



# It's not what's next in logistics, it's where.

Puerto Rico

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# Puerto Rico: A Global Logistics Hub in the Caribbean

Logistics are essential for citizens and businesses in Puerto Rico. As an island, Puerto Rico's high-valued goods must be imported and exported to national and international markets. Industry excellence and tropical weather ensure local supply chain mastery in handling, storing, and shipping time and temperature-sensitive materials to over 85 countries worldwide.

Puerto Rico is a global logistics leader, serving as the highest volume port system in the Caribbean and the first location in the U.S. to receive a DOT waiver allowing international cargo and passenger transfers.

The island offers expansive and readily available FTZ designations and regional cost-reducing supply chain options to ease reshoring opportunities. Scaled companies also have much to gain by leveraging over \$80 billion in federal funds in vital areas such as logistics, energy, and broadband access.

# Global Logistics & Airport Hub

<b>Major Cargo</b>	Ports i	in Puerto	Rico
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**Port of San Juan:** Owned by PR Port Authority (PRPA). Features 16 docks, including the largest dock for containerized and RO/RO cargo.

**Port of Ponce:** Known as the Port of the Americas, owned by the Municipality of Ponce.

**Port of Mayagüez:** Owned by the Mayagüez Port Commission.

Airport Profiles	SJU - Luis Muñoz Marín Intl. Airport	BQN - Rafael Hernández Intl. Airport
Passengers	4.6M	327k
Inbound (lbs.)	344.2M	63.4M
Outbound (lbs.)	137.9M	50.2M

SJU: Load factor of 87.14 (above national avg.)

**BQN:** Advanced MRO facility. Longest runway in the Caribbean. FTZ refueling (lowest fuel prices).



# At the Nexus of Opportunities

#### **Priority to Reshore**

Cold storage and product warehousing is of critical importance to Puerto Rico's economy given the history and growth of pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturing industry

#### Infrastructure Improvements

To date, more than \$688 million in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding has been announced and is headed to Puerto Rico. In 2022, Puerto Rico received more than \$380 million to invest in roads, bridges, public transit, ports, and airports.

Puerto Rico has received \$20 million in 2022 for airports to strengthen the supply chains, address maintenance backlogs, and reduce congestion and emissions near ports and airports.

Under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, airports in Puerto Rico would receive approximately \$102 million for infrastructure development for airports over five years ending in 2026.

#### **U.S. Jurisdiction**

Perfect mix of U.S. protections and Island government policy, with unique international banking expertise and flexibility.

# Among The Most Competitive Incentives in the U.S.

4% corporate tax tate, R&D incentives, tax exemptions for export services and air carriers, and various manufacturing incentives.

# Operational Advantages

#### **Location Benefits**

- "Made in the U.S.A." designation capability
- Tax-free jet refueling stations in an FTZ

#### **Talent & Workforce**

- Nearly 2x the national concentration of aircraft cargo handling supervisors (LQ=1.75)
- Recognized intermodal expertise related to cold chain

### **Academic Community**

- 6x the concentration of STEM graduates over the next highest states
- Specialized logistics curricula at multiple colleges and universities

## **Organizational Support**

- Puerto Rico Shipping Association (PRSA)
- Aerospace & Aeronautic Institute of Puerto Rico (AAIPR)
- PSE supports the Port of Ponce, one of Puerto Rico's maritime hubs

#### **Real Estate**

- 1.1M sq ft of land adjacent to SJU and over 1,500 acres available at BQN for industrial expansion and enhanced capabilities
- Public & private options are available for warehousing and manufacturing

# Puerto Rico

\$57.9B+

in international exports for the 2021 fiscal year

90%

of all industry air cargo that passes through Puerto Rico are Bioscience products

\$53B+

annual Bioscience production means a dependency on quality cold chain and warehousing 1,730

companies rely on air cargo, representing 57% of PR's GDP

100%

exemption of municipal license tax on foreign exports is unique to PR's Foreign Trade Zone

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Puerto Rico is the highest volume port system in the Caribbean and top 20 in the U.S. (1.4M+ TEU)

# Puerto Rico's Foreign Trade Zones

Foreign Trade Zones (FTZs) allow companies to obtain significant financial savings, given that raw materials, components, and finished goods may be stored or processed within a zone while deferring or eliminating the custom duty rate of such merchandise. If items are shipped to non-U.S. destinations, the payment of duties is exempted.

FTZ 7: Puerto Rico Foreign Trade Zone; managed by the Puerto Rico Industrial Development Company. It is the largest non-contiguous FTZ in the U.S., featuring 4,554 acres, 714 buildings with a total of 19.5M sq.ft., located across the island, and holds the #8 spot among all U.S. states & territories for overall zone economic impact.

**FTZ 61:** The San Juan Foreign Trade Zone; managed by the Department of Economic Development and Commerce. The zone is located in the Guaynabo area, on the northern coast of Puerto Rico.

**FTZ 163:** Managed by Zona Libre del Sur; the zone is located in the city of Ponce, on the southern coast of Puerto Rico.



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