



Deutsche Bahn
Integrated Interim Report
January – June 2018

Departure into a new era!

At a glance

Selected key figures	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
KEY FINANCIAL FIGURES (€ MILLION)				
Revenues adjusted	21,548	21,070	+ 478	+2.3
Revenues comparable	21,880	21,069	+ 811	+3.8
Profit before taxes on income	560	733	-173	-23.6
Net profit (after taxes)	562	779	-217	-27.9
EBITDA adjusted	2,304	2,574	-270	-10.5
EBIT adjusted	974	1,179	-205	-17.4
Equity as of Jun 30/Dec 31	14,143	14,238	- 95	-0.7
Net financial debt as of Jun 30/Dec 31	19,704	18,623	+1,081	+5.8
Total assets as of Jun 30/Dec 31	58,155	56,436	+1,719	+3.0
Capital employed ¹⁾ as of Jun 30	36,201	34,506	+1,695	+4.9
Return on capital employed (ROCE) (%)	5.4	6.8	-	-
Redemption coverage (%)	16.9	19.3	-	-
Gross capital expenditures	4,217	4,108	+109	+2.7
Net capital expenditures	1,925	1,490	+435	+29.2
Cash flow from operating activities	1,294	762	+532	+69.8
KEY PERFORMANCE FIGURES				
Passengers (million)	2,320	2,355	-35	-1.5
RAIL PASSENGER TRANSPORT				
Punctuality DB passenger transport (rail) in Germany (%)	94.0	94.6	-	-
Punctuality DB Long-Distance (%)	77.4	81.0	-	-
Passengers (million)	1,287	1,294	-7	-0.5
thereof in Germany	1,031	1,030	+1	+0.1
thereof DB Long-Distance	70.9	68.3	+2.6	+3.8
Volume sold (million pkm)	47,575	46,536	+1,039	+2.2
Volume produced (million train-path km)	388.6	391.5	-2.9	-0.7
RAIL FREIGHT TRANSPORT				
Freight carried (million t)	129.4	139.2	-9.8	-7.0
Volume sold (million tkm)	44,534	47,756	-3,222	-6.7
TRACK INFRASTRUCTURE				
Punctuality (rail) in Germany ²⁾ (%)	93.3	94.2	-	-
Punctuality DB Group (rail) in Germany (%)	93.9	94.5	-	-
Train kilometers on track infrastructure (million train-path km)	540.0	534.2	+5.8	+1.1
thereof non-Group railways	172.2	164.3	+7.9	+4.8
Share of non-Group railways (%)	31.9	30.8	-	-
Station stops (million)	76.7	76.4	+0.3	+0.4
thereof non-Group railways	18.3	18.0	+0.3	+1.7
BUS TRANSPORT				
Passengers (million)	1,034	1,060	-26	-2.5
Volume sold ³⁾ (million pkm)	3,516	3,701	-185	-5.0
Volume produced (million bus km)	802.8	815.4	-12.6	-1.5
FREIGHT FORWARDING AND LOGISTICS				
Shipments in land transport (thousand)	52,522	50,751	+1,771	+3.5
Air freight volume (export) (thousand t)	649.4	613.1	+36.3	+5.9
Ocean freight volume (export) (thousand TEU)	1,087	1,063	+24	+2.3
ADDITIONAL KEY FIGURES				
Order book for passenger transport as of Jun 30/Dec 31 (€ billion)	91.4	91.0	+0.4	+0.4
Moody's/S&P Global Ratings	Aa1/AA-	Aa1/AA-	-	-
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	316,919	307,565	+9,354	+3.0

¹⁾ Figure as of June 30, 2017 adjusted 60F.

²⁾ Non-Group and DB Group train operating companies.

³⁾ Excluding DB Arriva.

“At Deutsche Bahn we are guided by a triad that is comprised of investing, modernizing and digitalizing. That’s our compass.”

Dr. Richard Lutz

Focus 2018



Better and more reliable for our customers.

For a direct improvement in quality, we have introduced comprehensive immediate actions and expect to achieve a trend reversal.

Creating added value for our customers.

With our Comfort Check-in, our passengers can digitally check into the ICE themselves and use their travel time in an even more relaxed manner and according to their needs – a further step towards a “digital railway.”



Creating more individual mobility products.

With “ioki” we will introduce increasingly more on-demand products and autonomous driving in public transport and develop modern services that will supplement rail transport.

Driving innovations through new partnerships.

DB Digital Ventures invests in start-ups which may make a useful addition to our core business and play a decisive role in the mobility market in the future.



Digitalization of the rail network. *Our program Digital Rail for Germany represents a technological quantum leap for the entire rail industry. The first visible result: Hamburg is becoming a model city and pioneer in rail digitalization.*

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Cover image: #grünspotting – train travel equals environmental protection.

Every year, more than 140 million passengers travel through Germany in our ICE, InterCity or EuroCity trains using 100 % eco-power. For this reason, two third- and fourth-generation green ICEs with a green stripe acted as ambassadors between February 23 and April 1. Everybody who noticed them on their travels through Germany had the chance to win a BahnCard 100 or one of 25 travel coupons. All they had to do was upload a photo of the ICE with the green stripe on Instagram using the hashtag #grünspotting and link it to @deutschebahn. For the first 2,000 photo uploads, Bergwaldprojekt e. V. will plant 2,000 new trees to protect our environment. More than 3,000 photos were uploaded.

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Ladies and gentlemen,

The trend towards more railway use continues unabated. More than 70 million passengers have used our long-distance trains in the first half-year of 2018. Customer satisfaction has also increased in long-distance transport. This shows how much potential the railway system has, even if punctuality has not met our expectations in the first half of 2018.

We therefore continue to strive for greater punctuality, quality and reliability. Together with our owner, we are investing, modernizing and digitalizing rail transport in Germany. Everything for our common goal: transferring more traffic to the rails!

The basic dilemma – that more and more traffic accumulates on an increasingly utilized network – will continue to be an issue for years to come, but there are actions and measures we can take to improve the situation. We are therefore willing to hand over a lot of money to become better and more reliable for our customers. Our Railway of the Future quality program has already achieved a great deal for our customers, but it is still not enough. We have to stay focused on this. We plan to stick to our challenging targets.

How did the first half-year perform economically? We were able to achieve a slight increase in revenues. A quick glance at EBIT shows that, at the half-year mark, we are below the value for the same period in the previous year. Relative to the full year, we currently expect a result that will be in line with the previous year's result.

We are implementing numerous improvements for our customers. Together with the transport sector, we are driving the interconnection of everyday mobility. Examples for this are the expansion of the City Ticket and the integration of further transport associations in the DB Navigator app. For the first time, it is now possible to book DB long-distance

tickets with a transport association. Additionally to this, customers are able to embark on their trip from the ICE to the regional express all the way to tram and bus with just a single mouse click – using our new Comfort Check-in.

We increasingly focus on cooperation with partners in the digitalization process. The most recent example: DB Digital Ventures has invested in three start-ups. In the logistics field, we also focus on strategic partnerships. As the first supplier of logistical services worldwide, DB Schenker together with MAN and the Hochschule Fresenius University of Applied Sciences has deployed two digitally networked trucks to the A9 autobahn to test the application in practice.

At DB Schenker, we are experiencing growth in all areas, particularly in air freight. And at DB Arriva, all sails continue to be set for growth as well.

In conclusion, I am convinced that the railway will be the means of transport of the 21st century – reliable, secure, comfortable, eco-friendly and digital. We – the Federal Government and DB Group – will tackle these challenges together. Naturally, we are nowhere near where we want to be, but we are moving in the right direction. That is why we are determined to make the railway progressively better for our customers – one day at a time. This is our promise to our customers.

Best regards,

Dr. Richard Lutz
CEO and Chairman of the Management Board
of Deutsche Bahn AG



Interim Group management report (unaudited)

DB Group

- Michael Odenwald becomes new chairman of the Supervisory Board
- Central strategic areas of action remain unchanged

- New coalition agreement contributes to a strengthening of the railway in Germany
- BNetzA has approved 2019 train-path prices

Changes in the executive bodies

The Deutsche Bahn AG (DB AG) Management Board and Supervisory Board underwent the following changes in the first half of 2018:

- Alexander Doll has taken up his duties as member of the Management Board responsible for Freight Transport and Logistics on April 1, 2018.
- Prof. Dr. Dr. Utz-Hellmuth Felcht resigned from his position on the Supervisory Board and position as Chairman of the Supervisory Board as of March 31, 2018. State Secretary Michael Odenwald resigned from his position on the Supervisory Board of DB AG in conjunction with his leaving the German Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure (BMVI) as of April 10, 2018. He was appointed member of the Supervisory Board of DB AG during the extraordinary Annual General Meeting on April 10, 2018 with effect from April 11, 2018 and succeeds Prof. Felcht; and in the extraordinary meeting of the Supervisory Board of DB AG on April 17, 2018, he was elected Chairman of the Supervisory Board of DB AG for the duration of his term. State Secretary Guido Beer-mann (BMVI) was appointed as his successor on the Supervisory Board of DB AG on April 11, 2018. In the context of his resignation from the German Federal Ministry of Economics and Energy (BMWi), Parliamentary State Secretary Uwe Beckmeyer resigned from the Supervisory Board of DB AG with effect from April 30, 2018.

Implementation of DB2020+ strategy

In addition to quality, improving our organizational performance capability and driving the digital transformation forward continue to be part of DB Group's central strategic areas of action.

We are working on the digitalization of our core business in the business units and across DB Group via our GROUP PROGRAMS (2017 INTEGRATED REPORT 16 FF.) as well as on new business models to expand our portfolio to make DB Group fit for the future. We create additional customer benefits

with new mobility products that provide a seamless travel chain and innovative solutions to integrate all mobility products. In the first half of 2018, examples of this were the expansion of our on-demand services via our IOKI BRAND 4 as well as the integration of more than 21 transport associations in DB NAVIGATOR 27.

Sixth DB Sustainability Day

“Sustainable Cities Require Smart Products” was the leading theme of the sixth DB Sustainability Day on March 1 in Berlin. Throughout one entire day, the Group Management Board spoke with 190 invited representatives of various stakeholder groups about ideas and expectations for better quality of life in cities and a contribution to a society that is fit for the future. Among the guests of the event were Olaf Scholz (former First Mayor of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg), Clare Jones (Chief Customer Officer of what3words) as well as representatives of the cities of Copenhagen, London and Darmstadt.

Driving innovative solutions


New product and service concepts Comfort Check-in replaces ticket controls

After an initial testing phase, we introduced our Comfort Check-in service throughout Germany. This makes ticket checks obsolete as the customer checks in independently. The function is integrated exclusively into the DB Navigator app and can be used by all customers with a mobile or online ticket and seat reservation. Once the passengers have taken their seats, they simply check in by clicking on the app. This information is then displayed to the train crew on their ticket control devices. The train conductors can use the time they save for more customer service in the future. As of 2019, the digital service is to be released for additional ticket types.

New digital services in local transport


DB Regional, together with the contracting organizations in local transport, plans to provide customers with a digital travel experience. For this purpose, we are installing WiFi technology on our trains. In addition, an information portal has been developed that offers news, current trip information and tourist information. In addition to numerous pilot projects, such as in S-Bahn (metro) Munich, we have already equipped a few local transport networks with WiFi; these are: Elbe-Saale-Bahn, Expresskreuz Bremen, S-Bahn (metro) Rhine-Main and S-Bahn (metro) Stuttgart. We are in negotiations with additional public transport authorities. Currently, S-Bahn (metro) Hamburg stations are equipped with WiFi.

ioki – mobility on demand

With  IOKI ([WWW.IOKI.COM](http://www.ioki.com)), we are bringing on-demand mobility and autonomous driving into public transport. We have expanded our offer:

- ioki collaborates with the public transport provider Berliner Verkehrsbetriebe (BVG). As part of a pilot project, a small self-driving bus can for the first time be individually ordered via an app. This small bus has been driving around the EUREF campus in Berlin since April. At a later point in time, we are planning to expand the testing operations to public roads.
- The first on-demand service followed in May 2018 as part of local public transport with integration into the existing fares in the town of Wittlich in Rhineland-Palatinate. The “Wittlich Shuttle” supplements existing transport structures and brings customers to their destination on flexible and varying routes depending on the travel destination. The service can be conveniently booked via an app. Owners of season tickets or single tickets pay a convenience surcharge of €1 for the new service.
- As part of the smart city partnership of DB Group with the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, ioki will implement a driver-based on-demand shuttle service with connections to local public transport in Hamburg as of July 2018.
- In Bad Birnbach, the autonomous minibus has already been used by 10,000 passengers. As of summer 2018, a second bus will be added. Both vehicles will also stop at the train station which is 2 km away.

Cooperation for self-driving trucks

DB Schenker, in cooperation with MAN and Fresenius University, is carrying out a platooning project which is funded by the BMVI. In addition, there will be preparatory activities for the piloting of autonomous truck runs on terminal premises in 2018. MAN provided the test vehicles for the truck platooning project to DB Schenker in February 2018. 2017 INTEGRATED REPORT  8F. (DEPARTURE INTO THE FUTURE)

Utilizing blockchain technology

Blockchain is considered to be one of the most disruptive technologies ever. DB Group is testing various applications – from logistics supply chains and the clearing of internal services via smart contracts as well as the distribution of proceeds in regional transport to digital identity, such as that of trains but also of passengers. The DB Systel blockchain team drives the blockchain and distributed ledger technology implementation.

Clarity in real time thanks to SmartBooking

The SmartBooking solution developed by DB employees shows free conference rooms and workstations in real time. For this purpose, the first rooms and workstations were equipped with sensors that function like motion sensors and with check-in buttons during a test phase. This makes it possible to book or release workstations at the touch of a button. The data is delivered via a radio network to the DB Internet of Things cloud.

Digitalization in rail operations

Predictive maintenance

Wayside monitoring takes advantage of digitalization by enabling predictive maintenance. The goal is to improve rail system quality while lowering maintenance costs by recognizing potential irregularities at an early stage so that malfunctions can be avoided. In 2017, a video-based system was introduced for the online analysis of freight cars for maintenance purposes. At the end of 2018, a laser-based system for measuring wheel sets will be tested, as will a system for brake shoe diagnostics during ongoing operations.

With a fiber optic sensing (FOS) system, we plan to counteract external influences better and even earlier in the future. In addition, the data provides information on the condition of the infrastructure and the moving materials as well as about the location and speed of the trains. This supports not only maintenance, but also the information provided to the customers and enhances traveling comfort. The results of the pilot projects have been available since mid-2018, and we are deciding our further approach on the basis of those results. Our vision comprises the development of an intelligent system which provides useful sensor data in real time and can be used as a solid decision-making support with minimal expansion of the infrastructure.

First milestone for digital rail in Germany

Hamburg will be equipped with the first highly automated S-Bahn (metro) in Germany. DB Group, the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg and Siemens AG are cooperating on

a project that plans to provide digital equipment for a pilot line including four vehicles. The implementation date is October 2021, when Hamburg is hosting the world congress for intelligent transport systems (ITS). The pilot project will cost about € 60 million.

Digitalization in station management **Glowing fiber optic cables point the way**

Finding your way around stations is becoming easier with glowing fiber optic cables in the flooring; we have been testing this together with the start-up SIUT in the Stuttgart-Bad Cannstatt station since February. Thanks to the lit-up symbols in the station platform concrete, S-Bahn (metro) customers will also be able to see where the train stops, how long it is and how full it is even before the train arrives at the station. DB Group plans to improve passenger information and punctuality using this optimized train dispatch service.

Testing cleaning robots

New developments, such as in the area of robotics, help us to improve our service even more. DB mindbox asked providers to present specific station cleaning solutions during a challenge at Berlin's central station. The most compelling model was the cleaning robot CR700 from Adlatus Robotics. Since May, the CR700 has been supporting the cleaning teams at the central station in Ulm and will continue to do so for the next two years.

Equity investments and partnerships for more digitalization and innovation

DB Digital Ventures

Deutsche Bahn Digital Ventures (DB DV) invests in new data-driven business models. In the first half of 2018, DB DV acquired shares in three US companies:

- GoKid is a car-pooling platform that helps to take the kids to school, sports or other after-school activities safely and on time.
- Ridecell has developed intelligent software for the operation of car-sharing, car pools and autonomous fleet management.
- Trillium develops cyber security software to protect networked vehicles against hacker attacks.

CleverShuttle expands its services

In May, CleverShuttle also commenced operations in Stuttgart. We are supporting the start-up during the expansion of its services. CleverShuttle intelligently supplements the mobility products of DB Group and enables energy-efficient and seamless door-to-door mobility, which is a particularly attractive option for train passengers.

BEYOND1435

The program [BEYOND1435 \(WWW.BEYOND1435.COM\)](http://WWW.BEYOND1435.COM) provides additional freedom to DB employees and also helps them to realize their digital business model. The first team to successfully complete the Intrapreneurship program was “weColli.” At program completion, the team is offered the option of a spin-out into an independent company. weColli has a platform for logistics companies that provides an emissions-free supply of goods over the last mile using cargo bikes. During its next step, the team will be integrated into the Group program Smart Cities to offer the solution to cities and towns.

Legal topics

Proceedings regarding financing contributions

To avoid risks related to statutes of limitations, at the end of 2016 we lodged a complaint with the Stuttgart Administrative Court for additional financing contributions based on the so-called negotiation clause (Sprechklausel) against the partners of project Stuttgart 21. The project partners have meanwhile responded to the complaint. The Stuttgart Administrative Court has set a deadline for response to the statement of defense for the end of August 2018.

Political environment

New coalition agreement contains strong support for rail transport

In the coalition agreement of February 7, 2018, the CDU, CSU and SPD have committed to the strengthening of the railway in Germany and to an integrated DB Group. The coalition agreement includes numerous topics that are important to the entire industry. A railway pact between the Federal Government and industry is expected to result in a two-fold increase in passenger numbers by the year 2030, and is also expected to boost rail freight. Focus topics for the sector from a DB Group perspective:

- Continued capital expenditure increase providing the funds needed to maintain the current status (performance and financing agreement; LuFV III) as well as expansion and new construction, implementation of a planning acceleration law and application of building information modeling (BIM);
- Implementation of a master plan for rail freight transport with train-path price support and realization of the 740 m network;

- Increased digitalization including the expansion of the European command and control technology ETCS;
- Further work on a synchronized timetable for all of Germany including a target schedule and appropriate hub measures;
- Strengthening of the railway within a context of climate and environmental protection, including appropriate measures in the 2050 climate protection program, a program for electrification and alternative drives as well as continued commitment to further noise reduction.

Regulatory and transport policy topics

BNetzA approves train-path prices for 2019

The competent ruling chamber approved the train-path prices for the schedule year 2018/2019 on January 17, including the proposed 1.8% increase of train-path prices in regional rail passenger transport. This follows from the statutory linking of the train-path price development to the growth rate of the regionalization funds. As set forth in the resolution to the 2018 train-path pricing system (TPS), the proposed train-path prices in long-distance rail passenger transport were increased as part of the approval and lowered in the rail freight transport by about €28 million, respectively. The decision is not yet final.

The BNetzA has to redetermine the equity yield rate in the energy grid

On March 22, 2018, the Düsseldorf Higher Regional Court decided that the Federal Network Agency (BNetzA) had a faulty approach in its method to determine the equity yield rate. About 1,100 municipal utilities and network operators, including DB Energy, had lodged a complaint against the permitted equity yield rate which BNetzA had reduced. The court did not provide any guidelines regarding the new rate. The BNetzA has the option to appeal the court decision before the German Federal Supreme Court.

Law to accelerate planning and approval processes

The hearing of the associations in relation to a legislative draft for the acceleration of planning and approval processes as part of the transport sector of the BMVI took place in June 2018. The draft focuses on the BMVI's strategy to accelerate planning processes and also comprises the bundling of hearing and plan approval procedures at the Federal Railway Authority (EBA) recommended by the planning acceleration innovation forum. This step also occurred in view of the increasing digitalization and introduction of BIM. The bundling enables the EBA to continue processing digital planning submitted by DB Group on both procedural levels; this ensures that interfaces are avoided. Furthermore, the

draft contains a regulation for Federal rail structures which sets forth that the traffic development forecast to date may continue to be used as the basis for ongoing proceedings even if the Federal Transport Infrastructure Plan is amended, as well as an update and expansion of the projects for the review of which the German Federal Administrative Court is to be the responsible court of the first and last instance.

New road traffic regulations

On May 17, 2018, the third and last part of the EU legislative proposals under the strategy "Europe on the Move" for road traffic was submitted, including a proposal to introduce emissions targets for heavy commercial vehicles. According to the proposal, trucks are to reduce their CO₂ emissions by 15% by 2025 as compared to 2019. By 2030, the reduction is to reach 30%. Further elements of the package are a message for the creation of a digital environment for the exchange of information in the transport area ("e-freight"), a proposal that aims to make approval processes for TEN-T projects (Trans-European-Network-Transport) leaner and regulations that improve the energy efficiency in the heavy load transport on the road.

Proposals for a multi-year EU financial framework

On May 2, 2018, the Commission proposed a budget amounting to €1,279 billion for the new EU budget for the years 2021 to 2027. The funds of the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) are to be increased to €42.3 billion for investments in trans-European transport, digital and energy networks, of which close to €31 billion are earmarked for investments in transport networks.

French rail reform resolved

The main topics of the rail reform in France which was enacted in June 2018 are the gradual opening of the national rail passenger transport market to competition (market opening in long-distance rail passenger transport between December 2019 and December 2023, with longer periods for the Paris metropolitan area, with long-distance transport operated on a purely commercial basis as of 2020), the reorganization of the SNCF into a stock corporation permanently owned by the government, the removal of public servant status for new employees at the SNCF as of the end of 2020, the assignment of the passenger stations segment to the rail infrastructure operator SNCF Réseau and the order arranging an employee transfer in the event of an operator change in local rail passenger transport. In connection with the rail reform, large-scale strike actions have occurred in France since April.

Quality

- Punctuality suffered from an extremely overloaded infrastructure among other things
- Additional immediate actions were initiated

Focus on quality, operational and digital excellence in our core business

The development in product quality, particularly punctuality, was again not satisfactory among the transporters in the integrated rail system in the first half-year of 2018. We have therefore immediately started implementing additional actions from which we expect a direct effect on punctuality and customer satisfaction in 2018:

- Under the punctuality management center, vehicle availability will be improved and anticipatory measures will be implemented at DB Long-Distance.
- At DB Regional, task forces will focus on regional hot spots (such as the Munich S-Bahn (metro)).
- In the production area, DB Netze Track is currently implementing an emergency program focused on command and control technology for railroad crossings and the track. In addition, we are further optimizing our construction measures.
- DB Netze Stations is implementing about 500 individual measures to improve customer satisfaction. In addition, 30 S-Bahn (metro) stations in Hamburg, Munich, Frankfurt am Main, Cologne and Berlin are being upgraded.
- Across business units, we are promoting the implementation and expansion of the PlanStart program and continuing to work on relieving pressure in the four corridors suffering the highest loads.

Structural process enhancements are necessary to achieve a high and sustained quality level over the medium term, too. For this reason, we created the Processexcellence@ZuBa (@Railway of the Future) program to realize the respective process improvements and implement Group-wide standards utilizing standardized lean management and digitalization methods. Our first step thereby focuses on improving incident management in the event of major incidents and the provision of trains. These processes consistently aim to achieve a benefit for end customers. As part of the excellence program, strong process owners are being introduced from the line organization; they are responsible for the continuous further development of processes across all business units to achieve sustained improvement.


- Punctuality management center was created
- Implementation of the action plan for vegetation commenced

Punctuality down

Punctuality (%)	H1 2018	2017	H1 2017
Rail in Germany ¹⁾	93.3	93.6	94.2
DB Group (rail) in Germany	93.9	93.9	94.5
DB rail passenger transport in Germany	94.0	94.1	94.6
DB Long-Distance	77.4	78.5	81.0
DB Regional	94.4	94.4	95.0
DB Cargo (Germany)	73.6	73.4	74.5
DB Arriva (rail) (Great Britain, Denmark, Sweden, the Netherlands and Poland)	91.2	92.3	93.2
DB Regional (bus)	91.6	90.5	91.2
DB Cargo	73.5	72.7	73.9

¹⁾ Non-Group and DB Group train operating companies.

In the first half of 2018, Group-wide punctuality did not develop to a satisfactory level.

In response to the decrease in punctuality, we created the punctuality management center in March 2018, which is managed by the Infrastructure Board division and develops and realizes measures for the short- and long-term improvement of punctuality on an operating level across all business units. The measures of the punctuality management center, which also incorporates non-Group train operating companies (TOCs), include activities that optimize schedules to stabilize punctuality, improve adherence to stop times, increase the availability of command and control technology and stabilize S-Bahn (metro) traffic. In addition to the measures enacted by the punctuality management center, we continue to implement numerous measures from the RAILWAY OF THE FUTURE  program which also help improve punctuality.

The PlanStart teams at DB Long-Distance were busy transferring the improvement in trains starting on time from the PlanStart rail hubs to the track in the first half of 2018.

DB Cargo launched the second wave of marshaling yards in the first half-year of 2018, where the PlanStart teams worked on increasing departure punctuality.

Punctuality in the first half of 2018 in part still remained significantly under the values from the same period of the previous year both for non-Group and DB Group TOCs in Germany.

Punctuality suffered from an infrastructure that was increasingly utilized. The additional increase in traffic volume, the expansion of the construction program and the corresponding reduction in network capacity resulted in delays. In contrast, it was possible to further reduce construction-related delays (delays that can be directly linked to a construction site).

On the operational side, a large number of incidents in command and control technology, vehicle faults and incidents related to the provision of vehicles had a negative impact on punctuality.

Additional stress resulted from weather-related restrictions, such as the storm Friederike in mid-January which led to massive track undercutting and large-scale track closures due to fallen trees.

Implementing the action plan for vegetation

In the first half of 2018 we had started implementing the vegetation action plan, which aims at reducing the negative impact of increasingly extreme weather on rail operations.

In addition to continuing proven measures such as the preventative pruning of trees and bushes alongside tracks, the plan also includes thinning tree populations along the tracks to significantly stabilize the tree population even beyond the trimming zone of 6 meters. As part of the reforestation measures, trees that have a stable height and suitable growth patterns will be planted, as will bushes and scrubs.

More than 3,000 acres of forest had already been inspected and digitally recorded by June 2018. The data forms the basis for the thinning of the tree population which is planned to start in November 2018.

It is planned that up to 150 forestry workers will join the more than 1,000 employees already working on the inspection. In the next five years, we are planning to spend a further € 125 million on the care and management of the plant population in addition to the € 100 million that has been available for this project each year since 2007.

The construction management center continues its work

The goal of the construction management center is to carry out the construction volume for 2018, which is set to reach record highs this year, with the lowest possible impact on our customers.

To achieve this, the construction measures are bundled in terms of time and location and the specific construction processes are considered. Sometimes it is possible to pre-assemble complex technical construction parts next to the track and thus reduce the time the track construction engineers need for the actual installation, which results in tracks getting cleared for traffic much faster. Another option is to install additional switches before the construction measure. Together with colleagues from the specialist departments and the regions, the management center also decides whether a measure should be delayed or combined with other projects. Additional improvements result from the use of additional employees and tool-based forecasting support as well as work in three-shift operations or the shifting of closing times to peripheral low-traffic regions.

Social

- Number of employees increased overall
- New employment campaign for 2018

- Introduction of new recruiting software
- Mobile devices for DB employees

Employees by business units	Full-time employees (FTE)					Natural persons (NP)				
	Jun 30, 2018	Jun 30, 2017	Change		Dec 31, 2017	Jun 30, 2018	Jun 30, 2017	Change		Dec 31, 2017
			absolute	%				absolute	%	
DB Long-Distance	16,432	16,301	+131	+0.8	15,993	17,518	17,388	+130	+0.7	17,058
DB Regional	35,876	35,631	+245	+0.7	35,651	37,855	37,480	+375	+1.0	37,519
DB Arriva	54,658	54,145	+513	+0.9	54,650	56,889	56,617	+272	+0.5	56,848
DB Cargo	28,709	28,964	-255	-0.9	28,257	29,228	29,411	-183	-0.6	28,771
DB Schenker	74,104	69,370	+4,734	+6.8	71,888	76,929	71,761	+5,168	+7.2	74,628
DB Netze Track	46,371	44,717	+1,654	+3.7	45,375	47,516	45,767	+1,749	+3.8	46,489
DB Netze Stations	5,649	5,404	+245	+4.5	5,463	5,964	5,707	+257	+4.5	5,769
DB Netze Energy	1,734	1,742	-8	-0.5	1,721	1,785	1,786	-1	-0.1	1,768
Other	53,386	51,291	+2,095	+4.1	51,937	55,925	53,788	+2,137	+4.0	54,531
DB Group	316,919	307,565	+9,354	+3.0	310,935	329,609	319,705	+9,904	+3.1	323,381
± Effects from changes in the scope of consolidation	-1,009	-33	-1,042	-	-	-1,064	-34	-1,098	-	-
DB Group comparable	315,910	307,532	+8,378	+2.7	310,935	328,545	319,671	+8,874	+2.8	323,381

To guarantee better comparability, the number of employees is converted into full-time employees. Figures for part-time employees are measured in accordance with their share of the regular annual working time.

The number of DB Group employees has increased as of June 30, 2018. This was caused by the ELECTION MODEL UNDER THE COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT §10, the additional employees at DB Netze Track in the maintenance and construction project divisions as well as increases at DB Schenker, particularly in the land transport and contract logistics lines of business.

Employees by regions (FTE)	Jun 30, 2018	Jun 30, 2017	Change		Dec 31, 2017
			absolute	%	
Germany	194,057	188,132	+5,925	+3.1	189,423
Europe (excluding Germany)	94,118	92,703	+1,415	+1.5	93,655
Asia/Pacific	16,651	15,180	+1,471	+9.7	15,971
North America	8,970	8,662	+308	+3.6	8,921
Rest of world	3,123	2,888	+235	+8.1	2,965
DB Group	316,919	307,565	+9,354	+3.0	310,935

Employees by regions (NP)	Jun 30, 2018	Jun 30, 2017	Change		Dec 31, 2017
			absolute	%	
Germany	202,528	196,527	+6,001	+3.1	197,985
Europe (excluding Germany)	98,144	96,218	+1,926	+2.0	97,307
Asia/Pacific	16,754	15,250	+1,504	+9.9	16,046
North America	9,049	8,822	+227	+2.6	9,055
Rest of world	3,134	2,888	+246	+8.5	2,988
DB Group	329,609	319,705	+9,904	+3.1	323,381

Employee numbers have increased both in Germany and worldwide. The increase in Germany is primarily a result of the growth in DB Netze Track. The increase in Europe (excluding Germany) was caused primarily by growth at DB Schenker and DB Arriva (particularly due to the acquisition of Autotrans). In addition to the increased employee numbers in Europe, DB Schenker in particular grew in Asia/Pacific. The number of employees outside of Germany remained stable at about 38% as of June 30, 2018 (as of June 30, 2017: about 38%).

New approaches to talent acquisition

In early 2018, we announced a new employment campaign for 2018. DB Group will hire about 19,000 new employees this year in Germany alone. About 20% of all new hires will be trainees as well as students completing a dual course of study. There are several reasons for the high demand for new hires: DB Group is growing and also expanding job profiles with new IT skills, for example; at the same time, many employees will go into retirement in the coming years. There is particular demand for professions such as train drivers, traffic controllers, electronics technicians, engineers, command and control technology technicians, service personnel, track construction engineers or IT experts.

People above 50 years of age, college dropouts, former soldiers or lateral entrants: DB Group is increasingly focusing on new target groups when recruiting new employees.


In May 2018, we transferred our application management to a new software. Submitting an application is now much quicker and more transparent. It is even possible to apply via smartphone. Applicants can check online where they are in the application process, and can update data and upload documents. There is also a new option where an applicant can create a job agent that notifies the applicant by e-mail regarding new positions that fit the applicant's profile.

DB Group plans to forgo the cover letter as of this year, initially for trainees. After all, writing an application is a substantial hurdle for many applicants without actually saying much: a résumé and interview are much better suited to determine applicants' skills and their motivation. This step is based on the findings of the successful DB application marathon in November 2017; the informal application process was particularly well-received by the candidates.

Employment conditions improved

On January 1, 2018, the second phase of the collective wage increase from the collective bargaining agreement round 2016/2017 came into effect for employees of the integrated rail system in Germany. According to the elected options, 40% of employees will receive an additional wage increase of 2.62%. 58% will receive six more vacation days, and for 2% the working time per week will be reduced by one hour. This election model has since been referenced several times in collective bargaining processes in other industries.

Together with the Group Works Council, we created the framework conditions for an accelerated change of today's work environment through digitalization as part of a new framework Group employer/works council agreement (R-KBV) in March. The R-KBV "Jointly designing our progress and our future" is meant to give our employees guidance and security. Among other things, it was agreed that the Group Works Council will actively participate in the creation of the new work formats, from hierarchy-free teams and work in labs to start-ups and the Intrapreneurship Program.

In late March 2018 we presented the first prototypes of our new corporate clothing during the Annual Results Press Conference. These were developed in cooperation with the designer Guido Maria Kretschmer. The new corporate clothing, which will likely be introduced starting at the end of 2019, will give DB Group a more modern and sympathetic image in its interaction with the public. Confident, well-dressed employees, who feel comfortable, will be able to provide even better service to customers. The new corporate clothing thus represents a further contribution to the RAILWAY OF THE FUTURE ^{Zukunft}  quality program. Significant improvements in functionality, look and comfort additionally increase employee satisfaction and pride and identification with the brand.

Keeping up with the transformation process

In April 2018, we decided that all employees in Germany who so far do not have a work device and are thus cut off from the digital transformation of DB Group, should be equipped with a mobile device (smartphone or tablet). The program will be launched in 2018 and will run until the end of 2019. In this way, these employees will also have the opportunity to use all new online services. This will strengthen the digital expertise of individual employees. At the same time, DB Group will become more efficient since, for example, on the operational side work orders can be picked up electronically or work processes can be documented electronically.

On April 1, 2018, DB Group as one of the first large companies in Germany created a new change management division, which reports directly to the member of the Management Board responsible for HR, in order to provide a solid foundation for the DB Group transformation within the organization. DB Group is undergoing a fundamental transformation process: the change management will accompany the fundamental change of our business processes to increase our performance capability, drive the digitalization of DB Group, but also the transformation within DB Group through hiring new employees in the coming years. The new division will function as a strategic change consultant, define requirements such as those for staff planning, further qualification, working conditions or onboarding and set guidelines and provide tools for a professional change management within the Group.

Environmental

- We want to be CO₂-free by 2050
- 100 % eco-power in long-distance transport since January

With its strategy DB2020+^{DB 2020}, DB Group is harmonizing the dimensions **ECONOMY** 📈, **SOCIAL** 👤 and **ENVIRONMENTAL** 🌱. The target in the **ENVIRONMENTAL** 🌱 dimension is to strengthen our role as an eco-pioneer. We want our customers to benefit from first-class and environmentally friendly mobility and logistics solutions driven by dedicated employees and digital expertise. To strengthen our aspiration to be an eco-pioneer, five fields of action are key: climate protection, noise reduction, resource efficiency, air quality control and nature conservation.

5-point strategy for climate change

DB Group is probably more severely affected by the effects of climate change than any other large company in Germany. This is one of the findings from the study entitled “Climate change – impact on Deutsche Bahn AG” by the renowned Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (Potsdam-Institut für Klimafolgenforschung; PIK). The study basically concludes that many extreme weather events are now occurring more often, with the frequency probably increasing in the coming years.

For this reason, DB Group is committed to a five-point strategy for adaptation to ensure safe and secure rail operations. More green cuttings along the train-paths, robust command and control technology, intelligent vehicle technology, structural protection in risk areas and especially a further sharp reduction in CO₂ emissions are the focus of attention. **VEGETATION MANAGEMENT** 🌳 is being expanded considerably.

Regular inspection of the air-conditioning systems in more than 4,000 interlockings, sub-interlockings and control units as well as other cooling facilities is aimed at protecting the command and control technology against extreme heat.

We aim to ensure that the more than 5,500 rock embankments and hillside cuttings with a total length of over 1,400 km do not pose a risk after heavy moisture penetration near the rail tracks. For this purpose, more than 1,000 constructions such as safety nets, guard walls and catch fences provide protection against hillside movements.

- More than half of all freight cars refitted with whisper brakes
- Research project on use of e-trucks in urban transport

Progress in climate protection

DB Group takes its climate protection responsibility seriously and has set itself a challenging climate target to further reduce greenhouse gas emissions. By 2030 the specific greenhouse gas emissions of our worldwide transport operations will be cut by at least 50% in comparison with 2006. By doing so, we will come a big step closer to our vision of being completely emissions-free throughout DB Group in 2050.

100% eco-power in DB long-distance transport

Since January 1, 2018, passengers have been traveling on our long-distance trains using only eco-power across Germany. In this way, our customers become active in climate protection. Since 2010, S-Bahn (metro) Hamburg has been running completely free of CO₂ emissions, contributing to the high share of eco-power in the traction current mix.

First CO₂-neutral facility for ICE opened

The first CO₂-neutral long-distance transport facility in Cologne-Nippes is a true pioneering project in the use of innovative and sustainable environmental technologies. Under construction for almost two and a half years, the CO₂-neutral ICE maintenance facility in Cologne-Nippes became operational on February 23, 2018.

Research project on the use of e-trucks in urban transport

Electromobility presents a particular challenge for group-age solutions: for this industry, it is important to be fast, punctual and reliable. Due to the need for recharging, electric vehicles have an apparent disadvantage compared to diesel trucks. On the other hand, they have the advantage of using just half the energy of a diesel engine.

The “iHub” research project in Berlin is examining the integration of electric trucks into the vehicle fleets of logistics services providers in urban transport. The project is intended to demonstrate how an IT-aided system can manage fleets of trucks efficiently when they comprise both diesel and electric vehicles. DB Schenker is cooperating with FRAMO, a manufacturer of electric trucks in Saxony, as

well as the software firm PTV, the Fraunhofer Institute for Transportation and Infrastructure Systems (IVI) and the Institute for Post-fossil Logistics. The project is sponsored by the BMWi.

In total, DB Schenker is now testing the use of electric vehicles for distribution transport in more than four European cities. It is also examining the options for using e-bikes in combination with micro-hubs in seven French cities as well as in Berlin, Bergen, Oslo and Helsinki.

Saving energy with new technology and implementation of DIN EN ISO 50001

By systematically adapting the energy management system to the DIN EN ISO 50001 standard, DB Netze Stations intends to cut the primary energy requirement of stations by 20% between 2010 and 2020. At present we have already achieved a reduction of 17.3%. The consistent implementation of metrological accounting, with allocation of energy consumption to the smallest possible unit, right down to the individual person, has one of the biggest leverage effects for motivating energy savings. Another key action is the conversion of the lighting for platforms, display cases, escalators and clocks to LED technology. Energy-efficient hoisting and conveying technology also contributes to energy savings. An example is elevators fitted with energy recovery systems. These elevators have a regenerative supply unit, which generates electricity during the downward part of the cycle and feeds it into the power network.

Noise reduction measures

We also want to take a pioneering role in noise reduction. In order to noticeably relieve residents near railway tracks, we intend to halve our rail transport noise by 2020, compared to 2000.

Further development of the noise remediation program and progress on freight cars

- Revision of the overall concept for the noise remediation program to the now lowered limit of 57 dB(A) has been completed and will likely be published by the BMVI in the course of 2018.
- By the end of June 2018, about 46,000 freight cars out of about 65,000 freight cars of DB Cargo Germany's active fleet were already rolling on quiet brake shoes. The vehicle fleet will be completely quiet by the end of 2020.

Additional noise protection in the Middle Rhine Valley

Seven municipalities in the Middle Rhine Valley will receive additional noise protection in the next few years. The capital expenditures planned so far for noise-reducing projects of €73 million will increase significantly. It was necessary to revise the so-called feasibility study, as the limit was reduced from 60 to 57dB in January 2016. Places such as Bad Salzig, Oberwesel and Rhens will also receive noise protection.

Some 70 noise protection measures, such as special noise absorbers or shielding systems on the rails, noise protection walls and palings, will further reduce rail transport noise in the vicinity of the "Upper Middle Rhine Valley" World Heritage site between Koblenz/Lahnstein and Bingen/Rüdesheim. The first projects to be implemented will be those that do not require an approval procedure lasting several years. An example would be the installation of noise absorption systems that are fitted directly to the rails.

Nature conservation

Many strictly protected animals and plants have settled on railway lines or in unused buildings. Our goal is to protect them, both in operations and planning and in the construction and maintenance of railway facilities.

Nesting boxes, reservations and protective barriers for sand lizards, kestrels and great bustards

Hundreds of rare animal species live along tracks and on DB facilities, as they can no longer find any other habitat. In order to protect this diversity of species, we are constantly implementing environmental measures in relation to construction projects on tracks and rail facilities. Our environmental experts take care of sand lizards, smooth snakes, bats, cranes, wild horses and wild bees. In the first half of 2018 we have planned about 2,200 new individual measures, including steps to protect endangered species, some of which have already been implemented. For example, nesting aids for the common dormouse have been installed, with the aim of increasing the attractiveness of forest land as a habitat for the strictly protected species of mammal and enticing the animals to settle there naturally. The forest stand is located directly beside areas used for construction site facilities and storage, in a project involving upgrading two tunnels for the Hunsrück railway.

Economic report

- Positive environment for global and European transport markets
- Income situation under pressure

Positive environment for global and European transport markets

Strong global demand promotes world trade

The continuing growth in world trade is driving demand for goods transport; Asian markets and the USA in particular showed a high level of momentum in the first few months of 2018. The economic upturn in Germany and Europe has now flattened out. However, economic growth remains at a solid level. US protectionism, uncertainty about the outcome of the Brexit negotiations and rising oil prices pose major risks to the global economy and world trade, leaving the logistics sector particularly exposed. The demand for mobility remains robust with continued employment growth and rising wages. The passenger transport markets are strongly influenced by the respective general legal frameworks. The differences between European countries here are still great despite progressive liberalization.

Dynamic global economic growth continues - Europe's growth is weaker

In the first half of 2018, the dynamic growth of the global economy largely continued. Drivers include a strong demand for capital goods and strong private consumption. As a result, world trade also recorded significant growth. Risks to growth include significantly higher oil prices and conflicts over trade issues.

European economic growth has already weakened slightly, particularly due to declining exports. Uncertainties have had a negative impact on the investment climate. Inflation has recently increased, driven by higher oil prices, and is reducing disposable household income.

A similar development emerged in Germany. Domestic demand continued to perform well as a result of robust employment growth. Among the industrial sectors, the construction industry in particular grew. Falling order numbers in the industry point to an end to the boom.

- Value management indicators have largely deteriorated
- Financial and asset position stable
- Net financial debt increased

The UK economy has grown weaker in the first half of 2018. Consistently high inflation rates have put pressure on the Bank of England to raise interest rates before the end of 2018. Uncertainty surrounding Brexit arrangements is also putting a strain on the business climate.

Political uncertainties have caused nervousness in the energy market

The central hedging policy of DB Group aims to minimize energy price fluctuations. Our activities are therefore not exposed to the full impact of changes in market prices, at least not in the short term.

Overachievement of OPEC austerity measures is causing constriction on the oil market

Brent crude (USD/bbl)	H1 2018	2017	Change	
			absolute	%
Average price	71.2	54.7	+16.5	+30.2
Highest price	80.5	67.1	-	-
Lowest price	61.8	44.4	-	-
Year-end price	78.5	66.9	+11.6	+17.3

Source: Thomson Reuters

- The agreed production cuts (OPEC+) have been significantly exceeded. The main reason for this was unplanned downtime in Venezuela. At the same time, the positive economic development led to robust demand, especially from Asia. The resulting shortage of supply could only be met to a limited extent despite new record levels of oil production in the USA, resulting in a noticeable narrowing of the oil market.
- In May 2018, the price of Brent reached an annual high. By mid-May, speculative investors were also betting on rising prices.
- OPEC+ agreed to plan for the likelihood of a balanced oil market during the second half of the year and decided to ramp up production to the level set in the cut-off decision at the end of 2016.

Electricity prices are developing in parallel with the coal and CO₂ markets

Base load power (following year)	H1 2018	2017	Change	
			absolute	%
BASE LOAD CURRENT (FOLLOWING YEAR) (€/MWH)				
Average price	37.7	32.4	+5.3	+16.4
Highest price	43.9	38.4	-	-
Lowest price	32.6	28.0	-	-
Year-end price	43.9	37.2	+6.7	+18.0
EMISSIONS CERTIFICATES (€/T CO₂)				
Average price	12.2	5.8	+6.4	+110
Highest price	16.7	8.3	-	-
Lowest price	7.6	4.3	-	-
Year-end price	15.2	8.2	+7.0	+85.4

Source: Thomson Reuters

- The German electricity spot market is becoming increasingly weather-dependent. The fluctuation in production from renewable energies caused significant price fluctuations due to limited predictability. High primary energy prices acted as price drivers.
- The electricity futures market eased after the climate targets for 2020 were revised during the coalition negotiations.
- The coal market saw a price dip as a result of temporary import restrictions in China. Delivery difficulties and persistently high demand in Asia drove prices up again quickly.
- The entry into force of the market stability reserve from 2019, which will withdraw 24% of the surplus certificates from the market, caused a supply shortage on the CO₂ market. In addition, discussions regarding a minimum price lured additional consumers to the market, doubling the price of emissions allowances since the beginning of the year.

Income situation not satisfactory

- Revenue increase due to performance gains.
- Rising factor costs for energy and personnel.
- Extensive measures to improve quality and further digitalization.
- Operating profit development under pressure.

No major restrictions in comparability with the first half of 2017

Trends in expenses and income in the first half of 2018 were not materially affected by CHANGES IN THE SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION ¶61.

Revenues increased

Revenues developed positively. The growth occurred broadly across the business units and was largely driven by performance gains.

- The REVENUE DEVELOPMENT OF THE BUSINESS UNITS ¶23 FF. was positive with the exception of DB Cargo and DB Netze Energy. DB Schenker and DB Long-Distance in particular showed strong development.
- Negative operating effects resulted from operational restrictions (primarily STORM FRIEDERIKE ¶8, heavy snowfall in Great Britain and Sweden and STRIKES IN FRANCE ¶6, GREAT BRITAIN ¶31 and the Netherlands).

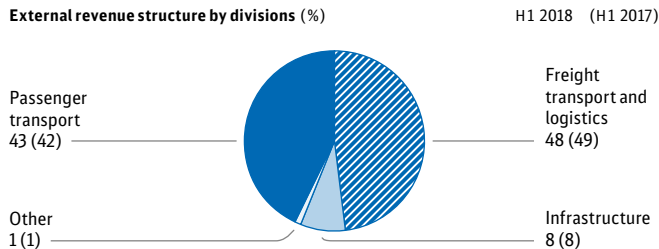
On a comparable basis (adjusted for special items as well as scope of consolidation and exchange rate changes), revenues increased slightly more:

- The special items in the first half of 2018 resulted from the omission of revenue deductions in connection with ongoing proceedings (first half of 2017: from revenue deductions for previous years).
- Changes in the scope of consolidation affected DB Arriva (€ +20 million), DB Cargo (€ +6 million) and the Other area (€ +1 million).
- The effects of exchange rate changes were attributable to DB Schenker (€ -315 million), DB Arriva (€ -41 million) and DB Cargo (€ -3 million).

Revenues (€ million)	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
DB Group	21,555	21,066	+ 489	+ 2.3
± Special items	- 7	4	- 11	-
DB Group adjusted	21,548	21,070	+ 478	+ 2.3
± Changes in the scope of consolidation	- 27	- 1	- 26	-
± Exchange rate changes	359	-	+ 359	-
DB Group comparable	21,880	21,069	+ 811	+ 3.8

External revenues by business units (€ million)	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
DB Long-Distance	2,177	2,028	+ 149	+ 7.3
DB Regional	4,325	4,254	+ 71	+ 1.7
DB Arriva	2,702	2,659	+ 43	+ 1.6
DB Cargo	2,112	2,150	- 38	- 1.8
DB Schenker	8,301	8,072	+ 229	+ 2.8
DB Netze Track	754	746	+ 8	+ 1.1
DB Netze Stations	297	273	+ 24	+ 8.8
DB Netze Energy	628	654	- 26	- 4.0
Other	252	234	+ 18	+ 7.7
DB Group adjusted	21,548	21,070	+ 478	+ 2.3

Revenue structure virtually unchanged

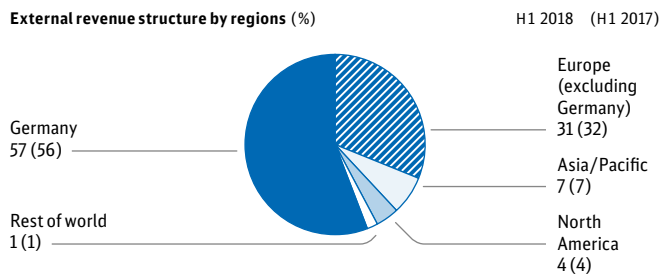


There were no significant changes to the revenue structure at business unit level.

External revenues by regions (€ million)	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Germany	12,204	11,850	+ 354	+ 3.0
Europe (excluding Germany)	6,745	6,669	+ 76	+ 1.1
Asia/Pacific	1,447	1,404	+ 43	+ 3.1
North America	885	878	+ 7	+ 0.8
Rest of world	267	269	- 2	- 0.7
DB Group adjusted	21,548	21,070	+ 478	+ 2.3

Revenue development in the individual regions was driven primarily by performance gains.

- Revenues in Germany rose, especially owing to growth in DB Netze Track, DB Long-Distance and DB Regional.
- Revenue development in Europe (excluding Germany) was slightly positive, driven by a growth in volume at DB Arriva and DB Schenker. In addition to operational restrictions at DB Arriva and DB Cargo, negative exchange rate effects from the development of the pound sterling had a dampening effect.
- Revenues increased in the Asia/Pacific and North America regions as a result of business development at DB Schenker. This was partly offset by negative exchange rate effects.



Income development under pressure Reconciliation to the adjusted statement of income

The transition to the adjusted income statement is a two-step process. The RECLASSIFICATION AND ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURE (2017 INTEGRATED REPORT 84) has not changed.

Operating profit figures declined

The following presentation of profit development describes the adjusted changes in the key items of the statement of income for the first half of 2018 versus the first half of 2017. The effects of the changes in the scope of consolidation and in exchange rates are presented in the following table and are not explained further in the following section.

During the first half of 2018, exchange rate effects reduced income and expenses overall. Effects resulting from changes to the scope of consolidation were not significant.

Transition to the adjusted statement of income (€ million)	H1					Change					
	2018	Reclassifications				2018 adjusted	2017 adjusted	absolute	thereof due to changes in the scope of consolidation	thereof due to exchange rate effects	%
		IFRS compounding/discounting	Net investment income	PPA amortization	Adjustment for special items						
Revenues	21,555	-	-	-	-7	21,548	21,070	+478	+26	-359	+2.3
Inventory changes and other internally produced and capitalized assets	1,446	-	-	-	-	1,446	1,376	+70	-0	-0	+5.1
Other operating income	1,206	-	-	-	-2	1,204	1,232	-28	+1	-5	-2.3
Cost of materials	-10,743	-	-	-	-0	-10,743	-10,396	-347	-10	+217	+3.3
Personnel expenses	-8,495	-	-	-	72	-8,423	-8,148	-275	-9	+83	+3.4
Other operating expenses	-2,727	-	-	-	-1	-2,728	-2,560	-168	-7	+54	+6.6
EBITDA/EBITDA adjusted	2,242	-	-	-	62	2,304	2,574	-270	+1	-10	-10.5
Depreciation	-1,360	-	-	30	-	-1,330	-1,395	+65	-2	+5	-4.7
Operating profit (EBIT) EBIT adjusted	882	-	-	30	62	974	1,179	-205	-1	-5	-17.4
Net interest income Net operating interest	-330	13	-	-	2	-315	-332	+17	-0	+1	-5.1
Operating income after interest	552	13	-	30	64	659	847	-188	-1	-4	-22.2
Result from investments accounted for using the equity method Net investment income	8	-	-	-	-	8	14	-6	-	-0	-42.9
Other financial result	0	-13	-	-	-	-13	-23	+10	+2	+2	-43.5
PPA amortization customer contracts	-	-	-	-30	-	-30	-38	+8	-	+0	-21.1
Extraordinary result	-	-	-	-	-64	-64	-67	+3	-	+1	-4.5
Profit before taxes on income	560	-	-	-	-	560	733	-173	+1	-1	-23.6

Adjusted EBIT was weaker than in the first half of 2017. The burdens resulting from operational restrictions, factor cost increases (especially in Germany) and expenses for additional measures to improve quality and digitalization clearly exceeded growth on the income side.

- REVENUE DEVELOPMENT ¶14 F. was positive.
- The decline in other operating income resulted primarily from the omission of one-time effects during the first half of 2017, such as the reimbursement of NUCLEAR FUEL TAX (2017 INTEGRATED REPORT ¶145 F.) and compensation for damages received. This was partly offset by income from the release of provisions.
- The cost of materials increased. This affected higher purchased transport services at DB Schenker as a result of volume gains and increased freight rates. In addition, higher energy costs were a burden on development.
- Personnel expenses also increased significantly. In addition to tariff effects, especially in Germany, the higher number of employees also had an impact.
- Other operating expenses increased significantly. This development was driven by higher rental expenses, in particular for DB Schenker, as well as cost burdens for additional measures in the area of quality and digitalization in Germany.

On balance, expenses increased more than income. Adjusted EBITDA decreased noticeably.

- The decline in depreciation in particular resulted from the adjustment of useful lives of facilities at DB Netze Track due to the change from an accounting approach to an economic approach. This was offset by higher depreciation due to capital expenditures, among other things, for ICE 4 trains.

The development of the ADJUSTED PROFIT FIGURES FOR THE BUSINESS UNITS ¶23 FF. was mainly weak. The business units of the INTEGRATED RAIL SYSTEM (2017 INTEGRATED REPORT ¶42) generally declined due to factor cost increases, operational restrictions and cost burdens resulting from additional quality measures. In addition, there were operational difficulties at DB Regional and DB Cargo. The Other area also saw a noticeable decline as a result of higher personal expenses and higher project expenses. On the other hand, the profit development of DB Netze Track was positive. Despite burdens, including operational restrictions, DB Arriva was only slightly below the level of the first half of 2017. The results of DB Schenker were slightly better.

EBIT adjusted by business units (€ million)	H 1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
DB Long-Distance	206	216	-10	-4.6
DB Regional	214	314	-100	-31.8
DB Arriva	106	110	-4	-3.6
DB Cargo	-127	-28	-99	-
DB Schenker	216	208	+8	+3.8
DB Netze Track	483	389	+94	+24.2
DB Netze Stations	158	150	+8	+5.3
DB Netze Energy	12	44	-32	-72.7
Other/consolidation	-294	-224	-70	+31.3
DB Group	974	1,179	-205	-17.4

The development of operating income after interest was slightly less negative due to an improvement of the net operating interest. Effects from lower interest rates on re-financing primarily had an effect here.

The decline in net investment income was largely driven by changes at Etihad Rail and London Overground (business was transferred to the fully consolidated Arriva Rail London in the second half of 2017).

The development in other financial result was mainly caused by effects from hedging transactions.

The extraordinary charges were somewhat lower than in the first half of 2017, but this did not materially affect the decline in profit before taxes on income.

Extraordinary charges slightly lower

Extraordinary result (€ million)	H 1			
	2018	thereof affecting EBIT	2017	thereof affecting EBIT
DB Long-Distance	-	-	-	-
DB Regional	0	0	28	28
DB Arriva	1	1	0	0
DB Cargo	-3	-3	-1	-1
DB Schenker	0	0	-1	-1
DB Netze Track	-1	0	-3	-3
DB Netze Stations	7	7	-3	-3
DB Netze Energy	-	-	-15	-15
Other/consolidation	-68	-67	-72	-72
DB Group	-64	-62	-67	-67

There was no substantial change in the extraordinary result, which was composed inter alia of the following special items:

- Expenses in connection with restructuring measures (DB Cargo),
- Effects of civil proceedings in connection with infrastructure charges (DB Netze Track, DB Netze Stations),
- Expenses from the formation of provisions for employee contractual obligations (Other).

In the first half of 2017, the extraordinary result comprised, among other things, the following special items:

- Effects from vehicle assignments (DB Regional),
- Effects associated with the financing of Germany's nuclear phase-out (DB Netze Energy) and
- Expenses from the formation of provisions for employee contractual obligations (Other).

Profit after taxes also weaker

Excerpt from statement of income (€ million)	H 1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Profit before taxes on income	560	733	-173	-23.6
Taxes on income	2	46	-44	-95.7
Actual taxes on income	-99	-82	-17	+20.7
Deferred tax expenses	101	128	-27	-21.1
Net profit (after taxes)	562	779	-217	-27.9
DB AG shareholders	554	766	-212	-27.7
Other shareholders (non-controlling interests)	8	13	-5	-38.5

The decline in profit before taxes on income was exacerbated by the development of the income tax position. Higher income tax risks abroad as well as the declining development of the deferred tax position at DB AG had an effect here. The improvement in the expected use of tax loss carryforwards did not reach the level of the first half of 2017. Net profit (after taxes) therefore fell more sharply.

Stable financial position

- A total of four bonds (€2.0 billion) issued.
- Ratings stable.

Interest rates continue to rise

German bunds (ten-year) (%)	H 1		Change (percentage points)
	2018	2017	
Average yield	0.55	0.38	+0.17
Highest yield	0.81	0.64	+0.17
Lowest yield	0.19	0.15	+0.04
Year-end yield	0.30	0.42	-0.12

Source: Thomson Reuters

After an increase in the yield on ten-year German Federal bonds until the beginning of February, it then fell during the remainder of the first half of 2018. While the US Federal Reserve (Fed) has already raised the key interest rate twice to a range of 1.75 to 2.00%, the European Central Bank (ECB) intends to slow down its extremely loose monetary policy at a very slow rate. Although the bond purchase program will be cut by half from October 2018 and completely phased out by the end of the year, it is unlikely that the ECB will raise interest rates until the summer of 2019. Other curative effects on bonds included uncertainty due to trade disputes, driven mainly by the USA, and the election of a Eurosceptic government in Italy.

Financial management stable

(€ billion)	Volume Jun 30, 2018	thereof utilized	Volume Dec 31, 2017	thereof utilized
European debt issuance program	25.0	19.2	25.0	19.3
Australian debt issuance program (AUD 5 billion)	3.4	0.7	3.4	0.5
Multi-currency multi-issuer commercial paper program	2.0	1.1	2.0	-
Guaranteed unutilized credit facilities	2.0	-	2.0	-

In addition to aiming for a sustained rise in enterprise value, DB Group's financial management focuses on maintaining a capital structure that will ensure excellent credit ratings. Please see [VALUE MANAGEMENT](#) [19 F.](#) for detailed information on the key figures used: redemption coverage, gearing and net financial debt/EBITDA.

- DB Group has access to a European debt issuance program (EDIP) for long-term debt financing. Under the EDIP, two Euro bonds were issued by DB Finance with durations of 10 and 15.5 years and a volume of € 1,000 million and € 750 million. In return, two bonds of € 1,600 million and € 300 million were redeemed. As a result, the absolute utilization of the EDIP as of June 30, 2018 decreased slightly by € 0.1 billion compared with the end of 2017. The degree of utilization as of June 30, 2018 is 77% (as of December 31, 2017: 77%).

- We also have an Australian Debt Issuance Program (Kangaroo Program). Under this program, a bond was issued and an existing bond was increased (durations: 14.5 and 10 years; total volume € 228 million (AUD 150 million and AUD 206 million)).
- In the area of short-term debt financing, a multi-currency multi-issuer commercial paper program with a volume of € 2 billion remains available.
- As of June 30, 2018 we also had guaranteed unutilized credit facilities with a remaining term of between 1.0 and 2.0 years, and another guaranteed unutilized credit facility of € 0.1 billion (as of December 31, 2017: € 0.1 billion).
- In addition, we were able to rely on credit lines of € 2.2 billion for the operating business (as of December 31, 2017: € 2.2 billion). These credit lines, which are made available to our subsidiaries around the world, include provisions for financing working capital as well as sureties for payment.

No major finance leases or sale and leaseback agreements were concluded during the first half of 2018.

Four bonds issued

Bond issues H1 2018/ISIN	Issuer	Cur- rency	Volume (mil- lion)	Volume (€ mil- lion)	Coupon (%)	Matu- rity	Term (years)
XS1752475720	DB Finance	EUR	1,000	1,000	1.000	Dec 2027	10.0
XS1772374770	DB Finance	EUR	750	750	1.625	Aug 2033	15.5
AU3CB0248250 ¹⁾	DB Finance	AUD	150	94	4.050	Oct 2032	14.5
AU3CB0253623 ¹⁾	DB Finance	AUD	206	133	3.494	Jun 2028	10.0

¹⁾ Private placement.

Via the Group financing company DB Finance, we issued four bonds with a value of just under € 2.0 billion during the first half of 2018. At the beginning of July we issued another [CHF BOND](#) [49](#). The funds were raised to refinance due liabilities. The proceeds of bonds not issued in euros were swapped into euros.

Demand for the two public issues under the European Debt Issuance program mainly originated from institutional investors in Europe and Asia.

In addition, we issued two more bonds under the newly established Australian Debt Issuance Program. The two private placements were placed with institutional investors in Asia (mainly in Japan).

Ratings stable

Ratings for DBAG	First issued	Last con-firmed	Current ratings		
			Short-term	Long-term	Outlook
S&P Global Ratings	May 16, 2000	Jul 15, 2016	A-1+	AA-	Stable
Moody's	May 16, 2000	Sep 28, 2015	P-1	Aa1	Stable

The creditworthiness of DB Group is constantly monitored and assessed by the rating agencies S&P Global Ratings (S&P) and Moody's. In the first half of 2018, Moody's published an update on the assessments of DBAG and left the ratings and outlook unchanged.

Further information on the topic [RATING \(WWW.DB.DE/RATING-E\)](http://WWW.DB.DE/RATING-E) and the full analyses of the rating agencies for DBAG are available on our Investor Relations Web site.

Value management ratios predominantly under pressure

- Operating profit development negatively impacts ROCE, redemption coverage and net financial debt/EBITDA.
- Disproportionate increase in equity drives gearing.

ROCE falling

ROCE (€ million)	H 1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
EBIT adjusted ¹⁾	974	1,179	- 205	- 17.4
Capital employed as of Jun 30 ²⁾	36,201	34,506	+ 1,695	+ 4.9
ROCE (%)	5.4	6.8	-	-
Target value (%)	≥ 8.0	≥ 9.0	-	-

¹⁾ Figures extrapolated to the full year for calculation purposes.

²⁾ Figure as of June 30, 2017 adjusted $\text{€ } 60 \text{ F}$.

ROCE fell as a result of the decline in adjusted EBIT combined with an increase in capital employed. The increase in capital employed resulted mainly from capital expenditure activities and working capital effects.

Generally weak development of key debt ratios Redemption coverage declining

Redemption coverage (€ million)	H 1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
EBITDA adjusted ¹⁾	2,304	2,574	- 270	- 10.5
+ Net operating interest ¹⁾	- 315	- 332	+ 17	- 5.1
+ Depreciation share leasing rate ¹⁾	553	522	+ 31	+ 5.9
+ Original tax expenses ¹⁾	- 99	- 82	- 17	+ 20.7
Operating cash flow after taxes	2,443	2,682	- 239	- 8.9
Net financial debt as of Jun 30	19,704	19,030	+ 674	+ 3.5
+ Present value operate leases as of Jun 30	4,875	4,798	+ 77	+ 1.6
Adjusted net financial debt as of Jun 30	24,579	23,828	+ 751	+ 3.2
+ Pension obligations as of Jun 30 ²⁾	4,269	3,958	+ 311	+ 7.9
Adjusted net debt as of Jun 30 ²⁾	28,848	27,786	+ 1,062	+ 3.8
Redemption coverage (%)	16.9	19.3	-	-
Target value (%)	≥ 25.0	≥ 25.0	-	-

¹⁾ Figures extrapolated to the full year for calculation purposes.

²⁾ Figure as of June 30, 2017 adjusted $\text{€ } 60 \text{ F}$.

A significant decline in operating cash flow after taxes and a simultaneous increase in adjusted net debt led to a decline in redemption coverage. In addition to net financial debt, pension obligations also increased.

Gearing improved

Gearing as of June 30 (€ million)	H 1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Net financial debt	19,704	19,030	+ 674	+ 3.5
+ Equity ¹⁾	14,143	13,362	+ 781	+ 5.8
Gearing (%)	139	142	-	-
Target value (%)	100	100	-	-

¹⁾ Figure as of 30 June 2017 adjusted $\text{€ } 60 \text{ F}$.

Gearing has improved slightly, but it remains above the target value of 100%. The increase in EQUITY $\text{€ } 22$ through the CAPITAL MEASURES PUT IN PLACE BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT (2017 INTEGRATED REPORT $\text{€ } 43$) in the previous year was decisive for this development. Higher NET FINANCIAL DEBT $\text{€ } 20 \text{ F}$ partially compensated for this effect.

Net financial debt/EBITDA deteriorated significantly

Net financial debt/EBITDA (€ million)	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Net financial debt as of Jun 30	19,704	19,030	+ 674	+3.5
EBITDA adjusted ¹⁾	2,304	2,574	- 270	-10.5
Net financial debt/EBITDA (multiple)	4.3	3.7	-	-
Target value (multiple)	≤ 2.5	≤ 2.5	-	-

¹⁾ Figures extrapolated to the full year for calculation purposes.

The net financial debt/EBITDA ratio deteriorated significantly in the first half of 2018 due to a rise in net financial debt and a simultaneous decline in adjusted EBITDA.

Cash and cash equivalents increased significantly

Summary statement of cash flows (€ million)	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Cash flow from operating activities	1,294	762	+ 532	+ 69.8
Cash flow from investing activities	- 1,863	- 1,496	- 367	+ 24.5
Cash flow from financing activities	850	- 773	+ 1,623	-
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	276	- 1,544	+ 1,820	-
Cash and cash equivalents as of Jun 30/Dec 31	3,673	3,397	+ 276	+ 8.1

- Above all, the omission of the one-off effect from the payment due to the DISPOSAL FUND ACT (2017 INTEGRATED REPORT ¶ 145) in the first half of 2017 was decisive for the significant increase in cash flow from operating activities.
- The cash outflow from investing activities also rose significantly. This was essentially the result of higher payments for net capital expenditures (€ + 446 million), in connection with ICE 4 trains, among other things. This was partly offset, among other things, by the decline in cash outflows for the acquisition of shares in companies (€ - 24 million), mainly due to the acquisition of shares in uShip at DB Schenker in the first half of 2017. In addition, cash inflow from the disposal of assets (€ + 33 million) increased, among other things, as a result of real estate sales at DB Netze Track.
- Cash flow from financing activities increased markedly. This development was mainly driven by higher cash inflows from the issue of commercial paper (€ + 1,139 million).

Lower cash outflows for the repayments of interest-free loans (€ - 206 million) as well as the dividend reduction implemented within the scope of the CAPITAL MEASURES PUT IN PLACE BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT (2017 INTEGRATED REPORT ¶ 43) had a supporting effect.

- As of June 30, 2018, DB Group held a higher amount of cash and cash equivalents compared to the end of the previous year.

Asset situation stable

- Rise in net financial debt partly due to capital expenditures.
- Vehicle capital expenditures are driving growth in capital expenditures.
- Equity ratio slightly lower due to increased total assets.

Net financial debt increased

Net financial debt (€ million)	Jun 30, 2018	Dec 31, 2017	Change	
			absolute	%
Interest-free loans	1,036	1,014	+ 22	+ 2.2
Finance lease liabilities	490	501	- 11	- 2.2
Other financial debt	21,942	20,561	+ 1,381	+ 6.7
thereof bonds	19,724	19,616	+ 108	+ 0.6
Financial debt	23,468	22,076	+ 1,392	+ 6.3
— Cash and cash equivalents and receivables from financing	- 3,806	- 3,528	- 278	+ 7.9
— Effects from currency hedges	42	75	- 33	- 44.0
Net financial debt	19,704	18,623	+ 1,081	+ 5.8

Net financial debt rose as of June 30, 2018. This resulted mainly from higher capital requirements for capital expenditures and working capital.

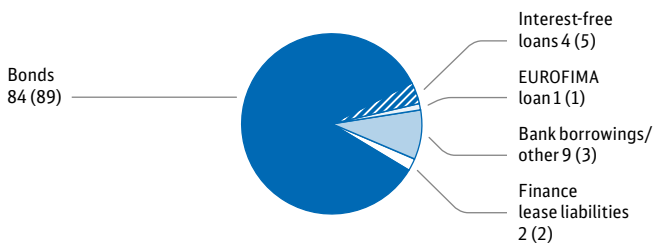
- Financial debt has increased significantly:
 - Interest-free loans increased slightly due to valuation.
 - Finance lease liabilities were down, mainly because of redemptions.
 - Within other financial debt, liabilities from commercial paper increased significantly due to emissions (€ + 1,139 million).
 - The euro value of outstanding BONDS ¶ 18 increased slightly due to emissions. Exchange rate effects did not play a significant role in the development.
- The effects of currency hedges, which are based on the hedged exchange rate at the time of issue, increased debt (as of 31 December 2017: increased debt), offsetting the positive effect on the bond portfolio. Since our foreign currency-denominated bonds are, with very few

exceptions, hedged against currency fluctuations by corresponding derivatives, exchange rate effects are offset by the corresponding opposite position of the hedge.

— Cash and cash equivalents increased significantly.

As a result of the issue of commercial paper, there was a structural shift as of June 30, 2018 to Bank borrowings/other. In contrast, the share of bonds in financial debt declined.

Composition of financial debt (%) as of Jun 30, 2018 (as of Dec 31, 2017)



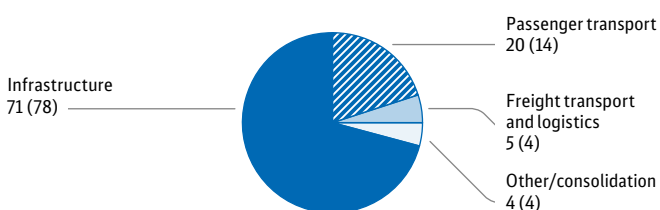
Net capital expenditures increased significantly

Capital expenditures (€ million)	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Gross capital expenditures	4,217	4,108	+109	+2.7
– Investment grants	2,292	2,618	-326	-12.5
Net capital expenditures	1,925	1,490	+435	+29.2

The increase in gross capital expenditures resulted above all from significantly higher capital expenditures in vehicles. The INVESTMENT GRANTS (WWW.DB.DE/CAPEX) fell in line with our plan. They accounted for about 54% (in the first half of 2017: about 64%) of gross capital expenditures. We expect a further significant increase during the second half of the year.

The increase in net capital expenditures was largely driven by DB Long-Distance (mainly capital expenditures in new ICE 4 trains) and DB Regional (capital expenditures in trains according to tenders won).

Gross capital expenditures by divisions (%) H1 2018 (H1 2017)



Our capital expenditure activities focused especially on measures to improve performance and efficiency in the area of track infrastructure and the rejuvenation of our fleet. The structure of our gross capital expenditures shifted in favor of passenger transport, mainly because of higher capital expenditures on rolling stock.

Regional focus unchanged in Germany

Gross capital expenditures by regions (€ million)	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Germany	4,008	3,832	+176	+4.6
Europe (excluding Germany)	209	247	-38	-15.4
Asia/Pacific	16	11	+5	+45.5
North America	5	4	+1	+25.0
Rest of world	2	2	-	-
Consolidation	-23	12	-35	-
DB Group	4,217	4,108	+109	+2.7

Net capital expenditures by regions (€ million)	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Germany	1,716	1,214	+502	+41.4
Europe (excluding Germany)	209	247	-38	-15.4
Asia/Pacific	16	11	+5	+45.5
North America	5	4	+1	+25.0
Rest of world	2	2	-	-
Consolidation	-23	12	-35	-
DB Group	1,925	1,490	+435	+29.2

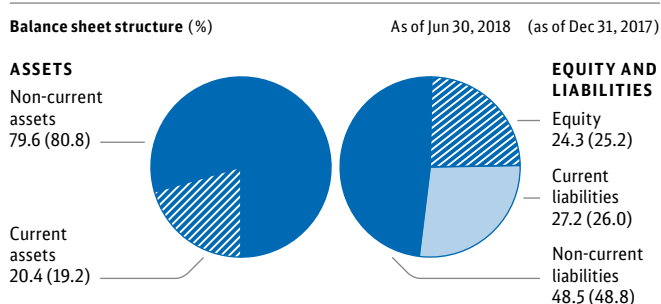
In the regional breakdown of gross capital expenditures, the focus remained on Germany. Here, the increase is in particular attributable to higher vehicle capital expenditures at DB Long-Distance and DB Regional. In contrast, investment grants for infrastructure declined temporarily.

In Europe (excluding Germany), capital expenditures declined due to a fall in bus purchases at DB Arriva in Great Britain. This was partially offset by higher vehicle capital expenditures at DB Arriva in Sweden and the Netherlands.

The significant increase in Asia/Pacific resulted, among other things, from capital expenditures in logistics centers.

Equity almost unchanged

Balance sheet (€ million)	Jun 30, 2018	Dec 31, 2017	Change	
			absolute	%
Total assets	58,155	56,436	+1,719	+3.0
ASSETS				
Non-current assets	46,310	45,625	+685	+1.5
Current assets	11,845	10,811	+1,034	+9.6
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES				
Equity	14,143	14,238	-95	-0.7
Non-current liabilities	28,179	27,510	+669	+2.4
Current liabilities	15,833	14,688	+1,145	+7.8



There were no material changes to IFRS regulations for DB Group's consolidation and accounting principles that would result in any changes to the consolidated financial statements.

Total assets rose slightly:

- Non-current assets were slightly higher. The increase in property, plant and equipment (€ +553 million) resulting from the acquisition of vehicles by DB Long-Distance was particularly decisive here. In addition, deferred tax assets increased (€ +96 million) as a result of improved tax earnings expectations of DB AG compared to the end of 2017.
- The rise in current assets was mainly attributable to the increase in trade receivables (€ +315 million) and other current receivables and assets (€ +310 million), particularly at DB Schenker and DB Sales. Cash and cash equivalents also increased (€ +276 million).

In structural terms this did not result in any material change on the asset side.

Equity fell slightly on the liabilities side. Increasing effects mainly resulted from the generated net profit (€ +562 million) and the increase in the changes recognized in the reserves in connection with volatility of hedge transactions (€ +74 million). This was partly offset mainly by the dividend payment to the Federal Government (€ -450 million) and the interest-related changes to the changes recognized in the reserves in connection with the revaluation of pensions (€ -294 million).

The equity ratio also fell slightly as a result of the increased total assets.

- Non-current liabilities increased as a result of:
 - higher non-current FINANCIAL DEBT $\text{€ } 20 \text{ F.}$ (€ +539 million) as a result of the issue of new bonds and an increase in pension obligations (€ +329 million) as a result of a slight decline in the revaluation rate.
 - In contrast, other provisions (€ -89 million) and deferred income (€ -89 million) declined.
- Current liabilities increased even more. This was primarily the result of the following:
 - increased current financial debt (€ +853 million) as a result of the issue of commercial paper,
 - higher deferred income (€ +160 million) and
 - increased current other liabilities (€ +115 million), among others due to seasonal staffing effects.

In structural terms of equity and liabilities, the ratio of current liabilities has increased as a result. The share of non-current liabilities was almost unchanged.

Purchasing volume increased slightly

The purchasing volume corresponds to the contractual obligation which DB Group has entered into with suppliers. On subsequent realization these become capital expenditures or expenses (mainly cost of materials and other operating expenses). The purchase volume amounted to €16.7 billion in the first half of 2018 (in the first half of 2017: €14.5 billion).

- In the area of freight and forwarding services, the purchasing volume remained at a consistently high level of €5.2 billion (in the first half of 2017: €5.2 billion).
- For industrial products, the purchasing volume increased to €4.0 billion, compared to €3.2 billion in the first half of 2017.
- Construction and engineering services recorded an increase of €3.2 billion (in the first half of 2017: €2.5 billion).
- Third party services also increased to €2.8 billion (in the first half of 2017: €2.2 billion).
- Cable- and pipe-bound power and fuels increased slightly from €1.4 billion in the first half of 2017 to €1.5 billion in the first half of 2018.

The share of local purchasing volume in Germany increased to 86% (in the first half of 2017: 84%).

Development of business units

— Positive development of DB Long-Distance
— DB Schenker drives revenue development

— Difficult development for DB Cargo
— Significant profit decline at DB Regional

Overview of business units

Revenues adjusted (€ million)	Total revenues				External revenues			
	H1		Change		H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%	2018	2017	absolute	%
DB Long-Distance	2,255	2,107	+148	+7.0	2,177	2,028	+149	+7.3
DB Regional	4,376	4,304	+72	+1.7	4,325	4,254	+71	+1.7
DB Arriva	2,706	2,662	+44	+1.7	2,702	2,659	+43	+1.6
DB Cargo	2,255	2,306	-51	-2.2	2,112	2,150	-38	-1.8
DB Schenker	8,333	8,103	+230	+2.8	8,301	8,072	+229	+2.8
DB Netze Track	2,720	2,652	+68	+2.6	754	746	+8	+1.1
DB Netze Stations	668	635	+33	+5.2	297	273	+24	+8.8
DB Netze Energy	1,383	1,416	-33	-2.3	628	654	-26	-4.0
Other	2,274	2,154	+120	+5.6	252	234	+18	+7.7
Consolidation	-5,422	-5,269	-153	+2.9	-	-	-	-
DB Group	21,548	21,070	+478	+2.3	21,548	21,070	+478	+2.3

Operating profit figures (€ million)	EBITDA adjusted				EBIT adjusted			
	H1		Change		H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%	2018	2017	absolute	%
DB Long-Distance	328	328	-	-	206	216	-10	-4.6
DB Regional	530	634	-104	-16.4	214	314	-100	-31.8
DB Arriva	243	238	+5	+2.1	106	110	-4	-3.6
DB Cargo	-1	82	-83	-	-127	-28	-99	-
DB Schenker	314	305	+9	+3.0	216	208	+8	+3.8
DB Netze Track	815	815	-	-	483	389	+94	+24.2
DB Netze Stations	228	217	+11	+5.1	158	150	+8	+5.3
DB Netze Energy	47	79	-32	-40.5	12	44	-32	-72.7
Other/consolidation	-200	-124	-76	+61.3	-294	-224	-70	+31.3
DB Group	2,304	2,574	-270	-10.5	974	1,179	-205	-17.4
Margin (%)	10.7	12.2	-	-	4.5	5.6	-	-

Capital expenditures (€ million)	Gross capital expenditures				Net capital expenditures			
	H1		Change		H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%	2018	2017	absolute	%
DB Long-Distance	380	215	+165	+76.7	380	215	+165	+76.7
DB Regional	299	164	+135	+82.3	294	134	+160	+119
DB Arriva	153	184	-31	-16.8	153	184	-31	-16.8
DB Cargo	140	110	+30	+27.3	139	108	+31	+28.7
DB Schenker	78	76	+2	+2.6	78	76	+2	+2.6
DB Netze Track	2,634	2,907	-273	-9.4	545	525	+20	+3.8
DB Netze Stations	291	253	+38	+15.0	138	80	+58	+72.5
DB Netze Energy	81	48	+33	+68.8	40	17	+23	+135
Other/consolidation	161	151	+10	+6.6	158	151	+7	+4.6
DB Group	4,217	4,108	+109	+2.7	1,925	1,490	+435	+29.2
thereof investment grants	2,292	2,618	-326	-12.5	-	-	-	-

Passenger transport

Continuing growth in the German market

The overall market at the beginning of 2018 saw moderate but steady increase in volume sold at the level of the corresponding period in the previous year. The key developments were:

- Continued increase in employment figures and disposable income with inflation rising slightly.
- Moderate increase in volume sold of motorized individual transport despite rising fuel prices.
- Development of domestic air transport significantly lower than in the previous year due to the Air Berlin insolvency.
- Slight recovery of long-distance bus services after market consolidation in the previous year.
- Moderately rising prices in motorized individual transport and long-distance bus services after a significant increase in 2017 and in the flight segment after a short-term increase in prices due to the Air Berlin insolvency at the end of 2017 while rail prices remained relatively stable.

Rail passenger transport

- Rail passenger transport posted a significant growth in volume sold in the first quarter (+2.7%) compared with the corresponding period in the previous year, supported by continued good income and employment development.
- Local rail passenger transport with a slight decline in the first quarter (−0.1%) and intense competition, DB Regional with comparable negative performance (−0.3%).
- Long-distance rail passenger transport reported strong growth in the first quarter (+6.7%), supported by extended DB Long-Distance services.

Public road passenger transport

- Slight increase in volume sold for scheduled public road passenger transport services in the first quarter (+1.2%). Both market segments – local and long-distance bus services – posted positive development.
- FlixBus is the dominant provider with a market share of more than 90% and has moderately expanded its service following a consolidation phase. IC Bus is the third-largest provider with a market share of about 2%.
- Slight increase in local bus transport in the first quarter (+1.0%) due to an increasing population and employment figures, especially in metropolitan areas. DB bus traffic experienced declines (−5.7%) due to falling demand for rural local scheduled transport and adjustment of the supply portfolio.

Europe-wide gains for trains and buses

The development of the overall European market was supported in many European countries at the beginning of 2018 by positive environmental conditions with increasing employment and rising incomes. Electromobility is increasing in relevance across Europe in tenders and fleet renewals in bus transport, supported by the diesel driving bans announced in many cities.

- New growth and competition impulses can be identified, including in the following countries:
 - Finland, Lithuania, Moldova and Norway, which are preparing to open up their railway markets; Norway will award its first tendered transport contract in October.
 - Lithuania has separated its traffic and infrastructure operations; Finland is outsourcing new companies for its train fleet and real estate.
 - French Senate approves RAIL REFORM  6 with market opening in rail passenger transport.
- Slight increase in volume sold in European rail passenger transport in
 - Germany,
 - the Czech Republic due to the expansion of CD in international long-distance transport, especially on the Prague – Vienna – Graz and Prague – Berlin – Hamburg lines, as well as through intramodal competition with LEO Express and RegioJet,
 - Spain due to the accelerated distribution of low-cost high-speed tickets and quality improvements by Renfe.
- European long-distance bus services remain strong due to new partnerships and general frameworks. In May 2018, the EU Transport Committee decided to introduce a bus toll from 2020. FlixBus also remains Europe's market leader.
 - Bus operators National Express (GB), Ouibus (FR), Marino Bus (IT) and ALSA (ES) are forming an alliance in response to FlixBus's dominance.
 - FlixBus has entered into a distribution partnership with the Swiss Eurobus, which has received a license for three long-distance routes in Switzerland until 2020.

Order book in passenger transport increased slightly

Revenues that are directly connected with transport contracts or concessions are either independent of (secured revenues, primarily concession fees) or dependent on (unsecured revenues, primarily revenues from fares) the number of passengers.

Order book in passenger transport (€ billion)	Jun 30, 2018	Dec 31, 2017	Change	
			absolute	%
DB Regional	70.2	68.3	+1.9	+2.8
secured	52.8	50.1	+2.7	+5.4
unsecured	17.4	18.2	-0.8	-4.4
DB Arriva	21.2	22.7	-1.5	-6.6
secured	9.5	10.2	-0.7	-6.9
unsecured	11.7	12.5	-0.8	-6.4
Total	91.4	91.0	+0.4	+0.4
secured	62.3	60.3	+2.0	+3.3
unsecured	29.1	30.8	-1.7	-5.5

The order book increased slightly during the first half of 2018. The additions from transport contracts of about € 6.9 billion were offset by disposals (mainly due to services rendered) of about € 6.1 billion and premises changes of about € -0.4 billion. The increased order book of DB Regional is due in particular to the TRANSPORT CONTRACTS WON 26 for S-Bahn (metro) Berlin (transition contract sub-network north-south and city line), the Ulm diesel network and the Taunus line.

DB Long-Distance business unit Events in the first half of 2018

Vehicle availability under stress

Vehicle availability was under stress during the first half of 2018. Single events (severe wildlife accidents, damaged rails), difficult weather conditions, the extensive refurbishment of the existing fleet and the complex phase-in of new ICE trains have led to a severe shortage of capacity and a decline in vehicle condition, which also had a negative impact on punctuality.

The InterCity (IC) 2 is now a stable part of the long-distance fleet. Along with the routes 55 (Cologne – Dresden) and 56 (Norddeich – Leipzig), the route 87 from Stuttgart to Singen was put into operation in the 2018 schedule. Punctuality is just under 90%, well above the average for long-distance transport.

Commissioning approval for the new wheel sets of the ICE T fleet was granted in October 2016. The refitting is expected to take until 2019 and was a prerequisite for the resumption of the tilting body system (tilting technology) of the ICE T fleet for the timetable change in December 2017.

The start of regular operation of the ICE 4, with nine trains now in commercial use (12-part multiple units) was largely stable. The critical performance of doors and transformers has improved compared to existing series, but is not yet at its target level.

Vehicle projects in long-distance transport

The redesign of ICE 3 has continued. Sixteen train sets had been overhauled and delivered by the end of the first half of 2018. The modernization has led to a significant reduction of material and energy consumption and is much more economical compared to new procurement.

Further improvements and expansion of Internet access and telephony

The integration of a WiFi system into the IC 2 fleet will begin in 2019. The preparation and testing of the variants were completed during the first half of 2018.

Other events

- With the City Ticket, we have made traveling even easier: the journey to or from the station by subway, S-Bahn (metro), tram or bus will be included on all flex and saver fare tickets from August 1 in over 120 German cities.

Development in the first half of 2018

- Positive effects from the market and competitive environment.
- Very good acceptance of the new Berlin – Munich link.
- Further new ICE 4 vehicles.
- Negative development of punctuality.

DB Long-Distance	H 1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Punctuality (rail) (%)	77.4	81.0	-	-
Rate of people making connections (long-distance transport/long-distance transport) (%)	84.8	86.2	-	-
Passengers (rail) (million)	70.9	68.3	+2.6	+3.8
Passengers (long-distance bus) (million)	0.3	0.3	-	-
Volume sold (rail) (million pkm)	20,615	19,452	+1,163	+6.0
Volume sold (long-distance bus) (million pkm)	82.7	79.3	+3.4	+4.3
Volume produced (million train-path km)	71.0	69.8	+1.2	+1.7
Load factor (%)	54.6	53.3	-	-
Total revenues (€ million)	2,255	2,107	+148	+7.0
External revenues (€ million)	2,177	2,028	+149	+7.3
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	328	328	-	-
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	206	216	-10	-4.6
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	380	215	+165	+76.7
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	16,432	16,301	+131	+0.8

Punctuality declined due to the more heavily utilized infrastructure and high number of disruptions to the command and control technology, vehicles and provision of the vehicles. As a result of the decrease in punctuality, the rate of people making long-distance transport connections also declined slightly.

The performance development in rail transport was positive.


- The number of passengers and volume sold increased. The main drivers of this development were the expansion of services as a result of the new Berlin – Munich link (German unification transport projects no. 8) and the Gäubahn. Market-driven stimuli were also positive. On the other hand, weather-related restrictions had a dampening effect.
- The commissioning of German unification transport projects no. 8 and Gäubahn also resulted in an increase in volume produced.
- As the number of passengers increased, the load factor rose as well.

Supply adjustments on individual lines led to an increase in volume sold in bus transport.

Operating profit development was driven by higher revenues, which were offset by higher expenses and the omission of the reimbursement of nuclear fuel tax, which meant that adjusted EBITDA remained virtually unchanged and adjusted EBIT declined slightly.

- Revenues developed better due to price and performance effects. Supportive effects also resulted from a less intense competitive environment compared to the first half of 2017.
- The significant decline in other operating income (–27.0%) is mainly attributable to the reimbursement of nuclear fuel tax in the first half of 2017.
- The increase in the cost of materials (+6.2%) was mainly driven by the higher volume produced, higher track usage charges and quality improvement measures.
- The higher personnel expenses (+1.5%) resulted mainly from collective wage increases.
- Other operating expenses (+13.4%) mainly increased due to higher expenses for travel support, passenger rights, marketing and IT.
- The increase in depreciation (+8.9%) is mainly due to the new ICE 4. The locomotives of the 101 series reached the end of their accounting useful life, which had a counteracting effect.

Capital expenditure activity was at a significantly higher level and was characterized by vehicle procurement (ICE 4). The completion of the ICE facility in Cologne-Nippes dampened this development slightly.

The number of employees as of June 30, 2018 increased due to the **TARIFF-BASED ELECTION MODEL**  10 and as a result of the expansion of services.

DB Regional business unit Transport contracts in Germany

Transport contracts awarded (rail) first half of 2018	Term	Volume (million train km)	
		p.a.	total ¹⁾
S-Bahn (metro) Berlin transitional contract Subnet north-south and city line	12/2017-06/2027	25.9	205.0
2022 Taunus line	12/2021-12/2036	1.5	22.5
Ulm diesel network	12/2020-12/2032 ²⁾	1.6	19.2
RB line 83 Wittlich – Trier – Luxembourg – Dommeldange	12/2019-12/2024	0.5	2.4
Dresden – Pirna S-Bahn (metro) line	04/2018-12/2027	0.1	1.0
Taunus line	12/2020-12/2021	1.0	1.0
Total¹⁾		30.6	251.1

¹⁾ Differences due to rounding are possible.

²⁾ Option for extension.

In the local rail passenger transport market in Germany, nine tender procedures were concluded in the first half of 2018 (in the first half of 2017: 12) and about 35 million train kilometers (train km) (in the first half of 2017: 33 million train km) were awarded. Of the train kilometers awarded, about 86% had previously been operated by companies within DB Group.

DB Regional won six tender procedures (including published contract amendments) (in the first half of 2017: eight procedures) and 88% (in the first half of 2017: 85%) of the train kilometers awarded.

Transport contracts awarded (bus) first half of 2018	Term	Volume (million bus km) ¹⁾	
		p.a.	total ¹⁾
Osnabrück Süd	02/2019-01/2029	3.9	38.7
VRN – Mosbach	01/2019-12/2028	2.6	25.9
VRN – Buchen	01/2019-12/2028	2.1	21.4
VVS – Ludwigsburg 06 – Marbach	08/2019-06/2029	1.8	14.9
Alzey – Worms Nord	08/2019-06/2029	1.5	14.5
VGF – Freudenstadt ewA 2018	12/2018-12/2026	1.9	13.3
KVV – Lußhardt	12/2018-12/2026	1.7	13.3
Holzminen district	08/2018 – 07/2020	2.3	4.7
Other (32 contracts)	1-10 years	15.9	124.4
Total¹⁾		33.7	272.9

¹⁾ Differences due to rounding are possible.

In bus services, a volume of 66 million bus kilometers (bus km) was awarded in Germany in the first half of 2018 (in the first half of 2017: 27 million bus km) in 102 tenders (in the first half of 2017: 60 tenders). Of the bus kilometers awarded, 48% (in the first half of 2017: 38%) were previously operated by DB Regional Bus.

In the first half of 2018, we participated in 68 tenders (first half of 2017: 43 tenders) with a volume of 49 million bus km (first half of 2017: 21 million bus km). We won 75% of the tender procedures in which we participated (first half of 2017: 19%).

Events in the first half of 2018

Vehicle measures implemented

Measures to improve our vehicle fleet included: interior redesign, installation of passenger information and video recording systems and new paint.

- The modernization of 91 electric multiple units of the 425 series was completed for the tender of the Rhine-Neckar S-Bahn (metro) and the RB 44.
- Since 2016, 32 out of a total of 111 vehicles of the 474 series have been refurbished for S-Bahn (metro) Hamburg.
- A total of 36 vehicles of the 420 series and 238 vehicles of the 423 series are to be refurbished for the S-Bahn (metro) Munich transition contract. There are currently six vehicles in trial operation.
- 7 out of 48 ET of the 422 series to be modernized were rebuilt to provide the vehicles for S-Bahn (metro) Rhine-Ruhr.

New vehicle purchases

For the Ulm diesel network 12 VT of the 622 series LINT 54 and eight VT of the 623 series LINT 41 have been procured from the vehicle manufacturer Alstom. These will be resold to a leasing company following acceptance and will be leased there for the duration of the transport contract in December 2020 when the transport contract begins.

Delays in vehicle deliveries

Vehicle availability increased further during the first half of 2018. However, there were still delays and restrictions relating to the delivery of new trains:

- Bombardier's delayed delivery of the 2010 double-deck cars, which began in December 2015, continued with the addition of a further 58 vehicles for the transport networks Ringzug-West and Main-Spessart in Bavaria, North-South in Berlin-Brandenburg, Main-Neckar-Ried in Hessen and the Mitte network in Schleswig-Holstein.
- In December 2016, we rented a total of 15 locomotives and three diesel railcars from Paribus for use in the Schleswig-Holstein network west transport contract. Of the total of 90 defective passenger cars, 88 vehicles were acquired successively. Existing vehicles will continue to be deployed until the defects are remedied. The rental contract will be drawn up with Paribus upon completion of the maintenance work in the second half of 2018.
- Of the eight pre-series vehicles of the 490 series for S-Bahn (metro) Hamburg, four were delivered, while those remaining will follow in the coming months and will be used in trial operation. S-Bahn (metro) Hamburg also aims to transfer a further 42 of the total of 60 vehicles by the end of 2018.
- We expect delivery of Link diesel multiple units from PESA (632/633 series) for the Sauerland network and Dreieich Railway to be delayed by more than two years and for the Allgäu diesel network by one year on average. Comprehensive replacement concepts with existing vehicles will continue to be used for the first two networks. The delivery of the 20 vehicles of the 632 series is scheduled for October 2018 at the latest.
- The delivery of the ordered vehicles from Škoda for the Nuremberg – Ingolstadt – Munich Express have been delayed until September/October 2018.

Other events

- Passengers can now book tickets for 21 different transport associations using DB Navigator. With this offer, we have reached over 50 million people – about 80% of the potential passengers on all transport networks in Germany.

Development in the first half of 2018

- Slight performance gains in the rail line of business.
- Significant burdens due to higher expenses for personnel and infrastructure utilization.
- Delays in vehicle deliveries still necessitate replacement concepts.
- Weak development of the bus line of business.

DB Regional	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Punctuality (rail) (%)	94.4	95.0	-	-
Punctuality (bus) (%)	91.6	91.2	-	-
Passengers (million)	1,258	1,285	-27	-2.1
Volume sold (million pkm)	24,011	24,101	-90	-0.4
Total revenues (€ million)	4,376	4,304	+72	+1.7
External revenues (€ million)	4,325	4,254	+71	+1.7
Rail concession fees (€ million)	2,009	1,934	+75	+3.9
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	530	634	-104	-16.4
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	214	314	-100	-31.8
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	299	164	+135	+82.3
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	35,876	35,631	+245	+0.7

Punctuality in rail transport has fallen due to lower values in regional transport and at the S-Bahnen (metros). The punctuality of bus transport increased.

The performance development was differentiated:

- In rail transport, there was a slight increase in the number of passengers, volume sold and volume produced.
- The development in bus services was marked by negative development as a result of a loss in performance.

The economic development of DB Regional is particularly affected by the development of the higher-revenue and higher-performance rail line of business (share of revenues: 89%). Of the adjusted EBIT 95% is generated by the rail line of business and 5% by the bus line of business. The increase in expenses associated with the loss of income from compensations for damage and the reimbursement of the nuclear fuel tax led to a noticeable decline in the adjusted profit figures EBITDA and EBIT.

- Revenues increased slightly. This was primarily driven by an increase in the rail line of business due to price and volume effects. The performance-based decline in the development of the bus line of business countered this development.

- Other operating income (-36.1%) decreased mainly as a result of the omission of compensations for damage for vehicles and the reimbursement of nuclear fuel tax in the first half of 2017.
- The cost of materials (+2.4%) was in particular driven by price-related higher costs for infrastructure utilization.
- Personnel expenses (+3.4%) were higher, among other things due to collective wage increases. Lower employee figures in the bus line of business had a slight dampening effect.
- Other operating expenses (+6.4%) rose as a result of increased vehicle leases and higher procured services. The decline in the bus line of business had a dampening effect.

- Depreciation (-1.3%) fell as a result of the adjustment of the useful life for S-Bahn (metro) Berlin vehicles.

Capital expenditures increased mainly as a result of vehicle purchases due to tenders won in the rail line of business. Capital expenditures declined in the bus line of business.

77% of employees are employed in the rail line of business, with 23% in the bus line of business. The lower number of employees in the bus line of business as a result of performance losses was compensated for by an increase in the rail line of business as a result of the TARIFF-BASED ELECTION MODEL [10](#).

Rail line of business

- Performance gains from awarded transport contracts dampened by construction activity in the network.
- Significant burdens due to higher expenses for personnel and infrastructure utilization.
- Delays in vehicle deliveries still necessitate replacement concepts.


Rail line of business	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Passengers (million)	984.0	984.9	-0.9	-0.1
thereof rail	960.6	960.0	+0.6	+0.1
Volume sold (million pkm)	20,933	20,856	+77	+0.4
thereof rail	20,582	20,483	+99	+0.5
Volume produced (million train-path km)	229.6	228.6	+1.0	+0.4
Total revenues (€ million)	3,879	3,823	+56	+1.5
External revenues (€ million)	3,760	3,683	+77	+2.1
Rail concession fees (€ million)	2,009	1,934	+75	+3.9
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	491	588	-97	-16.5
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	203	292	-89	-30.5
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	274	126	+148	+117
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	27,472	27,084	+388	+1.4

The performance development in the rail line of business was slightly positive. The increase in the number of passengers (rail), volume sold and volume produced resulted from additional services and the intra-Group takeover of services from the Usedomer Bäderbahn GmbH (UBB). Construction activities in the infrastructure had a counteracting effect.

Overall, the slight increase in income did not compensate for the burdens due to higher expenses, especially regarding infrastructure and personnel expenses and the omission of one-time effects, so that the adjusted EBITDA and EBIT declined.

- Revenue development was slightly better due to price and volume effects. The concession fees rose due to concession fee dynamization, among other things. Train cancellations and penalty had the opposite effect.
- Other operating income (–13.4%) decreased mainly as a result of the discontinuation of compensations for damage for vehicles in the first half of 2017 and lower reimbursements for vehicle upgrades at S-Bahn (metro) Berlin.
- The cost of materials (+3.7%) was particularly driven by increased energy costs due to the omission of the reimbursement of the nuclear fuel tax in the first half of 2017, as well as higher expenses for the use of infrastructure due to higher volumes and prices. This was offset by lower purchased services and lower vehicle maintenance expenses due, among other things, to the conclusion of project measures.
- Personnel expenses (+3.9%) increased as a result of the collective agreement and the higher number of employees.
- Other operating expenses (+6.1%) rose as a result of increased vehicle leases and higher purchased services.
- Depreciation (–2.4%) decreased due to the adjustment of the useful life of vehicles at S-Bahn (metro) Berlin. In this area, it also becomes noticeable that sometimes other financing models are used for vehicles.

Capital expenditures increased due to vehicle purchases for awarded tenders.

The number of employees increased as a result of the **TARIFF-BASED ELECTION MODEL** 10.

Bus line of business

- Portfolio adjustments lead to performance losses.
- Delayed implementation of optimization measures.

Bus line of business	H 1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Passengers (million)	274.5	299.7	-25.2	-8.4
Volume sold (million pkm)	3,078	3,244	-166	-5.1
Volume produced (million bus km)	247.2	253.8	-6.6	-2.6
Total revenues (€ million)	611	613	-2	-0.3
External revenues (€ million)	565	571	-6	-1.1
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	38	46	-8	-17.4
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	11	22	-11	-50.0
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	25	38	-13	-34.2
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	8,403	8,546	-143	-1.7

The performance development in the bus line of business was significantly negative as a result of performance losses due to a further intensification of the competitive environment.

The resulting decline in income was only partly offset by relief on the expense side, with the result that adjusted EBITDA and EBIT declined noticeably.

- The revenue development was burdened by the performance development. This was partly offset by rail replacement services.
- Other operating income (–16.0%) declined, particularly as a result of lower income from the sale of buses. Another dampening effect was a time lag for income from compensation payments.
- The cost of materials remained stable. Price effects, including those affecting diesel, were compensated by performance-related declines.
- Personnel expenses (+1.6%) increased as a result of collective bargaining agreements. The reduced number of employees had the opposite effect.
- Other operating expenses (–7.5%) fell as a result of a lower line of business charge.

Due to the performance losses, there was a decline in capital expenditure activities for buses. Capital expenditures were also postponed until the second half of 2018.

The number of employees declined as of June 30, 2018 as a result of performance losses.

DB Arriva business unit

General framework

Market liberalization is progressing

Market liberalization in Europe is progressing in many countries. For example, the French Government plans to open the regional passenger transport market. As an experienced and innovative passenger transport service provider operating in 14 countries, DB Arriva is well positioned for upcoming opportunities and will closely follow developments.

Bus tender process has started in Portugal

The municipality elections took place in Portugal in October 2017, resulting in significant political changes impacting our bus operations. The new bus tendering process in Portugal has started, with the definition of regulations by the public transport authorities. This replaces the current provisional public transport operating licenses, and is expected to be concluded by the end of 2019.

Political changes in the Czech Republic with impact on future public transport

The Czech Republic parliamentary elections were held in October 2017 and brought some political changes that have the potential to impact on future public transport tenders.

The government approved an increase in the minimum wage by 11% in 2017, effective from January 2018, which has led to increases in personnel expenses.

In order to promote an integrated approach to public transport solutions in the rail market, the Ministry of Transport plans to introduce a single tariff across the rail network. The project is currently under way and the rail transport companies, including DB Arriva, are invited to participate on the design phase.

S-Bahn (metro) system in Copenhagen

The Ministry for Transport will present its report on the future organization of the S-Bahn (metro) system in Copenhagen in the late summer. In doing so, the government has commenced an informal tender process and allowed more competition in suburban rail transport. The organization and future operator should be in place by 2020.

The future S-Bahn (metro) system will be driverless, inspired by the local metro system in Copenhagen. Further, there is a focus on the future of sustainable mobility. Congestion has become a significant political issue for parliament, and proposals to introduce road tolls, for example, when the technology is available are being discussed.

There are major issues with the implementation of the European Rail Traffic Management System (ERTMS), with no political agreement on how the Danish railway authorities (Banedanmark) will deal with that.

Changes in Serbia

The Serbian Government introduced an updated plan to reform the railway in the period 2018 until 2020. The plan introduces a Multi-Annual Infrastructure Contract (MAIC) as a central part of the policy regarding public rail infrastructure. The government also intends to introduce a fee for the use of infrastructure and the provision of public transport services, in support of market competition.

Events in the first half of 2018

Awarded transport contracts

Transport contracts awarded (bus) first half of 2018		Term	Volume (million bus km)	
			p. a.	total ¹⁾
Sweden	Helsingborg City Traffic (Skånetrafiken)	06/2019 - 06/2027	6.4	51.2
Sweden	E32 Ekerö	06/2019 - 06/2029	4.6	46.5
The Netherlands	Zuid Holland Noord ²⁾	12/2020 - 12/2022	20.5	41.0
Great Britain	London (eight separate lines)	5 years each	5.7	28.4
Czech Republic	Bilovecko (Moravskolezsky Region - North Moravia)	12/2018 - 12/2028	2.5	24.6
Poland	City of Warsaw I	12/2018 - 12/2026	2.0	16.0
Czech Republic	Teplice City (Ustecky Region - Northern Bohemia)	07/2018 - 12/2023	2.1	11.7
Total¹⁾			43.8	219.4

¹⁾ Differences due to rounding are possible.

²⁾ Extension of the existing contract.

- DB Arriva has submitted bids for two new bus contracts in Warsaw worth a combined value of € 110 million. The first bid has been won and if successful on the second bid DB Arriva would become one of the largest private operators in Poland with 668 buses with services starting later in 2018. Passengers would benefit from improvements including air-conditioning and live journey information.
- Arriva Sweden has won an eight-year contract to operate bus services in the Swedish city of Helsingborg, including the city's new electric Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system, branded the Helsingborg Express Line. As part of the € 185 million contract, which begins in June 2019, DB Arriva will introduce 76 buses to the city network with a further six held in reserve. Thirteen of these buses will also form part of the new electric BRT system,

and by 2023 a further 13 electric buses will be added to the fleet. DB Arriva will also provide the latest ticketing systems and integrated timetables.

- The public transport authority in Stockholm has renewed its contract with Arriva Sweden to run buses in Ekerö for a further ten years from June 2019.

Timetable changes at Arriva Rail North

In May 2018, new timetables were introduced across train services in Great Britain. The twice-yearly adjustments to timetables enable changes to increase capacity and to accommodate seasonal variations. The May 2018 changes were the most ambitious planned for decades, but unfortunately the introduction of the changes at some operators, including Arriva Rail North, did not happen smoothly, with an unacceptable level of disruption and short notice cancellations in the days that followed. These issues arose on Arriva Rail North due to the condensed timeline for planning with changes having to be planned as a result to delays from Network Rail, the infrastructure provider, failing to complete infrastructure work on time. Arriva Rail North undertook swift action to introduce an interim timetable, by reducing the number of services by 6% while still running more services than before in May and stabilizing the service. This action enabled Arriva Rail North to provide greater certainty to customers, whilst allowing Arriva Rail North to work with its client, Rail North Partnership, to reintroduce the full timetable on a phased basis.

Industrial relations at Arriva Rail North

Arriva Rail North has continued to face a challenging industrial relations situation. These issues arise from plans to introduce driver-controlled-operation (DCO) on the Northern Rail network, a part of a wider modernization program that will transform train services in the north of England. Despite assurances from Arriva Rail North about pay and conditions, the RMT trade union has opposed the introduction of DCO nationwide and has demanded guarantees that Arriva Rail North will always have a safety critical second person on all trains in all circumstances. This has led to a series of strikes since the beginning of 2017, with further strikes at other operators. Introducing DCO is part of Arriva's contract agreement with Great Britain's Department for Transport. Planned industrial action for July 2018 was suspended in anticipation that some progress can be made in the discussions.

Other events

- Liverpool is to become the first British city to run the Arriva UK Bus Demand-Responsive Transport (DRT) solution (ArrivaClick), after a successful pilot in Kent. Arriva is working to introduce the new cashless service later in the summer, initially with six vehicles but with a view to running 25 vehicles by summer 2019.
- As part of our DestinationGreen strategy, Arriva has become the first major transport operator in Great Britain to switch supply of electricity to 100% renewable energy sources. Nearly all British bus and rail sites (stations, depots and offices) will be powered by 100% renewable electricity under a three-year electricity supply contract with SSE Business Energy.
- Arriva Denmark has expanded the DriveNow on-demand car fleet by 50%, with 200 new city cars in Copenhagen. The service has grown consistently, with a spike in revenues following the announcement, and customer data shows the need for improved choice of car than had been available previously.

Development in the first half of 2018

- Strikes at UK Trains and in the Netherlands as well as weather-related restrictions had a dampening effect.
- Challenging market and competitive environment in Northern Europe and the UK Bus line of business.
- Positive impacts due to passenger revenue growth and performance improvements in the UK Trains line of business.
- Negative exchange rate effects due to weaker pound.

DB Arriva	H 1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Punctuality (rail) (Great Britain, Denmark, Sweden, the Netherlands and Poland) (%)	91.2	93.2	-	-
Passengers bus and (rail) (million)	990.3	999.7	-9.4	-0.9
Volume sold (rail) (million pkm)	6,378	6,560	-182	-2.8
Volume produced (bus) (million bus km)	538.0	543.2	-5.2	-1.0
Volume produced (rail) (million train-path km)	87.9	92.3	-4.4	-4.8
Total revenues (€ million)	2,706	2,662	+44	+1.7
External revenues (€ million)	2,702	2,659	+43	+1.6
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	243	238	+5	+2.1
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	106	110	-4	-3.6
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	153	184	-31	-16.8
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	54,658	54,145	+513	+0.9

The punctuality in rail passenger transport (Great Britain, Denmark, Sweden, the Netherlands and Poland) for the first half of 2018 has decreased. This relates primarily to the impact of bad weather together with infrastructure disruption and the May timetable change in Great Britain.

The performance development figures were slightly negative mainly due to industrial action and engineering works in UK Trains and the cessation of the Tyne and Wear Metro concession in March 2017.

The economic development was dampened, mainly driven by revenue losses due to strikes and severe weather. Overall, adjusted EBITDA improved slightly, but increased depreciation due to significant capital expenditures in 2017 resulted in a slight reduction in EBIT.

- The UK Bus line of business generated 20% of DB Arriva's revenues, the UK Trains line of business generated 41%, and the Mainland Europe line of business generated 39%. The increase in revenues is mainly attributable to passenger revenue growth in UK Trains and the acquisition of Autotrans in August 2017. Exchange rate effects (development of the British pound), strikes at UK Trains and market- and competition-related declines at UK Bus had a dampening effect.
- Other operating income (–3.9%) was mainly influenced by funding income for project costs (offset by higher other operating expenses). Exchange rate effects, in contrast, had a dampening impact.
- The cost of materials (–0.2%) remained almost unchanged. Exchange rate effects had a positive impact here.
- Personnel expenses (+0.7%) increased due to the acquisition of Autotrans, increased statutory charges in the UK and wage inflation. This was largely offset by an accounting change with regard to pensions and a significant positive exchange rate effect.
- Other operating expenses (+5.8%) increased due to project costs (offset by higher other operating income), franchise payments in UK Trains and insurance claims costs in UK Bus.
- Depreciation (+7.0%) was mainly driven by the higher capital expenditures in 2017 and the acquisition of Autotrans.

Capital expenditures at UK Bus were lower due to high capital expenditures in new transport contracts in London in the first half of 2017.

DB Arriva employs 29% of its employees in the UK Bus line of business, 23% in the UK Trains line of business and 47% in the Mainland Europe line of business. The number of employees increased slightly, driven by the acquisition of Autotrans. The discontinuation or adjustment of transport contracts countered this effect.

UK Bus line of business

- Challenging market environment and operational cost pressures in the regional bus markets.
- Market share in London increased, despite challenging environment.
- Weaker pound leads to negative exchange rate effects.

UK Bus line of business	H 1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Passengers (million)	348.8	350.0	-1.2	-0.3
Volume produced (million bus km)	176.7	180.4	-3.7	-2.1
Total revenues (€ million)	529	546	-17	-3.1
External revenues (€ million)	528	545	-17	-3.1
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	60	69	-9	-13.0
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	20	32	-12	-37.5
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	26	76	-50	-65.8
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	16,005	16,349	-344	-2.1

The number of passengers declined slightly, mainly due to route rationalization in the regions and in London.

Adjusted EBITDA and EBIT decreased primarily due to the challenging market environment including cost pressures and regional passenger revenue shortfalls.

- Revenue development was negative due to shortfalls in regional passenger revenues (including effects of route rationalization) and the cessation of contracts in non-emergency patient transport. There was a positive effect from improved performance settlements in London. Exchange rate effects had a negative impact.
- Other operating income (+53.3%) grew strongly, but the increase was offset by corresponding changes in other operating expenses.
- The cost of materials (–7.4%) decreased slightly, mainly due to lower volume produced, driven by route rationalization.
- Personnel expenses (–1.3%) were driven by increased statutory charges in the UK and wage inflation. Exchange rate effects had a positive impact.
- Other operating expenses (+19.4%) increased due to higher consulting expenses and insurance claim costs.
- Depreciation (+8.1%) was higher as a result of significant capital expenditures in 2017.

Capital expenditures decreased significantly. This was mainly due to extensive vehicle purchases in the first half of 2017 in connection with transport contracts won in London.

The number of employees declined, largely due to the cessation of non-emergency patient transport contracts.

UK Trains line of business

- Performance impacted by strike actions and severe weather conditions.
- Positive passenger revenue development.
- Weaker pound leads to negative exchange rate effects.

UK Trains line of business	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Passengers (million)	193.6	206.3	-12.7	-6.2
Volume sold (million bus km)	5,249	5,375	-126	-2.3
Volume produced (million train-path km)	61.3	64.5	-3.2	-5.0
Total revenues (€ million)	1,147	1,103	+44	+4.0
External revenues (€ million)	1,123	1,086	+37	+3.4
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	59	31	+28	+90.3
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	42	16	+26	+162.5
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	25	21	+4	+19.0
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	12,802	12,509	+293	+2.3

The performance development of UK Trains was impacted by strike actions, severe weather and the cessation of the Tyne and Wear Metro concession (March 2017). The delayed delivery of the industry-wide rail **INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM AND THE TIMETABLE CHANGE** 31 had an additional negative impact.

Adjusted EBITDA and EBIT improved as a result of revenue growth, partially offset by the impact of strike action and severe weather.

- Revenue development was positive overall, including passenger revenue growth, but was impacted by the cessation of the Tyne and Wear Metro concession. Exchange rate effects had a significant dampening effect.
- Other operating income is unchanged. Increases primarily due to funding income for project costs (offset by corresponding changes in other operating expenses) were fully offset by exchange rate effects.
- The cost of materials (+4.3%) increased slightly mainly driven by rail refurbishment costs at Arriva Rail North. Exchange rate effects had a positive impact.
- Personnel expenses (-3.9%) declined mainly due to an accounting change with regard to pensions. Exchange rate effects had a positive impact.
- Other operating expenses (+4.2%) increased due to project costs (offset by corresponding changes in other operating income) and a change in franchise payments at CrossCountry.
- Depreciation (+12.5%) increased due to capital expenditures, driven mainly by Arriva Rail North.

The higher gross capital expenditures are mainly attributable to contractual capital expenditure requirements in relation to Arriva Rail North.

The number of employees increased primarily as a result of the impact of Arriva Rail North due to fulfillment of driver vacancies.

Mainland Europe line of business

- Challenging trading environment, particularly in Northern Europe.
- Strikes in the Netherlands and weather-related restrictions in Sweden had a dampening effect.
- Positive effects from acquisition of Autotrans in Croatia.

Mainland Europe line of business	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Passengers bus (million)	386.4	385.2	+1.2	+0.3
Passengers rail (million)	61.5	58.2	+3.3	+5.7
Volume sold rail (million pkm)	1,129	1,185	-56	-4.7
Volume produced rail (million train-path km)	361.3	362.8	-1.5	-0.4
Volume produced bus (million bus km)	26.6	27.8	-1.2	-4.3
Total revenues (€ million)	1,097	1,071	+26	+2.4
External revenues (€ million)	1,050	1,028	+22	+2.1
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	146	146	-	-
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	67	71	-4	-5.6
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	94	76	+18	+23.7
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	25,516	24,946	+570	+2.3

The performance development in the Mainland Europe line of business was mixed. The number of passengers increased in rail (mainly due to the removal of restrictions caused by construction work in Sweden in 2017) and bus transport (mainly due to the Autotrans acquisition) while volume sold and produced fell driven by operational difficulties due to strikes and weather conditions.

Adjusted EBIT decreased driven by weather-related restrictions in Sweden and strikes in the Netherlands. In contrast, the acquisition of Autotrans had a positive effect.

- Revenue development was positive, mainly driven by the impact of the Autotrans acquisition, partially offset by snow impact in Sweden.
- Other operating income (+9.0%) decreased slightly after adjusting internal effects.
- Personnel expenses (+2.8%) increased due to the acquisition of Autotrans, higher expenses in relation to employee absence in the Netherlands and the increased minimum wage in the Czech Republic.
- Other operating expenses (+5.0%) remained stable after adjusting internal effects.
- Depreciation (+5.3%) increased mainly driven by higher contractual capital expenditures in 2017 and the acquisition of Autotrans.

Gross capital expenditures rose due to the Northern Lines rail contract renewal in the Netherlands, which will start in December 2020.

The number of employees increased, mainly due to the acquisition of Autotrans.

Freight transport and logistics

Positive general framework

German freight transport market continues growing

Internal calculations indicate that the overall freight transport market grew significantly at the start of 2018:

- Overall, positive economic effects from trading and domestic demand continued.
- Despite existing difficulties with capacity and cost increases, price and competitive pressure remain high. Significance of staff shortages increasing.
- Non-cyclical special effects such as reductions in coal shipments as a result of an ongoing energy transition or quality losses dampen the development, especially in rail freight transport.
- Following a significant drop in performance at the start of the previous year, inland waterway transport made a strong start in 2018. We expect this to tail off noticeably in subsequent months. This was also driven by extensive maintenance and repair work on locks on major waterways as well as adverse effects of low water levels in some regions.

Rail with below average development

- Until the relevant reports are published, no quantified statement can be made regarding the performance development of the rail freight transport market in the first months of 2018.
- Volume sold for DB Cargo decreased significantly. As well as some modest impulses in certain industries such as the moderate development in steel production or current difficulties in the automotive industry, the portfolio adjustments of the energy producers continue to have a negative effect through the closure of coal-fired power plants and the conversion from coal to gas. Intra-modal and intermodal shifts are also having adverse effects.
- We are expecting non-Group railways to continue their positive, above-average development. In addition to strong economic momentum overall, this expectation is based on shifts in modal transport by DB Cargo and effects due to the extended reporting scope when the rail freight transport statistics are officially revised.

Road with stable growth

- Strong momentum from the construction industry, foreign trade and positive consumer sentiment meant that the increase in volume sold to May 2018 was at the 2017 level based on internal calculations.

- According to the toll statistics issued by the German Federal Agency for Freight Transport, the number of trucks registered in Germany remained approximately at the level of the previous year while trucks from abroad (in particular Central and Eastern Europe) recorded strong growth again.
- The market is characterized by a shortage of hold capacity and increasing costs, particularly for fuel and personnel.

European rail freight transport market above previous year's level

The positive development in volume sold in European rail freight transport (EU 28, Switzerland and Norway) in 2017 appears to have continued at the beginning of 2018 with markets growing in particular in Poland and Sweden. Development was supported by strong demand for capital goods and dynamic European trading. Positive momentum was generated mainly from transport through the North Sea ports of Antwerp, Rotterdam and Hamburg. While combined transport continues to be the growth driver of rail freight transport, the persistent decline in coal shipments is having an adverse effect.

- Rail freight volume sold in Great Britain declined significantly in the first quarter of 2018. This affected all freight divisions, while the decline in coal transport continued, but slowed significantly. DB Cargo UK performance also declined; the leading market position was maintained.
- Rail freight volume sold in Poland again showed a very strong increase in the first quarter of 2018. The positive development was supported by an increase in steel, building materials and intermodal transport. DB Cargo Polska also recorded dynamic growth, particularly in intermodal and steel transport.
- We expect rail freight volume sold in France to have declined significantly in the first half of 2018 due to the massive strikes at SNCF connected with the [FRENCH RAIL REFORM](#) 6. This has also had a severe effect on Euro Cargo Rail (ECR).

European land transport shows growth

Demand continued to develop positively in European land transport in the first half of 2018 with shipment figures increasing once more.

A Europe-wide price increase can be observed in 2018. Continuing shortages of drivers and capacity as well as more increases in the diesel price have maintained pressure on margins which could increase even further in the second half of the year.

Air freight with strong growth

Driven mainly by an increase in demand for transport of machinery and automotive supplier parts, chemicals, perishable goods and e-commerce, development in the global air freight market was positive in the first half of 2018.

This development was driven by volumes from North America to Europe and Asia/Pacific as well as trade routes from Asia/Pacific–Europe. With cargo space increasingly scarce, air freight rates have remained constantly high since the beginning of the year.

Ocean freight continues to grow

Driven by an increase in demand for transport of raw materials, consumer goods and chemicals, particularly on trade routes within Asia and from Asia to other regions, global ocean freight was positive in the first half of 2018.

The trend towards improved utilization of capacity is causing ocean freight rates to recover. The vertical integration and consolidation of shipping companies is continuing.

Persisting momentum in contract logistics

As in previous years, the global market for contract logistics continued to be characterized by dynamic growth. The Asia/Pacific region also recorded above-average growth. The strongest momentum was generated by the industrial, electronics, automotive and consumer goods sectors. The continuing strong growth in e-commerce business, particularly in the USA, also drove positive development.

DB Cargo business unit

Events in the first half of 2018

Digitalization and innovation

- The freight car fleet in Germany is to be fitted with the latest telematics and sensors by 2020. About 1,000 re-fitted freight cars are already on the way. To this end, we are investing an amount in the double-digit millions.
- The Innovative Freight Car project has begun operational testing. Findings from the project will speed up the use of innovative freight cars that are quieter, more energy-efficient and more cost-effective than the cars currently in use. The project is being implemented by DB Cargo in cooperation with VTG AG on behalf of the BMVI.

- Additional features have been added to myRailportal to make it easier to access rail freight transport. Order placement, empty car orders, consignment tracking and billing are automated and fully supported on the portal.

Development in the first half of 2018

- Restrictions, above all in Germany, due to continuing strained transport quality (resource problems with personnel and cars).
- Strikes in France had adverse effects on development.
- Positive business development in Eastern Europe.

DB Cargo	H 1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Punctuality (%)	73.5	73.9	-	-
Freight carried (million t)	129.4	139.2	-9.8	-7.0
Volume sold (million tkm)	44,534	47,756	-3,222	-6.7
Volume produced (million train-path km)	83.3	89.1	-5.8	-6.5
Capacity utilization (t per train)	534.7	535.7	-1.0	-0.2
Total revenues (€ million)	2,255	2,306	-51	-2.2
External revenues (€ million)	2,112	2,150	-38	-1.8
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	-1	82	-83	-
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	-127	-28	-99	-
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	140	110	+30	+27.3
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	28,709	28,964	-255	-0.9

The punctuality of DB Cargo declined slightly, mainly due to the weak development in Germany. It was adversely affected by construction activity in the network, scarcity of resources particular in relation to train drivers, and operational restrictions due among others to the STORM FRIEDERIKE 8.

The performance development was unfortunate and was driven by Western Europe and Central Europe. Freight carried, volume sold and volume produced fell, while capacity utilization per train remained roughly stable.

The economic development was also weak. The lower income was not offset by expenses, which remained roughly unchanged, so that adjusted EBITDA declined significantly. Due to the increased depreciation, the development of the adjusted EBIT was even weaker. The development was driven by Central Europe.

- 83% of revenues were generated in Central Europe, 12% in Western Europe and 5% in Eastern Europe. Revenues declined. Performance-related declines, particularly in Germany and Great Britain, strikes in France and adverse exchange rate effects were only slightly offset by a performance-related increase in Eastern Europe.

- Other operating income (–12.7%) fell, partly due to reimbursement of the nuclear fuel tax in the first half of 2017 and adjustments to leases in Great Britain with no impact on profit and loss.
- The cost of materials (+0.2%) was at the level of the first half of 2017. The increase in purchased transport services as well as higher energy prices in Germany were offset by lower train-path expenses as a result of price and volume effects, a decline in energy consumption for performance-related reasons and exchange rate effects.
- Personnel expenses (–0.9%) declined slightly due to the decrease in the number of employees despite the negative impact of collective wage increases.
- Other operating expenses (+3.1%) increased, mainly due to higher expenses for vehicle rents and higher purchases of IT services.
- Depreciation (+14.5%) rose, mainly due to capital expenditures but also impairments on IT projects.

Capital expenditure activities increased significantly due to higher capital expenditures in locomotives in Central Europe. In contrast, capital expenditures fell in Western Europe.

A total of 66% of employees are employed in Central Europe, 15% in Western Europe and 14% in Eastern Europe. The number of employees declined slightly. This was mainly due to reductions in Great Britain and France in connection with restructuring. The number of employees also fell in Poland as a result of a decline in the sidings business and sand mining business.

Region Central Europe

- Significant restrictions due to strikes in France and storm Friederike.
- Strained transport quality due to resource bottlenecks.
- Production quality causes performance losses.

	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Region Central Europe				
Freight carried (million t)	119.2	126.5	-7.3	-5.8
Volume sold (million tkm)	36,240	38,721	-2,481	-6.4
Volume produced (million train-path km)	67.8	71.3	-3.5	-4.9
Total revenues (€ million)	2,465	2,465	-	-
External revenues (€ million)	1,750	1,764	-14	-0.8
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	23	111	-88	-79.3
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	-66	34	-100	-
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	124	91	+33	+36.3
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	18,934	18,757	+177	+0.9

The performance development in Central Europe declined. This was driven by development in Germany – **STORM FRIEDERIKE** 8, the impact of the **STRIKES IN FRANCE** 6 and resource problems with personnel and freight cars caused performance losses.

The economic development decreased significantly: since noticeable burdens, in the cost of materials in particular, were not offset by the slight rise in income, adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBIT decreased significantly.

- Revenues remained virtually unchanged despite the decline in performance, due in part to the positive effects on revenues of switching from the freight settlement procedure with foreign railways to a service procurement model. Nominal price levels were also increased.
- Other operating income (+12.7%) increased due to higher Government subsidies, for example for conversion to whisper brakes, and a one-time reimbursement from the Bremen Customs Office under a judicial settlement.
- The cost of materials (+5.5%) increased, mainly as a result of higher purchased transport services. This was partially offset by lower expenses for utilization of train-paths as a result of price and volume effects.
- Personnel expenses (–0.7%) were at the level of the first half of 2017.
- The increase in other operating expenses (+5.9%) resulted from higher expenses on vehicle rents and purchases of IT services, among other things.
- Depreciation (+17.1%) rose significantly, mainly due to capital expenditures but also impairments on IT projects.

Gross capital expenditures increased significantly due to higher capital expenditures in locomotives.

The number of employees increased compared with June 30, 2017. Personnel increased particularly in Germany as a result of new hirings to meet the need for staffing in operational functional groups, takeover of vocational trainees and intra-Group reassignments. Personnel were also acquired as a result of new business in Belgium and Italy, among other countries.

Region Western Europe

- Strikes in France and decreases in demand in Great Britain had adverse effects on development.
- Continuing quality restrictions in France.
- Restructuring measures in Great Britain move ahead.

	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Region Western Europe				
Freight carried (million t)	24.5	29.2	-4.7	-16.1
Volume sold (million tkm)	5,868	6,831	-963	-14.1
Volume produced (million train-path km)	11.5	13.9	-2.4	-17.3
Total revenues (€ million)	324	353	-29	-8.2
External revenues (€ million)	259	288	-29	-10.1
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	6	3	+3	+100
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	-25	-24	-1	+4.2
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	13	18	-5	-27.8
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	4,320	4,694	-374	-8.0

In Western Europe freight carried, volume sold and volume produced fell considerably, driven by strikes in France. A decline in demand in Great Britain in intermodal, coal and construction among other areas, as well as declines in performance in France as a result of quality restrictions, also had an adverse effect on development.

The economic development was weak: the decline in income was largely offset by lower expenses; operating profit figures thus remained virtually unchanged.

- Revenues declined for performance and exchange rate reasons.
- Other operating income (-12.7%) fell, partly due to adjustments to leases in Great Britain with no impact on profit and loss (offset by a fall in other operating expenses).
- The cost of materials (-5.8%) declined for performance and exchange rate reasons.
- Personnel expenses (-12.3%) fell due to a decrease in the number of employees (implementation of restructuring measures in Great Britain and France) and to a small extent for exchange rate reasons.
- Other operating expenses (-12.6%) fell significantly, mainly due to adjustments to leases in Great Britain with no impact on profit and loss (offset by a fall in other operating income) and exchange rate effects.
- Depreciation (+14.8%) rose significantly, mainly due to impairments on IT projects.

Gross capital expenditures decreased. This was the result of delays to capital expenditures in Great Britain and lower capital expenditures in Spain.

The number of employees fell, mainly due to adjustment to the business conditions (implementation of restructuring measures begun in 2017) in Great Britain and France.

Region Eastern Europe

- Positive performance development, particularly in Poland.
- Adjustments to the transport portfolio in Poland.
- Personnel expenses under pressure due to labor market situation.

	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Region Eastern Europe				
Freight carried (million t)	8.4	8.4	-	-
Volume sold (million tkm)	2,426	2,204	+222	+10.1
Volume produced (million train-path km)	4.0	3.9	+0.1	+2.6
Total revenues (€ million)	151	141	+10	+7.1
External revenues (€ million)	103	98	+5	+5.1
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	14	10	+4	+40.0
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	7	3	+4	+133
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	3	2	+1	+50.0
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	3,985	4,068	-83	-2.0

The performance development in Eastern Europe was positive and driven by DB Cargo Polska. A major factor here were higher volumes in industrials due to new coal and ore transports.

The economic development was weakened: the improvement in EBITDA and EBIT was mainly due to income from the sale of locomotives.

- Revenue development was positive, mainly for performance-related reasons. The inclusion of Trans-Eurasia Logistics, acquired in the previous year, was supportive.
- Other operating income (+57.1%) increased mainly as a result of sales of locomotives in Romania.
- The cost of materials (+3.6%) increased, mainly for performance-related reasons and as a result of increased maintenance expenses in Poland.
- Personnel expenses (+8.8%) increased despite a cut in the number of employees mainly as a result of collective bargaining agreements (including an increase in the minimum wage).
- Other operating expenses (+28.6%) also increased. This was due in particular to the costs of disposal incurred during locomotive sales in Romania.
- Depreciation was at the level of the first half of 2017.

Capital expenditure activities increased at a low level. This increase is mainly due to the postponement of capital expenditures at DB Cargo Polska to the second half of 2017.

The number of employees declined, mainly due to optimization measures in Poland. This was offset by an increase in the number of employees in Southeastern Europe.

DB Schenker business unit

Changes in presentation of lines of business

- The land transport line of business now also includes land transport activities outside Europe, mainly in Asia/Pacific, North America and Mexico. This has caused major restrictions in comparability to the first half of 2017.
- Activities in air and ocean freight are now each presented in their own separate lines of business, excluding the activities of Fairs&Exhibitions and Global Projects.

Events in the first half of 2018

Legal issues

- DB Group is pursuing compensation for damage against the airlines that were part of the so-called air freight cartel, which, according to the findings of various competition authorities around the world, agreed on kerosene and security surcharges, among other things, from 1999 to at least 2006 at the expense of freight forwarders such as DB Schenker. We have now concluded the proceedings in the US with out-of-court settlements relating to all the airlines involved. In addition, out-of-court settlements relating to the proceedings in Germany have now been concluded with four airlines. Settlement negotiations are being conducted with additional airlines to settle these proceedings.

Digitalization and innovation

- DB Schenker and Cisco are working together to shape the digitalization transformation. A joint innovation lab was opened in Houston, Texas/USA for testing and marketing new technologies for logistics.
- Customers can use the eSchenker online portal to configure and order 3-D printing. For example, stainless steel medical devices, plastic robot grippers or customized packaging materials are currently being printed.

Other events

- New groupage services are standardized available across the board in Europe: DB Schenker launched its “Premium 13” service in the first half of 2018, delivering goods by 1:00 p.m.; its “Premium 10” service guarantees customers delivery by 10:00 a.m. on the following day.
- For the third time in a row, DB Schenker received the award for best logistics services provider in the Rail category at the Asian Freight, Logistics & Supply Chain Awards (AFLAS). Continuous improvement of rail freight transport shipments between Europe and Asia in terms of costs, delivery time and service options means we occupy a leading position in trans-Eurasian rail connections.

- DB Schenker operated the first block train carrying fresh agricultural produce from China to Russia. In the trial a train loaded with refrigerated containers took 17 days to travel from Chengdu to Moscow.

Development in the first half of 2018

- Positive development in land transport, ocean and air freight.
- Development in contract logistics and exchange rate effects had adverse impact.
- Market and competitive environment with positive stimuli.

DB Schenker	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	Absolute	%
Shipments in land transport ¹⁾ (thousand)	52,522	50,751	+1,771	+3.5
Air freight volume (export) (thousand t)	649.4	613.1	+36.3	+5.9
Ocean freight volume (export) (thousand TEU)	1,087	1,063	+24	+2.3
Total revenues (€ million)	8,333	8,103	+230	+2.8
External revenues (€ million)	8,301	8,072	+229	+2.8
Gross profit margin (%)	34.7	34.7	-	-
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	314	305	+9	+3.0
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	216	208	+8	+3.8
EBIT margin (adjusted) (%)	2.6	2.6	-	-
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	78	76	+2	+2.6
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	74,104	69,370	+4,734	+6.8

¹⁾ Including activities outside Europe as of 2018.

The volume development was very positive in air freight. Volumes also increased in land transport and ocean freight.

The economic development improved: the adjusted operating profit figures showed positive development due to a disproportionate rise in income. Adjusted for exchange rates, the development of operating profit was actually significantly more positive. Gross profit (+2.6%) also grew, most markedly in air freight, although all lines of business recorded gains. The development of gross profit matched revenue growth, so the gross profit margin remained unchanged.

Revenues were generated 43% in land transport, 22% in air freight, 17% in ocean freight and 15% in contract logistics.

The operating profit development was positive and even better when adjusted for exchange rates. The adjusted EBIT was generated 31% in land transport, 26% in air freight, 13% in ocean freight and 21% in contract logistics.

- The main drivers of the positive revenue development were land transport and air freight. Negative exchange rate effects and the conclusion of a major power plant project the previous year reduced revenues. Adjusted for exchange rate effects, development was positive in ocean freight and contract logistics.

- Other operating income (+21.0%) increased, partly as a result of higher release of provisions including for claims for compensation for damage that did not arise.
- The cost of materials (+2.9%) rose, due especially to volume development. Higher freight rates also increased expenses in air freight. This was partly offset by lower expenses due to exchange rate effects and the conclusion of a major power plant project in the previous year.
- Personnel expenses (+3.1%) rose in the wake of a greater number of employees. The rise was clearer when adjusted for exchange rate effects.
- Other operating expenses (+3.8%) rose in part due to the leasing of new space and higher purchases of IT services. Adjusted for exchange rates, the increase was significantly higher.
- Depreciation was at the level of the first half of 2017. Adjusted for exchange rates, it rose slightly at a low level.

Capital expenditure activities increased. Some of this growth came from North America and Asia/Pacific. However, Europe continued to be the main focus. Capital expenditures were made in particular in new construction and the expansion of freight forwarding facilities and terminals, as well as the introduction of new IT systems.

As of June 30, 2018, 29% of employees were employed in land transport, 9% in air freight, 7% in ocean freight and 31% in contract logistics. The number of employees increased. Principal drivers were growth in volume and the takeover of temporary workers.

Land transport line of business

- Addition of activities outside Europe to the line of business.
- Within the system transport area, greater focus on international transport services.
- Europe-wide pricing measures implemented and cost reduction initiatives continued.

Land transport line of business	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Shipments ¹⁾ (thousand)	52,522	50,751	+1,771	+3.5
System transports (thousand)	31,618	31,438	+180	+0.6
Direct transports ¹⁾ (thousand)	4,726	3,907	+819	+21.0
Parcels (thousand)	16,177	15,404	+773	+5.0
Total revenues (€ million)	3,556	3,326	+230	+6.9
External revenues (€ million)	3,526	3,299	+227	+6.9
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	103	96	+7	+7.3
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	68	62	+6	+9.7
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	21,700	19,661	+2,039	+10.4

¹⁾ Including activities outside Europe as of 2018.

Activities previously allocated to contract logistics and other areas will be reported under the land transport line of business from the 2018 financial year onwards. This resulted in restrictions in comparability with the previous year.

In a market environment which was marked by growing demand, volume development was positive overall. Adjusted for the effects of the reassignments, volume in direct transports fell due to cross-country declines.

The economic development was positive: the development of adjusted EBITDA and EBIT was better. However, this was due to the reassignments. The increase in revenues from European business was offset by increases in expenses.

- Revenue development was up as a result of price and volume effects and the reassignments. This was partly offset by negative exchange rate effects.
- The cost of materials (+6.7%) rose. This was partly due to the higher direct and groupage transports. Exchange rate effects had an offsetting effect.
- Personnel expenses (+7.1%) increased, mainly as a result of the increase in the number of employees.
- Other operating expenses (+5.4%) increased noticeably as a result of higher rental and IT expenses.

The number of employees has increased as a result of business development and the takeover of temporary workers.

Air freight line of business

- Noticeable effects due to positive development of volumes and increasing freight rates.
- Focus on increasing productivity through standardization.

Air freight line of business	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Air freight volume (export) (thousand t)	649.4	613.1	+36.3	+5.9
Total revenues (€ million)	1,806	1,649	+157	+9.5
External revenues (€ million)	1,806	1,649	+157	+9.5
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	61	55	+6	+10.9
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	57	51	+6	+11.8
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	6,877	6,431	+446	+6.9

Volumes increased significantly in air freight. This growth was driven by routes from North America to Asia/Pacific and Europe as well as transpacific transports.

The economic development was positive, adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBIT both increased significantly. The significant market growth combined with weaker growth in cargo space caused freight rates to rise.

- The main drivers of revenue growth were freight rate and volume trends. Adjusted for exchange rates, revenues increased even more sharply.
- The cost of materials (+12.5%) also rose significantly according to volume and freight rate development.
- Personnel expenses (+3.1%) rose in the wake of a greater number of employees.

The number of employees increased as a result of business development.

Ocean freight line of business

- Effects of increase in performance are offset by exchange rate effects.
- Focus on efforts to optimize capacity utilization, costs and purchase prices.

Ocean freight line of business	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Ocean freight volume (export) (thousand TEU)	1,087	1,063	+24	+2.3
Total revenues (€ million)	1,420	1,458	-38	-2.6
External revenues (€ million)	1,420	1,458	-38	-2.6
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	29	22	+7	+31.8
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	28	21	+7	+33.3
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	5,006	4,859	+147	+3.0

Ocean freight volume increased in line with market development. Transpacific transports and exports from the Middle East recorded significant increases. This was partly offset by weak demand for routes between Europe and the Far East.

The economic development was positive, adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBIT both increased.

- Revenue development declined as a result of exchange rate effects. Adjusted for exchange rates, revenue increased for performance-related reasons.
- The cost of materials (-3.8%) fell despite the positive volume development due to countervailing exchange rate effects. Adjusted for exchange rate effects, the cost of materials increased slightly.
- Personnel expenses (+1.1%) were just above the level of the first half of 2017 as a result of collective bargaining agreements. This was driven by the increase in the number of employees. Adjusted for exchange rate effects, personnel expenses increased significantly. The number of employees increased as a result of business development.

Contract logistics line of business

- Negative effects of reallocating activities to land transport.
- Growth in Europe and America continues.
- Business development in Asia/Pacific is weaker.
- Contracts with major customers completed, extensive activities to gain new business.

Contract logistics line of business	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Total revenues (€ million)	1,265	1,301	-36	-2.8
External revenues (€ million)	1,264	1,300	-36	-2.8
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	69	79	-10	-12.7
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	46	56	-10	-17.9
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	22,864	20,572	+2,292	+11.1

Some activities previously allocated to contract logistics will be reported under the land transport line of business from the 2018 financial year onwards. This reduces revenue and expenses, resulting in restrictions in comparability.

The economic development in contract logistics was unsatisfactory: the development of adjusted EBITDA and EBIT was below the level of the first half of 2017 as a result of weaker business development and the reclassification of activities.

- Revenue development was negative due to exchange rate effects. Adjusted for exchange rates, revenues increased slightly. The good business development in Europe and North America was noticeable here.
- The cost of materials (-16.4%) decreased as a result of exchange rate effects and the reclassifications.
- The increase in personnel expenses (+6.5%) was driven by an increase in the number of employees. Exchange rate effects and the reclassifications had an offsetting effect, reducing expenses.

The increase in the number of employees was due to the continued business expansion as well as the taking on of temporary workers.

Infrastructure

Progress on the Stuttgart – Ulm project

Construction at Stuttgart central station continues to progress. Further reinforcement and concreting work on the floors and walls in some construction phases is underway. The west tunnel of the middle Filder tunnel has meanwhile been conventionally bored. At the northern end, breakthrough of the second Feuerbach tunnel has been completed. Tunnel boring at the northern end is complete, all relevant anhydrite lenses in Cannstatt and Feuerbach tunnels have been successfully dealt with. The fourth and last tunnel has successfully passed under the Neckar river. Following submission of an appeal to the Higher Administrative Court, no further contracts will be awarded in the airport sector for plan approval section 1.3a despite possible immediate enforceability until a final judgment has been issued. About 41 km, representing more than two-thirds of the tunnels required for Stuttgart 21, have been drilled and excavated.

On the Wendlingen – Ulm new construction line, a stretch of over 47 km, or more than three-quarters of the tunnels, has already been bored and extracted. The tunnel borer has also drilled the second tunnel of the 8,806 m Bossler tunnel above Filstal. The two tunnel borers working on the Albvorland tunnel, which will be more than 8 km long, have already progressed more than 2 km. Restoration of the landscape along the line on the Alb plateau is underway. The work on constructing the advance scaffolding for the Filstal bridge has been completed.

Cost and schedule development for Stuttgart 21 and the Wendlingen – Ulm new construction line

On January 26, 2018, the Supervisory Board of DBAG deliberated the schedule and cost situation for the Stuttgart 21 project. The cost forecast was increased to a total value of about € 7.7 billion. To take into account unanticipated events, further funds of about € 0.5 billion have been earmarked, meaning that the overall funding framework has increased to € 8.2 billion. In addition to increases in construction prices, the increase in costs results in particular from significantly more elaborate procedures for tunneling in the anhydrite rock, more extensive approval processes as a result of species protection and the postponement of commissioning to 2025, among other things.

The cost and schedule planning for the Wendlingen – Ulm new construction line was also deliberated. The cost forecast was increased to € 3.7 billion and the completion date postponed to 2022. The cost increase is mainly down to greater geological risks as well as additional capital expenditures in the modernization of Ulm central station. The delay results from more elaborate plan revision procedures for species protection in the Albvorland.

Modernization of the existing network is on schedule

In the fourth year of LuFV II, we have already been able to complete various measures and projects. We are confident of our ability to complete implementation of the plan by the end of this year and thus to ensure full achievement of the LuFV II targets. To enable us to steadily continue along our chosen path even after 2020, we have commenced negotiation of a follow-on agreement to LuFV II with the Federal Government, as scheduled.

Capital expenditure program for the future in the third year

The BMVI has provided additional Federal funding of € 995 million from 2016 to 2018 as part of the German Federal Government's capital expenditure program for the future (Zukunftsinvestitionsprogramm; ZIP). In the first two years, spending totaled about € 295 million, followed by a further € 83 million in the first half of 2018.

Start of planning for the 740 m network

Creating a continuous rail network for 740 m freight trains is a key element for enhancing cost efficiency in rail freight transport and making more efficient use of the rail infrastructure.

BMVI has therefore defined a 740 m network action plan, which has been included under the compound item "Further network measures aimed at relieving bottlenecks" in the potential requirements of the Federal Transport Infrastructure Plan (Bundesverkehrswegeplan; BVWP) 2030. BMVI has determined the profitability of the 740 m network and has assured Federal funding for the start of planning. The requirement plan measure is currently focusing on 75 individual actions, such as relocating signals and installing switches to create new possibilities for overtaking.

Accident in Aichach

On May 7, 2018, a passenger train operated by Bayerische Regiobahn collided with a freight train near Aichach station. Two people died in the accident and several were injured.

We sincerely regret the consequences of this tragic train collision. Conclusive statements cannot yet be made about the causes and possible actions to be taken as the investigation of the accident has not yet been completed.

DB Netze Track business unit

General framework


Demand for train-paths increased again

There are now more than 420 TOCs in Germany, which have submitted a total of 84,038 train-path requests to DB Netz AG for the 2019 annual timetable, 5.9% more than in the previous year. Of this increase, market growth accounts for about 1 percentage point, while the majority is due to increased construction volume which is resulting in many more construction-related variants. In addition, customers are being advised more intensively, resulting in more precise orders with several time slices. Of all the train-path registrations, long-distance rail passenger transport accounted for the largest increase of more than 35% (freight transport +17%, regional rail passenger transport +1%).

Events in the first half of 2018

Record capital expenditures in infrastructure

In 2018, € 5.5 billion is available for building new rail infrastructure and maintaining the existing network. In the first half-year, we have already renewed 539 km of track, 712 switches and about 6,300 m² of bridges. In addition, € 2.6 billion has been earmarked for more than 40 new construction and expansion projects. Across Germany, 12 major construction projects are starting. They are joined by 19 commissioning projects.

Bundling in over 100 corridors and a professional construction management are indispensable for the large number of construction sites – up to 800 a day at peak times. By pooling the building sites, we can minimize the impacts on normal operation. In addition, the CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT CENTER  8 is collaborating with the regional units on optimizing and improving the management of construction works. Moreover, we plan to employ about 2,000 new construction-related employees in 2018. These measures enabled us to further reduce the delays caused by construction works in the first half of 2018 despite the larger number of building sites.

Emergency Management Manual approved

To enable better handling of major disruptions, the Chief Executive Officers of the railway companies operating in the Rhine-Alps rail freight transport corridor approved a joint Emergency Management Manual in May. The lead authors were the infrastructure operators (DB Netz AG and SBB Infrastruktur) and TOCs that were hardest hit by the temporary closure of the Rhine valley railway (Rheintalbahn). The Manual focuses on processes for better coordination and communication among infrastructure operators when international disruptions occur. In addition, the Manual describes how infrastructure operators define diversions and publish them, together with the relevant technical parameters. This enables TOCs to prepare for diversions and to act quickly in the event of a disruption.

Action plan for customer-friendly construction

In early June 2018, rail transport companies and associations submitted their “Round Table for Building Site Management” findings report to BMVI. The aim was to develop an action plan for more transport, improved quality and reliability in order to minimize the adverse effects on passengers and cargo customers wherever possible during the urgently needed modernization of the rail network. Four specific modules for improving construction management were agreed: agreements between the Federal Government and DB Netz AG on customer-oriented construction, an incentive system between DB Netz AG and TOCs, improved risk distribution between public transport authorities and TOCs, and the optimization of construction processes and communication.

Temporary closure of the Rhine valley railway-damage to the Rastatt tunnel

Following the damage in the east tunnel of the Rastatt tunnel, preparations to renovate the tunnel have been underway since March. At the same time, the mediation proceedings agreed between DB Group and ARGE Tunnel Rastatt are ongoing to clarify the cause of the damage during tunnel boring and thus who is responsible. A team of technical and legal experts is charged with investigating the causes and drafting a settlement proposal. Although originally expected to last six months, the process is taking longer as further investigations are needed to clarify the causes of the damage. To this end, a further drilling program will take place within the next three months. The mediation proceedings are expected to finish in early 2019.

DB Netz AG joins Orient/East – Med RFC

DB Netz AG has joined the  ORIENT/EAST – MED EUROPEAN RAIL FREIGHT CORRIDOR (RFC) (WWW.RFC7.EU). The resulting cross-border transport axis stretches about 9,000 km from the North and Baltic Seas to the Aegean and Black Sea. The aim is to eliminate border hurdles and offer dependable and harmonized transport services, thus further strengthening rail freight transport beyond Europe's borders.

Capital expenditures initiative for the Marsh railway

With disruptions continuing on the Marsh railway (Marschbahn), we are working on a modernization concept. The main focus is a capital expenditures initiative to bring forward capital expenditures. To achieve this, we are raising the volume of capital expenditures over the next four years from €53 million to nearly €160 million.

Progress with regard to new construction and expansion measures

Hanau – Fulda planning is progressing

Plans for the new section of line between Gelnhausen and Fulda in the Hanau – Würzburg/Fulda expansion/new construction project have progressed: Line Variant IV is being included in the regional planning procedure as the preferred solution. Compared with all other variants, it will have the least impact overall on people and the environment and will shorten passengers' travel time between Frankfurt and Fulda by 11 minutes. The additional tracks will also improve local transport services. The decision was preceded by intense discussions with the region that lasted several years. Our early and comprehensive involvement of the general public has been described as exemplary.

Fehmarn Belt Fixed Link – approval procedure

The Fehmarn Belt Fixed Link project is in the design and approval planning stage. The documents for plan approval section 6 have been submitted to the Federal Railway Authority. Applications for the remaining sections will be filed between now and early 2019. While the approval proceedings are ongoing, a report is being drafted for BMVI in preparation for the Bundestag's discussion of the demands of the region. Construction of a new link across Fehmarn Sound is also planned in connection with the rail link to the Fehmarn Belt crossing. The decision in favor of a preferred variant will probably be made in the first quarter of 2019.

Progress on the second main S-Bahn (metro) line in Munich

Since April 2018, legally valid building permits have been available for all three plan approval sections for the second main line in Munich. At present, preparations for construction are ongoing in the Overground West section and at the central station. The main construction work will begin at the end of 2018. At Marienhof, preparations for construction have finished and archaeological post-studies are currently being conducted prior to main construction commencing.

Developments on expansion project 38 Munich – Mühldorf – Freilassing

The three-track expansion between Freilassing and Salzburg was completed in December 2017. Preliminary planning of the two-track expansion between Markt Schwaben and Ampfing has been completed, as has the electrification.

Expansion of the Cologne hub

To relieve the heavily frequented Cologne hub, 15 infrastructure measures are planned. At present, the S 11 project with its core package of expansion measures between Cologne central station and Bergisch Gladbach is at the preliminary planning phase. Expansion of the S 13 from Troisdorf to Bonn-Oberkassel is on schedule, including the initial bridge works. Regarding long-distance, the expansion south of Gummersbacher Strasse is in the design and approval planning stage. Of the ABS 4 project, plan approval section 1 is in the execution phase and section 2 is in the design and approval planning stage.

Progress on the Knappenrode – Horka – German/Polish border expansion line

Recommissioning of the line between Knappenrode and the German/Polish border is planned for December. The main construction work in the section from Niesky to Horka was completed in December 2017. Since then, the structural engineering has been put in place, the embankment has been made fit for purpose, and the overhead wiring and signal technology have been newly installed. New platforms for regional transport are being built at Niesky station.

Relocation of the Hamburg-Altona long-distance train station

The existing terminal station at Altona will be replaced by a new station at the Diebsteich site. The current S-Bahn (metro) station in Altona will remain. The project is being financed primarily through the LuFV, from DB funds and from the proceeds from the sale of land to the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg. The plan approval decision was issued on December 29, 2017. Three cases are currently pending against the Federal Railway Authority's plan approval decision before Hamburg's Higher Administrative Court. A decision is expected in July. Main construction work is scheduled to start in fall 2018.

Construction of new S4 S-Bahn (metro) line from Hamburg to Bad Oldesloe

The S4 is being planned to strengthen local transport between Hamburg and Schleswig-Holstein. The draft plans for plan approval section 1 have been completed. The two other sections are still works in progress. The plan approval procedure hearing for plan approval section 1 has taken place, while publication of the plan approval documentation for sections 2 and 3 is scheduled to take place before the end of 2018. Initial construction work is slated for 2020.

Development of the Frankfurt hub

The Frankfurt am Main hub is one of the most heavily frequented in our network. To ensure rail transport is made fit for the future, we are revamping the Stadium hub, building two tracks on the Homburg embankment, connecting Gateway Gardens to the metro network, expanding the S6 S-Bahn (metro) and building an S-Bahn (metro) line on the northern side of the Main river. Work on the crossing at the Homburg embankment has commenced. Along the S6, work is ongoing to expand the line between Frankfurt West and Bad Vilbel to four tracks.

Progress on expansion project 46/2 Emmerich – Oberhausen

Construction work on expansion project 46/2 Emmerich – Oberhausen is progressing on schedule. The hearings for all outstanding plan approval sections have taken place. Building permits for further plan approval sections are expected to be issued before the end of 2018.

Developments on the Rhine-Ruhr-Express

Agreement governing the funding of the electronic interlocking at Düsseldorf is expected to be reached with the Federal Government over the course of the next 12 months. Objections have been received to plan approval section 2.1, Düsseldorf, and the hearings are expected to be set for 2018. Planning of phase 2 in Düsseldorf-Reisholz has commenced with the inclusion of Düsseldorf-Benrath as a stop in the Federal Transport Infrastructure Plan. Construction work on plan approval section 4.0, Mülheim, has begun.

Digitalization and innovation

Progress in standardizing maintenance

Within the framework of the standardization of production system maintenance (Standardisierung Produktionssystem Instandhaltung; SPI), the scheduling and feedback process of operational maintenance has been standardized and digitalized. The rollout of level 1 has been completed as scheduled. Level 2 commenced in 2018 as part of the OPEX program. It focuses predominantly on shop floor-oriented performance management based on feedback from operations staff. The third wave of rollouts is currently taking place at seven sites. Nine sites are already working in accordance with the new standard. As part of level 2, workflows and work preparation and execution processes will be further standardized. The IT tools developed for this purpose are currently undergoing trials. The nationwide rollout of both approaches will probably be completed around mid-2020.

First digital interlocking commences operation

Europe's first digital interlocking commenced operation in January in Annaberg-Buchholz on the Ore Mountain Railway (Erzgebirgsbahn). This pre-series project heralds a revolution in command and control technology. The digital interlocking marks the start of the further development and nationwide implementation of a new and innovative generation of interlockings. The technology can be used both to operate main lines with tight schedules and major hub stations, and for simpler applications in rural areas.

Rollout of drive-related switch diagnostics

In order to optimize the availability of switches, a digital remote diagnostic system is used to detect potential faults before they can occur. The DIANA diagnostics platform can be used for preventive maintenance to remedy faults. This should make it possible to reduce drive-related switch defects by up to 50%. Some 18,400 switches are connected to DIANA.

Development in the first half of 2018

- Revenue growth from price adjustments and increased train-path demand.
- Increased maintenance expenses.
- Higher personnel expenses.

DB Netze Track	H 1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Punctuality DB Group (rail) in Germany (%)	93.9	94.5	-	-
Punctuality (rail) in Germany ¹⁾ (%)	93.3	94.2	-	-
Train kilometers on track infrastructure (million train-path km)	539.3	533.5	+5.8	+1.1
thereof non-Group railways	172.2	164.3	+7.9	+4.8
share of non-Group railways (%)	31.9	30.8	-	-
Total revenues (€ million)	2,720	2,652	+68	+2.6
External revenues (€ million)	754	746	+8	+1.1
share of total revenues (%)	27.7	28.1	-	-
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	815	815	-	-
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	483	389	+94	+24.2
Operating income after interest (€ million)	375	250	+125	+50.0
ROCE (%)	5.3	4.4	-	-
Capital employed as of Jun 30 (€ million)	18,193	17,780	+413	+2.3
Net financial debt as of Jun 30 (€ million)	9,330	10,092	-762	-7.6
Redemption coverage (%)	15.9	14.1	-	-
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	2,634	2,907	-273	-9.4
Net capital expenditures (€ million)	545	525	+20	+3.8
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	46,371	44,717	+1,654	+3.7

¹⁾ Non-Group and DB Group train operating companies.

Punctuality in Germany declined on the part of both non-Group and DB Group TOCs.

Train kilometers on track infrastructure increased in the wake of higher demand from non-Group customers (especially in freight and regional transport) and from DB Long-Distance and DB Regional. Lower demand from DB Group freight customers had the opposite effect.

However, economic performance was modest overall. The positive income trend was offset by the increase in personnel and maintenance expenses, leaving adjusted EBITDA unchanged compared to the first half of 2017. Adjusted EBIT showed positive development due to lower depreciation.

- Total revenues increased, with the negative effects of storm Friederike more than offset by price adjustments and increases in demand.
- Other operating income (+6.0%) increased, partly due to higher income from the sale of property, plant and equipment (sale of real estate) and scrap. Less income from compensations for damage and refund of expenses had the opposite effect.
- The cost of materials increased (+2.6%), driven primarily by higher maintenance expenses for quality-related measures and the remediation of severe weather damage.
- The increase in personnel expenses (+5.6%) was primarily attributable to wage adjustments and the higher number of employees.

- Other operating expenses rose (+5.5%), partly because of higher expenses for IT services, grants for third-party facilities and rents.
- Depreciation (-22.1%) decreased following adjustments to useful lives of facilities due to the change from an accounting approach to an economic approach.

Operating income after interest also improved, further supported by lower interest expenses, which led to an improvement in net operating interest.

ROCE improved in the wake of positive profit development, burdened by a slight increase in capital employed.

Net financial debt fell, primarily due to the capital increase at DB Netz AG. This also slightly improved the redemption coverage.

Gross capital expenditures were slightly lower due to the smaller volume relating to German unification transport projects no. 8 (Berlin – Munich line). We expect capital expenditures to expand again significantly in the second half of 2018. Net capital expenditures increased slightly.

The number of employees rose, mainly due to increases to cover existing and future staffing requirements, especially in maintenance and construction projects.

DB Netze Stations business unit Events in the first half of 2018

Improvements in station quality

We launched numerous projects to improve the quality of stations, some of which have already been completed.

- An S-Bahn (metro) Task Force has identified actions to improve quality at S-Bahn (metro) stations.
- Modernization of the underground passenger transport facilities has commenced at Hamburg's Jungfernstieg, Stadthausbrücke, Königsstrasse, Landungsbrücken and Reeperbahn S-Bahn (metro) stations. Some of the works have already been completed.
- Extensive work has commenced in Frankfurt am Main on its central station underground, Hauptwache, Mühlberg, Ostendstrasse and Airport Regional stations. At the central station, two generous waiting areas have already been equipped with new benches.
- The test stair access to Rosenheimer Platz has been commissioned in Munich. With its next-generation design – especially with regard to material and lighting – it is slated to become the role model for accessing other Munich stations.
- Düsseldorf Central Station is being equipped with three new waiting pavilions and benches. Two pavilions had already been finished by the end of June.

Other events

- A new cleaning concept and a WhatsApp service aimed at combating dirt in stations were implemented in spring 2018 at more than 230 selected stations (including some 160 S-Bahn (metro) stations in Berlin).

Development in the first half of 2018

- Increased demand from additional traffic and increased schedule frequencies.
- Rental revenues are driven by price and volume effects.
- Burdens from higher personnel expenses.
- Measures to further reduce energy consumption pressed ahead.

DB Netze Stations	H 1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Facilities quality (grade)	2.89	2.91	-	-
Station stops (million)	75.1	74.8	+ 0.3	+ 0.4
thereof non-Group railways	18.2	17.9	+ 0.3	+ 1.7
Total revenues (€ million)	668	635	+33	+5.2
thereof station revenues (€ million)	437	424	+13	+3.1
thereof rental (€ million)	200	196	+4	+2.0
External revenues (€ million)	297	273	+24	+8.8
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	228	217	+11	+5.1
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	158	150	+8	+5.3
ROCE (%)	11.0	10.5	-	-
Capital employed as of Jun 30 (€ million)	2,886	2,859	+27	+0.9
Net financial debt as of Jun 30 (€ million)	1,237	1,215	+22	+1.8
Redemption coverage (%)	29.2	27.5	-	-
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	291	253	+38	+15.0
Net capital expenditures (€ million)	138	80	+58	+72.5
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	5,649	5,404	+245	+4.5

The quality of the facilities at passenger stations remained at a good level.

The performance development was marked by a slight increase in the number of station stops. This was mainly due to increased schedule frequencies and additional traffic in regional transport. In particular, the higher demand was driven by non-Group railways.

The economic development was positive: overall, higher income compensated for the increase in expenses, particularly maintenance and personnel expenses, resulting in an improvement in operating profit.


- The rise in revenues is attributable to higher station revenues as a result of volume and price effects as well as higher revenues from rental. The development of external revenues reflects the growing market share of non-Group railways.
- Other operating income decreased (-4.2%) due to the fact that income from investment grants was higher for seasonal reasons in the first half of 2017.

- The cost of materials increased (+1.6%). Higher maintenance expenses due to the implementation of measures to enhance quality, punctuality and customer satisfaction were partially offset by lower volume-driven energy expenses.
- Personnel expenses (+7.1%) increased significantly, driven primarily by the larger number of employees, alongside collective wage increases.
- The increase in other operating expenses (+9.3%) was partially due to higher rents, increased disposals of property, plant and equipment, and higher IT and communication services, partially as a result of the larger headcount.
- Depreciation increased (+4.5%) in the wake of the larger capital expenditure volume.

The positive EBIT development resulted in an increase in the ROCE since capital employed remained roughly stable.

Net financial debt increased, mainly as a result of higher net capital expenditures.

Operating cash flow was higher as a result of the profit development and improved redemption coverage. Higher net capital expenditures had the opposite effect.

The higher capital expenditures were focused primarily on renovating existing stations and projects under RAILWAY OF THE FUTURE 

The number of employees rose due to the increase in personnel in construction and facility management.

DB Netze Energy business unit

Markets and strategy

Realignment of the business unit strategy

The new strategy “Departure into the DB EnergyTransition” focuses on DB Netze Energy’s contribution to meeting DB Group’s CO₂ targets and addresses the following areas of action: making traction current green, replacing diesel on road and rail and energy efficiency in DB premises and properties. Alongside the strategic measures, the strategy also showcases the economic challenges posed by making traction current green, replacing diesel on road and rail and recent trends in the energy industry. Against this backdrop, we plan to renegotiate energy supply contracts, clarify funding issues and challenge the current business model. Our aim is to become a provider of complex services.

Events in the first half of 2018

Successful launch of business with private customers

After one year, DB Power – our eco-power product for private households – already has more than 10,000 customers. As such, DB Netze Energy has closed the gap separating it from full-service provision. DB Power only supplies eco-power bearing the seal of quality of the ok-power label.

Charging at the station project

DB Netze Energy participated in the Charging at the station project under the BMVI's Federal program on charging infrastructure for electric vehicles in Germany. Public quick-charging infrastructures with eco-power have been set up at Frankfurt am Main, Hanau, Regensburg and Düsseldorf stations. Thanks to participation in the roaming association, customers of other e-mobility providers can also use the charging infrastructure. With this project, DB Netze Energy is supporting the further development of the intermodal interface between road and rail.

Further development of the traction current network access model

Since 2014, DB Netze Energy has been operating a network access model offering traction current to all TOCs. In the first half of 2018, key steps were decided in ongoing talks with market players and the German Federal Network Agency to further develop the network access model and to simplify the process in important areas. A new discussion forum has been set up for this purpose – the Traction Current Grid Task Force. The development of market share shows that the network access model works: in 2017, some 70% of the final consumption of non-Group railways was provided by other suppliers.

Development in the first half of 2018

- Lower demand for electricity and diesel products.
- Higher prices on primary energy markets.
- Increased capital expenditures in building new traction current lines and modernizing existing ones.

DB Netze Energy	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Supply reliability (%)	99.99	99.99	-	-
Traction current (16.7 Hz and direct current) (GWh)	4,146	4,283	-137	-3.2
Traction current pass-through (16.7 Hz) (GWh)	842.6	999.6	-157.0	-15.7
Stationary energy (50 Hz and 16.7 Hz) (GWh)	8,885	9,813	-928	-9.5
Diesel fuel (million l)	214.3	218.1	-3.8	-1.7
Total revenues (€ million)	1,383	1,416	-33	-2.3
External revenues (€ million)	628	654	-26	-4.0
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	47	79	-32	-40.5
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	12	44	-32	-72.7
ROCE (%)	2.2	9.4	-	-
Capital employed as of Jun 30 (€ million)	1,097	947	+150	+15.8
Net financial debt as of Jun 30 (€ million)	646	445	+201	+45.2
Redemption coverage (%)	12.2	24.7	-	-
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	81	48	+33	+68.8
Net capital expenditures (€ million)	40	17	+23	+135
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	1,734	1,742	-8	-0.5

Supply reliability again remained at its previous high level.

Volumes declined:

- Traction current sales decreased, mainly due to less demand from DB Group customers, particularly in freight transport.
- Traction current volumes passed through for non-Group customers decreased. Adjusted for this effect, an increase was recorded from shifts from full power supply to pass-through.
- Sales of stationary energy to non-Group customers decreased, primarily due to smaller volumes from short-term portfolio optimization measures on the energy market as a result of fewer energy schedule deviations. On the opposite side, business with industrial customers increased.
- The declining demand for diesel fuels is attributable to the development of DB Group customers in freight and regional passenger transport. Demand from non-Group customers increased slightly.

The economic development was negative. Lower income and much higher purchase prices on the primary energy markets resulted in weaker adjusted EBITDA and EBIT.

- Revenues decreased in the wake of lower sales volumes of traction current and portfolio optimizations on the energy market. Higher revenues from industrial customers had a compensating effect and were driven by both volumes and prices.
- The increase in other operating income (+47.4%) was due to higher income from insurance payouts and effects from the release of provisions.
- The cost of materials – which is mainly determined by the trend in energy purchase costs – was virtually unchanged (+0.2%). Volume-driven declines were completely offset by negative price effects from much higher primary energy prices for electricity and mineral oil products.
- Personnel expenses (+1.7%) increased as a result of collective bargaining agreements.
- The increase in other operating expenses (+7.1%) reflects the costs of further developing our IT systems.
- Depreciation was virtually unchanged.

The decrease in operating profit, accompanied by an increase in capital employed, resulted in a significant weakening of the ROCE. The higher capital employed is due in particular to the increase in inventory and temporarily higher trade receivables from non-Group customers.

Redemption coverage decreased significantly due to a decline in operating cash flow accompanied by an increase in net financial debt. The development of net financial debt was influenced by the higher capital employed.

Increased capital expenditures in building new traction current lines and modernizing existing ones resulted in an increase in capital expenditures, together with the faster execution of projects.

The number of employees was virtually unchanged.

Subsidiaries/other

Events in the first half of 2018

DB E & C continues on its path of growth

DB E & C expertise is in demand worldwide

- For years, DB Engineering&Consulting (DB E&C) has been involved in planning the traffic systems and structural engineering for the TEN project Karlsruhe – Basel. The mandate has now been expanded to include the technical equipment. DB E&C is therefore now providing all-inclusive planning services for both plan approval sections, including plan reviews, acceptance tests and construction supervision.
- In the project to modernize Dortmund central station, DB E&C has won the contract for supervising the construction of the platform facilities, including passenger tunnels. This includes construction management planning services, welding and environmental supervision, and health and safety coordination.
- In January, DB E&C signed a consultancy agreement for Metro Mumbai Line 4 in Mumbai/India. The 32.5 km line, with 32 stations, is planned to carry some 335,000 passengers every day in 2031. As general consultant, DB E&C is managing a consortium with Louis Berger and Hill International. After Bhopal and Indore, this is now the third major metro project that DB E&C has acquired in India in just a few months.
- Together with Yenon, DB E&C won the tender for planning and supervising the construction of the 28 km local Purple Line in Tel Aviv/Israel. The experts will also provide services to integrate a further local line (Red Line, 24 km) into the overall system for the CRTG-CREEG joint venture. DB E&C is advising ISR, Israel's state-owned railway company, on its electrification program, on defining standards, and on procuring rolling stock.

IBN-InfraTool developed by DB E & C provides digitalization for efficient project delivery

Managing commissioning requires the bundling of technical, organizational and schedule-related factors of an infrastructure project and ensures the conditions are met for safe, plan-compliant and punctual commissioning. The IBN-InfraTool supports commissioning management with structured data and document collection, management and assessment, smart links, completeness and plausibility tests and automated generation of reports and applications.


Development in the first half of 2018

- Increased expenses due to Group projects.
- Increase in the number of employees to cope with enhanced workload.

Subsidiaries/other	H1		Change	
	2018	2017	absolute	%
Total revenues (€ million)	2,274	2,154	+120	+5.6
External revenues (€ million)	252	234	+18	+7.7
EBITDA adjusted (€ million)	-160	-113	-47	+41.6
EBIT adjusted (€ million)	-280	-235	-45	+19.1
Gross capital expenditures (€ million)	184	139	+45	+32.4
Net capital expenditures (€ million)	181	139	+42	+30.2
Employees as of Jun 30 (FTE)	53,386	51,291	+2,095	+4.1

Subsidiaries/other encompasses the governance functions (such as corporate development, finance or human resources) and the dependent service units (such as the Accounting Shared Service Center or HR services) of the holding company DB AG. This segment also bundles the legally independent service units within DB Group (such as DB Temporary Work and DB JobService) and the independent operating service units (such as DB Vehicle Maintenance or DB Systel) which provide services to several DB Group business units.

The increase in total revenues was primarily driven by higher revenues from DB Group customers, partly in connection with the growth in building and project business at DB Bahnbau and DB E&C and with the growth in project business at DB Systel.

The decrease in adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBIT was mainly due to collective wage increases driving personnel expenses, and to project costs for measures under RAILWAY OF THE FUTURE 

The increased capital expenditures were mainly attributable to the purchase of new ticketing machines and of construction vehicles at DB Bahnbau.

The number of employees increased, partly as a result of additional recruitments for Group projects and commissions, especially at DB Systel, DB E&C, DB Vehicle Maintenance and DB Security.

Opportunity and risk report

- No material changes in opportunity and risk management
- Risks for EBIT development in 2018 reduced
- Risk portfolio unchanged without any threats to DB Group as a going concern

Our business activities are associated with risks as well as opportunities. Our business policy therefore aims to take advantage of opportunities through our opportunity management system, while also actively managing those risks identified within the framework of our risk management system. There were no significant changes to DB Group's RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (2017 INTEGRATED REPORT 150 FF.) in the first half of 2018. Nor were there any significant changes to DB Group's MAJOR OPPORTUNITIES AND RISKS (2017 INTEGRATED REPORT 152 FF.).

The opportunities and risks analysis was performed compared to the updated anticipated DEVELOPMENT OF DB GROUP 51 F. in 2018.

Compared to the estimate in the 2017 Integrated Report, the total risk position has decreased by € 0.2 billion to € 0.2 billion as a result of risks being processed in the updated estimate. The risks in the EBIT forecast are mostly in the areas of procurement and energy markets in the amount of € 0.1 billion (thereof very likely (vl): € 0.0 billion),

and production and technology and market and competition in the amount of € 0.05 billion each (thereof very likely (vl): € 0.0 billion).

Compared to the estimate in the 2017 Integrated Report, the overall opportunity position is unchanged at € 0.1 billion. Opportunities exist mostly in the areas of production and technology in the amount of € 0.1 billion (thereof very likely (vl): € 0.0 billion).

Overall, this results in a balanced profile of the very likely opportunities and risks for the 2018 financial year. In total, the likely risks outweigh the likely opportunities.

Our analyses of risks, countermeasures, hedging and precautionary measures, together with the opinion of the Group Management Board based on the current risk assessment and our mid-term planning, indicate that there are no risks that, individually or jointly, could have an impact on the net assets, financial or income situation of DB Group and would pose a threat to the Group as a going concern.

Events after the balance sheet date

- CHF bond issued
- Reduction of train-path prices in rail freight transport approved
- Further changes in the Supervisory Board

Fifth bond issued in 2018

On July 3, 2018, we issued a CHF bond through DB Finance with a total volume of CHF 400 million (about € 346 million) (maturity: ten years; coupon of 0.50%) and swapped it to euros.

Reduction of train-path prices in rail freight transport

The German Bundestag approved in early July the 2018 budget, including an increase in funds for BMVI.

Of these additional funds, € 175 million will go toward reducing train-path prices in rail freight transport in the second half of 2018. The funds will be made available following notification of the funding regulations by the European Union.

Changes in the Supervisory Board

Dr. Michael Frenzel and Dr. Jürgen Großmann both resigned their mandates on the Supervisory Board of DB AG with effect from the end of July 18, 2018. Ludwig Koller resigned his Supervisory Board mandate with effect from the end of July 31, 2018.

Outlook

— Expectations remain stable for overall economic development

— Rail passenger transport growth above market average
— Expectations adjusted with regard to the development of DB Group

Future direction of DB Group

The future direction of DB Group is described in the 2017 INTEGRATED REPORT 159. There were no significant changes to this in the first half of 2018.

We are currently working on the further development of our sustainable strategy DB2020+^{DB}.

Positive development in the economic outlook

Anticipated development (%)	2017	2018 (Mar forecast)	2018 (Jul forecast)
GDP world	+3.0	~+3.1	~+3.1
World trade ¹⁾	+6.0	~+5.0	~+4.8
GDP Eurozone	+2.5	~+2.3	~+2.1
GDP Germany	+2.5	~+2.4	~+2.0

¹⁾ Trade in goods only.

The data for 2017, adjusted for price and calendar effects, is based on the information and estimates available as of July 2018. Expectations for 2018 are rounded off to the nearest half percentage point.

Source: Oxford Economics

Assuming a stable geopolitical situation and no further escalation in the protectionist trade conflicts, we expect the global economy and world trade to undergo stable growth in 2018. The minor downward correction of our current guidance for world trade compared to March is, however, indicative that global economic growth is already losing pace. Growing uncertainty is fueling the modest expectations.

The mentioned development applies particularly to the Eurozone as well, whose prospects are more subdued compared to the previous year. Although the currently favorable price of the euro is helping exports, demand from abroad has weakened. On balance, we nevertheless expect solid economic development in Europe.

By the same token, economic growth in Germany will probably also be well below the level of the previous year. This is mainly due to declining industrial production, while domestic demand remains strong.

Positive expectations for relevant markets

Passenger transport

Anticipated market development (%)	2017	2018 (Mar forecast)	2018 (Jul forecast)
German passenger transport (based on pkm)	+1.0	+1.0	+1.0

The data for 2017 is based on the information and estimates available as of July 2018. Expectations for 2018 are rounded off to the nearest half percentage point.

Growth in volume sold in 2018 on the German passenger transport market is expected to be at the same level as the previous year. Rail passenger transport growth is stronger than the average, not least due to improved long-distance offers on the Berlin–Munich line.

Demand is also expected to increase slightly in the European passenger transport market. With increases in employment figures and disposable incomes continuing, the general framework remains positive. As the year progresses, rising fuel prices and inflation could take some of the pace out of the market.

Across Europe, moderate growth in rail passenger transport is expected.

Freight transport and logistics

Anticipated market development (%)	2017	2018 (Mar forecast)	2018 (Jul forecast)
German freight transport (based on tkm)	~+1.9	~+2.0	+2.0
European rail freight transport (based on tkm)	~+2.7	~+1.5	~+1.5
European land transport (based on revenues)	+4.8	+3.5	+4.0
Global air freight (based on t)	+10.0	+2.0	+4.0
Global ocean freight (based on TEU)	+4.8	+3.5	+3.5
Global contract logistics (based on revenues)	+3.0	+3.0	+4.0

The data for 2017 and 2018 is based on information and estimates available as of July 2018. Expectations for 2018 are rounded off to the nearest half percentage point.

The outlook for the entire German freight transport market has not changed much since the previous forecasts were published:

— The absence of final statistics for 2017 makes it difficult to predict the development of rail freight transport in 2018. Bearing in mind the economic outlook, special issues such as the closure of/shift away from coal-fired


power stations, and a positive baseline effect following the closure of the Rhine Valley line in late summer 2017, growth in 2018 is expected to be slightly below the average.

- Development of road freight transport in Germany will continue to be above the average. In 2018, growth should be more or less on a par with the previous year, and market position should be further expanded. The expansion of truck tolls to include all federal roads from July 1, 2018 onwards is not expected to have a dampening effect.
- Following a dynamic start to the year, the development of inland waterway transport should lose pace considerably, but will nevertheless remain positive. In addition to subdued stimulus from the iron, coal and steel industry, this trend will probably be fueled by the low water levels that are already occurring and by a negative baseline effect in the second half of 2018. Growth in the second half of 2017 was unusually strong at more than 9% due partly to temporary shifts to other means of transport during the weeks in which the Rhine Valley line was closed.

In the European rail freight transport market, volume sold in 2018 is expected to increase at a lesser pace. Although economic stimulus will remain positive overall, the weak development of coal will continue. The strikes in France are also having an adverse effect that extends beyond the borders.

Based on the development to date in 2018, we have raised our expectations for global air freight and contract logistics significantly, and for European land transport slightly.

Infrastructure

For 2018 as a whole, we expect train-path demand to remain largely constant in the wake of expanded rail passenger transport services and the stable development of rail freight transport. The planned **REDUCTION OF TRAIN-PATH PRICES**  49 offers opportunities in rail freight transport.

In terms of station stops, we expect a slight increase in the year-on-year comparison. The share of train stops operated by non-Group railways will continue to increase. Leasing income in stations will also show stable development and be slightly over the level of the previous year (+1.1%).

Procurement markets

In the baseline scenario, we continue to expect no bottlenecks in procurement. In light of the announced increases in OPEC and Russian oil production, a balanced oil market can be expected for the second half of 2018. The risks of rising prices are inherent in potential further production losses.

In Germany, there will continue to be struggles over the design of the new electricity market (Electricity Market 2.0). Short-term price volatility is likely to be further amplified by the ongoing expansion of renewable energies due to the limited ability to forecast them. Wholesale prices are being boosted by the dismantling of conventional capacities. Climate policy aimed at speeding up the phasing out of coal and raising the price of CO₂ emissions are contributing to this development.

Development of DB Group

Profitable quality leader

Anticipated development of DB Group	2017	2018 (Mar forecast)	2018 (Jul forecast)
Volume sold in rail passenger transport (Germany) (billion pkm)	82.3	~84.5	~84.5
Volume sold in rail freight transport (billion tkm)	92.7	~98	~93
Train kilometers on track infrastructure (billion train-path km)	1.07	~1.1	~1.09
Land transport shipments (million)	100.5	~103	~105
Air freight volume (export) (million t)	1.30	~1.3	~1.35
Ocean freight volume (export) (million TEU)	2.17	~2.3	~2.23
Customer satisfaction – passengers (SI)	75.8	~78	~78
Punctuality DB Group (rail) in Germany (%)	93.9	~95	< 94
Punctuality DB Long-Distance (%)	78.5	82	< 80
Revenues (€ billion)	42.7	~44	~43.7
Revenues comparable (€ billion)	43.0	–	~44.2
EBIT adjusted (€ billion)	2.15	≥ 2.2	~2.1
ROCE (%)	6.1	~6.0	~5.6
Redemption coverage (%)	18.7	≥ 18.5	~18.0

On the basis of the DB developments to date and the current estimates for the second half of 2018, we have made adjustments to our expectations:

- Following the decline in the first half of 2018, we expect volume sold in rail freight transport to be weaker.
- The increase in shipment volumes in land transport will likely be more positive in light of the upward trend in parcel and direct transport business (not least due to inclusion of non-European transport business).
- In air freight, we now expect the development to be somewhat stronger in 2018 as a whole as well.

- As the year continues, punctuality will probably not be able to make up for the weak development in the first half of the year.
- Following the declining development in the first half of 2018, operating profit will probably be more or less on a par with the level of the previous year.
- The likely weaker development of operating profit will also impact ROCE and redemption coverage.

Business units

Anticipated development (€ million)	Revenues adjusted		EBIT adjusted	
	2017	2018 (Mar fore- cast)	2017	2018 (Mar fore- cast)
DB Long-Distance	4,347	↗	381	↗
DB Regional	8,734	↗	508	→
DB Arriva	5,345	↗	301	→
DB Cargo	4,528	↗	-90	↗
DB Schenker	16,430	↗	477	↗
DB Netze Track	5,364	↗	687	↗
DB Netze Stations	1,265	↗	233	↘
DB Netze Energy	2,794	→	72	↘

- ↗ above previous year's figure
- at previous year's level
- ↘ below previous year's figure

At the business unit level, our expectations are virtually unchanged. Based on development in the first half of 2018, we have made the following adjustments:

- Revenue development at DB Netze Energy will probably be weaker.
- EBIT development at DB Regional and DB Cargo now expected to be at the same level as the previous year.

Anticipated capital expenditures

Anticipated development (€ billion)	2017	2018 (Mar forecast)	2018 (Jul forecast)
Gross capital expenditures	10.5	>12	~12
Net capital expenditures	3.7	>4.5	~4.5

We have defined our expectations with regard to capital expenditures in 2018 in more detail.

Anticipated financial position

Anticipated development (€ billion)	2017	2018 (Mar forecast)	2018 (Jul forecast)
Maturities	2.1	2.2	2.2
Bond issues	2.0	≤3	3
Cash and cash equivalents as of Dec 31	3.4	~3	~3
Net financial debt as of Dec 31	18.6	≤20	≤20

Our expectations regarding the financial position for 2018 are roughly unchanged from the forecast in the 2017 Integrated Report. We now expect our bond issues to be at the upper end of our forecast.

Top employer

Anticipated development	2017	2018 (Mar forecast)	2018 (Jul forecast)
Employee satisfaction (SI)	-	3.8	3.8
Employer attractiveness (rank in Germany)	13	13	13

Our expectations in the **SOCIAL DIMENSION**  are unchanged.

Eco-pioneer

Anticipated development	2017	2018 (Mar forecast)	2018 (Jul forecast)
Specific CO ₂ e emissions ¹⁾ compared to 2006 (%)	~30	~32	~32
Share of renewable energies in the DB traction current mix (%)	44	45	>45
Track kilometers noise-remediated in total ²⁾ (rounded) as of Dec 31 (km)	1,700	~1,800	~1,800
Quiet freight cars in Germany as of Dec 31	39,604	~50,000	~50,000

¹⁾ According to the newly defined climate target for 2030 including stationary energies.

²⁾ Accumulated length of track of noise remediation areas (according to Annex 1 of the overall concept "noise remediation program") from noise remediation projects with completed active noise protection measures (sound barriers) and initiated passive noise protection measures (noise protection at homes), including sections to be remediated in new construction and expansion projects.

Our expectations in the **ENVIRONMENTAL DIMENSION**  are unchanged.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This management report contains statements and forecasts pertaining to the future development of DB Group, its business units and individual companies. These forecasts are estimates made based on information that is available at the current time. Actual developments and profits may diverge from the current expectations as a result of the non-materialization of the assumptions upon which our forecasts are based or the materialization of risks such as those presented in the Risk report.

DB Group does not assume any obligation to update the statements made within this management report.



Consolidated interim financial statements (unaudited)

Consolidated statement of income

(€ million)	H 1		
	2018	2017	2017
Revenues	21,555	21,066	42,693
Inventory changes and internally produced and capitalized assets	1,446	1,376	2,900
Overall performance	23,001	22,442	45,593
Other operating income	1,206	1,239	2,954
Cost of materials	-10,743	-10,411	-21,457
Personnel expenses	-8,495	-8,227	-16,665
Depreciation and impairments	-1,360	-1,405	-2,847
Other operating expenses	-2,727	-2,562	-5,890
Operating profit (EBIT)	882	1,076	1,688
Result from investments accounted for using the equity method	8	14	14
Net interest income	-330	-343	-704
Other financial result	0	-14	-30
Financial result	-322	-343	-720
Profit before taxes on income	560	733	968
Taxes on income	2	46	-203
Net profit (after taxes)	562	779	765
Net profit attributable to			
Shareholder of Deutsche Bahn AG	554	766	745
Non-controlling interests	8	13	20
Earnings per share (€ per share)			
undiluted	1.29	1.78	1.73
diluted	1.29	1.78	1.73

Reconciliation of consolidated comprehensive income

(€ million)	H 1		
	2018	2017	2017
Net profit (after taxes)	562	779	765
Changes due to the revaluation of defined benefit plans	-292	670	651
Changes in profit items recognized directly in equity which are not reclassified to the income statement	-292	670	651
Changes resulting from currency translation ¹⁾	2	-90	-175
Changes resulting from market valuation of securities	-1	-1	0
Changes resulting from market valuation of cash flow hedges	84	-32	51
Share of profit items not recognized in the income statement due to investments accounted for using the equity method	-	-	0
Changes in profit items recognized directly in equity which are reclassified to the income statement ¹⁾	85	-123	-124
Balance of profit items covered directly in equity (before taxes) ¹⁾	-207	547	527
Revaluation of defined benefit plans	-2	-17	-41
Changes in deferred taxes on profit items recognized directly in equity, which are not reclassified to the income statement	-2	-17	-41
Deferred taxes relating to the change in the market valuation of securities	-	-	0
Deferred taxes relating to the change in the market valuation of cash flow hedges	-10	9	-4
Changes in deferred taxes on profit items recognized directly in equity, which are reclassified to the income statement	-10	9	-4
Balance of profit items recognized directly in equity (after taxes) ¹⁾	-219	539	482
Comprehensive income ¹⁾	343	1,318	1,247
Comprehensive income attributable to			
Shareholder of Deutsche Bahn AG ¹⁾	336	1,308	1,235
Non-controlling interests	7	10	12

¹⁾ Figure for the first half of 2017 adjusted due to the effects of the retrospective application of the change in method in accounting for pension obligations in the DB Arriva segment.

Consolidated balance sheet

Assets

(€ million)	Jun 30, 2018	Dec 31, 2017	Jun 30, 2017
NON-CURRENT ASSETS ¹⁾			
Property, plant and equipment	40,161	39,608	38,941
Intangible assets ¹⁾	3,569	3,599	3,576
Investments accounted for using the equity method	505	500	537
Available-for-sale financial assets	34	40	38
Receivables and other assets ¹⁾	306	302	368
Derivative financial instruments	223	160	255
Deferred tax assets	1,512	1,416	1,647
	46,310	45,625	45,362
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories	1,244	1,151	1,175
Available-for-sale financial assets	1	1	1
Trade receivables	4,886	4,571	4,366
Other receivables and other assets	1,930	1,620	1,912
Income tax receivables	51	52	45
Derivative financial instruments	59	19	44
Cash and cash equivalents	3,673	3,397	2,906
Held-for-sale assets	1	0	0
	11,845	10,811	10,449
Total assets ¹⁾	58,155	56,436	55,811

Equity and liabilities

(€ million)	Jun 30, 2018	Dec 31, 2017	Jun 30, 2017
EQUITY ¹⁾			
Subscribed capital	2,150	2,150	2,150
Reserves ¹⁾	4,595	4,813	3,865
Retained earnings ¹⁾	7,244	7,110	7,165
Equity attributable to shareholder of Deutsche Bahn AG ¹⁾	13,989	14,073	13,180
Non-controlling interests	154	165	182
	14,143	14,238	13,362
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES ¹⁾			
Financial debt	20,255	19,716	18,398
Other liabilities	224	233	220
Derivative financial instruments	325	341	312
Pension obligations ¹⁾	4,269	3,940	3,958
Other provisions	2,285	2,374	2,267
Deferred items ¹⁾	696	785	855
Deferred tax liabilities ¹⁾	125	121	151
	28,179	27,510	26,161
CURRENT LIABILITIES ¹⁾			
Financial debt	3,213	2,360	3,829
Trade liabilities	5,139	5,157	5,204
Other liabilities	3,514	3,399	3,471
Income tax liabilities	181	150	158
Derivative financial instruments	11	41	63
Other provisions	2,777	2,743	2,672
Deferred items ¹⁾	998	838	891
	15,833	14,688	16,288
Total assets ¹⁾	58,155	56,436	55,811

¹⁾ Figure as of June 30, 2017 adjusted due to the effects of the retrospective application of the change in method in accounting for pension obligations in the DB Arriva segment.

Consolidated statement of cash flows

(€ million)	H 1		
	2018	2017	2017
Profit before taxes on income	560	733	968
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	1,360	1,405	2,847
Write-ups/write-downs on non-current financial assets	8	0	0
Result on disposal of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	-60	-38	-121
Result on disposal of financial assets	0	0	-19
Interest and dividend income	-17	-41	-53
Interest expense	347	384	757
Foreign currency result	-7	9	19
Result of investments accounted for using the equity method	-8	-14	-14
Other non-cash expenses and income	386	512	1,291
Changes in inventories, receivables and other assets ¹⁾	-864	-975	-639
Changes in liabilities, provisions and deferred items ¹⁾	-74	-853	-1,966
Cash generated from operating activities	1,631	1,122	3,070
Interest received	14	28	39
Received/paid (-) dividends and capital distribution	0	0	-10
Interest paid	-282	-324	-592
Paid (-)/reimbursed (+) taxes on income	-69	-64	-178
Cash flow from operating activities	1,294	762	2,329
Proceeds from the disposal of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	153	120	341
Payments for capital expenditures in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	-4,269	-4,149	-10,524
Proceeds from investment grants	2,292	2,618	6,724
Payments for repaid investment grants	-34	-56	-63
Proceeds from sale of financial assets	0	0	5
Payments for investments in financial assets	-1	-25	-28
Proceeds from sale of shares in consolidated companies less net cash and cash equivalents sold	0	2	2
Payments for acquisition of shares in consolidated companies less net cash and cash equivalents acquired as well as payments for parts of companies	-4	-7	-30
Proceeds from disposal of investments accounted for using the equity method	0	1	4
Cash flow from investing activities	-1,863	-1,496	-3,569
Proceeds from capital contributions	-	-	1,000
Distribution of profits to shareholder	-450	-600	-600
Distribution of profits to minority interests	-11	-10	-12
Payments for finance lease transactions	-24	-34	-53
Proceeds from issue of bonds	1,964	576	2,038
Payments for redemption of bonds	-1,900	-500	-1,819
Payments for the redemption and repayment of interest-free loans	-	-206	-206
Proceeds from borrowings and commercial paper	1,280	16	100
Payments for the redemption of borrowings and commercial paper	-9	-15	-209
Cash flow from financing activities	850	-773	239
Net changes in cash and cash equivalents	281	-1,507	-1,001
Cash and cash equivalents as of Jan 1	3,397	4,450	4,450
Changes in cash and cash equivalents due to changes in exchange rates	-5	-37	-52
Cash and cash equivalents as of Jun 30/Dec 31	3,673	2,906	3,397

¹⁾ Figure for first half of 2017 adjusted due to the effects of the retrospective application of the change in method in accounting for pension obligations in the DB Arriva segment.

Consolidated statement of changes in equity

(€ million)	Reserves							Total	Retained earnings	Equity attributable to shareholder of Deutsche Bahn AG	Non-controlling interests	Equity
	Subscribed capital	Capital reserves	Currency translation	Fair value valuation of securities	Fair value valuation of cash flow hedges	Revaluation of pensions	Other movements					
As of Jan 1, 2017	2,150	5,310	149	0	-168	-1,891	-12	3,388	7,022	12,560	184	12,744
Adjustment opening balance: change in method pension obligations in the DB Arriva segment	-	-	9	-	-	-74	-	-65	-22	-87	-	-87
As of Jan 1, 2017 adjusted	2,150	5,310	158¹⁾	0	-168	-1,965¹⁾	-12	3,323¹⁾	7,000¹⁾	12,473¹⁾	184	12,657¹⁾
⊕ Capital increase	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
⊖ Capital decrease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3	-3
⊖ Dividend payment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-600	-600	-10	-610
⊕ Other changes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	-1	-	-1
⊕ Comprehensive income	-	-	-87 ¹⁾	-1	-23	653	-	542 ¹⁾	766	1,308 ¹⁾	10	1,318 ¹⁾
thereof net profit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	766	766	13	779
thereof currency effects	-	-	-87 ¹⁾	-	-	-	-	-87 ¹⁾	-	-87 ¹⁾	-3	-90 ¹⁾
thereof deferred taxes	-	-	-	-	9	-17	-	-8	-	-8	-	-8
thereof market valuation	-	-	-	-1	-32	-	-	-33	-	-33	-	-33
thereof revaluation of defined benefit plans	-	-	-	-	-	670	-	670	-	670	-	670
thereof share of items not recognized in the income statement from investments accounted for using the equity method	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
As of Jun 30, 2017	2,150	5,310	71¹⁾	-1	-191	-1,312¹⁾	-12	3,865¹⁾	7,165¹⁾	13,180¹⁾	182	13,362¹⁾

(€ million)	Reserves							Total	Retained earnings	Equity attributable to shareholder of Deutsche Bahn AG	Non-controlling interests	Equity
	Subscribed capital	Capital reserves	Currency translation	Fair value valuation of securities	Fair value valuation of cash flow hedges	Revaluation of pensions	Other movements					
As of Jan 1, 2018	2,150	6,310	-9	-	-121	-1,355	-12	4,813	7,110	14,073	165	14,238
Adjustment due to IFRS 9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	24	-	24
⊕ Capital increase	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
⊖ Capital decrease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	-1
⊖ Dividend payment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-450	-450	-11	-461
⊕ Other changes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	-7	-1
⊕ Comprehensive income	-	-	3	-1	74	-294	-	-218	554	336	7	343
thereof net profit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	554	554	8	562
thereof currency effects	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	-1	2
thereof deferred taxes	-	-	-	-	-10	-2	-	-12	-	-12	-	-12
thereof market valuation	-	-	-	-1	84	-	-	83	-	83	-	83
thereof revaluation of defined benefit plans	-	-	-	-	-	-292	-	-292	-	-292	0	-292
thereof share of items not recognized in the income statement from investments accounted for using the equity method	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
As of Jun 30, 2018	2,150	6,310	-6	-1	-47	-1,649	-12	4,595	7,244	13,989	154	14,143

¹⁾ Figure as of June 30, 2017 adjusted due to the effects of the retrospective application of the change in method in accounting for pension obligations in the DB Arriva segment.

Segment information according to segments

Jan 1 to Jun 30 or respectively as of Jun 30 (€ million)	DB Long-Distance		DB Regional		DB Arriva		DB Cargo		DB Schenker	
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017
External revenues	2,177	2,028	4,325	4,254	2,702	2,659	2,112	2,150	8,301	8,072
Internal revenues	78	79	51	50	4	3	143	156	32	31
Total revenues	2,255	2,107	4,376	4,304	2,706	2,662	2,255	2,306	8,333	8,103
Other external income	66	69	83	102	124	129	118	108	117	97
Other internal income	23	53	39	89	0	0	19	49	4	3
Changes in inventories and internally produced and capitalized assets	5	7	39	32	1	0	10	16	1	2
Total income	2,349	2,236	4,537	4,527	2,831	2,791	2,402	2,479	8,455	8,205
Cost of materials	-1,274	-1,200	-2,724	-2,660	-835	-837	-1,262	-1,259	-5,494	-5,339
Personnel expenses	-477	-470	-999	-966	-1,223	-1,215	-811	-818	-1,629	-1,580
Other operating expenses	-270	-238	-284	-267	-530	-501	-330	-320	-1,018	-981
EBITDA	328	328	530	634	243	238	-1	82	314	305
Scheduled depreciation ²⁾	-122	-112	-315	-319	-136	-128	-113	-104	-98	-97
Impairment losses recognized/reversed ²⁾	0	0	-1	-1	-1	0	-13	-6	0	0
EBIT (operating profit)	206	216	214	314	106	110	-127	-28	216	208
Net operating interest ³⁾	0	5	-26	-21	-17	-14	-23	-24	-17	-18
Operating income after interest ³⁾	206	221	188	293	89	96	-150	-52	199	190
Property, plant and equipment	3,095	2,117	6,713	6,586	2,203	2,128	2,297	2,224	1,427	1,415
+ Intangible assets	8	6	23	19	1,660	1,728 ⁴⁾	160	131	1,413	1,434
thereof goodwill	0	0	6	4	1,385	1,388	1	0	1,141	1,135
+ Inventories	88	82	180	168	98	92	107	95	77	69
+ Trade receivables	202	222	765	630	372	333	553	577	2,694	2,335
+ Receivables and other assets	238	1,071	283	321	615	659 ⁴⁾	114	94	864	828
- Receivables from financing	-204	-1,017	-2	-49	-120	-224	-4	-6	-244	-271
+ Income tax receivables	-	-	0	0	12	19	3	2	27	16
+ Available-for-sale assets	-	-	-	-	0	-	1	0	-	-
- Trade liabilities	-346	-245	-531	-593	-558	-530	-588	-491	-2,217	-1,905
- Miscellaneous and other liabilities	-250	-309	-392	-383	-410	-411	-367	-399	-899	-853
- Income tax liabilities	0	0	-1	0	-87	-83	-4	-4	-90	-72
- Other provisions	-49	-66	-1,466	-1,233	-115	-155	-180	-284	-435	-381
- Deferred items	-492	-392	-138	-142	-200	-190 ⁴⁾	-4	-7	-12	-17
Capital employed ⁵⁾	2,290	1,469	5,434	5,324	3,470	3,366 ⁴⁾	2,088	1,932	2,605	2,598
Net financial debt	-208	-1,020	2,807	2,671	935	886	1,625	1,410	837	917
Investments accounted for using the equity method	1	0	5	4	126	141	33	27	13	13
Result from investments accounted for using the equity method	0	0	1	0	8	9	-3	1	0	1
Gross capital expenditures	380	215	299	164	153	184	140	110	78	76
Investment grants received	-	-	-5	-30	-	-	-1	-2	-	-
Net capital expenditures	380	215	294	134	153	184	139	108	78	76
Additions due to changes in the scope of consolidation	-	0	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	0
Employees ⁶⁾	16,432	16,301	35,876	35,631	54,658	54,145	28,709	28,964	74,104	69,370

¹⁾ Relating to special items and reclassification PPA amortization of customer contracts.

²⁾ The non-cash items are included in the segment result shown.

³⁾ Key figure from internal reporting, no external figures.

⁴⁾ Adjusted due to the effects of the retrospective application of the change in method in accounting for pension obligations in the DB Arriva segment.

⁵⁾ Profit transfer agreements were not assigned to segment assets or liabilities.

⁶⁾ The number of employees comprises the workforce, excluding trainees, at the end of the reporting period (part-time employees have been converted to full-time equivalents).

DB Netze Track		DB Netze Stations		DB Netze Energy		Subsidiaries/ Other		Sum of segments		Consolidation		DB Group adjusted		Reconciliation ¹⁾		DB Group	
2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017
754	746	297	273	628	654	252	234	21,548	21,070	-	-	21,548	21,070	7	-4	21,555	21,066
1,966	1,906	371	362	755	762	2,022	1,920	5,422	5,269	-5,422	-5,269	-	-	-	-	-	-
2,720	2,652	668	635	1,383	1,416	2,274	2,154	26,970	26,339	-5,422	-5,269	21,548	21,070	7	-4	21,555	21,066
357	323	56	62	14	107	269	235	1,204	1,232	-	-	1,204	1,232	2	7	1,206	1,239
99	107	12	9	14	-88	506	492	716	714	-716	-714	-	-	-	-	-	-
446	415	24	19	10	9	432	433	968	933	478	443	1,446	1,376	-	-	1,446	1,376
3,622	3,497	760	725	1,421	1,444	3,481	3,314	29,858	29,218	-5,660	-5,540	24,198	23,678	9	3	24,207	23,681
-856	-834	-261	-257	-1,238	-1,235	-1,367	-1,266	-15,311	-14,887	4,568	4,491	-10,743	-10,396	0	-15	-10,743	-10,411
-1,434	-1,358	-165	-154	-61	-60	-1,625	-1,528	-8,424	-8,149	1	1	-8,423	-8,148	-72	-79	-8,495	-8,227
-517	-490	-106	-97	-75	-70	-649	-633	-3,779	-3,597	1,051	1,037	-2,728	-2,560	1	-2	-2,727	-2,562
815	815	228	217	47	79	-160	-113	2,344	2,585	-40	-11	2,304	2,574	-62	-93	2,242	2,481
-332	-426	-70	-67	-35	-35	-120	-122	-1,341	-1,410	26	22	-1,315	-1,388	-30	-38	-1,345	-1,426
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-15	-7	-	-	-15	-7	-	28	-15	21
483	389	158	150	12	44	-280	-235	988	1,168	-14	11	974	1,179	-92	-103	882	1,076
-108	-139	-14	-20	-8	-7	-102	-94	-315	-332	-	-	-315	-332	-	-	-	-
375	250	144	130	4	37	-382	-329	673	836	-14	11	659	847	-	-	-	-
19,800	19,837	3,216	3,201	987	972	1,142	1,150	40,880	39,630	-719	-689	40,161	38,941	-	-	40,161	38,941
138	133	16	8	28	35	149	69	3,595	3,563 ⁴⁾	-26	13	3,569	3,576 ⁴⁾	-	-	3,569	3,576 ⁴⁾
-	0	0	0	-	0	15	14	2,548	2,541	-	22	2,548	2,563	-	-	2,548	2,563
191	176	0	0	89	39	448	488	1,278	1,209	-34	-34	1,244	1,175	-	-	1,244	1,175
324	321	39	50	319	158	584	636	5,852	5,262	-966	-896	4,886	4,366	-	-	4,886	4,366
122	183	18	13	-139	26	19,162	19,516	21,277	22,711 ⁴⁾	-19,041	-20,431	2,236	2,280 ⁴⁾	-	-	2,236	2,280 ⁴⁾
-2	-1	0	0	173	160	-18,406	-18,797	-18,809	-20,205	18,676	20,066	-133	-139	-	-	-133	-139
0	0	0	-	0	0	9	8	51	45	-	-	51	45	-	-	51	45
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	-	-	1	0	-	-	1	0
-617	-1,084	-80	-98	-263	-286	-900	-857	-6,100	-6,089	961	885	-5,139	-5,204	-	-	-5,139	-5,204
-829	-694	-158	-122	-44	-88	-759	-804	-4,108	-4,063	370	372	-3,738	-3,691	-	-	-3,738	-3,691
-	-	-1	-1	-	-	-19	-18	-202	-178	21	20	-181	-158	-	-	-181	-158
-343	-356	-33	-55	-50	-66	-2,378	-2,322	-5,049	-4,918	-13	-21	-5,062	-4,939	-	-	-5,062	-4,939
-591	-735	-131	-137	-3	-3	-123	-124	-1,694	-1,747 ⁴⁾	0	1	-1,694	-1,746 ⁴⁾	-	-	-1,694	-1,746 ⁴⁾
18,193	17,780	2,886	2,859	1,097	947	-1,091	-1,055	36,972	35,220 ⁴⁾	-771	-714	36,201	34,506 ⁴⁾	-	-	36,201	34,506 ⁴⁾
9,330	10,092	1,237	1,215	646	445	2,495	2,414	19,704	19,030	-	-	19,704	19,030	-	-	19,704	19,030
1	1	-	-	0	0	326	351	505	537	-	-	505	537	-	-	505	537
0	0	-	-	0	-	2	3	8	14	-	-	8	14	-	-	8	14
2,634	2,907	291	253	81	48	184	139	4,240	4,096	-23	12	4,217	4,108	-	-	4,217	4,108
-2,089	-2,382	-153	-173	-41	-31	-3	0	-2,292	-2,618	-	-	-2,292	-2,618	-	-	-2,292	-2,618
545	525	138	80	40	171	181	139	1,948	1,478	-23	12	1,925	1,490	-	-	1,925	1,490
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	4
46,371	44,717	5,649	5,404	1,734	1,742	53,386	51,291	316,919	307,565	-	-	316,919	307,565	-	-	316,919	307,565

Information by regions

Jan 1 to Jun 30 (€ million)	External revenues		Non-current assets ¹⁾		Capital employed ¹⁾		Gross capital expenditures		Net capital expenditures		Employees ¹⁾	
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017
Germany	12,204	11,850	37,579	36,253	30,562	28,943	4,008	3,832	1,716	1,214	194,057	188,132
Europe (excluding Germany)	6,745	6,669	5,922	5,995 ²⁾	5,225	5,235 ²⁾	209	247	209	247	94,118	92,703
Asia/Pacific	1,447	1,404	799	778	843	780	16	11	16	11	16,651	15,180
North America	885	878	195	203	315	277	5	4	5	4	8,970	8,662
Rest of world	267	269	27	28	50	27	2	2	2	2	3,123	2,888
Consolidation	-	-	-745	-698	-794	-756	-23	12	-23	12	-	-
DB Group adjusted	21,548	21,070	43,777	42,559²⁾	36,201	34,506¹⁾	4,217	4,108	1,925	1,490	316,919	307,565
Reconciliation	7	-4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DB Group	21,555	21,066	43,777	42,559²⁾	36,201	34,506¹⁾	4,217	4,108	1,925	1,490	316,919	307,565

¹⁾ As of June 30.

²⁾ Figure adjusted due to the effects of the retrospective application in the change in method for recognizing pension obligations in the DB Arriva segment.

Notes to the consolidated interim financial statements

Basic principles and methods

The unaudited and condensed interim financial statements as of June 30, 2018 are prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as applied in the EU and their interpretation by the IFRS Interpretations Committee. The requirements of IAS 34 (Interim Financial Reporting) have been followed. The accounting policies underlying the consolidated financial statements 2017 have been consistently applied for these interim financial statements.

The following new standards, interpretations and amendments of the IAS/IFRS standards which are significant for Deutsche Bahn Group (DB Group) are the subject of mandatory adoption within the reporting period.

- IFRS 9: “Financial Instruments” (published July 2014; applicable for reporting periods starting January 1, 2018)
- IFRS 15: “Revenue from Contracts with Customers” (published May 2014; applicable for reporting periods starting January 1, 2018)

Comparability with the first half of 2017

After due consideration is given to the following issues, the financial information presented for the first half of 2018 is comparable with the financial information for the first half of 2017:

- Change of method regarding the recognition of pension obligations in the DB Arriva segment

In Great Britain, some rail transport agreements are operated as franchises, for the duration of which DB Group pays contributions into the British railway pension scheme for the employees deployed in such arrangements. As was the case in the previous year, the obligations to these employees as well as the plan assets are completely disclosed after deduction of the element financed by the employees (40%).

The process of recognizing the effects due to franchise agreements also included until now that part of the short-fall or surplus cover which will probably not be financed by DB Group. Personnel expenses also include the service cost resulting from the application of the projected unit credit method.

As a result of the lower level of interest rates, DB Group has established that these two valuation rules no longer provide a true and fair view of the net assets and results of operations. The current contributions actually paid are now disclosed as personnel expenses. After taking account of the effects due to franchise agreements, there will in future only be the obligations resulting from the payment of contributions for reducing any deficit in the pension scheme during the current franchise. If such an obligation exists at the time at which a franchise transport agreement commenced, this is capitalized in the amount of an intangible asset which is written down over the duration of the franchise.

The following table shows the impact on the consolidated interim financial statements as of June 30, 2017 resulting from the retrospective application.

As of Jun 30, 2017 (€ million)	Adjusted method	Previous method	Absolute change
ITEMS OF THE BALANCE SHEET			
Intangible assets	3,576	3,567	+9
Receivables and other assets (non-current)	368	668	-300
Reserves	3,865	3,927	-62
Retained earnings	7,165	7,187	-22
Pension obligations	3,958	3,947	+11
Deferred items (non-current)	855	1,043	-188
Deferred tax liabilities	151	153	-2
Deferred items (current)	891	919	-28

In the items of the income statement, there have not been any major changes.

In the segment information broken down according to operating segments and also the information relating to regions, the figures of the first half of 2017 have been adjusted accordingly.

— Review of useful lives relevant to the segment DB Netze Track

At the beginning of 2018, DB Group carried out a review of the useful lives recognized for depreciation purposes in order to determine the extent to which they reflect actual wear and tear. The review resulted in the recognition of higher useful lives in the case of some asset classes, which meant that depreciation in the first half of 2018 was lower than in the corresponding previous year period.

Changes in DB Group

Movements in the group of fully consolidated companies of DB Group are detailed in the following:

(Number)	Germany Jun 30, 2018	International Jun 30, 2018	Total Jun 30, 2018	Total Jun 30, 2017	Total Dec 31, 2017
FULLY CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES					
As of Jan 1	126	452	578	618	618
Additions	2	1	3	4	18
Additions due to changes in type of inclusion	0	0	0	0	2
Disposals	1	4	5	14	60
Disposals due to changes in type of inclusion	0	0	0	0	0
Total	127	449	576	608	578

Additions of companies and parts of companies

The additions of companies to the scope of consolidation consist exclusively of newly established companies.

In the first half of 2018, DB Group acquired the following part of the company in accordance with IFRS 3:

Part of company	Activities	Segment
Operations in Germany (acquisition of buses, brands and property rights as well as assumption of employees)	Bus services	DB Regional, starting June 18, 2018

The acquisition (net payment €2 million) is not material for DB Group.

Disposals of companies and parts of companies

The disposals from the scope of consolidation relate to one merger, three liquidations and one sale. The sale has not resulted in an inflow of cash.

Effects on the consolidated statement of income

In total, the impact of the changes in the scope of consolidation which have occurred compared with the first half of 2017 in relation to the consolidated statement of income is not material, and is shown in the following overview:

(€ million)	DB Group Jan 1 to Jun 30, 2017	thereof due to additions to the scope of consolidation	Amounts due to disposals from the scope of consolidation
Revenues	21,555	27	-1
Inventory changes and internally produced and capitalized assets	1,446	0	-
Overall performance	23,001	27	-1
Other operating income	1,206	1	0
Cost of materials	-10,743	-10	0
Personnel expenses	-8,495	-9	0
Depreciation and impairments	-1,360	-2	-
Other operating expenses	-2,727	-7	0
Operating profit (EBIT)	882	0	-1
Result from investments accounted for using the equity method	8	-	-
Net interest income	-330	0	0
Other financial result	0	0	0
Financial result	-322	0	0
Profit before taxes on income	560	0	-1
Taxes on income	2	0	0
Net profit	562	0	-1

The revenues attributable to changes in the scope of consolidation are as follows:

Jan 1 to Jun 30, 2018 (€ million)	Revenues due to	
	Additions to the scope of consolidation	Disposals from the scope of consolidation
Autotrans d.o.o., Cres/Croatia ¹⁾	20	-
Trans-Eurasia Logistics GmbH, Berlin ¹⁾	6	-
Innovationszentrum für Mobilität und gesellschaftlichen Wandel (Innoz) GmbH, Berlin ¹⁾	1	-
Riviera Transporti Linea S.P.A., Imperia/Italy	-	1
Total	27	1

¹⁾ Acquired during the previous year.

Information regarding the changes in financial liabilities (IAS 7)

(€ million)	As of Jan 1, 2018	Cash-effective changes (- = outflow)	Non-cash-effective changes				As of Jun 30, 2018
			Acquisition (+)/ sale (-) of companies	Exchange rate effects	Addition (+)/ disposal (-) of finance leases	Compounding	
Receivables from financing	-131	-2	-	0	-	-	-133
LIABILITIES FROM FINANCING							
Interest-free loans	1,014	-	-	-	-	22	1,036
Bonds	19,616	64	-	37	-	7	19,724
Commercial paper	-	1,139	-	-	-	-	1,139
Bank borrowings	531	124	-	0	-	-	655
EUROFIMA loan	200	-	-	-	-	-	200
Finance lease liabilities	501	-24	-	-	-	13	490
Liabilities from transport concessions	52	-4	-	-	-	-	48
Other financial liabilities	162	14	-	0	-	-	176
	22,076	1,313	-	37	-	42	23,468
Total	21,945	1,311	-	37	-	42	23,335

Information concerning revenues from contracts with customers (IFRS 15)

The first-time adoption of IFRS 15 has not had a major impact in the consolidated interim financial statements. Revenues in DB Group are broken down as follows:

(€ million)	H1 2018
Revenues from freight and passenger transport services	19,384
thereof concession fees for rail transport	2,512
Revenues from operating infrastructure	855
Income from letting and leasing	223
Revenues from the sale of products	648
Other revenues	478
Revenue reductions	-33
Total	21,555

The revenues from freight and passenger transport services were generated mainly by companies operating in the segments DB Schenker, DB Regional and DB Arriva. Revenues from operating infrastructure relate to the segments DB Netze Track and DB Netze Stations.

The order volume of customer contracts with contractually agreed outstanding revenues (secured revenues¹⁾) is broken down as follows:

Secured order volume, nominal values (€ million)	Jun 30, 2018
Transport contracts	62,320
Logistics contracts (with a contract duration of at least 12 months and a total volume of at least € 5 million)	202
Other contracts (with a contract duration of at least 12 months and a total volume of at least € 5 million)	94
Total	62,616

¹⁾ Revenues for which non-variable payments have been agreed (mainly concession fees).

Claims relating to contractual assets of € 29 million are recognized together with the other receivables and assets.

The contractual liabilities in DB Group include advance payments received as well as other payments received in advance in relation to revenues for subsequent periods. Obligations from contractual liabilities of € 1,254 million are shown under the trade payables and deferred items.

Information concerning financial instruments (IFRS 9)

With the application of IFRS 9 (Financial Instruments) as of January 1, 2018, there have been changes affecting the classification of financial instruments as well as changes affecting the calculation of impairments of receivables.

For DB Group, the first-time application has had an impact within the framework of determining anticipated bad debts. In addition, all investments as well as all receivables which are sold on within the framework of factoring agreements will be classified "at fair value" in future.

a) Classification of financial assets

Within the framework of IFRS 9, the number of categories previously applicable under IAS 39 has been reduced from four to three. A distinction is still made as to whether the valuation effects from other comprehensive income are reclassified to the income statement or remain in shareholders' equity.

Financial assets (€ million)	Fair value (recognized in the income statement)	Fair value (not recognized in the income statement)	Amortized cost of purchase
As of Dec 31, 2017	5	2	9,333
Reclassification of other investments	+24	+14	-38
Reclassification of receivables earmarked for factoring	+353	-	-353
As of Jan 1, 2018	382	16	8,942

b) Measurement of financial assets

For the measurement of financial instruments, IFRS 9 specifies that expected losses are now recognized within the framework of risk provisioning.

For trade receivables, the expected credit losses were determined on a collective basis using an impairment matrix; these expected losses amounted to €19 million as of June 30, 2018.

For receivables from financing as well as other receivables, the expected impairment requirement for major items was also determined in relation to specific receivables. Risk provisioning of €5 million was created for this purpose as of June 30, 2018.

The change in the process of determining expected credit losses resulted in a one-off positive effect of €24 million in DB Group; this was disclosed separately in equity (see CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY 57).

c) Hedge accounting

With regard to the recognition of hedges, there have been additions in the field of designation possibilities as well as a closer link between hedge accounting and risk management. There is also the need to implement extended accounting and measurement logic. In DB Group, this is relevant particularly for a differentiated treatment of the currency basis spreads which, under IFRS 9, will no longer be an element of the underlying of a hedge. Any resultant ineffectiveness is, where necessary, recognized in the income statement. With IFRS 9, the quantitative limits for the effectiveness test are no longer applicable.

Contingent receivables and liabilities, and guarantee obligations

As of June 30, 2018, there were contingent receivables of €46 million (as of December 31, 2017: €23 million; as of June 30, 2017: €18 million). They mainly comprise a recovery claim in conjunction with construction grants which have been provided but which had not been sufficiently determined as of the balance sheet date in terms of the specific amount and the time at which the claim would become due.

As of the balance sheet date, no contingent receivables had been recognized for all injunction proceedings in view of the high level of uncertainty relating to refund claims, the timing of refunds and the probability of refunds.

The contingent liabilities are broken down as follows:

(€ million)	Jun 30, 2018	Dec 31, 2017	Jun 30, 2017
Contingent liabilities from guarantee obligations	-	30	30
Other contingent liabilities	134	124	93
Total	134	154	123

Other contingent liabilities also comprise risks arising from litigation which had not been stated as provisions because the expected probability of occurrence is less than 50%.

There are also contingencies of €16 million from guarantees as of June 30, 2018 (as of December 31, 2017: €17 million; as of June 30, 2017: €18 million). As of June 30, 2018, property, plant and equipment with carrying amounts of €9 million (as of December 31, 2017: €7 million; as of June 30, 2017: €2 million) were also used as security for loans. The reported figure essentially relates to rolling stock used at the operating companies in the segment DB Long-Distance.

DB Group acts as guarantor mainly for equity participations and joint ventures, and is subject to joint and several liability for all syndicates in which it is involved.

Information regarding the fair value of financial instruments

The carrying amounts of the cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables and other financial assets (€6,487 million) approximate the fair values as of the balance sheet date.

The carrying amounts of the trade payables, the miscellaneous other financial liabilities (a total of €6,708 million) as well as the current financial debt approximate the fair values as of the balance sheet date.

Of the figure stated for receivables and other assets as of June 30, 2018, €635 million was attributable to non-financial assets (as of December 31, 2017: €566 million; as of June 30, 2017; €571¹⁾ million). Of the figure stated for other liabilities as of June 30, 2018, €2,169 million was attributable to non-financial liabilities (as of December 31, 2017: €2,067 million; as of June 30, 2017; €2,220 million).

The fair value of the non-current financial debt amounted to €21,484 million as of June 30, 2018 (as of December 31, 2017: €21,331 million; as of June 30, 2017; €20,018 million).

Other financial commitments

The total amount of other financial commitments was stated as €21,140 million as of June 30, 2018 (as of December 31, 2017: €20,507 million; as of June 30, 2017; €21,747 million).

¹⁾ Figure adjusted due to the effects of the retrospective application of the change in method in accounting for pension obligations in the DB Arriva segment.

Capital expenditures in relation to which DB Group has entered into contractual obligations as of the balance sheet date, but for which no consideration has yet been received, are broken down as follows:

(€ million)	Jun 30, 2018	Dec 31, 2017	Jun 30, 2017
Committed capital expenditures			
Property, plant and equipment	15,237	14,478	15,926
Intangible assets	38	55	35
Acquisition of financial assets	406	402	430
Total	15,681	14,935	16,391

The increase in the committed capital expenditures in property, plant and equipment is due particularly to planned investment projects resulting from DB Group's own construction services; this is opposed mainly by the acquisitions of new rolling stock. In the case of some supply arrangements, there are independent admissions of guilt with regard to fulfilling the order commitment; these are opposed by claims of the same amount, backed by bank guarantees and insurance policies with very good ratings. The committed capital expenditures in property, plant and equipment also contains future obligations for vehicles in connection with transport contracts to be recognized in accordance with IFRIC 12.

The acquisition of financial assets relates to outstanding deposits (which have not been called in) at the European Company for the Financing of Railroad Rolling Stock (EUROFIMA), Basel/Switzerland.

Other financial commitments relate to future minimum leasing payments from operating lease agreements.

Related-party disclosures

Major economic relations between DB Group and the Federal Republic of Germany (Federal Government) relate to liabilities due to the Federal Government arising from loans which have been extended (present value as of June 30, 2018: € 1,036 million; as of December 31, 2017: € 1,014 million; as of June 30, 2017: € 992 million). There are also service relationships arising from the fees paid to the Federal Government within the framework of proforma billing for the assigned civil servants as well as cost refunds for the secondment of service provision personnel as well as from investment grants which have been received. The guarantees received from the Federal Government primarily relate to the loans received from EUROFIMA as well as the outstanding contributions and liabilities arising from collective liability of Deutsche Bahn AG (DB AG) at EUROFIMA.

Business relations with Deutsche Telekom and Deutsche Post regarding the use of telecommunications and postal services have taken place to the usual extent.

Other disclosures

Bond issues and repayments

As of June 30, 2018, the following bonds were issued by Deutsche Bahn Finance GmbH (DB Finance):

Issue volume	Duration (years)	Coupon (%)	Placing
€ 1 billion	10	1.0	Institutional investors mainly in Europe and Asia
€ 750 million	15.5	1.625	Institutional investors mainly in Europe
AUD 150 million	14.5	4.050	Private placement with an institutional investor in Asia
AUD 206 million	10	3.494	Private placement with institutional investors in Japan

In the same period, two maturing bonds of DB Finance for € 1.9 billion were repaid.

Dividend payment

Pursuant to the resolution of the Annual General Meeting of March 21, 2018, DB AG paid a dividend of € 450 million to the Federal Government.

Number of issued shares

The number of issued shares is unchanged at 430,000,000.

Significant events after the balance sheet date

Bond issue

In July 2018, DB Group issued a further bond with a total volume of CHF 400 million (about € 346 million) via DB Finance. The bond has a duration of ten years, has been issued with a coupon of 0.5% and has been placed with institutional investors in Switzerland and swapped into euros.

Reduction of train path prices in rail freight transport

At the beginning of July, the German Bundestag adopted the budget for 2018 and, in this connection, adopted an increase in the funds for the Federal Ministry for Transport and Digital Infrastructure (Bundesministerium für Verkehr und digitale Infrastruktur; BMVI).

Of the total volume of additional funds, € 175 million will be channeled into the reduction of train path prices for rail freight transport in the second half of 2018. After successful approval under the terms of the funding guideline, the funds will be provided by the European Union.

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