

Harbour Stats

The most significant increase in ferry passengers remains on the St Malo route, which saw a 49% rise in September - an additional 3,404 travellers - and a 51% increase year-on-year, equating to an additional 32,753 passengers. This surge is largely driven by Brittany Ferries' updated schedule, now offering convenient day-trip sailings from St Malo, alongside strengthened promotional campaigns by VisitGuernsey across Brittany and Normandy.

Passenger numbers from the UK also rose slightly, climbing from 13,951 in September 2024 to 14,227 in September 2025. Combined growth from both UK and French ferry routes has resulted in a 9% year-to-date increase compared to 2024, equating to 23,269 additional passengers.

Inter-island travel remains below previous levels, primarily due to reduced passenger numbers on the Guernsey–Jersey route. However, this situation has improved over the year, thanks to the introduction of the Islands Unlimited service. In May, the route was down 25% year-on-year compared to 2024, but this has now recovered to just -10%. Islands Unlimited has already published its 2026 schedule, starting in March, and we anticipate this will drive further growth in passenger numbers throughout 2026.

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Sea Passenger Movements	Monthly		Char	Change		Year to date		Change	
(Arrivals, Departures and Transfers)	Sep-24	Sep-25	%	Number	Year to Sep-24	Year to Sep-25	%	Number	
Poole	12189	10934	-10%	-1255	89874	91194	1%	1320	
Other UK	1762	3293	87%	1531	22048	24458	11%	2410	
UK Total 13951		14227	2%	276	111922	115652	3%	3730	
Herm*	5680	5519	-3%	-161	52645	53861	2%	1216	
Sark*	5526	4964	-10%	-562	45291	43113	-5%	-2178	
Alderney*	305	78	-74%	-227	2457	1755	-29%	-702	
Jersey	7813	5067	-35%	-2746	60066	46249	-23%	-13817	
CI Total	19324	15628	-19%	-3696	160459	144978	-10%	-15481	
St Malo	6886	10290	49%	3404	64208	96961	51%	32753	
Cherbourg	0	0		0	833	0	-100%	-833	
Dielette	1406	1282	-9%	-124	8349	9785	17%	1436	
International Total	8292	11572	40%	3280	73390	106746	45%	33356	
Cruise Ships**	5395	6169	14%	774	38276	28188	-26%	-10088	
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Total Sea Passenger Movements	46962	47596	1%	634	384047	395564	3%	11517	
* Departure data collected only		_		_		_			
** Arrivals data collected only									
Ferry Passenger Movements									
(excluding Inter-Bailiwick travel and Cruise)	30056	30866	3%	810	245378	268647	9%	23269	