



TEXAS AIR CARGO

While shipping by air is the quickest and most reliable mode of transport, it is also the most costly. Because of this, air freight usually consists of goods that highly perishable or particularly valuable. The largest air cargo flow is freight shipped from external sources to Texas. In terms of value the mode share is about 16%. However, in terms of weight the share is less than 1%. This mode is supporting the rapid expansion of oil/gas exploration and the local bio-medical industry in the Houston region. Major investments have been made at the top 5 Texas air cargo facilities to support growing economic development in the state. Texas is home to two major master-planned logistics developments anchored by dedicated air cargo facilities. One of these facilities, Alliance is an anchor for a multiple destination MD-11 flight between Taipei and Texas four times a week.



Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport

TOP 10 AIR CARGO AIRPORTS IN TEXAS

U.S. Rank	Airport	2012 Gross Weight (1000 lbs)
10	Dallas/Fort Worth Int'l	3,087,615
17	George Bush Int'l/Houston	1,567,275
28	San Antonio Int'l	809,392
36	Fort Worth Alliance	634,123
39	El Paso Int'l	554,801
43	Laredo Int'l	460,001
51	Austin-Bergstrom Int'l	420,479
76	Valley Int'l	233,876
80	Lubbock Preston Smith Int'l	222,178
117	Brownsville/South Padre Island Int'l	18,566

Source: 2013 FAA Air Carrier Activity Information System

QUICK FACTS:

- Since 1999, international air cargo shipments at Dallas/Fort Worth have increased 209%
- Over the past decade, George Bush Intercontinental has been the fastest growing overall air cargo hub in the state (2.88% annual growth)
- Dallas/Fort Worth has 160 scheduled weekly flights to markets in North America, South America, Europe, and Asia
- Flights leaving Texas airports can reach every North American market in less than 4 hours
- Texas is home to regional air hubs for UPS and FedEx

The Dallas/Ft Worth International Airport's air cargo ramp has space to park 11 Boeing 747 aircraft.