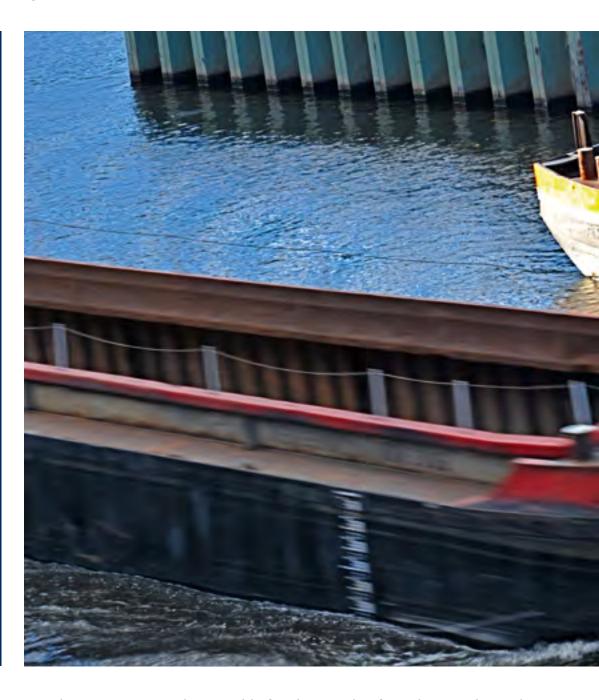
## Freight transport



Freight transport is indispensable for the supply of goods to Berlin and for waste disposal. At the same time, freight transport is responsible for a large proportion of noise and air pollution, and forces substantial expenditure on infrastructure maintenance. Promotion of freight transport by rail and inland waterways, alongside environmentally friendly management of HGV traffic, are therefore high priorities. Freight transport volume in Berlin increased from 30.1 million metric tonnes in 2009 to 33.1 million metric tonnes in 2013. Most freight was transported by road, however there was a decline. The proportion of