Writing

The graph presents the quantity development of goods transported by different methods in the UK from 1974 to 2002.

From the graph, it is known that the goods amount of all transport modes except rail transport increased from 1974 to 2002, but faced a small fallout in 1994. The pipeline transport develop greatly between these years.

In 1974, the amount of goods transported by four different modes summed up to 150 million tones, in which road transport accounted for nearly a half proportion, while the quantities of water transport and rail transport both took up about 40 million tones.

In another aspect, the amount of pipeline transport had increased from 5 million tones in 1974 to over 20 million tones in 2002. The amount of railway transport had declined since 1978 and didn’t rebound until 1995, only by 2002 did it return to the original level of 1974. The quantity of road transport had increased to nearly 100 million tones till 2002, and the quantity of water transport had increased to 65 million tones.