

Welcome to the Q4 2022 update of "The FVL Cost Index"

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Five global macro trends have direct business and cost implications for logistics and freight companies



SELECTED IMPLICATIONS

Higher investment costs for the implementation of new environmental regulations and the switch to more environmentally friendly assets, equipment and sustainable alternatives Ongoing labour shortage and lack of qualified staff as a consequence of lower wages and social status of drivers, unattractive working conditions, as well as workforce age structure **Rise in costs and reduction in purchasing power** due to increased inflation rates effecting e.g. the need for wage increases to attract and retain employees

Significantly increased fuel and operating costs as a result of Russia-Ukraine conflict and the thereof imposed sanctions on Russia as well as the closure of certain transport routes Shortage of raw materials and purchased parts as well as congested ports caused by SARS-CoV-2 pandemic and following global lockdowns To gauge cost developments in the FVL industry, ECG supported by PwC Austria developed a new standard –

the FVL Cost Index



Our joint goal: an industry-specific cost index differentiated by four logistics segments and eight representative countries



An independently developed index providing **indications for transportmode specific cost developments in the European FVL industry** is the latest instrument in the ECG toolbox accessible to all players involved in the industry.



Logistics segments

The diverse interests of the FVL market players are taken into account by differentiating the FVL cost index between the four logistics segments road, sea, rail, and compounds.



European countries

The different cost developments across Europe are described by selecting eight representative European countries (Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Poland, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom). European

Finished Vehicle Logistics

Cost Index

(Q4/2022)



128.7 FVL Road Cost Index (Q4/2022)



Logistics

road

segment

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121.7 FVL Rail Cost Index (Q4/2022)



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Logistics

rail

segment

Logistics

segment

compounds

118.3

FVL Compounds Cost Index (Q4/2022)



FVL Cost Index Source: PwC analysis (2023; 01 January 2019=100)

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Results of the anonymous feedback survey

Fulfillment of expectations¹



Excerpt of feedback and submitted improvement suggestions²

"EXTREMELY USEFUL REPORT GIVING A LEVEL OF QUALIFIED DATA AND INSIGHTS THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY UNAVAILABLE TO ANYONE IN THE INDUSTRY."

"THIS HAS PROVEN TO BE A VERY USEFUL TOOL BOTH WORKING WITH THE SERVICE PROVIDERS AND More importantly on sharing intelligence internally."

"IT WOULD BE GREAT TO HAVE A <mark>Further Breakdown of the segments</mark> of each part of the Index in the Next Edition."

"SHOULD BE GREAT TO HAVE THIS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR THE NETHERLANDS."

"IT WOULD BE GOOD TO MONITOR THIS INDEX ON A BASE THAT EXCLUDES THE FUEL."



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