

Shift towards Local Production

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Description

The movement towards local production spurred by new technologies will impact freight transport as well as consumer travel habits.

- Shipping costs are significant and increasing: Amazon's gross shipping costs went up from \$1 billion in Q4/2010 to ~\$5.8 billion in Q4/2016
- Developments in 3D/4D printers can facilitate "de-globalization", where production returns to the home country.
- Localisation of production would affect the number of shipments into and out of Dubai

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