



Alabama's comprehensive transportation network allows for easy travel and efficient shipping to destinations worldwide.

Highways

Six interstate highways converge in Alabama (I-10, I-20, I-59, I-65, I-85 & I-22) allowing goods to be shipped to major markets.

Airways

Commercial passengers are served by four major commercial airlines and several commuter airlines through seven airports. International flights are easily accessible via direct flights from major connecting cities.



Five airports provide air cargo service. These airports have designated Foreign Trade Zones for the promotion of international commerce through the duty-free, quota-free entry of foreign goods under U.S. Customs supervision. Alabama is also located between two of the country's largest air cargo centers - Memphis and Atlanta.

Alabama's air transportation network includes 92 public use airports, and most are able to accommodate corporate jets.

Railways

Passenger rail service is provided by Amtrak with three Alabama stops

along the Crescent route running daily between New York City and New Orleans.

Freight service needs are accommodated through an extensive rail system served by several railroad companies over 3,800 miles (6,100+ km) of track. Excellent main line connections give shippers good access to all major market centers.

Five Class I railway companies providing service to the state include:

- BNSF Railway
- Canadian National Railway
- CSX Transportation
- Kansas City Southern Railway
- Norfolk Southern



Commercial Airports





Intermodal Centers

Significant investments in intermodal infrastructure have been made in Alabama, adding and improving a number of intermodal facilities to better serve domestic and international markets.

NS Crescent Intermodal, outside of Birmingham, serves as a major gateway for truck-competitive freight moving between the South and Northeast and enable Norfolk Southern to launch new service from Birmingham to the Northeast and to Mexico .

The International Intermodal Center located in the Port of Huntsville Global Logistics Park, provides a single hub location specializing in receiving, transferring, storing, and distributing international and domestic cargo via air, rail, and highway.

The Alabama Port Authority spent nearly \$50 million in site development for a new intermodal container transfer facility (intermodal rail) at the Port of Mobile. These investments offer shippers improved carrier services and shipping options between major global, Southeast and Midwest markets.

Inland and Coastal Waterways

Alabama has one of the longest inland waterway systems in the nation.

Alabama’s waterway corridors include:

- Gulf Intracoastal Waterway
- Tennessee Waterway
- Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway
- Warrior-Tombigbee Waterway

Alabama’s water corridors are part of the national inland waterway system, connecting to over 15,000 miles (24,000+ km) of inland and intracoastal waterways, river ports, and sea ports in 23 states via the Tennessee-Tombigbee and the Gulf Intracoastal water system.

Port of Mobile

Port of Mobile offers carrier services and shipping options between major global, US Gulf, Southeast and Midwest markets. Since 2001, The Alabama State Port Authority has invested more than \$700 million in port infrastructure.

At 45 feet (13.7 meters), the port’s main channel is one of the deepest permanently-navigable channels in the South. In 2010, Mobile Harbor Turning Basin opened, extending the capacity of the ship channel to make it easier for large ships to utilize three major terminals at the port.

The port has immediate access to two interstate systems, five Class I railroads, and nearly 15,000 miles (24,000+ km) of inland waterway connections. Brookley Aeroplex, located adjacent to the port, offers immediate access to freight forwarding transportation services.

