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# Employment effects and efficiency of ports

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## Abstract

Expected increasing transport volumes in Germany and Europe, combined with increasing sustainability requirements, lead to a prospective major role of sea and inland ports in future transport systems. But especially for inland ports this increased expectations more and more lead to conflicts regarding port property denomination as city development heavily pursues non-transport and non-industry dedications, e.g., with high-scale living quarters, recreation and office space concepts like, e.g., in Düsseldorf, Cologne or Duisburg. This research contribution outlines a quantitative analysis of this economic conflict of interest - in contrast to existing research, based mainly on qualitative arguments - especially for public inland port authorities and the main objective of employment effects using the cost-benefit analysis method.

## Keywords

employment effects, inland ports, cost-benefit analysis, bottlenecks, freight transport performance, data envelopment analysis

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