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There are many types of transportation in Missouri. Each of these types helps to support the economy of the state.

Instructions: Click the links to find information to complete each item below.

Railroads are used to carry heavy products like coal and automobiles. They are used to carry goods taken off ships, and they bring goods to load on ships. [Click here](#) to see where Missouri's railroads are located.

1. Examine the map. Circle the names of cities that have a railroad.

Poplar Bluff	Kansas City
Bolivar	Springfield
Jefferson City	St. Louis
Boonville	Bethany



2. Which neighboring states are connected to Missouri by railroads?

Airports are important for helping move people and goods quickly to cities around the world.



3. Complete the table with information about Missouri's two largest airports.

	Number of Takeoffs and Landings (Airport Operations in 2006)
Kansas City International	
Lambert-St. Louis International Airport	

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Interstate highways go through Missouri. Cars and trucks travel across the state and to other states using these roads. [Click the map](#) and zoom in on Missouri to take a look at these important highways. Look for the red, white, and blue shields that identify these roads on the map.



4. What interstate highway connects Indianapolis, IN, St. Louis, Springfield, and Tulsa, OK?

5. What interstate highway connects St. Louis and Kansas City?

6. What city is at the northern end (terminus) of the Interstate 35 (I-35)?

7. What city is at the southern terminus of Interstate 35?

8. What city is at the eastern terminus of I-70?

9. What city is at the western terminus of I-70?

Highways connect Missouri to all parts of the United States. However, rivers are important for transportation in the 21st century, too.

Ports are docking places for ships. Ships on Missouri's rivers carry many goods for trade. The [ports](#) give ships a place to dock. Businesses can unload their goods at the port. Businesses can load goods made in Missouri on to ships to be traded around the world.

10. How many ports are in Missouri?

11. What is the value of the cargo that comes in and out of Missouri's ports each year?

