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## **An exceptional year end for Eurotunnel Le Shuttle with several new traffic records**

Eurotunnel Le Shuttle, which connects Folkestone in Kent to Calais in France, broke a series of traffic records during the year end period.

Between Friday 19 December and Sunday 4 January **217,791** cars<sup>1</sup>, coaches and trucks were carried, making the highest number of vehicles ever transported in the Group's history, representing almost **600,000** passengers using Le Shuttle services. **175,821** cars were carried, **an increase of 8%** over the previous all-time record.

But, even more remarkably, more than **19,000** vehicles<sup>2</sup> were carried, in both directions, in one day, on 19 December. This is the highest total ever recorded in one day in 20 years of operations.

The Truck Shuttle hit a new record high, with **25,253** trucks carried<sup>3</sup> from Calais to Folkestone. This is the highest volume ever achieved in a comparable period.

And, finally, more than **20,000**<sup>4</sup> dogs and cats took Le Shuttle between 19 December 2014 and 4 January 2015, an increase of 16% compared to the same time last Christmas, proof again that Le Shuttle is the go-to transporter for our four legged friends and their owners, who appreciate spending the 35 minute crossing time together, in their own vehicle.

**Eurotunnel Commercial Director, Jo Willacy** stated: *"These results show that Eurotunnel Le Shuttle really is the preferred choice for customers crossing the Channel and justifies our decision to undertake a number of major investment programmes that will increase our overall capacity and enable us to offer an even greater frequency of departures over the coming years."*

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<sup>1</sup> Includes motorcycles, vehicles with trailers, caravans and camper vans

<sup>2</sup> 19,038 including cars, coaches and trucks to be more specific

<sup>3</sup> Between 15 December and 28 December

<sup>4</sup> 20,318 to be more specific