Since the London service started, my cellphone has not stopped ringing from customers. 

Yang Jialing, engineer at Yiwu Imperial Industrial Logistics Co Ltd, said she has received hundreds of call requests from England and in Madrid, covering every week. The other services have regular scheduled services, with the busiest being the China Railway Express freight service connecting 27 Chinese cities with 11 countries, including Russia, Belarus, Poland, Latvia, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Finland, and Sweden.

"My dream is to one day take the China-Railway Express services to Europe," said an unnamed trade source. "It's much cheaper than on an airplane." Yang said the city has more than 10,000 rail freight routes operating in the country, including from Chongqing to Europe, which the company hopes to increase by 10 percent compared with the previous year.

"The plants also look much better, which meansthey can be shipped nine containers loaded with garbage," said Gao Yunfei, assistant to Heshan, who runs a Logistic City, where the rail freight service is being processed. "I think the cost is about the same as the air freight, but considering the time, it is much better, which means we can transport more goods and save more time and more money."