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### **Report description:**

The United Kingdom Freight and Logistics Market size is estimated at 142.3 billion USD in 2025, and is expected to reach 163.8 billion USD by 2030, growing at a CAGR of 2.85% during the forecast period (2025-2030).

E-commerce, infrastructure development, and strategy launches will boost technology adoption are leading the market demand

- The UK aims to achieve zero-emission status for new heavy goods vehicles by 2040. Projections indicate a robust CAGR of nearly 70% for the UK's electric truck market from 2020 to 2026, with sales forecasted to hit 2,167 units in 2026. Of these, approximately 22 out of every 25 vehicles are expected to be medium-duty electric trucks. In a notable development, Amazon announced plans in 2022 to introduce five electric heavy goods vehicles (HGVs) into its delivery fleet, covering a distance of 100,000 miles annually. This initiative is anticipated to reduce carbon emissions by over 170 tonnes. The UK is actively working on establishing a nationwide network of overhead wires to power long-distance electric trucks, aligning with its 2050 goal of decarbonizing transportation.
- The rapid growth of e-commerce is a major catalyst for the UK's transportation sector. Projections indicate that e-commerce revenue in the UK will reach USD 179.5 billion by 2025. In 2023, revenue from e-commerce sales of fashion products, including apparel and bags, saw a significant surge, rising by over USD 5.38 billion to approximately USD 43.89 billion. This upward trend is expected to continue, with revenue from e-commerce sales in the fashion market projected to reach around USD 54.36 billion by 2025.

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## United Kingdom Freight and Logistics Market Trends

The UK's warehouse count is expected to reach 214,000 by 2027 due to a rise in demand for consumer fulfillment centers

- In May 2024, DP World opened its largest warehouse yet, a 598,000 sq ft facility in Coventry, as part of a GBP 50 million (USD 60.92 million) investment to boost customer competitiveness. This follows the September 2023 opening of a 270,000 sq ft music and video distribution warehouse in Bicester, handling 70% of the UK's physical music and 35% of home entertainment products. Previously, DP World opened a 75,000 sq ft site in Burton upon Trent and a 230,000 sq ft multi-user warehouse at London Gateway's logistics hub. Alongside its hubs at Southampton and London Gateway, operating in 78 countries, DP World manages 10% of global trade. Such initiatives are expected to boost the GDP contribution from the sector.
- The number of large warehouses in the United Kingdom is rapidly increasing. By 2027, there are expected to be around 214,000 warehouses larger than 50,000 square feet globally. Many of these warehouses are to serve as e-commerce fulfillment centers, and approximately 18% of all warehouses will be for consumer fulfillment by 2027. This increase suggests the global expansion of e-commerce as the proportion of warehouses operating as trade distribution hubs begins to shift in favor of consumer fulfillment centers.

UK government has a major influence on fuel prices, and both fuel duty and VAT (standard 20% rate) make up majority of the petrol and diesel prices

- In August 2022, the oil price dropped under USD 100 and finished the month at USD 90.63 a barrel. Prices dropped further in 2023, and by May, a barrel of oil was down to USD 72.50. In March 2024, petrol prices in the UK averaged 150.1p per litre, the highest since November 2023. This is due to rising oil prices due to Middle East tensions and a weaker pound against the dollar. Although overall inflation has eased, petrol and diesel prices increased in March. Oil prices have since dropped after spiking following Israel's retaliatory attack on Iran in April 2024.
- In June 2024, the UK government confirmed it plans to require at least 10% sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) in jet fuel by 2030. Currently, SAF is scarce and more expensive than traditional fuels, making it challenging to increase its use in aviation. SAF represents less than 0.1% of jet fuel globally. The government's SAF mandate, pending legislative approval, is set to start in January 2025. This follows the 2022 "Jet Zero" strategy aiming for net-zero emissions in aviation by 2050.

## United Kingdom Freight and Logistics Industry Overview

The United Kingdom Freight and Logistics Market is fragmented, with the major five players in this market being Culina Group, DHL Group, La Poste Group (including DPD Group, and CitySprint (UK) Ltd.), Otto Group (including Evri Limited) and United Parcel Service of America, Inc. - UPS (including Coyote Logistics) (sorted alphabetically).

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