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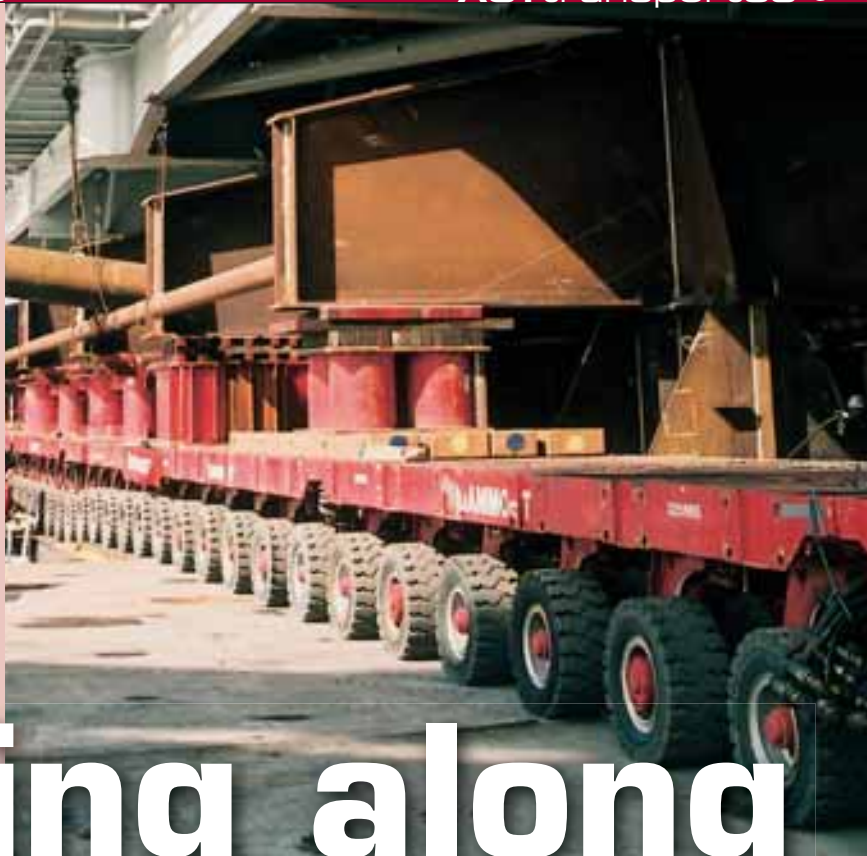




American Cranes & Transport Magazine's 2008 ACTtransport50 includes 64 companies that do business on a regional, national and international basis. Most of the firms are purely transportation services firms although several also offer lifting services. Less than 10 of the companies on this list specialize only in offering truly specialized hauling and transport.

This year's ACTtransport50 listing offers some interesting conclusions and observations about the business of specialized transport. Consider that:

- Some 20 percent of the companies on the ACTtransport50 also rank in our ACTcranes50, offering both crane, rigging and specialized transportation services to their customers. Approximately 40 companies on this list are purely transportation services companies, most offering general transportation services as well as specialized hauling.
- The total fleet size of the entire ACTtransport50 encompasses 39,357 pieces of equipment or vehicles.



Rolling along

- The total capacity in US tons of the entire ACTtransport50 is about 1.4 million US tons.
- The ACTtransport50 employs some 10,581 industry professionals.
- ACTtransport50 companies own and operate approximately 16,084 tractor/truck units.
- The ACTtransport50 represents at total of 1,494 headquarters and/or branch locations throughout the world.
- Some 26 of the firms on the ACTtransport50 report that their scope of work in the specialized transportation sector as international.
- Some 55 companies in the ACTtransport50 listing consider their scope of work to be national and 8 categorize themselves as regional.
- More than 20 of the firms on the ACTtransport50 do not include modular/hydraulic platform trailers, multi-axle dollies or self propelled modular transporters as a part of their fleet.

American Cranes & Transport presents its third annual **ACTtransport50** ranking North America's largest heavy and specialized transport companies

In 2006, *American Cranes & Transport Magazine* created its benchmark **ACTtransport50**. The goal in 2006 was to produce a credible listing of North America's largest transport companies. Our first year we compiled a list that included some 40 companies. In 2007, we continued our quest with the goal of reaching 50 companies, which we met. This year our list contains information about 64 companies that do business in the realm of heavy and specialized transportation.

With our third opportunity to survey the companies in this sector, we have gained new insight in data collection and interpretation of the business of specialized transport. Again this year, we went the extra mile, ranking companies in this listing in two ways – first by fleet size and then by total maximum transport capacity by weight of all relevant equipment in a company's fleet. The ranking

is based on information supplied by the companies according to a standard inquiry form completed by those companies and returned to *ACT*.

While we have worked to produce the most accurate ranking possible, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of the information supplied. As with the **ACT50** listing of the world's largest crane-owning companies, the idea is that with each successive edition, the list is improved, largely thanks to input from readers. Comments and suggestions are encouraged.

Methodology

The heavy transport market has two main segments: heavy and specialized transport by road; and – where often higher loads are involved – heavy transport on jobsites, which reflects in the total tonnage and forms the basis for our list.

RANK	COMPANY NAME	HEADQUARTERS	# OF TERMINALS	SCOPE OF OPERATION	# OF EMPLOYEES	SENIOR CONTACT	WEBSITE
1 ¹	Landstar Carrier Group	Jacksonville, FL	1,050	International	1,200	Jay Folladori, vice president	www.landstar.com
2 ²	Mammoet USA	Rosharon, TX	5	International	167	Jan Kleyn, COO	www.mammoet.com
3 ³	ATS Specialized	St. Cloud, MN	18	National		Gary Ascione, vice president	www.atsinc.com
4 ⁴	Fagioli Group	Pearland, TX	21	International	700	Fabio Belli, CSO	www.fagioligroup.com
5 ⁵	Lone Star Transportation	Fort Worth, TX	20	Continental	225	Doug Miller, vice president	www.lstinc.com
6 ⁶	P&T Trucking	Monaca, PA	30	International	300	Jerry Connor, vice president	www.pgtrucking.com
7 ⁶	Bennett Motor Express	McDonough, GA	120	International	207	David Lowry, president	www.bennettig.com
8 ⁷	Keen Transport	New Kingstown, PA	12	National	620	William Keen, president	www.keentransport.com
9 ⁸	Bigge Crane & Rigging	San Leandro, CA	9	International	600	Weston Settlemier, president	www.bigge.com
10 ¹⁴	Barnhart Crane & Rigging	Memphis, TN	20	National	850	Alan Barnhart, president	www.barnhartcrane.com
11 ¹¹	Combined Transport Inc.	Central Point, OR	6	International	450	Mike Card, president	www.combinedtransport.com
12 ¹¹	Turner Brothers	Houston, TX	9	National	839	Jack Shubert, CEO	www.turnerbros.com
13 ¹⁰	Miller Transfer & Rigging	Rootstown, OH	17	International	83	James Unger, president	www.millertransfer.com
14 ¹⁵	Emmert International	Clackamas, OR	3	International	120	Terry W. Emmert, president	www.emmertintl.com
15 ¹³	Bellemare Group	Tross-Rivieres, Quebec City, Canada	7	International	425	Jean-Luc Bellemare, president	www.transportbellemare.com
16 ¹⁷	Lampson International	Kennewick, WA	8	International	275	William N. Lampson, president	www.lampsoncrane.com
17 ¹²	Mullen Trucking	Aldersyde, AB Canada	1	International	280	Wayne Sellers, vice president	www.mullentrucking.com
18 ²¹	Heavy Transport Inc.	Long Beach, CA	4	National	75	Bob Weyers, general manager	www.braggcrane.com
19 ¹⁸	J. Supor & Son Trucking & Rigging	Harrison, NJ	1	National	96	Valerio Colonna, sales manager	www.jsupor.com
20 ²³	TransPort S.R.S.	Montreal, Canada	2	National	112	Daniel Provost	www.transportsrs.com
21 ¹⁹	Hodges Trucking Co.	Oklahoma City, OK	6	Regional	220	Justin Hodges, director of safety	www.hodgestruckandcrane.com
22 ¹⁶	J.F. Lomma Inc.	South Kearny, NJ	4	Regional	240	James Lomma, president	www.jflommainc.com
23 ²⁰	Midwest Specialized Transportation	Rochester, MN	2	National	85	Allen J. Koenig, president	www.midspec.com
24 ²⁴	Entrec Transportation	Calgary, AB Canada	3	National	80	Adam Chalkley, president	www.entrectransport.com
25 ²²	Sterett Crane & Rigging	Owensboro, KY	5	National	85	William L. Sterett III, president	www.sterettcrane.com
26 ²⁶	Ray Anthony Intl.	West Mifflin, PA	12	National	215	Ray Anthony, owner	www.rayanthonyinternational.com
27 ²⁵	Palletized Trucking	Houston, TX	2	National	65	Mike King, president	www.palletizedtrucking.com
28 ³¹	Energy Transportation	Casper, WY	3	National	200	Dan McGlade, president	www.energytran.com
29 ²⁹	Contractors Cargo	Compton, CA	2	National	120	Gerald Wheeler, president	www.contractorscargo.com
30 ²⁸	DST Inc.	Milwaukee, WI	4	National	45	Wayne P. Kokta, manager	www.dawescrane.com
31 ²⁶	Erickson's Inc.	Muskegon, MI	3	National	70	Steve Erickson, president	
32 ²⁷	Burkhalter Rigging Inc.	Columbus, MS	4	International	125	Delynn Burkhalter, CEO & president	www.burkhalter.net
33 ³⁴	Trans-United Inc.	Burns Harbor, IN	25	International	48	Jeffrey S. Fleming, president	www.transunited.com
34 ²⁹	McTyre Trucking	Orlando, FL	2	National	63	John McTyre, Sr., president	
35 ³⁰	White Brothers Trucking	Wasco, IL		International	55	Don Renner, president	
36 ³⁵	MSA Delivery Services	Canton, MI	3	International	70	Jerry Rozum, president	www.msadelivery.com
37 ³²	Southwest Industrial Rigging	Phoenix, AZ	1	National	125	Harry Baker, owner	www.swirusa.com
38 ³³	Jimmy T. Wood	Memphis, TN	1	National	50	Dan T. Hale, operations manager	www.jimmytwood.com
39 ⁴⁴	Perkins Specialized Transportation	Northfield, MN	1	International	45	Neil Perkins, president & CEO	www.heavyhaul.com
40 ⁴⁰	Link Truck Service	Sparta, IL	1	International	40	Rob Link, president	
41 ³⁹	Berard Transportation	New Iberia, LA	1	Regional	20	Johnny Berard, president	www.berardtrans.com
42 ³⁷	Transportes Telleria	Santa Julia, CP Mexico	3	National	90	Guillermo Arce, CEO	www.transtell.com.mx
43 ³⁶	Rigging International	Alameda, CA		International	50	Vic Rollandi, chairman	www.rigginginternational.com

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MODULAR/HYDRAULIC/TRAILERS/DOLLIES		SPECIALIZED TRAILERS (ALL MULTI-AXLE)		# OF TRUCK/ TRACTORS	TOTAL CAPACITY (US TONS)	TOTAL # IN FLEET
CAPACITY (US TONS)	# IN FLEET	CAPACITY (US TONS)	# IN FLEET			
		107,810	3,791	8,598	107,810	12,389
98,322	3,220	10,925	358	100	109,247	3,678
		66,725	2,180	900	66,725	3,080
69,438	1,830	20,844	712	124	90,342	2,666
		46,300	1,752	700	46,300	2,452
		4,040	110	1,100	4,040	1,210
475	4	39,560	1,059	700	40,034	1,063
		26,525	669	335	26,525	1,004
22,970	680	8,100	171	56	31,070	907
15,530	385	12,636	259	182	28,166	826
	47		404	350		801
2,135	94	10,465	108	365	12,600	675
		15,245	426	156	15,245	582
16,375	362	6,690	82	70	23,065	514
660	122	9,915	261	125	10,575	508
8,486	320	2,359	36	60	10,845	416
		7,970	218	190	7,970	408
6,185	146	7,645	197	60	13,830	403
5,208	210	3,750	116	40	8,958	366
	37		246	60		343
		10,000	220	120	10,000	340
820	15	8,065	215	106	8,885	336
			185	150		335
5,200	180	4,025	121	32	9,225	333
1,800	63	5,900	173	70	7,700	306
3,310	70	4,930	102	115	8,240	287
1,500	43	2,875	105	120	4,375	268
2,100	62	8,100	137	60	10,200	259
1,200	48	5,709	157	40	6,909	245
624	4	11,029	172	65	11,653	241
1,620	84	4,455	98	36	6,075	218
4,349	98	4,609	56	37	8,958	191
230	3	3,625	91	94	3,855	188
1,095	20	5,175	119	44	6,270	183
		4,620	122	47	4,620	169
		3,295	101	60	3,295	161
850	34	4,425	68	58	5,275	160
		3,811	112	47	3,811	159
2,786	98	2,132	30	20	4,918	148
920	14	2,290	86	40	3,210	140
4,604	101	885	18	16	5,489	135
2,828	96	710	20	18	3,528	134
4,320	114			4	4,320	118

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44 ⁴⁰	Superior Transportation	Charleston, SC	1	Regional	45	Pat Barber, president/owner	www.superiortransportation.us
45 ⁴¹	Edwards Moving Inc.	Shelbyville, KY	3	Regional	40	Mark Edwards, president	www.edwardsmoving.com
46 ⁴²	Whitewood Transport	Billings, MT	2	National	20	John Hanson, vice president	www.whitewoodtransport.com
47 ⁴³	Intermountain Rigging	Salt Lake City, UT	1	National	90	Ron Montgomery, president	www.intermountainrigging.com
48 ⁴⁵	Precision Heavy Haul	Tolleson, AZ	1	International	24	Mike Poppe, president	www.precisionheavyhaul.com
49 ⁴⁶	Henry A. Selinsky	Canton, OH	1	National	100	John Selinsky, president	www.selinsky.com
50 ⁴⁷	Continental Machinery Movers	Nashville, TN	2	National	36	Steve Simpson, transportation manager	www.cmm-tn.com
51 ⁴⁸	DG Equipment Company	Brookville, OH	1	National	45	Russ Gilmore, president	www.dgequipmentco.com
52	Crane Rental Corp.	Orlando, FL	3	International	98	Alan Ashlock, president	www.cranrental.com
53 ⁴⁹	H. Brown Cranes & Rigging	Eunice, LA	1	Regional	55	Maurice Brown, operations manager	www.hbrown.com
54 ⁵⁰	George Young Group	Philadelphia, PA	2	National	131	George S. Young, president	www.gyco.us
55 ⁵¹	Grand Davo Crane Service	Kalamazoo, MI	2	National	35	James T. Chamness, president	
56 ⁵²	Coast Machinery Movers	South El Monte, CA	2	International	60	Larry Beard, CEO	www.coastmachinerymovers.com
57 ⁵³	Fikes Truck Lines	Hope, AR	4	National	53	Andy Jones, specialized operations manager	www.fikes.com
58	M&N Henderson	Gainesville, VA	1	National	7	Neale Henderson, CEO	www.mnhendersoninc.com
59 ⁵⁵	Diamond Heavy Haul	Shandon, OH	3	International	30	Steven J. Engel, president, CEO	www.diamondheavyhaul.com
60 ⁵⁴	Primetime Trucking	College Point, NY	1	Regional	10	Joe Scappa, president	
61 ⁵⁶	Centurion Heavy Haul	Smithville, ON, Canada	1	International	12	Frank DeVries	www.centurionhh.com
62 ⁵⁹	Caribbean Heavy Lift & Transfer	Aruba	1	National	25	Marco van Daal, operations director	www.atcoaruba.com
63 ⁵⁸	Gruas ABC	Mexico	4	National	145	Bernabe Cortez, president	www.gruasabc.com
64 ⁵⁷	Transportes Y Gruas	Querétaro, Mexico	5	National	110	Jose Perez, president	www.auriga.com.mx

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		3,650	77	29	3,650	106
3,500	82	735	12	10	4,235	104
		1,847	52	50	1,847	102
760	22	3,220	47	28	3,980	97
204	2	4,390	72	12	4,594	86
647	21	1,314	57	80	1,961	80
		1,900	47	28	1,900	75
		1,760	38	25	1,760	63
1,407	8	1,475	38	17	2,882	63
939	25	960	19	17	1,899	61
980	28	1,110	15	13	2,090	56
		1,390	34	16	1,390	50
		500	20	10	500	30
		3,800	29		3,800	29
		855	15	10	855	25
		3,200	9	14	3,200	23
		300	8	15	300	23
215	2	340	12	8	555	22
				16	771	16
				14	1,069	14
250	2	170	3	6	420	11

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It also should be noted that some companies in the list offer services in the heavy load movement sector that are not in the rubber tired trailer or transport category. In the future, we may consider including additional classifications of ranking specialized and heavy transport capacities, and we encourage reader input on how we can make this list better and more useful. In addition, there are many other companies that provide specialized transport via waterways. We are assessing ways to add these companies to our listing or creating separate listings for these types of services.

Your comments and suggestions on ways to improve the ACTtransport50 and any other aspect of the magazine are welcome. While there is room to expand and improve the ACTtransport50, we try hard to get as many replies as possible by encouraging hundreds of potentially relevant companies to fill out and return the application form. This year we mailed forms to more than 750 companies. That said, while we have managed to increase the number of companies in our ranking, we realize our work is not complete. With the help of readers and those

companies that did not respond to our call for information, we can expand and improve the list again next year.

Additionally, in some cases firms included in our list last year did not re-submit information this year. We decided to include their 2007 information as estimates, giving these companies a year's grace period. As with all our database development, we made every effort to ensure the accuracy and completeness of this information but take no responsibility for errors, omissions or incomplete information. **act**

top 10 number of employees

1	Landstar Carrier Group	Jacksonville, FL	1,200
2	Barnhart Crane & Rigging	Memphis, TN	850
3	Turner Brothers	Houston, TX	839
4	Fagioli Group	Pearland, TX	700
5	Keen Transport	New Kingstown, PA	620
6	Bigge Crane & Rigging	San Leandro, CA	600
7	Combined Transport Inc.	Central Point, OR	450
8	Bellemare Group	Tross-Rivieres, QC, Canada	425
9	PGT Trucking	Monaca, PA	300
10	Mullen Transport	Aldersyde, AB Canada	280

top 10 total capacity (US tons)

1	Mammoet USA	109,247
2	Landstar Carrier Group	107,810
3	Fagioli Group	90,342
4	ATS Specialized	66,725
5	Lone Star Transportation	46,300
6	Bennett Motor Express	40,034
7	Bigge Crane & Rigging	31,070
8	Barnhart	28,166
9	Keen Transport	26,525
10	Emmert International	23,065

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