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Weltweite Transporte und Logistik

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## Development of Transport Costs 2026

We would like to inform you about the current developments in the European transport market, which will also have noticeable effects on cost structures in the logistics industry in 2026. Our aim is to provide you with a transparent basis for your own planning and to align our joint processes with the changing framework conditions at an early stage.

### • Adjustments to truck tolls in Europe

Several European countries – including the Netherlands, Austria, Belgium and other major transit nations – have announced increases or extensive adjustments to truck tolls for 2026. Particularly relevant are the introduction or expansion of CO<sub>2</sub>-based toll rates, the transition from vignettes to distance-based tolling, and in some cases above-average tariff adjustments for vehicles with higher emission classes.

### • Rising personnel costs

The shortage of skilled workers in the transport sector continues. Many European countries are further increasing minimum wages and social security contributions for professional drivers. This has a direct impact on all transport services – especially in international long-distance transport.

### • Energy and fuel prices

Price fluctuations for diesel, HVO, LNG and electricity are also expected for 2026. The European CO<sub>2</sub> pricing system (ETS II) further intensifies this development.



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- **Investments in lower-emission vehicles**

To meet EU regulatory requirements, many logistics companies are increasingly investing in alternative drives (e-trucks, HVO-capable engines, etc.) as well as modern telematics systems. These investments support long-term sustainability but initially lead to higher operating costs.

- **Impact on our transport rates**

Based on these external factors, we will need to adjust our transport prices individually as of 01/01/2026. The extent of the adjustment varies depending on the route, toll share, vehicle type and emission class.

- **Price developments in air and sea freight**

The air and sea freight markets continue to be subject to strong fluctuations, influenced by factors such as energy and fuel prices, capacity availability among airlines and shipping lines, global trade and customs regulations, as well as seasonal demand peaks and supply chain bottlenecks.

Due to this dynamic environment, we will prepare individual calculations for your freight in 2026, based on the respective routes, goods and volumes. This ensures that your costs remain transparent, fair and traceable.

Your usual contacts are available for any questions at any time. For written inquiries or concerns, you are also welcome to contact our customer service by email at [sales@transfreight.ch](mailto:sales@transfreight.ch)

We sincerely thank you for your trust and look forward to our continued cooperation.

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