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KELMÉ REGION

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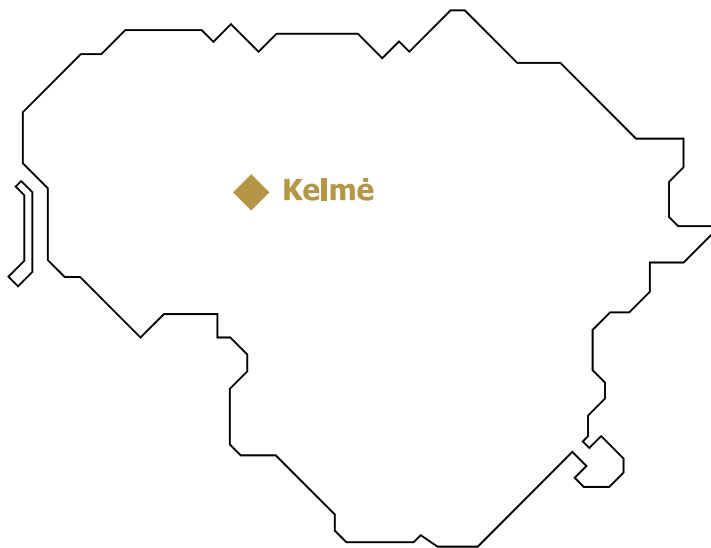


Lithuania

- ◆ GDP growth – **2.9%** [1]
- ◆ Inflation – **0.2%** [1]
- ◆ **4th** lowest profit taxes in the EU [2]
- ◆ **#1** for industry-university collaboration in the CEE region [3]
- ◆ **#2** most favourable country for investment in Europe and **#16** in the World [4]
- ◆ **1st** in the CEE for quality of roads [5]



Kelmė region

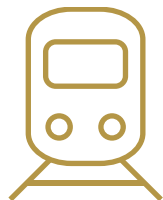


- ◆ Kelmė municipality is situated in Central Lithuania, in the county of Šiauliai.
- ◆ Population – **29,100**
- ◆ Labour pool – **17,200**



Effective transport chain

Maximizing rail, sea, land and air links



Rail



Seaports



Roads



International Airports

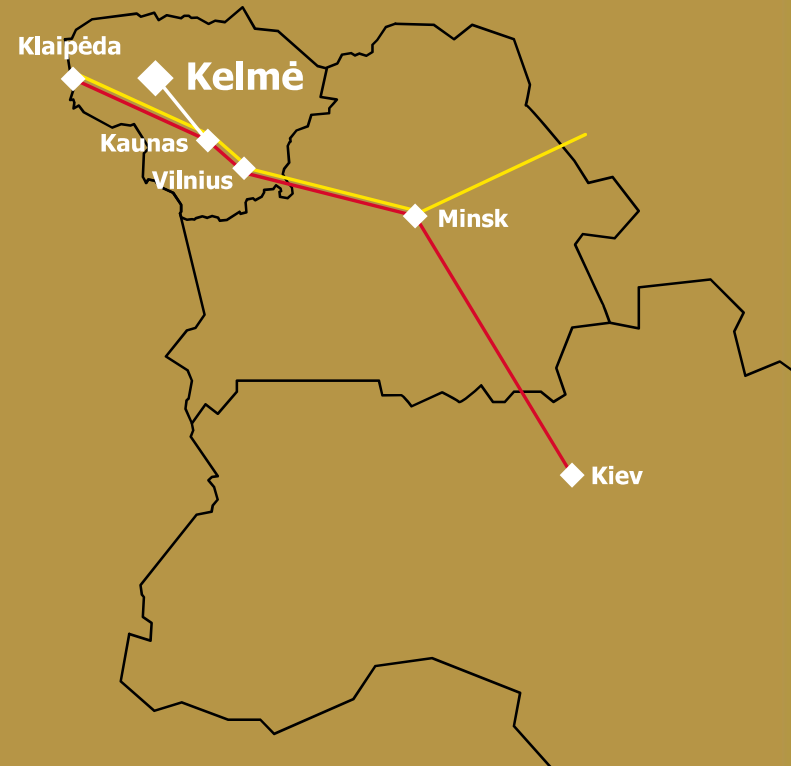
Rail

Tytuvėnai railway station, which is 20 min from Kelmė connects with Kaunas – one of the key rail distribution hubs in the Baltic States.

Cargo freights:

- ◆ *Saulė*
Runs from China to Belgium. Delivery time from Almaty (KZ) to Kaunas is 8 days.
- ◆ *Vikingas*
Connects the Baltic and Black seas, offering up to 30% reduction on logistics costs compared to road transport.

More at www.intermodal.lt

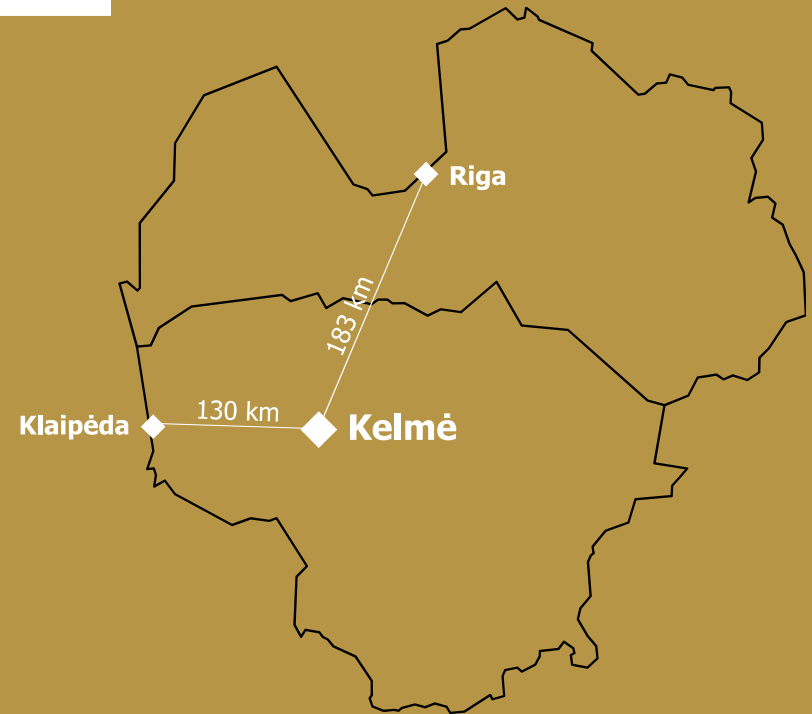


Seaports

Kelmė is less than hour and a half drive from Klaipėda Seaport, which is the most northern ice free port in Europe.

Cargo handled in 2014

- ◆ Klaipėda – **36.4 m tons**
- ◆ Riga – **41 m tons**



Roads

E77 connects Kelmė to *A1 (E85)* highway, which connects biggest Lithuanian cities.

A1 connects with the *Via Baltica* highway, which links Eastern Europe with Western Europe and Scandinavia.



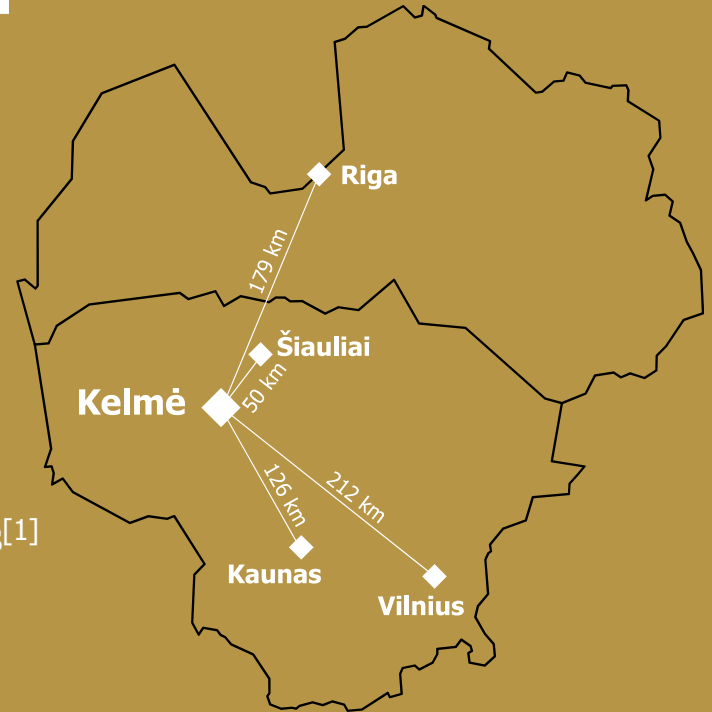
International Airports

Passengers carried in 2014:

- ◆ Vilnius International Airport – **2,942,670**^[1]
- ◆ Kaunas International Airport – **724,314**^[1]
- ◆ Riga International Airport – **4,813,959**^[2]

Cargo carried in 2014:

- ◆ Šiauliai International Cargo Airport – **3,127 tons**^[1]





Kelmé has companies with proven track records in



**Food
processing**



Farming



Companies with track record in food processing and farming

Kelmės pieninė

Food processing

EMP: 257

Algimanto Vaupšo ūkis

Crop production

EMP: 70

Liudo Dajoro įmonė

Food processing

EMP: 65

Agricultural cooperative "Džiaugsmelis"

Agriculture

EMP: 52

Tytuvėnų durpės

Peat extraction

EMP: 52

Valčiukienės karšykla

Wool processing

EMP: 26



Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)

- ◆ **0.44 mln EUR** of FDI

FDI in Kelmė region
(mln EUR)

2010	2,95
2011	2,34
2012	3,18
2013	0,44



Skilled workforce and attractive labour cost



17,200
Working-age people



13,6%
Seeking employment

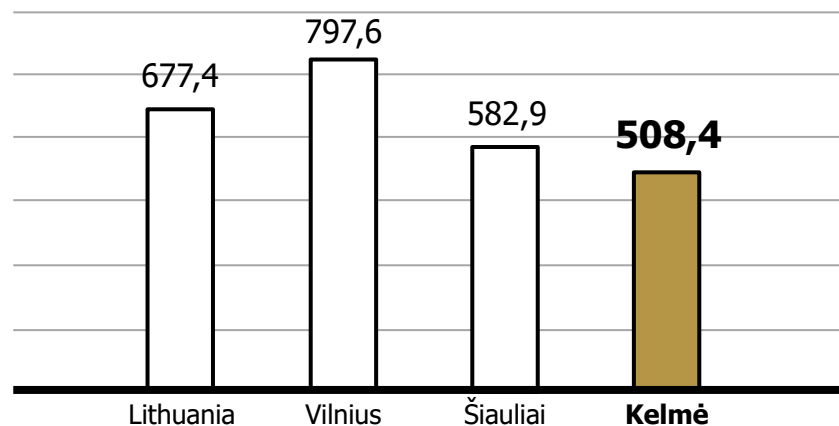




Attractive labour cost

Kelmė boasts a pool of highly skilled and competitive professionals, making it a sustainable location for business growth.

Monthly average gross salary (EUR)



Qualification and competences. Vocational education



Kelmė Vocational Training Center

- ◆ Located in **Kelmė** and **Tytuvėnai**
- ◆ **548** students
- ◆ **27%** studying engineering
- ◆ Gives both young people and adults the opportunity to gain new skills and knowledge
- ◆ Provides training and retraining, and opens up new professions
- ◆ Helps improve professional skills



Talent pool close to Kelmė Region



ŠIAULIAI
UNIVERSITY

Within 1 hour you can reach:

Šiauliai city

- ◆ **1** university, **3** colleges and **1** vocational school
- ◆ Over **2,000 students** studying engineering, manufacturing and construction programs



Business friendly environment

- ◆ Ease of starting Business / World ranking – **11th** [1]
- ◆ Ease of doing business / World ranking – **24th** [1]
- ◆ Time for establishing a business – **3 days** [2]
- ◆ VAT – **21%** [2]
- ◆ Personal income tax – **15%** [2]
- ◆ Social security tax paid by employer – **30.98%** [3]
- ◆ **15%** corporate tax rate – **4th** lowest corporate tax in EU [2,4]
- ◆ Real Estate tax – **0-1%** [5]
- ◆ Land lease tax for commercial areas – **0-1.5%** [5]



A place to visit, enjoy, discover
and invest in



The respendent **St. Virgin Mary church and Bernardine monastery** in Tytuvėnai is unique not only in the context of Lithuanian architecture, but also within all North-Eastern European art.



Situated alongside the old merchant road "Via Hansa", Kelmė offers a **rich diversity of natural surroundings**, encompassing the beautiful Dubysa and Venta rivers, calm glistening lakes and more than 400 cultural heritage sites.



While for the more **adventurous and sporty types** there are a number of bike trails on offer, giving you a more dynamic way to witness this fascinating landscape.

Testimonials

In 2008 Kelmės pieninė became a part of Vilkyškių pieninė group. Being a part of the group have allowed us to increase production and expand our product range. Kelmės cost-competitive business environment and available talent pool enables us to keep developing as a company.



Kelmės Pieninė

Algirdas Žukauskas

Headcount:

245

Est.:

1925



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