Regional logistics offer accessibility and ease of commerce

Companies and manufacturers located in the Cincinnati MSA area have easy access to the resources, logistics and the services they need.

First-rate transportation reduces the cost of doing business and improves efficiencies and profits by providing easy access to national and international markets.

Trucking transport is made easy. Five major Interstates connect the region to the U.S. including:

- I-71, Louisville to Cleveland
- I-75, Miami to Ontario, Canada
- I-74, Davenport, Iowa to Cincinnati
- I-471 and I-275 serve the regional market

All major markets are easily reached from Cincinnati via the Interstates. In fact, 20 major cities are within 400 miles (644 km) and are served by one-day truck drive time; 30 additional markets are served by second-day service.

From north to south and east to west, Cincinnati is a vital gateway that is served by two main railroad systems—CSX and Norfolk Southern—that provide long-haul freight service; both have major classification and intermodal yards in region.

The Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG), which is located 15 miles south of Cincinnati, offers daily, non-stop service to more than 60 destinations, including service to the top 50 business centers in the U.S.—that's more than surrounding regional airports including Dayton, Columbus, Indianapolis, Lexington and Louisville. The City of Cincinnati owns and operates Lunken Airport (LUK)—a general aviation airport providing services to corporate and personal aircraft.

Proximity to the Ohio River has historically positioned Cincinnati as a center of business and commerce in the U.S. The same is still true today. River access plays a major role in the commerce of the region:

- The Ohio River system, with its 451 miles of coastline, is responsible for 63 million tons of commodities valued at \$7.4 billion moving to, from and within Ohio (ODOT Division of Planning 2008).
- The Port of Cincinnati is the 5th largest inland port; more than 52.3 million tons pass annually through Cincinnati and the Ohio River. (Cincinnati USA Partnership)



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