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AIR SERVICE

The Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority owns and operates two area airports.

MCGHEE-TYSON AIRPORT (TYS)

is a major regional airport providing all commercial airline services. Major airlines operate with direct service to 24 cities. One-Stop service is available to other additional cities and connecting service is available to over 150 cities worldwide. Lift capacity averages 4,000 seats daily. McGhee Tyson is conveniently located 12 miles south of Downtown Knoxville and is easily accessible from west Knoxville via the Pellissippi Parkway (I-140).

With twin 9,000-foot runways, McGhee Tyson Airport can accommodate any size aircraft in today's inventory. Concessions inside the facility include Ruby Tuesday, Starbucks, Cinnabon, Quiznos, Uno Express Pizza, and two gift shops. Nearly 2 million passengers pass through McGhee Tyson each year. <https://flyknoxville.com>

McGhee-Tyson Airport (TYS)

# Runways	2
Runway Length	9,000 ft. (each)
Surface	Asphalt
Octane Available	80/100
Repair Capacity	Major
Taxi/Car Rentals	Both Available
# Airlines	5
# Daily Flights	100
# Arrivals	50
# Departures	50

Airlines Serving McGhee-Tyson Airport

Allegiant Air
American Airlines
Delta Air Lines
Frontier Airlines
United Airlines

Total Passenger Traffic at McGhee-Tyson Airport (TYS)

Year	Enplaned Passengers	Deplaned Passengers	Total Passenger Traffic	% Change
2012	876,483	870,662	1,747,145	-1.5%
2013	858,991	853,515	1,712,506	-2.0%
2014	871,094	867,039	1,738,133	1.5%
2015	894,862	879,219	1,774,081	2.1%
2016	916,116	911,873	1,827,989	3.0%
2017	998,157	988,967	1,987,124	8.7%
2018	1,114,405	1,106,732	2,221,137	11.8%
2019	1,289,347	1,283,475	2,572,822	15.8%
2020	581,488	579,959	1,161,447	-54.9%*
2021	998,850	990,712	1,989,562	71.3%

Source: Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority

*COVID-19 impact

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Air Freight Services at McGhee Tyson Airport (TYS)

DHL Express

FedEx Air

UPS (United Parcel Service)

Air Freight Traffic (in tons) at McGhee Tyson Airport (TYS)

Year	Enplaned Passengers	Deplaned Passengers	Total Passenger Traffic	% Change
2012	49,429,686	42,084,385	91,514,071	-0.9%
2013	43,769,371	40,260,571	84,029,942	-8.2%
2014	36,112,122	38,003,550	74,115,672	-11.8%
2015	36,645,822	40,749,809	77,395,631	4.4%
2016	38,528,460	46,303,527	84,831,987	9.6%
2017	35,441,100	45,292,975	80,734,075	-4.8%
2018	33,757,231	47,606,276	81,363,507	0.8%
2019	35,904,943	49,449,293	85,354,236	4.9%
2020	36,227,788	47,924,148	84,151,936	-1.4%
2021	38,324,255	50,904,311	89,228,566	6.0%

Source: Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority



30 Nonstop Destinations



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24 Cities with Direct (Non-Stop) Air Service from McGhee Tyson Airport (TYS)

City	Airport	Airport Code	Daily flights from TYS
Atlanta, GA	Hartsfield-Jackson Int'l	ATL	Daily
Austin, TX	Austin Bergstrom Int'l	AUS	Seasonal
Baltimore, MD	Baltimore-Washington Int'l	BWI	Seasonal
Boston, MA	Boston Logan Int'l	BOS	Seasonal
Charlotte, NC	Charlotte Douglas Int'l	CLT	Daily
Chicago, IL	Chicago O'Hare Int'l	ORD	Daily
Chicago, IL	Chicago Midway Int'l	MDW	Seasonal
Dallas, TX	Dallas-Ft. Worth Int'l	DFW	Daily
Denver, CO	Denver Int'l	DEN	Daily
Destin, FL	Destin-Fort Walton Beach	VPS	Seasonal
Detroit, MI	Detroit Metro Wayne Int'l	DTW	Daily
Ft. Lauderdale, FL	Ft. Lauderdale-Hollywood Int'l	FLL	Daily
Houston, TX	Houston Bush Intercontinental	IAH	Daily
Houston, TX	Houston Hobby Airport	HOU	Seasonal
Las Vegas, NV	Las Vegas Harry Reid Int'l	LAS	Daily
Miami, FL	Miami Int'l	MIA	Daily
Minneapolis, MN	Minneapolis-St. Paul Int'l	MSP	Daily
Myrtle Beach, SC	Myrtle Beach Int'l	MYR	Seasonal
Newark, NJ	Newark Liberty Int'l	EWR	Seasonal
New York, NY	New York LaGuardia Int'l	LGA	Daily
Orlando, FL	Orlando-Sanford Int'l	SFB	Daily
Orlando, FL	Orlando Int'l	MCO	Seasonal
Phoenix, AZ	Phoenix Sky Harbor Int'l	PHO	Daily
Philadelphia, PA	Philadelphia Int'l	PHL	Daily
Punta Gorda, FL	Punta Gorda Airport	PGD	Daily
Sarasota, FL	Sarasota-Bradenton Int'l	SRQ	Daily
Tampa -St. Petersburg, FL	St. Petersburg-Clearwater Int'l	PIE	Daily
Washington, DC	Washington Dulles Int'l	IAD	Daily
Washington, DC	Washington Reagan National	DCA	Daily
West Palm Beach, FL	Palm Beach Int'l	PBI	Daily

Downtown Island Airport (DKX)

is a general aviation airport located less than 3 miles from Downtown Knoxville on the Tennessee River. Over 100 private and corporate aircraft are based at Downtown Island Airport. This facility has a 3,500-foot runway with a published localizer-only approach. There is an FAA control tower that is operational when high traffic is expected in the area for events such as University of Tennessee football games. There are also 6 other general aviation airfields located throughout the region.

Downtown Island Airport (DKX)

# Runways	1
Runway Length	3,500 ft.
Surface	Asphalt
Lighting	Yes

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RAIL SERVICE (FREIGHT)

Approximately 270 miles of railroad track cross Knox County. Direct one-line service is available to most large and small cities throughout the Southeast.

Norfolk Southern Corporation offers intermodal (piggyback) service with a ramp located in Knoxville. The railroad provides access to market areas throughout the southeastern, central, and midwestern United States as well as provinces in southern Canada. Norfolk Southern also maintains a division freight office in Knoxville.

For more information, please call 1-800-635-5768 or www.nscorp.com

CSX/Seaboard is a major eastern railroad providing rail transportation and distribution services over a 22,700-mile route network in 23 states, the District of Columbia, and 2 provinces in Canada. CSX maintains a division freight office in Knoxville. For more information, log on to www.csx.com

Gulf & Ohio Railways is based out of Knoxville provides a short-line hauling railroad (Knoxville-Holston River Railroad) which offers 20 miles of track to Knoxville industries. For more information, please call (865) 525-9400.

www.gulfandohio.com

Estimated Delivery Time (in days) for Rail Freight Shipments

Atlanta, GA	1	Cincinnati, OH	1	Minneapolis, MN	4
Baltimore, MD	1	Detroit, MI	2	New Orleans, LA	2
Boston, MA	5	Houston, TX	2	New York, NY	4
Charleston, SC	3	Jacksonville, FL	3	Philadelphia, PA	3
Chicago, IL	2	Kansas City, MO	4	St. Louis, MO	2

NAVIGABLE WATERWAY/BARGE SERVICE

Knoxville is located at the head of the Tennessee River navigation channel. The river is part of the Interconnected Inland Water System - which links Knoxville with 21 states, the Mississippi River, and the Great Lakes. Linkages may be made to the entire inland waterway system, allowing shipments to be made by water to Houston, Tampa, Pittsburgh, Minneapolis, and Little Rock. The Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway links East Tennessee to 13 other states and the Gulf of Mexico. The waterway shortens shipping between Tennessee and the Gulf by 882 miles and enables East Tennessee products to arrive at their Gulf destinations from 8-9 days earlier. For more information, log onto <http://tenntom.org>

PORT OF KNOXVILLE

Knoxville has 3 active river terminals to handle barge shipments.
Channel depth is 9-feet.

Barge Lines

Burkhart Enterprises, Inc.
Fort Loudon Terminal Co.

(865) 523-6157
(865) 986-6545

www.burkhartenterprises.com

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River Freight Traffic (Port of Knoxville)

Year	#Barges	Tonnage of Freight
2003	551	565,000
2004	568	602,147
2005	474	467,616
2006	552	572,295
2007	276	591,210
2008	329	587,582
2009	211	318,589
2010	323	535,943
2011	381	639,060
2012	435	745,560

Source: Knoxville/Knox County Planning

River Freight Traffic (East Tennessee Locks)

Year	Tonnage of Freight
2013	5,242,900
2014	4,661,400
2015	5,030,500

Source: Knoxville/Knox County Planning

River Freight Traffic (Fort Loudoun Lock)

Year	Tonnage of Freight
2017	404,190
2018	582,440
2019	324,500
2020	387,890
2021	283,330

Source: Knoxville/Knox County Planning

HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE/GROUND SERVICES

Three of the nation's most heavily traveled interstates (I-40, I-75, and I-81) converge in Knoxville.

I-640 provides a by-pass around the city of Knoxville on the north side while I-275 connects Downtown Knoxville with I-640 and I-75. The Pellissippi Parkway (I-140) provides a direct route from Oak Ridge to McGhee Tyson Airport in Alcoa. The region is also supported by 8 U.S. highways, 16 state highways, and several interconnected county roads. This strategic junction allows 53 percent of the nation's marketplace to be within a 650-mile radius of Knoxville. There are 44 trucking firms in the region.

INTERSTATE SUMMARY

- I-40** Major (East-West) route crossing 8 states along the southern half of the nation from Wilmington, NC to Barstow, CA.
- I-75** Major (North-South) route crossing 6 states in the central part of the nation from Sault Ste. Marie, MI (on the Canadian border) to Ft. Lauderdale, FL.
- I-81** Major (North-South) route crossing 6 states towards the northeastern half of the nation from Knoxville, TN to north of Watertown, NY (on the Canadian border).

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TRAVEL DISTANCE (IN MILES) TO SELECTED CITIES FROM KNOXVILLE

Asheville, NC	113	Detroit, MI	519	New Orleans, LA	600
Atlanta, GA	219	Houston, TX	929	New York, NY	733
Birmingham, AL	258	Huntsville, AL	221	Oklahoma City, OK	857
Boston, MA	933	Indianapolis, IN	358	Omaha, NE	935
Bristol, TN	112	Jackson, MS	497	Orlando, FL	663
Buffalo, NY	686	Kansas City, MO	745	Philadelphia, PA	630
Charleston, SC	369	Las Vegas, NV	1,980	Phoenix, AZ	1,865
Charlotte, NC	241	Lexington, KY	171	Pittsburgh, PA	496
Chattanooga, TN	114	Little Rock, AR	524	Richmond, VA	436
Chicago, IL	545	Los Angeles, CA	2,204	St. Louis, MO	489
Cincinnati, OH	247	Louisville, KY	244	San Diego, CA	2,203
Cleveland, OH	499	Memphis, TN	387	San Francisco, CA	2,503
Columbia, SC	261	Miami, FL	887	Seattle, WA	2,609
Dallas, TX	841	Minneapolis, MN	955	Toronto, ON	757
Denver, CO	1,350	Nashville, TN	177	Washington, DC	484

Source: Rand McNally.

Bus Service

Knoxville Area Transit (KAT)	(865) 637-3000	Local bus and trolley service	www.katbus.com
Greyhound	(865) 524-0369	Over-the-road bus service	www.greyhound.com
Knoxville Tours	(865) 688-6232	Motorcoach charter & group tours.	www.knoxvilletours.com
PREMIER Transportation	(865) 694-0304	Motorcoach charter & group tours.	www.premiertransportation.net

NUMBER OF TRUCKING FIRMS BY TYPE IN KNOXVILLE AREA

County	MF	HH	CH	LC	LD	Totals
Anderson	1	2	0	0	0	3
Blount	0	1	2	1	0	4
Grainger	1	0	0	0	0	1
Jefferson	2	2	0	0	0	4
Knox	18	1	1	1	5	26
Loudon	4	0	0	0	0	4
Roane	1	0	0	0	0	1
Sevier	1	0	0	0	0	1
Union	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	28	6	3	2	5	44

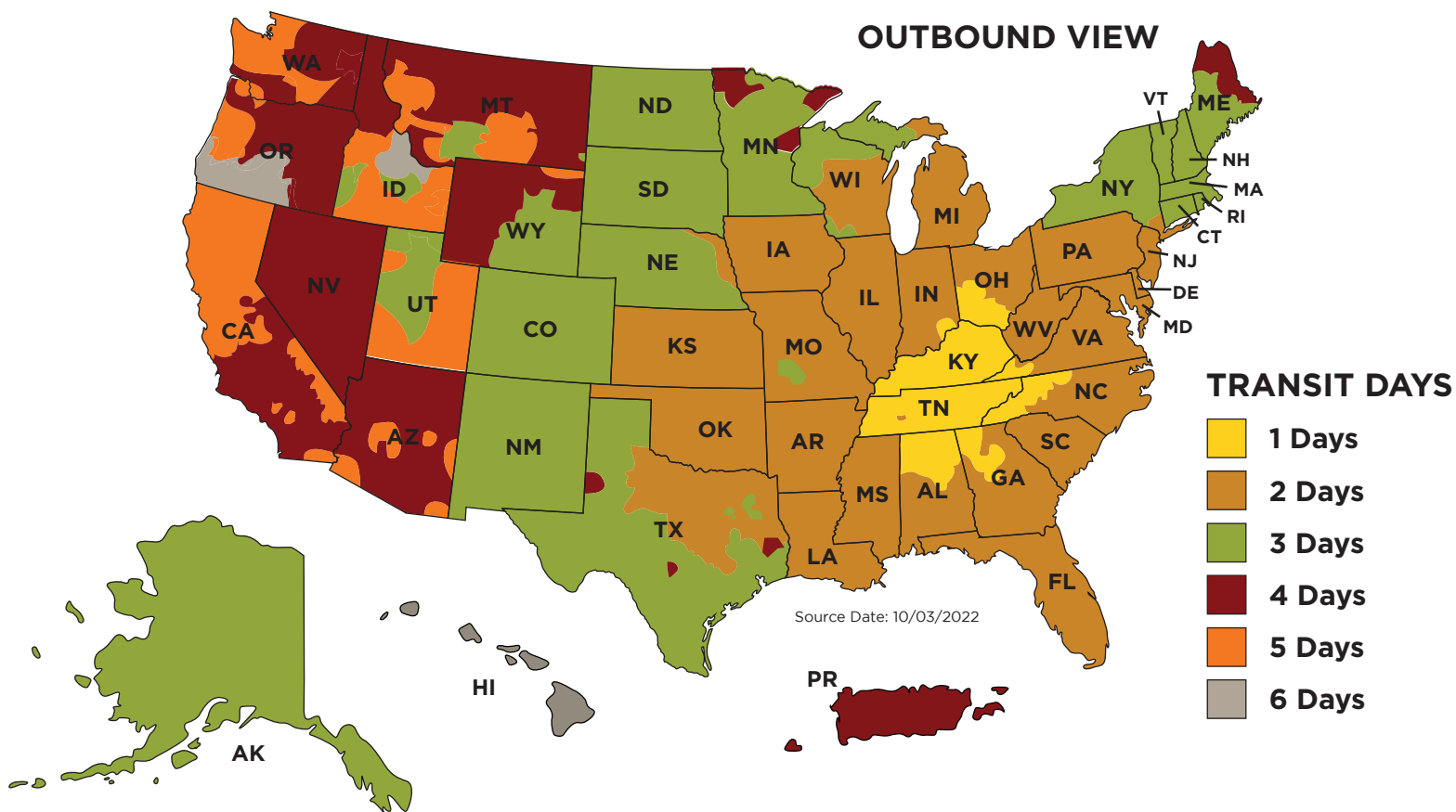
MF = Motor Freight
LC = Local Cartage

HH = Heavy Hauling
LD = Liquid and Dry Bulk

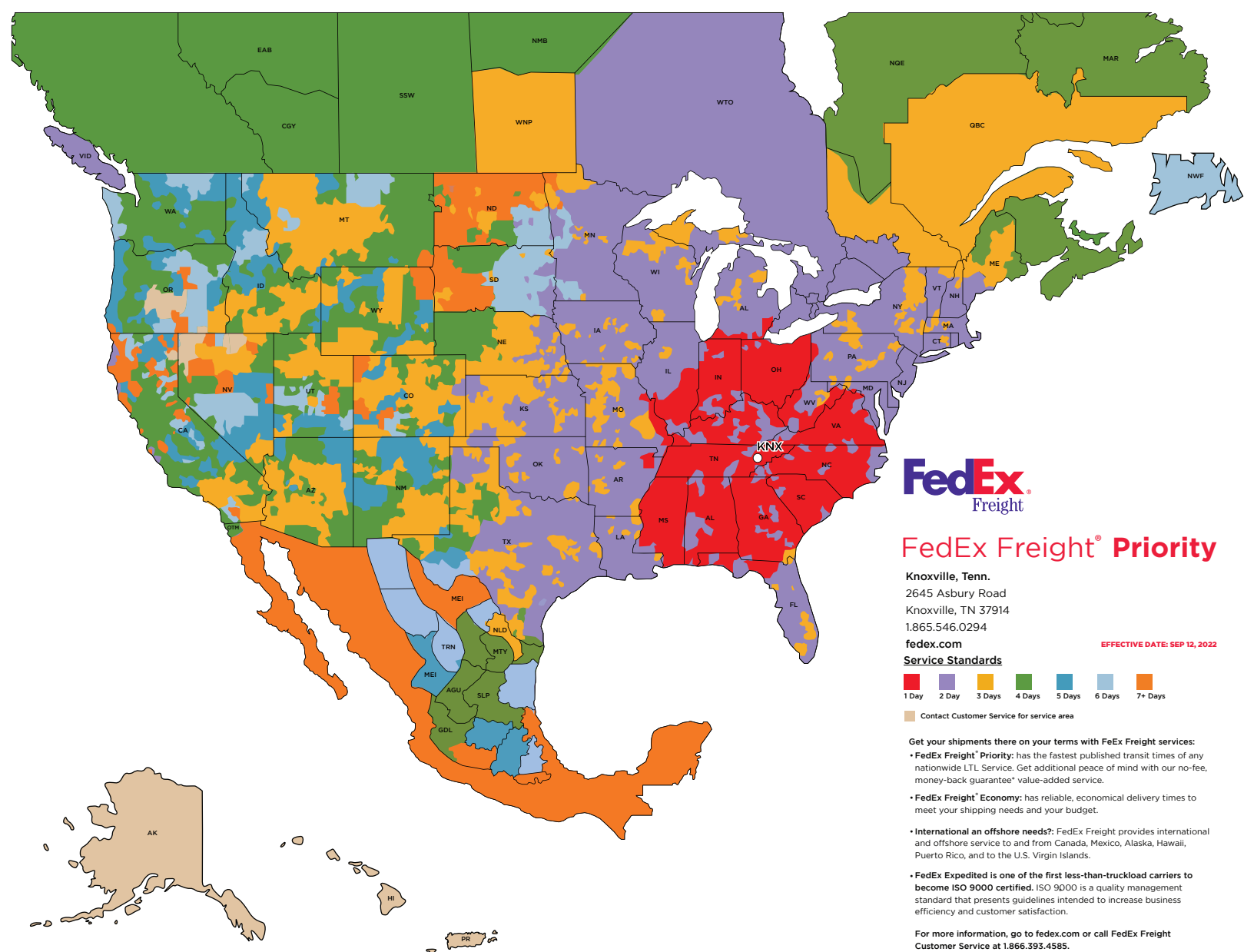
CH = Contract Hauling

Source: Data Axle/ReferenceUSA

UPS ESTIMATED DELIVERY TIME MAP (FROM KNOXVILLE)



FEDEX PRIORITY ESTIMATED DELIVERY TIME MAP (FROM KNOXVILLE)



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MAJOR TRUCKING FIRMS (100+ EMPS.) IN KNOXVILLE AREA

Firm/Address	Phone/Website	# Local Emps.
Old Dominion Freight Line 3608 Roy Messer Hwy White Pine, TN 37890	865-674-6151 www.odfl.com	1,007
Crete Carrier Corp. 2229 Buttermilk Rd. Lenoir City, TN 37771	800-251-9120 https://cretecarrier.com	450
Total Transportation 7000 Corporate Park Dr. Loudon, TN 37774	865-408-0068 https://totalms.com	305
The H.T. Hackney Co. 2500 Buttermilk Rd., W Lenoir City, TN 37771	800-406-1291 www.hthackney.com	302
Pemberton Truck Lines 2530 Mitchell St. Knoxville, TN 37917	800-621-5530 https://ptlapp.com	300
US Foods, Inc. 269 Kings Ct. Alcoa, TN 37701	800-458-9529 www.usfoods.com	250
Purdy Brothers Trucking 199 Commercial Park Dr. Loudon, TN 37774	865-458-4642 www.purdybros.com	225
Performance Foodservice 4721 Singleton Station Rd. Louisville, TN 37777	865-970-7800 www.performancefoodservice.com	205
Claiborne Hauling 6210 Rutledge Pike Knoxville, TN 37924	865-540-4409 www.claibornehauling.com	202
Averitt Express 10207 Cogdill Rd. Knoxville, TN 37932	800-283-7488 www.averittexpress.com	172

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MAJOR TRUCKING FIRMS (100+ EMPS.) IN KNOXVILLE AREA

Firm/Address	Phone/Website	# Local Emps.
XPO Logistics (Con-Way) 5307 S. National Dr. Knoxville, TN 37914	865-637-2666 www.xpo.com	170
Estes Express Lines 3244 Northwest Park Dr. Knoxville, TN 37921	865-938-2671 www.estes-express.com	156
Roane Transportation Service 284 Cardiff Valley Rd. Rockwood, TN 37854	865-354-3288 https://roanetrans.com	153
Holland Freight 5409 N. National Dr. Knoxville, TN 37914	866-465-5263 www.hollandregional.com	150
YRC Freight 1212 Hilton Rd. Knoxville, TN 37921	865-588-6556 http://my.yrc.com	113
Skyline Transportation 131 W. Quincy Ave. Knoxville, TN 37917	865-524-3661 www.driveskyline.com	105

Source: Data Axle/ReferenceUSA

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