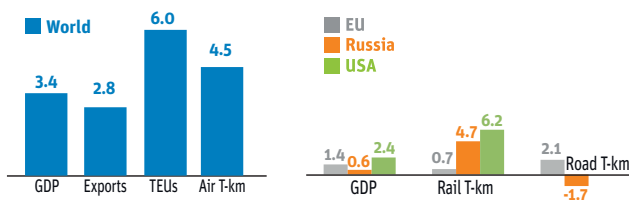


Strengthening growth in global trade and freight in 2014

World GDP grew by 3.4% in 2014, at the same pace as in 2013. GDP in most advanced economies expanded by more than 1.8%. Only Italy and Japan recorded drops, of -0.4% and -1% respectively. GDP in emerging economies grew by 4.6% in 2014 with increases of more than 7% in India and China. World export volume grew 2.8%, slightly more than in 2013. World container traffic (measured in TEUs) and air freight tonne-km increased 6% and 4.5% respectively in 2014, a continuation of the positive trend observed in 2013. Preliminary estimation for 2014 from the International Transport Forum's database show an increase of rail freight in the United States (6.2%), in Russia (4.7%) and in the EU area (0.7%). Road freight tonne-km continued to expand in the EU area (+2.1%) but it contracted in Russia (-1.7%), according to preliminary estimates.

GDP, exports and freight transport in 2014 (% change from the previous year)

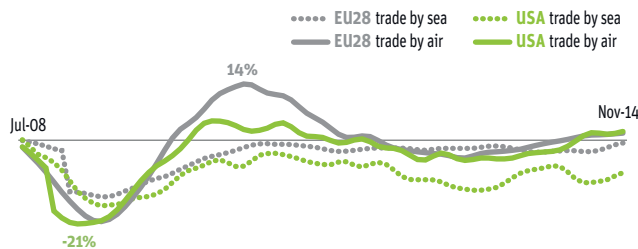


Sources: International Transport Forum, except world GDP (IMF), exports (WTO), Air T-km (IATA), TEUs (Clarksons Research). Note: EU rail T-km coverage 92% (BEL not included. AUT, DNK, NLD 3 quarters). Road T-km coverage 60% (AUT, BEL, DEU, GBR, IRL, ITA, LUX, MLT, NLD, ROU not included. DNK, FIN, GRC, PRT 3 quarters).

Air freight volumes suggest improvement in the near-term

Air freight, considered as a lead indicator for overall economic performance, indicates a potential improvement of the near-term outlook for both EU-28 and the United States. Total external trade by air, in tonnes of goods transported, recovered to 2% above pre-crisis peak for the first time since the second quarter of 2012, according to the International Transport Forum's seasonally adjusted preliminary data. Total external trade by sea, measured in tonnes of goods carried, grew in the EU-28 to almost pre-crisis levels.

External trade by sea and air, percentage change from June 2008 (Tonnes, monthly trend, seasonally adjusted)

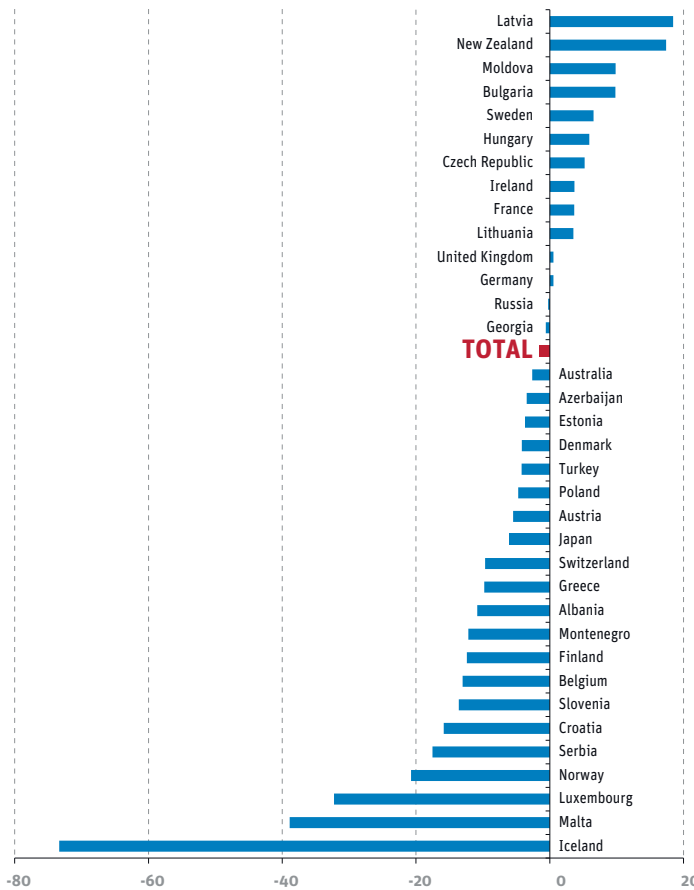


Source: International Transport Forum.

Road fatalities reduced further in 2014

The 21st century has begun with the lowest levels of road deaths since systematic reporting began in most member countries of the International Transport Forum. Overall, the number of people killed on road in 2014 declined by 1.6% in the 35 countries for which provisional data are available, continuing the on-going positive trend observed. Part of this can be attributed to the economic recession. In countries with a low number of people killed on the roads, relatively small changes in fatalities have large impacts on figures for annual changes, as in the case of Iceland, Malta and Luxembourg.

Number of fatalities in 2014 (% change from the previous year)



Source: International Transport Forum. Luxembourg and UK data for 3 quarters only.

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