



COVID-19 TRANSPORT BRIEF

How Transport Supports the Health System in the Corona Crisis

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The medical professions and their support teams are the front line in the combat against the Coronavirus. The transport sector can support them in many ways – some obvious, others less so. We offer a non-exhaustive compilation of initiatives from around the world..

- Automotive and aviation companies switch resources to developing and producing urgently needed ventilators and breathing aides (CPAPs) – [FR](#), [UK](#), [US](#),
- Taxi and ride-sharing services offer free or discounted rides for medical workers; free rides for senior citizens for essential trips; mobilise vehicles for critical food and supply deliveries; offer free medical transport to low-income patients – [AT](#), [DE](#), [FR](#), [PH](#), [US](#), [US](#), [US](#)
- Rail operators, public transport and bike-sharing schemes offer free or discounted rides for health workers – [FR](#), [UK](#), [UK](#), [US](#)
- App-based mobility platforms disseminate government messages and updates related to Covid-19 (Grab, [BRA govt app](#))
- Shared mobility operators, route planning services and other data-driven business provide mobility data and data analysis to governments ([Google](#), [Grab](#))
- Logistics firm provides end-to-end logistics for health authorities to set up Covid-19 testing centres – [US](#)
- Rail operator uses converted train to transport Covid-19 patients from heavily afflicted regions to medical facilities with capacity reserves – [FR](#)
- First-aid trained air cabin crews support health workers in temporary hospitals – [UK](#)
- Drones spray disinfectant, make public service announcement, transport samples and deliver goods without human contact – [CN](#), [KR](#), [SP](#), [UK](#)

- ☀ Airlines use passenger jets to transport essential cargo - [Link](#)
- ☀ Automated vehicles deliver medical supplies, spray disinfectants, transport meals for senior citizens and carry out other tasks without human contact – [CN](#), [CN](#), [US](#), [US](#)
- ☀ Operator donates foodstuffs no longer needed for on-board provisioning to social services to the support vulnerable citizens – [FR](#)
- ☀ Energy company provides hospitals and hospital staff with gasoline vouchers – [FR](#)
- ☀ Software company waives fees for fleet provider using its platform helping service Covid-19 relief workers or food delivery systems – [Link](#)
- ☀ Refrigerated trucks serve as temporary morgues in worst-hit areas – [Link](#)

Do you know of other measures and initiatives in the transport sector that support our health systems in the struggle against the Coronavirus? [Please share them with us here.](#)