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2026 Summer Travel Rush: China Railways Transported 954 million Passengers

Jul 1–Aug 31, 2026, summer rail rush: 9.54 billion passenger trips, 680 million tons cargo. 11,623 passenger trains per day. Cross-border: Guangzhou–Shenzhen–Hong Kong 6.271 million (+3.3%), China–Laos 56000 (+55.8%), foreign travelers 4.447 million (+32.2%). 699 tourist trains, 351 fan/sports trains; student discount tickets 25.379 million; thermal coal 224 million tons; power-plant coal stocks more than 20 days. **(China News)**

The Century-old Engineering Feat of Opening the Pinglu Canal to Navigation

On September 16, the Pinglu Canal opened in Qinzhou, Guangxi. The Pinglu Canal begins at the mouth of the Pingtang River in Hengzhou City, Nanning, Guangxi, flows through Luwu Town in Lingshan County, Qinzhou, and empties into the Beibu Gulf along the Qinjiang River. It is 134.2 kilometers long and was built to Class I inland waterway standards, allowing navigation for vessels up to 5,000 tons. **(Guangxi Daily)**

China's Railway Construction Gains Momentum as Jan-Aug Investment Climbs

Jan–Aug 2026 China railway fixed-asset investment rose 1.5% year-on-year to 511.8 billion yuan (\$76.34 billion). New lines advanced: Hangzhou–Yuhuan HSR opened; Nanchang–Jiujiang, Yinchuan–Bayan Hot neared acceptance; Xiong'an–Shangqiu, Harbin–Yichun, Yichang–Xingshan, Xi'an–Ankang started trial runs; Hu–Ning–He Tongtai–Yang bridge began tracklaying, sustaining construction momentum. **(China Daily)**

China-Europe Freight Train Trips Reach New Milestone in 2026

China-Europe Railway Express completed over 14,800 trips in the first nine months of 2026, transporting 1.6 million TEUs of cargo. Backed by a €1.35 billion (10 billion yuan) border infrastructure upgrade, the cross-border logistics network now serves 223 cities across 25 European countries, bolstering bilateral trade and supply chain stability. **(Xinhua)**

Ningbo-Zhoushan Port Exceeds 1 Billion Tons Cargo Throughput

China's Ningbo-Zhoushan Port recorded a major logistics milestone, handling over 1 billion tons of cargo by early October 2026. Backed by a €810 million (6 billion yuan) expansion in automated container terminals, the deep-water port strengthened its ocean freight connectivity, linking over 600 ports globally and maintaining its position as the world's busiest port. **(Xinhua)**