

Transport statistics

March 2020

Tirana, 27 April 2020: The volume of freight loading/unloading in ports, in March 2020 is 254 thousand / tonnes, decreasing 41.2 % compared to March 2019.

In the first quarter of 2020, the volume of freight loading/unloading in ports is 1,0 million/tonnes, decreasing by 9.8 % compared to the first quarter of 2019.

The volume of freight transported by rail in March 2020 is 2.6 million / tonnes–km decreasing by 13.8 % compared to March 2019.

In the first quarter of 2020, volume of freights transported by rail is 8.6 million tonnes-km, increasing by 5.6 % compared to the first quarter of 2019.

Tab. 1 Volume of freight transported by sea, by rail and by air

Period	By sea tonnes	By rail 000/tonnes.km	By air* tonnes
March- 2019	432,833	3,011	200.3
March- 2020	254,384	2,597	155.6
Annual change (%)	-41.2	-13.8	-22.3
January – March 2019	1,045,304	8,184	565.3
January – March 2020	943,311	8,642	511.5
Progressive annual change (%)	-9.8	5.6	-9.5

* *Includes freights and mail

Source: Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, calculations of INSTAT

In March 2020, the volume of freights transported by air is 155.6 tonnes, decreasing by 22.3 % compared to March 2019.

In the first quarter of 2020, the volume of freights transported by air is 511.5 tonnes, decreasing by 9.5 % compared to the first quarter of 2019.

The number of flights, in March 2020 is 922 marking an decreasing of 50.3 % compared to March 2019.

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Tab. 2 Air transport indicators

Period	Number of airlines	Number of flights	Number of overflights
March- 2019	18	1,856	10,399
March- 2020	16	922	6,600
Annual change (%)	-11.1	-50.3	-36.5
January – March 2019	18	5,523	28,344
January – March 2020	16	4,744	28,048
Progressive annual change (%)	-11.1	-14.1	-1.0

Source: Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, calculations of INSTAT

The number of passengers traveling by sea line in March 2020 is 16,206 passengers. Compared to March 2019, this indicator decreased by 67.4 %.

In the first quarter of 2020, 125,810 passengers travelled by sea, decreased 17.0 % compared to same period of 2019.

In March 2020, passenger air transport occupies 82.4 % of the total transport.

The number of passengers traveling by air line, in the first quarter of 2020, is 515,506 passengers, decreasing by 15.5 % compared to the first quarter of 2019.

Tab. 3 Passenger transport by mode of travel

Period	Passenger Transport		
	By rail	By sea	By air
March- 2019	3,993	49,776	212,034
March- 2020	0	16,206	76,106
Annual change (%)	-100.0	-67.4	-64.1
January – March 2019	9,220	151,506	610,332
January – March 2020	64	125,810	515,506
Progressive annual change (%)	-99.3	-17.0	-15.5

Source: Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, calculations of INSTAT

Exports/Imports of goods by mode of transport

In March 2020, the value of goods traded (exports and imports) is 59.5 billion ALL and 48.7 % of them is transported by sea.

In the first quarter of 2020, value of goods traded (exports and imports) is 201.2 billion ALL and 53.3 % of them is transported by sea.

Tab.4 Exports/Imports of goods by mode of transport

Mode of transport	Export (billion ALL)				Import (billion ALL)			
	March 2019	March 2020	Jan. – Mar. 2019	Jan. – Mar. 2020	March 2019	March 2020	Jan. – Mar. 2019	Jan. – Mar. 2020
By sea	16,655.9	10,331	44,954	40,769	27,344	18,663	71,343	66,418
By rail	0	0	2	0	448	212	895	862
By road	10,647	7,206	26,017	23,555	24,308	19,801	61,927	59,578
By air	69	75	208	314	1,952	1,408	5,058	4,152
Other	448	145	1,099	1,139	2,001	1,708	8,755	4,448

Source: General Directorate of Customs

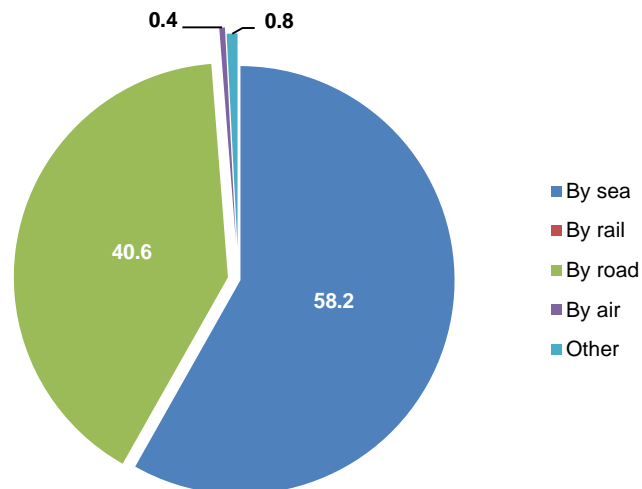
Exports of goods

In March 2020, goods exported by sea represent 58.2 %, by road 40.6 % and by air 0.4 % of total exports of goods. Goods exported by road decreased by 32.3 % compared with the same period of 2019.

In the first quarter of 2020, goods exported by sea represent 62.0 %, by road 35.8 % and by air 0.5 %.

In the first quarter of 2020, goods exported by road decreased by 9.5% compared to same period of 2019.

Fig. 1 Structure of exports by mode of transport, March 2020



Source: General Directorate of Customs, INSTAT calculations

Imports of goods

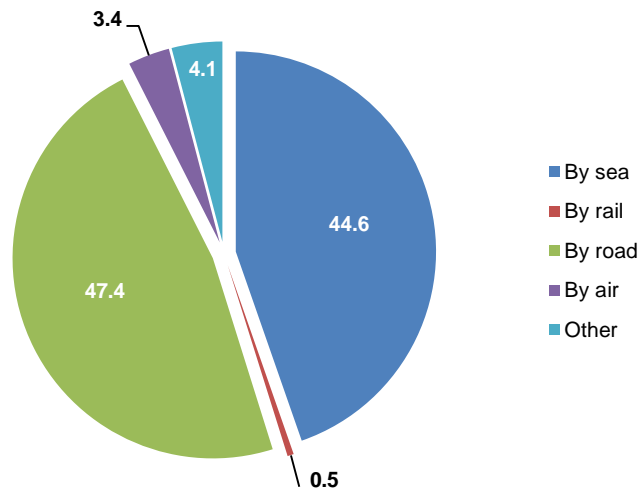
In March 2020, goods imported by sea represent 44.6 %, by road 47.4 % and by air 3.4 %.

Goods imported by road in March 2020 decreased by 18.5 % compared to March 2019.

In the first quarter of 2020, goods imported by sea represented 49.0%, by road 44.0 % and by air 3.1 %.

In the first quarter of 2020, goods imported by road decreased by 3.8 % compared with the same period of 2019.

Fig. 2 Structure of imports by mode of transport, March 2020



Source: General Directorate of Customs, INSTAT calculations

Methodology

The Publication of Transport Statistics presents the results on the transport of goods and passengers by type, as well as the export and import of goods by mode of transport, on a monthly basis. The data are administrative. The main source of information is the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy and General Directorate of Customs.

Definitions

Airlines include companies that transporting passengers and goods.

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

Rail transport: Every movement of freights and / passengers using wheeled vehicles run on the track.

Maritime transport: Any movement of goods and / or passengers using commercial vessel trips, which are undertaken wholly or partly by sea.

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

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

The FOB (free on board) value of exports of goods is the value of the goods at the exporter's customs frontier.

Imports are 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.

The cost, insurance and freight (CIF) price is the price of a good delivered at the frontier of the importing country, or the price of a service delivered to resident, before the payment of any import duties or other taxes on imports or trade and transport margins within the country.

NST-2007 is 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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