



Trucks in the U.S. Economy

If you bought it...

...a truck brought it. Or so goes the industry adage. In fact, 60 percent of the freight moved in the U.S. is moved by truck.

Trucks not only deliver raw and finished goods to warehouses, factories and distribution centers, they also bring the vast majority goods from those locations to your local stores, restaurants, hospitals and entertainment centers.

Trucks also play a key role supporting inter modal transport, moving goods from airports, rail yards and harbors to their final destinations.

Trucks on I-70

Along I-70 there are countless businesses, factories and retail operations that rely on trucks for a significant portion of their freight needs.

Many of these companies have - or contract with - highly sophisticated logistical centers to ensure that their products are moved as cost-effectively as possible, and to ensure that deliveries arrive when expected at their final destinations.

Major employers on or near I-70 include:

- Hallmark Cards
- NetFlix
- Eli Lilly
- Anheuser-Busch
- Lowe's
- Schnucks Markets
- Express Scripts
- Proctor & Gamble
- Walmart

Commercial Freight Activity in the U.S.
by Mode of Transportation

Mode	Millions of Tons	Percent of Tons
Truck	11,712	60.10 %
Rail	1,979	10.15 %
Water	1,668	8.56 %
Air	6	.03 %
Pipeline	3,529	18.11 %
Parcel, postal or courier	27	.14 %
Truck and rail	52	.27 %
Other/unknown	515	2.64 %

Bureau of Transportation Statistics, 2002 Estimates (most current year available at publication)

One Company = 10,500+ Trucks

According to a December 20, 2008 *New York Times* article about Walmart ("My Initiation at Store 5467"), "Walmart ... is considered an industry leader in logistics. The average Walmart truck driver logs more than 100,000 miles a year - the equivalent of four trips around the world."

According to the same article, each Walmart store welcomes between three and seven delivery trucks each day. With more than 3,500 stores across the nation, Walmart alone operates between 10,500 and 24,500 trucks on any given day.

