

A WORLD-CLASS LOGISTICS LOCATION



Manchester has the best international connectivity in the UK outside of London - a gateway to a myriad of national and global opportunities - and is the preferred distribution hub for world-renowned companies like Adidas, Argos, Kellogg's, L'Oréal, and Next.

By road, air, rail or sea

60 million people and 60% of UK companies are located within just two hours - right on Manchester's doorstep. And at the heart of the UK's motorway network, every major population hub from London to Edinburgh can be reached within a four-hour drive, with London being just two hours by train.

The third largest airport in the UK, and home to the World Freight Terminal - the largest outside London - Manchester Airport has direct flights to over 200 locations including the USA, the Middle East, China and India with dedicated freight services to the North American and Asian markets.

For rail freight, there is Trafford Park Euroterminal which is part of plans to develop a multi-modal freight terminal to double its capacity, enabling container ships and 200,000 pallets of cargo to be handled at any one time.

The Manchester Ship Canal and Port of Liverpool are two dynamic international trading centres forming a single 44-mile seaway to the heart of the UK and Britain's richest cargo-creating and cargo-consuming region.



Logistics North

Logistics North is one of the biggest developments of its type in the North of England. The 250-acre scheme offers immediate access to Junction 4 of the M61 and is just three miles from the M60 and M62, providing easy access to the key ports of Liverpool and Hull.

Great talent

Home to great minds, The University of Manchester ranks 29th in the world and 7th in the UK. Overall, the city-region has five leading universities with over 100,000 students including some of the brightest studying supply chain management to Masters level.

Future-proof

Aiming to shape the future of logistics, Manchester is home to leading research and industry-first logistics technology, such as: blockchain, autonomous logistics, Internet of Things, 5G connectivity and low carbon transport. Greater Manchester's Clean Air Plan and 2038 Carbon Neutrality target also provide an opportunity to establish consolidation hubs to reduce the number of smaller deliveries to the same premises.

With competitive operating costs and a wide choice of distribution parks, Manchester is the logical choice for logistics.

Here to help

MIDAS, Manchester's inward investment agency can save your business time, effort and money by providing access to expert knowledge and local intelligence. Free of charge, we offer:

- Research support and business case development
- Introductions to local networks
- Recruitment and training
- Property solutions
- Post-investment PR support

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