

Transportation by Land

Land or "ground" shipping **1** _____(include) transport by train or truck (British English: lorry). It **2** _____(be) one of the most common methods of moving goods within a country. In air and sea shipments, ground transport **3** _____(take) the cargo from its place of origin to the airport or seaport and then to its final destination because it **4** _____(not be) always possible to establish production facilities near ports due to the limited coastlines of many countries.

Ground transport **5** _____(be) typically more affordable than air transport, but more expensive than sea transport. Many companies **6** _____(choose) this method because it **7** (offer) flexibility and convenience. Shipment of cargo by trucks, directly from the shipper's location to the destination, **8** _____(be) known as door-to-door shipping or multimodal transport.

Trucks and trains **9** _____(make) deliveries to ports and airports where cargo is moved in bulk. Rail transport **10** _____(play) an important role in countries with extensive railway networks because it **11** _____(reduce) transportation costs over long distances. However, rail services doesn't reach every location, so trucks often **12** _____(provide) the final stage of delivery.

Modern logistics companies **13** _____(use) advanced tracking systems to monitor shipments, and customers often **14** _____(receive) real-time updates about the location of their goods.