Transport in the Republic of Kazakhstan

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1. Key points

Transportation of goods and passengers by all modes of transport

The Physical volume index of the services of the section "Transport and warehousing" in January-September2026 compared to the corresponding period last year amounted to 107,2%.

In January-September 2026, 712,1 million tons of cargo were transported by all modes of transport in the Republic of Kazakhstan, which is 0,9% more than the level of January-September 2025.

Cargo turnover during this period amounted to 385,9 billion t-km (increased of 0,7% compared to January-September 2025).

1 459,3 million passengers were transported (3,4% more than in January-September 2025).

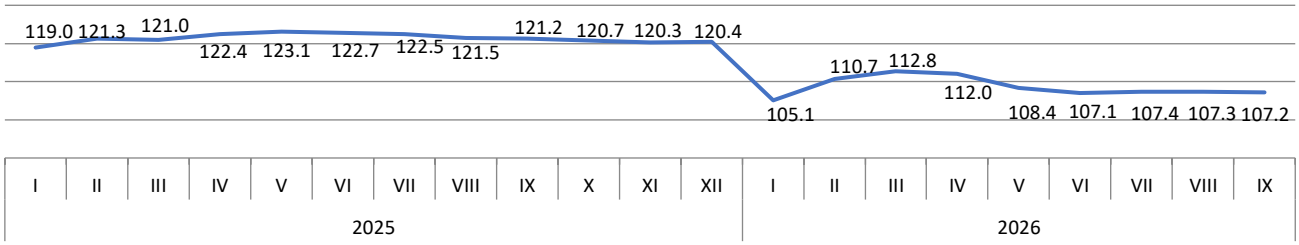
Passenger turnover amounted to 72,1 billion p-km (increased by 7,4% compared to January-September 2025).

Regionally in January-September 2026, increased in cargo turnover is noted in Astana (4,5%), Shymkent (1,4%), Almaty (0,5%), Zhetisu (12,1%), Kyzylorda (9,4%), Abay (8,6%), Aktobe (3,8%), Ulytau (3,6%), Akmola (2,8%), Kostanay (2,2%), Turkistan (2%), Shygys Kazakhstan (1,7%), Zhambyl (1,2%), Karagandy (0,9%), Mangystau (0,6%) and Batys Kazakhstan (0,3%) regions.

Passenger turnover increased in the following cities: Almaty city (23%), Shymkent (21,6%), Kostanay (65,7%), Almaty (17%), Akmola (16,6%), Zhetisu (12,6%), Soltustik Kazakhstan (12,3%), Karagandy (11,6%), Batys Kazakhstan (10,9%), Aktobe (7,5%) Zhambyl (4,1%) and Abay (0,7%) regions.

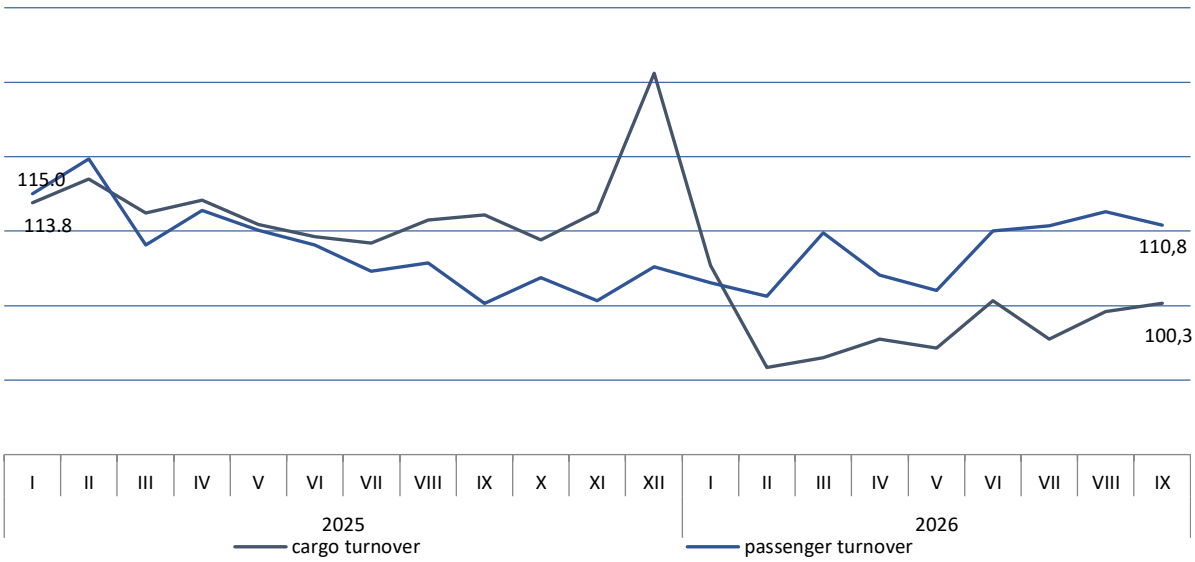
Physical volume index "Transport and warehousing"

as a percentage of the corresponding period of the previous year



Cargo and passenger turnover of the Republic of Kazakhstan

as a percentage of the corresponding month of the previous year



Cargo and passenger turnover for January-September 2026

as a percentage

	Cargo turnover	Passenger turnover
Republic of Kazakhstan	100,7	107,4
Abay	108,6	100,7
Akmola	102,8	116,6
Aktobe	103,8	107,5
Almaty	98,3	117,0
Atyrau	94,3	67,6
Batys Kazakhstan	100,3	110,9
Zhambyl	101,2	104,1
Zhetisu	112,1	112,6
Karagandy	100,9	111,6
Kostanay	102,2	165,7
Kyzylorda	109,4	95,2
Mangystau	100,6	96,9
Pavlodar	88,0	96,8
Soltustik Kazakhstan	98,4	112,3
Turkistan	102,0	94,1
Ulytau	103,6	84,8
Shygys Kazakhstan	101,7	85,9
Astana city	104,5	99,1
Almaty city	100,5	123,0
Shymkent city	101,4	121,6

Railway transport

In January-September 2026, 248,5 million tons of cargo were transported by rail in the republic which is 1,4% below than the level of January-September 2025, cargo turnover during this period amounted to 219,6 billion t-km (increased by 1,5% compared to January-September 2025), 14,2 million passengers were transported (4,4% less than in January-September 2025), passenger turnover amounted to 12,1 billion p-km (decreased by 0,9% compared to January-September 2025).

Automobile and urban electric transport

In January-September 2026, compared to the same period last year there was an increase in cargo transportation by 5,6% and cargo turnover of road transport increase by 6,2%. Passenger transportation and passenger turnover also increased by 3,5% and 9%, respectively.

Pipeline transport

In January-September 2026, 189,8 million tons of cargo were transported (2,4% less than in January-September 2025), cargo turnover amounted to 128,0 billion t-km (decreased by 2,2% compared to January-September 2025).

Air transport

In January-September 2026, 12,4 million passengers were transported by air transport of the republic (increased by 4,1% compared to January-September 2025), passenger turnover amounted to 25,5 billion p-km (increased by 9,5% compared to January-September 2025).

Inland water transport
In January-September 2026, 265,0 thousand tons of cargo were transported by inland water transport, an increase of 1,6 times compared to January-September 2025.

Marine and coastal transport
In January-September 2026, 3 035,6 thousands tons of cargo were transported by sea, there is an increase in cargo transportation by 7,9% compared to January-September 2025, cargo turnover amounted to 1 567,7 million tons-km and increased by 20,8% compared to January-September 2025.

Spreadsheets
The main indicators of transport in the Republic of Kazakhstan

2.Transport dynamics

Dynamic tables:
The main indicators of transport operation in the Republic of Kazakhstan period and month
Gross output and PVI in theTransport and Warehousing section

3. Glossary

Transported cargo – the amount of cargo in tons transported by transport.

Cargo turnover of transport– the volume of work of transport for the transportation of goods, expressed in ton-kilometers. It is defined as the sum of the products of the weight of each batch (shipment) of the transported cargo over the distance of its transportation.

Transported passengers – the number of passengers transported over a certain period of time. The unit of observation in passengertransportation statistics is a passenger-trip.

Passenger turnover of transport – the volume of work of transport for the transportation of passengers, The unit of measurement is the passenger-kilometer, i.e. the movement of 1 passenger over a distance of 1 kilometer. It is determined by summing the products of the number of passengers of each carriage by the distance of carriage in kilometers.

The physical volume index- is a relative indicator that characterizes the change in the quantitative volumes of freight and passenger traffic in the reporting period compared to the base period and is calculated on the basis of the weighted average growth rate of revenue from the transportation of goods and passengers.

4. Methodological explanations

The release provides statistical data on the work of enterprises with the main type of activity - transport (OKED code 49-51), reporting on the monthly form 1-transport, enterprises of other sectors of the economy engaged in the transportation of passengers and cargo on a commercial basis, as well as individual entrepreneurs engaged in the transportation of goods and passengers by road on a commercial basis, reporting according to quarterly forms: 1-sole proprietor (auto cargo), 1-sole proprietor (auto passengers).

5. Useful links

Methodology for the formation of transport statistics indicators
Form 1-Transport "Transport Performance Report"
Main indicators of transport performance, Quality Report, 2018
Transport performance indicators, Information and analytical system "Taldau"

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