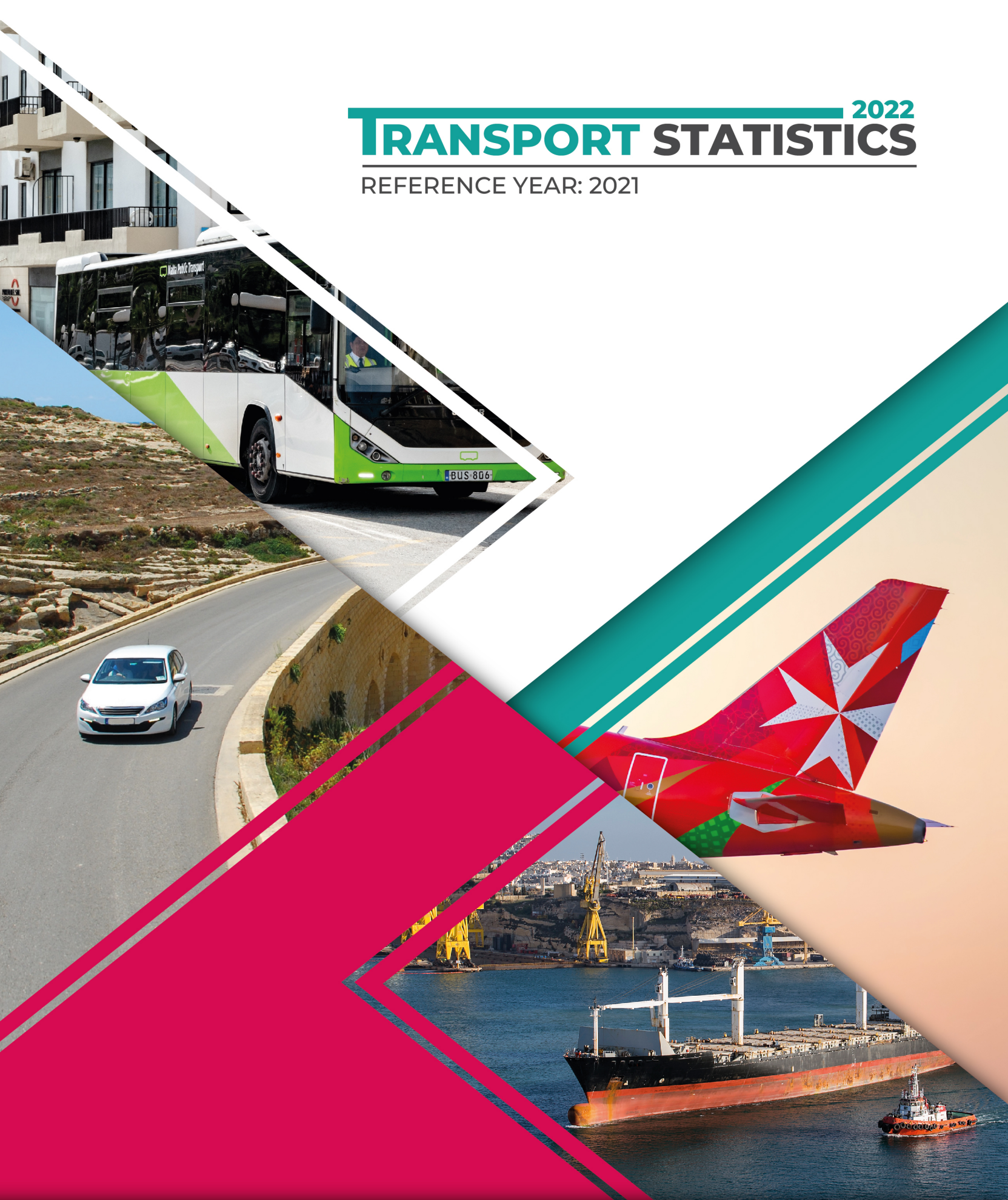


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Foreword



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The Transport Statistics publication – 2022 edition, is yet another in the series of NSO's publications on transport. As with previous editions, it presents a collection of detailed statistics on passenger and freight transport by road, sea, and air during 2021. The myriad of data and information provided make this publication valuable for various stakeholders, including businesses, urban planning experts, and port management consultants.





The first chapter provides statistics on air passenger movements which show mobility, to and from which countries people travel most, while air transport also covers mail and cargo movements. As per previous editions, this publication also includes a chapter on sea transport, which delves into different activities such as cruise liners, yachting, and also the fishing industry. Furthermore, it looks into vehicle and passenger traffic between Malta and Gozo, including statistics on the fast ferry service introduced between the islands during 2021.

The final chapter presents statistics on road transport. This includes information about the stock of licensed motor vehicles, road traffic accidents, and transport-related contraventions and warnings. It also provides statistics on driving licences and the use of public transport, and concludes with a series of road transport indicators.

The detailed commentaries accompanied by statistical tables, charts and spatial maps depict a better picture on the salient aspects of this publication. Furthermore, the statistics provided also show the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic during the presented years.

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