



Transportation

Jacksonville has become one of the nation's foremost locations for logistics companies and is poised to become a leading international center for trade and logistics. Northeast Florida boasts an intermodal system that is second to none, a well-established Latin American trade lane presence and rapidly expanding Asian and European service.

In addition to the three Interstate highways serving the area, there are three railroads that meet in Jacksonville. They intersect with our natural deepwater port and are joined by an outstanding airport, making one of the best intermodal transportation systems in the country. This is one of the reasons that our manufacturing and distribution sector continues to grow.

➤ **Roads:** Located on the westernmost point on the Eastern Seaboard, the region is ideally situated within an eight-hour drive of 45 million consumers in the Southeast. Northeast Florida is at the intersection of three major Southeast transportation arteries — I-10, I-95 and I-75. And because Florida is a major destination market for many consumer products, Jacksonville companies shipping to other parts of the country enjoy low backhaul trucking rates.

➤ **Rail:** The region is served by three major rail lines: Jacksonville-headquartered CSX Transportation, Norfolk Southern and Florida East Coast.

➤ **Airports:** Jacksonville's commercial airport, Jacksonville International Airport (JAX) offers non-stop scheduled service to over 27 domestic destinations. The Jacksonville Airport System is a diversified airport system that serves the commercial, business and recreational aviation needs of the City of Jacksonville, Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia. The Jacksonville Airport System is comprised of Jacksonville International Airport (JAX), Craig Airport (CRG), Herlong Airport (HEG) and Cecil Field (VQQ) which are strategically located throughout the community. In 2009, JIA served over 2.75 million enplaned passengers. Jacksonville's commercial airport also handles over 140,000 pounds in air cargo and airmail. Over 1.46 million tons of air cargo moved through JIA in 2009, making them as crucial to business and international trade as they are to tourism.

➤ **Seaports:** The vision of the Jacksonville Port Authority is to be a major economic engine in Northeast Florida by continuing to be a premier diversified port in the Southeastern United States with connections to major trade lanes throughout the world. JAXPORT owns and operates three public marine terminals and one passenger cruise terminal: the Blount Island Marine Terminal, the Talleyrand Marine Terminal, the Dames Point Marine Terminal, and the temporary JAXPORT Cruise Terminal. JAXPORT develops, manages and markets those publicly-owned facilities to promote the growth of maritime and related industries in Jacksonville and beyond. In FY 2009, JAXPORT had over 185,000 embarking passengers on 78 cruise vessel calls and facilitated over 750,000 twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs) of container movements. JAXPORT marine terminals feature roll on/off or gantry crane loading areas, dockside cold storage, dry dock, bulk liquid cargo and bulk dry cargo facilities. In FY 2009, JAXPORT moved 7.3 million tons of cargo.

