

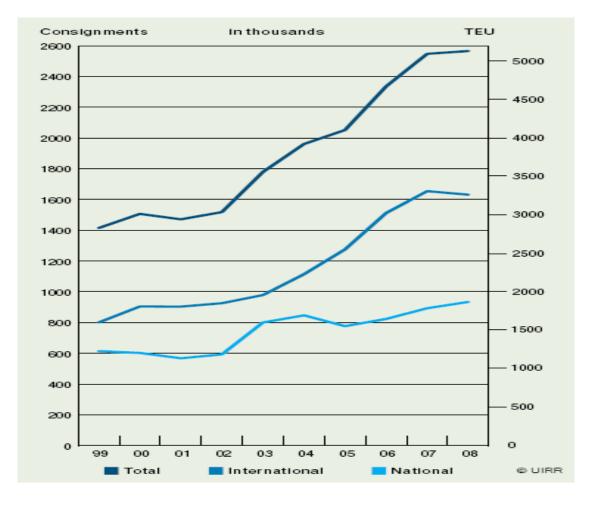
# **Combined Transport** Ways to its recovery

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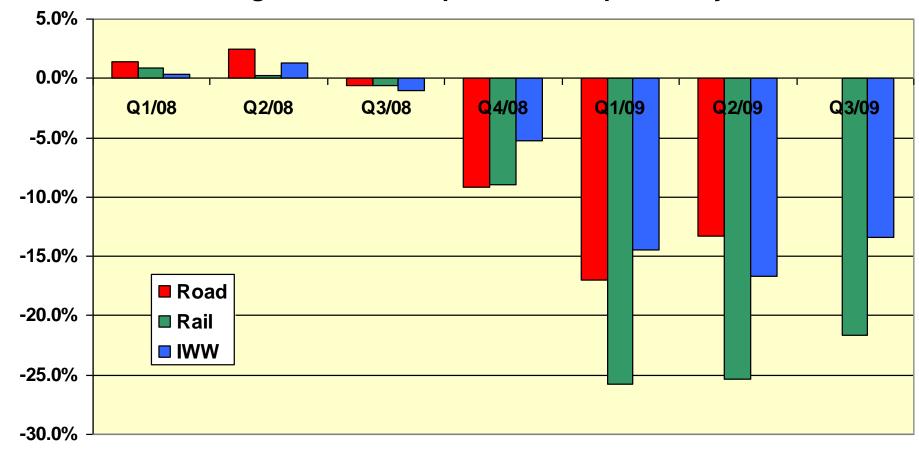
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# **Unaccompanied Combined Transport 1999-2008** (swap bodies, containers, semi-trailers)

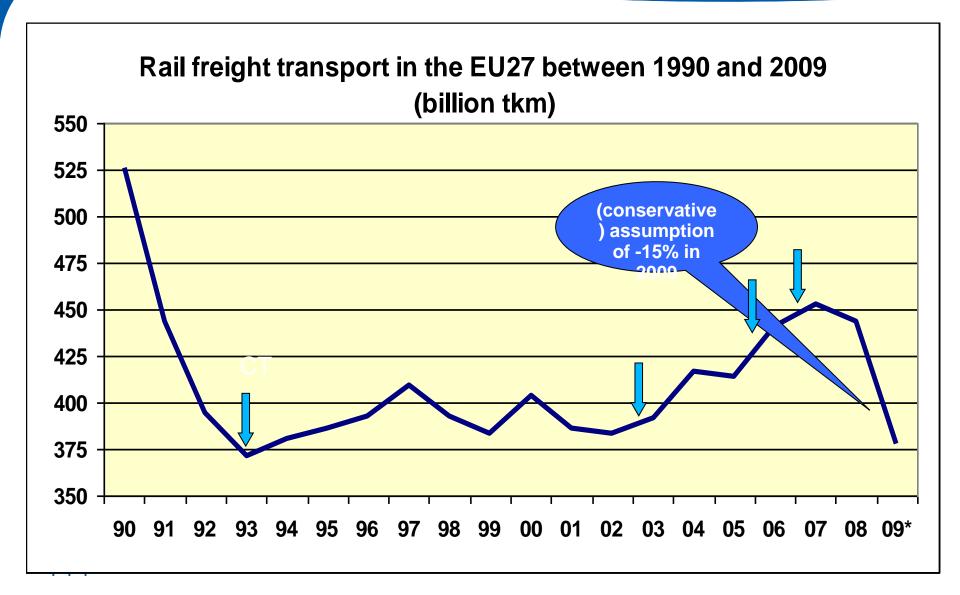




# Inland freight transport in the EU27 by mode Q1/08 - Q3/09: % change to the same quarter of the previous year









# Reply of the EC to the crisis

- Financial measures
  - → European Recovery Plan
  - → TEN-T funding (€500 millions)
- Implementation of existing legislation
  - → Infrastructure charges
  - → State aids



### **Prospects of international CT**

- Forecasts
  - → 2008 levels only in 2013-2014 (pessimistic)
  - → Double by 2015 (268 million gross tonnes)
- Risks and Opportunities
  - Increasing sensitivity to costs / shift and reduction in capital expenditure
  - → Long-term trends in favour of CT



## Common Transport Policy

- Objectives
  - Decarbonisation
  - Growth and competitiveness
  - → Advancing people's Europe
- Policy Guidelines
  - → 2020 Strategy
  - → White Paper
  - → Revision of the TEN-T





## **Features of Combined Transport**

- Advantages
  - → Environmental friendly (savings of 55% of CO<sub>2</sub>)
  - Energy efficient
  - → Safer
- Prerequisites
  - Long-haul and concentrated flows
  - → Special infrastructures
  - Cooperation and collaboration between actors
  - → High-quality rail and road transport



- Multi-annual contracts between States and infrastructure managers
- Implementation of railway law
- Shortcomings of the EU market access law
- Safety and market access rules



#### Quality and performance of the rail system: where to act (2)?

- Rail Freight Priority Network
  - Strengthen cooperation between infrastructure managers
  - Cross-border governance of freight corridors
    Implementation and investment plans

  - → Sufficient / reliable / good capacity allocated to freight trains
  - Coordination between network and terminals
  - Performance schemes and performance monitoring
- **ERTMS Deployment Plan**
- Telematics for freight





### Is the future of Combined Transport bright?

YES, IF ......

# Thank you for your attention



