

“O’Fallon was a good choice for Air Evac Lifeteam because it is centrally located to our service area. It provides access to a major airport hub for quick dissemination of parts and supplies to our bases and to the additional people and resources we need to maintain and build upon our continued growth.”

—Seth Myers, President
Air Evac Lifeteam

GROWING WORKFORCE

	3-Year Employment Growth Rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate (2015)			
	St. Charles County	STL MSA	MO	Nation	St. Charles County	STL MSA	MO	Nation
Transportation & Material Moving Occupations	17%	5%	1%	6%	\$15.68	\$16.57	\$16.08	\$16.90
Laborers & Freight, Stock, & Material Movers	25%	14%	7%	9%	\$15.48	\$14.92	\$13.66	\$13.39
Stock Clerks & Order Fillers	84%	16%	7%	7%	\$13.12	\$13.39	\$12.41	\$12.47
Packers & Packagers, Hand	26%	12%	2%	6%	\$10.38	\$11.44	\$11.42	\$11.40
Shipping, Receiving, & Traffic Clerks	14%	1%	0%	0%	\$16.59	\$16.25	\$15.39	\$15.55
Light Truck or Delivery Services Drivers	70%	14%	9%	6%	\$15.99	\$17.44	\$16.28	\$16.38
Wholesale & Retail Buyers	78%	13%	18%	-1%	\$26.36	\$29.63	\$28.35	\$28.50

COMPETITIVE BUSINESS CLIMATE

ENERGY: Industrial rates of Ameren are 18% lower than the national averages

TAX: Missouri ranks 3rd lowest in corporate income taxes (IA-49th, IL-36th, KY-29th, TN-18th, AR-42nd) *Tax Foundation, 2016*

COST OF LIVING: The cost of living index for the St. Louis region is 90.4, below both the state (91.0) and national averages (100.0) *MERIC & C2ER, Q1 2016*

EXEMPTIONS: Manufacturers benefit from sales/use tax exemptions on machinery and equipment used to establish a new or expand an existing facility, property tax exemption for inventories, and state sales tax and local use tax exemption on energy purchases

INCENTIVES: A variety of valuable state and local incentive programs exist to benefit new and expanding companies in St. Charles County

LOGISTICAL ADVANTAGE

CENTRAL LOCATION: St. Charles County is 350 miles or less from many major markets including Chicago (258 miles), Indianapolis (244 miles), Louisville (261 miles), Nashville (275 miles), Tulsa (350 miles), Kansas City (218 miles), Omaha (338 miles) and Des Moines (254 miles).

TRANSPORTATION: St. Charles County is served by two interstates (I-70 and I-64). Airport access is available by St. Louis Lambert International Airport

(STL) and Spirit of St. Louis Airport, both less than 10 miles away. The Mississippi River and the Missouri River border St. Charles County. Approximately \$500 million has been invested by St. Charles County Government in building new roads and highways in the community over the last 25 years, thanks to funds provided by a half-cent transportation sales tax first enacted in 1986 and later reaffirmed in 1994 and 2004.

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PERFECTLY POSITIONED

St. Charles County, Missouri



A STRATEGIC LOCATION

Ideally located in the center of the United States with access to a sophisticated multimodal transportation network, distribution center and logistics companies operating in St. Charles County have a competitive advantage.

LOCATION

Located in metro St. Louis, St. Charles County, Missouri is 350 miles or less from major markets in the American Heartland including:

Chicago (258 miles)	Indianapolis (244 miles)	Louisville (261 miles)	Omaha (338 miles)
Des Moines (254 miles)	Kansas City (218 miles)	Nashville (275 miles)	Tulsa (350 miles)

TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

St. Charles County and the surrounding region offers a unique and multimodal transportation system that allows area businesses to move product quickly and efficiently. Approximately **\$500 million** in the past 25 years has been invested by the St. Charles County Government to build new roads and highways. Funds were provided by a half-cent transportation sales tax in 1986 and later reaffirmed in 1994 and 2004.

INTERSTATE

St. Charles County is positioned at the intersection of Interstate 70 and Interstate 64 with additional North, East, South and West routes in the St. Louis region including I-44, I-55, I-270 and I-170.

RAIL

The St. Louis region is the third largest rail hub in the nation based on volume, with access to six Class I railroads. St. Charles County is served by two Class I railroads (Norfolk Southern and BNSF Railway). Located in the region are five intermodal facilities operated by Class I railroads.

AIR

St. Charles County offers close proximity to both St. Louis Lambert International Airport (STL) and Spirit of St. Louis Airport (SUS). St. Louis Lambert International Airport offers two terminals, five concourses, nine mainline passenger airlines, three all-cargo airlines, charter carriers, and four runways (11,000', 9,000', 9,000', 7,600').

WATERWAY

St. Charles County is bordered by both the Mississippi and the Missouri Rivers and the region is positioned in the heart of the U.S. Inland Waterway System.

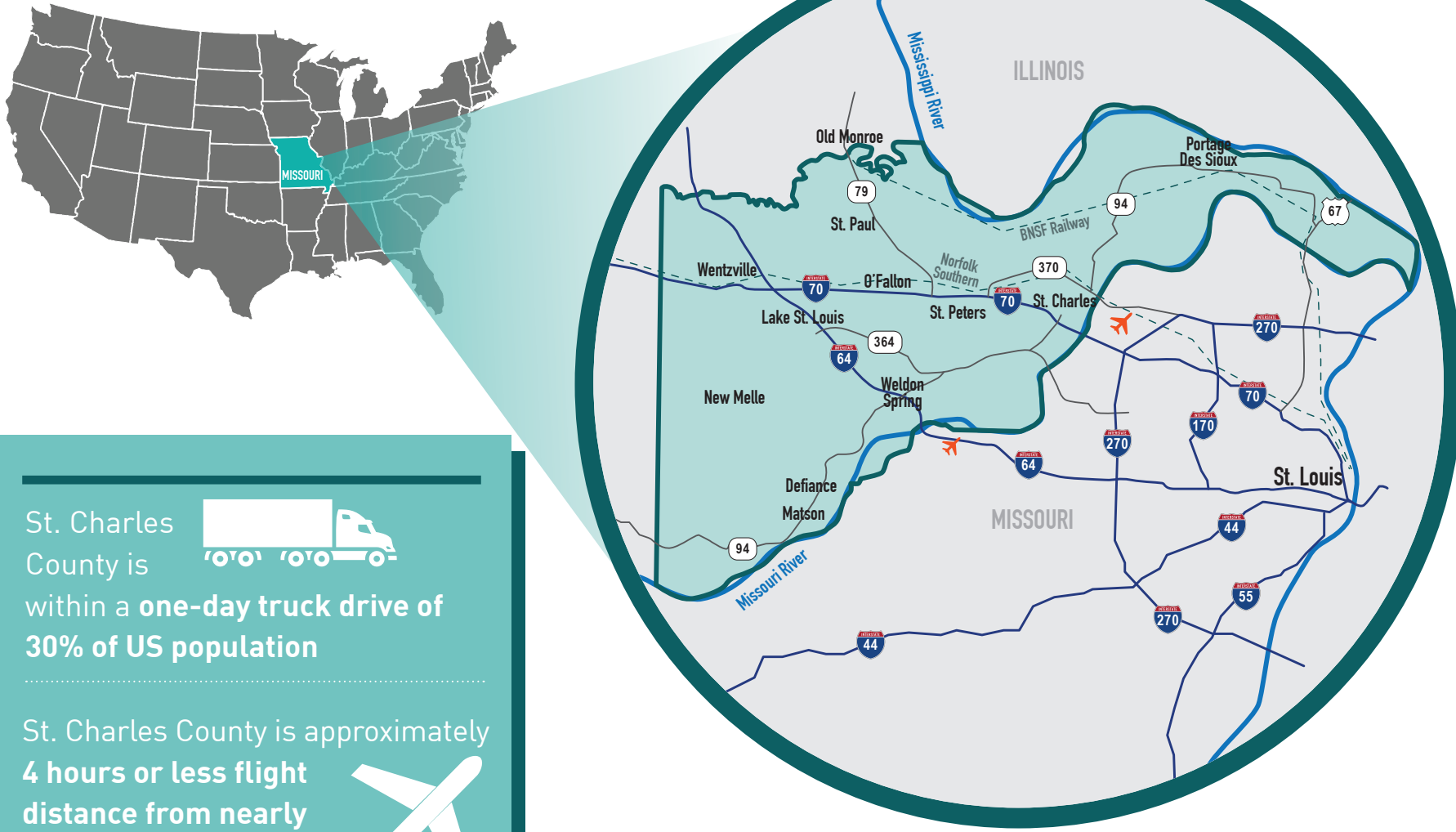
A PROVEN LOCATION

St. Charles County is a proven location for investment in distribution center and logistics operations. A growing list of companies are choosing to locate in St. Charles County because of the supportive environment around this industry.

EXISTING COMPANIES

A growing number of companies are discovering St. Charles County as the ideal location for operations related to logistics, warehousing, distribution, and wholesale trade.

Sample Companies Engaged in Logistics, Warehouse Operations, and Wholesale Trade
A C Trucking Inc
ALDI
American Railcar Industries
Arrowhead Building Supply
Best Buy
Bulk Transport Co
Client Connection
Craftsmen Industries Inc
Cutting Edge Optronics
Data 2 Corporation
Dayton Freight Lines, Inc
Distribution Management
Fedex Freight
Flat World Supply Chain LLC
GM Wentzville Assembly Plant
Hustler Conveyor
Jack Cooper Transport
King Innovation
MC Air Freight, Inc
Old Dominion Freight Line
PFD Supply Corporation
Phoenix Textile
RB (Formerly Rekitt Benckiser)
Richard L Smith Trucking Inc
Saia LTL Freight
Specialty Plastics
Sysco St. Louis LLC
Thyssen Krupp Industrial Services
TVS Supply Chain Solutions
Worldwide Freight Management
Zoltek



St. Charles County is within a **one-day truck drive of 30% of US population**

St. Charles County is approximately **4 hours or less flight distance from nearly everywhere in the continental U.S.**