

Logistics in Brief

Site selection consultants and local Central Indiana logistics and distribution companies are finding that available real estate, central location, transportation infrastructure, strong work ethic and low costs are making the Central Indiana one of the best places to do business. In 2012, Area Development magazine ranked Indiana the #1 business climate in the Midwestern U.S. Indiana also has the second lowest workers' compensation premium costs in the U.S.¹

Air Freight Leader

Central Indiana moves more than one billion metric tons of air freight every year, ranking the airport the 22nd largest in the world and 8th in the United States in total air cargo². To further improve capacity, FedEx completed a major expansion in conjunction with the new main terminal construction in 2008, bringing the FedEx hub to more than 2 million square feet.

The Crossroads of America

Indianapolis is dubbed the Crossroads of America for a reason – it is the most centrally located major city in the United States, 75% of all businesses in the United States are within a 1½ day truck drive and more interstate highways intersect in the Central Indiana than any other MSA, including I-65, I-70, I-74, I-465 and others.

Central Indiana is #1 in the country in concentration of total highway miles and is virtually delay free when it comes to truck freight transport. Indiana is #9 in the nation in total rail miles, moving over 245 million rail tons of freight in 2009³. These advantages provide quicker fulfillment, better customer satisfaction and lower costs.

¹ Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services, 2012

² Federal Aviation Administration and Airports Council International, 2011

³ Association of American Railroads, 2009

Simply the Best

The Indianapolis International Airport ranked #1 in passenger experience in 2010⁴ and was ranked the #1 airport in North America in 2010 and 2012⁵.

The Indianapolis International Airport is home to the second largest FedEx hub in the world and provides a unique opportunity to move goods efficiently.

Cargolux, Europe's largest air cargo carrier, announced service to Indianapolis in 2006, and has added non-stop flights from Europe. The new mid-field terminal assists companies such as Cargolux to move their freight with improved efficiency and profitability.

Foreign Trade Zones

Indiana is one of the largest export states in the nation, moving \$28.7 billion total goods in 2010. INzone is Central Indiana's foreign trade zone, providing international economic incentives designed to enhance foreign trade and relieve tariff costs. More information is available at <http://www.inzone.org/>

Skilled Workforce

Central Indiana is home to 1,500 logistics-focused companies, employing over 100,000 experienced workers⁶. Companies like Medco, Amazon, Celadon Group, Ozburn-Hessey Logistics, Integrated Distribution Services, Online Transport and Venture Logistics have found the skilled workforce needed to make their businesses successful. World-class universities offer degree programs and curriculum specifically related to logistics, including Indiana University, Purdue University and Ivy Tech.

⁴ J.D. Power and Associates, 2010

⁵ Airports Council International, 2012

⁶ U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2011