THE ECONOMIC ROLE OF FREIGHT IN THE FORT WORTH DISTRICT

Overview

Employment in the Fort Worth district totals 1.5 million jobs, worth $85.6 billion in income and $144.8 billion in Gross Regional Product. The distribution of raw materials, intermediate, and final goods to, from, and within the Fort Worth district are important components of the Texas economy. Without freight, the Fort Worth economy would come to a stop.

Jobs in the Freight Transportation Industry

The transportation and handling of freight in the Fort Worth district generates 120,990 jobs. Trucking is the largest employer in freight transportation in the district, followed by Warehousing and Storage. Other freight modes and handling activities, including couriers and messengers, support activities to transportation and warehousing, the U.S. Postal Service, and rail, water, and pipeline transportation also have impacts in the region.

Direct Employment by Mode

- Postal Service: 4220
- Rail: 1440
- Water: 70
- Truck: 55,930
- Pipeline: 200
- Couriers and Messengers: 15,420
- Warehousing and Storage: 43,310
- Air: 400

Total: 120,990

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Economic Impact of Freight in the Fort Worth District

**Annual Impact of Direct Freight Employment**
- 224,000 jobs
- $12.8 billion in income
- $15.7 billion in Gross Regional Product

**Total Annual Economic Impact of Freight**
(Total impacts of freight employment plus direct impacts of freight-dependent industries)
- 405,000 jobs
- $25.6 billion in income
- $45.9 billion in Gross Regional Product
- $7.8 billion in Federal, state and local tax revenue

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Economic Importance of Freight in the Fort Worth District

**Freight supports**
- 26% of district jobs
- or 1 in 4 jobs

**Freight-supported jobs generate about**
- 30% of district wages

**Freight-dependent businesses generate about**
- 32% of district Gross Regional Product

Freight Moving in the Fort Worth District

149 million tons of freight worth $245 billion originated in, was destined for, or moved within the district. Inbound freight represents imports into the district; outbound freight represents exports from the district; and, within movements represents freight that both originate and terminate in the district.

Movement in Tons and Value

- Million Tons
  - Inbound: 38%
  - Within: 33%
  - Outbound: 37%
- Billions of $
  - Inbound: $126
  - Within: $91
  - Outbound: $28

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