

# APRIL VOLUMES: PASSENGERS BOOSTED BY EASTER TIMING DIFFERENCE

April 2025 volume numbers are compared to 2024 impacted by the Easter holiday period falling in April this year compared to March in 2024. In general, this decreases freight volumes and increases passenger volumes compared to April 2024.

**Ferry – freight:** Total volumes in April 2025 of 3.5m lane metres were 0.7% below 2024 and down 2.5% adjusted for route changes. YTD growth rates were -0.4% and -1.0%, respectively.

North Sea volumes were below 2024 following primarily a dip in automotive volumes between Germany and the UK. Mediterranean volumes were above 2024 driven by mainly a shift of road volumes to ferry, a capacity increase between Tunisia and France, and the opening of a new route between Egypt and Italy.

Channel volumes were below 2024 due to mainly the Easter timing difference. Baltic Sea volumes were below 2024 driven mostly by a temporary capacity reduction on one route following tonnage changes. Strait of Gibraltar volumes were above 2024.

For the last twelve months 2025-24, the total transported freight lane metres increased 4.6% to 41.4m from 39.6m in 2024-23. The increase was 0.7% adjusted for route changes.

**Ferry – passenger:** The number of passengers in April 2025 was adjusted for route changes\* up 15.1% to 432k vs 2024 and the adjusted YTD growth rate was -3.2%. The monthly increase was driven by mainly the Easter timing difference. The number of cars in April was 13.0% above 2024 adjusted for route changes.

For the last twelve months 2025-24, the total number of passengers increased 15.9% to 5.9m compared to 5.1m for 2024-23. The increase was 3.7% adjusted for route changes.

\*Adjusted for sale of Oslo-Frederikshavn-Copenhagen end October 2025, Tarifa-Tanger Ville due to considerable capacity changes ahead of exit from route early May 2025, and addition of Jersey routes from end March 2025.

## DFDS ferry volumes

	April				Last-12-months			
	2023	2024	2025	Change	2023	2024	2025	Change
Freight								
Lane metres, '000	3,070	3,497	3,473	-0.7%	40,032	39,611	41,445	4.6%
Passenger								
Passengers, '000	406	507	496	-2.2%	4,184	5,099	5,908	15.9%

DFDS reports monthly ferry volumes for freight and passengers to provide insight into the development of volume trends in our European route network enabling trade and travel in and around Europe. The May 2025 volume report is expected to be published on 12 June 2025 at around 10.00am CET.

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We move goods in trailers by ferry, road & rail and we offer complementary and related transport and logistics solutions.

We also move car and foot passengers on short sea and overnight ferry routes.

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