

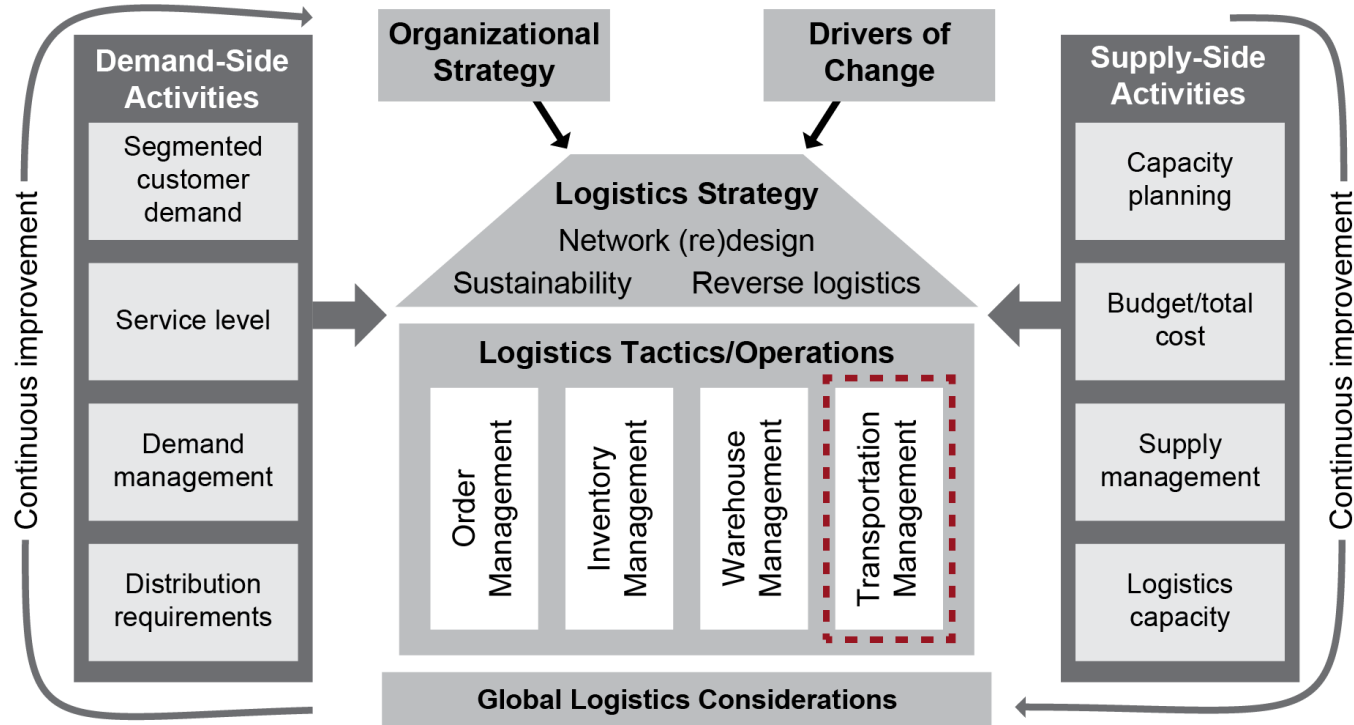
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## MODULE 8: TRANSPORTATION

# Module 8: Transportation

## Module 8 Overview



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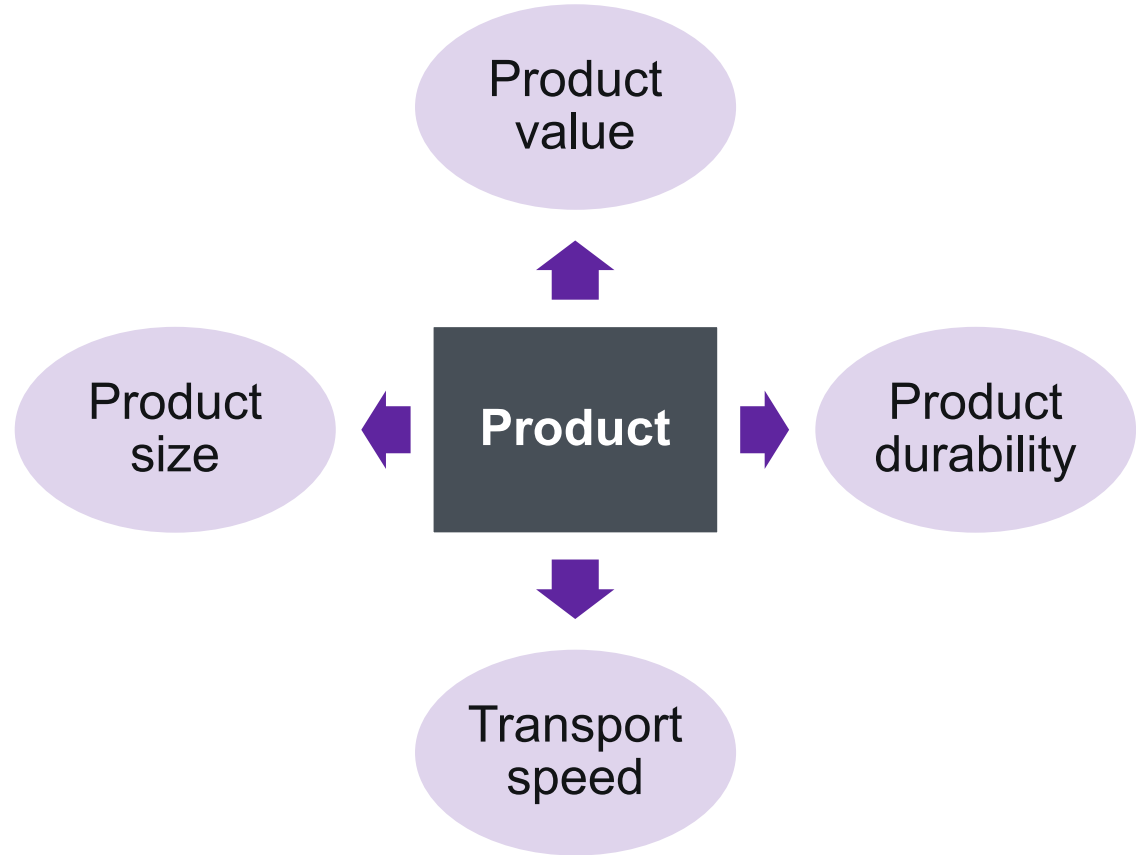
## MODULE 8, SECTION A: TRANSPORTATION FUNDAMENTALS

# Topic 1: Transportation and Transportation Cost Structure

## Transportation Mode Selection

### Criteria

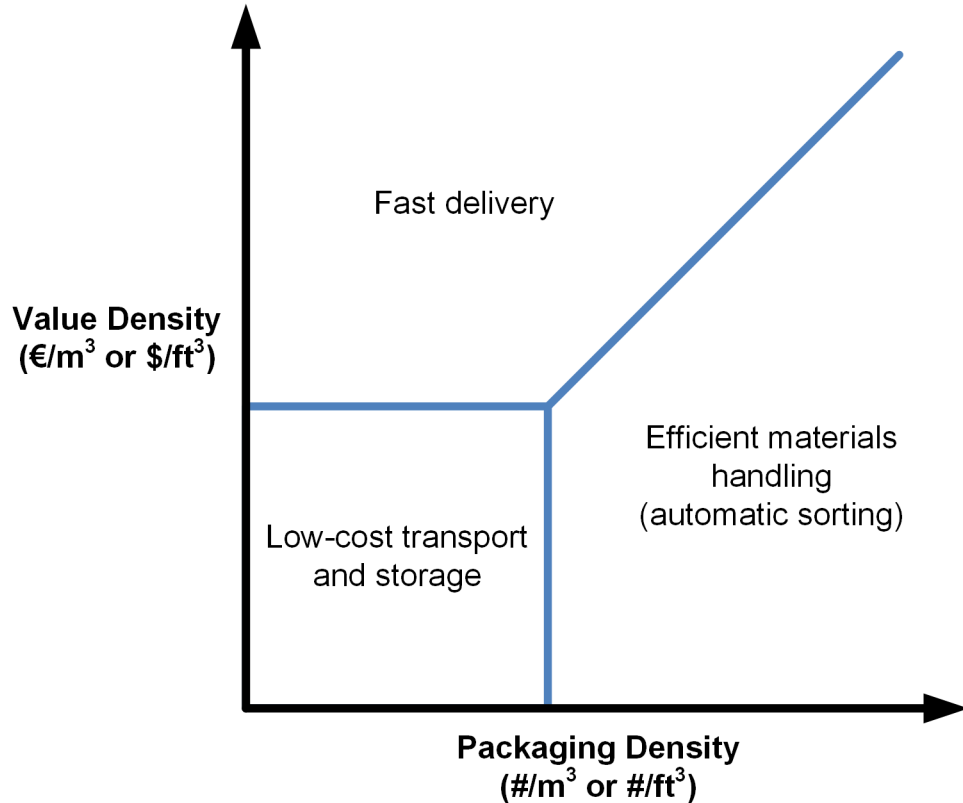
- Product
- Accessibility
- Transit time
- Reliability
- Security



# Topic 1: Transportation and Transportation Cost Structure

## Value Density vs. Packaging Density

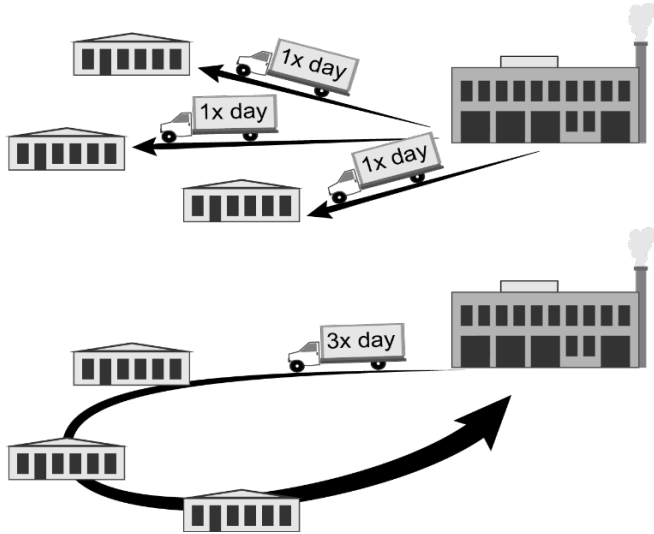
- Lower value products need lower cost transport
- Speed is a component of cost.



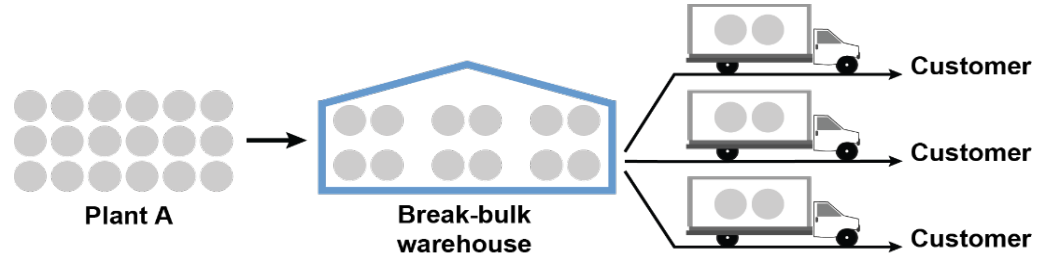
# Topic 1: Transportation and Transportation Cost Structure

## Terminals

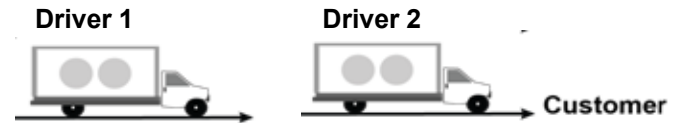
### Milk run



### Break-bulk



### Relay



# Topic 1: Transportation and Transportation Cost Structure

## Vehicle Costing

### Reasons for efficient costing systems:

- Need to know vehicle details and fleet performance to control operations
- Need to know in enough time to make necessary changes

### Gather information:

- Human resources—vehicle drivers
- Machinery—vehicles
- Materials—associated materials (tires, fuel, etc.)
- Money—costs of resources
- Minutes—resource use/purpose(s)

# Topic 1: Transportation and Transportation Cost Structure

## Overhead Costs

Indirect costs not related directly to a vehicle

Main types:

- Fleet overhead
  - Costs of reserve equipment and labor required to run vehicle fleet
- Business overhead
  - Administrative and transportation department expenditures unrelated to specific vehicle



# Topic 1: Transportation and Transportation Cost Structure

## Private Trucking

### Pros



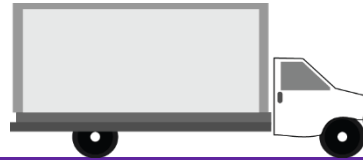
- Better service
- Guaranteed capacity
- Schedule flexibility/convenience
- Design fleet for specific needs
- Less transportation cost and inventory
- Vehicle depreciation
- Security

### Cons



- Higher capital expenses
- Ongoing maintenance
- Scheduling/routing
- Increased liability
- Labor unions

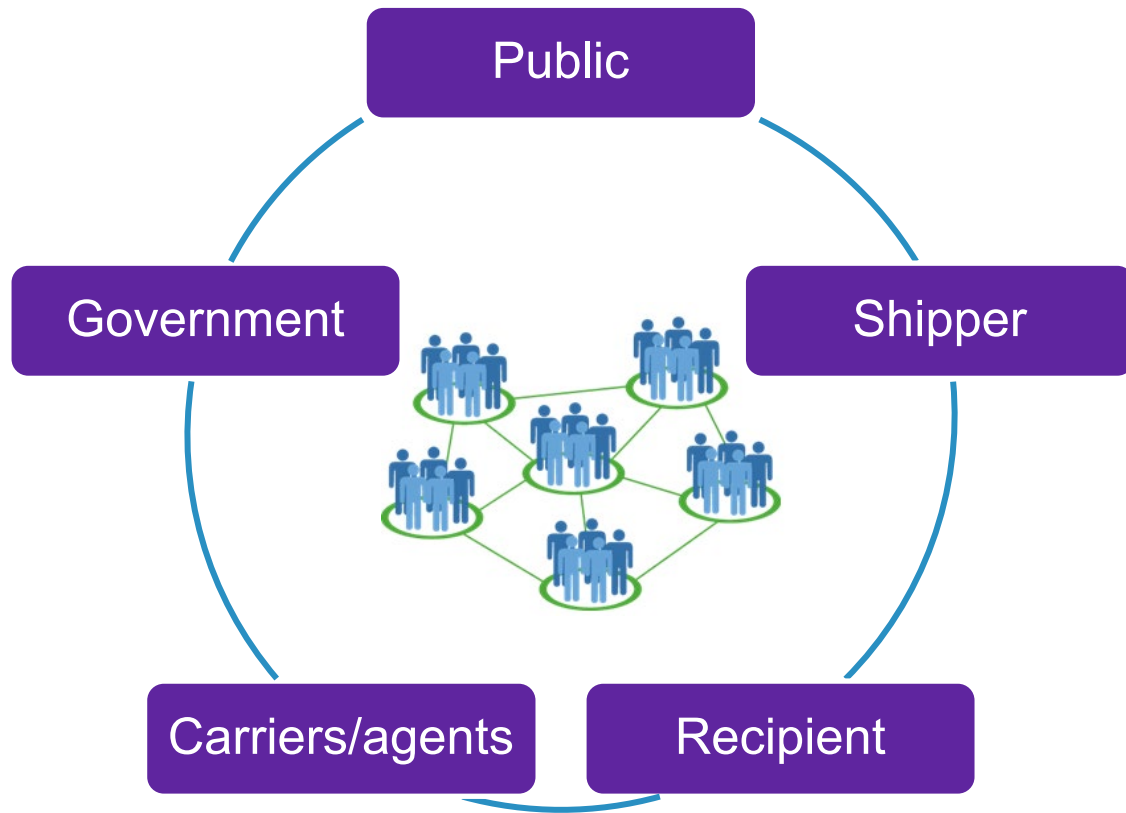
## Outsourcing Transportation



- No capital cost of starting and maintaining private fleet
- Reduces or eliminates risks
  - Accident liability
  - Regulations compliance
  - Unions

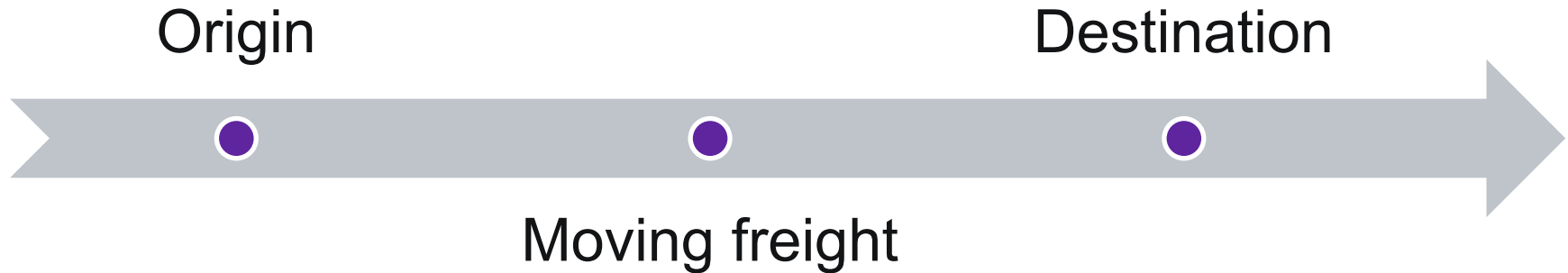
## Transportation Stakeholders

- Understand complexity of transportation environment
- Review roles and their perspectives



### Load Transport

Purpose: Get goods to destination while minimizing expenses and environment impact



## Components of Load Transport

Freight services	▪ Moving goods between locations
Terminal services	▪ Consolidating smaller shipments to optimize transportation costs and break-bulk
Loading/ unloading	▪ Responsibility varies as dictated by service contract
Value-added services	▪ Electronic shipment tracking, label imaging, delivery confirmation, temperature control
Documentation	▪ Required for domestic and international
Diversion/ reconsignment	▪ Diversion is the delay of receipt/reroute shipment before arrival. Reconsignment is done after arrival at original destination.

## Product Storage


### Transport mode

- Common to store products in trailers, containers, etc.
- Usually only for short time, as cost is high

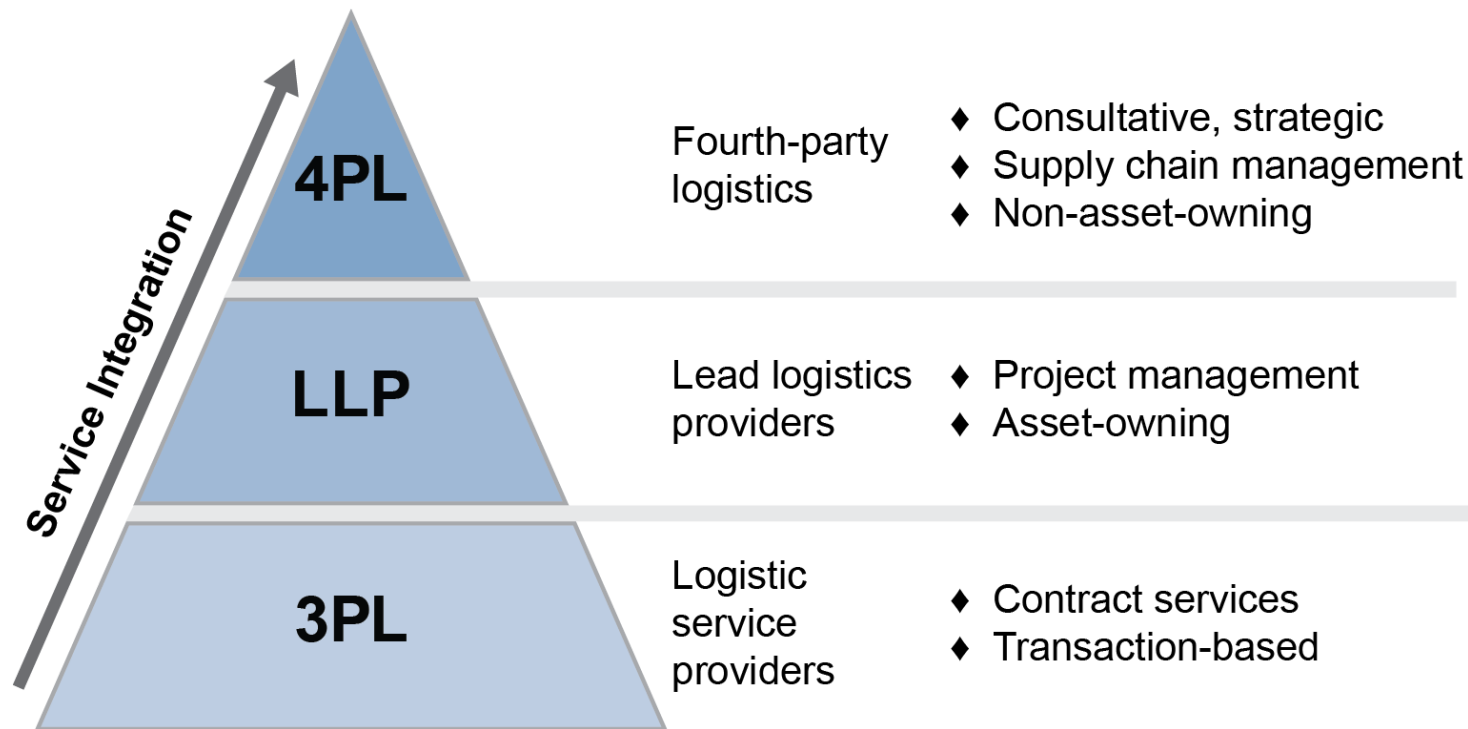
### In-transit storage

- Often used when there is a space shortage at receiver's warehouse

## Integrated Service Providers (ISPs)

- 
- Sufficient support with existing assets?
  - Can flex services up or down based on market?
  - History of saving money for clients (e.g., asset utilization)?
  - Current capacity?

## Service Provider Structure





## International Freight Forwarder (IFF) Functions



## Broker Roles in Transportation

### Freight broker

- Finds carriers but doesn't take possession (unlike forwarder)
- Negotiates terms and administers documentation

### Customs broker

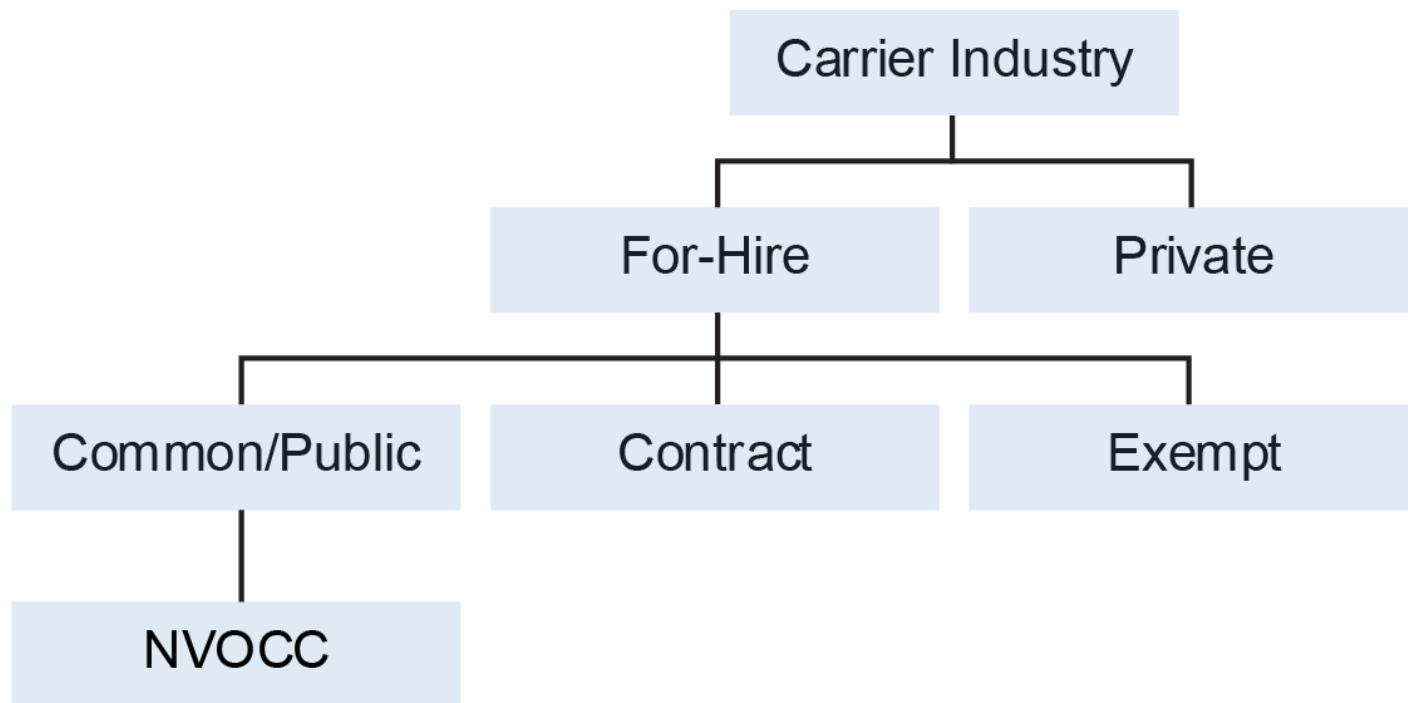
- Manages international shipping documents
- Tracks and moves shipments through proper channels

## Other Transport Intermediaries

- Export management company (EMC)
- Export trading company (ETC)
- Shipping associations
- Shipper's agents
- Export packing companies

# Topic 3: Carrier Types

## Carrier Types



## Mode Evaluation

- Speed
- Completeness
- Dependability
- Capability
- Frequency
- Cost



## Modes for Moving Goods

### Fixed costs







- Costs that do not change with the volume of goods transported.
  - Land
  - Facilities
  - Equipment

### Variable costs

- Costs that fluctuate with the volume moved.
  - Fuel
  - Maintenance
  - Wages
  - Border-crossing fees

# Topic 4: Modes of Transportation and Selection Considerations

## Industry Cost Overview

Mode	Fixed Costs	Variable Costs
Road	Low 	High 
Rail	High 	Low 
Air	Low 	High 
Water	Low 	High 
Pipeline	High 	Low 
Intermodal	Varies	Varies
Parcel, courier, express	Low 	High 

# Topic 4: Modes of Transportation and Selection Considerations

## Transportation Infrastructure

<i>kkm = thousands of km mkm = millions of km</i>	Australia	China	France	India	Nigeria	United States
Airports with paved runways	349	510	294	253	40	5,054
Roadways (total)	0.874 mkm	5.2 mkm	1.053 mkm	6.372 mkm	0.195 mkm	6.587 mkm
Railways—high speed	—	40 kkm	—	—	—	—
Railways—broad gauge	2.7 kkm	—	—	64 kkm	—	—
Railways—standard gauge	18 kkm	104 kkm	27.9 kkm	—	0.29 kkm	293.6 kkm
Railways—narrow gauge	12 kkm	—	—	1.6 kkm	3.5 kkm	—
Waterways	2 kkm	27.7 kkm	8.5 kkm	14.5 kkm	8.6 kkm	41 kkm
Pipelines (oil)	3.6 kkm	30.4 kkm	2.9 kkm	10.4 kkm	4.4 kkm	240.7 kkm
Major seaports	12	8	6	7	3	9

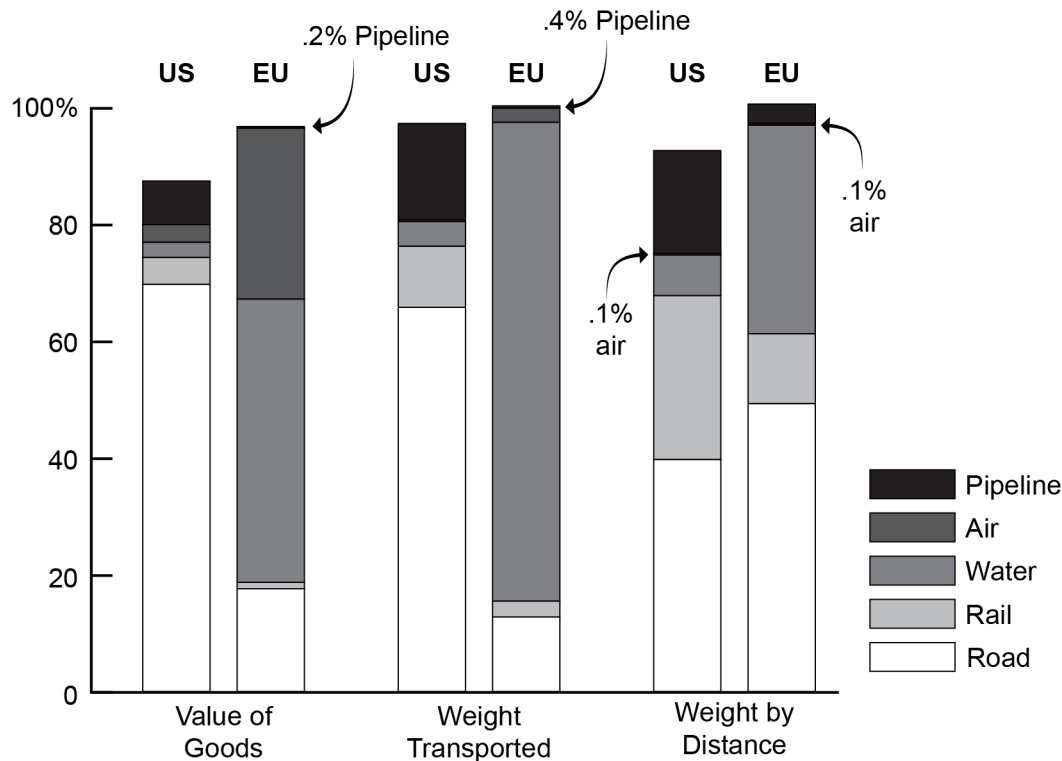


# Topic 4: Modes of Transportation and Selection Considerations

## Freight Shipments by Mode

- US versus EU comparisons

Source: U.S. Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, "2019 Pocket Guide to Transportation"; European Union Commission, "Statistical Pocketbook 2017, EU Transport in Figures"



# Topic 4: Modes of Transportation and Selection Considerations

## Characteristics of Transportation Modes

Characteristics	Road	Rail	Water	Air	Pipeline
Capability	Minimal limitations	Minimal limitations	Few limits	Limited	Very limited
Cost	Moderate/high	Low	Low	Very high	Very low
Capacity	Moderate	High	Seasonal	Very low	Very high
Speed of delivery	Fast	Moderate	Slow	Very fast	Slow
Accessibility/ flexibility	Very high	High	Low	Moderate	Very low/low
Environmental efficiency/efficacy	Low	Very high	Low	Moderate	Moderate
Damage	High (LTL only)	Very high	High	Very low	Low
Reliability	High	Low	Low	High	Very high
Intermodal capability	Very high	Very high	Very high	High	Low
Courier delivery	Very high	Low	Low	Very high	Very low

Source: Adapted from David F. Ross, *Distribution Planning and Control—Managing in the Era of Supply Chain Management*, third edition, and John J. Coyle, et al., *Managing Supply Chains: A Logistics Approach*, ninth edition

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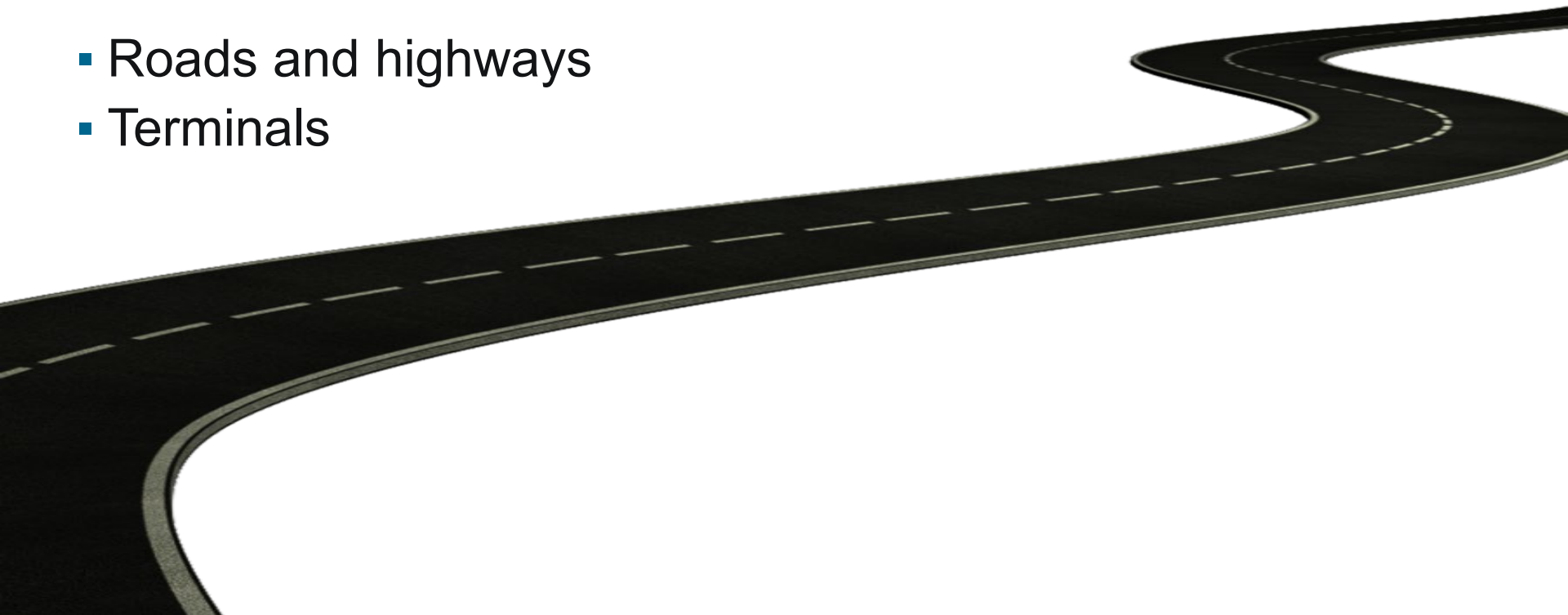
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## MODULE 8, SECTION B: ROAD TRANSPORTATION

# Topic 1: Road Infrastructure

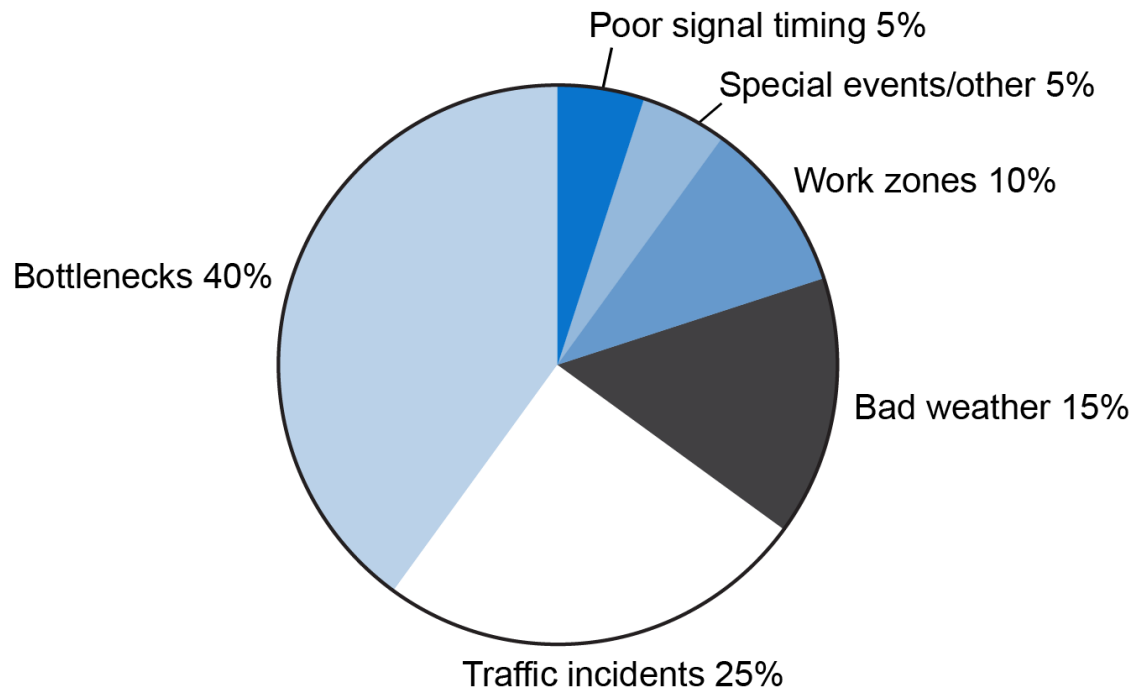
## Road Transport Infrastructure

- Roads and highways
- Terminals



# Topic 1: Road Infrastructure

## Sources of Road Congestion



Source: "Traffic Congestion and Reliability: Linking Solutions to Problems," U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration Office of Operations

# Topic 2: Road Vehicle and Trailer Types

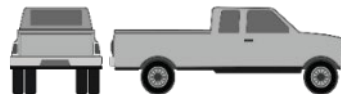
## Single Units



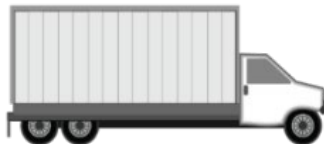
Motorcycles



Pickups, panels,  
vans



2-axle trucks



3-axle trucks



4+-axle trucks

# Topic 2: Road Vehicle and Trailer Types

## Tractor-Trailer Combinations



Single trailer  
(3 or 4)



Single trailer (5+)



Single trailer (6+)



Multi-trailer (5 or fewer)



Multi-trailer (6)



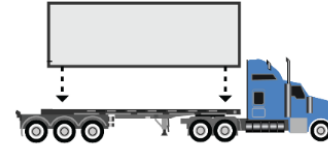
Multi-trailer (7+)



Auto carrier



Gooseneck trailer



Skeletal trailer

# Topic 3: Road Freight Classifications

## Freight Rate

Established price for transport, based on distance, weight, measure, equipment type, package, commodity, etc.

- Rate often refers to the price per hundredweight
- Products grouped into uniform classifications based on similar
  - Density
  - Handling requirements
  - Stowability
  - Value characteristics
  - Liability



# Topic 3: Road Freight Classifications

## Freight Classifications

**LTL**

**Less-than-truckload**

Shipment will not use entire cargo capacity.

**TL**

**Truckload**

Shipment uses full cargo capacity.

**Cartage**

**Local, short haul, and delivery**

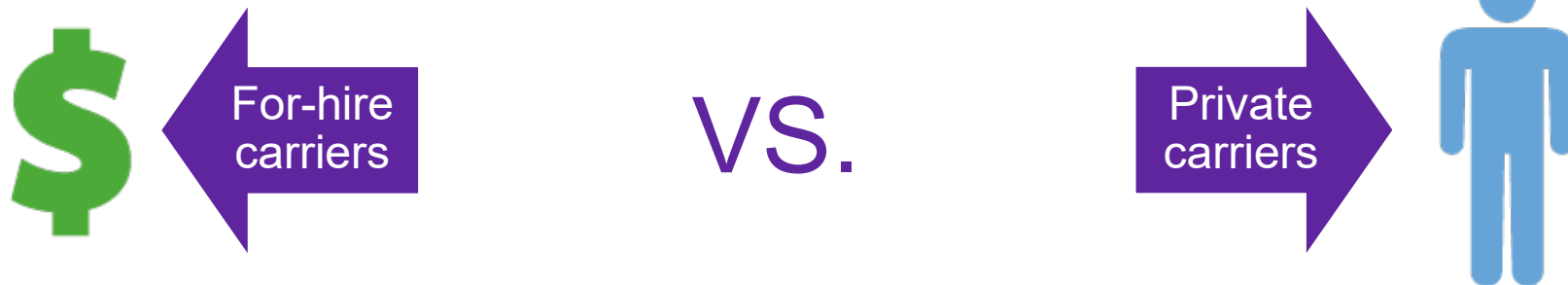
Move pallets in short hauls from origin to destination.

**Small parcel**

**Specialized carriers**

Multiple shipments on single vehicle.

## Competition



- Fiercest competition between trucking providers
- Why?
  - Low initial investment
  - Few regulatory requirements
  - Selective discounting practices

## Types of Services

### Local

- Local pickup—when a company uses intermodal transport
- Local delivery—from warehouse/carrier to final destination

### Multi-stop

- Serves more than one customer
- May be multiple stops along route

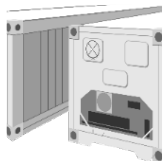
### In-bond

- Origin in one country to destination in another

### Line haul

- Drive between home terminal and reshipment terminal

## Operating and Service Characteristics



Capability

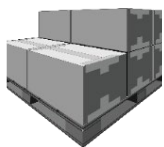


Accessibility

Cost  
structure



Flexibility



Capacity



Environmental

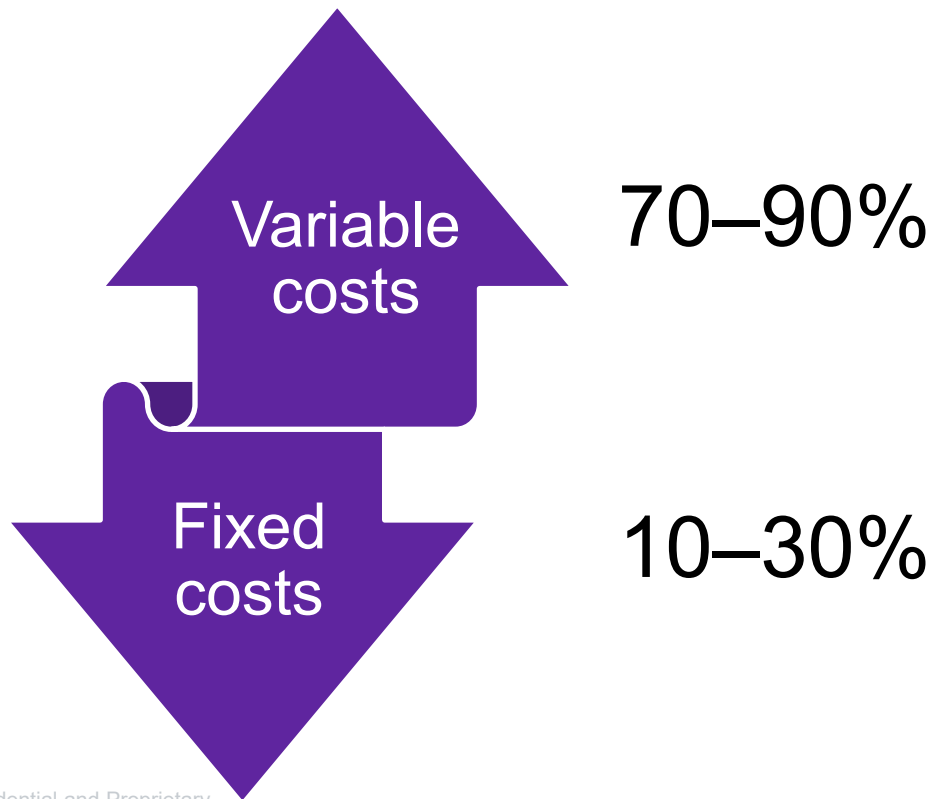
Speed



Safety



## Cost Structure: Road



## Operating Ratio

$$\text{Operating Ratio} = \frac{\text{Operating Expenses}}{\text{Operating Revenue}} \times 100$$

Operating expenses:

- Fuel
- Truck and trailer lease or purchase payments
- Vehicle repair and maintenance
- Truck insurance premiums
- Permits and special licenses
- Tolls
- Driver wages and benefits

## Environmental Efficiency/Efficacy

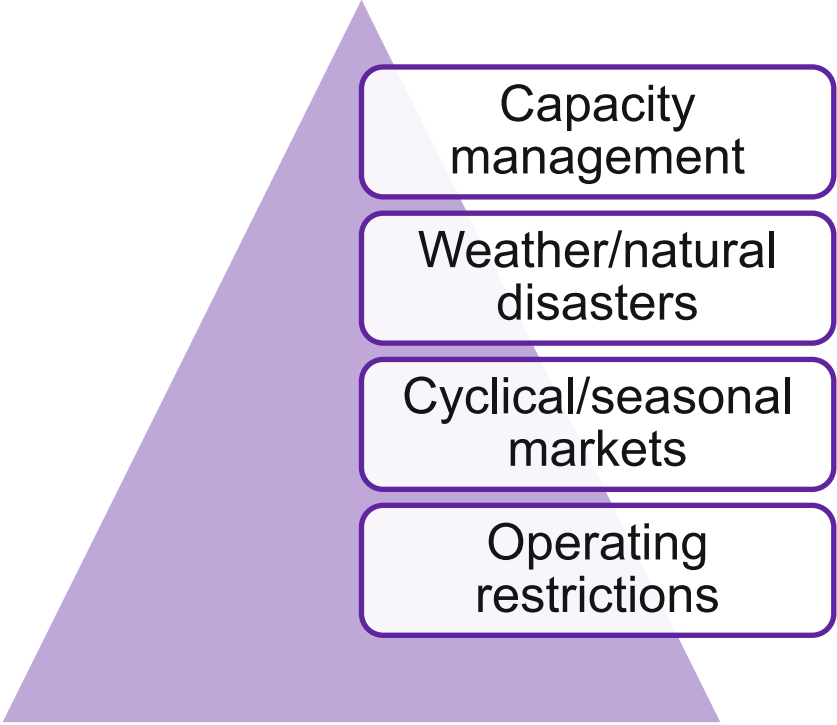


Use of trucks contributes to environmental stress:

- Air pollution
- Noise

# Topic 5: Road Issues and Challenges

## Issues and Challenges



Capacity  
management

Weather/natural  
disasters

Cyclical/seasonal  
markets

Operating  
restrictions



Labor disputes

Hours of service

Electronic logging

Security



# Topic 5: Road Issues and Challenges

## Capacity Management Issues

### Truck driver shortage

- Age demographics
- Pay rates
- Driving records
- Licenses and exams
- Working conditions and schedules

### Chassis supply

- Providing chassis
- “Roadability Rule”
- Chassis maintenance
- Chassis shortages

# Topic 5: Road Issues and Challenges

## Hours of Service—EU

- Daily limits:
  - Total minimum rest of 12 hours
    - First rest at least 3 hours of uninterrupted rest, any time
    - Second rest at least 9 hours of uninterrupted rest
  - Maximum 9 hours after 11 consecutive hours off, except 2x week maximum 10 hours driving
  - 45-minute break after 4.5 hours (30 minutes, 15 minutes OK)
- Weekly limits:
  - Maximum total drive time 56 hours; 90 hours per fortnight
  - 45 continuous hours off duty (every 2nd week can be just 24 hours) after 6 days of work

# Topic 5: Road Issues and Challenges

## Hours of Service—U.S.

U.S. Regulation	Description
11-hour driving limit	Maximum 11 hours after 10 consecutive hours off
14-hour limit	Maximum 14 consecutive hours after 10+ consecutive hours off
Rest breaks	30-minute rest period at least every 8 hours
Weekly hour limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No driving after 60/70 hours on duty in 7/8 consecutive days</li><li>• Restart 7/8 consecutive day period after taking 34+ consecutive hours off</li></ul>
Sleeper berth provision	Minimum 8 hours in sleeper berth plus 2 separate hours in berth and/or off duty

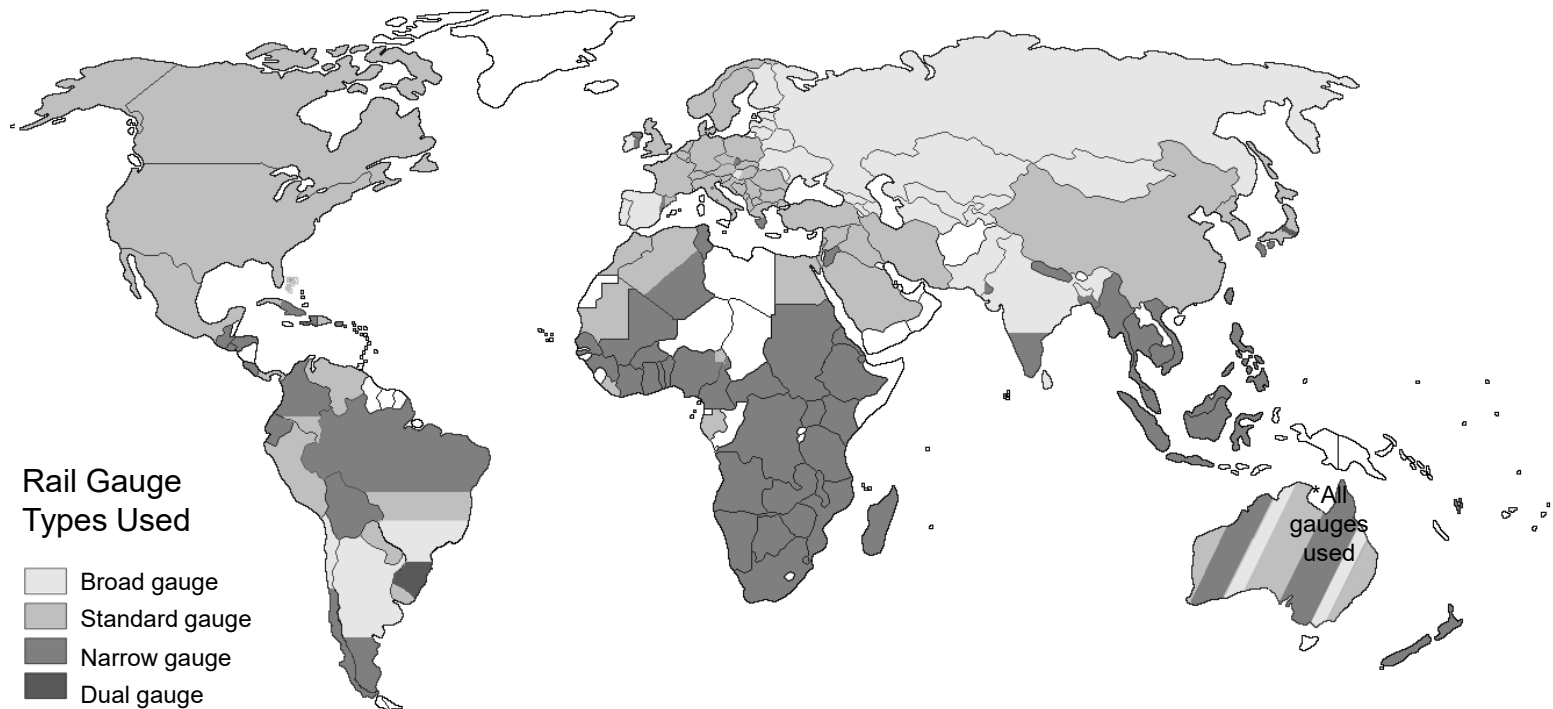
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## MODULE 8, SECTION C: RAIL TRANSPORTATION

# Topic 1: Rail History and Infrastructure

## Rail Gauge around the World



# Topic 1: Rail History and Infrastructure

## Global Rail Network

A collection of unlinked national rail systems with the following types of rail lines:

- Penetration lines
- Regional networks
- Transcontinental lines



# Topic 2: Types of Carriers and Railcars

## Types of Freight

Food  
ingredients

Livestock

Farm products

Construction  
materials

Nonmetallic  
materials

Mined goods

Chemicals

Transportation  
equipment

Break-bulk  
goods

Bulk goods

# Topic 2: Types of Carriers and Railcars

## Types of Railcars



Boxcar



Hopper car



Flatcar



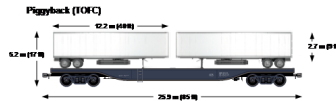
Tank car



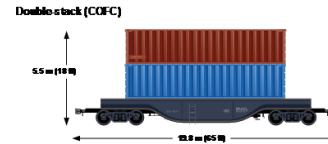
Refrigerated car



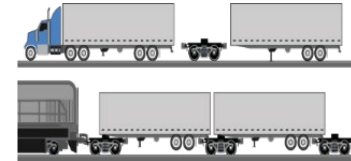
Gondola car



Piggyback



Double-stack



RoadRailer®



### Rail Infrastructure Investment

- Brazil: ~28,000 kilometers (17,400 miles) of track
- China: ~100,000 kilometers (62,000 miles) of track
- Russia: ~85,000 kilometers (52,000 miles) of track
- Germany: ~42,000 kilometers (26,000 miles) of track
- U.S.: ~260,000 kilometers (160,000 miles) of track

## Rail Cost Structures

### Variable costs

- Labor
- Fuel
- Power

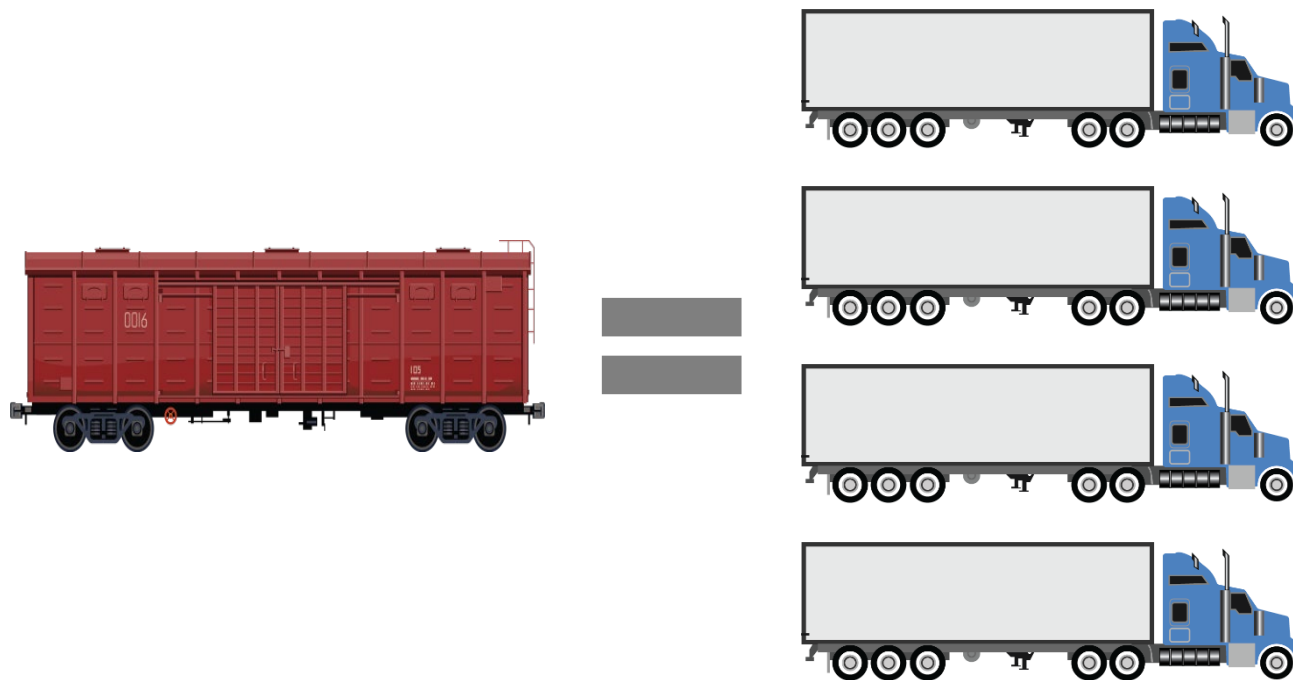
### Semi-variable costs

- Maintain rights of way
- Terminal structures
- Equipment

### Fixed costs

- Property taxes
- Building maintenance
- Equipment maintenance

## Rail Transport Capacity



### Environmental Efficiency/Efficacy

3.5 times more energy-efficient than trucks

Requires far less fuel; far fewer carbon emissions

Avoids highway congestion

Far more environmentally friendly mode than road

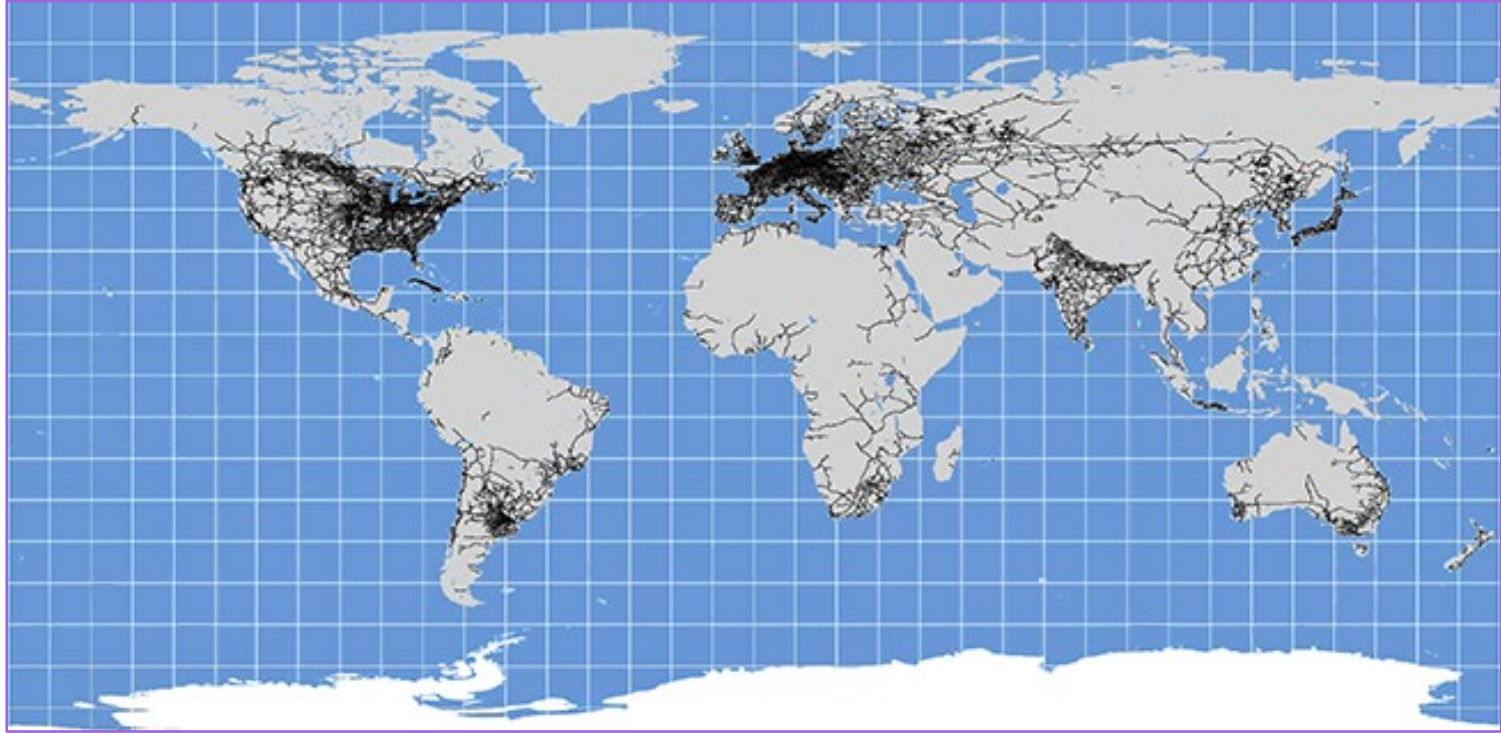
# Topic 4: Rail Issues and Challenges

## Issues and Challenges—Rail

- Schedule flexibility
- Rigid operations
- Lead time
- Interconnectivity
- Challenges outside of North America
- Derailment and vibration tests

# Topic 4: Rail Issues and Challenges

## Interconnectivity



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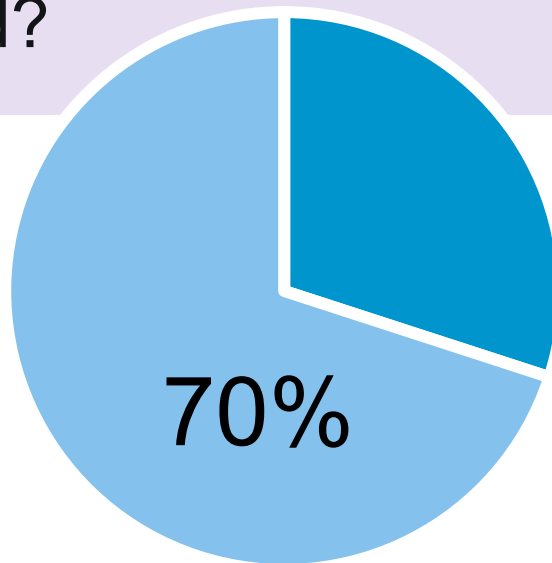
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## MODULE 8, SECTION D: AIR TRANSPORT

# Section D: Air Transport

## Air Transport Inefficiencies

What amount of transit time for air cargo is spent on the ground?



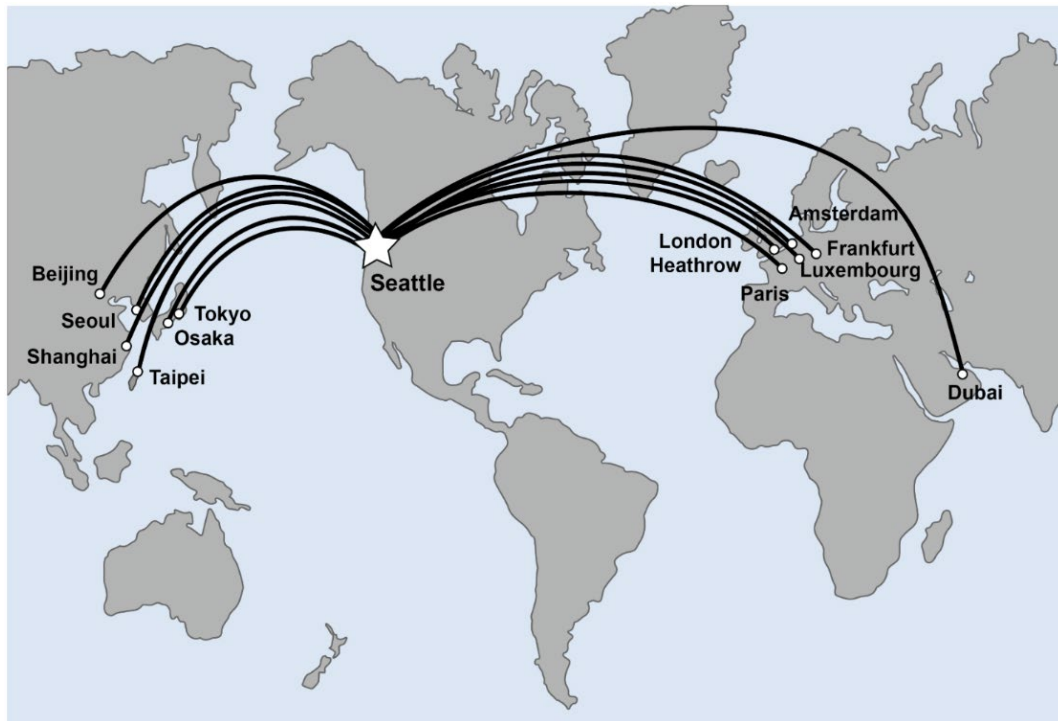


## Air Transport Infrastructure Considerations



# Topic 1: Air Infrastructure and Types of Carriers and Containers

## Hub-and-Spoke Model



## Types of Carriers

### Combination carriers

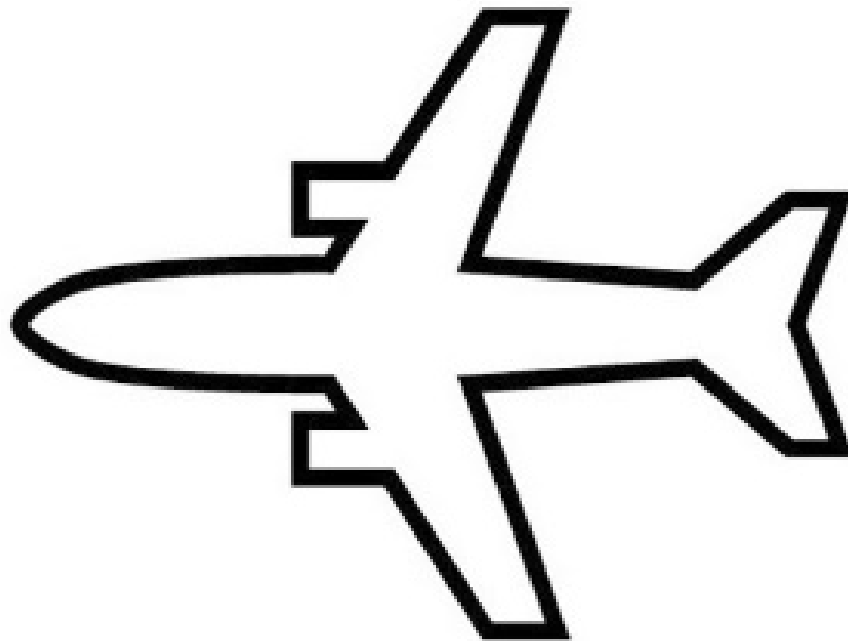
- Freight and passengers
- Freight on main deck and in hold
- Freight can be bumped to accommodate passenger luggage

### Air cargo carriers

- Focus on letters, envelopes, packages, and freight
- Integrated carriers provide door-to-door service
- Nonintegrated carriers provide air-only services

## Aircraft Body Types

- Narrow
- Wide
- Cargo
- Combination



# Topic 1: Air Infrastructure and Types of Carriers and Containers

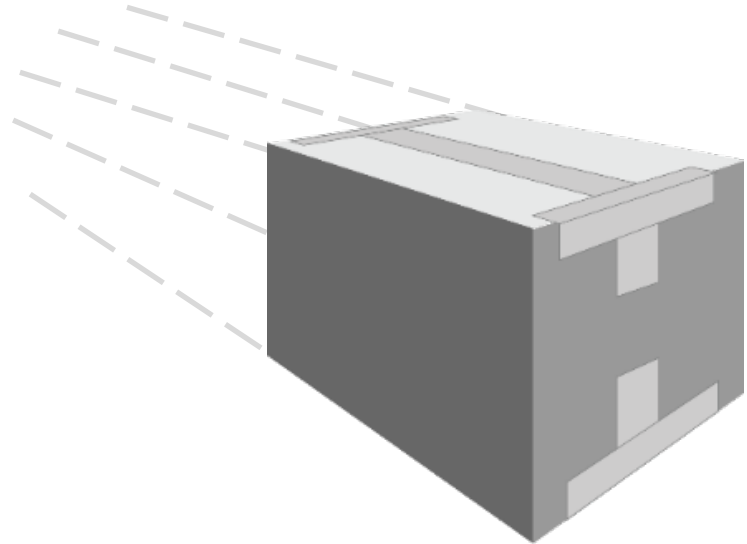
## Unit Load Devices (ULDs)



# Topic 2: Air Market Structure and Sales Strategy

## Market Structure

- Air transport is used for freight if...
  - The market is unpredictable.
  - Demand exceeds local supply.
  - Demand is infrequent.
  - Freight is seasonal.
- Main benefit is delivery speed.



# Topic 2: Air Market Structure and Sales Strategy

## Air Freight Transport

- Perishable goods available all year
- Critical equipment available on short notice
- Humanitarian aid delivered quickly and effectively



- Aircraft dimensions limit cargo size and weight
- Air safety and security limit types of cargo
- Air cargo has high unit cost



# Topic 2: Air Market Structure and Sales Strategy

## Operational Efficiency

$$\text{Load Factor} = \frac{\text{Cargo Volume}}{\text{Cargo Space}}$$

An operating efficiency metric that measures the percentage of a plane's capacity that is used.



# Topic 2: Air Market Structure and Sales Strategy

## Competition

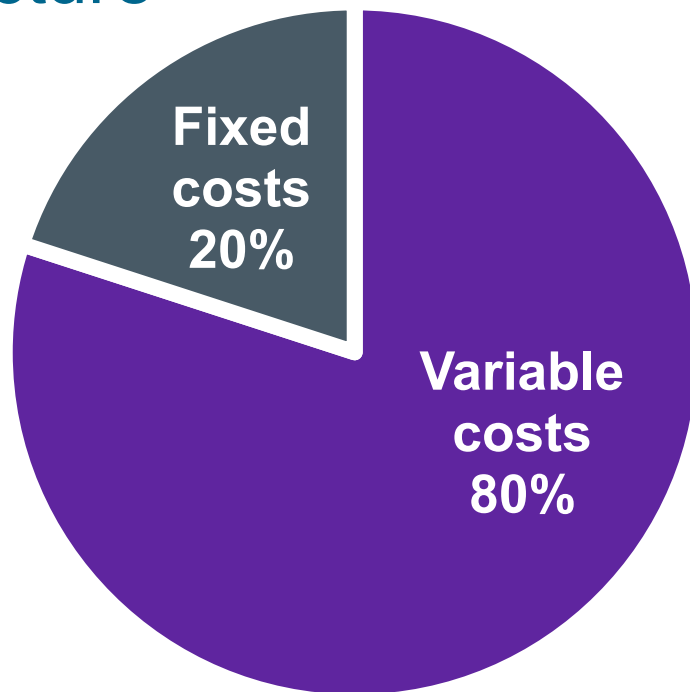
Best balance between required transit time and planned transportation costs



# Topic 3: Air Operating/Service Characteristics

## Air Transport Cost Structure

Competitive pricing requires airlines to cut costs and operate efficiently.



# Topic 3: Air Operating/Service Characteristics

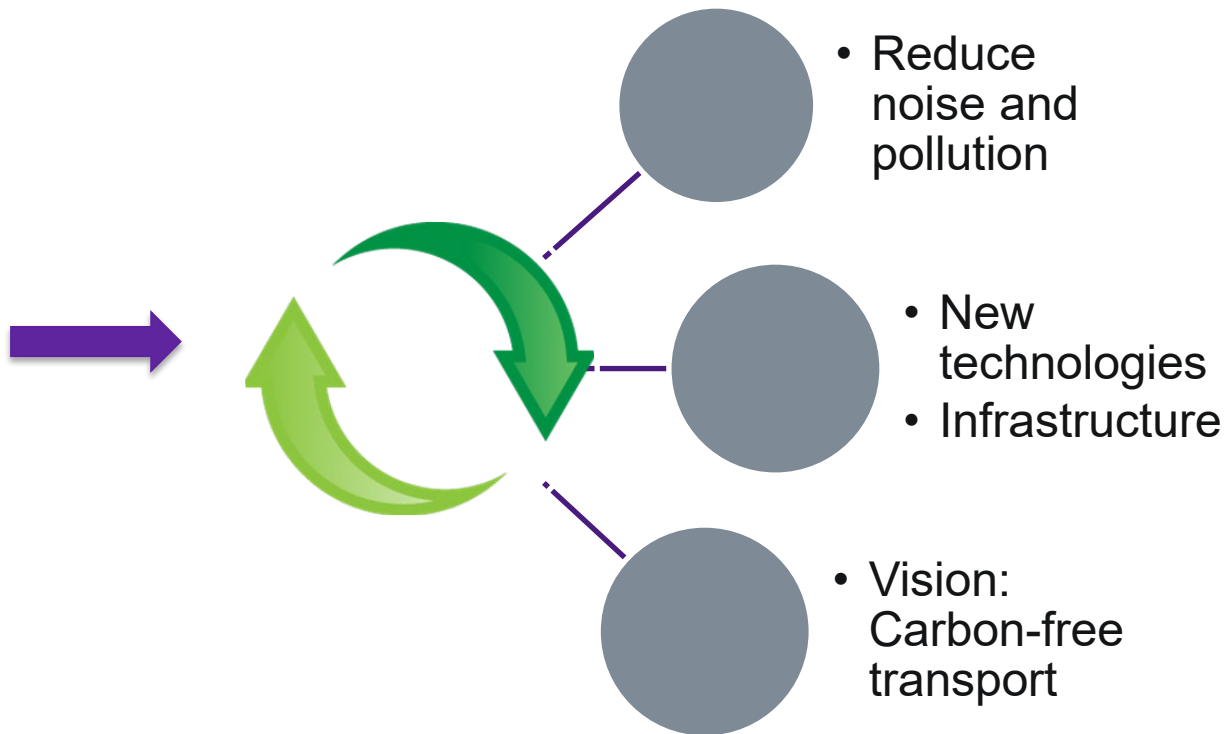
## Air Cargo Capacity

- With passenger aircraft, cargo is of secondary importance.
- Capacity measured in lanes.
- Less packaging.
- Items do not need to be shipped in containers (but ULDs can combine many items).

# Topic 3: Air Operating/Service Characteristics

## Environmental Efficiency/Efficacy

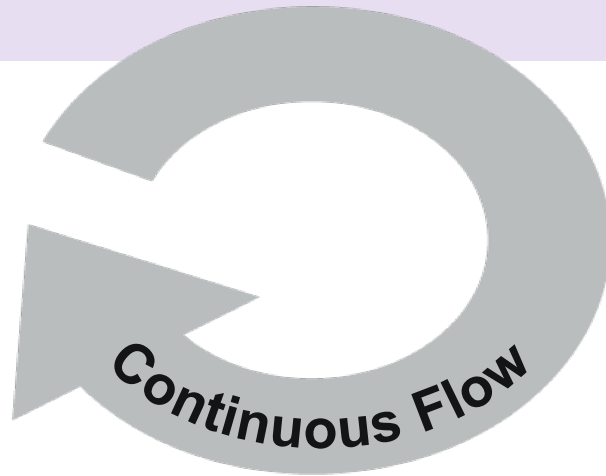
- IATA and ICAO promote environmental protection.
- ICAO group: Committee on Aviation Environmental Protection



# Topic 4: Air Issues and Challenges

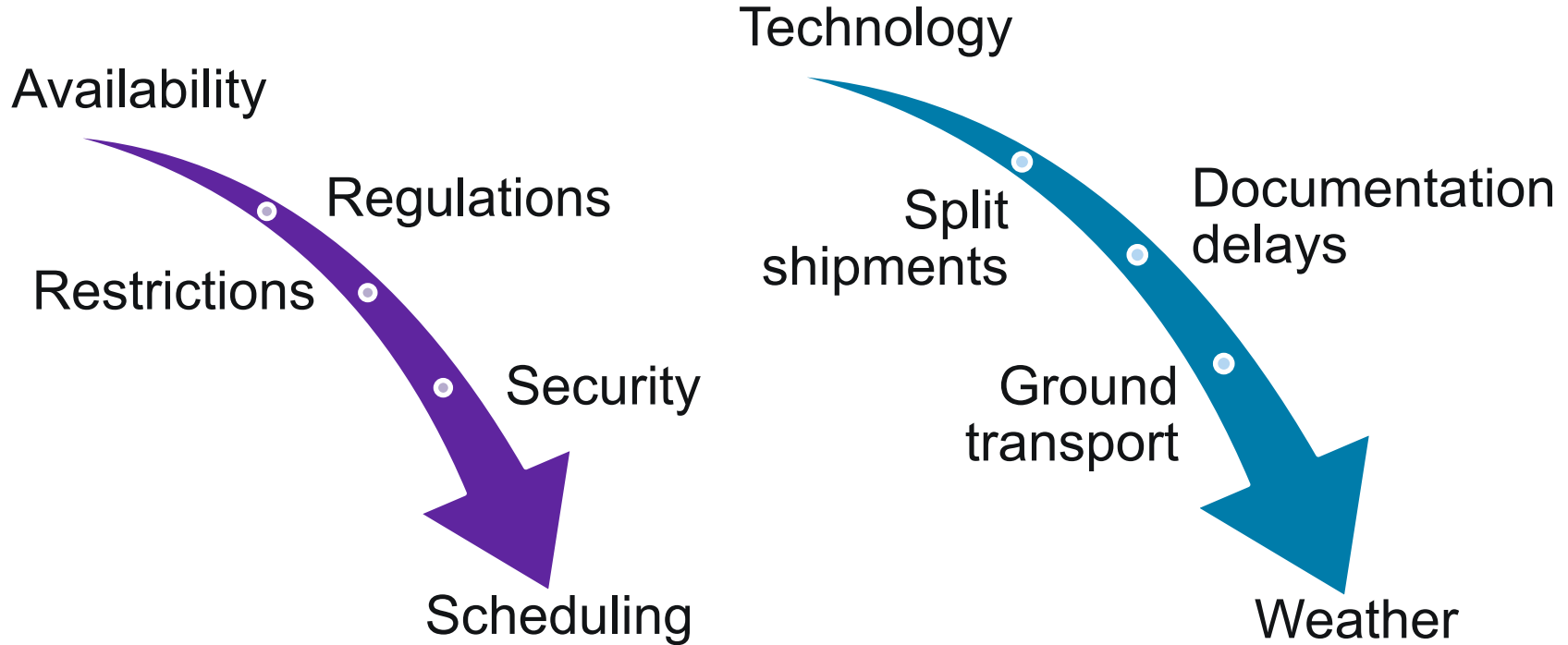
## Biggest Issue

Ensuring the continuous flow of air traffic, including increased or decreased amount of passengers and cargo



# Topic 4: Air Issues and Challenges

## Issues and Challenges



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## MODULE 8, SECTION E: OCEAN AND INLAND WATERWAY TRANSPORTATION

# Topic 1: Water Transport Infrastructure and Classifications

## Water Transport Infrastructure

### Inland ports

- Terminals for internal waterways located on canals, rivers, and intercoastal waterways

### Seaports

- 1 to 20 terminals on coastline for import and export from one country to another

### Water depth

- Channels leading to port and at wharf must be deep and unobstructed
- Dredged regularly and, on occasion, deepened for larger ships



# Topic 1: Water Transport Infrastructure and Classifications

## Water Freight Classifications

### TEUs

*20-foot equivalent units (6 meters)*

- ISO 668 and ISO 1496; 20' x 8' x 8'

### FEUs

*40-foot equivalent units (12 meters)*

- Double length of TEU

### LCL

*Less-than-container load*

- Less than cubic volume or weight capacity; shipped with other LCL cargo

### FCL

*Full-container load*

- Close to volume or weight limits; only one shipper's order

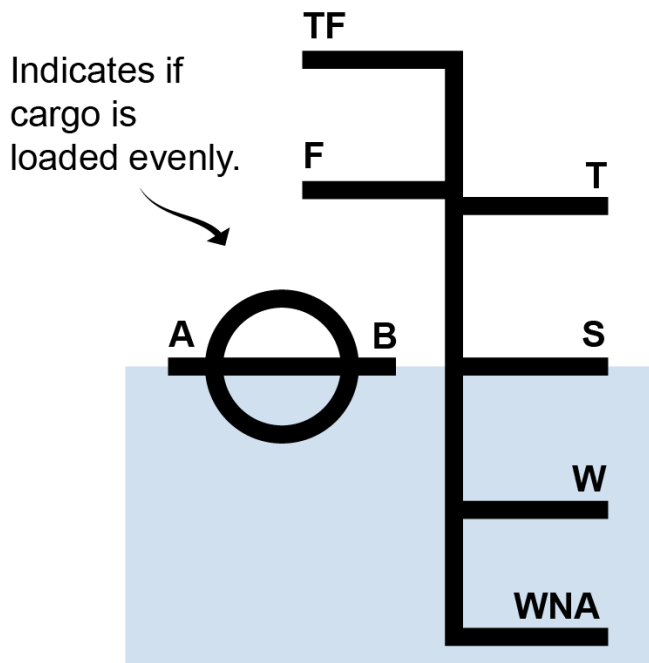
### Bulk freight

*Loose, large mass and volume*

- Uses capacity with high efficiency but risk of theft, contamination, and spillage

# Topic 2: Water Vessel Types

## Weights and Measures



- Water transport charges based on weight (tonnage)
- Deadweight (dwt): Maximum weight ship can carry
- Draft: Depth at which a ship sits in the water
- Plimsoll line: Marking on hull used when loading

# Topic 2: Water Vessel Types

## Types of Carriers

Liner carriers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Roll-on, roll-off (RORO)</li><li>▪ Bulk carriers</li><li>▪ Containerships</li></ul>
Charter carriers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Voyage charter</li><li>▪ Time charter</li><li>▪ Bareboat or demise charter</li></ul>
Tankers	Double-walled for environmental protection
Private carriers	Used to lower costs or increase control
Common carriers: VOCC and NVOCC	Provide service on a container basis
Lakers and barges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Lakers are the ships traveling the Great Lakes.</li><li>▪ Barges are either self-propelled, pushed or pulled.</li></ul>

# Topic 2: Water Vessel Types

## Water Vessel Types

### Other types of ships

- Mother and feeder vessels
  - Pairs that work together
  - Mother (10,000 to 15,000 TEUs): Only major ports
  - Feeders (300 to 500 TEUs): Short distances
- General cargo ships
  - Bring own handling equipment

### Shipping vessels by size

- Handysize
- Capesize
- Very large crude carrier (VLCC)
- Ultra-large crude carrier (ULCC)
- Offshore vessel (OSV)
- Platform supply vessel (PSV)

## Market Structure: Major Trends

- Carriers building larger vessels
- Larger vessel sizes pressuring carriers to form alliances to take advantage of economies of scale

## Carrier Alliances

### Major carrier alliances



>70%  
Total  
container  
capacity

- 2M: Maersk Line, MSC, and a vessel-sharing agreement with HMM (29.5%)
- THE: Hapag-Lloyd, KLINE, MOL, NYK Line, Yang Ming (16%)
- Ocean Alliance: CMA CGM, COSCO, Evergreen, OOCL (26%)

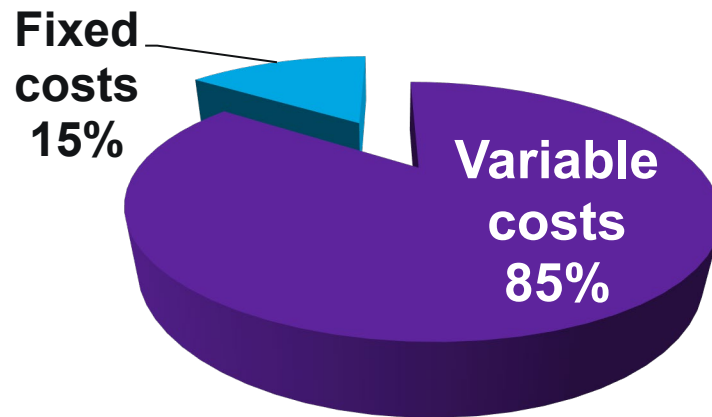
## Capability

- Unlike any other transport mode, water transport can move heavy-weight cargo from continent to continent.
- Heavy-weight, low-value cargo
- Specialized cargo
- Cargo that maintains value on long trip



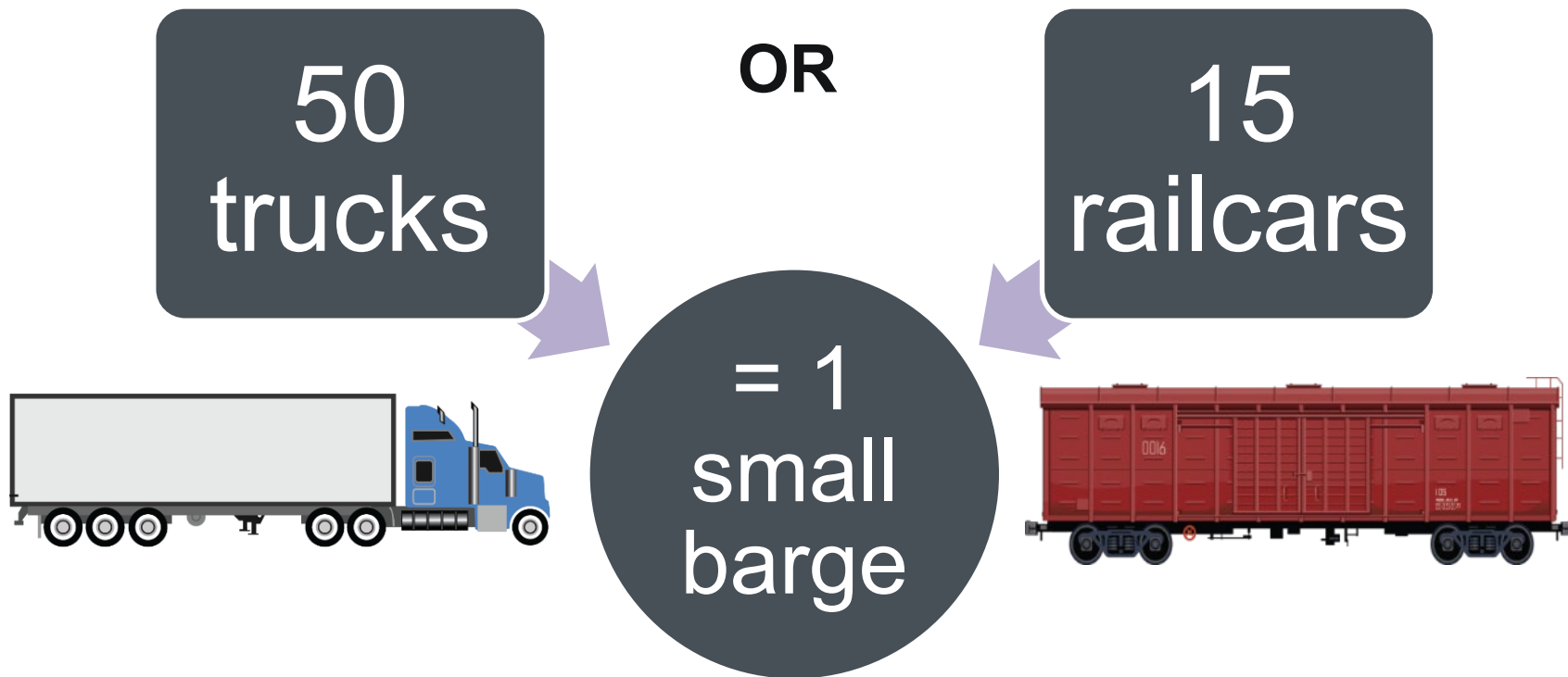
## Cost Structure

Majority of variable expenses are line-operating costs, operating rents, labor, and maintenance.





## Capacity



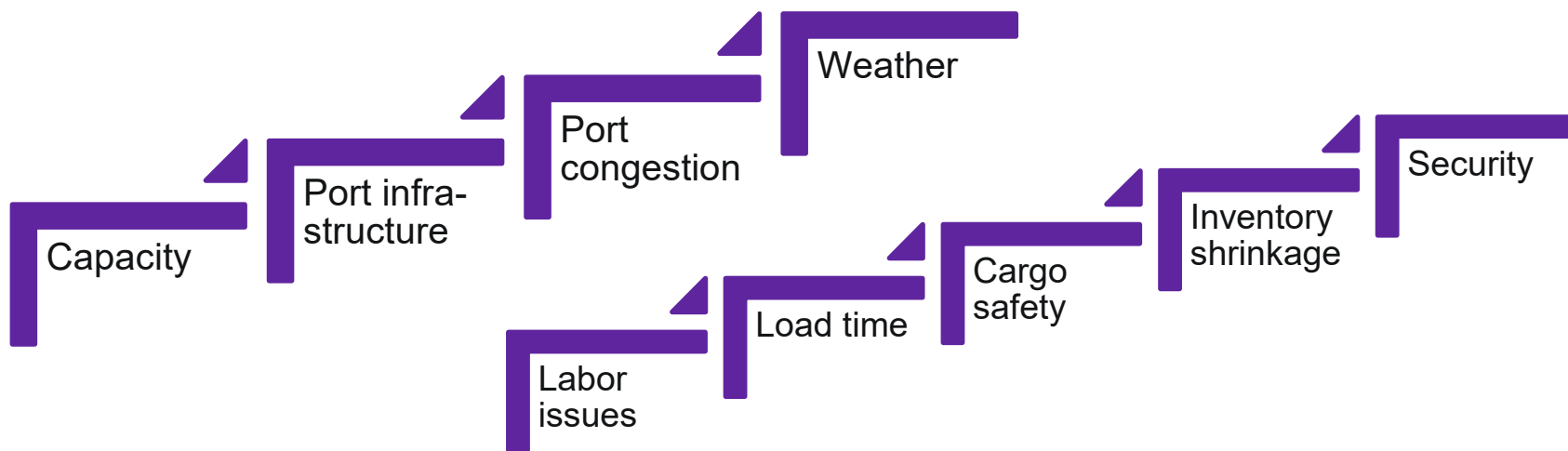
## Port Facilities

- Unloading and handling facilities?
- Sufficient room for carrier?
- Warehouse space for temporary storage?
- Intermodal transport and labor available?
- When will detention/demurrage begin?

# Topic 4: Water Issues and Challenges

## Issues and Challenges

Weather, inaccessibility, speed may add costs to shipper.



# Topic 4: Water Issues and Challenges

## Load Time

### Ship stability

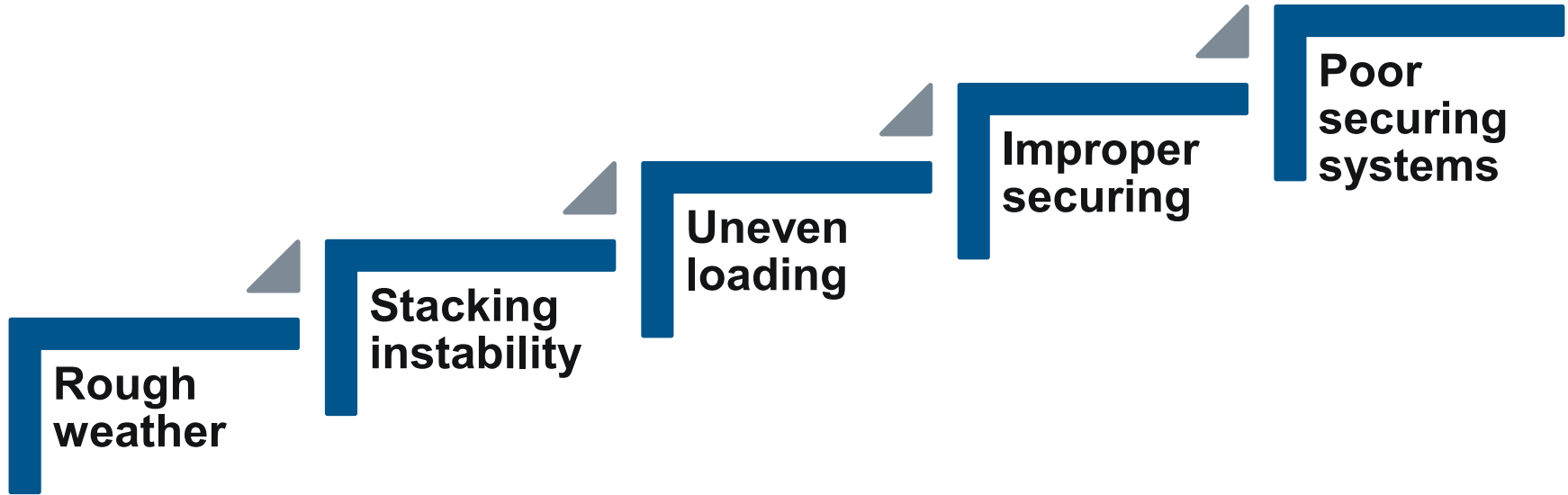
- Cellular structure restricts loading
- Containers stowed in middle

### Rehandled cargo

- Organization of yard containers can prevent
- Goal: Minimize rehandling

# Topic 4: Water Issues and Challenges

## Inventory Shrinkage



# Topic 4: Water Issues and Challenges

## Security

### Port security

- Volume of traffic creates concerns
- Cargo safety at port and at sea

### Piracy

- Ransom
- Cargo theft
- Terrorism

### War risk surcharge

- Enter or be near a war zone
- Insurance policy

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## MODULE 8, SECTION F: INTERMODAL AND OTHER TRANSPORTATION MODES

# Topic 1: Intermodal and Multimodal Transportation

## Intermodal Configurations

- Ocean-truck: Products competitive across international markets due to low cost, fast transit from port.
- Air-truck: Combination expedites transportation of in-demand commodities (fashion, electronics).
- On-dock rail: Rail often first loaded/unloaded at dockside for expedited handoff.



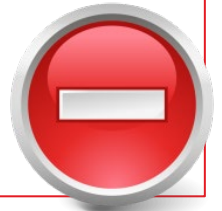
# Topic 1: Intermodal and Multimodal Transportation

## Container Shipping

- Small, non-bulk products store conveniently and safely
- Secure and physically protected
- Far less inventory handling
- Storage outdoors



- Transport cost of empty containers more than new container cost
- Container size: Smaller than standard motor trailer
- Closed containers: Smuggling easier
- Susceptible to loss, especially at sea

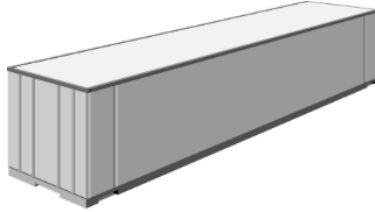


# Topic 1: Intermodal and Multimodal Transportation

## Container Types



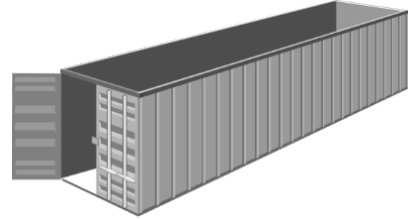
General-purpose



High-cube



Flatrack



Open-top



Tank



Temperature-controlled

# Topic 1: Intermodal and Multimodal Transportation

## Types of Intermodal Carriers

- Air-road (birdyback)
- Rail-road (piggyback)
  - COFC
  - TOFC
  - RoadRailer®
  - Swapbody
  - Caisse mobile
  - Skeletal trailer
  - Extendable trailer
- Water-road (fishyback)
  - LOLO
  - RORO
- Rail-water (trainship)

# Topic 1: Intermodal and Multimodal Transportation

## Market Structure and Sales Strategy

### Competition

- Less competition between modes after intermodal.
- Competition now on multimodal and intermodal option selections.

### Multimodal capabilities

- Use most efficient combinations that make sense for customers .
- Carriers base decision on:
  - Capacity.
  - Route.
  - Cost efficiency.
  - Delivery deadlines.

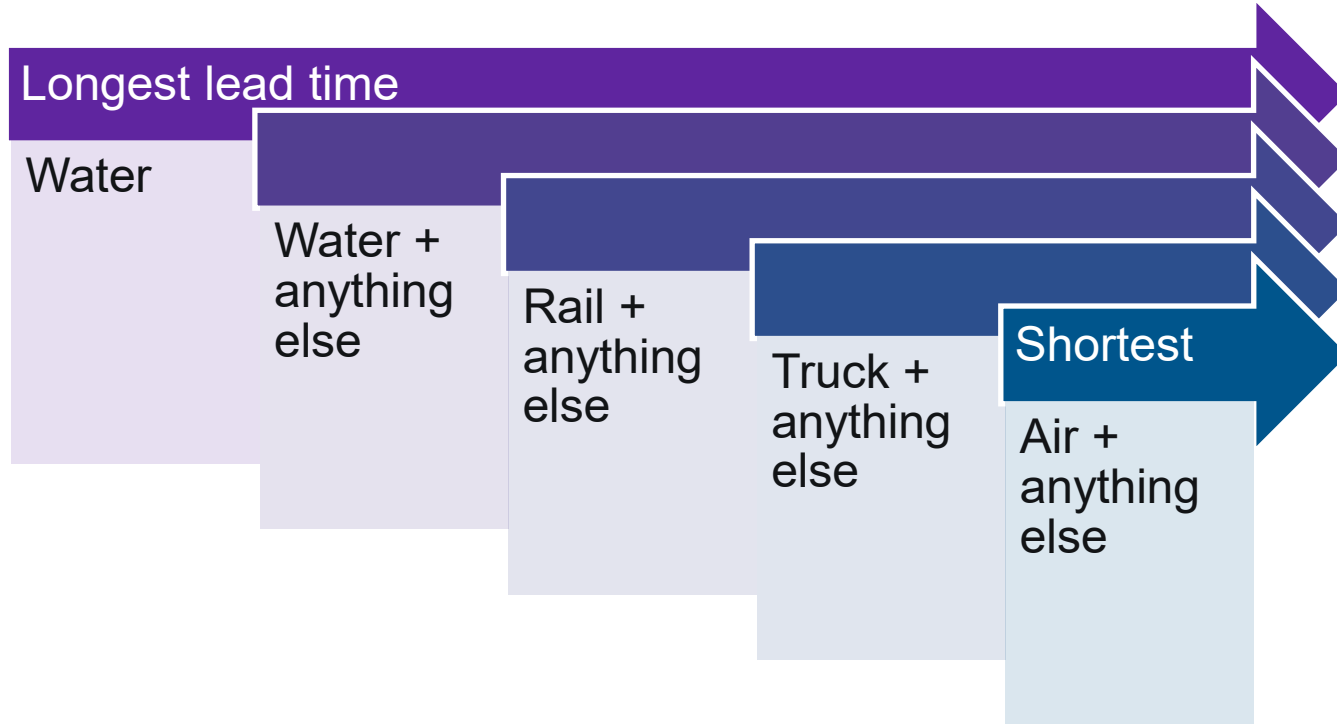
# Topic 1: Intermodal and Multimodal Transportation

## Operating/Service Characteristics

- Capability
  - Mini land bridge
  - Micro land bridge
  - Single tariff
- Cost structure
  - Best qualities per mode
  - Lower door-to-door rate
  - Lost cargo liability differs
- Capacity (by mode)
- Speed (need for)
- Accessibility/flexibility: high
- Environmental
  - Interchange points
  - International intermodal terminals
- Safety
  - Intermodal terminals

# Topic 1: Intermodal and Multimodal Transportation

## Speed



# Topic 1: Intermodal and Multimodal Transportation

## Safety

Intermodal transport is safer than ever.

- Technology and engineering: much safer cargo-loading practices
- Transportation management systems (TMS)
  - Cargo visibility
  - Shippers anticipate areas of concern
  - Revise routes, carriers, or schedules

# Topic 1: Intermodal and Multimodal Transportation

## Issues and Challenges

### Visibility

- More carriers
- Some use old technology
- TMS: rerouting



### International freight forwarders

- Shipment visibility
- L/C consulting
- Booking space/scheduling
- Export declaration
- Ocean bills/Consular documents
- Insurance
- Punctual payment/documents
- New markets, regulations, etc.



# Topic 2: Parcel, Courier, and Express Services

## Filling the Need

Fills common carrier and small package shipping gap



### Parcel

- Transportation specialists
- Accept packages up to a certain weight



### Courier

- Local
- Pick up and deliver important documents and packages



### Express

- Guarantee delivery by a predetermined date

# Topic 2: Parcel, Courier, and Express Services

## Market Structure and Sales Strategy

- Demand for parcel, courier, and express services has grown.
- Due to e-commerce and consumer demand.



# Topic 2: Parcel, Courier, and Express Services

## Regional Courier Services

- Focus on deliveries that are local to as much as 1,000 miles (1,609 kilometers)
- Services designed to supplement those of major carriers
- Offer degree of “personalized service”

# Topic 2: Parcel, Courier, and Express Services

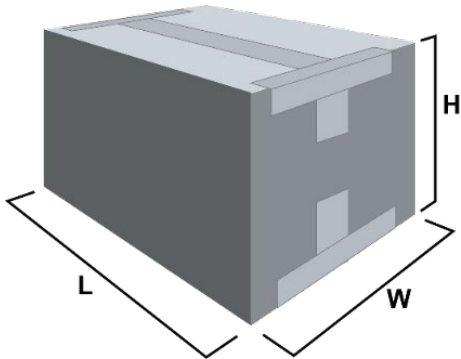
## Operating and Service Characteristics

<b>Capability</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Driven by general public's purchases</li></ul>
<b>Cost structure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Market-based pricing</li><li>• Most carriers publish transport services and prices.</li></ul>
<b>Capacity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dictated by commodities being shipped</li></ul>
<b>Speed</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Carriers guarantee overnight or same-day delivery.</li></ul>
<b>Accessibility/ flexibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Internet makes carriers available around the clock.</li><li>• Door-to-door service: easy for consumers</li></ul>
<b>Environmental efficiency/efficacy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recyclable and less packaging when possible</li></ul>
<b>Safety</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Safety procedures, company rules, and preventive measures help carriers avoid most safety challenges.</li></ul>

# Topic 2: Parcel, Courier, and Express Services

## Parcel Measurement

Measure to determine if exceeds maximum limits



### Step 1

Determine the length (1 x length).

- Measure longest side of package, rounding up.

### Step 2

Determine the girth (2 x width + 2 x height).

- Measure width, rounding up. Multiply by 2.
- Measure height, rounding. Multiply by 2.
- Add the two values. This is the girth.

### Step 3

Add the length and the girth.

- This is the package measurement.

# Topic 2: Parcel, Courier, and Express Services

## Issues and Challenges

Speed

Packaging

Limited  
international  
competition

Pricing

Payments/cash

# Topic 3: Pipeline Transportation

## Types of Carriers

**Deliver liquid cargo for further refining or to customers**



**Move crude oil/liquid cargo from producers to pipelines**



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# Topic 3: Pipeline Transportation

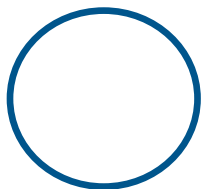
## Pipeline Diameters



**Gathering lines: Less than 6 inches  
(152 millimeters)**



**Trunk lines: Most commonly 8–10 inches  
(203–254 millimeters)**



**Refined product lines: 8–42 inches  
(203–1,067 millimeters)**



**Distribution pipelines: 0.5–6 inches  
(12–152 millimeters)**



# Topic 3: Pipeline Transportation

## Pipeline Market Structure and Sales Strategy

- Dominated by small number of very large carriers.
- High start-up costs limit participants.
- Market is oligopolistic.
- Minimal competition in industry.
- Other modes support pipeline rather than compete.

# Topic 3: Pipeline Transportation

## Operating/Service Characteristics

Capability	Limited: Must be liquid, liquefiable, or gaseous
Cost structure	Low unit costs: High fixed costs, carrying capacity
Capacity	Two-thirds of all tonne-kilometers hauled: oil, oil products
Speed	Slowest form of transport; needs additional inventory to account for in-transit cargo
Accessibility/ flexibility	Inflexible: Only near product they move and only serve product for which they were built
Environmental efficiency/efficacy	Energy-efficient, few leaks/ruptures, unaffected by weather, construction locations may have controversy
Safety	Safest mode, highly automated, operates on 24/7 basis

# Topic 3: Pipeline Transportation

## Issues and Challenges

- Government regulations: Many government agencies oversee pipeline industry.
- Political issues: Use law of eminent domain, pipeline use in sensitive ecosystems.
- Cross-country boundaries: Needs collaboration.
- Safety concerns: Enviably records for safety, but industry must be vigilant.

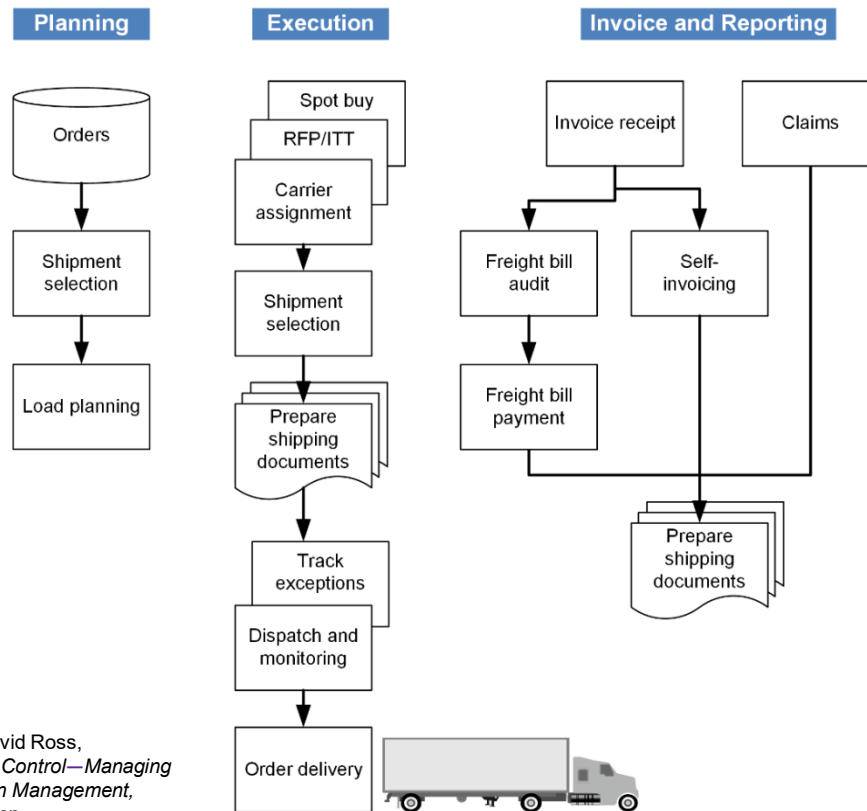
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## MODULE 8, SECTION G: TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT

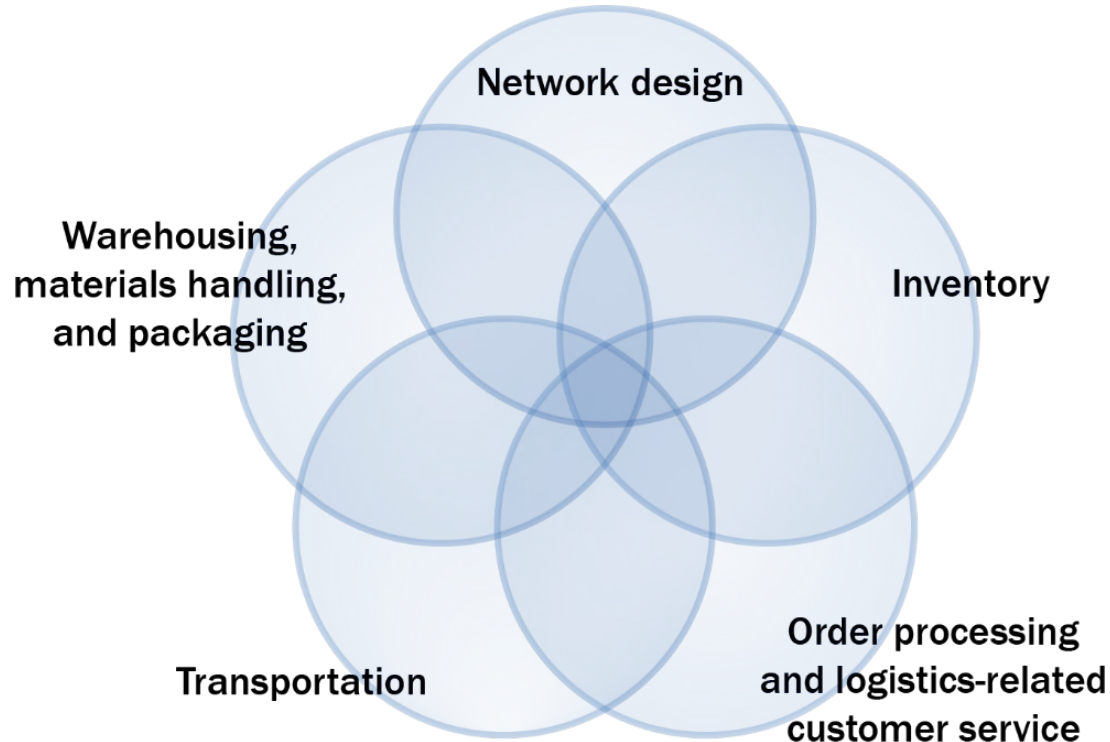
## Transportation Management Tasks

Planning, scheduling, budgeting of transportation assets, services, and related systems



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## Grouping Logistics Components



## Transportation Design Tradeoffs

Capability/ Mode	Road	Rail	Air	Water	Pipeline
Accessibility	Advantage	Disadvantage	Disadvantage	Disadvantage	Disadvantage
Transit time	Advantage	Disadvantage	Advantage	Disadvantage	Disadvantage
Reliability	Advantage	Disadvantage	Advantage	Disadvantage	Advantage
Product safety	Advantage	Disadvantage	Advantage	Disadvantage	Advantage

## Labeling

- Weight
- Consignee's name
- Name of company
- Shipment number
- Number of units  
(e.g., 1 of 3)





## Special Considerations

- Temperature
- Bulk shipments
- Hazardous materials
- Perishables
- Live animals
- Classified/government material
- Prohibited goods
- Pharmaceuticals
- High-value goods
- Household goods
- Personal effects

## Selection of Transport Mode

### External considerations

- Country infrastructure
- Trade barriers
- Export controls, licenses
- Law and taxation
- Economic
- Culture/political
- Climate
- Regional/geographic

### Customer considerations

- Service level requirements
- Delivery point constraints
- Credit rating
- Terms of sale and order size preference
- Customer importance
- Product knowledge

### Product considerations

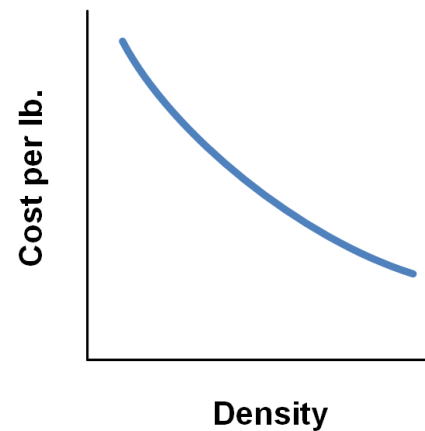
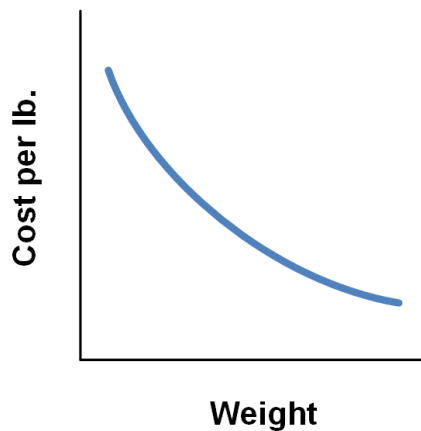
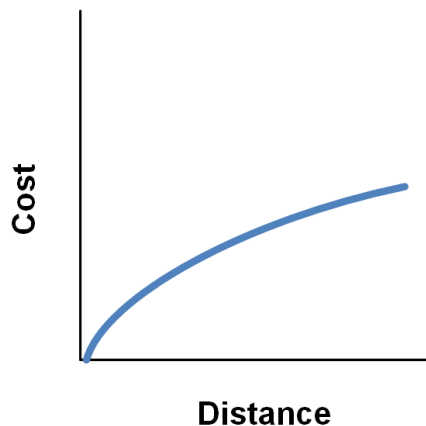
- Volume-to-weight ratio
- Value-to-weight ratio
- Substitutability
- Package dimensions
- Special characteristics

## Modal Capabilities

Mode	Strengths	Weaknesses	Product Characteristics	Cost
Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Accessible and versatile</li><li>▪ Fast</li><li>▪ Customer service</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Limited capacity</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ High value</li><li>▪ Finished goods</li><li>▪ Low volume</li></ul>	High
Rail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ High capacity</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Accessibility</li><li>▪ Service levels</li><li>▪ Damage rates</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Low value</li><li>▪ Raw materials</li><li>▪ High volume</li></ul>	Low
Air	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Speed</li><li>▪ Load protection</li><li>▪ Flexibility</li><li>▪ International capabilities</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Accessibility</li><li>▪ Limited capacity</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ High value</li><li>▪ Finished goods</li><li>▪ Low volume</li><li>▪ Time-sensitive</li></ul>	High
Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ High capacity</li><li>▪ International capabilities</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Slow</li><li>▪ Accessibility</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Low value</li><li>▪ Raw materials or bulk commodities</li><li>▪ Containerized finished goods</li></ul>	Low
Pipeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ In-transit storage</li><li>▪ Load protection</li><li>▪ Efficiency</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Slow</li><li>▪ Limited network</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Low value</li><li>▪ Liquid commodities</li><li>▪ Not time-sensitive</li></ul>	Low

## Transportation Economics

Cost per unit of weight decreases as load size increases



## Line-Haul Services

Reconsignment

Diversion

Pooling

Stopping in  
transit

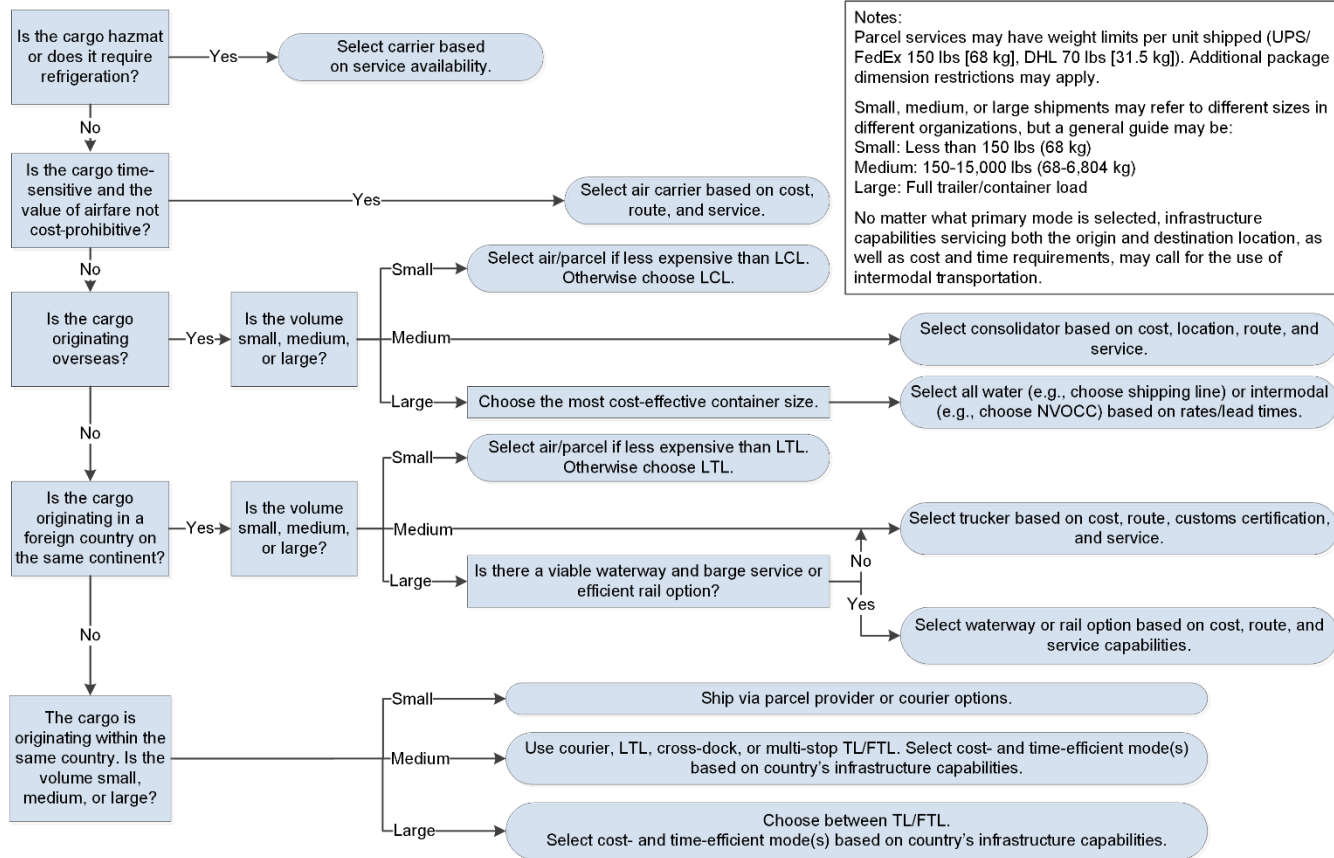
Transit privilege

Pickup and  
delivery

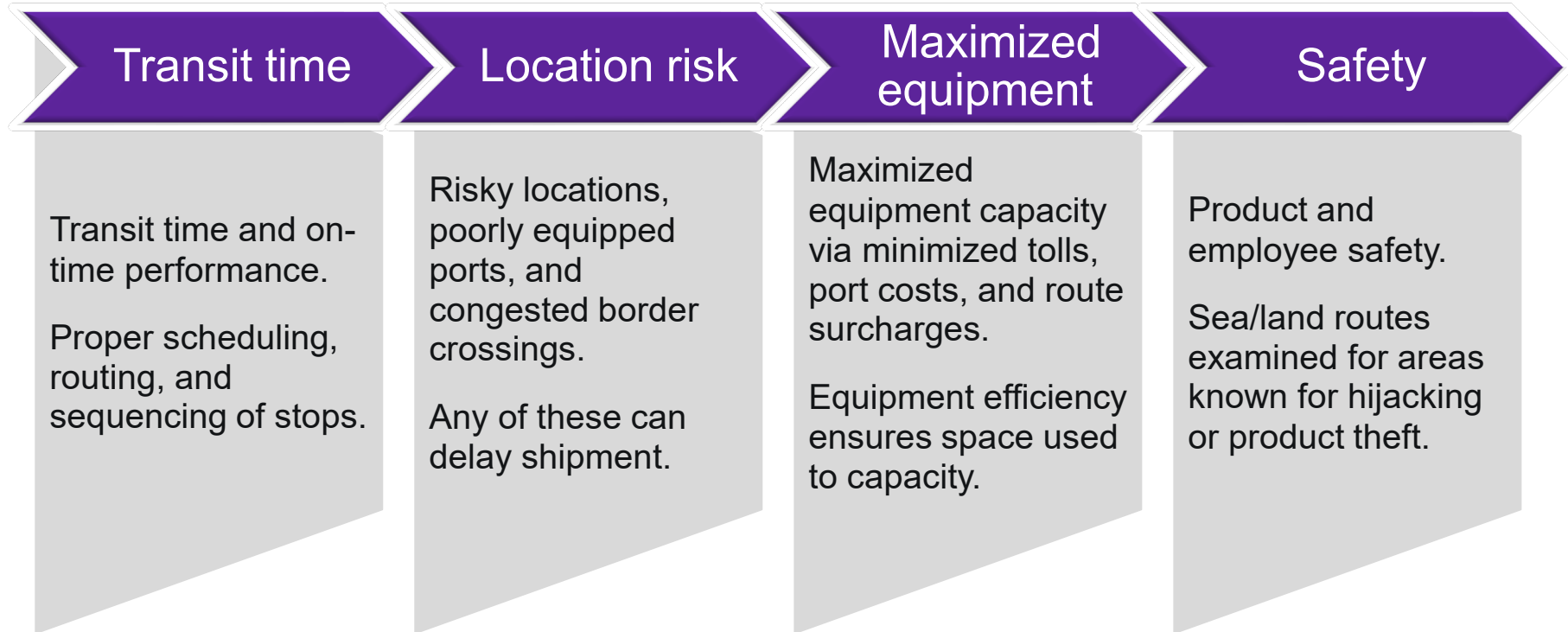
Terminal  
handling



# Topic 1: Transportation Management, Network Design, and Mode Selection



## Route Planning and Scheduling





## Business Intelligence (BI) Tools

Data available through BI tools:

- Distance requirements
- Vehicle details  
(e.g., age; vehicle weight; type of body, axle, engine)
- Tonnes carried
- Idle time
- Maintenance details
- Fuel used
- Delivery details

# Topic 2: Carrier Negotiations and Selection

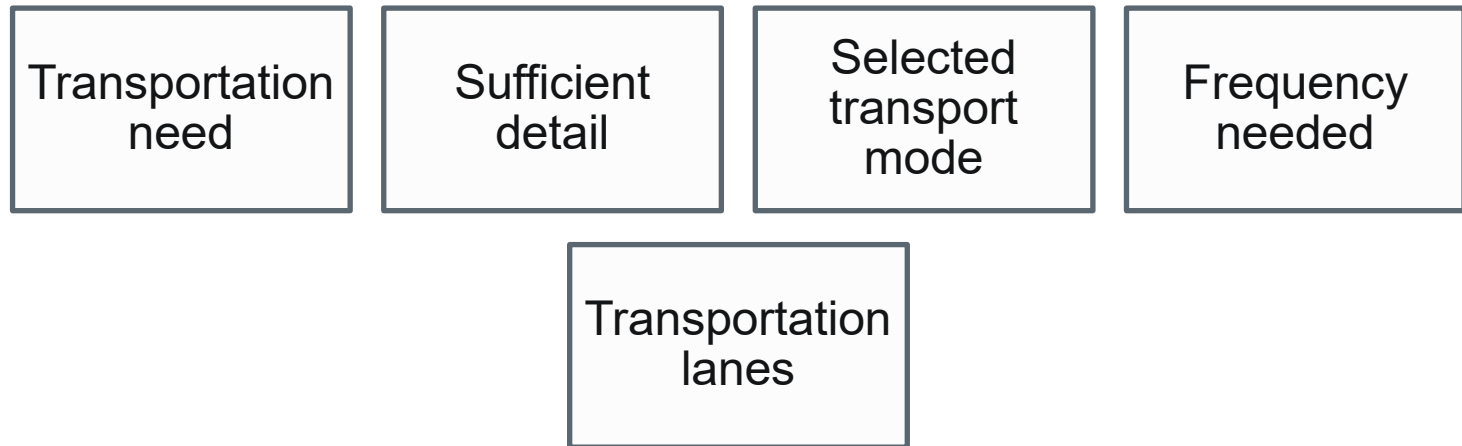
## Overall Provider Selection Process

1. Clarify requirements and scope.
2. Identify type of provider needed.
3. Locate and research potential providers.
4. Prepare RFP/ITT or equivalent.
5. Evaluate and compare responses.
6. Select a contractor and negotiate.
7. Finalize contract and terms and conditions; sign.

# Topic 2: Carrier Negotiations and Selection

## Statement of Work (SOW) for Carrier Selection

Detailed and specific document that describes the required work in terms of scope



# Topic 2: Carrier Negotiations and Selection

## Insourcing vs. Outsourcing for Logistics Services

Differentiate on...

- Customer service?
- Cost control?
- Integration?
- Data?
- Flexibility?



# Topic 2: Carrier Negotiations and Selection

## External Providers (Asset-Based/Non-Asset Based)

Service Category	Asset Dedication	Speed of Delivery	Size of Consignment	Contractual Basis
<b>Express</b>	Shared	Same/next day	Small parcel-size	Transaction
<b>Groupage</b>	Shared	Slower than express/several days	Larger than express/pallet-size plus	Transaction
<b>General haulage</b>	Shared (but could be contract)	Slower than express/48 hours plus	Any size	Transaction or Contract
<b>Multi-user</b>	Shared	Slower than dedicated/next day or longer	As required	Contract
<b>Dedicated</b>	Dedicated	As required	As required	Contract

# Topic 2: Carrier Negotiations and Selection

## Requests for Information (RFI)

- Preliminary planning step before RFP
- Information from providers about their capabilities
- Used to build short list of contractors
  - Adequate abilities
  - Interest

# Topic 2: Carrier Negotiations and Selection

## Key Sections of an RFP/ITT

Statement of requirement

Statement of purpose

Background information

Scope of work

Performance standards

Delivery schedule

Contract terms and conditions

Payments, incentives and penalties

# Topic 2: Carrier Negotiations and Selection

## RFP/ITT Evaluation and Alternative Methods

### Evaluation criteria

- Transit time average and reliability
- Equipment availability and capacity
- Geographic coverage
- Product protection
- Rates

### Online shipper auctions

- Buyers bid on services
  - Cost-effective deal
  - Publish shipment requirements
  - Time to submit bids
- Shippers fill excess capacity



# Topic 2: Carrier Negotiations and Selection

## Contracts



### Contracts

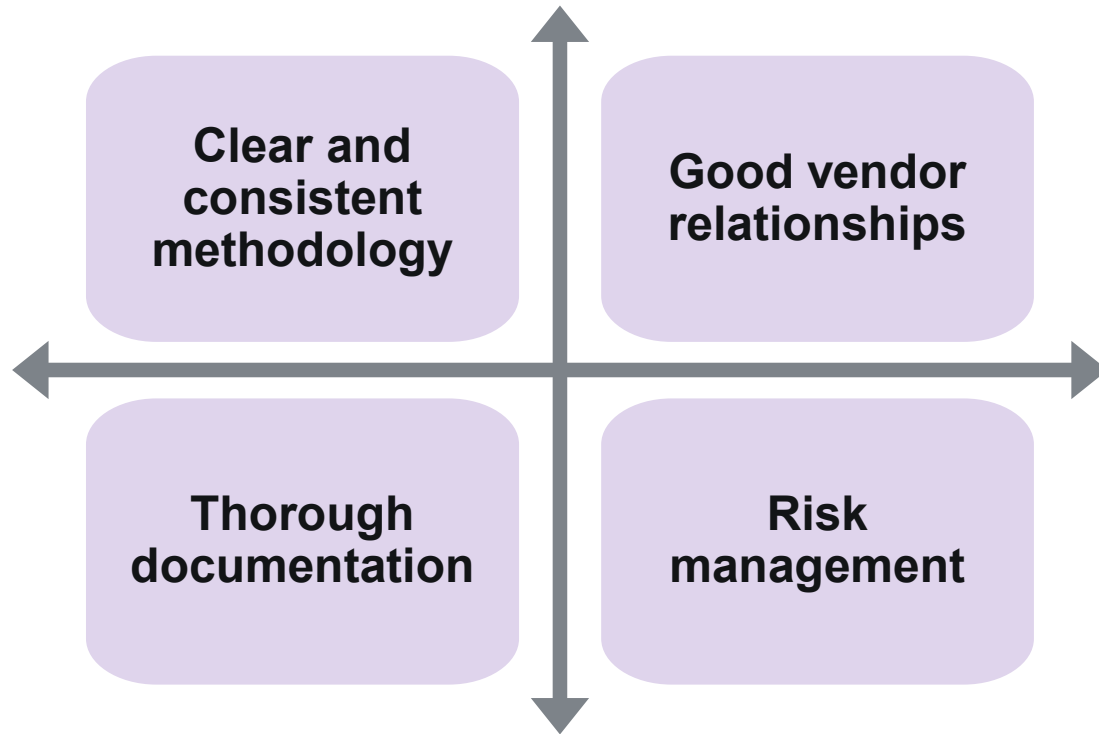
Oral or written

Single purchase

Delivery of products  
over defined period

# Topic 2: Carrier Negotiations and Selection

## Contracting Best Practices



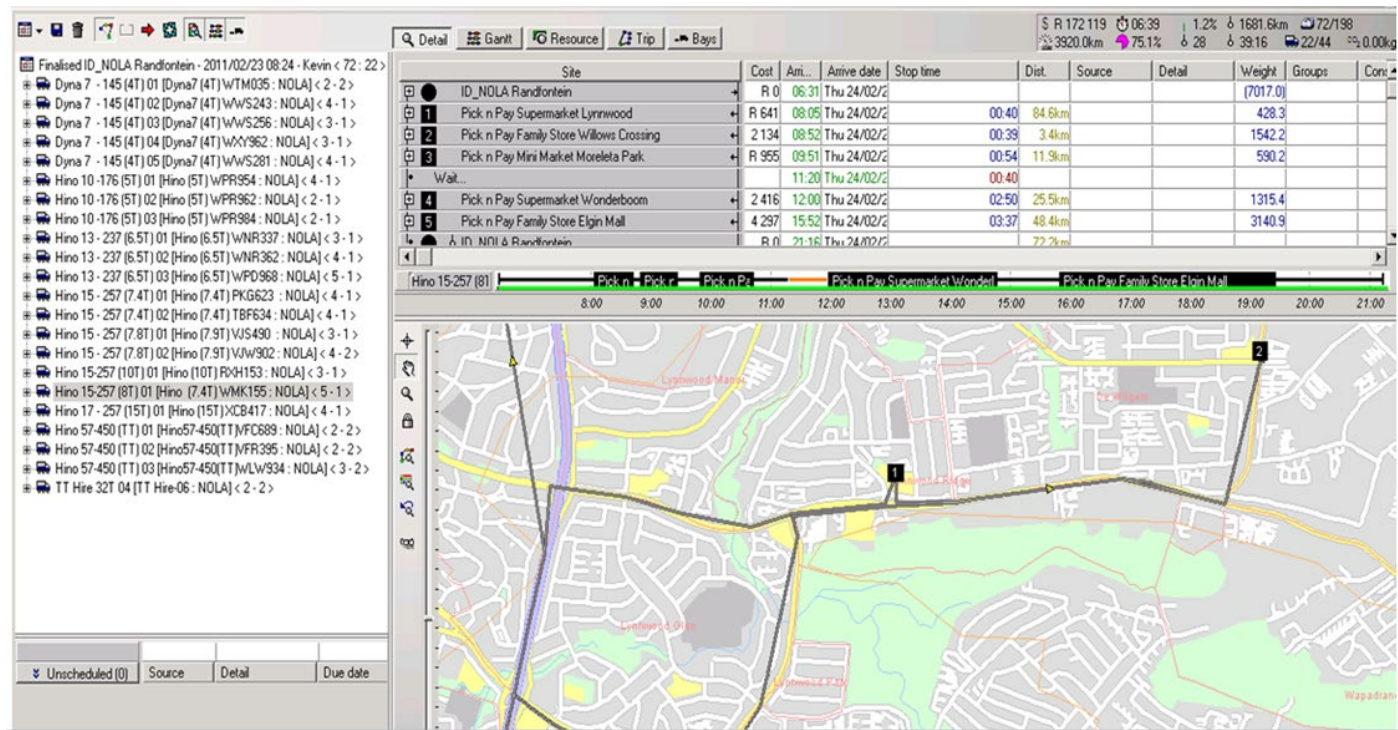
# Topic 3: Fleet Management and Optimization

## Transportation Management Systems (TMS)

- Optimizing fleet: planning and executing across entire shipping system
- Routing and rating
- Executing shipment across multiple modes
- Tracking and tracing loads
- Freight settlement
- Hybrid planning, execution, evaluation capabilities
- Reduce freight costs by 6 to 10%

# Topic 3: Fleet Management and Optimization

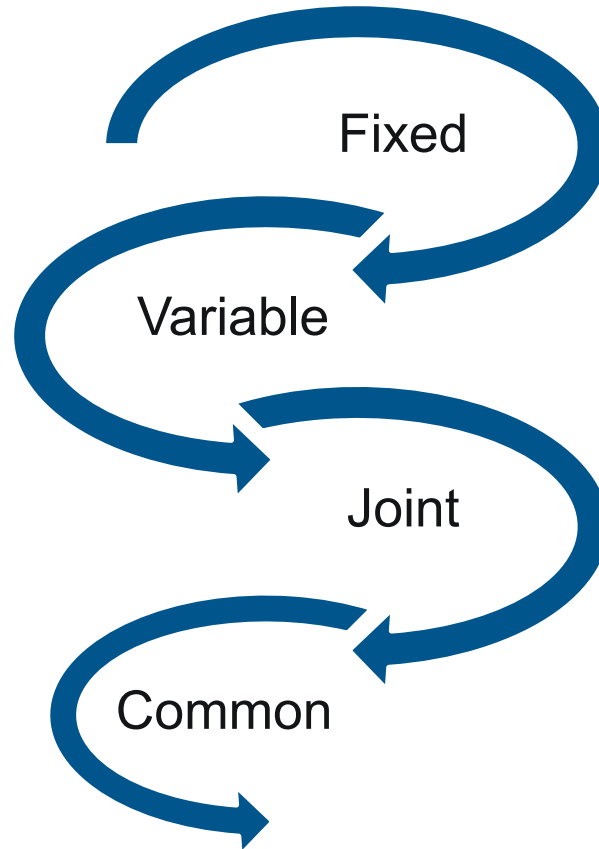
## Automated Route Planning



# Topic 4: Rate Structures

## Types of Costs

Understand these costs before pricing.



# Topic 4: Rate Structures

## Assigning a Rate Tariff



# Topic 4: Rate Structures

## Rates Per Mode

### Road

- LTL/TL
- Per-truckload
- Discount

### Rail

- Multiple-car
- Unit-train

### Air

- Density
- Deferred delivery

### Water

- Container basis
- Additional charges for international shipping

### Pipeline

- Per-barrel basis
- Point-to-point

# Topic 4: Rate Structures

## Other Rate Structures

- Contract
- Distance
- Corporate volume



- Deficit weight
- Dead freight
- Weight break



# Topic 4: Rate Structures

## Pricing Drivers

**Distance**

**Weight**

**Density**

**Stowability**

**Handling**

**Liability**

**Market**

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## MODULE 8, SECTION H: TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION

# Bills of Lading

- Master bill of lading (MBL)
- House bill of lading (HBL)

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# Topic 1: Transportation Documentation

## Freight Claims

A request for financial reimbursement for loss or damage



**Time to submit**



**Filing process**

# Making and Receiving Shipments

### Tracking

- Current location of shipment

### Expediting

- Getting to destination quicker

### Tracing

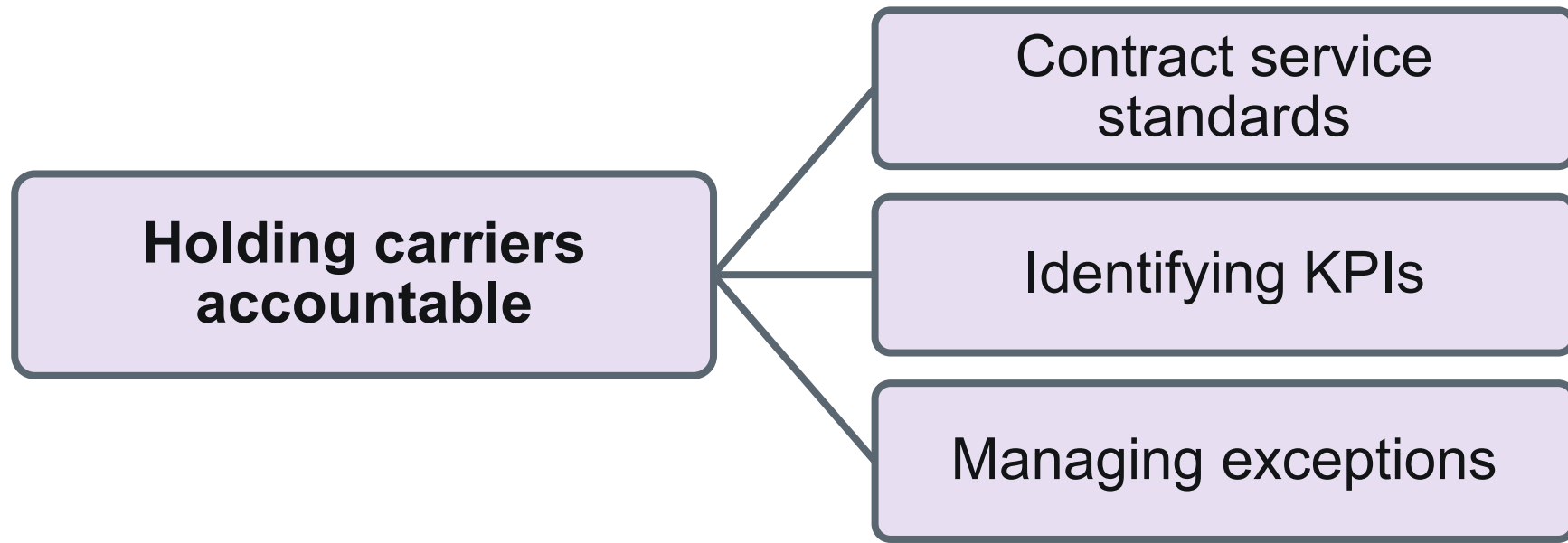
- Shipment believed lost
- Shipper must initiate
- Carrier's responsibility to provide information

# Consolidating

Goal: Reduce costs

- Reactive
  - Market area
  - Scheduled delivery area
  - Pooled delivery
- Proactive
  - Preorder planning
  - Multivendor consolidation

### Exception Management



## Routing, Billing and Demurrage

### Routing

- Making best decision about how shipment will move.
- Routing guides help make best choice.
- Bottlenecks can occur from improper routing.

### Billing

- Manage cost through accurate and timely billing and invoicing.

### Demurrage/ Detention

- To control costs, it is important to minimize demurrage or dwelling penalties.
- Detention is same concept as demurrage.



## Transportation Cost Analysis

### Considerations:

- Freight
- Economic
- Market
- Security
- Regulation requirements



## Economic Regulations by Mode in U.S.

Mode	Regulation
Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Carriers must provide tariffs to shippers on request.</li><li>▪ Undercharge/overcharge claims must be filed within 180 days.</li><li>▪ Antitrust immunity for collective rate making.</li></ul>
Rail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Regulated by ICCTA.</li><li>▪ STB (in U.S.) has jurisdiction over rates, classifications, rules, practices, and routes.</li></ul>
Air	Rates are not controlled.
Water	Rates are not controlled.
Pipeline	Regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

## Freight Settlement

Compares freight order invoice as received to expected invoice and authorizes payment if documents consistent

- Responsibility of traffic department
- Ensures accuracy of invoice
- Can be completed in house or by external provider
  - In-house settlement: if higher settlement discrepancy risk
  - External provider used when expert is needed