

Logistics

In simple terms logistics is moving things around. Everything is delivered by land, sea or air across the whole world. Toys, games, phones, food and clothes all need someone to transport them from factory to shops or even directly to your home. In fact logistics even moves people about by bus, train, plane and boat.

Working within this sector is often on a shift basis and you may have a day, evening or night shift.

The North East employs the greatest number of people and has the most logistics companies in the UK.

The Logistics Sector is an area that has seen continuous growth over the past few years and this is mainly due to the increase in online purchases especially during lockdown in the retail and grocery areas.

Amazon recently opened distribution centres in both Durham and Darlington and created over 1,500 new jobs within these two centres.

Jobs within this sector include:

- Air Traffic Controller
- Transport Manager
- Lorry Driver
- Warehouse Manager
- Warehouse Worker
- Train Driver
- Signalling
- Forklift Driver
- Helicopter Pilot
- Pilot
- Maintenance teams

This can therefore mean that there are opportunities at a huge variety of different areas of employment and these could be with a local, national or global employer.

Logistics may only form a part of an organisation's business. A supermarket is an example of this. You often think that at a supermarket the only people employed are those who stack the shelves and operate the tills but if we do not have people organising and managing the delivery of the food to the stores there would not be anything to buy.

Most supermarkets have regional distribution centres where products are taken and then from these, lorries are loaded and make deliveries to the stores in the area they cover.

In having distribution centres this therefore means you need staff to work there and this includes, managers, workers, fork lift truck drivers, security and IT. There are therefore many opportunities in this area.

Logistics is not just related to stores, it also includes Air Traffic Controllers who are based at airports throughout the UK guiding planes through take off and landing. This not only involves flights carrying passengers but freight planes too.

As well as working at an airport goods arrive and are shipped through ports located around the UK. Local ports with many opportunities near to Peterlee are:

- Port of Tyne
- Port of Tees

These again create many different opportunities not just within the Logistics Sector.

Links to find out more about opportunities in this area are:

Job of the WPlanner	<u>JOB OF THE WEEK - EPISODE #90 - TRANSPORT PLANNER</u>
Careers within DHL	<u>Careers in Logistics</u>
Information about careers as an Air Traffic Controller	<u>Careers</u>
How to become an Air Traffic Controller	<u>Air traffic controller job profile</u>
How to become a Crane Driver	<u>Crane driver Explore careers</u>
How to be a Warehouse Manager	<u>Warehouse manager job profile Prospects.ac.uk</u>
Warehouse Operative	<u>https://youtu.be/QLApL4HQ43Y</u>
How to become an HGV driver	<u>HGV driver Explore careers</u>
How to become a Train Driver - Greater Anglia	<u>Greater Anglia test drivers learn to drive new trains on hi-tech simulators</u>

Careers within Virgin Group	Work for Virgin
Careers within British Airways	Careers
Careers within Network Rail	Careers
Careers within Tesco	Tesco Careers: Home
Careers at sea	Careers At Sea – Start Your Career in the Merchant Navy. Find out More & Apply Now! Work on Ships.

Clips you may want to watch providing more information are:

Truck Driving	Truck Driver Job and Salary in The UK - Jobs and Wages in the United Kingdom How to become a HGV driver in 6 easy steps (UK)
Train driving	Is Driving a Train the Dream Job? All Aboard East Coast Trains
Working at a warehouse for Lidl	Working in a brand new Lidl warehouse
Warehouse jobs	Why your next job could be in Warehousing, Logistics and Delivery

Air traffic control	How to become an Air Traffic Controller. Salaries in US, UK, India
Day in the life of an Air Traffic Controller	A Day in the Life of an Air Traffic Controller
Pilot	Airline Pilot Salary in The UK - Jobs and Wages in the United Kingdom
An introduction to ports	This Is ABP An Introduction to the UK's Leading Port Operator
Port operator in the Army	Port Operator - Roles in the Army - Army Jobs