



The main roro- and container terminals at the Port of Gothenburg. Photo: Gothenburg Port Authority.

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Gothenburg named Sweden's top logistics location

The Gothenburg region tops the list in Swedish industry magazine Intelligent Logistics' annual ranking of Sweden's best logistics locations. As Sweden's largest freight hub, the Port of Gothenburg plays a crucial role in the award, which has been presented since 2001. It is the 23rd time that the Gothenburg region has topped the list.

"We are pleased and proud to once again be named Sweden's best logistics location. Together with the region's other logistics actors, we have worked

hard throughout the year to create additional conditions for an innovative and constantly growing freight hub that strengthens the competitiveness of Swedish foreign trade both regionally and nationally," says Jacob Minnhagen, Senior Market Development Manager at the Gothenburg Port Authority.

More than 55% of Sweden's total container traffic is handled at the Port of Gothenburg, and volume growth is stable. After thirteen consecutive quarters of increased container volumes, the port achieved an all-time high result for the full year 2023 with 914,000 handled containers. Intelligent Logistics also highlights the fact that the EU has given clearance for a deepened fairway to the Port of Gothenburg, which means future-proofing with increased flexibility and the ability to accommodate ships that are both larger and more loaded than possible today. The groundbreaking ceremony for the project will take place on April 8th.

Good establishment opportunities

Access to logistics areas is crucial for the functionality of a logistics region, and therefore an important assessment criterion in the designation of Sweden's best logistics location. The magazine notes that there is now plenty of buildable land for logistics in the region, including in the immediate vicinity of the port, as well as in Mölndal and around Landvetter. New areas of 780,000 square meters in the past five years and an additional 182,000 square meters in 2024 are contributing factors to the Gothenburg region retaining its top ranking according to Intelligent Logistics' assessment.

"We are several parties collaborating in our region. For example, we have close cooperation with Swedavia Landvetter Airport, Business Region Borås, and Business Region Gothenburg to jointly strengthen ourselves as an attractive region for business establishments. Here, there is competent labor, good infrastructure, buildable land ready for establishment both today and in the future," Jacob Minnhagen commented further.

The renowned list of Sweden's best logistics locations has been published since 2001, with the Port of Gothenburg ranked first 23 out of 24 times. The ranking is based on access to logistics areas, flows/geography, infrastructure, market access, competence, and collaboration climate in the region.

The Gothenburg region is awarded first place on the list along with the Helsingborg region. The Jönköping/Nässjö region finished third.

Fact file: Port of Gothenburg

The Port of Gothenburg is the largest port in Scandinavia. Around 30% of Swedish domestic and foreign trade passes through the Port of Gothenburg and over 55% of all container traffic. The port is a full-service port, and offers industry guaranteed, climate-smart access to the whole world. Direct services to key markets ensure highly efficient, sustainable, and reliable transport 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The focus is firmly on sustainability, innovation, and digitalisation in a concerted effort to maintain the ongoing development of climate-efficient freight transport and calls by vessels. With over 30 rail shuttles offering daily departures, companies throughout Sweden and Norway have a direct, climate-neutral service to the Port of Gothenburg. The port handles energy products, vehicles, ro-ro units, containers and passengers. 22,000 people are employed at the port.

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