

## 8. TRANSPORT AND POSTS

### Transport modes

There are three modes of transport: sea, air and land. This sector includes also mail and parcels movement.

### Sea transport

6 ports provide CAS with figures: Beirut, Tripoli, Tyr, Saida, Jieh and Zahrani, and Jounieh.

*Ports of Lebanon traffic in 2007*

Port	Ships	Ships capacity in tons	Oil Tankers	Oil tankers capacity in tons	Unloaded cargo in tons	Loaded cargo in tons
<b>Beirut</b>	2,053	283,486	126	17,426	4,425,579	891,965
<b>Peak</b>	March (11.0%)	March (9.8%)	January (12.7%)	January (11.3%)	October (10.2%)	May (10.9%)
<b>Tripoli</b>	847	1,154,319	103	1,130,873	544,739	224,654
<b>Peak</b>	July (10.2%)	March (12.5%)	September (17.5%)	September (18.6%)	September (14.1%)	August (18.2%)
<b>Tyr</b>	64	108,386			8,138	0
<b>Peak</b>	May, June, July (13.6%)	July (15.2%)			June (22.8%)	
<b>Saida</b>	250	253,087	28	21,728	161,682	37,314
<b>Peak</b>	July (13.6%)	July (14.1%)	January (21.4%)	January (21.4%)	March (11.2%)	March (15.6%)
<b>Jieh &amp; Zahrani</b>	75	236,583	165	1,799,941	189,225	86,160
<b>Peak</b>	September (14.7%)	October (16.4%)	July (11.5%)	February (10.7%)	July (29.1%)	December (48.8%)
<b>Jounieh</b>			51	745,293		
<b>Peak</b>			August (11.8%)	February (13.1%)		
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,289</b>	<b>2,035,861</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>3,715,216</b>	<b>5,329,363</b>	<b>1,240,093</b>

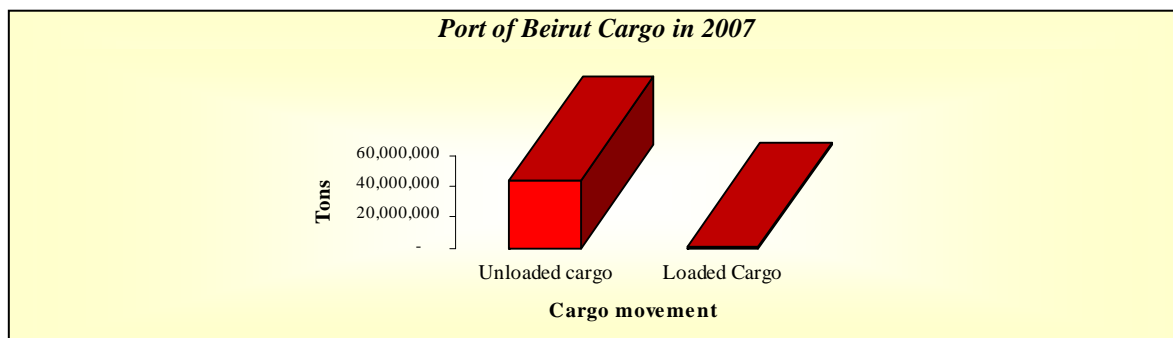
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The Port of Beirut is the most important port in Lebanon. It receives cargo and passengers.

*Compagnie de Gestion et d'Exploitation du Port de Beyrouth in 2007*

Item	Number	Peak month	Peak Product
<b>Boats</b>	2,187	March (10.8%)	
<b>Unloaded and loaded cargo (tons)</b>	5,324,144	October (10.1%)	
<b>Total port revenues (USD)</b>	113,926,385	October (9.6%)	
<b>Disembarked tourists</b>	705	May (91.3%)	
<b>Transit traffic (tons)</b>	120,668	October (18.2%)	
<b>Disembarked containers</b>	580,658	December (40.2%)	
<b>Embarked containers</b>	233,685	November (19.2%)	
<b>Imported cars</b>	45,532	December (11.9%)	
<b>Unloaded cargo (tons)</b>	4,425,579	October (10.2%)	Other merchandises (26.6%)
<b>Loaded cargo (tons)</b>	891,965	May (10.9%)	Iron minerals (47.1%)

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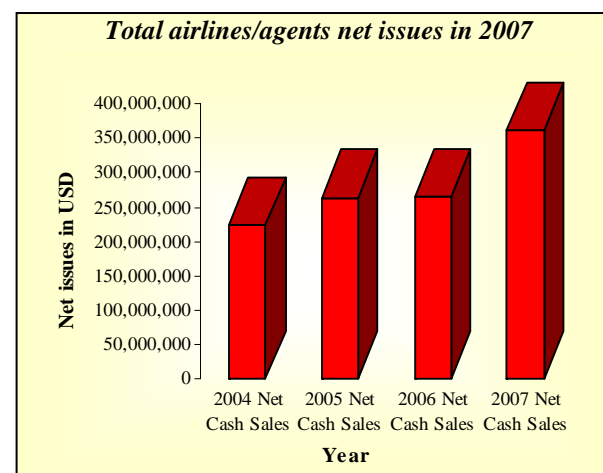
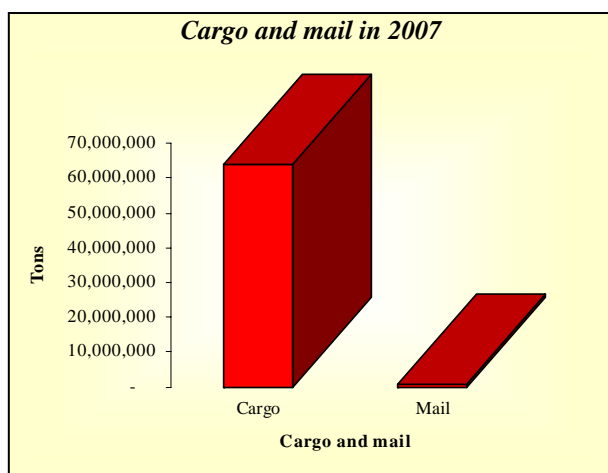
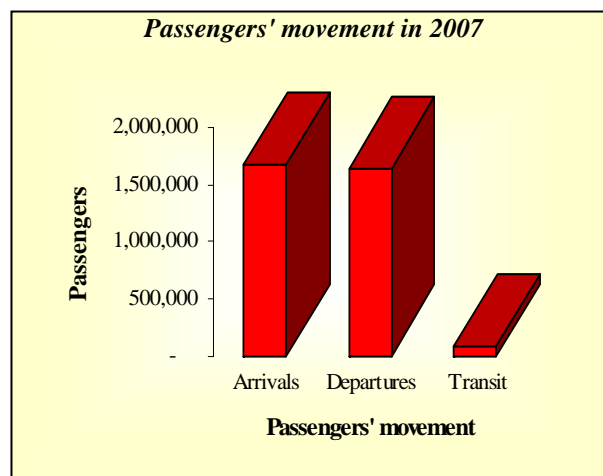
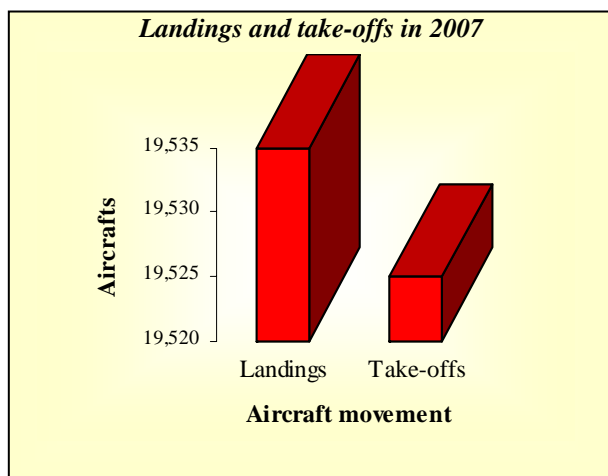
## Air transport

The Rafic Hariri International Airport connects Lebanon to 194 world airports. 39,060 aircrafts landed and took-off from this airport with a peak registered in August (9.7%). Total passengers and transit passengers was 3,409,014 with a peak registered in August (12.4%). Total unloaded and loaded cargo and mail was 65,020,536 tons with a peak in September (10.0%).

*Rafic Hariri International Airport and IATA in 2007*

Item	Number	Peak Month
<b>Landing and take-offs</b>	<b>39,060</b>	<b>August (9.7%)</b>
Landings	19,535	August (9.7%)
Take-offs	19,525	August (9.7%)
<b>Passengers and transit passengers</b>	<b>3,409,014</b>	<b>August (12.4%)</b>
<i>Passengers (97.6%)</i>	<i>3,326,554</i>	<i>August (12.5%)</i>
Arrivals	1,677,322	July (11.8%)
Departures	1,649,232	August (14.0%)
<i>Transit (2.4%)</i>	<i>82,460</i>	<i>August (11.0%)</i>
<b>Total cargo &amp; mail (in tons)</b>	<b>65,020,536</b>	<b>September (10.0%)</b>
<i>Total cargo in tons (98.6%)</i>	<i>64,097,734</i>	<i>September (10.1%)</i>
Unloaded cargo in tons	3,346,779	March (9.4%)
Loaded cargo in tons	27,141,121	September (11.0%)
<b>Total mail in tons (1.4%)</b>	<b>923,162</b>	June (9.4%)
Unloaded mail in tons	472,292	December (10.2%)
Loaded mail in tons	450,870	June (10.7%)
<b>Total airlines/agents net issues in USD</b>	<b>361,318,995</b>	<b>August (10.5%)</b>

*Table made by CAS based on General Directorate of Civil Aviation (2007) data*



*Graphs made by CAS based on General Directorate of Civil Aviation and IATA (2007) data*

## Road transport

Road transport consists of private cars, motorcycles, taxis, public and private collective transport.

### Recorded vehicle stocking

70,659 vehicles were registered in 2007 of which 66.9% are private cars and 17.2% are motorcycles. The peak of vehicles was registered in August (10.5%). As for red number (hiring cars or taxis), it was 53,736 and taxis were the peak (62.3%). The number of taxi drivers registered at the Syndicate of Taxi Drivers in Beirut was 31,825.

### Public collective transport

The Ministry of Transport, Office of Railways & Collective Transport provides CAS with statistics related to 3 lanes. The number of buses decreased in the three lanes since the beginning of 2007. The decrease was at its peak in Beirut and its suburb. In fact, its number of buses decreased by 26.1%, the number of trips 33.1%, the sum of covered Km by 23.2%, the total revenues in million LBP by 29.6% and the approximate number of passengers by 29.6%.

As for the three lanes, the number of buses decreased by 26.9%, the total number of trips by 34.2%, the sum of covered Km by 25.6%, the total revenues in million LBP by 31.4% and the approximate number of passengers by 31.0%.

#### Public collective transport in 2007

Item	Beirut and suburb	Bekaa	Tripoli and suburbs	Total
<b>Total average number of working buses</b>	87.7%	8.8%	3.5%	514
<b>Total number of trips</b>	90.2%	5.5%	4.3%	61,360
<b>Sum of covered Km</b>	83.6%	11.4%	5.0%	2,547,311
<b>Total revenues in million LBP</b>	90.1%	6.2%	3.7%	1,559
<b>Approximate number of passengers</b>	90.2%	6.1%	3.7%	3,198,986

Table made by CAS based on Ministry of Transport, Office of Railways & Collective Transport (2007) data

### Private collective transport

The Lebanese Commuting Company (LCC) provides CAS with statistics related to 15 lanes. Lane 1 transports people between Hamra and Khaldeh, lane 2 between Hamra and Antelias, lane 4 between Military Swimming pool and Hay El Seloum, lane 5 between Ain Mreisseh and Hay El Seloum, lane 6 between Cola and Jbeil, lane 7 between Museum and Bhersaf, lane 8 between Military swimming pool and Ain Saadeh, lane 9 between Barbri and Nahr el Mott, lane 12 between Hamra and Bourj Barajneh, lane 15 between Cola and Musuem and Aley-Qmatiyeh. The figures show that LCC is downsizing because 2004 figures were the highest and 2007 figures were the lowest. The decrease in number of buses was -21.2%, in sum of covered kilometres was -53.0% and in number of employees -19.8% between 2004 and 2007. The cause may be the fierce competition in this sector.

#### Public collective transport in 2007

Item	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Buses</b>	66,438	64,586	55,024	52,385
<b>Sum of covered Km</b>	11,653,358	10,878,855	9,169,091	5,471,372
<b>Employees in December 31<sup>st</sup></b>	470	466	396	377

Table made by CAS based on LCC (2007) data

### Road accidents

The total number of road accidents was 4,289 which peak was registered in Mount-Lebanon (39.4%). The number of Killed by car accidents was 487 which peak was registered in Mount-Lebanon (41.5%). The number of injured by car accidents was 5,165 which peak was also registered in Mount-Lebanon (38.4%).

#### Public collective transport in 2007

Item	Accident	Killed	Injured
<b>Beirut and its suburbs</b>	746	30	760
<b>Mount-Lebanon</b>	1,689	202	1,983
<b>North Lebanon</b>	726	69	873
<b>Bekaa</b>	570	85	714
<b>South Lebanon</b>	558	93	835
<b>Lebanon</b>	<b>4,289</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>5,165</b>

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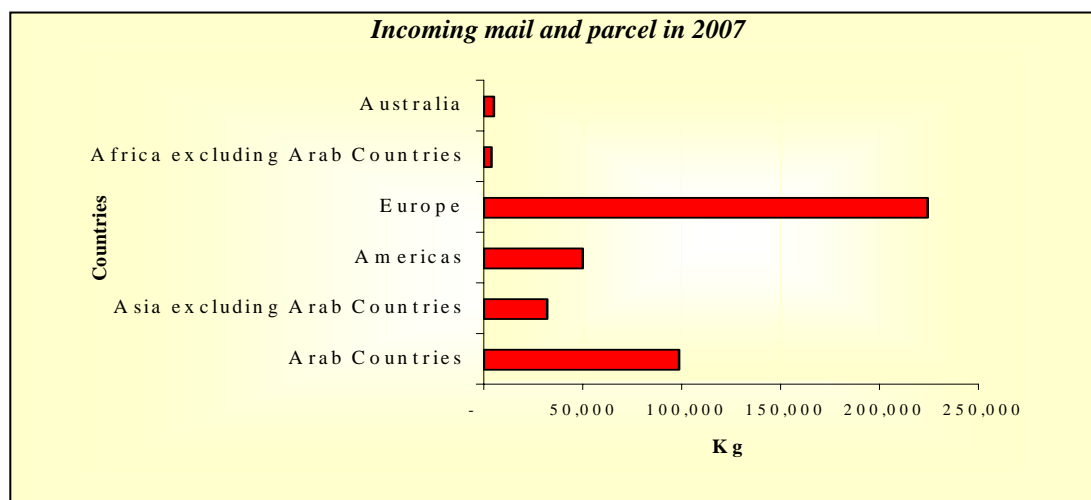
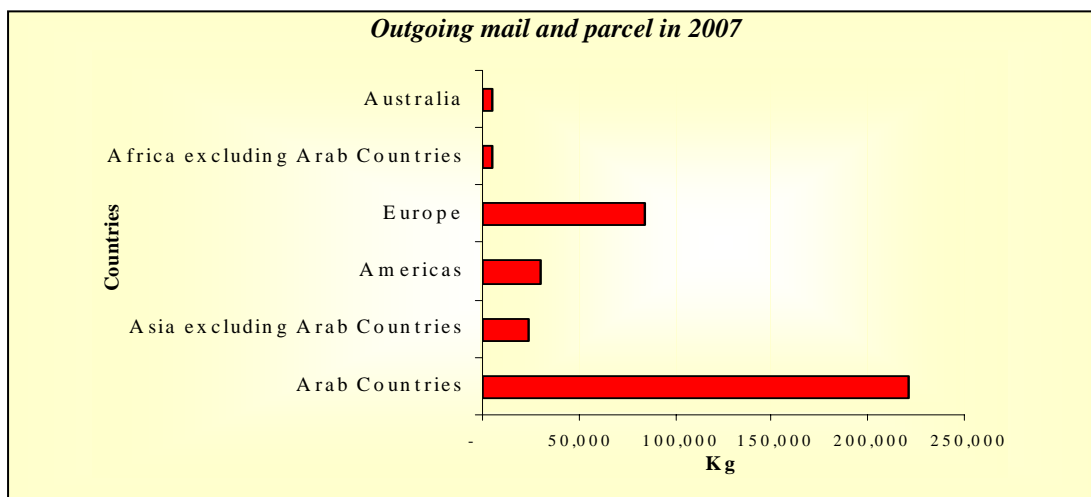
## Mail and parcels

Liban Poste provides CAS with mail and parcels statistics.

### *Outgoing and Incoming mail and parcels in 2007*

<b>Item</b>	<b>Weight in Kg</b>	<b>Peak Month</b>	<b>Peak Countries</b>
<b>Outgoing mail and parcels</b>	369,339	May (10.7%)	Arab countries (59.9%)
<i>Outgoing mail</i>	338,168	May (11.0%)	Arab countries (36.5%)
<i>Outgoing parcels</i>	31,172	December (12.5%)	Europe (50.4%)
<b>Incoming mail and parcels</b>	415,081	December (9.2%)	Europe (54.0%)
<i>incoming mail</i>	343,794	March (9.1%)	Europe (57.5%)
<i>Incoming parcels</i>	71,289	December (11.1%)	Europe (37.3%)

*Table made by CAS based on Liban Poste (2007) data*



*Graph made by CAS based on Liban Poste (2007) data*

**Data Sources:**

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