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TRAFFIC IN SEAPORTS, THIRD QUARTER OF 2026

Slight increase in the traffic of passengers in the third quarter of 2026

In the third quarter of 2026, **18.4 million** passengers embarked or disembarked in Croatian seaports. Compared to the same period of 2025, this represents an increase of 0.8%.

In the third quarter of 2026, the number of passengers carried on ferries and passenger ships amounted to 17.5 million, which was 0.6% more than in the same period of 2025. An increase in the number of passengers carried was recorded both in the national and international traffic of passengers. There were 4.7% more coaches that embarked on and disembarked from ships, while the number of passenger cars remained the same as in the third quarter of 2025.

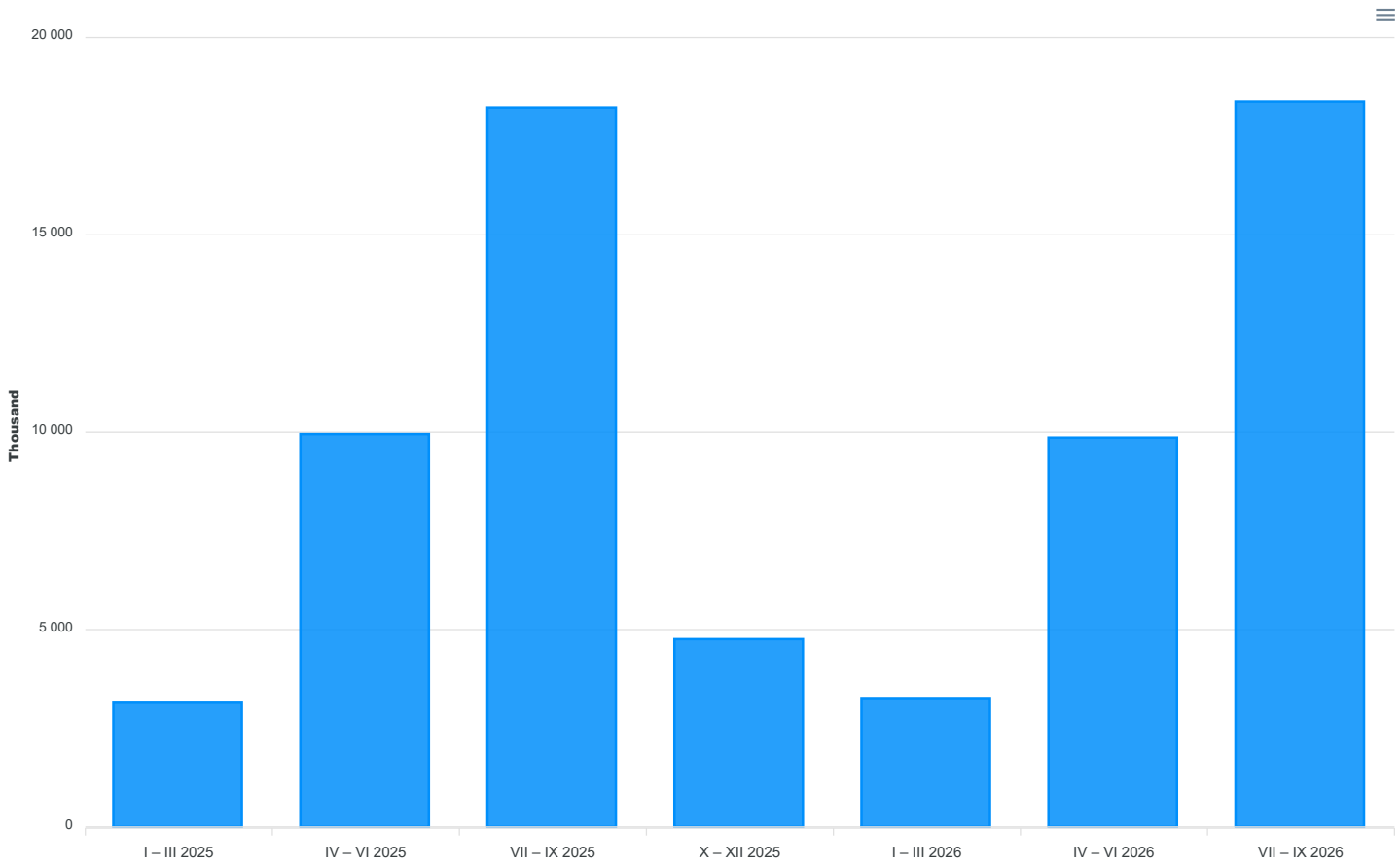
Out of the total number of passengers in seaports, 779 thousand of them disembarked from cruise ships and visited, among others, the ports of Dubrovnik, Split, Zadar and Šibenik. Compared to the third quarter of 2025, it was an increase of 6.1%.

Increase in the traffic of goods in the third quarter of 2026

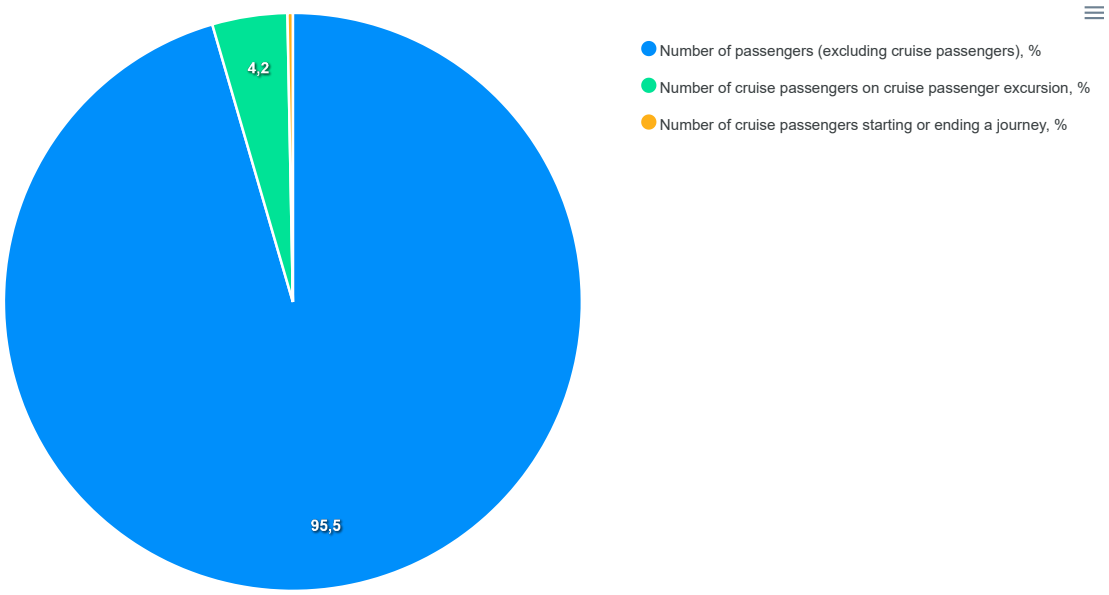
The total traffic of goods in the third quarter of 2026 at the level of the Republic of Croatia amounted to **6.6 million** tonnes, which means it increased by 18.5% compared to the same period of 2025. This was a result of an increase in the traffic of liquid goods of 4.0% (with a share of 45% in the total traffic of goods) and an increase in the traffic of containerised goods of 69.4% (with a share of 34% in the total traffic of goods), compared to the third quarter of 2025, measured in tonnes. There was a decrease in the traffic of dry bulk goods of 31.6% (with a share of 10% in the total traffic of goods), compared to the same period of 2025.

Of the five ports that accounted for 92% of the total traffic of goods in seaports, a noticeable increase in the third quarter of 2026 was recorded in the ports of Rijeka (of 75.4%), Omišalj (of 8.7%), and Split (of 7.5%), as compared to the third quarter of 2025.

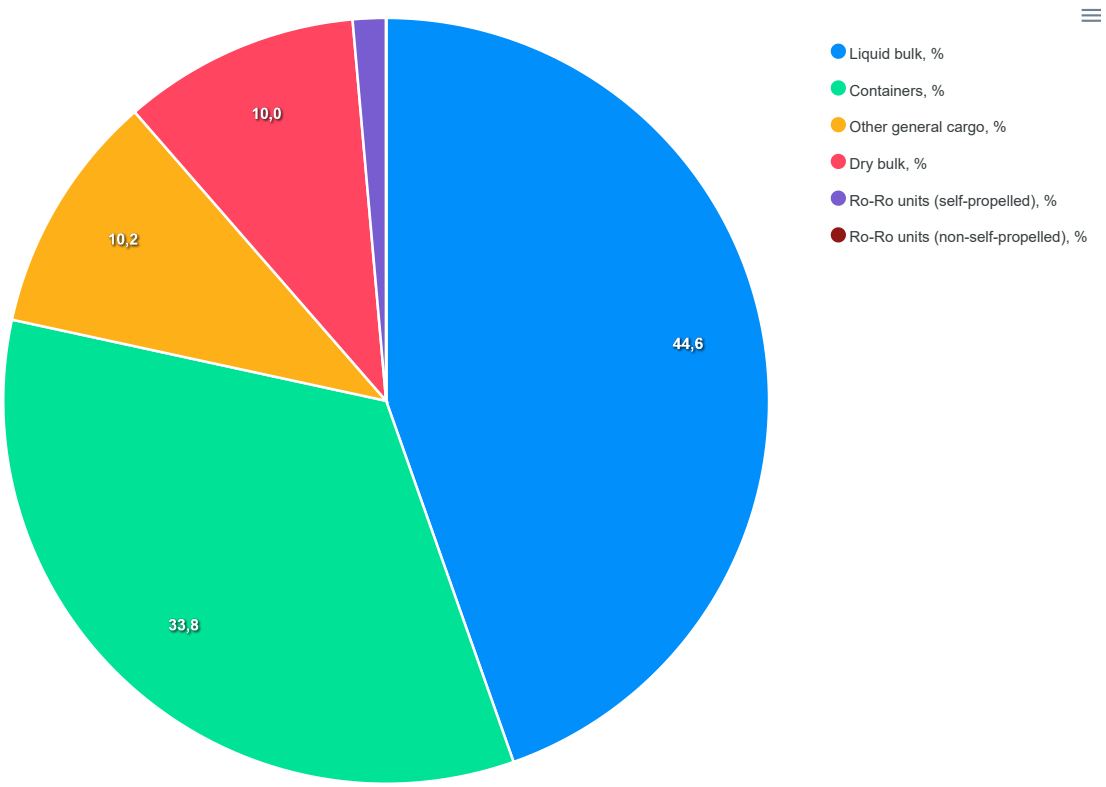
G-1 TRAFFIC OF PASSENGERS, BY QUARTERS, 2025 AND 2026



G-2 STRUCTURE OF TRAFFIC OF PASSENGERS, THIRD QUARTER OF 2026



G-3 STRUCTURE OF TRAFFIC OF GOODS, THIRD QUARTER OF 2026



1 TRAFFIC OF SHIPS, PASSENGERS AND GOODS IN SEAPORTS

	Unit of measure	2025		2026		Indices	
		VII – IX	I – IX	VII – IX	I – IX	VII – IX 2026 / VII – IX 2025	I – IX 2026 / I – IX 2025
Arrival of ships	Number	141 727	291 260	145 566	294 837	102,7	101,2
Traffic of passengers	‘000	18 222	31 341	18 372	31 496	100,8	100,5
Traffic of goods	‘000 t	5 567	15 825	6 598	18 992	118,5	120,0

2 TRAFFIC OF GOODS IN SELECTED[1)] SEAPORTS, THIRD QUARTER OF 2026

	Total traffic of goods, t	Indices VII – IX 2026 / VII – IX 2025
Rijeka	2 245 779	175,4
Omišalj	1 809 602	108,7
Ploče	816 519	91,7
Split	719 051	107,5
Bakar	467 258	72,8

1) Ports that had the total annual traffic of goods greater than or equal to one million tonnes in the last three years.

3 TRAFFIC OF PASSENGERS IN SELECTED[1] SEAPORTS, THIRD QUARTER OF 2026

	Traffic of passengers, total	Indices VII – IX 2026 / VII – IX 2025	National traffic of passengers	Indices VII – IX 2026 / VII – IX 2025	International traffic of passengers	Indices VII – IX 2026 / VII – IX 2025
Total	18 371 738	100,8	17 422 153	100,7	949 585	104,0
Of which						
Split	2 549 031	98,2	2 252 158	97,4	296 873	104,9
Dubrovnik	1 674 383	102,5	1 335 062	99,9	339 321	114,5
Korčula[2]	1 256 968	94,7	1 244 533	95,3	12 435	58,3
Zadar	1 241 477	95,6	1 119 202	97,1	122 275	83,3
Jablanac	1 165 460	103,2	1 165 460	103,2	-	-
Cres	933 588	104,7	933 059	104,7	529	134,9
Preko	887 342	99,4	887 342	99,4	-	-
Supetar	838 221	89,9	838 071	89,9	150	319,1
Krk	739 991	102,2	739 691	102,2	300	-
Rab	724 750	103,6	723 841	103,5	909	150,2
Novalja	665 412	112,3	663 450	112,2	1 962	148,1
Biograd	628 794	100,3	628 794	100,3	-	-
Pula[3]	584 096	108,5	564 471	109,1	19 625	93,2
Šibenik	554 258	123,3	539 883	123,9	14 375	106,1
Makarska	435 476	115,7	435 476	115,7	-	-
Stari Grad	353 886	96,9	353 664	97,2	222	20,8
Rabac	337 206	107,4	337 206	107,4	-	-
Hvar	283 468	100,7	270 111	99,9	13 357	121,9
Sućuraj	220 646	93,8	220 646	93,8	-	-
Rogač	209 721	102,2	209 633	102,1	88	-
Vis	179 368	101,6	175 554	100,7	3 814	164,3
Trogir	176 332	113,1	174 623	113,5	1 709	78,5
Božava	138 293	99,4	138 293	99,4	-	-
Rovinj	126 856	115,1	74 185	111,9	52 671	119,9
Vela Luka	126 026	102,5	125 991	102,5	35	-
Sobra	86 000	67,3	84 496	66,5	1 504	235,0
Poreč	77 811	82,8	49 166	77,0	28 645	95,3
Ploče	25 836	107,4	25 836	108,0	-	-
Trpanj	25 581	107,0	25 581	107,0	-	-

1) Ports that had the total annual traffic of passengers greater than or equal to 200 000 in the last three years.

2) Including the traffic in the seaport of Orebić.

3) Including the traffic in the seaports of Brijuni and Fažana.

4 EMBARKED AND DISEMBARKED PASSENGER VEHICLES, BY HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICES, THIRD QUARTER OF 2026

	Passenger cars, motorcycles and trailers, number	Indices VII – IX 2026 / VII – IX 2025	Coaches, number	Indices VII – IX 2026 / VII – IX 2025
Total	3 335 005	100,0	12 668	104,7
Harbour master's office of Pula	118 313	107,8	137	98,6
Harbour master's office of Rijeka	788 028	103,0	4 000	116,7
Harbour master's office of Senj	596 582	103,1	3 298	99,6
Harbour master's office of Zadar	565 470	99,6	334	94,1
Harbour master's office of Šibenik	6 710	109,2	136	-
Harbour master's office of Split	900 725	98,6	2 713	106,2
Harbour master's office of Ploče	11 456	108,6	4	40,0
Harbour master's office of Dubrovnik	347 721	90,9	2 046	88,6

NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

Cumulative data do not always equal the sum of individual monthly results due to the rounding of numbers to the nearest thousand.

Detailed monthly data on the traffic of ships, passengers and goods in seaports are available on the website of the Croatian Bureau of Statistics, under "PC-Axis databases", where it is possible to browse and print data in various forms. Databases are updated every three months.

Sources and methods of data collection

The Croatian Bureau of Statistics carries out the statistical survey on the traffic in seaports by using the databases of the Croatian Integrated Maritime Information System. The Croatian Bureau of Statistics takes over a part of the database from the Ministry of Sea, Transport and Infrastructure, after which it performs further processing.

The Croatian Integrated Maritime Information System (CIMIS) has been used as a uniform platform for the recording of arrivals and departures of ships. Among other data, ships submit information on the traffic of goods and passengers to CIMIS through authorised maritime agents and shippers. The accuracy and completeness of the data in the official proceedings of registration is verified by the harbour master's offices.

The detailed notes on methodology are issued in the publication entitled "Methodological Basics for Statistical Survey Traffic in Seaports", which is also available on the web site of the Croatian Bureau of Statistics.

Coverage

Data on traffic in seaports include arrived and departed ships, embarked and disembarked passengers and loaded and unloaded goods and relate to activities in all public seaports in the Republic of Croatia.

The statistical survey includes all ships under the national and foreign flags that arrived to or departed from the seaports in the Republic of Croatia, regardless of the activity they perform in the seaport. Ships in ballast are included.

Data on traffic of passengers also include the passengers on cruise ships on excursions and present only their disembarkment.

Definitions

Statistical port consists of one or more ports, normally controlled by harbour master's branch offices able to record ship and cargo movements.

Ships are vessels with a length of more than 12 m and of over 15 GT or those authorised to carry more than 12 passengers.

Sea passenger is considered to be every person that makes a sea journey on a merchant ship. Service staffs assigned to merchant ships are not regarded as passengers. Non-fare paying crew members travelling but not assigned and infants in arms are excluded.

Cruise passenger excursion is a short visit by a cruise passenger to a tourist attraction associated with a port while retaining a cabin on board.

National traffic of passengers refers to the traffic between two national ports.

International traffic of passengers includes the traffic between a port of embarkment of passengers in the Republic of Croatia and a port of disembarkment of passengers abroad and vice versa.

Goods are any goods moved on sea. This includes all packaging and equipment such as containers, swap-bodies, pallets or road goods vehicles. Goods carried in lorries, trailers or semi-trailers are included. Conversely, the following items are excluded: bunkers and stores of vessels, fish carried in fishing vessels and fish-processing ships, goods carried internally between different basins or docks of the same port.

Abbreviations

GT	gross tonnage
m	metre
t	tonne
'000	thousand

Symbols

-	no occurrence
0,0	value not zero but less than 0.05 of the unit of measure used

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