

the Fourth Railway Package

Rail is critical for the effective functioning of the European economy. It plays a key role in addressing rising traffic demand, congestion, fuel security and decarbonisation. The Commission is proposing to foster growth by opening up rail markets to new entrants, cutting red tape and ensuring fair treatment for all. In addition the Commission stimulates innovation by promoting and funding rail research.»

About **9 billion** trips are made by rail each year.



Rail carries about 12% of all freight traffic across all Europe, the revenue of rail freight is at least €20 billion.





Source: DG move estimates / Eurostat