

Punctuality of trains in Belgium

89,73%

passenger transport 2024

69,93%

transport of goods 2024

The overall punctuality rate for passenger trains represents the percentage of trains that are less than 6 minutes late at their terminus and, where applicable, at the first station of the North-South connection on their route. In 2024, there was a slight increase, but in general, these figures have been fluctuating around 90% for years (with a few positive outliers in the COVID years).

A freight train is considered unpunctual here if it is delayed by more than 30 minutes. Their punctuality figures have fluctuated around 70% for several years.

The difference in both figures is mainly due to the difference in operational functioning (e.g. a mandatory focus on punctuality for passengers vs. the need for shunting for freight), but also, for example, to the prioritisation of certain trains.

Cancelled trains in Belgium

Cancelled trains are not included in punctuality figures.

However, there has been a negative trend in recent years. In 2024, approximately 4% of the total number of trains were (partially) cancelled, compared to only approximately 2% in 2019...

