Why Spain for Transport and Logistics?

Spain stands out in Europe, as it does in the world, for its extensive network of air, land, rail and maritime infrastructure and the high quality service it provides.

- The industry accounts for 7.9% of Spain’s GDP. A figure that rises to 10%, if you add the logistics activities carried out by industrial, commercial, and service companies.

- Industry revenue amounted to €117 billion in 2018.

- The industry creates almost a million jobs.

- There is a heavy business concentration and in excess of 196,600 firms linked to the industry.

- 2.12 billion tons of goods transported in 2019, 72.5% being for the national market and 27.5% for the international market.
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Major market for production and consumption

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Average annual **growth of around 24%** was recorded in internet and e-commerce sales in Spain. Half of those sales are to other countries.

Large number of logistics platforms

Spain has more than **170 logistics parks**, covering around 79 million sq m, mainly linked to maritime (over 50.2%) and road transport (37.8%).

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**Facts & Figures**

### A geostrategic location

Spain is a **prime location** in Southern Europe for the transit of goods, acting as a redistribution centre for EU foreign trade with the rest of the world.

### Extensive transport infrastructure network

Spain has some of the best infrastructure in the world:

One of Europe’s leading **high-speed rail systems**, with over 3,402 km in operation.

**46 ports** located on its more than 8,000 km of coastline, of which:

- Bahía de Algeciras, Valencia and Barcelona are among the **top 10 in Europe for container traffic**.
- Barcelona is Europe’s **number one port for cruises** and the world’s number three.

Europe’s largest and most extensive express road network with over 17,200 km.

### TEN-T Framework

Two of the nine **European multi-modal corridors** (the Atlantic and the Mediterranean) in the Trans-European Transport Network (TEN-T) run through Spain.

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### Global competitiveness

Spain is ranked **17th** (among 160 countries) **in the world** in the latest Logistics Performance Index published by the World Bank.
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