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Transportation management systems (TMS) can help improve your transport network by optimizing strategic and operational planning, network design, execution and monitoring, invoicing, billing, settlement, and more. But with so many TMS solutions on the market today, it can be a challenge to find the one that aligns with your needs.

To help you get started, *Inbound Logistics'* TMS Buyer's Guide highlights some leading providers and solutions. One of them just might be right for you.

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VENDOR	PRODUCT	DESCRIPTION
3Gtms (H L C) Shelton, CT www.3gtms.com	**3G-TM**	Covers core TMS capabilities, including rating, routing (multi-stop and pool distribution optimization), tendering, track-and-trace/visibility, and settlement. For shippers, brokers, and non-asset-based third-party logistics (3PL) providers.
4flow, Inc. (H L C) Troy, MI www.4flow.de/en	**4flow vista**	Integrates network optimization and transportation management, from strategic development to tactical planning and daily execution. Optimizes individual shipments and routes.
Acuitive Solutions (H C) Charlotte, NC www.acuitivesolutions.com	**Acuitive TMS**	Facilitates end-to-end collaboration during procurement negotiations and after the process with auditing capabilities. Manages, analyzes, and interprets key metrics including rates and rate history, routing patterns, audited invoices, contract terms, Sarbanes-Oxley compliance, and shipment details.
Agile Network (H L C) Chesterfield, MO www.agile-network.com	**Agile Elite Suite**	Evaluates multiple carrier options for accurate delivery time, date commitments, and delivery charge information; automates medium- to high-volume multi-carrier shipment processing from multiple locations.
Agistix Inc. (H) San Mateo, CA www.agistix.com	**Agistix**	Provides real-time global visibility and execution, order management, rating, booking, reporting, document creation, and tracking for all transportation modes and carriers, and international, domestic, inbound, outbound, and third-party shipments.
Aljex Software (H C) Middlesex, NJ www.aljex.com	**Aljex Vision**	Automates shipment execution with least-cost routing, EDI, document imaging, integrated emailing and faxing, and burst communication. Suitable for use by manufacturers, retailers, 3PLs, and intermodal and asset-based carriers.
Allen Lund Company (H L C) La Cañada, CA www.allenlund.com	**ALC Logistics TMS**	Provides customization to meet unique transportation management needs. Modules include: multi-mode tendering, spot pricing, scheduling, claims, carrier management, and freight audit.
Amber Road (H L C) East Rutherford, NJ www.amberroad.com	**International Transportation Management**	Provides a range of capabilities for importers and exporters, including contract and rate management, carrier selection and booking, and comprehensive freight audit.
Argos Software (L C) Fresno, CA www.argosoftware.com	**ABECAS Insight**	Facilitates order entry, dispatching, resource (truck, trailer, driver) tracking, messaging, trip building and control, freight billing, and settlements processing for drivers and contractors/outside carriers.
BestTransport (H C) Columbus, OH www.besttransport.com	**BestShippers TMS**	Enables shippers to optimize loads, execute advanced tendering rules (both inbound and outbound), track shipments, and pay freight bills. Provides immediate and accurate visibility into every transaction.

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H L C	**Blinco Systems Inc.** Toronto, ON www.blinco.com	**3rdwave GCM**	Provides procure-to-receipt and sale-to-deliver operational solution with Freight RFQ, contract and rate management, purchase order control, shipment planning, logistics track-and-trace, total landed cost management, and automated customs control for import and export.
H C	**CargoSmart Limited** San Jose, CA www.cargosmart.com	**CargoSmart Transportation Management**	Provides shipment management solutions that benchmark ocean carriers' sailing schedules, performance, and contracts. Leverages big data for greater visibility and live exception management.
H C	**Cerasis** Eagan, MN www.cerasis.com	**Cerasis Rater**	Offers web-based rating of multiple LTL, full truckload, and small package carriers. Includes freight accounting functions, reports and analysis, carrier rate maintenance, and integration capabilities.
H	**Cheetah Software Systems** Westlake Village, CA www.cheetah.com	**Cheetah Freight, Cheetah Delivery**	Provides optimized routing, dynamic dispatch, and real-time tracking information to LTL companies. This modular, integrated system offers GPS-enabled supply chain visibility and instant proof of delivery.
H C	**Cirrus** Palm Harbor, FL www.cirrustms.com	**Cirrus TMS**	Streamlines freight operations for businesses of all sizes. Delivers real-time rating and shipping information, accounting software integration, paperwork generation (such as bills of lading), and performance analytics.
H C	**ClearTrack Information Network** Brentwood, TN www.cleartrack.com	**Supply Chain Execution Software Applications and Professional Services**	Provides global e-sourcing of goods; ocean freight quoting; product safety, quality, and compliance; shipment approval; e2e supply chain visibility; TL/LTL load bid and tender; and freight audits.
C	**Cloud Logistics** West Palm Beach, FL www.gocloudlogistics.com	**Cloud Logistics TMS**	Offers a cloud-based approach to managing global transportation across modes. The solution leverages cloud, social, and mobile technologies to enable a real-time transportation network.
H C	**CT Logistics** Cleveland, OH www.ctlogistics.com	**FreitRater**	Determines optimal transportation routes by calculating all legs, modes, carriers, service types, equipment, and cost simultaneously. Offers global, multi-modal freight routing.
H C	**CTSI-Global** Memphis, TN www.ctsi-global.com	**CTSI-Global Transportation Management System**	Manages transportation networks to control orders, optimize loads, select carriers for all modes, execute shipments, track progress, manage claims, pay invoices, and report results.
L	**Datex** Clearwater, FL www.datexcorp.com	**Express TMS**	Provides driver management and route assignments. Users can view real-time shipment tracking information, export routes to handheld devices, and import route status and customer signatures from handheld devices.

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H **L** **C**	**Descartes** Waterloo, ON www.descartes.com	**Descartes Transportation Management**	Helps logistics managers, shippers, and third parties evaluate transportation alternatives simultaneously to find the most efficient shipping method. Manages contract carriers from shipment planning through execution and settlement.
H	**Elemica** Wayne, PA www.elemica.com	**Elemica Logistics Management**	Supports complete process of order-to-shipment planning, booking, execution and settlement, visibility, monitoring, alerts, exception management, connectivity, and collaboration.
H	**eShip Global** Dallas, TX www.eshipglobal.com	**eShipGlobal TMS**	Handles every aspect of the transportation lifecycle, including strategic sourcing, rate quotes, transportation execution, freight audit and payment settlement.
H	**Fortigo** Austin, TX www.fortigo.com	**On-Demand TMS**	Automates, optimizes, and audits logistics processes across the supply chain. Supplies one system of record for logistics across multiple sites, and interfaces with enterprise resource planning and other supply chain management solutions.
L **C**	**Freightgate Inc.** Fountain Valley, CA www.freightgate.com	**Freightgate Universe**	Allows shippers to consolidate orders, build loads, optimize routes, maintain end-to-end visibility, collaborate with other stakeholders, and audit and pay freight bills.
H	**GE Transportation** Chicago, IL www.getransportation.com	**ShipperConnect**	Handles multi-modal transportation planning, execution, terminal operations, carrier settlement, and exception alerts while providing shipment visibility across all carriers and modes.
H **C**	**GT Nexus** Oakland, CA www.gtnexus.com	**GT Nexus Transportation Management**	Capabilities include real-time shipment/item-level visibility; ocean, air, and truck spend management; freight audit; shipment planning; consolidation management; and shipment execution.
H **C**	**GTG Technology Group** Houston, TX www.gtgtechnologygroup.com	**Intermodal Management System and Extensions**	Manages global transportation management systems for intermodal, brokerage, and drayage transportation companies of all sizes. All-inclusive software including EDI, document imaging, and integrated accounting.
L	**GTS** Hudson, OH www.onestopshipping.com	**Herman**	Integrates rate quotes and transit times for multiple carriers with SMC³ RateWare. Bill of lading automation and EDI 204 support. EDI updates for tracking and invoicing.
H	**HA Logistics** Pleasanton, CA www.halogistics.com	**AdvantageTMS**	Manages automated rate shopping, shipment tracking, margin acceleration, freight bill audit and payment, and reporting.

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H	**HighJump** Minneapolis, MN www.highjump.com	**Transportation Management**	Provides international multi-modal shipment optimization, carrier and rate management, vendor compliance, vendor tracking, proof-of-delivery, and claims and reporting.
H L C	**InMotion Global** St. Petersburg, FL www.inmotionglobal.com	**AscendTMS**	Allows complete control over daily freight movements. Features real-time spot rates, automatic route review and load optimization, and accountability tracing.
H L C	**INSIGHT Inc.** Manassas, VA www.insightoutsmart.com	**INSIGHT Transportation Planner**	Offers strategic transportation planning and optimization with bid analyzer to determine the optimal combination of modes by honoring real-world constraints.
H C	**IntelliTrans/TransCore** Atlanta, GA www.intellitrans.com	**CarrierPoint**	Provides modules for eRFQ, contract management, load consolidation and continuous move, tendering, appointment and dock scheduling, tracking (including proof of pickup and delivery), invoicing, auditing, payment, reporting, analytics, and alerting.
H C	**International Asset Systems (IAS)** Oakland, CA www.interasset.com	**IAS Dispatch**	Brings together drayage assignment, appointment times, amendment management, invoicing, visibility, rates, optimization, and business intelligence.
H L	**JDA** Scottsdale, AZ www.jda.com	**JDA Transportation Manager**	Covers the entire closed loop transportation process – from strategic transportation sourcing, planning, and optimization to shipment visibility, payment, and performance analysis.
H C	**Kewill** Chelmsford, MA www.kewill.com	**Kewill Transport**	Plans and executes multi-modal shipments. Features contract rate management, load tendering, shipment optimization, vendor/carrier portals, capacity center, shipment tracking, alerts/status updates, invoice audit and pay, and reporting.
H	**LeanLogistics** Holland, MI www.leanlogistics.com	**LeanTMS**	Delivers complete transportation planning, execution, settlement, and procurement, as well as supply chain visibility and business intelligence to improve business processes, increase efficiency, and reduce costs.
H L C	**Logility** Atlanta, GA www.logility.com	**Logility Voyager Transportation Planning & Management**	Automates multi-modal shipment planning, execution, and freight accounting. Supports automated, unattended operation by monitoring ongoing activities and providing real-time alerts to potential problems. Analyzes productivity using key performance indicators to provide operations reports.
H L	**Logistix Solutions** Herndon, VA www.logistixsolutions.com	**Logix Transportation Optimization**	Accounts for carrier rates, order and vehicle information, DOT regulations, and customer service requirements. Provides transportation optimization, load consolidation, and driver/vehicle scheduling.

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H C	**M33 Integrated** Greenville, SC www.m33integrated.com	**Blackbeard TMS Suite**	Manages the lifecycle of an order, from rate quoting through freight bill payment and reporting. Delivers accurate carrier rating and rate shopping, proper carrier execution for increased cost reduction, and real-time shipment visibility.
H C	**Made4net** Hackensack, NJ www.made4net.us	**TransportExpert, RoutingExpert, DeliveryExpert**	Schedules deliveries and pickups, dispatching, dynamic optimized route planning, and track-and-trace with driver electronic proof of delivery.
H L C	**Manhattan Associates** Atlanta, GA www.manh.com	**Transportation Management System**	Provides a global view of transportation from bidding to billing across all modes – inbound or outbound – to reduce costs, reroute around trouble spots, and coordinate deliveries precisely.
H L C	**MercuryGate International** Cary, NC www.mercurygate.com	**MercuryGate TMS**	Delivers integrated multi-modal transportation management allowing global shippers and service providers to optimize and execute loads. Analytics and a workflow engine automate processes for maximum efficiency.
H L C	**Next Generation Logistics** Inverness, IL www.nextgeneration.com	**FreightMaster TMS**	Offers end-to-end support, order entry optimization, carrier selection, load planning, auditing, online settlement, and carrier collaboration and communication.
H L	**NTE** Oakbrook Terrace, IL www.nte.com	**NTE Transportation Management**	Provides shipment planning, optimization, routing guide execution, financial settlement, track-and-trace capabilities, and alerting and reporting options.
H L C	**Nulogx Inc.** Mississauga, ON www.nulogx.com	**Transportation Manager System Online (TMSO)**	Supports all activities necessary to manage and execute the full lifecycle of the transportation process.
H C	**One Network** Dallas, TX www.onenetwork.com	**Intelligent Logistics TMS**	Integrates transportation planning and optimization, execution, and financial reconciliation, providing comprehensive visibility and control across the entire transportation network.
H L C	**Oracle** Redwood Shores, CA www.oracle.com	**Oracle Transportation Management**	Provides carrier rate bidding and management, shipment planning and execution, freight billing and claims, visibility, and key performance indicators.
L	**Paragon Software Systems** Dallas, TX www.paragontruckrouting.com	**Paragon**	Provides routing and scheduling optimization including multi-drop routing, last-mile deliveries, dynamic routing, strategic modeling, tracking/telematics, and KPI reporting.

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H L C	**Precision Software** Lisle, IL www.precisionsoftware.com	**Precision Transportation Management**	Streamlines transportation planning and execution, manages asset utilization, automates business processes, and handles freight payments. Users can rate, route, produce labels, and manage service levels for any shipment mode.
H L C	**ProShip Inc.** Brookfield, WI www.proshipsoftware.com	**ProShip**	Automates the shipping process including integration with host systems and customized business rules. Improves on-time deliveries and operational efficiencies for medium- to high-volume shippers.
H L C	**RateLinx** Madison, WI www.ratelinx.com	**ShipLinx**	Streamlines global shipping with any carrier, mode, or location. Small parcel compliant for all providers.
C	**Revenova** Chicago, IL www.revenova.com	**Revenova TMS**	Provides multi-modal transportation management (LTL, TL, intermodal), customer relationship management (sales, service, claims), and carrier management (on-boarding, monitoring) on a secure cloud platform.
H	**Riege Software** Georgetown, CT www.riege.com	**Scope**	Provides a comprehensive multi-modal forwarding transportation management system for complete operation, management, communications, supply chain visibility, and regulatory compliance management and documentation.
H L	**Roadnet** Towson, MD www.roadnet.com	**Roadnet Transportation Suite**	Enables organizations with fleets and mobile resources to develop optimal route plans and track them in real-time, then use this information to compare actual vs. planned data.
L	**Robocom** Farmingdale, NY www.robocom.com	**Robocom TMS**	Manages freight rating, billing, and auditing. Tracks the location of drivers, captures proof-of-delivery data, and provides dispatchers the ability to insert pickup stops into delivery runs.
L	**Royal 4** Long Beach, CA www.royal4.com	**Royal 4 TMS Suite**	Automates carrier communications, including contract negotiation, load tendering, invoice processing, and payment approvals. Builds loads, groups orders, and plans routes to maximize asset utilization, and manages carrier selection and compliance.
L	**SAP** Newton Square, PA www.sap.com	**SAP TM**	Creates and monitors a transportation plan that fulfills constraints - for example, service level, costs, and resource availability. Determines ways to save costs and optimizes the use of available resources.
H C	**ShippersEdge** Minneapolis, MN www.shippersedge.com	**ShippersEdge TMS**	Manages shipments of all modes. Rating, routing, scheduling, real-time tracking, exception management, freight audit and pay, and report generator. Integration and customization available.

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C	**ShipXpress Inc.** Jacksonville Beach, FL www.shipxpress.com	**ShipX Portal**	Provides truck tendering, dispatch, rail tracking, and fleet management, as well as managing transportation costs, freight accruals, and providing rate quotes from multiple carriers in all modes.
H L C	**SupplyVision Inc.** Chicago, IL www.supply-vision.com	**Supply Vision TMS**	Offers customizable shipper and logistics provider visibility tools with integrated warehouse management, document imaging, and intelligent rate shopping.
H L	**TECSYS** New York, NY www.tecsys.com	**TECSYS TMS**	Automates and optimizes small package and LTL shipment rating, routing, manifesting, tracking, and post-shipment analysis.
H L	**TMW Systems Inc.** Mayfield Heights, OH www.tmwsystems.com	**TMWSuite**	Integrates transportation execution with customer service, sales, dispatch, carrier, driver and asset management, settlement, finance, and business intelligence.
H L C	**Trans-i Technologies Inc.** Fort Lauderdale, FL www.trans-i.com	**TransTransport**	Offers Web and mobile enterprise applications for truck/rail transportation management, vendor selection, route optimization, geofence, Google Map (Uber style) visibility, proof of delivery instant signatures, and customer Web portal.
H L C	**TransportGistics Inc.** Bohemia, NY www.transportgistics.com	**TGI:TMS**	Features global multi-modal shipment bidding, rating, routing, planning, execution, visibility, tariff management, freight audit and payment, analysis, and data mining.
H C	**Transwide** New York, NY www.transwide.com	**Transwide TMS**	Offers solutions that increase transportation assurance and reduce transportation spend by streamlining processes and improving visibility throughout the transportation cycle.
H C	**TransWorks** Fort Wayne, IN www.trnswrks.com	**TMS/Supply Chain Execution**	Configures business rules and automates supply chain processes while providing visibility across any number of facilities.
H C	**U Route LLC** Royal Oak, MI www.uroute.com	**U Route**	Offers RFQ development and procurement, bid management, synchronized carrier costing, complete shipment visibility, and detailed management reports and analytics.
H C	**UltraShipTMS** Fair Lawn, NJ www.ultrashiptms.com	**UltraShipTMS**	Gives logistics managers total network visibility and control over inbound and outbound transportation for optimal procurement, execution, and reporting.

THE 3PL ALTERNATIVE

Shippers may be able to gain access to transportation management system functions through their third-party logistics (3PL) provider. Here's a sample of some 3PLs offering TMS, either as a standalone option or part of the outsourced transportation service.

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APL Logistics Scottsdale, AZ www.apllogistics.com	**ShipMax Alliance**	Streamlines collaborative shipping and increases transport efficiency. Pairs freight with compatible partners who ship to common customers and destinations for improved load utilization and delivery optimization.
BlueGrace Logistics Riverview, FL www.mybluegrace.com	**BlueShip TMS**	Allows users to customize their transportation process, providing functions such as rating, routing, tracking, and reporting.
Echo Global Logistics Chicago, IL www.echo.com	**Echo TMS**	Simplifies transportation lifecycle with automated processes for order management and consolidation, mode/route optimization, shipment tender and tracking, exception management, and invoice audit/settlement. Provides a fully integrated solution that includes sophisticated analytical tools and customized reporting.
Exel Westerville, OH www.exel.com	**Transportation Management System**	Manages transportation processes with a system configured and deployed to shipper specifications.
J.B. Hunt Lowell, AR www.jbhunt.com	**J.B. Hunt 360**	Features the integration of multiple modes and carriers, routing guide management, shipment optimization, automated tendering, appointment scheduling, real-time tracking, freight payment, invoice auditing, and business analytics throughout the lifecycle of transportation management.
LeSaint Logistics Romeoville, IL www.lesaint.com	**TransTech TMS**	Gives shippers visibility to shipping costs and activities.
Odyssey Logistics & Tech. Danbury, CT www.odysseylogistics.com	**WIN – Web Integrated Network**	Offers browser-based technology for daily and/or spot freight quotes and multi-mode quote comparisons, shipment tendering, monitoring and reporting; customizable dashboards; master data management.
SEKO Logistics Itasca, IL www.sekologistics.com	**SEKO Transportation Management System**	Provides Software-as-a-Service to manage planning and decision making, shipment followup, and the measurement of key performance indicators for air, ocean, and ground transportation.
TMC, a division of C.H. Robinson Chicago, IL www.mytmc.com	**Managed TMS**	Features procurement software, mode/route optimization, shipment tender, rate assignment, freight payment, yard and dock management, appointment scheduling, business intelligence, and global language/currency capabilities.
Transplace Frisco, TX www.transplace.com	**Transplace Transportation Management System**	Automates order management, shipment optimization, shipment tracking, and overall performance. Enables route and mode selection, load consolidation, asset utilization, and reporting.
Trinity Logistics Seaford, DE www.trinitylogistics.com	**Trinity Logistics TMS**	Offers real-time access to multi-modal rates, status updates, invoicing, and reporting while automating daily operations through integration with multiple platforms.
Werner Enterprises Omaha, NE www.werner.com	**SMART**	Delivers shipment validation, visibility, and optimization on a domestic or global scale to meet each shipper's unique business needs.