Value of Air Cargo

Humanitarian

Aviation plays an essential role in the movement of emergency relief situations. Aviation is the first point of call providing safe, reliable humanitarian access, through rapid delivery of aid. Air services are crucial in situations where crumbling infrastructure or active conflict cuts off access to entire regions.

Delivering food to those in need

On any given day, the World Food Programme (WFP) coordinates the supply chain to deliver assistance to people living in the most food insecure and inaccessible corners of the world. The illustration below shows vehicles on the move in any given 24 hours, feeding the world.

Did you know?

In 2022, 274 million people need humanitarian assistance and protection.

Millions of people helped

In 2021, Airlink transported over 5 million items of PPE. And within 18 months transported 10 million!

A lifeline in the sky

United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) operates in countries where no suitable commercial aviation options are available, providing passenger flights, light cargo transport, and medical and security evacuation capacity for the wider humanitarian and development community.

46,145 Flights completed
5,862 MT Cargo transported
28MT COVID-19 vaccines & medical equipment

Source: UNOCHA, WFP, UNHAS, GHO, Airlink International Humanitarian Aid, ACI

For more information
www.iata.org/cargo

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