

The Italy- Europe
relationships: the
problem of the Cross
Alpine Freight
Transport



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Freight Mobility in Italy (tons per year - millions)

	2003		2004		2005		2005/2004 %
	[tons/year]	%	[tons/year]	%	[tons/year]	%	[%]
Maritime Transport	477,00	26,47%	485,00	24,33%	494,7	23,82%	2,00%
Road Transport	1.243,00	68,98%	1.425,00	71,48%	1.496,25	72,06%	5,00%
Railway Transport	82,10	4,56%	83,60	4,19%	85,5	4,12%	2,27%
Total	1.802,10	100,00%	1.993,60	100,00%	2.076,45	100,00%	4,16%

Source: ISTAT (Italian Statistical Agency)

Cross Alpine Freight Transit

Millions tons per year)

anni	1987	1990	1995	1999	2001	2004	Average rate per year 2004/1987	% Modal Split 2004
Totale strada	44,2	52,7	71,2	86,4	92,7	108,0	+ 5,4 %	70 %
Totale ferrovia	27,6	34,7	41,0	41,3	45,7	46,2	+ 3,1 %	30 %
TOTALE GENERALE	71,8	87,4	112,2	127,7	138,4	154,2	+ 4,6%	100 %

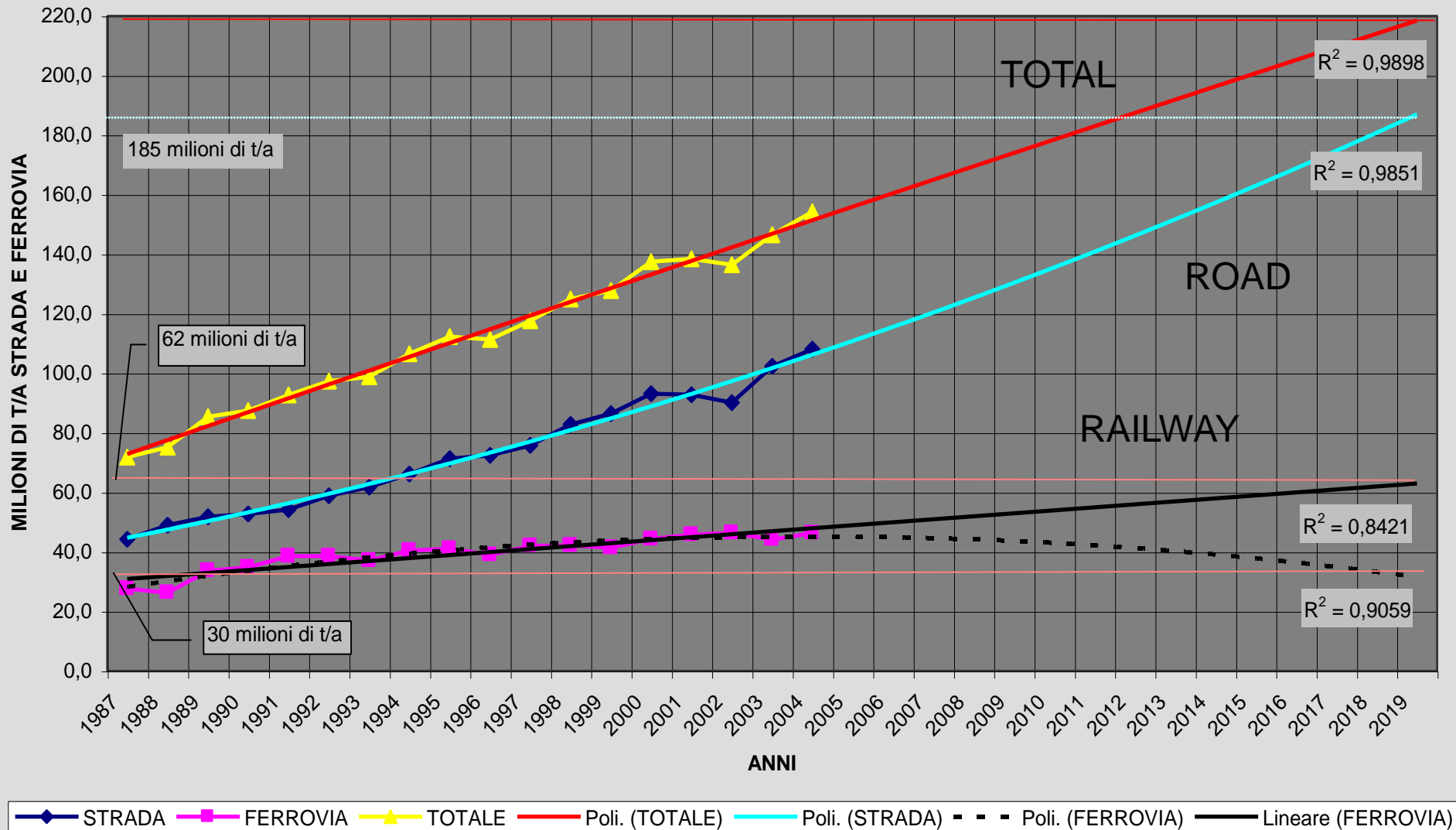
Source: Alpinfo statistics data base (Suisse)

Mobility of freight in Italy in the years 1987 – 2004 in the Cross Alpine Transit – millions tons

Traffici stradali in milioni di tonnellate		fonte ALPINFO				
ROAD	1987	1990	1995	1999	2001	2004
Vintimille	4,5	8,1	10,3	12,9	14,1	18,6
Modane /Frejus	5,9	8,9	12,4	22,8	25,7	18,6
Mont-Blanc	9,6	12,9	13,4	2,9	0,0	5,7
Gd St Bernard	0,3	0,5	0,4	0,4	0,6	0,6
Simplon	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,2	0,4	0,7
Saint Gothard	2,6	3,1	5,5	7,0	7,4	9,9
San Bernardino	0,5	0,5	0,6	0,8	2,0	1,3
Reschenpass	0,7	1,0	1,0	1,2	1,3	2,0
Brenner	16,6	13,6	20,0	25,2	25,0	31,5
Tarvis	3,4	4,0	7,5	13,0	16,2	19,1
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Traffici ferroviari in milioni di tonnellate		fonte ALPINFO				
RAILWAY	1987	1990	1995	1999	2001	2004
Vintimille	1,6	1,3	1,0	1,0	0,9	0,5
Modane	6,8	7,2	8,4	9,2	8,6	6,9
Simplon	2,5	4,3	4,4	3,5	4,8	6,8
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30%

Trend of Freight Demand on Alpine Crossing at 2020



Forecast Scenario at 2020 on the Whole Alpine Crossing (trend model)

	Year 2020 <i>Hypothesis of negative trend</i>	Year 2020 <i>Hypothesis of steadiness of the current market share</i>
TOTAL	220 millions of tons/year <i>(Year 2004 = 154 millions tons/year)</i>	
ROAD	185 millions of tons/year	158 millions of tons/year
RAILWAY	35 millions of tons/year (= 16%)	62 millions of tons/year (= 28 % ≡ slightly lower than current 30%)

Disputation on the New Lyon - Torino Railway Line in the UE Corridor V

Cross Alpine Freight Transport Survey

**[CAFT 2004] was checked from Italian
Government**

Working Group

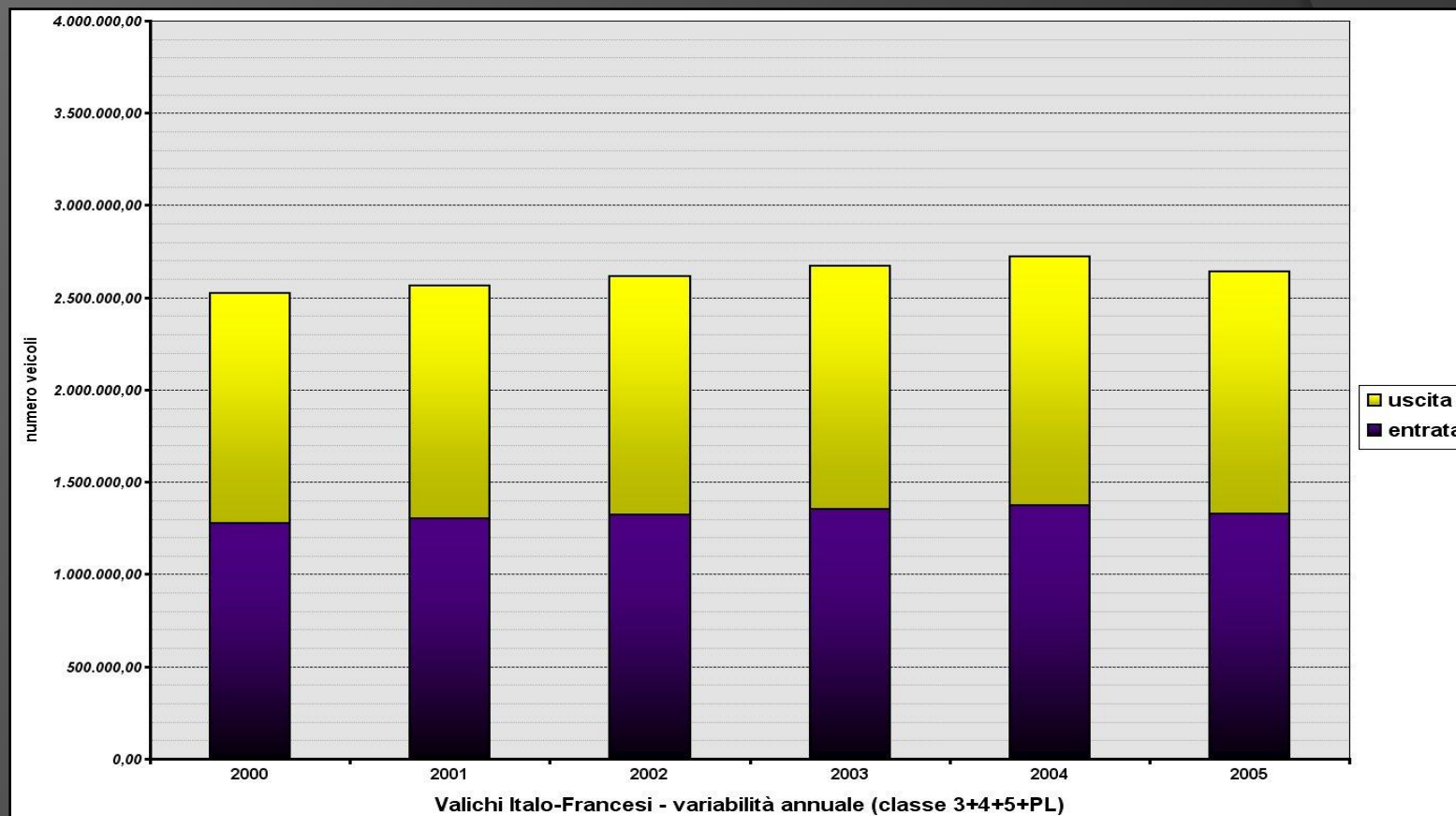
“Modal surveying”

**France-Italy Ministry of
Public Work Conference**

Summary

Freight flows across the border between France and Italy

- ➔ Existing flow of **2.700.000 trucks per year** – overall growth of 10% in six years (2000 to 2005) - **average of about 2% per year.**



Summary

Freight road flows across the border between France and Italy

CAFT 2004: O/D Italia-Francia - NUTS0

ORIGINE		DESTINAZIONE		CAFT 2004				
				andata (VP 2004)	ritorno (VP 2004)	totale (a) (VP 2004)	% sul totale	% cumulata
FR	Francia	IT	Italia	834.017	808.630	1.642.647	60,04%	60,04%
ES	Spagna	IT	Italia	296.615	328.145	624.760	22,83%	82,87%
IT	Italia	UK	Regno Unito	82.523	57.866	140.389	5,13%	88,00%
BE	Belgio	IT	Italia	71.401	44.054	115.455	4,22%	92,22%
IT	Italia	PT	Portogallo	42.807	30.547	73.354	2,68%	94,90%
FR	Francia	GR	Grecia	17.579	6.746	24.324	0,89%	95,79%
IT	Italia	NL	Olanda	15.183	23.155	38.339	1,40%	97,19%
AT	Austria	ES	Spagna	13.879	9.008	22.887	0,84%	98,03%
ES	Spagna	GR	Grecia	9.837	3.177	13.014	0,48%	98,51%
DE	Germania	IT	Italia	7.780	9.105	16.885	0,62%	99,12%
AT	Austria	FR	Francia	3.096	3.303	6.399	0,23%	99,36%
CH	Svizzera	IT	Italia	3.083	1.969	5.052	0,18%	99,54%
GR	Grecia	PT	Portogallo	1.942	678	2.620	0,10%	99,64%
CH	Svizzera	FR	Francia	871	1.094	1.964	0,07%	99,71%
GR	Grecia	UK	Regno Unito	834	991	1.826	0,07%	99,78%
DE	Germania	FR	Francia	700	1.534	2.234	0,08%	99,86%
AT	Austria	PT	Portogallo	530	170	699	0,03%	99,88%
DE	Germania	ES	Spagna	524	339	863	0,03%	99,91%
GR	Grecia	NL	Olanda	183	1.907	2.090	0,08%	99,99%
FR	Francia	UK	Regno Unito	89	177	266	0,01%	100,00%
totali:				1.403.473	1.332.595	2.736.068	100%	

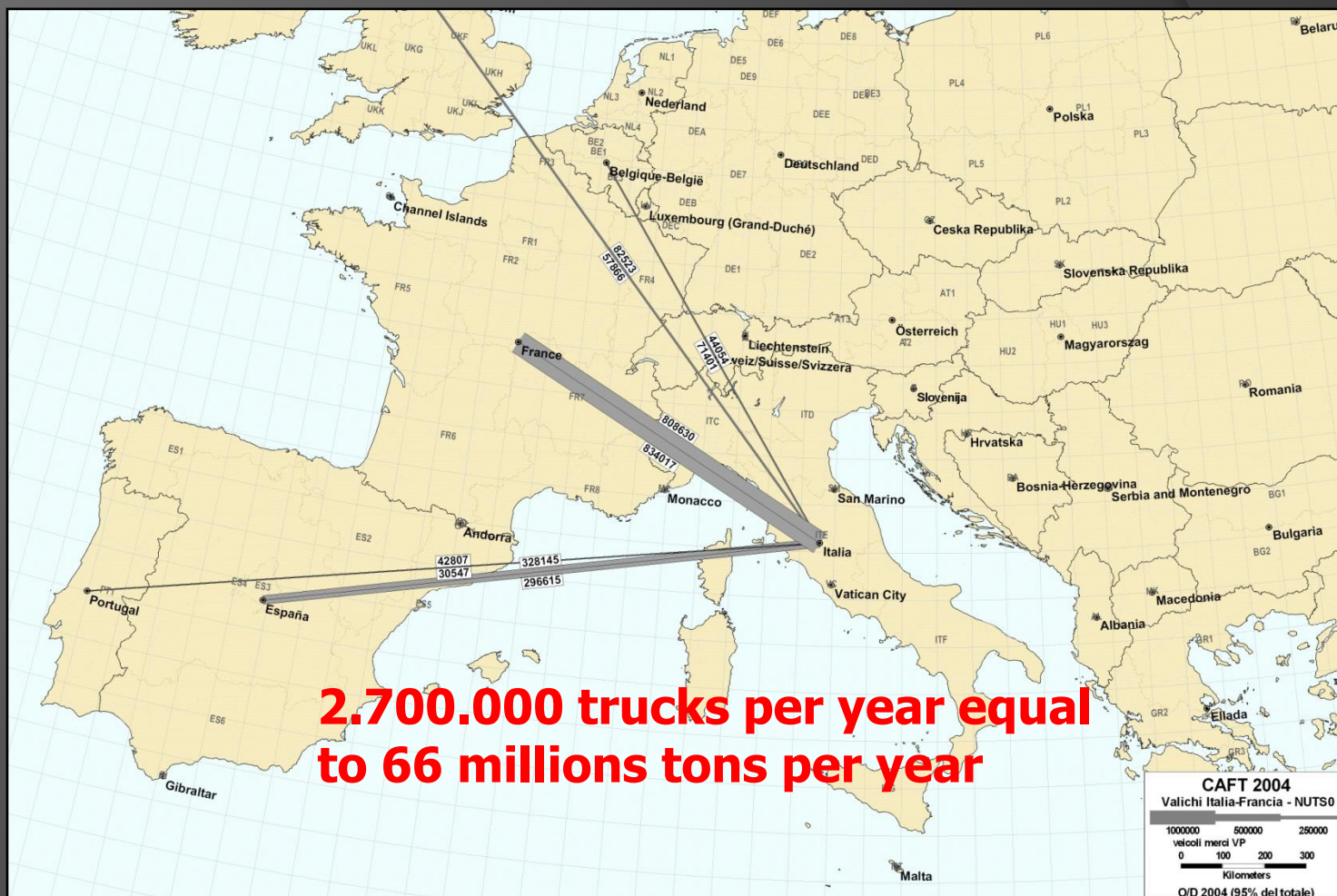
The observed data

- ◎ The freight demand between Italy and France is mainly concentrated on only four links [CAFT, 2004]:

◎ Italy – France		60%;
◎ Italy – Spain		23%;
◎ Italy - England		5%;
◎ Italy – Belgium		4%.

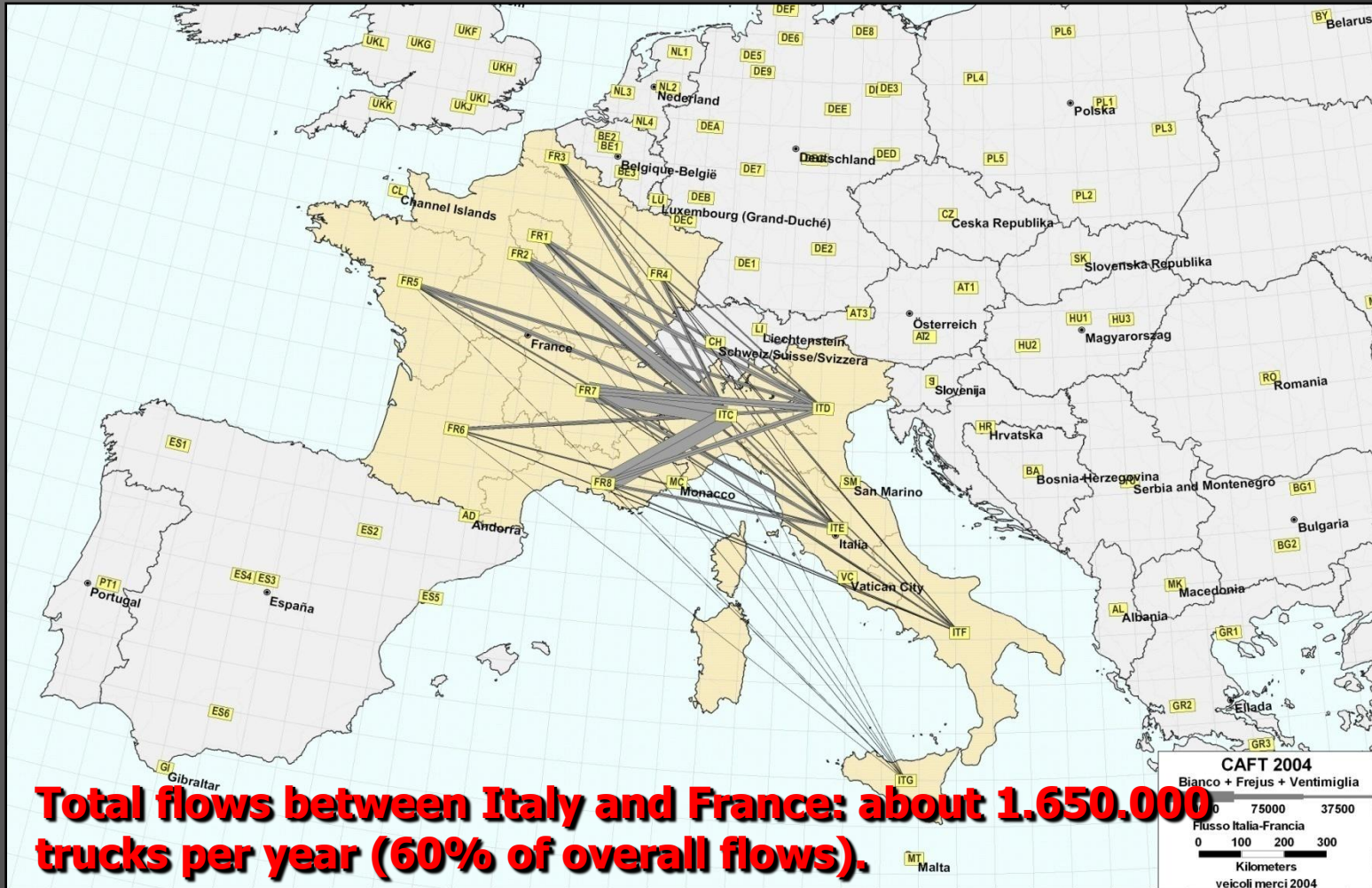
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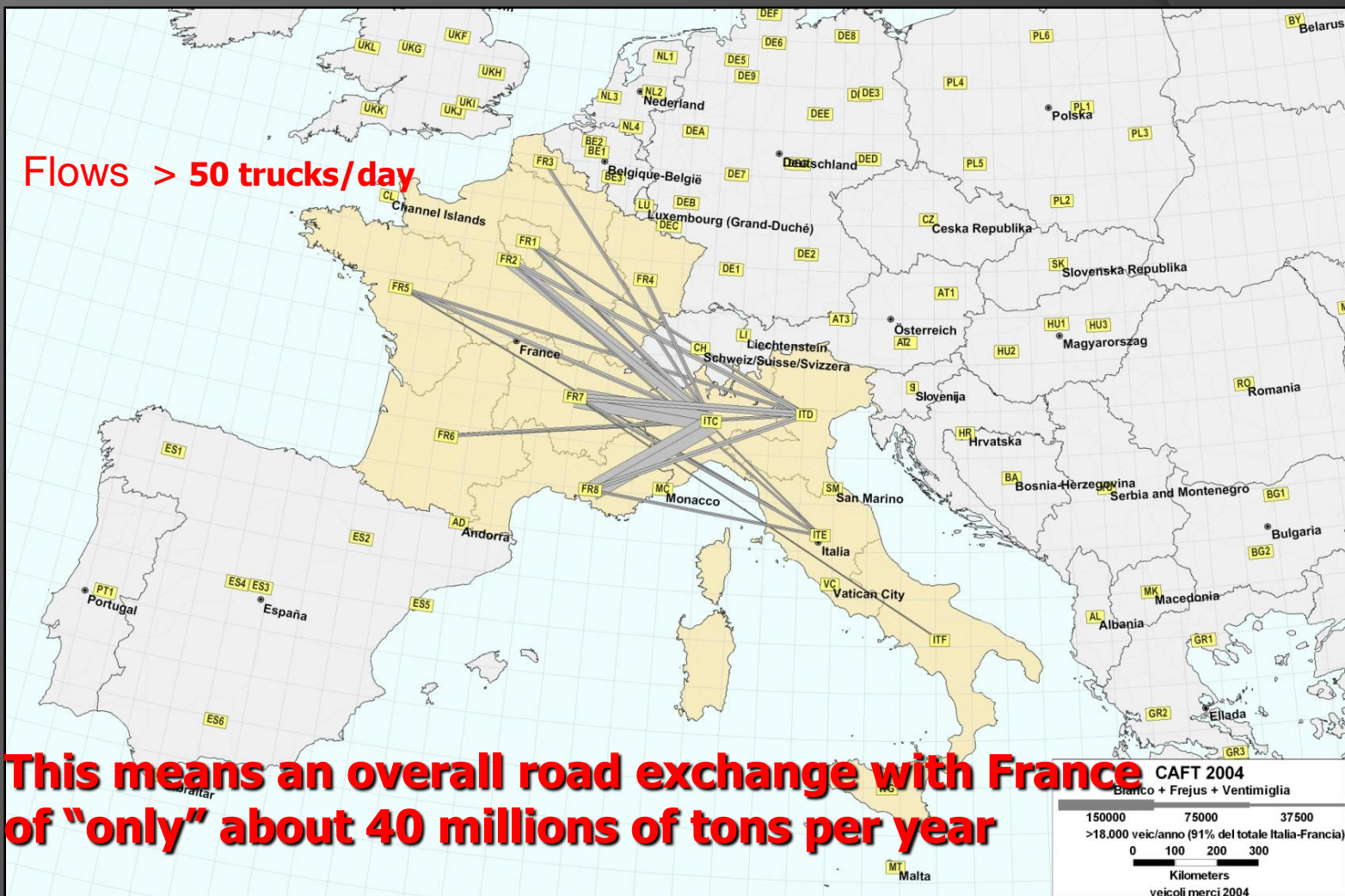
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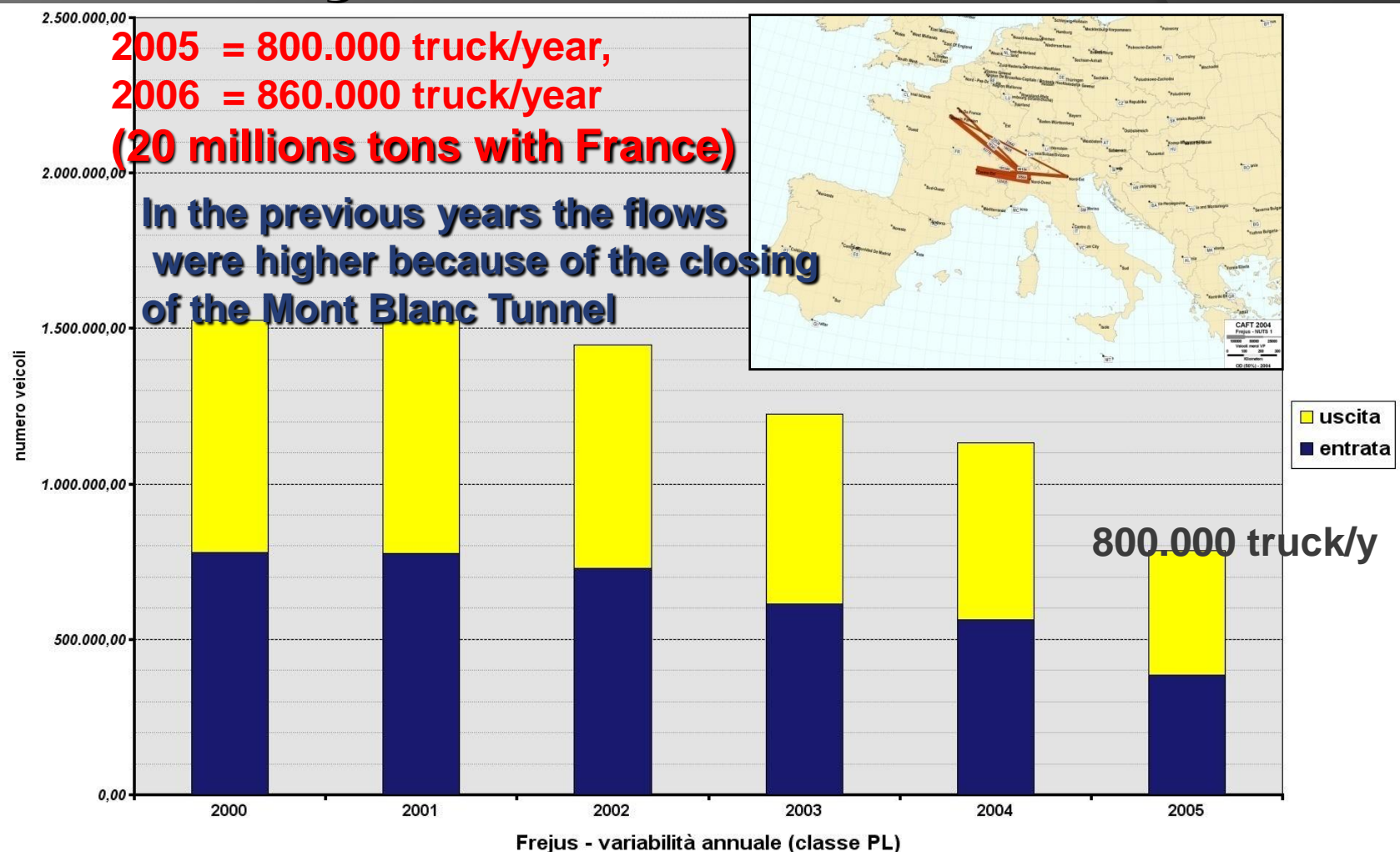
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91% of total flows is generated or attracted from Northern Italy



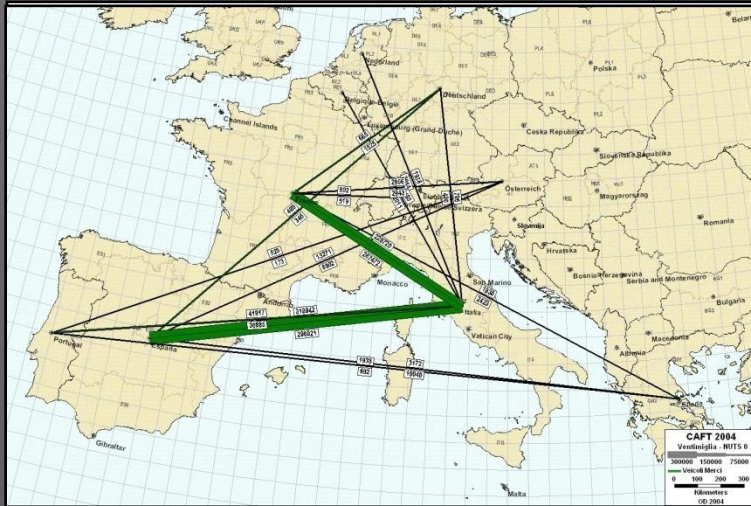
Data Analysis for FREJUS pass:

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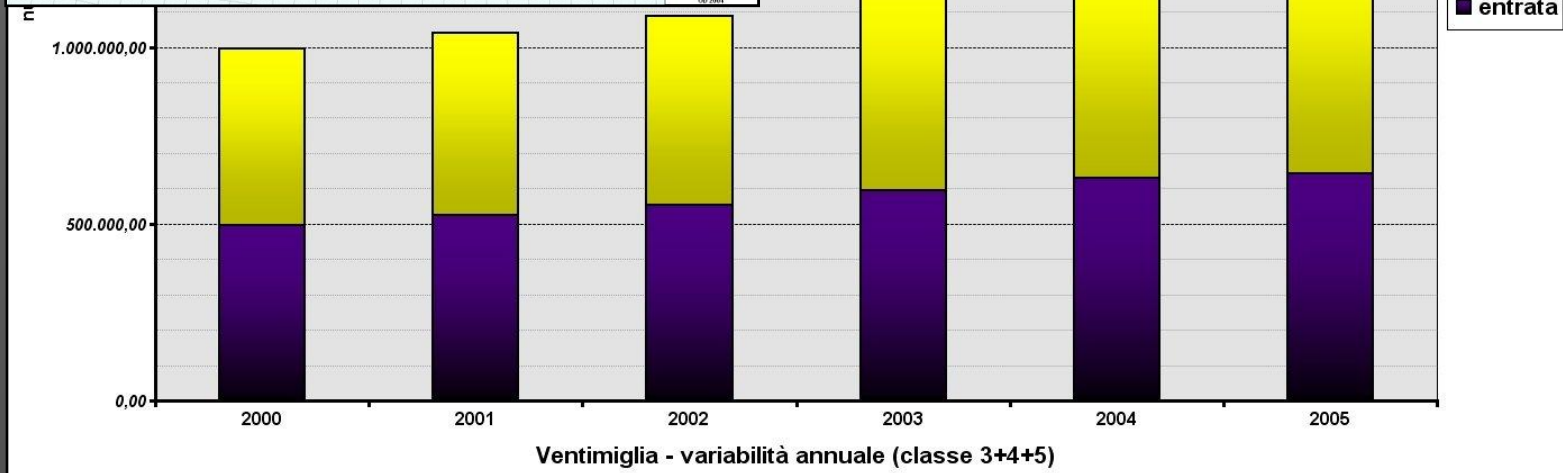
Data Analysis for VENTIMIGLIA pass

Annual Freight Truck Flows: Years 2000-2005



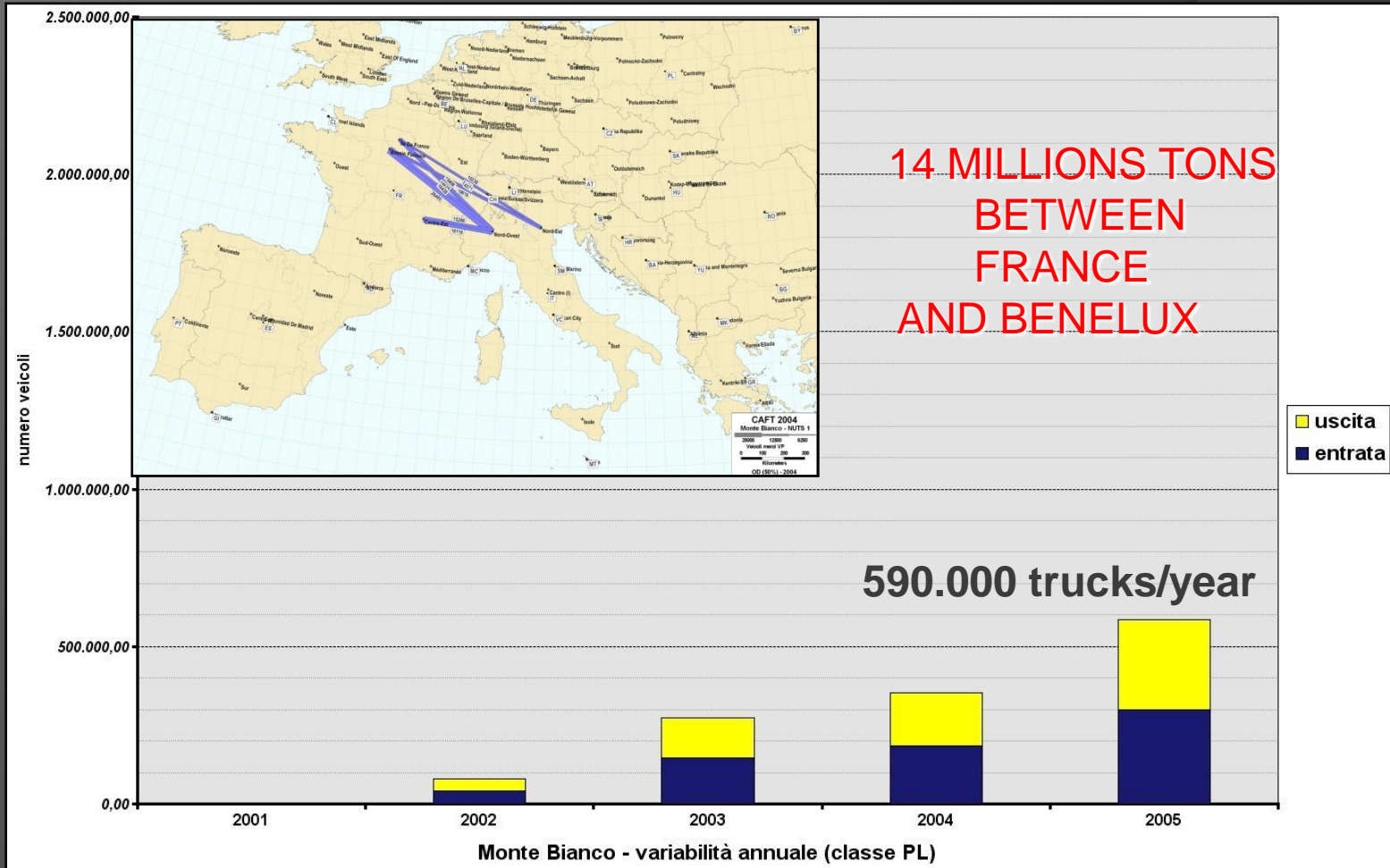
30 millions tons between France and Spain

1.300.000 Truck/year



Data Analysis for MONT BLANC pass

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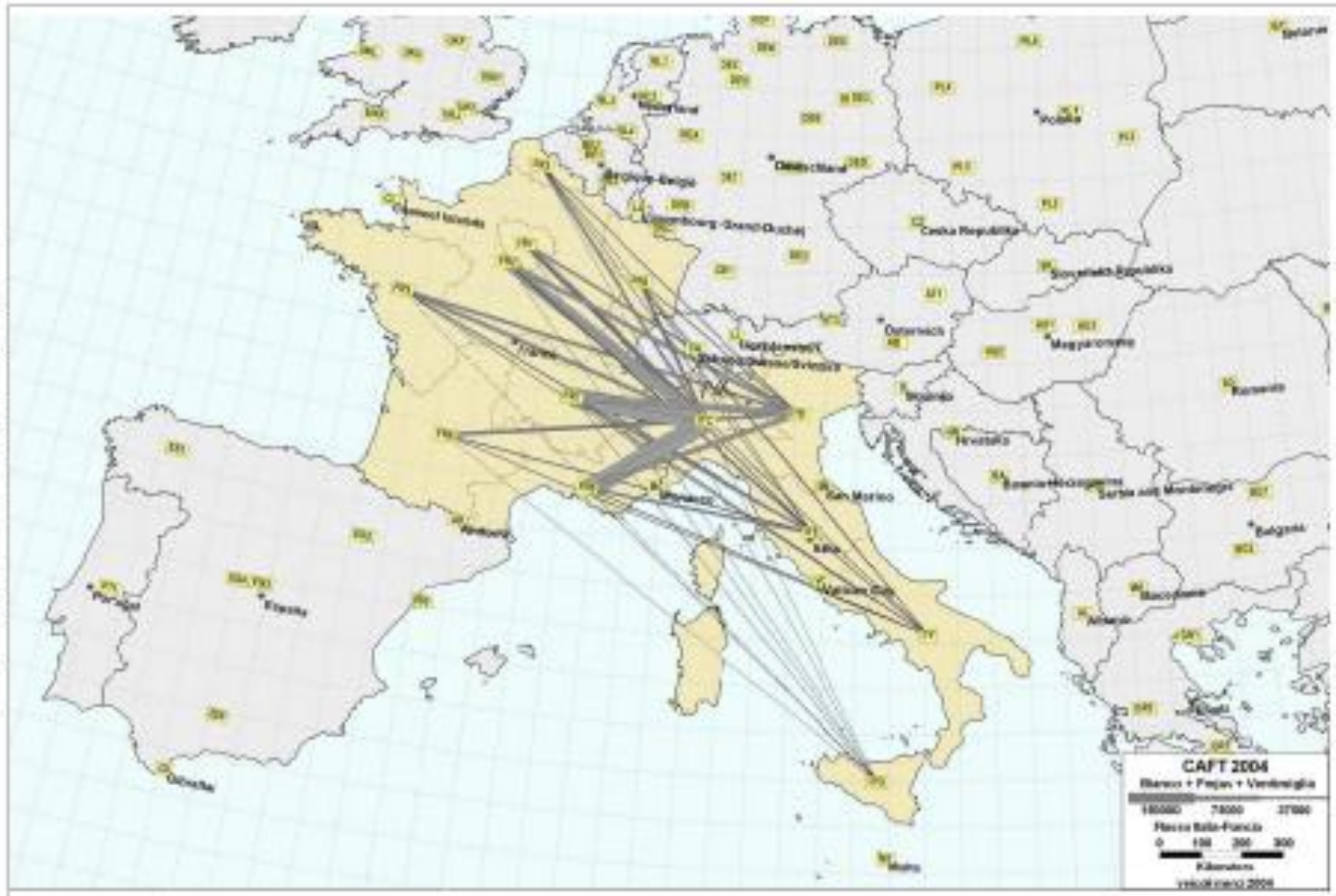


Traffic Flows at France – Italy Border

- **In the 2005 the revealed transit amount with France crossing the border was about 40 millions tons, split up as follows:**
 - **24% Mont Blanc**
 - **31% Frejus**
 - **45 % Ventimiglia**
- **In the year 1998 the ratio between the crossing flows of Mont Blanc and Frejus was nearly 50%**
- **In the year 2005 Frejus reached the share of 57% of the total flows of the two crossed link (24 millions tons on few relationships between Italy and France)**

FREIGHT ROAD FLOWS BETWEEN ITALY AND FRANCE

Figura 10-3: Liniar di direzione maini sordi per Italia e Francia



The modal split in the France- Italy relationships

ROAD = 40 MILLIONS TONS (2005)

(MEDIUM AND LONG RUNS)

**RAILWAY = ONLY 7,5 MILLIONS TONS (MODANE = 7;
VENTIMIGLIA = 0,5)**

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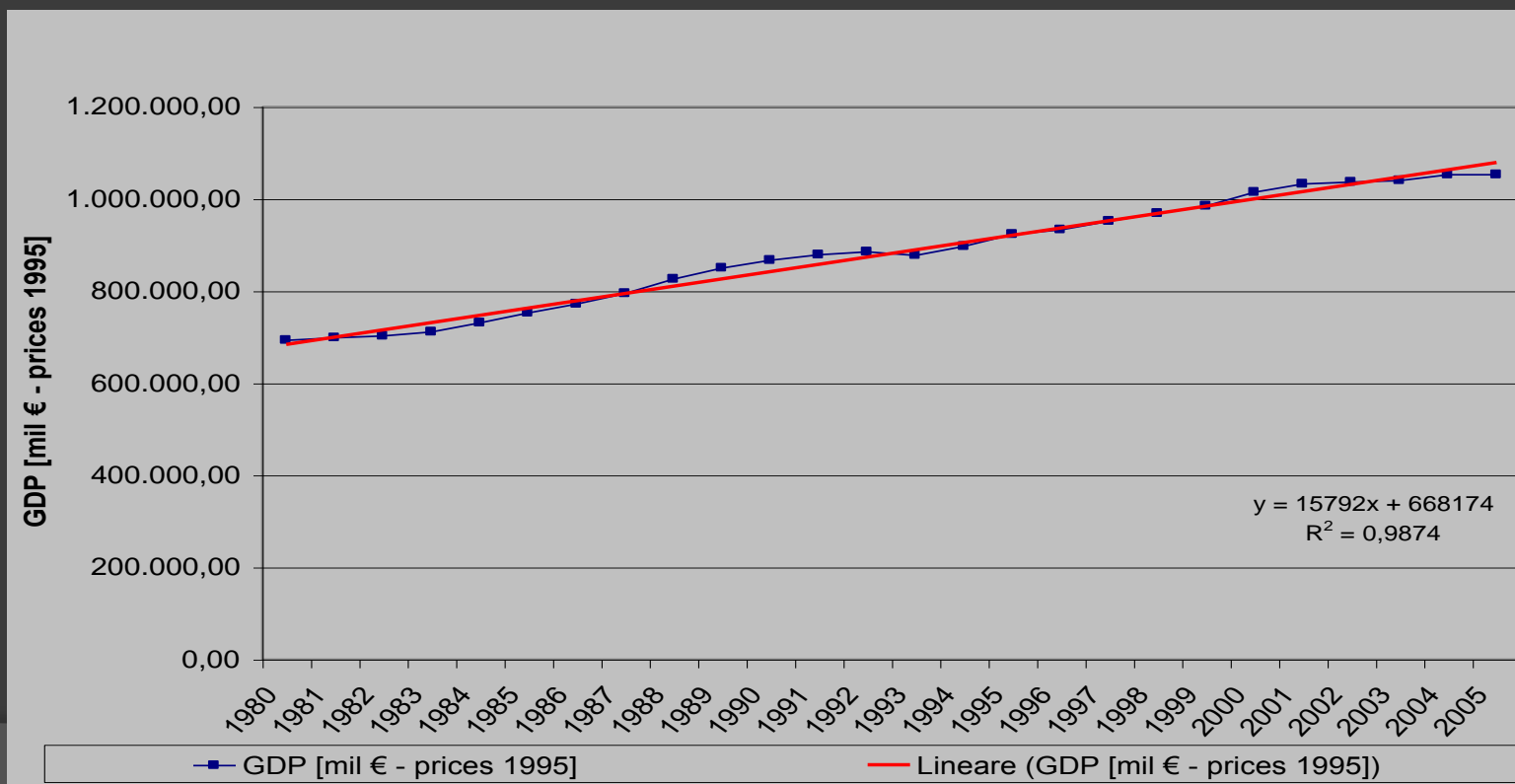
Forecasted Scenario in 2020 on the Turin-Lyon Alpine pass (derived from Frejus Trend Model)

	Year 2020 <i>Hypothesis of negative trend</i>	Year 2020 <i>Hypothesis of steadiness of the current market share</i>
Total	50 millions tons	
Road	40 millions tons	36 - 29 millions tons
Railway	10 millions tons	14 - 21 millions tons (28 to 42 % of overall flows)

This is the Question

Relations between traffic demand and GDP for Italy

- The overall evaluation of the fluctuation of Italian GDP over time shows that the growth of this indicator can be approximated by a linear equation. **The average annual growth in the period at issue is 1.62%.**



The forecast of traffic demand through elasticity

Growth of transportation demand and GDP for Italy – [years 1980-2005]

	GDP	Passengers - road	Passengers - railway	Freight- road	Freight - railway
Growth overall percentage	51,97	161,66	16,33	93,37	18,99
Growth average rate per year	1,62	3,77	0,58	2,57	0,67

Elasticity coefficients for Italy – years 1980-2005.

	Passengers – Road / GDP	Passengers – Railway/ GDP	Freight – Road / GDP	Freight – Railway /GDP
Ratio	2,33	0,36	1,59	0,41

THE PROBLEM OF THE FORECAST OF TRAFFIC DEMAND

The freight railway elasticity is very low !!

**It involves a loss of competitiveness of
railway services on transport market,
also in presence of high potential market !!**

The macro economic analysis shows the problems of the railway competition

2004			Forecast to 2020 Total Alps					
	(MILLIONS TONS)	%	Macro-economic Model	%	Trend Model minimum (tons/year)	%	Trend Model Average (tons/year)	%
FREIGHT ROAD	108	70,04%	177,23	78,02%	185	84,09%	158	71,82 %
FREIGHT RAIL	46,2	29,96%	49,94	21,98%	35	15,91%	62	28,18 %
Total	154,2	100,00%	227,17	100,00%	220	100,00%	220	100,00%

The problem

- Is it possible to reach at least the middle hypothesis showed by the trend models?
- In other words, is it possible to maintain at least the 2004 share market on railway transport?
- Which measures are necessary for this simplest objective?

Forecasted scenarios for Frejus Corridor

Macro Economic Model

minimum	7,3 mil tons/year
average	11,4 mil tons/year
high	14,7 mil tons/year

Trend Model

minimum	10,0 mil tons/year
average	14,0 mil tons/year
high	21,0 mil tons/year

The strategy

- ⦿ We retain possible the achievement of at least 14 millions tons on the Frejus railway corridor
- ⦿ It means for the railway transport to capture only 7 millions of tons currently belonging to road long distance links;
- ⦿ It means to transfer from road to railway only 35% of long distance road flows currently on Frejus highway

SCENARIOS EVALUATION/1

The scenarios don't evaluate:

- ▶ The effects of the new railway projects and of the improvement of the service's performances (like new combined transportation infrastructures);
- ▶ The proposed measures by the European Commission for the environment preservation (increase of the road transport costs, Eurovignette, etc);
- ▶ The road network congestion and the increasing of the socio economic costs of the road transportation

SCENARIOS EVALUATION / 2

- ▶ The high flows counted at the road cross alpine transit going to few important destination: this is the market of the railway services, if the operators will capture the market and the infrastructure will offer suitable share of capacity
- ▶ In this scenario the new railway link is essential! The historic link, realized at the end of 1800s , provides standards out of the market and puts in evidence high capacity limits
- ▶ In other words it will be impossible not to realize new Highways, against every social and European objective !