

the crossroads of commerce

LOGISTICS & DISTRIBUTION SUCCESS CRITERIA

Sitting at the forefront of economic growth, the Logistics & Distribution industry has defined Commerce City for decades. Encompassing the planning, implementation and control of the flow of goods and services, Logistics & Distribution has blossomed into a leading global industry and one we are proud to welcome. As we redefine how business is done, we invite you to join Commerce City in putting new life into the meaning of commerce. Because it's not just about industry anymore – it's about smart growth, partnership and a progressive vision for the future of the Logistics & Distribution industry.

COMMERCE MEANS accessibility

Commerce City is home to more than 20 motor freight lines with terminals and it's easy to see why. We have access to six major east-west and north-south highways, which allows delivery to anywhere in the metro Denver area in approximately one hour.

Downtown Denver is just 10 minutes south of Commerce City; and the Denver Tech Center is just 20 minutes away. Commerce City is connected to Boulder via I-270/U.S. 36 and you can be in the Rocky Mountains via I-70 within an hour.

Bordering Denver International Airport (DIA) to the west and the north, Commerce City is just 10 minutes from the fifth-busiest airport in the nation and the 10th-busiest in the world.

This advantage allows Commerce City businesses to conveniently ship supplies and inventory anywhere in the world, and easily transport personnel, customers and suppliers with a short drive. So whether your customers are around the corner or around the world, you're minutes away in Commerce City.

Commerce City Logistics & Distribution Snapshot

Number of Companies	179
Direct Employment	7,000
10-Year Wage Growth	19%

Colorado Dept. of Labor, 2010

COMMERCE MEANS growth potential

Commerce City offers thousands of acres when it comes to land development and growth opportunities for your industrial needs.

Commerce City's population has more than doubled in the past 10 years, making it one of the fastest growing communities in Colorado. And we're still growing. With more than 45,000 residents, and millions more in neighboring communities, you have a robust labor force with the technical skills, education and language abilities to make sure your business is successful.

With several new industrial areas currently under development, prime opportunities exist along the 47-mile E-470 corridor. Commerce City is one of the only Colorado cities with an abundance of available light and heavy industrial zoning, and we are committed to helping your businesses grow and prosper.

COMMERCE MEANS quality community

When it comes to your clients and employees, they won't have to look beyond Commerce City to find the metro area's most vibrant recreational amenities and housing options. Both our historic city core and Northern Range offer ample housing options for any lifestyle – whether you're looking for a start up home or executive housing on the award-winning Buffalo Run Golf Course.

COMMERCE MEANS business incentives

Commerce City is redefining the way we do business with you. In addition to having one of the fastest development review cycles in the Denver metro area, our nationally-recognized incentive program is helping new and existing businesses improve their bottom line. Commerce City has provided millions of dollars in incentives to businesses large and small. As we redefine commerce, we will partner with you to create a customized business framework that is right for your company.

COMMERCE MEANS strategic partnerships

You are the company you keep. Don't take our word for it – trust in the many Logistics & Distribution companies that have called Commerce City home for years:

- United Parcel Service
- FedEx Ground Package System, Inc.
- Sharp Logistics
- United Cargo Logistics, Inc.
- Otto Logistics, LLC
- New England Trucking
- Nustar Logistics
- Estenson Logistics, LLC
- FedEx Freight
- Navajo Trucking
- Shamrock Foods
- Houg Special Services

We bring businesses together. Logistics companies in Commerce City are poised to take advantage of an established network of manufacturers, suppliers and businesses located in the area, including Coors, Vestas Wind Systems, Cummins Rocky Mountain, Suncor Energy and Schlumberger.

“Commerce City is a great place to start or expand a business. Their economic development team offers innovative ideas to help improve business growth plans as well as packaging services and incentives to keep businesses in the community thriving.”

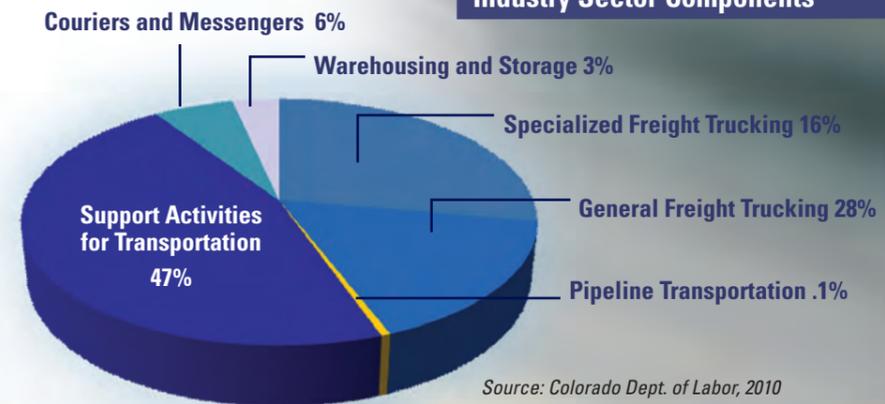
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COMMERCE CITY

✓ PROXIMITY TO MAJOR AIRPORT	• Neighbors DIA, the 5th busiest airport in the nation
✓ MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION NETWORK	• Direct access to several major interstate arteries, rail and air systems • Centrally located between two future RTD FasTracks corridors
✓ SHORT DISTANCE TO A LARGE MARKET	• Centrally located in metro Denver • Ten minutes from downtown Denver • Within eight trucking hours of Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Wyoming, New Mexico, Utah, Texas
✓ AFFORDABLE BUSINESS COSTS	• No head tax • No personal property tax • Low tax rates • Customized incentive packages
✓ SKILLED AND AVAILABLE WORKFORCE	• Active labor force of more than 225,426 in Adams County; more than 45,000 in Commerce City • 83 percent of workforce in Adams County has a high school degree or higher

Industry Sector Components



Commerce City at a Glance

Square miles	41
Population	45,913
Median age	34.5
Average Household Income	\$65,944
Homeownership rate	65.6%

Source: U.S. Census, 2010; ESRI Business Analyst, 2011