





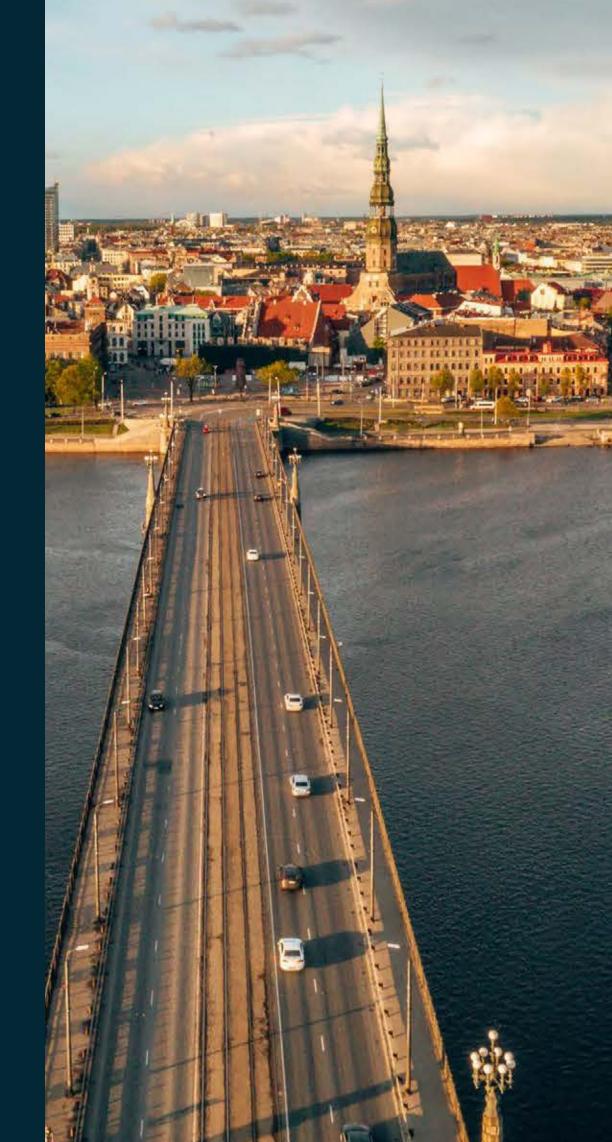
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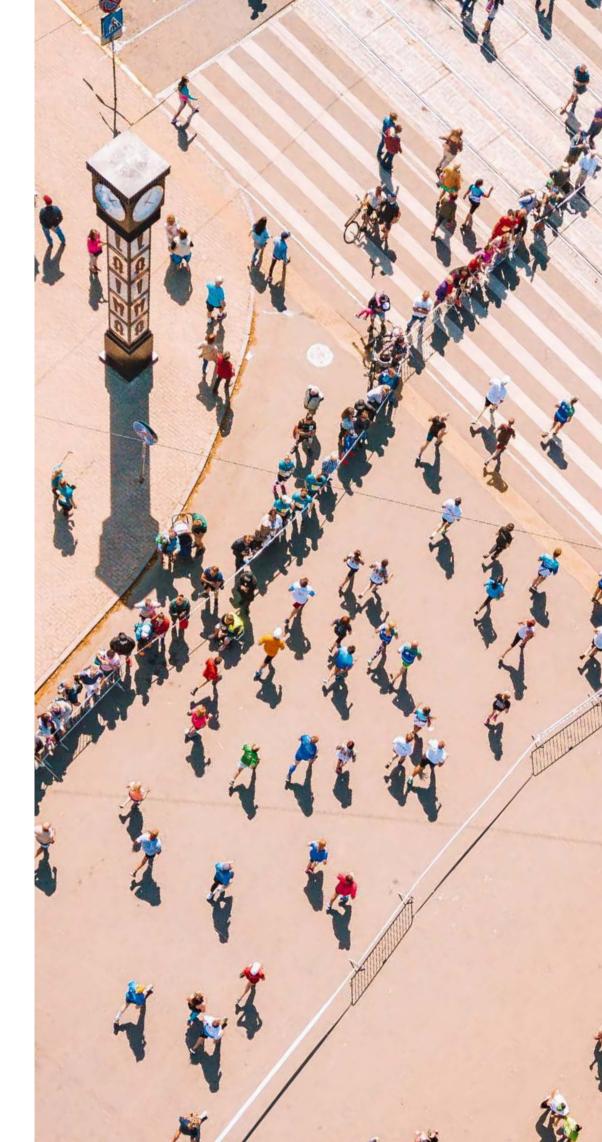
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#### **RIGA CITY** AND AGGLOMERATION **DEMOGRAPHY**

1 070 201

number

of residents

632 614

- the total number of residents in Riga agglomeration. 2081 people live in one square kilometre of Riga (city's territory is 304 km²).

Source: Central Statistical Bureau (CSB)

#### a CITIZEN **OF RIGA**

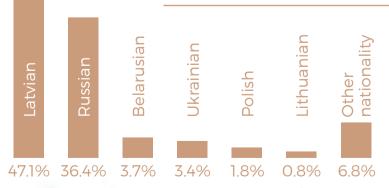
is 42.6 years

salary is EUR 1 211 gross or EUR 888 net





### WHO IS THE AVERAGE **RESIDENT OF RIGA?**





### **RESIDENTS OF WORKING** AGE

388 712 residents

out of 632 614 residents of Riga are of working age.

204 993 are women of working age or 58.4% of all the female residents of Riga

183 719 are men of working age or 65.2% of all the male residents of Riga.



58.4% 65.2%

#### **RESIDENTS** ACCORDING TO GENDER

Women - 351 056 Men - 281 558





### WHAT IS THEIR EDUCATION?

29.2% Higher education

26.3% General secondary education

13.3% Basic education

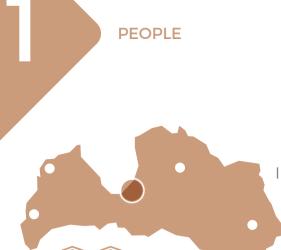
2.1% Lower than basic education



of the citizens of Riga know at least one foreign language



of the citizens of Riga know at least two foreign languages



= 80 357



In 2018, 80 357 students were studving in the universities and colleges of Riga and Latvia and 15 363 students were graduates.



Most of the students comprise the age group from 29 to 39 years old.

### **DIVISION OF STUDENTS** BY STUDY FIELDS / 2018

34.3% Social sciences, commercial sciences and law Engineering sciences, production and construction 15.6% Health care and social welfare 9.1% Services

8.8% Nature sciences, mathematics and IT sciences 7.6% Humanities and art

7% Education **1.5%** Agriculture



#### **FUNDING OF** THE STUDIES

41.3% of the students in 2018 studied with state and municipality budget funds.

58.7% of the students studied with personal funds.

CSB/Ministry of Education and Science



### **FOREIGN STUDENTS**





In 2018, 9 797 students from foreign countries studied in the universities and colleges of Riga and Latvia.

Foreign students comprise of all those studying.

12%

### **TOP 10 COUNTRIES OF RESIDENCE** OF FOREIGN STUDENTS

India	2 070	24.7%		
Uzbekistan	1 243	14.8%		
Germany	995	11.9%	_	
Russia	538	6.4%	_	
Sweden	400	4.8%	_	
Ukraine	372	4.4%	_	
Finland	264	3.2%	_	
Kazakhstan	214	2.6%	-	
Sri Lanka	196	2.3%		
Pakistan	187	2.2%		<b>Y</b>

### STUDY COSTS OF FOREIGN STUDENTS (€)

Medical studies 7000 - 15 000



Engineering technical studies 2200 - 4000

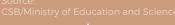




Business and management studies 2000 - 6 000



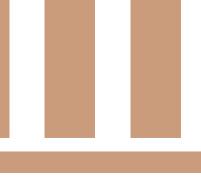
Mathematics and IT 2000 - 4000













### **EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS**



In 2019. 3 universities. 9 schools of higher education and academies. as well as 2 branches of foreign schools of higher educations were operating in Latvia.

## TOP 5

**UNIVERSITIES AND SCHOOLS** OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN RIGA WITH THE LARGEST NUMBER **OF FOREIGN STUDENTS** 





















Riga Stradins University 2 153

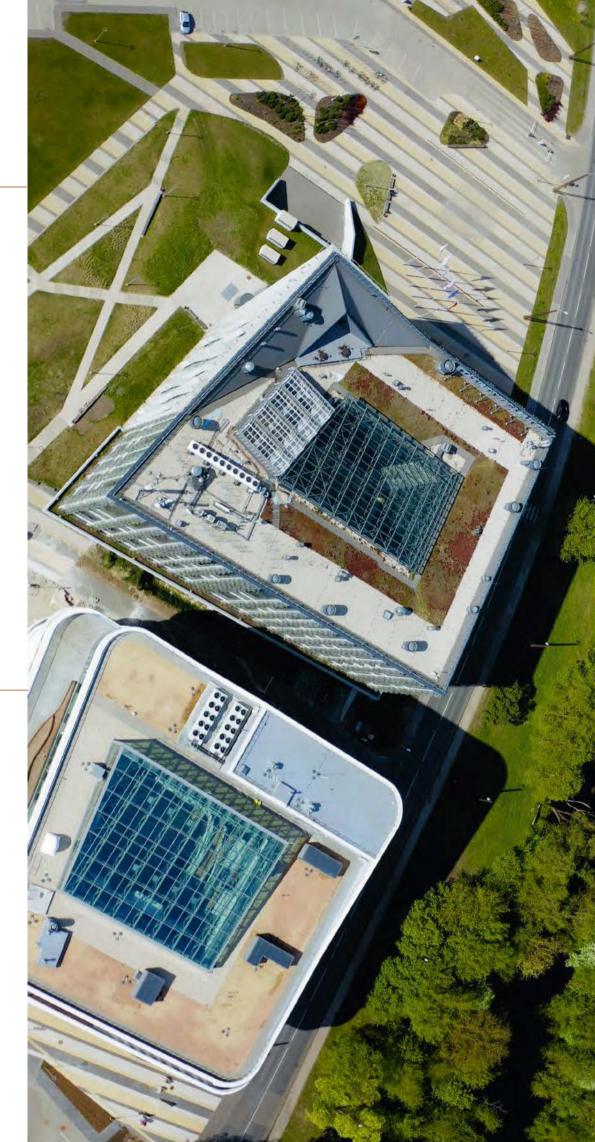
Riga Technical University 1390

"Turība" Transport and University University Telecommu-762 nication Institute 661

of Latvia 541



CSB/Ministry of





#### WHO IS A GUEST OF RIGA?



Of all the guests of Riga in 2018, 66% were men and 34% women.

> The most tourists - 51.4% were 25 to 44 years old.

### IN 2018 RIGA AND LATVIA WERE MOST VISITED BY:



12.5% 13.4% Lithuania Germany Russia

RU

12.3%

UK

GB

EE

9%

Estonia

Sweden

other countries

#### **PURPOSE OF VISITING**







15.6% visiting friends or relatives



15.9% business

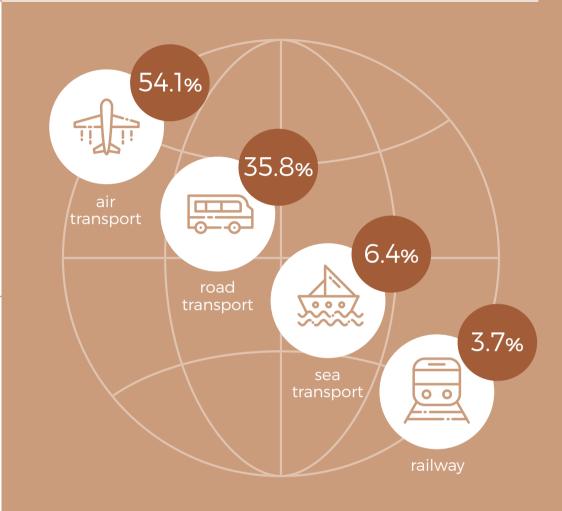


346% transit



A guest spends an average of 4 nights in Latvia and in Riga. A guest spends an average of 66 euros per day.

#### TRAVELLERS IN LATVIA ARRIVED BY THE FOLLOWING **TYPES OF TRANSPORTATION:**



In 2018 Riga and Latvia were visited by 1.9 million foreign tourists. In total they spent 516.7 million euros.



Of those (million euros):



151.9

22.8

purchases nutrition

accommodation costs



excursions local transportation costs

other





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#### **SUPPORT** TO FOREIGN INVESTMENTS/ **SECURITY OF INVESTMENTS**

Latvia is a full member of many respectable organisations. This allows security of foreign investments in Riga and other regions to be guaranteed.





European Union



))OECD

OECD





World trade organisation

NATO

#### WHY INVEST IN RIGA?



**ACCESS TO LARGE MARKETS** 



**DEVELOPED LOGISTICS** 



FREE TRADE



**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTRES** 



EDUCATED AND MOTIVATED WORKFORCE



**COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES** 

Source: Worldwide Broadband Speed League 2018



MACROECONOMIC SECURITY



POLITICAL AND LEGAL STABILITY

#### Source: Latvian Investment and Development Agency

# **BUSINESS STRUCTURE** IN RIGA / 2018

60% of economically active companies are concentrated in Riga and around Riga.

104 563 in Riga and around Riga

RIGA

LATVIA



## TOP 5

**BUSINESS SECTORS IN RIGA** BY NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES IN THE FIVE LARGEST **ENTERPRISES** 



STEM and ICT



and retail sale 14 419



Real estate construction. development and management 12 954



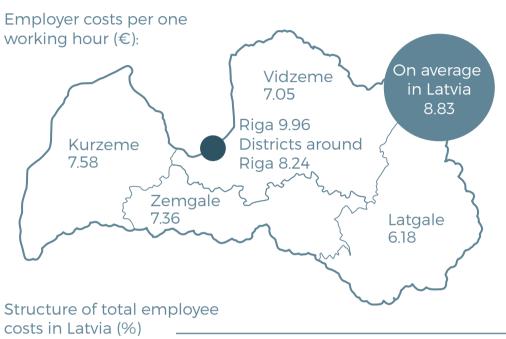
**Business services** 



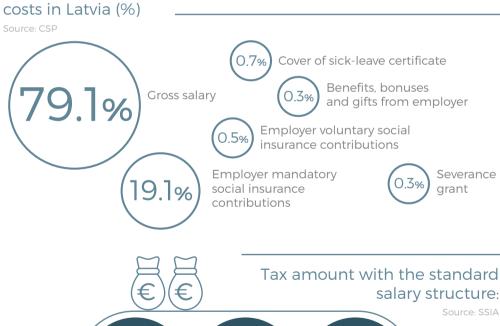
Manufacturing

**FINANCES** 

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS** INDICATORS/ **EMPLOYER COSTS**



Source: CSP



State mandatory social insurance contributions rate (SMSIC)

35.09

Personal income tax

23

Business risk charge

0.36



### **MOST POPULAR INVESTMENT SECTORS**

Investments by business activity (%)



Manufacturing



transactions



Transport and <u>storage</u>



State administration and defence



Wholesale and retail



Construction



and communications



Other types of business

### 57% of investments **ARE MADE IN RIGA**

Total amount of investments in Riga and Latvia (€):

2 549 300 000 in Riga

7 345 - total number of companies controlled by foreign capital in Latvia in 2017.

131 698 - total number of employees of foreign companies.

4 504 200 000 in Latvia

### **KEY OPERATIONAL INDICATORS OF FOREIGN COMPANIES IN LATVIA:**

€ 24 370 120 000

Product value € 10 487 497 000

Added value € 3 936 023 000







2

**FINANCES** 

# NUMBER OF COMPANIES CONTROLLED WITH THE CAPITAL OF THE RESPECTIVE COUNTRY

962 Lithuania

946 Russia

747 Estonia

446 Cyprus

429 United Kingdom

397 Germany

306 Belarus

295 Sweden

263 Ukraine

253 Finland

# TOP 10 LARGEST FOREIGN

INVESTMENTS (€)

1 112 950 115 Sweden 645 377 921 Netherlands

570 534 871 Cyprus 562 375 700 Germany

560 597 031 Lithuania

532 949 340 Russia

527 813 544 Estonia

323 615 063 Norway

285 081 595 Luxembourg

257 985 136 Denmark



#### **FINANCES**



### LABOUR MARKET. **AVERAGE SALARY IN VARIOUS** SECTORS, QUALIFICATION ETC.

- In Riga, 480 100 people are employed in total, comprising 46% of the employed population in Latvia
  - 35.1% of all employees in Riga are inhabitants of Riga
    - 341 600 or 34.8% of the economically active population reside in Riga

Source: Central Statistical Bureau (CSB)

RIGA - 11 863 🖨





SOURCE: State Employment Agency,

#### **AVERAGE MONTHLY SALARY OF EMPLOYEES**

(GROSS/€)

Public sector Latvia 1119 Riga 1306



Private sector

Latvija 1078 Rīga 1190

> Source: Central Statistical Bureau (CSB). Data as of 06. 2019.

### **AVERAGE MONTHLY SALARY** OF EMPLOYEES OF VARIOUS SECTORS IN RIGA (GROSS/€)



**Finances** insurance 2128



Power, gas supply, heating and air conditioning



Information services

1985



Agriculture forestry 1426



Water supply 1238



Transport and

1140



retail sales 1059



Operations of administrative and other services

995



State administration and defence; mandatory social insurance



Health and social care



Construction 1109



1047





scientific and services

1319



and quarrying

5=3

1109



Art, entertainment and recreation

1033



Other services



Accommodation and catering services

849

## REAL **ESTATE**

In Riga in 2018, buildings with a total area of 360 800 m<sup>2</sup> were launched into operation.





7-12

600-

1300

#### **OFFICE PREMISES**

#### 15-17 13 Sales price of offices (€/m²) 1800-1500-1000-2000 2800 1600

Monthly rent of office premises (€/m²)



Class C offices

**INDUSTRIAL PREMISES** 

Monthly rental of industrial premises (€/m²)



in line with modern

requirements

warehouses

tenants



### **RETAIL SALES PREMISES**

streets

warehouses

Monthly rental of retail sales premises (€/m²)



streets

2

**FINANCES** 

€

#### FINANCIAL SECTOR/ BANKS

Amount of delayed loans for more than 90 days in the non-bank lending portfolio

4%

Rate of increase of assets per year

13%

Total capital ratio (TCR)

23.6%

6
Foreign branches

Return on equity (ROE)

11.4%

Cost: income ratio

ratio 61.2%

Liquidity coverage ratio (LCR)

307.3%

# **INSURANCE COMPANIES**

Number of market participants (companies and branches)

6+12

Rate of increase of gross written premiums

2.1%

Profit/loss of the accounting period

€4.8 million

#### PRIVATE PENSION FUNDS

Number of pension plans
18

Number of members
309 057

Net assets

491.9 million

Number of members
4.9%



# INVESTMENT FUNDS

Number of investment management companies

11

Number of investment funds

24

Assets of investment funds

€ 216.2 million

Source: Financial and capital market commission



ICT



Added value ICT 1122 000 000

Employs 33 990 people Sales of companies in 2017, 36 170 000 000

Total number of companies

6559 x





GDP / 2018

GDP in Latvia and Riga

(€ per one inhabitant)

GDP in Riga - 165% of the average GDP of the state



Source: CSB. data as of 201

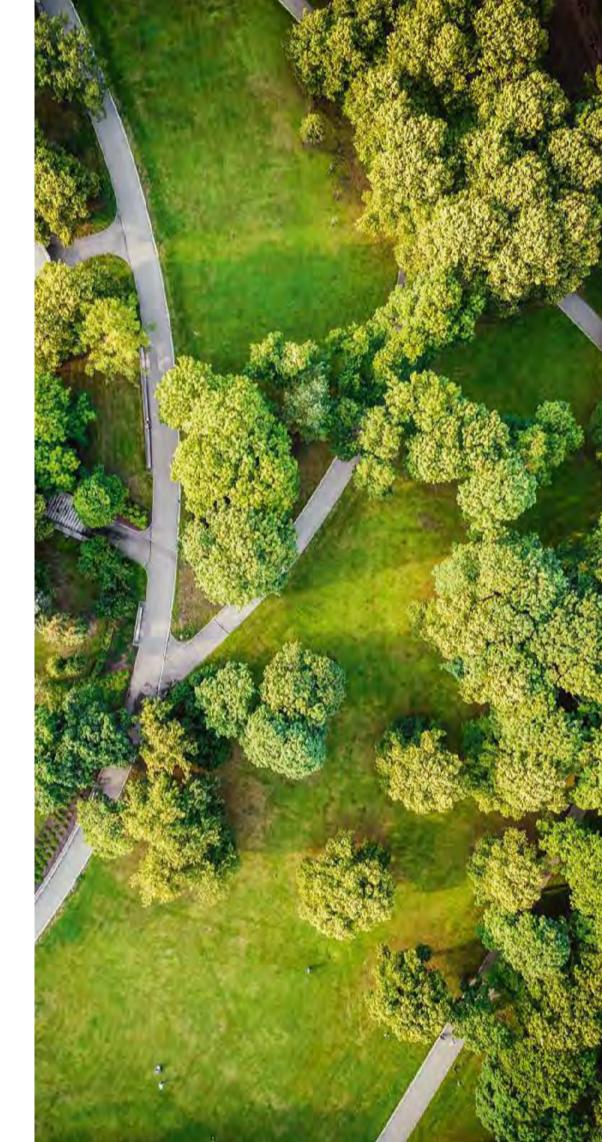
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# LIFE QUALITY / SATISFACTION WITH LIFE

Satisfaction index of inhabitants of Riga in 2018 in various areas of life on the scale 0-10.



General satisfaction with life

Riga - 6.8 Latvia - 6.7



Trusting others

Riga and Latvia - 6.4



Satisfaction with financial situation

Riga – 5.7 Latvia – 5.4



Job satisfaction

Riga and Latvia - 5.4

#### പ്ര HOUSING

- Total costs related to home maintenance per one household a month
- Housing costs expressed in percentage in comparison to current income -13.5%
- Number of rooms per one household member —
- Average housing area in Riga ——
- Average housing area per one inhabitant
- Lives in private houses and terraced houses
- Lives in multi-apartment buildings

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€173

92.1%) 7.9%



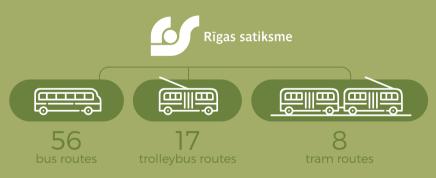


# HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN RIGA IN 2018



# TRAFFIC / PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN RIGA

Rīgas Satiksme provides public transportation services in the city of Riga, providing bus, trolleybus and tram transport.



Pasažieru vilciens provides railway services in Riga and in the surrounding areas of Riga.



Also mini buses, express buses and during weekends - night buses - provide transportation services.

Source: Rīgas satiksme, CSB

**ENVIRONMENT** 



#### **PUBLIC TRANSPORT IN RIGA**

Total length of the Riga public transport route is 1201.2 km.

In 2018, almost 150.6 million passengers



#### 1201.2 km

Total number of passengers using railway services (Q2, 2019)







#### RIGA **AIRPORT**

Source: SIA RĪGAS SATIKSME

In 2018, 7.1 million passengers arrived at and departed from Riga Airport. It is 15.7% more in comparison to 2017.

Largest passenger turnout in Riga Airport was



It is possible to go to 106 destinations from Riga International Airport.



### **RIGA AIRPORT**





28 300 t



Riga Airport received and shipped 28 300 tonnes more than in 2017.



#### RIGA PASSENGER PORT

In 2018, passenger turnover in Riga Passenger Port was 7.1% more than in 2017.



74 800 passengers visited Riga Passenger Port by cruise ship.



#### **RAILWAY**

In 2018, 18.2 million



You can access Moscow. Saint-Petersburg, Minsk.

Vilnius and Kiev by train departing from Riga Central Station.



#### **BUSES**

In 2018, 185 000 passengers travelled on international bus routes.



Average distance travelled by one passenger - 279 km. 18 international bus operators are present in the Riga International Bus Terminal, providing a wide range of destinations to European Union countries, Russia, Belarus and Ukraine.

There are 28 significant water bodies in the territory of Riga and surrounding areas - lakes, quarries and reservoirs. Riga has 6 official beaches, one of them - Vakarbulli - is a Blue Flag beach. Beaches are located both close to the city centre and in the suburbs

The Blue Flag beach is only 20 km from Old Riga. There are many exclusive and premium quality SPAs in Riga offering aroma therapy, thalassotherapy and phytotherapy massages, masks, baths, herbal teas, correct breathing, exercising, meditation and other treatments.

#### **OLD RIGA**

20 km...

28





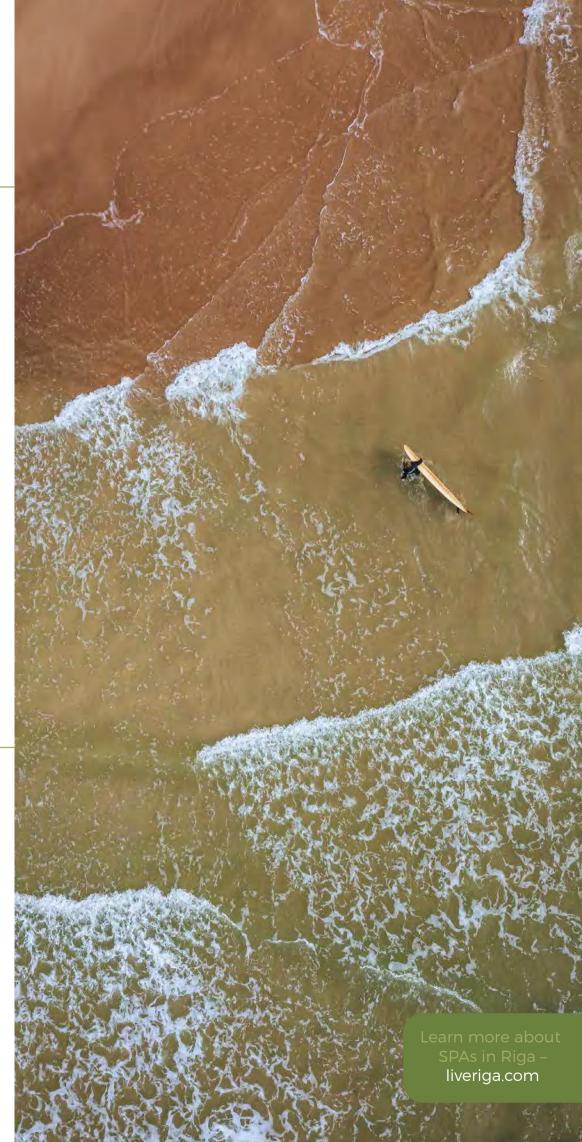
#### **PARKS AND GARDENS**

Riga has 100 parks, gardens and squares. The largest parks and gardens in Riga are:

100

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- Mezaparks •
- Esplanade •
- Vermanes Park Kronvalda Park •
  - Bastejkalns •
- Green areas around the canal
- (Song Festival Park)
  - Grizinkalna Park
- Ziedondarzs Garden
- Ziemelblazma Park
  - Arkadija Park •
  - Uzvaras Park •
  - Dzeguzkalna Park •





# PLACES OF INTEREST IN THE FORESTS OF RIGA

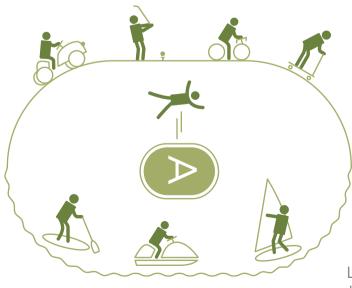
ARTILLERY POSITIONS OF THE FORMER COAST GUARD IN MANGALSALA

Those interested in military history would like the fortifications of the Old Daugava estuary coast guard artillery. The first independent state of Latvia and Soviet rulers also maintained their artillery positions here. This is a unique site; there is nothing like it in other coastal areas of the Baltic Sea. In 2003, the Ministry of Culture proclaimed this area to be under state protection.



#### **ACTIVE LEISURE POSSIBILITIES**

- Water sports enthusiasts can use the wake parks situated in Riga and around the city, go on trips with kayaks, as well as use the yacht ports.
- Cyclists can choose between several rental options of bicycles and electric scooters, and also the network of bicycle routes.
- Golf enthusiasts will like spending their free time in the golf clubs Ozo and Viesturi.
- Lovers of adrenaline can enjoy speedy rides in several kart halls, paintball in polygons, and try the wind tunnel Aerodium situated close to Riga etc.



Learn more about active recreation in Riga – liveriga.com

Source: LIVE RIGA

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Riga is situated in the centre of the Baltic region; it is located in the central part of Latvia, on the southern sea coast of the Gulf of Riga.

56°56′56″N 24°6′23″E

- Largest city in the Baltics
- Third largest city in the Baltic Sea region

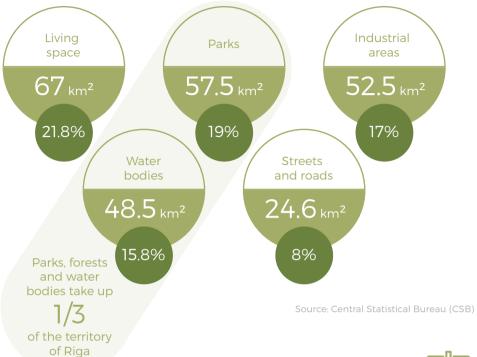
# DISTANCE TO CLOSEST CITIES OF OTHER COUNTRIES



5 ENVIRONMENT



# TERRITORY PLANNING





### TOURISM IN RIGA AND AROUND RIGA

TOP tourism sites:

Architecture

Old Riga

Art Nouveau

Wooden Architecture

Churches

Latvian National Opera

Bridges across Daugava

Parks in Riga, beaches. marshes in surrounding areas of Riga

Museums and art galleries

Cultural life

Courmet travel in restaurants of Riga

Cultural heritage

Resort town Jurmala and Sigulda is located close to Riga.
Jurmala offers broad medical and SPA possibilities,
as well as a wonderful beach.
Sigulda is one of the most picturesque towns in Latvia with
Turaida Castle, Primeval Gauja Valley and skiing routes.



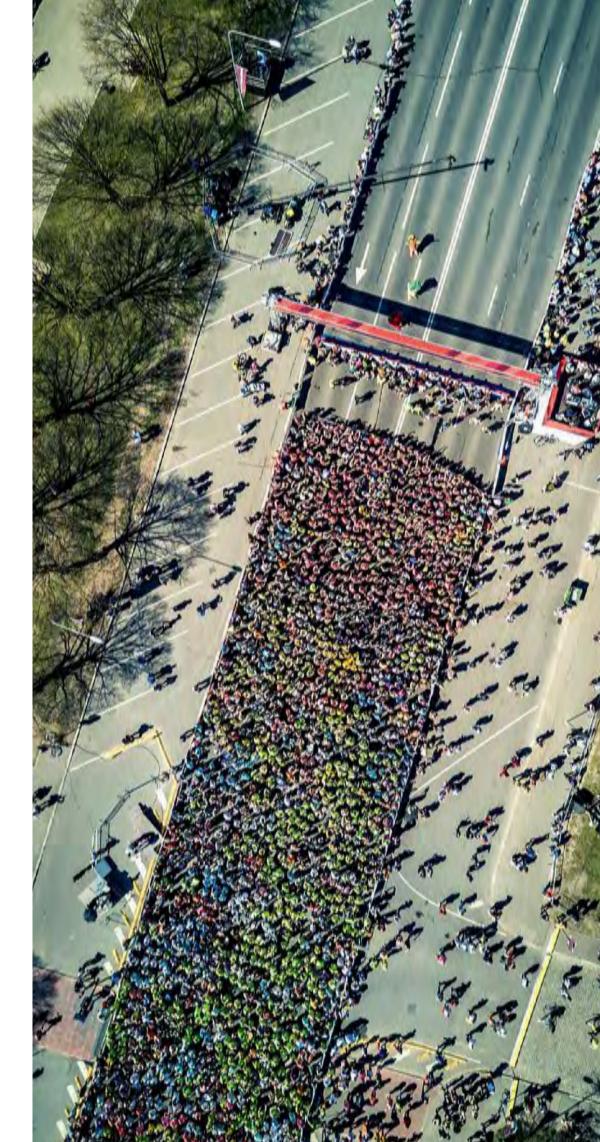
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# INTERNET AND COMMUNICATIONS

Latvia has the fastest internet in the Baltics and the 20th fastest internet in the world.



Average fixed internet connection speed



Optical internet speed

Speedtest Global Index



### ARCHITECTURE AND CONSTRUCTION / OLD TOWN AND UNESCO

- Architecture of Old Riga is comprised of several styles Romanticism and Gothic style, Baroque era buildings, as well as examples of Classicism and Modernism houses.
- Riga Dome Cathedral and Saint Peter's Church, which provides the possibility to see a panoramic view of the city from the 72 m high sightseeing area located in its tower, are the most impressive buildings in Old Riga.
- In 1997, Riga historical centre was included on the UNESCO List of Cultural Heritage.
  - The silhouette of Old Riga is the business card of Riga City and its symbol of identity.



Learn more about architecture and tourist attraction sites at liveriga.lv and latvia.travel

#### **ART NOUVEAU**

- Art Nouveau is the art style of the end of the 19th century and beginning of the 20th century.
- Art Nouveau buildings comprise around 40% of all houses located in the centre of the city. It is many more than in any other city in the world.
- Alberta Street is the Art Nouveau gem of Riga you can see splendid, historical Art Nouveau style buildings through the entire length of the street.









#### WOODEN ARCHITECTURE

- There are around 4000 wooden buildings and constructions preserved until today, the oldest of them built in the 18th century.
- Pārdaugava is the centre of wooden architecture of Riga, though it can be seen all around the city.

# MOST IMPORTANT WOODEN ARCHITECTURE CENTRES IN RIGA

#### WOODEN CHURCHES OF MASKAVA SUBURBS

Riga Jesus Evangelical Lutheran
Congregational Church with its 37 m high
tower is one of the largest wooden
buildings of Latvia.

#### WOODEN RIGA IN GRIZINKALNS

Exhibitions, creative workshops and seminars are organised in the renovation centre of wooden buildings on a regular basis.

#### KIPSALA WOODEN ARCHITECTURE

Architecture of Kipsala Island is eclectic, as beautifully renovated coden buildings stand next to large, modern constructions.

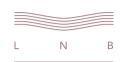
#### KALNCIEMA BLOCK IN AGENSKALNS

Riga where outdoor concerts, modern are exhibitions and events for families with kids are organised all year round.



#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

### MODERN ARCHITECTURE



L A T V I J A S N A C I O N Ā L Ā B I B L I O T Ē K A



Latvian National Library building – Palace of Lights – is one of the grandest cultural buildings in Latvia.

The library is a modern information and cultural centre.

The core of the library collection of more than 4 million items comprises Latvian and foreign publications about Latvia and its people. Here you can also see Dainu skapis (Cabinet of Folk Songs) – global scale cultural value included in the international register of UNESCO.



#### RIGA MOTOR MUSEUM

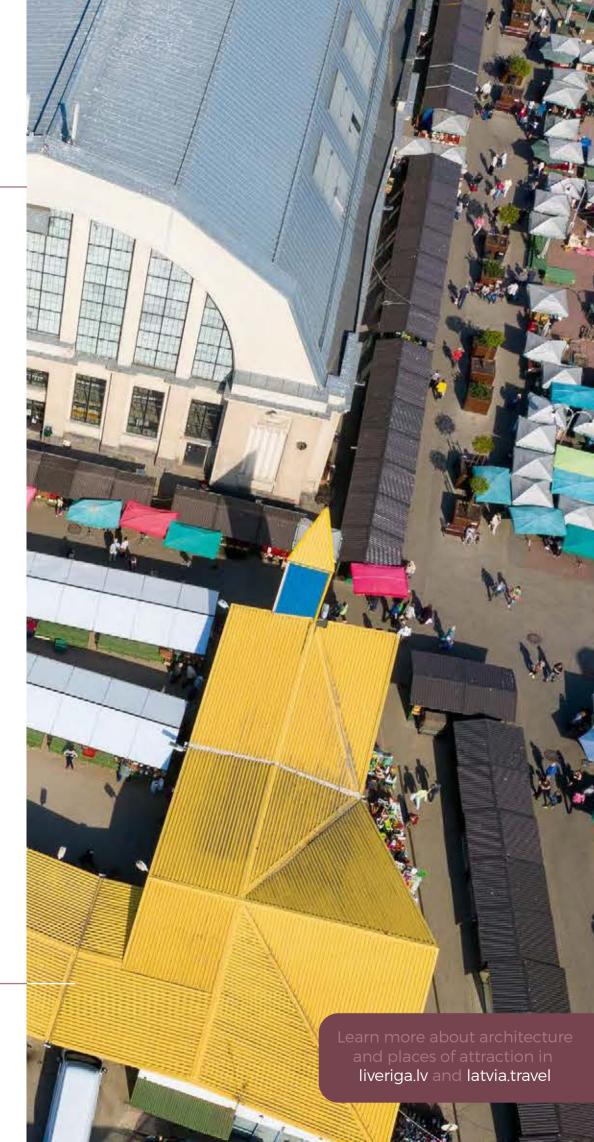
Riga Motor Museum holds the largest and most wide ranging collection of old automobiles in the Baltics. The museum has a permanent exposition devoted to the history of old automobiles, motorbikes and bicycles in Latvia and abroad. Also, here you can see a replica of the world's oldest car, the Benz Patent Motorwagen.



#### RIGA CENTRAL MARKET

Riga Central Market was festively opened in 1930, and it was recognised not only as the largest but also the best and most modern in Europe. Riga Central Market is situated almost in the heart of Riga, a few hundred metres from Old Riga.

Architecturally expressive pavilions built during the 1920s are a bright symbol of the Central Market; initially they were constructed as zeppelin hangars for military purposes. In 1998, the Riga Central Market territory was included on the UNESCO World Heritage List.







## CULTURAL SITES AND EVENTS



LATVIAN NATIONAL MUSEUM OF ART More than 52 thousand works of art of Baltic and Russian painters and sculptors are included in the collection of the largest art museum in Latvia. The Latvian National Museum of Art building is an architectural monument of state significance and one of the most impressive historicism style buildings in the circle of Riga boulevards. Exposition "Art of Latvia. 19th-20th century" covers Latvian art history throughout the 19th and 20th century.



#### LATVIAN NATIONAL OPERA AND BALLET BUILDING

The building was constructed from 1860-1863. It is a Hellenised classicism style construction. Around two hundred performances are held there during the season.



#### ETHNOGRAPHIC OPEN-AIR MUSEUM

One of Europe's largest and oldest open-air museums is located in Riga. The museum includes 118 old houses taken to the museum from the historical regions of Latvia - Kurzeme, Vidzeme, Zemgale and Latgale, covering the period from the end of the 17th century until the second half of the 1930s.



#### RIGA DOME CATHEDRAL

Riga Dome Cathedral is the largest medieval period, and one of the oldest sacral constructions in Latvia, as well as the Baltics. The cockerel, sitting on the tower of Riga Dome Cathedral, is one of the symbols of Riga. It weighs 86 kilograms, is around 0.5 m high, and is approximately 1.3 m wide. Its story is engraved in the comb.

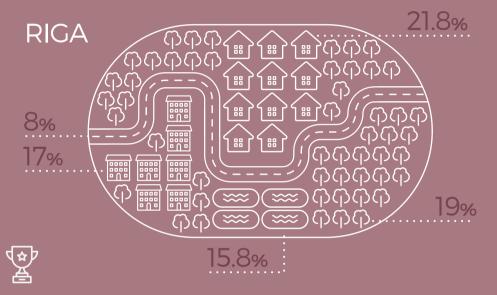
The Museum of the History of Riga and Navigation is included in the ensemble of Riga Dome; the museum stores more than 500 thousand items. For many centuries the Dome has been one of the most important locations for services and organ music concerts in Riga and Latvia.



#### **ENVIRONMENT**

- Living territories comprise 67 km<sup>2</sup> (21.8%)
- Industrial territories comprise 52.45 km<sup>2</sup> (17%)
- Streets and roads comprise 24.64 km<sup>2</sup> (8%)
- Parks comprise 57.54 km<sup>2</sup> (19%)
- Water bodies comprise 48.50 km² (15.8%)

Water and parks comprise one third of the territory of Riga, providing a variety of active recreation and leisure possibilities.



#### RIGA PROVIDES LARGE POSSIBILITIES FOR SPORTS AND ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES:

- Golf
- Water sports and leisure
- Beaches
- Various sports events, for example, Riga Marathon (International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) has allocated the GOLD LABEL ROAD RACE quality standard to this event), and regular orientation sports contests take place in the surrounding areas of Riga
- Tennis courts



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#### • LONELY PLANET:

"After Riga became the Capital City of Culture in 2014: the city has become unrecognisable – charm, vitality and richness of architectural gems allowed it to regain its title as the most cosmopolitan city of the Baltics."

- Capital city of culture of the Baltics, where you can enjoy the dynamic and rich cultural life in all its expressive forms.
- Latvian National Opera and Latvian National Ballet is located in the Latvian National Opera building, where the traditional values of classical and romantic opera and ballet are honoured, while also searching for modern forms of expression. World renowned artists perform in the Latvian National Opera and Ballet.







- Classical and popular music concerts are regularly organised in the concert halls.
- In the exhibition halls you can see the works of the world classics and also modern artists.
- Lovers of music and theatre will enjoy large-scale opera festivals in Riga and Sigulda, as well as various concerts and festivals.
- Ancient traditions are honoured in Riga and Latvia culture rooted in the folklore of Latvians, and the most vivid examples of this are the Midsummer celebrations and Song and Dance Festival, museum events and other activities.







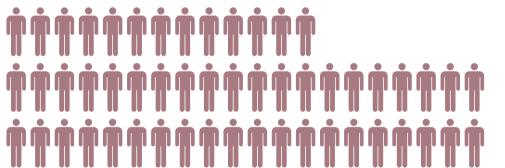














# RIGA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

- Riga International Airport is the largest international aviation company in the Baltics.
- With more than 7 million passengers serviced in 2018, Riga Airport is the main air transport hub in the Baltic region, servicing almost half of the total number of airline passengers of the Baltic countries.
- More than 83 thousand flights arrived or departed from Riga Airport in 2018.
- You can travel to more than 90 destinations from Riga Airport during the winter season but during the summer season – to more than 100 destinations provided by 20 airlines.
- More than 28 thousand cargo shipments have been transported.
- More than 1200 people currently work at the airport.
- Planes take off or land at the Riga Airport every 7 minutes.
- In 2020, construction of the new multi-functional passenger servicing complex will be commenced, which will connect the airport with the European railway network within the framework of the RAIL BALTICA project, strengthening the leading positions of Riga Airport both in terms of passenger and cargo services.





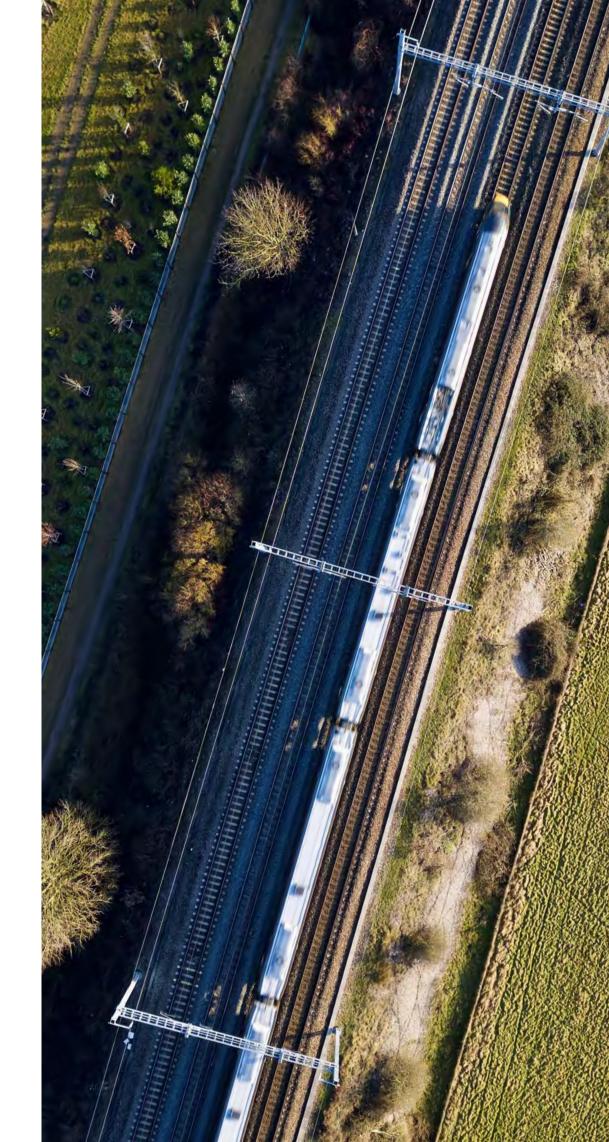
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**ENVIRONMENT** 

**ACHIEVEMENTS** 

**FUTURE** 

RIGA IN NUMBERS

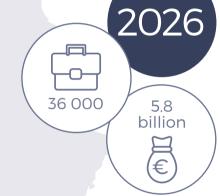




#### **RAIL BALTICA**

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE IN RIGA**

- The project anticipates building a new 1435 mm or European standard length railway in the Baltic states.
- The aim of the project is to integrate Baltic countries in the European railway network.
- Five European Union countries participate in the project Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Finland.
- The railway will connect Helsinki, Tallinn, Parnu, Riga, Panevezys, Kaunas, Vilnius and Warsaw.
- It is planned that RAIL BALTICA will be put into operation in 2026.
- Total length of the route is 870 km, of which 265 km is in Latvia.
- Maximum train speed: 249 km/h (passenger transport), 120 km/h (cargo transport).
- Planned project costs are EUR 5.8 billion.
- 36 000 new work places.
- RAIL BALTICA will provide fast train connection between the capitals of the Baltic countries every two hours.





1435



HELSINKI



PANEVEZYS

870 km

KAUNAS

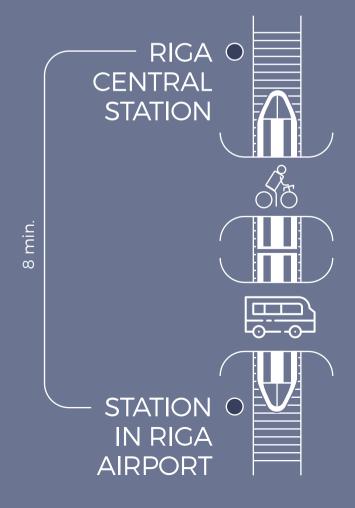


WARSAW

CONSTRUCTION OF RAIL BALTICA WILL PROVIDE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE RAILWAY INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE CITY, MAKING IT SAFER:

- Railway crossings will be on two levels people will no longer have to cross the railway over the rails.
- New crossings will be available for pedestrians, cyclists, mothers with prams and people with movement disabilities.
- Cars will be able to cross the railway more easily as they will not have to wait by the railway crossing.
   Two stations will be built for the needs of RAIL BALTICA: Riga Central Station and a station in Riga Airport.
- Travellers will be able to access Riga International Airport in 8 minutes from Riga Central Station.
- Trains will depart every 30 minutes.

Implementing this project, Riga, as the capital of Latvia, has great potential - Baltic central transportation hub. It means - large development possibilities for the centre of Riga.





# BENEFITS OF RAIL BALTICA

RAIL BALTICA IS ONE OF THE HIGHEST PRIORITY
TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS
IN THE EUROPEAN UNION, AS IT WILL:

Significantly increase traffic flow throughout ability Create cross-border connections that are currently lacking Promote the integration of various types of transport and compatibility of transport networks







GENERAL PUBLIC BENEFITS:

Development of related areas, small and medium enterprises, real estate, start-ups, logistics centres etc.

Improve access
and compatibility,
employment, shopping,
tourism, education,
science, culture,
entertainment etc.



Newly created and renovated infrastructure, railway stations, public transport, access roads





Decrease of harmful emissions Development of new economic corridor Platform for innovations and digital economy







PASSENGERS:







0







Productive travel time



Arrivals/ departures in the city centre







FREIGHT TRANSPORT:



Cost and speed advantages for cargo requiring expedited shipping

Reliability and punctuality







High added value intermodal logistics of cargo Scale economy created by cargo consolidation





Source: RAIL BALTIC

**FUTURE** 

## KNOWLEDGE MILE

KNOWLEDGE MILE - INNOVATION AND SCIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE IN PARDAUGAVA

In Riga, the so-called campuses or student towns are generally concentrated around the city centre. This creates a territory were science, studies, entrepreneurship and the real estate market can flourish.

Universities, their campuses or dormitories are included in the SCIENCE MILE:

Riga Technical University (RTU) student town in KIPSALA

Every day more than 6000 RTU students and employees study and work in Kipsala, as well as 1152 locals

Academic centre of the University of Latvia (LU) in TORNAKALNS (321 ha)

Every day around 3000 students and employees of LU study and work in Tornakalns, plan - 15 000 participants



RTU





Riga Stradins University (RSU) in DZIRCIEMS

Rīgas Stradiņa universitāte SCIENCE RSU MILE RISEBA

RISEBA University of Business, Arts and Technology



Architecture and Media Centre H2O 6

H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>6





Business School Turība in ATGAZENE







SKANSTE DISTRICT is rapidly becoming the most modern part

of the centre of Riga.



#### **BASIC INFO**



214.8 ha



12 493 inhabitants and work places in 2017



42 713
potential
inhabitants and
work places



#### **PROSPECTS**

Currently Skanste is developing to become the new business district. Two modern complexes of residential buildings have been completed here - Skanstes Virsotnes and Skanstes Mājas, where the apartments were completely sold in record time. Several companies and banks have selected this district as their headquarters.

A range of modern and premium apartments will be built in Skanste.



#### **TRAFFIC**

Skanste District has a well-developed network of streets providing comfortable access to the district from other territories.





#### **VEF DISTRICT**

VEFRESH – initiative of technology companies, real estate developers and Riga Municipality to develop the historical VEF factory district, turning it into a technology, culture and innovation centre. VEFRESH has the largest concentration of ICT professionals in the country. Around 43% of entire ICT export is created in VEFRESH. The initiative is directed towards the development of the VEF and Teika district as the modern local centre of business, housing and culture. Members of the movement include international companies such as Accenture, the largest mobile operator in Latvia LMT, as well as the City of Riga.



#### **KEY INFO**





468.2 ha

2 ha 30 273

number of inhabitants in 2017



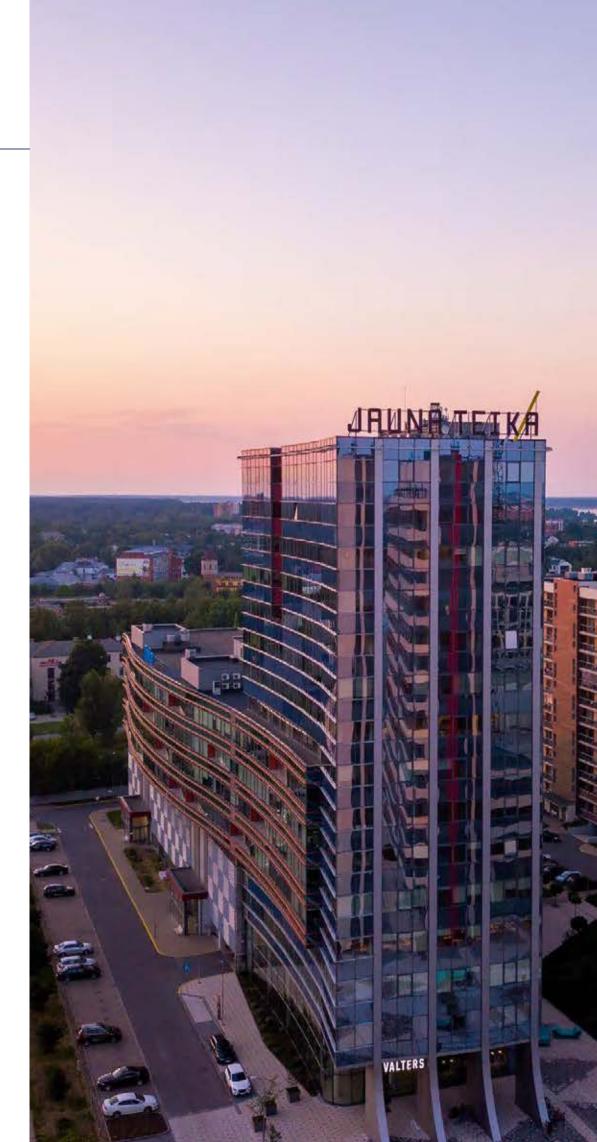
#### **PROSPECTS**

VEF area – place for work, life, leisure and creative activities, for people excited by the possibilities of technologies and innovation. City development plan states that Teika should be mostly preserved as a district of compact private houses and residential buildings with limited height – 5-storeys – across Brīvības gatve.



#### **TRAFFIC**

Teika District is very multi-layered in terms of the structure of buildings, therefore the transport network can currently be evaluated as complicated, although the territory provides sufficiently effective connections with other districts and the city centre.



**FINANCES** 

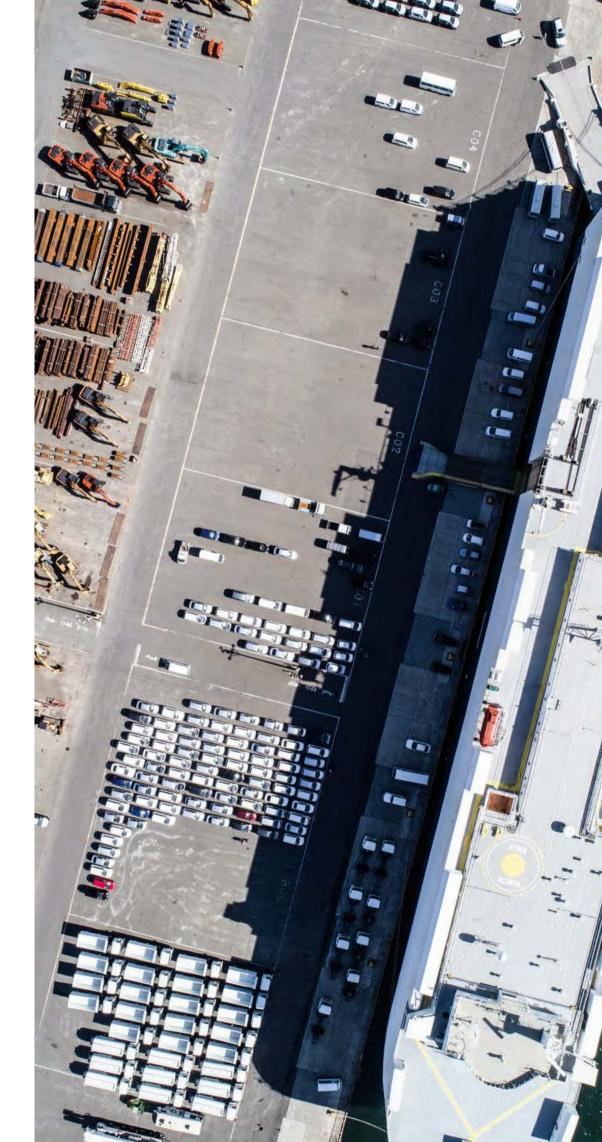
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RIGA IN NUMBERS







### **RIGA CITY BUDGET**

### **ETHNIC** COMPOSITION



2019	1 083 749 980
2018	906 622 100
2017	865 715 142
2016	809 512 096
	742 559 714

**RIGA 33.3%** 



- 33.3% of Latvians live in Riga
- In 2017 the reduction of population per 1000 residents nationwide was 4.1 people on average, while in Riga - 3.1
- Although the indicators of natural population increase in Riga are negative, in recent years these are better than the nationwide average.



2019	697 000
2018	704 500
2017	698 500
2016	698 100
2015	701 200



# LABOUR MARKET



2019*	1089	1222
2018	1004	1129
2017	926	1044
2015	859	971
	818	925



2018	61.9%
2017	62.3 %
2015	61.5%
	62.1 %

**RIGA IN NUMBERS** 



#### TRANSPORT / PORT

LATVIA



2019\*

6966.4

4078.3

RIGA

2018

7720.8 4679.6

2017

7720.8 4679.6

6898.9 4179.0

**SENT CARGO** IN LATVIAN PORTS (THOUSANDS OF TONNES)

2019\*

40282.6

LATVIA

2017

2018

54156.2

54156.2

56217.4

RIGA

19837.2

28995.1

28995.1

32891.3



#### **PASSENGER FERRY TRANSPORT**

INCOMING

DEPARTING

INCOMING WITH CRUISE SHIPS

2019\*

298 763

320 510

67 867

2018

393 306

402 734

74 785

2017

364 531

378 465

87384

243 257

266 900

71 420



\*First three quarters \*\*First three quarters





#### **RIGA AIRPORT**



INCOMING



2019\*

2 989 426

2 970 366

2018

3 533 986

3 521 747

2017

3 043 610

3 053 010

16

2 692 060

2 708 649



#### **RAILWAY**



2018

18 242 17 494

2016

17 228

2015

17 070

2014

19 222

2013

19 779



2018

17 508

2017 2016 15 016 15 879

2015

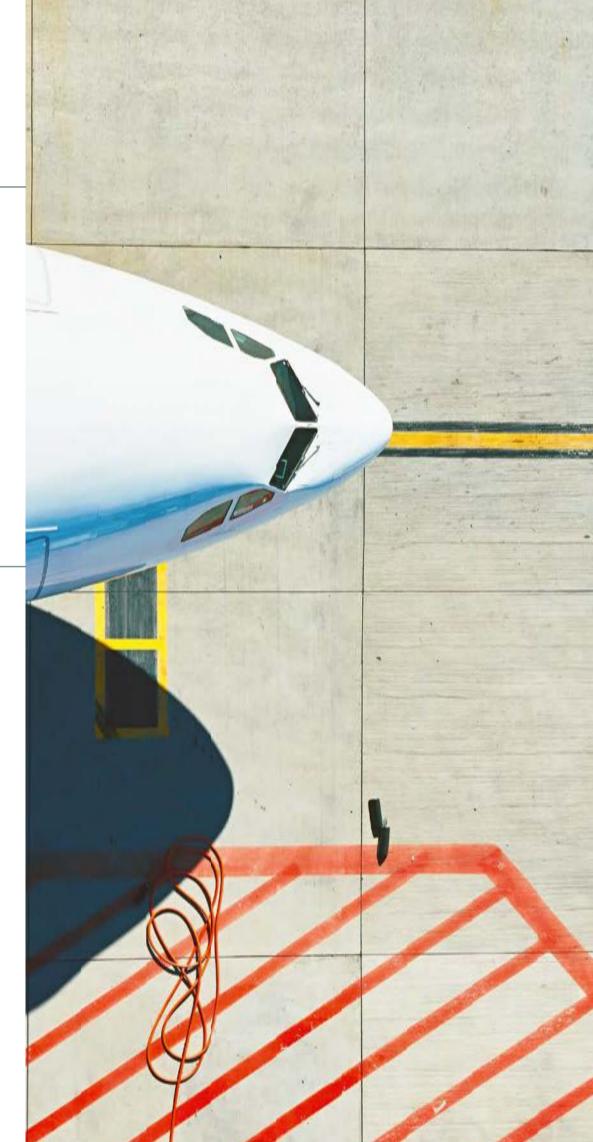
18 906

2014

19 441

2013

19 532



**RIGA IN NUMBERS** 



### PASSENGER TRANSPORT COMPARISON

# CARGO TRANSPORT COMPARISON

NUMBER OF TRANSPORTED PASSENGERS (MILLIONS)

TRANSPORTED CARGO (THOUSANDS OF TONNES)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
Railway			17.1	17.2	17.5	18.2	
Regular traffic buses		146.1	144.4	142.9	140.2	141.4	
Aviation			3.2	3.5	4.0	4.4	
City electrical transport			87.9	84.6	85.1	83.6	

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Railway transport	55 831	57 039	55 645	47 819	43 785	49 260
Car transport	60 610	62 239	62 569	63 389	68 012	76 703
Pipe transport	5466	5694	5718	3617	3387	2664
Air transport	14	15	13	12	14	14

PASSENGER TURNOVER (MILLION PASS./KM)

CARGO TURNOVER (MILLION T/KM)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Railway			591	584	596	624
Regular traffic buses			2232	2187	2146	2204
Aviation			4110	4622	5265	5534

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Railway transport	19 532	19 441	18 906	15 879	15 016	17 508
Car transport	12 816	13 670	14 690	14 227	14 972	14 997
Pipe transport	2279	2376	1965	1507	1411	1109
Air transport	11	13	9	11	13	15



# TOURISM AND HOTELS



2018 7 775 000

2017 7 726 000

2016 6 797 000

2015 6842 000

2014 6 246 000



2018 1 925 397

2017 1 778 973

2016 1 573 632

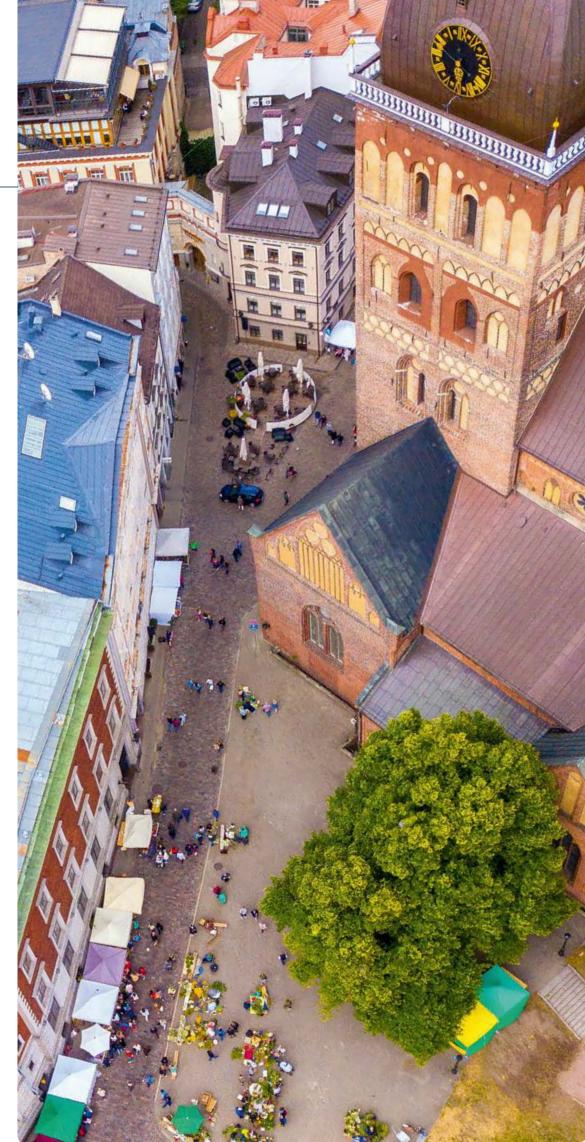
2015 1 474 765

2014 1 431 038

NUMBER OF HOTELS IN LATVIA AND SERVICED GUESTS IN 2nd QUARTER of 2019 (THOUSANDS)



RIGA C. LATVIA





# **EDUCATION AND SCIENCE**



2018 80 355

2017 81 602

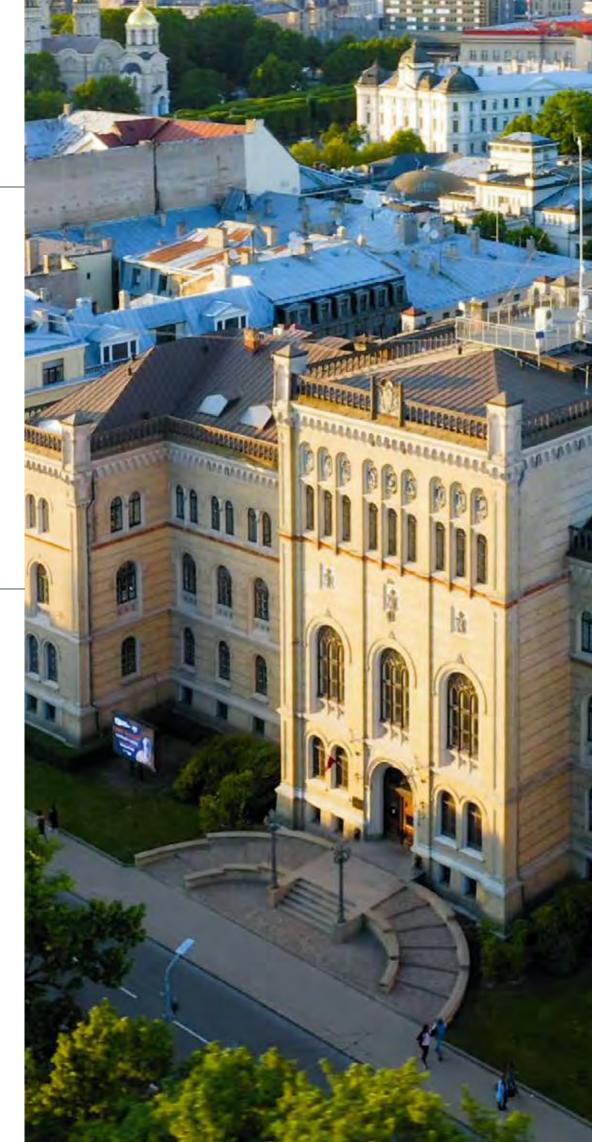
2016 82 914

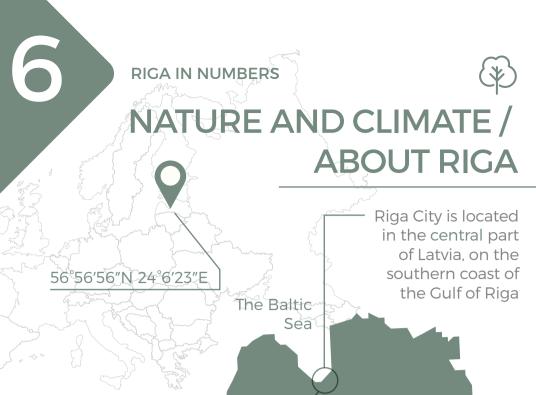
2015 84 282

2014 85 881

# MOST POPULAR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES IN 2018 – TOP 5

Social sciences, commercial sciences and law 27 610 Engineering Health care and industry and social welfare construction 12 545 TOP 5 12 626 Natural sciences. Services mathematics 7315 and IT 7150







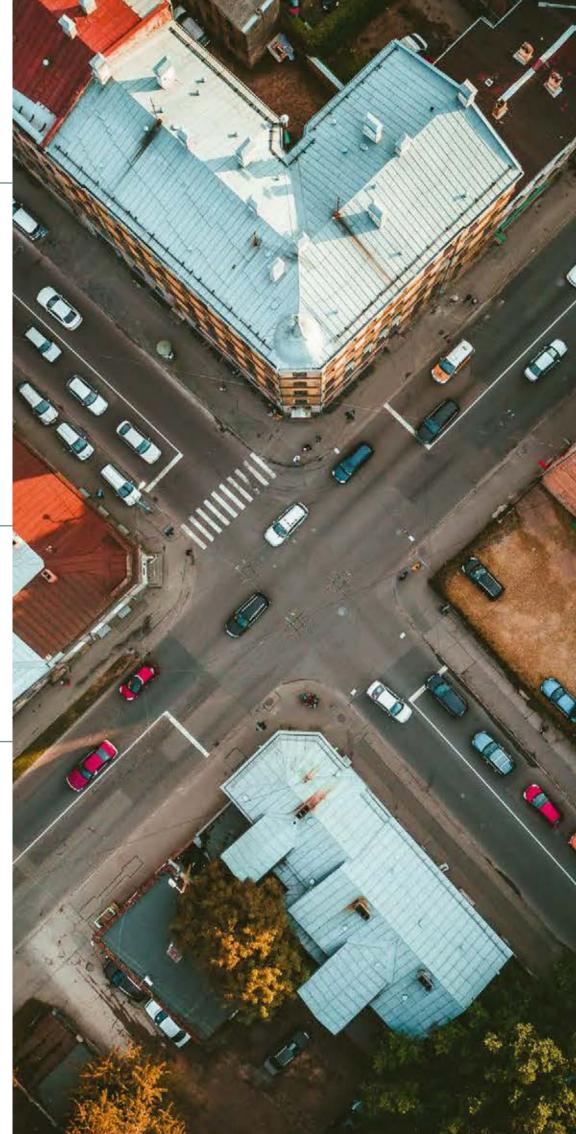
#### **GEOGRAPHY**

- The area of Riga City is 304 km<sup>2</sup>
- Land 258.67 km<sup>2</sup>
- Water 48.5 km²
- Population density 2059.5/km²
- Agglomeration 1 070 201
- There are 58 neighbourhoods in the city

#### **CLIMATE**

- For around 220 days of the year Riga is dominated by sea air masses
- The air masses of moderate latitudes of the Atlantic Ocean have a significant effect on the climate in Riga
- On average the sun shines in Riga for 1812 h per year –
   282 h on average in June, while in December 25 h
- In winter there are roughly 13-20 days per month without sun, while in the summer it is only 1-2 days per month







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