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ESTONIA: DAILY NUMBER OF FREIGHT TRAINS FROM RUSSIA AVERAGES 16

In the first 13 days of September an average of 16 freight trains arrived from Russia in Estonia daily.

The figure remains at the level of the previous month. Since May each month has seen a decline in numbers.

The state-owned Eesti Raudtee (Estonian Railway) is reluctant to predict the number of trains it will be receiving from Russia in the near future.

In the first 13 days of September 2006 the company received an average of 27 trains per day on the Russian border.

The volume of Russian rail transit via Estonia started to decline fast at the beginning of May after the removal by the Estonian authorities of the so-called Bronze Soldier monument to Red Army soldiers from downtown Tallinn at the end of April.

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