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HSR Progresses With Smart Tech In East China

The 399-km Weifang-Suqian HSR (costing 76-billion-yuan, 350 km/h, 12 stations) links Shandong and Jiangsu. Construction began in December 2023; opening by end-June 2028. The Weifang Super Bridge's 7,000-ton span rotated 80 degrees via smart monitoring. China targets 180,000 km of railways and 60,000 km of HSR by 2030, up from 165,000 km and 50,000 km respectively. **(China Daily)**

China's July 2026 Logistics Performance Index Maintains Expansion

The China Federation of Logistics and Purchasing reported that China's Logistics Performance Index stood at 51.2% in July 2026. Driven by robust growth in e-commerce and cold-chain logistics, total logistics industry revenue for the first seven months surpassed €1.08 trillion (RMB 8.4 trillion), demonstrating resilient supply chain expansion across key economic hubs. **(CCTV News)**

China-Europe Freight Trains Surpass 10,000 Trips in 2026

China State Railway Group announced that China-Europe freight train trips surpassed 10,000 in 2026 by mid-August, hitting the milestone 12 days faster than in 2025. The trains transported over 1.08 million TEUs of cargo valued at €35.94 billion (RMB 280 billion), bolstering cross-border trade resilience and international logistics connectivity across Eurasia. **(China State Railway Group)**