

POLAND

Freight transport (domestic and international) – all modes of transport (in thousand tons)

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| 2007 | 26510 | 26737 | 29986 | 29647 | 30554 | 30408 | 30483 | 31715 | 30781 | 32524 | 30411 | 28005 |
| 2008 | 27993 | 27281 | 29857 | 32114 | 31973 | 31230 | 32069 | 31583 | 31822 | 31406 | | |

Freight transport (domestic and international) by road in thousand tons (without the own account transport)

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| 2007 | 9061 | 9145 | 10283 | 11005 | 11134 | 11388 | 11764 | 12679 | 12540 | 12710 | 11962 | 11119 |
| 2008 | 11078 | 11010 | 12064 | 13288 | 13959 | 14006 | 13568 | 13595 | 14032 | 13803 | | |

- 1. Transport of goods by all modes of transport in October 2008 was 1 218 000 tons lower than in October 2007(- 3.7%).
- 2. Transport of goods by road in October 2008 was 8.6% higher than in October 2007 (13'803 thousand tons as compared to 12'710 thousand tons in October 2007). As compared to September 2008, freight transport by road fell by 1.6% in October 2008.
- 3. In the third quarter of 2008, nearly 10% of road transport companies *suspended activity* or were resigned to continuing. It is foreseen that at the end of 2008, the next 10% will disappear from the market. This concerns mainly small undertakings with up to 5 vehicles (Source: Motor Transport Institute in Warsaw as in the Newsletter Truck & Business Polska, no 9).
- 4. Other results of the research on different factors of the current and foreseen market situation based on a *survey* is accomplished for each quarter of the year by the Motor Transport Institute and is based on the answers of about 1500 Polish hauliers. The "Market Expectations Indicator" for the 3rd Quarter 2008 shows the following:

| | III Quarter 2008 | II Quarter 2008 | III Quarter 2007 |
|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Domestic transport | -27,9 | -27,6 | +16,8 |
| Intern'l transport | -32,2 | -33,9 | |

• "Transport Capacity Of Transport Companies Indicator": -4.6 for the 3rd Quarter 2008; this is based on the information concerning the expected change in the number of vehicles. 45% of the interviewed companies have not bought any transport means in the 3rd Quarter 2008. (3rd Quarter 2008: -4.6; 2nd Quarter 2008: -4.8; 2nd Quarter 2007: +18.6)

Source: ZMPD