail transported by air, tonnes



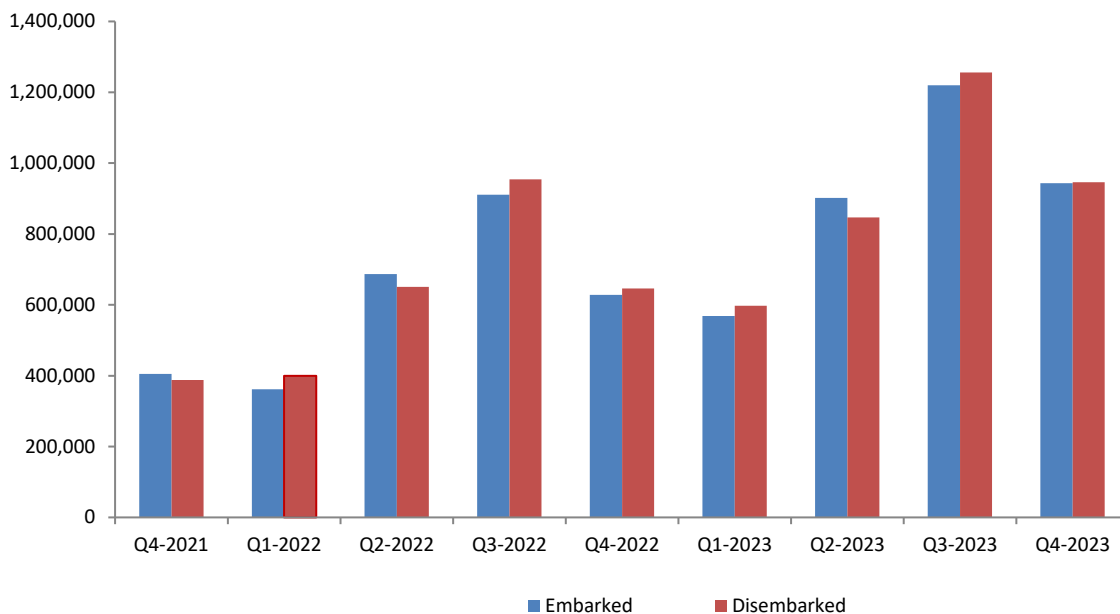
Source: Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, calculations INSTAT

In air transport, goods transported by mail account for 13.2% of the total volume of goods transported by air. The volume of mail decreased by 23.2 %, compared to the fourth quarter of 2022.

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In the fourth quarter of 2023, 1,890,085 passengers traveled by airline. Compared to the same period of 2022, this indicator increased by 48.3 %.

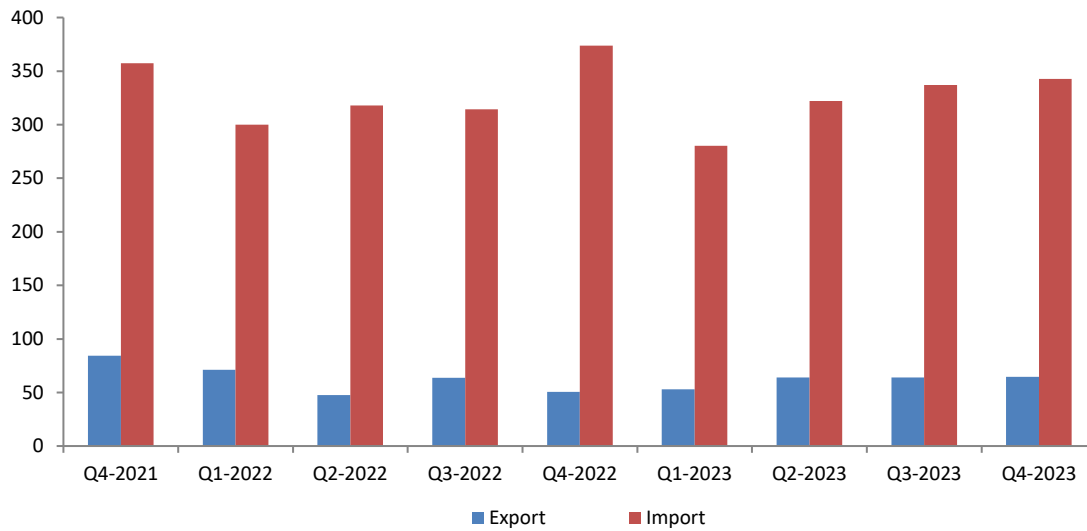
Fig. 2: Passenger Air Transport



Source: Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, calculations INSTAT

Exports/Imports of freights by air transport

In the fourth quarter of 2023, the volume of goods traded by air (exports and imports) is 408 tonnes. Compared to the same period of 2022 this indicator decreased by 4.0 %. The volume of goods imported by air in the fourth quarter of 2023 accounts 0.02 % of the total volume of imported goods.

Fig. 3: Export / import of freights by air

Source: General Directorate of Customs, calculations INSTAT

Methodology

The publication of Transport Statistics presents the results on the transport of goods and passengers as well as the export and import of goods according to the mode of transport on a monthly basis. The data of the publication are obtained from administrative sources. The main source of information is the data reported from the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy and the General Directorate of Customs.

Definitions

Transport: Movement of people and / or freights using various means of transport. Transport is carried out by rail, land, sea and air.

Air transport: Any movement of freights and / or passengers using aircraft on trips, which are undertaken wholly or partly by air

Airport: A designated area of land or water (including buildings, installations and equipment) intended to be used either in whole or in part for the arrival, departure and surface movement of aircraft and open to commercial air transport operations.

Airline: An aviation enterprise operating aircraft for commercial purposes that (i) performs scheduled air transport services, or both, which are publicly available for the carriage of passengers, mail, and / or cargo, and (ii) has been certified for such purposes by the civil aviation authority of the State in which it is established.

Passenger Air Service: Scheduled or non-scheduled air service performed by aircraft carrying one or more arriving passengers and any flight listed in published schedules as open to passengers.

Air cargo and mail service: Scheduled or non-scheduled air service performed by aircraft carrying incoming cargo (freight and mail), other than passengers.

Flight Number: It's the first published initial number assigned by the air transport operator to the flight. Passengers using a flight from an aircraft may travel under a number of different flight numbers.

Carried passengers: All passengers whose journey begins or ends at the reporting airport are called.

Transported freights: Includes any cargo loaded onto or unloaded from an aircraft, excluding passenger baggage and mail.

Exports: Goods destined to a third country, placed under customs export or outward processing arrangements or re-exported following inward processing.

Imports: Goods arrived from a third country and are directly placed, or are left in warehouse, under customs procedure of release for free circulation, inward processing or processing under customs control.

Nomenclature of Transport Statistics (NST 2007): A statistical nomenclature for the goods transported by four modes of transport: road, rail, inland waterways and sea (maritime).

The data of maritime, rail and air transport are preliminary and subject to revision. For more refer: [Statistical revision policy](#).

Explanation of Symbols

0 - value less than half of unit of measure

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