

Vessel Entries And Transits for Washington Waters

VEAT 2002

OVERVIEW

This Vessel Entries And Transit - “VEAT”- data is offered by the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) in response to public requests for information about vessel traffic in Washington waters. The data identifies vessels tracked by Ecology. These include:

- Cargo and passenger vessels 300 gross tons and larger; and
- Tank ships and tank barges, transporting oil, of any tonnage.

VEAT lists data by vessel destination and vessel type, and does not reflect specific products or commodities transported or delivered.



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TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

C & P

Cargo and passenger vessels 300 gross tons or larger.

TANK SHIP (TANKER)

A self-propelled tank vessel of any gross tonnage, engaged in the transport of crude oil, refined petroleum products, or chemicals. See next column for detailed description of how tankers are classified and counted for this report.

ENTERING TRANSIT

The passage of a vessel from sea or from Canadian waters into Washington State waters, regardless of destination. A vessel may be credited with multiple entering transits over a specified period, such as a calendar year.

Entering transits on the Columbia River that call at a Washington port *and* an Oregon port during a single voyage on the Columbia River are counted as an entering transit bound for a Washington port.

INDIVIDUAL VESSEL

A vessel counted only once within a specified time period (such as a calendar year), even if the vessel calls in Washington State waters more than once during the specified time period.

TANK BARGE

A barge of any tonnage, engaged in the transport of crude oil, refined petroleum products, or chemicals.

TANK BARGE TRANSIT

Any significant move between two locations, via Washington State waters, while transporting crude oil, refined petroleum products, or chemicals.

FERRY

Any ferry boat 300 gross tons or larger operating in Washington State waters. Ferries with a fuel capacity of fewer than 6,000 gallons are not regulated by Ecology, even if they are 300 gross tons or larger. There were no ferries of 300 gross tons or larger operating on the Columbia River or in Grays Harbor/Aberdeen during calendar year 2002. A ferry transit is defined as any trip from an origination terminal to a destination terminal.

TANK SHIP CLASSIFICATION IN VEAT

CHEMICAL TANKERS

Chemical tankers are counted as petroleum tankers if they are transporting petroleum products. Chemical tankers are included in the tank ship section of VEAT, items 10-18.

EDIBLE OIL TANKERS

Edible oil tankers (e.g. vegetable oil) are counted as dry cargo vessels and are included in the cargo and passenger section of VEAT, items 1-9.

LNG, LPG, AND LG TANKERS

Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG), Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG), and Liquefied Gas (LG) tankers are counted as bulk cargo carriers. These specialized vessels are not certified to transport crude oil, refined petroleum products, or chemicals. Some examples of the products carried by these vessels are: LNG (methane), LPG (propane or butane), and LG (anhydrous ammonia). LNG, LPG, and LG tankers are included in the cargo and passenger section of VEAT, items 1-9.

O/B/O VESSELS (OIL/BULK/ORE)

O/B/O vessels are multi-purpose tanker/bulkers that are certified to transport petroleum products and chemicals. O/B/O vessels that transported oil in Washington during the calendar year are included in the tank ship section of VEAT, items 10-18.

TANKERS BOUND FOR SHIPYARDS

Tankers bound for shipyards for repair and routine maintenance are required to be empty, clean, and gas free. Since these vessels are not transporting petroleum products or chemicals, they are included in the cargo and passenger section of VEAT, items 1-9.

TANKERS BOUND FOR LAY-UP

Tankers bound for lay-up are required to be empty, clean and gas free. These vessels are included in the cargo and passenger section of VEAT, items 1-9.

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VESSEL ENTRIES AND TRANSITS: 2002

VESSEL TYPE AND DESTINATION	ENTERING TRANSITS	INDIVIDUAL VESSELS
1) C & P bound for Washington ports in Puget Sound via Strait of Juan de Fuca	1724	651
2) C & P bound for Washington ports in Puget Sound via Strait of Georgia & Haro Strait	687	295
3) C & P bound for Washington ports on the Columbia River	716	424
4) C & P bound for Gray's Harbor/Aberdeen	51	39
5) C & P bound for Washington ports: (Sum of 1-4 above)	3178	1409
6) C & P bound for Oregon ports on the Columbia River	922	463
7) C & P bound for Canadian ports via Strait of Juan de Fuca	2193	1114
8) C & P bound for U.S. ports (Sum of 5 & 6 above)	4100	1872
9) C & P grand total (Sum of 5-7 above)	6293	2986
10) Tank ships bound for Washington ports in Puget Sound via Juan de Fuca	529	90
11) Tank ships bound for WA ports in Puget Sound via Strait of Georgia & Haro Strait	28	23
12) Tank ships bound for Washington ports on the Columbia River	19	13
13) Tank ships bound for Grays Harbor/Aberdeen	0	0
14) Tank ships bound for Washington ports: (Sum of 10-13 above)	576	126
15) Tank ships bound for Oregon ports on the Columbia River	123	24
16) Tank ships bound for Canadian ports via Strait of Juan de Fuca	60	30
17) Tank ships bound for U.S. ports (Sum of 14 & 15 above)	699	150
18) Tank ship grand total (Sum of 16 & 17 above)	759	180
19) Grand totals: all vessels, all destinations (Sum of 9 & 18)	7052	3166

TANK BARGES (OPERATING AREA)	TRANSITS
1) Puget Sound	2718
2) Columbia River	733
3) Grays Harbor/Aberdeen	0
4) Grand total of transits in Washington waters (Sum of 1-3 above)	3451
5) Total number of individual tank barges operating in Washington State waters in 2002:	69
6) Number of barge companies that operate tank barges in Puget Sound:	14
7) Number of barge companies that operate tank barges on the Columbia River:	11
8) Number of barge companies that operate tank barges in Grays Harbor/Aberdeen:	0
9) Total number of barge companies that operate tank barges on Washington waters:	15

FERRIES (PUGET SOUND)	TRANSITS	INDIVIDUAL FERRIES
1) Washington State Ferries	164,862	23
2) Alaska Marine Highway System	132	3
3) Black Ball Transport, Inc.	1766	1
4) Total (Sum of 1-3 above)	166,760	27

FISHING VESSEL CLASSIFICATION

COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL

Any commercial fishing vessel 300 gross tons or larger, including: trawlers, seiners, purse seiners, longliners, crabbers, ground fishers, scallopers, etc.

FACTORY FISHING VESSEL/FISH PROCESSOR

Any commercial factory fishing vessel or fish processor 300 gross tons or larger “that commercially prepares fish or fish products other than by gutting, decapitating, gilling, skinning, shucking, icing, freezing, or brine chilling.” [USCG definition contained in *Federal Requirements for Commercial Fishing Industry Vessels*.]

FISHING VESSEL DATA COLLECTION

PREVIOUS DATA

Vessel Entry and Transit Data for Washington waters has been collected by Ecology for ten years. Fishing vessel data has been collected for only nine years. To obtain copies of VEAT 1993 through VEAT 2002, please contact the Department of Ecology – Spills Program (360) 407-6959. VEAT 1998 through VEAT 2002 are also available on the Ecology Website, at www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/spills/spills.html

NOTE: All data in this publication are for calendar year 2002.

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VESSEL ENTRIES AND TRANSITS: 2002

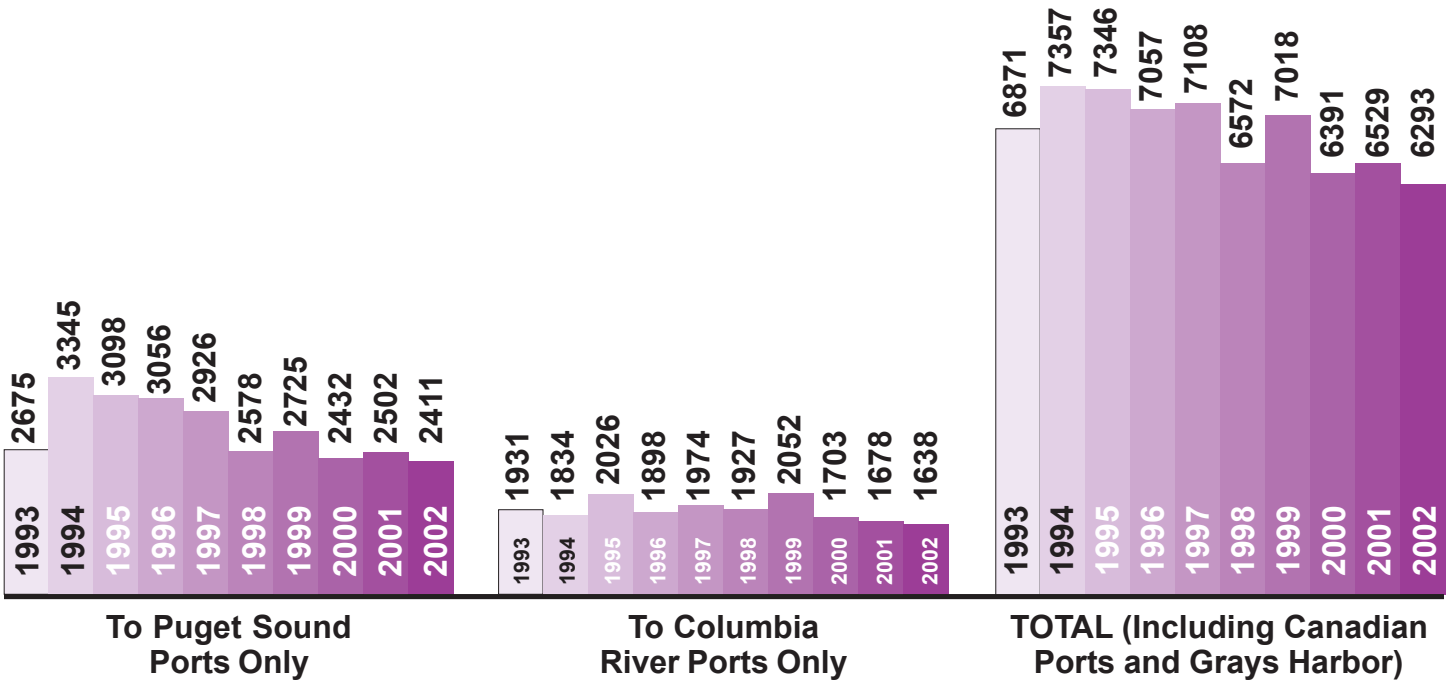
COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSELS AND FACTORY FISHING VESSELS/FISH PROCESSORS	ENTERING TRANSITS	INDIVIDUAL VESSELS
1) Commercial fishing vessels bound for Washington ports via Strait of Juan de Fuca	45	35
2) Commercial fishing vessels bound for WA ports via Strait of Georgia & Haro Strait	113	31
3) Total commercial fishing vessels bound for Washington ports in Puget Sound via Strait of Juan de Fuca, Strait of Georgia, and Haro Strait (Sum of 1 & 2 above)	158	66
4) Commercial fishing vessels bound for Canadian ports via Strait of Juan de Fuca	85	9
5) Total commercial fishing vessels bound for Washington ports in Puget Sound or transiting Washington waters enroute to Canada (Sum of 3 & 4 above)	243	75
6) Factory fishing vessels/fish processors bound for Washington ports via Strait of Juan de Fuca	69	25
7) Factory fishing vessels/fish processors bound for Washington ports via Strait of Georgia and Haro Strait	23	9
8) Total factory fishing vessels/fish processors bound for WA ports in Puget Sound via Strait of Juan de Fuca, Strait of Georgia, and Haro Strait (Sum of 6 & 7 above)	92	34
9) Factory fishing vessels/fish processors bound for Canadian ports via Strait of Juan de Fuca	1	1
10) Total factory fishing vessels/fish processors bound for Washington ports in Puget Sound or transiting Washington waters enroute to Canada (Sum of 8 & 9 above)	93	35
11) Grand total any type fishing vessel bound for all destinations (Sum of 5 & 10 above)	336	110

NOTE: Fishing vessels and factory fishing vessels/fish processors are also included in cargo and passenger totals.



COMPARISON OF VEAT 1993 THROUGH VEAT 2002

Cargo and Passenger Vessels: Entering Transits into Washington Waters

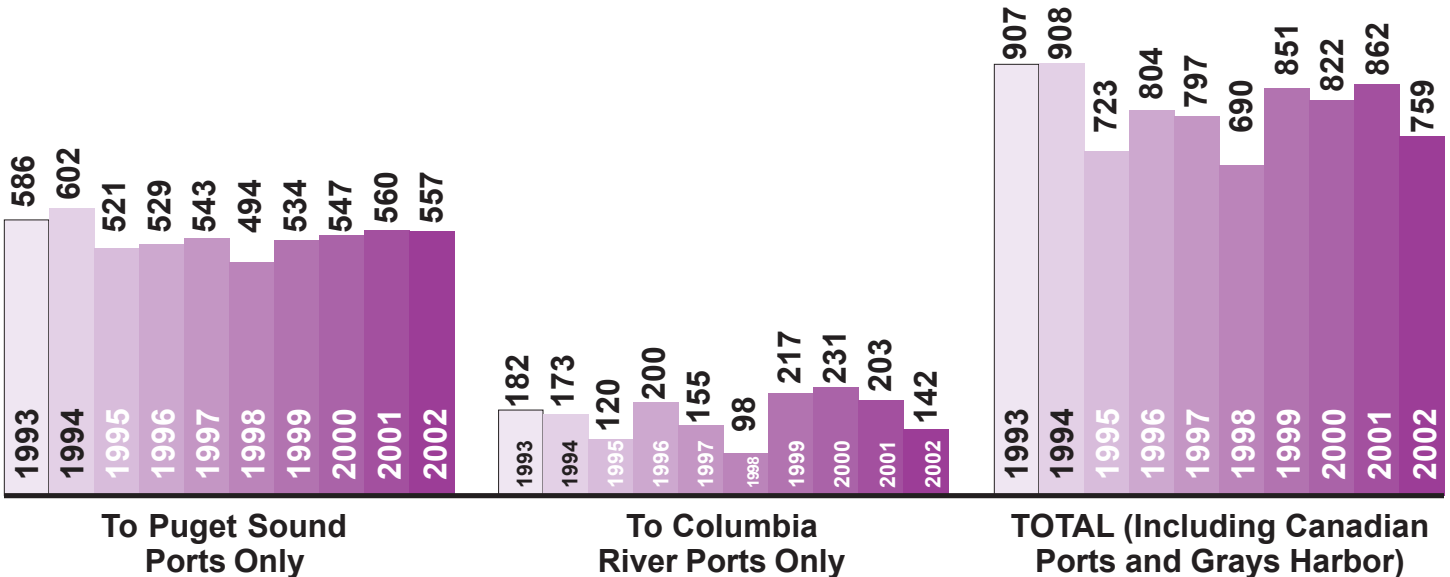


Sum of 1 & 2: C & P (p.2)

Sum of 3 & 6: C & P (p.2)

Item 9: C & P (p.2)

Tank Ships: Entering Transits into Washington Waters



Sum of 10 & 11: Tank Ships (p.2)

Sum of 12 & 15: Tank Ships (p.2)

Item 18: Tank Ships (p.2)

DATA SOURCES

TOFINO VESSEL TRAFFIC (CANADIAN CG)

- Strait of Juan de Fuca and Puget Sound

VANCOUVER VESSEL TRAFFIC (CANADIAN CG)

- Strait of Georgia, Haro Strait, and Puget Sound

MERCHANTS EXCHANGE OF PORTLAND

- Columbia, Willamette, and Snake River Systems

WASHINGTON BOARD OF PILOTAGE COMMISSIONERS

- Grays Harbor/Aberdeen/Hoquiam

WASHINGTON STATE FERRIES

- Puget Sound ferry traffic

ALASKA MARINE HIGHWAY SYSTEM

- Washington/Alaska ferry traffic

BLACK BALL TRANSPORT, INC.

- Washington/Victoria ferry traffic

THE AMERICAN WATERWAYS OPERATORS

- Tank barge transits: Washington waters

PUGET SOUND PILOTS

- Tankers bound for lay-up in Puget Sound

COLUMBIA RIVER PILOTS

- Tankers bound for lay-up on Columbia River

TODD PACIFIC SHIPYARDS CORPORATION

- Tankers bound for Todd Shipyard in Seattle

CASCADE GENERAL SHIPYARD

- Tankers bound for Cascade General Shipyard (Swan Is.)

J.R. SIMPLOT COMPANY – PORTLAND

- LNG/LPG/LG Tankers calling at J.R. Simplot – Rivergate

ECOLOGY MARINE INFORMATION SYSTEM DATABASE

- Vessel data collected by the Department of Ecology

VANCOUVER PORT AUTHORITY – VANCOUVER, B.C.

- Determination of commodities transported by tankers

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