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Transport activity
2nd quarter 2013

International traffic of goods increases significantly in maritime ports while road mode recovers but rail mode declines

Transport of passengers with increase in airports and lower reductions in rail mode and inland waterways

In the 2nd quarter 2013, the movement of goods in Portuguese maritime ports increased by 14.1% in year-on-year terms (+3.2% in the 1st quarter 2013). Transport of goods in railway mode kept a declining trend (-1.9%), but less so when compared with the previous quarters (-18.9% in the 1st quarter 2013).

In national airports, there were increases in the number of airplanes (+1.4%) and passengers (+4.9%) but reductions in cargo and mail (-2.5%), when compared with the same period of the previous year.

In road freight transport, the downward trend was interrupted with a 9.2% year-on-year growth in total tonnage transported.

The transport of passengers continued to decrease in inland waterways (-1.4%), in heavy railway mode (-3.3%) and in light railway mode (-6.9%), but with a lower pace than in the previous quarters.