# IMTC 



## RESOURCE MANUAL



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## INTRODUCTION

## THE INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY \& TRADE CORRIDOR PROGRAM

The International Mobility \& Trade Corridor Program (IMTC) is a U.S. Canadian coalition of government and business entities that identifies and pursues improvements to mobility and security for the border crossings that connect Whatcom County, Washington State and the Lower Mainland of British Columbia. Together, these crossings are called the Cascade Gateway.

The goals of the IMTC program are to:

- Provide a forum for ongoing communication and collaboration between agencies responsible for regional cross-border transportation, safety, and security.
- Coordinate planning of the Cascade Gateway as a transportation and inspection system rather than as individual border crossings.
- Improve and distribute traffic data and information.
- Identify and pursue improvements to infrastructure, operations, and information technology.

For eighteen years the IMTC program has coordinated regional, binational planning and partnerships advancing projects funded by U.S. and Canadian agencies to pursue the above goals. Cumulatively, these improvements are worth over $\$ 40$ million (USD).

## THE CASCADE GATEWAY

The Cascade Gateway consists of five land border ports-of-entry between the Lower Mainland of British Columbia in Canada, and Whatcom County, Washington State in The United States. IMTC supports planning these ports-of-entry as a system rather than as individual border crossings.


The Boundary Marker at the Peace Arch Provincial/State Park



## INTRODUCTION

## IMTC OBJECTIVES

The goal of the IMTC program is to improve safety, mobility, and security for the Cascade Gateway. To this end, the following objectives have been identified:

## Improve planning and data collection

- Improve information and data.
- Promote development and management of the Cascade Gateway as a system.
- Evaluate the feasibility of rail, transit, and marine options.
- Monitor the work of pertinent regional and national-level planning initiatives.


## Promote infrastructure improvements

- Improve border crossing approach roads.
- Improve rail crossings and connections.
- Improve corridor connections of trade and travel routes.
- Integrate intelligent transportation systems (ITS).


## Promote improvements to operations, policy, and border staffing

- Promote coordination and improvements in accordance with the goals of federal initiatives, including the Beyond the Border Action Plan.
- Increase resources and staffing levels at border inspection facilities.
- Improve traffic management at all Cascade Gateway ports-of-entry.
- Ensure ongoing sustainability of the NEXUS and FAST programs.
- Encourage institutional collaboration and integration of information systems.
- Promote harmonization and consolidated administration of pre-approved travel and trade programs.
- Explore options for binational financing of future improvements.
- Pursue shared U.S. - Canadian border inspection facilities including the creation of accord processing zones.
- Consider off-border inspection functions.
- Promote the adoption of pre-clearance for passenger rail under Canada's 1999 Pre-Clearance Act.


## INTRODUCTION

## IMTC STRUCTURE

The IMTC coalition consists of government agencies, non-governmental organizations, elected representatives, and industry associations. The IMTC is organized in three levels:

## Steering Committee

The Steering Committee meets monthly and consists of approximately 30 agencies and entities directly involved in border planning and operations. The Steering Committee makes suggestions to the Core Group.

## Core Group

Including the Steering Committee, over 70 agencies and organizations participate in the Core Group, which meets quarterly and is the decisionmaking body of IMTC.

## General Assembly

In addition to the Core Group, the General Assembly is a broad constituency of border stakeholders including businesses, organizations, and agencies that depend on a safe and efficient cross-border system.

The General Assembly provides feedback on evolving border policies and operations.


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## PARTICIPATING AGENCIES

Representatives and members of the following agencies, organizations and institutions regularly participate on the IMTC Steering Committee and Core group.

A \& A Contract Customs Brokers Ltd.
Abbotsford Duty Free
Airporter Shuttle/Bellair Charters
Amtrak
B.C. Ministry of Jobs, Tourism, \& Skills Training
B.C. Ministry of Transportation
B.C. Trucking Association

Bellingham/Whatcom Chamber of Commerce \& Industry
Better Borders Northwest
Birch Bay Chamber of Commerce
Border Policy Research Institute
(Western Washington University)
Canada Border Services Agency
Canada House of Commons
Cascadia Center/Discovery Institute
Cascadia Cross-Border Law
City of Abbotsford
City of Bellingham
City of Blaine
City of Everson
City of Ferndale
City of Lynden
City of Nooksack
City of Sumas
City of Surrey
City of White Rock
Consulate General of Canada
Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board

Pacific Corridor Enterprise Council
Pacific NorthWest Economic Region
Port Metro Vancouver
Port of Bellingham
Skagit Council of Governments
SmartRail
Surrey Board of Trade
Tourism Vancouver
Township of Langley
TransLink
Transport Canada
U.S. Border Patrol
U.S. Consulate General Vancouver
U.S. Customs \& Border Protection
U.S. Federal Highway Administration
U.S. General Services Administration
U.S. House of Representatives
U.S. Senate

University of British Columbia
Vancouver International Airport Authority
WA State Department of Licensing
WA State Department of Transportation
WA State Legislature
WA State Transportation Commission
West Coast Duty Free
Western Washington University
Whatcom Council of Governments
Whatcom County
Whatcom Transportation Authority

## INTRODUCTION

## PROJECT FUNDING

Since 1999, IMTC participants have together funded projects totalling over \$40 million (USD) for Cascade Gateway initiatives.

Funding partners have included the U.S. Federal Highway Administration, Tansport Canada, B.C. Province, Washington State, TransLink, Port of Bellingham, Western Washington University, Whatcom Council of Governments, U.S. Department of Transportation Office of the Secretary, the Bill \& Melinda Gates Foundation, the Cascadia Center, and regional municipalities including Abbotsford, Langley, Surrey, and White Rock in B.C., and Sumas, Blaine, and Lynden, WA.

## Funding by source, 1999-2015*



## CASCADE GATEWAY PROJECTS

The following list is a chronology of all IMTC projects since 1999. More details about projects can be found on the IMTC website at: www.theIMTC.com.

Dynamic Border Management (active): The Dynamic Border Management project is three integreated tasks that address Cascade Gateway challenges of maintaining wait-time system accuracy, and maximize system capacity. The project will develop a border facilities micro simulation modeling platform, develop a business case for RFID promotional effort to better utilize the system, and will establish an integrated wait-time validation and calibration methodology for more accurate results.

2013 Passenger Vehicle Intercept Survey (completed 2014): Whatcom Council of Governments (WCOG) partnered with the Border Policy Research Institute (BPRI) at Western Washington University to collect new data similar to the 2008 Passenger Survey to analyze cross-border traffic patterns, trip purposes, demographics, and assess how these factors have changed over the last five years.


Border Data Warehouse (completed 2014): This project archives crossborder traffic data collected from U.S. and Canadian border wait time systems between Whatcom County, WA and B.C., providing online reports to the public regarding historic wait times at the border, traffic volumes, queue lengths, and other information that was previously not available or stored. This project continues to improve ways to query and use the archive data.


Signage in Sumas for the NEXUS lane also redirects traffic during queues
Sumas / Abbotsford-Huntingdon improvements (completed 2013): WCOG and the WA State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) completed improvements to northbound traffic movements in Sumas that include an alternate route signage system for long queue conditions and the addition of a northbound NEXUS lane. B.C. Ministry of Transportation (BCMOT) also constructed a southbound NEXUS lane at Sumas, which will be lengethened over the next few years.

NEXUS Marketing (completed 2012): WCOG partnered with Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA), U.S. Customs \& Border Protection (CBP), WSDOT, BCMOT to distribute promotional material concurrent with NEXUS expansion in the Cascade Gateway as well as to promote enhanced drivers licenses. This also included updates to the www.GetNEXUS.com website.

FAST Pilot Study (completed 2012): WSDOT funded a study to assist CBP estimate the effects on commercial vehicle wait times if the layout and operations of the southbound FAST lane at Pacific Highway changed. The study was conducted by WCOG and BPRI.


The commercial staging area at Pacific Highway, reconfigured in 2012, allows for more commercial vehicle storage and for expedited FAST movements

Border Circulation Analysis (completed 2010): This project has informed agencies' common understanding of investments needed for preserving the east-west transportation network that serves the Cascade Gateway border system. Phase I used existing data and stakeholder feedback to identify primary cross-border routes. The goal was to optimize the Cascade Gateway network as well as develop a plan for subsequent improvemets. Phase II work is pending funding.

I-5 Interchange Justification (completed 2010): This interchange justification report (IJR) for Interstate 5 Exit 274 in Blaine, WA included an analysis of Exits 275 and 276. The report provides options for developing Exit 274 as a full interchange.

Aldergrove/Lynden Assessment (completed 2010): IMTC participants completed a collaborative, data-based review of regional trade and travel flows and used this analysis to inform a review of future facility requirements of this crossing. A final report was issued in 2010.

IMTC Commercial Vehicle Operations Evaluation Survey (completed 2009): WCOG partnered with BPRI and the University of Washington to evaluate commercial vehicle movement through the Cascade Gateway. Analysis included measurement of border arrival and processing rates at all three crossings, as well as the collection of origin-destination and commodity data.

NEXUS Market Feasibility Study (completed 2009): WCOG partnered with BPRI to interview travelers at Lynden-Aldergrove and Sumas/AbbotsfordHuntingdon to assess regional travelers' knowledge of the NEXUS program.

Passenger Vehicle Intercept Survey (completed 2008): BPRI, in partnership with WCOG, completed a passenger vehicle intercept survey to collect origindestination, trip purpose, travel pattern, and crossing frequency data.

FAST Promotion (completed 2008): WCOG, in partnership with U.S. and Canadian inspection agencies, conducted a series of training sessions, outreach, and promotions aimed at increasing regional enrollment in the FAST programs.

Weigh-in-Motion Software Integration (completed 2008): This project connected B.C. and WA State commercial vehicle inspection systems to improve the movement of trade along the Cascade Gateway corridor.

IMTC Commercial Vehicle Operations Evaluation Survey (completed 2006): An analysis similar to the 2009 evaluation of commercial vehicle processing was completed to monitor changes since the 2002 analysis.

Shortsea Shipping Study (completed 2006): This study determined the potential of shortsea shipping to serve a meaningful share of the future West Coast cross-border freight traffic, and to describe the most feasible service types and supporting actions that governments could take.



Vehicles and trains cross the border at the Peace Arch Port-of-Entry
Highway 15 Improvements (completed 2004): Improvements to B.C. Highway 15 included dedicated NEXUS and FAST lanes, an improved truck parking facility, and signage.

Southbound NEXUS Lane (completed 2004): A dedicated NEXUS lane was constructed on southbound B.C. Highway 99 to provide NEXUS travelers with a longer queue bypass.

## Abbotsford-Sumas Border Improvement Project

(completed 2003): This binationally funded project identified deficiencies and solutions to address the need for parking for southbound trucks, and to alleviate frequent blockage of streets in the City of Sumas. Based on this project, a new parking facility was developed in Huntingdon, and a subsequent Sumas Border Enhancements initiative improved truck signage and rerouting of vehicles during congestion to avoid city center blockages.

NEXUS Marketing (completed 2003): This project conducted a promotional campaign for the NEXUS program, including advertising, in-queue distribution of materials, and sign installation, backed up by the establishment of a regional web portal, getNEXUS.com.

IMTC Commercial Vehicle Operations Evaluation Survey (completed 2002): The Cascade Gateway's first commercial vehicle evaluation to measure impacts of ITS-enabled pre-arrival information at the border.

## 2014 METRICS

The following measures and trends are based on combined northbound and southbound volume counts for the four primary Cascade Gateway Ports-ofEntry (excluding Point Roberts/Boundary Bay). NEXUS percentages of total traffic are averaged for all NEXUS ports. Wait times are averaged by year for all crossings, both directions, weekend only, 8am-10pm.

| Change since last year (2013) |  | 5 year trend |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Car Volume | $\downarrow-5 \%$ |  |
| Bus Volume | - 0\% |  |
| Truck Volume | $\text { A } 3 \%$ |  |
| NEXUS lane usage | 16\% |  |
| Weekend border wait times | $\text { 个 } 9 \%$ | 17\% |

## 2014 METRICS

Calculating a ratio of wait time to traffic volume is a way to look at operational capacity alongside the changing levels of demand on that capacity (vehicle volume). The chart below plots each year's average weekend-day wait time estimate and each year's auto volume. The corresponding ratio (average minutes of wait time/ vehicle volume) is shown beneath each year on the $x$-axis.

## CASCADE GATEWAY RATIO



Note:Ratio values are in ten millionths (i.e. .000000840)

## IHE CASCADE GATEWAY

## 2014 COMPARATIVE METRICS

## PEACE ARCH / DOUGLAS RATIO



Data sources: Canada Border Services Agency, U.S. Customs \& Border Protection, Cascade Gateway Border Data Warehouse Data compiled by: Whatcom Council of Governments

## 2014 COMPARATIVE METRICS

## PACIFIC HIGHWAY RATIO



## U.S. - CANADA TRADE VALUE BY TRUCK <br> 2003-2013

This chart shows the value of U.S. and Canadian exports crossing the Cascade Gateway ports-of-entry. All figures are based on declared trade value.
Transshipments are not included.


Figures are in millions and adjusted to 2000 U.S. Dollars, based on U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics import and export price indices.

Data sources: U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
Data compiled by: Whatcom Council of Governments

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## U.S. - CANADA TRADE VALUE BY RAIL <br> 2003-2013

This chart shows the value of U.S. and Canadian exports crossing the Cascade Gateway ports-of-entry. All figures are based on declared trade value. Transshipments are not included.


Figures are in millions and adjusted to 2000 U.S. Dollars, based on U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics import and export price indices.

# U.S. - CANADA TRUCK TRADE VALUE BY COMMODITY, 2009-2013 





Figures are in millions.

## THE CASCADE GATEWAY

## U.S. - CANADA RAIL TRADE VALUE BY COMMODITY, 2009-2013





## TRUCK VOLUME AND TRADE VALUE <br> 2003-2013

This chart compares truck volume with trade value for all Cascade Gateway commercial ports-of-entry. Export values have been adjusted to 2000 USD based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics import and export price indices. Thin lines show monthly values and thicker lines plot a moving average to smooth seasonality. Monthly truck volumes are an average of northbound and s outhbound totals.


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## AUTO VOLUMES

2005-2014


|  |  | Douglas | Pacific Highway | Aldergrove | AbbotsfordHuntingdon | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2005 | 1,376,116 | 1,055,016 | 500,964 | 552,043 | 3,484,139 |
| $\bigcirc$ | 2006 | 1,388,119 | 1,077,260 | 500,129 | 559,426 | 3,524,934 |
| 5 | 2007 | 1,543,378 | 985,156 | 517,917 | 579,739 | 3,626,190 |
| $\bigcirc$ | 2008 | 1,402,999 | 1,192,190 | 532,565 | 626,347 | 3,754,101 |
| 0 | 2009 | 1,361,099 | 1,224,331 | 522,008 | 592,351 | 3,699,789 |
| I | 2010 | 1,849,005 | 1,422,279 | 630,740 | 720,161 | 4,622,185 |
| 0 | 2011 | 2,421,776 | 1,730,051 | 708,829 | 926,019 | 5,786,675 |
| $\bigcirc$ | 2012 | 2,664,667 | 1,964,693 | 778,309 | 1,042,035 | 7,589,219 |
| Z | 2013 | 2,810,892 | 2,071,366 | 774,092 | 1,143,216 | 7,985,864 |
|  | 2014 | 2,808,907 | 1,897,489 | 680,237 | 1,072,043 | 6,458,676 |
|  |  | Peace Arch | Pacific Highway | Lynden | Sumas | TOTAL |
|  | 2005 | 1,410,388 | 1,071,677 | 485,456 | 596,678 | 3,564,199 |
| $\bigcirc$ | 2006 | 1,480,119 | 1,157,180 | 485,098 | 641,945 | 3,764,342 |
| 2 | 2007 | 1,566,172 | 1,086,344 | 544,102 | 624,764 | 3,821,382 |
| $\bigcirc$ | 2008 | 1,525,446 | 1,218,933 | 595,306 | 652,221 | 3,991,906 |
| 0 | 2009 | 1,492,435 | 1,350,196 | 546,850 | 672,262 | 4,061,743 |
| I | 2010 | 1,887,733 | 1,478,021 | 615,318 | 833,653 | 4,814,725 |
| 5 | 2011 | 2,603,582 | 1,685,342 | 693,068 | 1,036,379 | 6,018,371 |
| $\bigcirc$ | 2012 | 2,892,861 | 1,840,844 | 818,521 | 1,125,050 | 7,846,908 |
| $\cdots$ | 2013 | 3,132,886 | 1,845,061 | 805,458 | 1,234,184 | 8,226,866 |
|  | 2014 | 3,027,629 | 1,846,218 | 727,189 | 1,130,251 | 6,731,287 |

Data sources: U.S. Customs \& Border Protection, Canada Border Services Agency
Data compiled by: Whatcom Council of Governments

## CASCADE GATEWAY PEAK WAIT TIME ESTIMATES

## AUGUST WEEKDAY, 2014



Note: Figures are estimates and may be affected by construction or other factors. Weekday data averaged Mon-Thurs. Weekend data averaged Sat-Sun.

## CASCADE GATEWAY PEAK WAIT TIME ESTIMATES

## AUGUST WEEKEND, 2014



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## CASCADE GATEWAY TRAVEL TRENDS

Based on 2013/2014 IMTC Passenger Vehicle Study; figures are averages for all ports, both directions.

## TRIP PURPOSE, COMPARISONS

July 2000, 2007, 2013


WHY NO NEXUS?

|  | Summer | Winter |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Application a hassle | 9\% | 7\% |
| Application in process | 8\% | 6\% |
| Card being renewed | 1\% | 0\% |
| Cost too high | 5\% | 5\% |
| Don't cross enough | 24\% | 26\% |
| Don't want to | 4\% | 5\% |
| Meaning to | 10\% | 11\% |
| No reason/don't know | 23\% | 13\% |
| non-NEXUS passenger | 7\% | 6\% |
| Not eligible | 2\% | 3\% |
| Other | 5\% | 11\% |
| Other program flaw | 1\% | 1\% |
| Unfamiliar | 1\% | 4\% |
| Waiting for appointment | 1\% | 1\% |

Data compiled by: Whatcom Council of Governments

## PEACE ARCH / DOUGLAS

## PEACE ARCH / DOUGLAS PORT-OF-ENTRY



The new Canada Border Services Agency's Douglas Port-of-Entry was completed in 2010
The Peace Arch (U.S.) and Douglas (Canadian) Ports-of-Entry between Blaine, WA and Surrey, British Columbia are unique along the U.S. -Canada border because the inspection facilities are on either side of a state/provincial park overlooking the Salish Sea. Open 24 hours a day, this crossing is limited to passenger vehicles (no commercial processing) and has NEXUS lanes in both directions. The port is accessed by Interstate 5 and B.C.

Blaine is the second busiest crossing on the U.S. - Canada border. ${ }^{1}$ Blaine includes both Peace Arch Port-of-Entry (3rd busiest on its own) and Pacific Highway.

46 percent of traffic at Peace Arch/Douglas uses the NEXUS lanes. ${ }^{2}$ NEXUS usage in the Cascade Gateway continues to grow. In December nearly 50 percent of northbound traffic used NEXUS lanes.

72 percent of travelers cross at least once a month. ${ }^{3} 37$ percent cross at least once a week.

[^1]
## PEACE ARCH / DOUGLAS AUTO VOLUMES 2010-2014



Data sources: U.S. Customs \& Border Protection, Canada Border Services Agency

## PEACE ARCH / DOUGLAS

## PEACE ARCH / DOUGLAS STANDARD VEHICLES VS. NEXUS, 2014



|  | Standard | NEXUS |  |  | Standard | NEXUS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan | 115,394 | 93,746 |  | Jan | 141,115 | 83,770 |
| Feb | 99,572 | 84,238 |  | Feb | 115,719 | 75,592 |
| Mar | 124,432 | 101,505 |  | Mar | 148,908 | 90,889 |
| Apr | 130,229 | 108,973 | 들 | Apr | 152,528 | 97,398 |
| May | 134,025 | 116,584 | 0 | May | 169,629 | 103,399 |
| ○ Jun | 137,795 | 116,655 | ค | Jun | 176,505 | 99,470 |
| $\stackrel{\text { Jul }}{ }$ | 153,600 | 121,552 | $\stackrel{5}{+}$ | Jul | 195,572 | 100,314 |
| - Aug | 161,653 | 122,524 | J | Aug | 202,892 | 109,147 |
| $\geq$ Sep | 133,060 | 114,986 | $\oplus$ | Sep | 164,336 | 95,076 |
| Oct | 117,186 | 107,241 |  | Oct | 149,495 | 92,450 |
| Nov | 113,089 | 104,048 |  | Nov | 141,839 | 90,816 |
| Dec | 101,150 | 95,670 |  | Dec | 139,149 | 91,621 |

## PEACE ARCH / DOUGLAS WEEKEND WAIT TIME ESTIMATES

2007
NORTHBOUND





2012
SOUTHBOUND





Note: Figures are estimates and may be affected by construction or other factors. Weekday data averaged Mon. - Thurs. Weekend data averaged Sat-Sun. Data sources: Cascade Gateway Border Data Warehouse (cascadegatewaydata.com) Data compiled by: Whatcom Council of Governments

## PEACE ARCH / DOUGLAS

## PEACE ARCH / DOUGLAS

## WEEKDAY WAIT TIME ESTIMATES

2007
NORTHBOUND



2012
SOUTHBOUND






Note: Figures are estimates and may be affected by construction or other factors. Weekday data averaged Mon. - Thurs. Weekend data averaged Sat-Sun. Data sources: Cascade Gateway Border Data Warehouse (cascadegatewaydata.com) Data compiled by: Whatcom Council of Governments

## PEACE ARCH / DOUGLAS TRAVEL CHARACTERISTICS

## ORIGINS AND DESTINATIONS

Destinations


Canadian Travelers

|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{.}{\stackrel{1}{\pi}} \\ & \frac{1}{\omega} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { O} \\ & \stackrel{\#}{ \pm} \\ & \text { © } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Surrey | 13\% | 15\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 3\% | < 1\% | 35\% |
|  | Vancouver | 8\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% | < 1\% | 3\% | 2\% | 18\% |
|  | White Rock | 2\% | 4\% | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% | 1\% | < 1\% | < 1\% | 8\% |
|  | Richmond | 4\% | 1\% | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | 1\% | < 1\% | 8\% |
|  | Burnaby | 3\% | 1\% | 1\% | < 1\% | < 1\% | < 1\% | < 1\% | 7\% |
|  | Delta | 3\% | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 1\% | < 1\% | 6\% |
|  | Other BC | 5\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 15\% |
|  | Other Canada | 1\% | < 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% | < 1\% | < 1\% | < 1\% | 2\% |
|  |  | 39\% | 28\% | 10\% | 5\% | 4\% | 10\% | 5\% | 100\% |
|  | Surrey | 14\% | 15\% | < 1\% | < 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | < 1\% | 32\% |
|  | Vancouver | 6\% | 3\% | 3\% | < 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 2\% | 1\% | 15\% |
|  | White Rock | 4\% | 7\% |  | < 1 \% | 1\% |  | < 1\% | 12\% |
|  | Richmond | 5\% | 1\% | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% | < 1\% | < 1\% | 8\% |
|  | Burnaby | 4\% | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | <1\% | 1\% | < 1\% | 6\% |
|  | Delta | 3\% | 3\% | < $1 \%$ |  | < 1\% | < 1\% | < 1\% | 8\% |
|  | Other BC | 7\% | 3\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 2\% | 16\% |
|  | Other Canada | 1\% | < 1\% | 1\% | < 1\% | <1\% | < 1\% | 1\% | 3\% |
|  |  | 42\% | 34\% | 6\% | 2\% | 4\% | 7\% | 5\% | 100\% |

Data source: 2013/2014 IMTC Passenger Vehicle Intercept Survey
Data compiled by: Whatcom Council of Governments

## PEACE ARCH / DOUGLAS

## PEACE ARCH / DOUGLAS

 TRAVEL CHARACTERISTICS
## FREQUENCY OF CROSSING BY TRAFFIC TYPE

Figures are averages for both directions.

|  | Winter |  | Summer |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Travel Frequency | Standard | NEXUS | Standard | NEXUS |
| At least once a day | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $<1 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| Once a week | $14 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $52 \%$ |
| Once a month | $45 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $39 \%$ |
| Once every 2 months | $10 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $4 \%$ |
| $2-5$ times per year | $23 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Once a year or less | $7 \%$ | $<1 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $<1 \%$ |

## REASON FOR CHOOSING THIS CROSSING

|  | Summer |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Northbound |  | Southbound |  |
|  | Standard | NEXUS | Standard | NEXUS |
| Most direct route | 55\% | 77\% | 52\% | 66\% |
| Preferred route | 9\% | 7\% | 9\% | 8\% |
| Border wait time signs | 8\% | 1\% | 8\% | 2\% |
| Avoid congestion | 4\% | 5\% | 11\% | 7\% |
| Following directions | 10\% | 2\% | 5\% | 1\% |
| Road came here | 9\% | 1\% | 8\% | 2\% |
| NEXUS lane | < 1\% | 4\% |  | 10\% |
| Don't know | 1\% | 1\% | 3\% | 1\% |
| Other | 4\% | 1\% | 4\% | 3\% |
|  | Winter |  |  |  |
|  | Northb | und | Southb | ound |
|  | Standard | NEXUS | Standard | NEXUS |
| Most direct route | 59\% | 64\% | 61\% | 74\% |
| Preferred route | 9\% | 18\% | 10\% | 5\% |
| Border wait time signs | 14\% | 1\% | 9\% | 1\% |
| Avoid congestion | 2\% | 3\% | 4\% | 4\% |
| Following directions | 6\% | 1\% | 5\% | 4\% |
| Road came here | 4\% | 1\% | 4\% | < 1\% |
| NEXUS lane |  | 8\% |  | 10\% |
| Don't know | 4\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% |
| Other | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% |

## PACIFIC HIGHWAY PORT-OF-ENTRY



The U.S. Pacific Highway port-of-entry processes cars, trucks, and buses
The Pacific Highway border crossing is the primary commercial port-of-entry for the region. Open 24 hours a day, this crossing processes commercial and passenger vehicles as well as buses. It also provides FAST and NEXUS lanes. The port is accessible by WA State Route 542 and B.C. Highway 15 and is only one mile from Peace Arch/Douglas, making it an important part of I-5/B.C. Highway 99 corridor capacity for cross-border travel and freight.

Pacific Highway is the fourth busiest commercial crossing on the U.S. Canada border. ${ }^{1}$ This port-of-entry is a crossing of national significance.

Over $\mathbf{\$ 3 3}$ million (USD) of goods cross through this port every day. ${ }^{2} \$ 12.2$ billion (USD) crossed bt truck through Blaine in 2013.

38 percent of travelers use the NEXUS lane. ${ }^{3} 53$ percent of Pacific Highway NEXUS traffic cross once a week or more. ${ }^{4}$

Pacific High way is the third busiest bus crossing on the U.S. - Canada border. ${ }^{5}$ Over 32,000 buses crossed through this port-of-entry in 2014.

[^2]
## PACIFIC HIGHWAY AUTO VOLUMES 2010-2014




## PACIFIC HIGHWAY STANDARD VS. NEXUS 2014



|  | Standard | NEXUS |  | Standard | NEXUS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan | 90,374 | 52,023 | Jan | 83,490 | 48,882 |
| Feb | 80,535 | 46,431 | Feb | 73,325 | 43,619 |
| Mar | 101,776 | 56,307 | - Mar | 92,841 | 52,976 |
| Apr | 98,743 | 60,184 | O Apr | 94,297 | 56,537 |
| May | 107,535 | 65,506 | $5 \text { May }$ | 105,447 | 61,786 |
| O Jun | 105,784 | 65,233 | Jun | 108,963 | 61,441 |
| - Jul | 115,035 | 68,388 | ㄱul | 118,966 | 64,088 |
| Aug | 129,781 | 67,664 | $\cdots$ Aug | 129,042 | 60,330 |
| $\geqslant$ Sep | 97,386 | 63,604 | $\bigcirc$ Sep | 100,321 | 58,886 |
| Oct | 85,523 | 58,779 | Oct | 89,251 | 55,964 |
| Nov | 87,855 | 57,805 | Nov | 85,341 | 53,750 |
| Dec | 80,062 | 55,176 | Dec | 90,683 | 55,992 |

## PACIFIC HIGHWAY BUS VOLUMES <br> 2010-2014



|  | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan | 774 | 877 | 845 | 916 | 1,039 |
| Feb | 884 | 762 | 798 | 865 | 854 |
| Mar | 968 | 1,038 | 1,023 | 1,022 | 1,077 |
| Apr | 1,207 | 1,195 | 1,032 | 1,086 | 1,175 |
| May | 1,619 | 1,654 | 1,432 | 1,371 | 1,475 |
| Jun | 1,465 | 1,492 | 1,512 | 1,454 | 1,362 |
| Jul | 1,631 | 1,817 | 1,769 | 1,650 | 1,733 |
| Aug | 1,630 | 1,761 | 1,796 | 1,642 | 1,755 |
| Sep | 1,424 | 1,598 | 1,528 | 1,420 | 1,335 |
| Oct | 1,033 | 1,032 | 1,059 | 1,098 | 1,087 |
| Nov | 931 | 849 | 985 | 964 | 935 |
| Dec | 960 | 904 | 1,128 | 1,039 | 908 |
| TOTAL | 14,526 | 14,979 | 14,907 | 14,527 | 14,735 |


|  | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan | 927 | 866 | 853 | 930 | 887 |
| Feb | 962 | 856 | 858 | 889 | 909 |
| Mar | 1,288 | 1,079 | 1,082 | 1,116 | 1,091 |
| Apr | 1,276 | 1,194 | 1,231 | 1,197 | 1,248 |
| May | 1,700 | 1,661 | 1,584 | 1,399 | 1,533 |
| Jun | 1,463 | 1,537 | 1,619 | 1,494 | 1,523 |
| Jul | 1,782 | 1,835 | 1,828 | 1,651 | 1,778 |
| Aug | 1,703 | 1,781 | 1,882 | 1,817 | 1,742 |
| Sep | 1,561 | 1,653 | 1,643 | 1,463 | 1,489 |
| Oct | 1,121 | 1,102 | 1,186 | 1,118 | 1,140 |
| Nov | 952 | 920 | 1,074 | 1,038 | 997 |
| Dec | 1,033 | 1,018 | 1,148 | 966 | 947 |
| TOTAL | 15,768 | 15,502 | 15,988 | 15,078 | 15,284 |

Data sources: U.S. Customs \& Border Protection, Canada Border Services Agency
Data compiled by: Whatcom Council of Governments

## PACIFIC HIGHWAY TRUCK VOLUMES 2010-2014



|  |  | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jan | 26,050 | 29,095 | 28,201 | 30,653 | 31,376 |
|  | Feb | 26,664 | 28,630 | 29,233 | 25,907 | 28,495 |
|  | Mar | 29,642 | 32,663 | 31,490 | 31,357 | 32,966 |
| 을 <br> ㄹ <br> 0 <br> ㅇ <br> $\mathbf{Z}$ <br> $\mathbf{Z}$ | Apr | 28,713 | 30,680 | 31,885 | 33,095 | 34,500 |
|  | May | 29,469 | 31,001 | 33,732 | 33,732 | 34,928 |
|  | Jun | 31,305 | 32,574 | 31,247 | 32,922 | 34,774 |
|  | Jul | 29,632 | 30,922 | 31,497 | 34,327 | 35,968 |
|  | Aug | 31,168 | 33,174 | 33,839 | 33,509 | 33,896 |
|  | Sep | 30,187 | 31,072 | 30,005 | 34,250 | 33,038 |
|  | Oct | 28,289 | 31,129 | 32,579 | 34,037 | 34,331 |
|  | Nov | 28,045 | 29,962 | 28,719 | 30,656 | 30,755 |
|  | Dec | 29,059 | 28,921 | 27,294 | 28,294 | 32,366 |
|  | TOTAL | 348,223 | 369,823 | 369,721 | 382,739 | 397,393 |


|  |  | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jan | 24,149 | 25,265 | 26,625 | 28,421 | 29,177 |
|  | Feb | 23,499 | 25,516 | 25,754 | 26,135 | 26,489 |
|  | Mar | 27,828 | 29,960 | 27,288 | 28,954 | 30,647 |
| ㄷ | Apr | 26,308 | 28,491 | 28,477 | 30,624 | 31,550 |
|  | May | 26,983 | 30,183 | 31,543 | 31,107 | 31,794 |
|  | Jun | 28,878 | 30,308 | 30,588 | 29,238 | 32,052 |
| ㄷ | Jul | 27,815 | 29,421 | 30,626 | 31,375 | 33,683 |
|  | Aug | 28,188 | 29,518 | 32,043 | 30,366 | 31,351 |
|  | Sep | 27,164 | 28,172 | 28,588 | 28,493 | 31,610 |
| O | Oct | 26,526 | 27,119 | 30,991 | 30,649 | 31,919 |
|  | Nov | 25,599 | 27,937 | 28,748 | 27,577 | 28,318 |
|  | Dec | 25,372 | 26,680 | 24,264 | 27,044 | 29,404 |
|  | TOTAL | 318,309 | 338,570 | 345,535 | 349,983 | 367,994 |

Data sources: U.S. Customs \& Border Protection, Canada Border Services Agency
Data compiled by: Whatcom Council of Governments

## PACIFIC HIGHWAY TRADE VALUE BY TRUCK 2003-2013

|  | U.S. - Canada | Canada - U.S. | Total Two-Way |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 3}$ | $\$ 4,948$ | $\$ 4,778$ | $\$ 9,727$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ | $\$ 5,683$ | $\$ 4,609$ | $\$ 10,292$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\$ 6,362$ | $\$ 4,298$ | $\$ 10,660$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | $\$ 7,327$ | $\$ 4,236$ | $\$ 11,564$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 7}$ | $\$ 7,845$ | $\$ 4,120$ | $\$ 11,965$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | $\$ 8,215$ | $\$ 3,314$ | $\$ 11,529$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 9}$ | $\$ 7,098$ | $\$ 3,084$ | $\$ 10,182$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ | $\$ 7,812$ | $\$ 3,030$ | $\$ 10,842$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ | $\$ 8,100$ | $\$ 3,018$ | $\$ 11,118$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ | $\$ 8,685$ | $\$ 3,356$ | $\$ 12,040$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | $\$ 8,770$ | $\$ 3,434$ | $\$ 12,204$ |



Figures are in millions and adjusted to 2000 U.S. Dollars, based on U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics import and export price indices.

## PACIFIC HIGHWAY TRADE VALUE BY RAIL 2003-2013

|  | U.S. - Canada | Canada-U.S. | Total Two-Way |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 3}$ | $\$ 281$ | $\$ 1,756$ | $\$ 2,037$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ | $\$ 377$ | $\$ 2,401$ | $\$ 2,777$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\$ 419$ | $\$ 2,487$ | $\$ 2,906$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | $\$ 566$ | $\$ 2,267$ | $\$ 2,833$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 7}$ | $\$ 684$ | $\$ 1,765$ | $\$ 2,449$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | $\$ 745$ | $\$ 1,457$ | $\$ 2,202$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 9}$ | $\$ 687$ | $\$ 1,151$ | $\$ 1,838$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ | $\$ 974$ | $\$ 1,091$ | $\$ 2,065$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ | $\$ 916$ | $\$ 1,320$ | $\$ 2,236$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ | $\$ 962$ | $\$ 1,503$ | $\$ 2,464$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | $\$ 991$ | $\$ 1,831$ | $\$ 2,822$ |



Figures are in millions and adjusted to 2000 U.S. Dollars, based on U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics import and export price indices.

Data sources: U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Data compiled by: Whatcom Council of Governments

## PACIFIC HIGHWAY

## WEEKEND WAIT TIME ESTIMATES

## NORTHBOUND



## SOUTHBOUND






## PACIFIC HIGHWAY

## WEEKDAY WAIT TIME ESTIMATES

2007
NORTHBOUND


$\underline{2012}$
SOUTHBOUND






Note: Figures are estimates and may be affected by construction or other factors. Weekday data averaged Mon. - Thurs. Weekend data averaged Sat-Sun. Data sources: Cascade Gateway Border Data Warehouse (cascadegatewaydata.com) Data compiled by: Whatcom Council of Governments

## PACIFIC HIGHWAY

## PACIFIC HIGHWAY TRAVEL CHARACTERISTICS

## ORIGINS AND DESTINATIONS

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Seattle | 6\% | 1\% | 3\% | 1\% |  | 7\% | 1\% | 18\% |
|  | \% | Bellingham | 4\% | 2\% | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% | 3\% |  | 11\% |
|  | \% | Blaine | 1\% | 2\% | < 1\% | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 5\% | < $1 \%$ | 10\% |
|  | $\stackrel{\square}{\circ}$ | Ferndale | < 1\% | <1\% |  | < $1 \%$ |  | 1\% |  | 2\% |
|  | E | Other WA | 9\% | 5\% | 3\% | 2\% | 1\% | 14\% | 1\% | 35\% |
| $\frac{0}{4}$ | $\stackrel{5}{5}$ | CA \& OR | 5\% | 1\% | 2\% | < $1 \%$ |  | 4\% |  | 13\% |
| $\stackrel{1}{0}$ |  | Other USA | 5\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |  | 4\% |  | 12\% |
| $\underset{\sim}{\mathbf{\sigma}}$ |  |  | 31\% | 12\% | 11\% | 5\% | 1\% | 39\% | 1\% | 100\% |
| の |  | Blaine | 1\% | 6\% |  | 3\% | 1\% | 6\% |  | 17\% |
| - |  | Bellingham | 1\% | 3\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 4\% | 1\% | 14\% |
|  | 은 | Seattle | 3\% | 1\% | 5\% | 1\% |  | 4\% |  | 14\% |
|  | $\frac{1}{0}$ | Ferndale |  | 4\% | 1\% | 3\% |  | 3\% |  | 10\% |
|  | $\xrightarrow[.!]{\otimes}$ | Other WA | 8\% | 7\% | 8\% | 3\% | 1\% | 9\% |  | 36\% |
|  |  | CA \& OR |  | 1\% | 1\% |  |  | 2\% |  | 4\% |
|  |  | Other USA |  |  | 5\% | 1\% |  | 1\% |  | 6\% |
|  |  |  | 13\% | 21\% | 22\% | 12\% | 4\% | 28\% | 1\% | 100\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | ※ <br> ※ <br> © <br>  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Surrey | 13\% | 16\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% | 40\% |
|  |  | Vancouver | 3\% | 2\% | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 9\% |
|  | - | Langley Township | 2\% | 2\% | < 1\% | 1\% | < 1\% | 1\% | < 1\% | 6\% |
|  | O | Coquitlam | 2\% | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 2\% | 1\% | 6\% |
|  | $\stackrel{\square}{\text { ® }}$ | White Rock | 1\% | 2\% | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 5\% |
| $\cdots$ | E | Langley City | 1\% | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | 4\% |
| $\geq$ | の | Other BC | 9\% | 7\% | 4\% | 2\% | 1\% | 4\% | 2\% | 29\% |
| T |  | Other Canada | < 1\% | < 1\% | < 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% |  | < $1 \%$ | 2\% |
|  |  |  | 32\% | 31\% | 8\% | 7\% | 5\% | 11\% | 6\% | 100\% |
| \% |  | Surrey | 14\% | 20\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | < 1\% | 40\% |
| 등 |  | Vancouver | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% | < 1\% | 1\% | 8\% |
| U | 한 | Langley City | 2\% | 3\% | < 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% | < 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 7\% |
|  | ¢ | White Rock | 2\% | 3\% |  | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 6\% |
|  | ¢ | Coquitlam | 2\% | 1\% | < 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 5\% |
|  | $\underset{i}{\underset{z}{z}}$ | Burnaby | 2\% | 1\% | < 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | 5\% |
|  |  | Other BC | 10\% | 9\% | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% | 28\% |
|  |  | Other Canada | < 1\% | < 1\% | < 1\% |  |  |  | < $1 \%$ | 1\% |
|  |  |  | 35\% | 40\% | 8\% | 3\% | 4\% | 7\% | 3\% | 100\% |

Note: WA+Pt Roberts represents Washingtonians going to Point Roberts and vice versa.

## PACIFIC HIGHWAY

 TRAVEL CHARACTERISTICS
## FREQUENCY OF CROSSING BY TRAFFIC TYPE

Figures are averages for both directions.

|  | Winter |  | Summer |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Travel Frequency | General | NEXUS | General | NEXUS |
| At least once a day | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $<1 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| Once a week | $14 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $52 \%$ |
| Once a month | $45 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $39 \%$ |
| Once every 2 months | $10 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $4 \%$ |
| 2-5 times per year | $23 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Once a year or less | $7 \%$ | $<1 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $<1 \%$ |

## REASON FOR CHOOSING THIS CROSSING

|  | Summer |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Northbound |  | Southbound |  |
|  | Standard | NEXUS | Standard | NEXUS |
| Most direct route | 46\% | 73\% | 48\% | 67\% |
| Avoid congestion | 16\% | 6\% | 14\% | 8\% |
| Preferred route | 11\% | 9\% | 11\% | 8\% |
| Border wait time signs | 16\% | 1\% | 13\% | 2\% |
| NEXUS lane | < 1\% | 5\% |  | 6\% |
| Follow directions | 3\% | 1\% | 6\% | 1\% |
| Duty Free Store | 2\% | 2\% | < 1\% | 2\% |
| Don't know | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 2\% |
| Other | 5\% | 3\% | 6\% | 5\% |
|  | Winter |  |  |  |
|  | Northb | und | South | und |
|  | Standard | NEXUS | Standard | NEXUS |
| Most direct route | 59\% | 64\% | 61\% | 74\% |
| Preferred route | 9\% | 18\% | 10\% | 5\% |
| Border wait time signs | 14\% | 1\% | 9\% | 1\% |
| Avoid congestion | 2\% | 3\% | 4\% | 4\% |
| Following directions | 6\% | 1\% | 5\% | 4\% |
| Road came here | 4\% | 1\% | 4\% | < 1\% |
| NEXUS lane |  | 8\% |  | 10\% |
| Don't know | 4\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% |
| Other | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% |

## LYNDEN / ALDERGROVE

## LYNDEN/ALDERGROVE PORT-OF-ENTRY



The Canada Border Services Agency Aldergrove facility is being replaced this year with a new full commercial and passenger vehicle port-of-entry to be completed in 2016

The northbound Aldergrove and southbound Lynden ports-of-entry are accessed by WA State Route 539 (Guide Meridian) and B.C. Highway 13. Both ports are open 8:00am - 12:00am daily. Both facilities currently process passenger vehicles and limited volumes of commercial vehicles. A new facility northbound will expand commercial vehicle processing.

Lynden/Aldergrove is the fifth busiest passenger vehicle crossing on the U.S. - Canada border. ${ }^{1}$ An average of 4,000 cars a day cross through this port-of-entry.

Lynden/Aldergrove processes over $\mathbf{\$ 1 7 5}$ million in trade each year. ${ }^{2}$ This port serves a regionally significant industries. And commercial traffic is expected to increase northbound once the new facility is operational.

Approximately 64 percent of southbound trucks are empty ${ }^{3}$. Because Lynden southbound is a permit-only port, limited commercial goods may use the facility; however empty truck containers are able to use the port.

[^3]
## LYNDEN / ALDERGROVE

## LYNDEN/ALDERGROVE AUTO VOLUMES 2010-2014



|  |  | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jan | 39,464 | 47,364 | 46,434 | 53,092 | 52,593 |
|  | Feb | 34,888 | 43,738 | 54,065 | 55,481 | 48,110 |
|  | Mar | 47,694 | 56,044 | 65,295 | 65,111 | 58,422 |
|  | Apr | 51,440 | 55,609 | 72,279 | 60,963 | 61,411 |
|  | May | 52,746 | 57,315 | 76,491 | 68,321 | 66,763 |
|  | Jun | 51,848 | 58,116 | 76,736 | 64,644 | 72,469 |
|  | Jul | 67,439 | 67,710 | 83,902 | 83,698 | 70,824 |
|  | Aug | 67,592 | 78,328 | 89,907 | 85,516 | 78,605 |
|  | Sep | 53,620 | 58,525 | 67,986 | 63,566 | 61,412 |
|  | Oct | 50,824 | 58,749 | 63,523 | 75,102 | 54,129 |
|  | Nov | 47,156 | 53,088 | 59,408 | 67,748 | 51,006 |
|  | Dec | 50,607 | 58,482 | 62,495 | 62,216 | 51,445 |
|  | TOTAL | 615,318 | 693,068 | 818,521 | 805,458 | 727,189 |

Data sources: U.S. Customs \& Border Protection, Canada Border Services Agency

## LYNDEN/ALDERGROVE TRUCK VOLUMES <br> 2010-2014



|  |  | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jan | 5,366 | 1,060 | 956 | 1,148 | 851 |
|  | Feb | 4,652 | 992 | 556 | 1,122 | 806 |
|  | Mar | 5,159 | 1,481 | 570 | 1,301 | 769 |
|  | Apr | 6,159 | 1,271 | 956 | 1,202 | 821 |
|  | May | 5,576 | 1,310 | 930 | 1,143 | 619 |
|  | Jun | 6,022 | 1,231 | 1,170 | 1,559 | 851 |
|  | Jul | 4,826 | 1,002 | 923 | 1,264 | 802 |
|  | Aug | 2,556 | 1,319 | 1,183 | 714 | 643 |
|  | Sep | 1,587 | 1,264 | 942 | 1,045 | 996 |
|  | Oct | 1,704 | 1,394 | 1,439 | 1,113 | 758 |
|  | Nov | 1,199 | 1,149 | 1,211 | 1,126 | 702 |
|  | Dec | 1,011 | 1,063 | 1,081 | 820 | 999 |
|  | TOTAL | 45,817 | 14,536 | 11,917 | 13,557 | 9,617 |

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|  | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan | 3,520 | 3,431 | 3,011 | 3,552 | 3,730 |
| Feb | 3,885 | 3,837 | 3,030 | 3,379 | 3,243 |
| Mar | 4,569 | 4,383 | 4,023 | 3,710 | 3,591 |
| Apr | 3,990 | 3,899 | 3,659 | 4,166 | 3,646 |
| May | 4,136 | 3,768 | 3,577 | 4,474 | 3,693 |
| Jun | 4,600 | 3,979 | 3,802 | 4,297 | 3,592 |
| Jul | 4,477 | 3,290 | 3,339 | 4,308 | 3,393 |
| Aug | 4,067 | 3,077 | 3,438 | 3,653 | 3,347 |
| Sep | 4,354 | 3,879 | 3,261 | 3,811 | 3,285 |
| Oct | 4,247 | 4,793 | 4,153 | 4,606 | 3,529 |
| Nov | 3,894 | 3,499 | 3,748 | 4,213 | 3,192 |
| Dec | 3,745 | 3,371 | 2,803 | 3,227 | 3,339 |
| OTAL | 49,484 | 45,206 | 41,844 | 47,396 | 41,580 |

## LYNDEN / ALDERGROVE

## LYNDEN/ALDERGROVE TRUCK TRADE VALUE 2003-2013

## BY VALUE

|  | U.S. - Canada |
| ---: | ---: | Canada - U.S.

BY COMMODITY


Figures are in millions and adjusted to 2000 U.S. Dollars, based on U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics import and export price indices.

## LYNDEN / ALDERGROVE

## LYNDEN/ALDERGROVE

WEEKEND WAIT TIME ESTIMATES

2013
SOUTHBOUND







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## LYNDEN/ALDERGROVE

WEEKDAY WAIT TIME ESTIMATES
$\underline{2011}$
NORTHBOUND


2013
SOUTHBOUND




Oct.





Note: Figures are estimates and may be affected by construction or other factors. Weekday data averaged Mon. - Thurs. Weekend data averaged Sat-Sun. Data sources: Cascade Gateway Border Data Warehouse

## LYNDEN / ALDERGROVE

## LYNDEN/ALDERGROVE TRAVEL CHARACTERISTICS

## ORIGINS AND DESTINATIONS

|  |  |  |  | Dest | nation |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 으 } \\ & 0 \\ & 4 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \frac{0}{0} \\ & \frac{0}{0} \\ & \frac{0}{4} \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { U } \\ & \text { © } \\ & \stackrel{0}{ \pm} \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
|  |  | Lynden | 7\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% |  | 11\% | 2\% | 25\% |  |
|  | . $=$ | Bellingham | 2\% | 4\% | 2\% | 2\% |  | 5\% |  | 15\% |  |
|  | 은 | Ferndale | 4\% | 1\% | 2\% | < $1 \%$ |  | 2\% |  | 9\% |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ | Seattle | 1\% | 1\% |  | 1\% |  | 5\% | 1\% | 9\% |  |
| 0 | © | Other Whatcom County | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% |  | 2\% |  | 8\% |  |
| (1) | $\bar{E}$ | Other WA | 2\% | 3\% | 2\% | 1\% |  | 9\% | 3\% | 21\% |  |
| (1) | $\omega$ | Other USA | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 3\% |  | 5\% | 1\% | 13\% |  |
| (0) |  |  | 20\% | 13\% | 10\% | 10\% |  | 40\% | 7\% | 100\% |  |
|  |  | Lynden | 9\% | 4\% | 8\% |  | 7\% | 6\% |  | 33\% |  |
| 0 |  | Bellingham | 4\% | 2\% |  |  | 2\% | 12\% |  | 20\% |  |
|  | 흔 | Sumas |  | 3\% |  |  |  | 2\% |  | 5\% |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ | Seattle |  |  |  |  |  | 4\% |  | 4\% |  |
|  | ¢ | Other Whatcom County |  | 2\% | 4\% |  |  | 6\% |  | 11\% |  |
|  | $\underset{\geqq}{ \pm}$ | Other WA | 10\% | 3\% | 1\% |  |  | 8\% | 2\% | 25\% |  |
|  |  | Other USA |  |  | 2\% |  |  |  |  | 2\% |  |
|  |  |  | 22\% | 15\% | 15\% | 9\% |  | 37\% | 2\% | 100\% |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{0}{\bar{\omega}} \\ & \frac{1}{\infty} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Abbotsford | 10\% | 5\% | 4\% | < 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 22\% |
|  | 등 | Langley Township | 6\% | 4\% | < $1 \%$ | 1\% |  | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 1\% | 13\% |
|  | \% | Surrey | 6\% | 2\% | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 1\% | 12\% |
| 9 | $\stackrel{\square}{\circ}$ | Aldergrove | 5\% | 5\% | < $1 \%$ |  | < $1 \%$ | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | 12\% |
| (1) | E | Langley City | 5\% | 4\% | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | 11\% |
| (1) | 心 | Other BC | 18\% | 3\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 29\% |
| T |  | Other Canada | 1\% | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ |  |  |  | < $1 \%$ | < $1 \%$ | 2\% |
| $\underline{5}$ |  |  | 51\% | 23\% | 7\% | 2\% | 2\% | 6\% | 5\% | 4\% | 100\% |
| To |  | Langley City | 10\% | 4\% | 1\% |  | < 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | < 1\% | 17\% |
| O | . | Abbotsford | 9\% | 4\% | 1\% |  |  | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 16\% |
| $\checkmark$ | - | Surrey | 7\% | 1\% | 1\% |  | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% |  | 11\% |
| C | - | Coquitlam | 4\% | 1\% | 1\% |  | < $1 \%$ |  | 1\% | 1\% | 8\% |
| 0 | $\pm$ | Langley Township | 4\% | 1\% | < 1\% |  | < 1\% |  | < $1 \%$ |  | 6\% |
|  | 3 | Other BC | 18\% | 6\% | 7\% |  | 1\% | 2\% | 4\% | 3\% | 40\% |
|  |  | Other Canada | 1\% |  |  |  |  |  | < 1\% |  | 1\% |
|  |  |  | 53\% | 16\% | 10\% |  | 2\% | 5\% | 9\% | 5\% | 100\% |

## LYNDEN/ALDERGROVE

 TRAVEL CHARACTERISTICS
## FREQUENCY OF CROSSING

Figures are averages for both directions.

|  | Winter | Summer |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Travel Frequency |  |  |
| At least once a day | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| Once a week | $30 \%$ | $26 \%$ |
| Once a month | $45 \%$ | $46 \%$ |
| Once every 2 months | $8 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| $2-5$ times per year | $14 \%$ | $14 \%$ |
| Once a year or less | $1 \%$ | $4 \%$ |

## REASON FOR CHOOSING THIS CROSSING

|  | Summer |  | Winter |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Northbound | Southbound | Southbound |
|  | $57 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $58 \%$ |
| Most direct route congestion | $20 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $30 \%$ |
| Preferred route | $11 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
|  | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
| Following directions | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
|  | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ |  |
|  | $3 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
|  |  | $1 \%$ |  |

## SUMAS/ABBOTSFORD-HUNTINGDON PORT-OF-ENTRY



The Abbotsford-Huntingdon port-of-entry has a NEXUS Iane as of 2012.
The Sumas/Abbotsford-Huntingdon border crossing is a 24 - hour passenger and commercial vehicle crossing accessed by WA State Route 9 and B.C. Highway 11.

In 2012 NEXUS lanes were established both directions, and work is underway to improve NEXUS access southbound.

Sumas is the second busiest pedestrian crossing on the entire U.S. - Canada border. Southbound, Sumas ranked only below Niagara Falls in terms of pedestrian traffic. The port is also the 5th busiest passenger crossing and 8th busiest commercial crossing on the northern border. ${ }^{1}$

## Almost 90 percent of travelers here cross through this port at least once a

 month. Almost 40 percent cross once a week. ${ }^{2}$\$6 million (USD) in trade crosses through this port every day. In 2013, \$2.2 billion (USD) of goods passed through the Sumas/Abbostford-Huntingdon ports-of-entry. ${ }^{3}$

## SUMAS/ABBOTSFORD-HUNTINGDON

 AUTO VOLUMES, 2010-2014

Data sources: U.S. Customs \& Border Protection, Canada Border Services Agency

## SUMAS/ABBOTSFORD-HUNTINGDON STANDARD VS. NEXUS, 2014



NEXUS traffic averages 16 percent of total port traffic northbound, and 2 percent southbound. Note that low southbound NEXUS may be a combination of poor access to the lane southbound as well as the number of NEXUS vehicles counted as "Ready Lane" vehicles in the U.S. system.

|  |  | Standard | NEXUS |  |  | Standard | NEXUS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jan | 90,374 | 52,023 |  | Jan | 83,490 | 48,882 |
|  | Feb | 80,535 | 46,431 |  | Feb | 73,325 | 43,619 |
|  | Mar | 101,776 | 56,307 |  | Mar | 92,841 | 52,976 |
| C | Apr | 98,743 | 60,184 | O | Apr | 94,297 | 56,537 |
| 5 | May | 107,535 | 65,506 | 5 | May | 105,447 | 61,786 |
| - | Jun | 105,784 | 65,233 | - | Jun | 108,963 | 61,441 |
| ¢ | Jul | 115,035 | 68,388 | $\stackrel{\text { 듣 }}{ }$ | Jul | 118,966 | 64,088 |
| - | Aug | 129,781 | 67,664 |  | Aug | 129,042 | 60,330 |
| Z | Sep | 97,386 | 63,604 | $\bigcirc$ | Sep | 100,321 | 58,886 |
|  | Oct | 85,523 | 58,779 | - | Oct | 89,251 | 55,964 |
|  | Nov | 87,855 | 57,805 |  | Nov | 85,341 | 53,750 |
|  | Dec | 80,062 | 55,176 |  | Dec | 90,683 | 55,992 |

## SUMAS/ABBOTSFORD-HUNTINGDON BUS VOLUMES, 2010-2014



Data sources: U.S. Customs \& Border Protection, Canada Border Services Agency

## SUMAS/ABBOTSFORD-HUNTINGDON TRUCK VOLUMES, 2010-2014



## SUMAS/ABBOTSFORD-HUNTINGDON TRUCK PROCESSING AFTER HOURS, 2014

While the Abbotsford-Huntingdon port-of-entry is open 24 hours a day, commercial vehicle inspectio booths are open specific hours only. After hours, when these booths are closed, trucks are processed at the passenger desk. Trucks processed after hours make up $\mathbf{4 0}$ percent of the commercial traffic.


## SUMAS/ABBOTSFORD-HUNTINGDON TRUCK TRADE VALUE, 2003-2013

## BY VALUE

|  | U.S. - Canada | Canada - U.S. | Total Two-Way |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 3}$ | $\$ 438$ | $\$ 884$ | $\$ 1,322$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ | $\$ 540$ | $\$ 1,002$ | $\$ 1,543$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\$ 751$ | $\$ 1,129$ | $\$ 1,881$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | $\$ 964$ | $\$ 1,203$ | $\$ 2,168$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 7}$ | $\$ 876$ | $\$ 1,146$ | $\$ 2,022$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | $\$ 927$ | $\$ 927$ | $\$ 1,853$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 9}$ | $\$ 764$ | $\$ 784$ | $\$ 1,547$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ | $\$ 958$ | $\$ 848$ | $\$ 1,805$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ | $\$ 1,139$ | $\$ 818$ | $\$ 1,956$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ | $\$ 1,283$ | $\$ 874$ | $\$ 2,157$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | $\$ 1,235$ | $\$ 955$ | $\$ 2,190$ |

BY COMMODITY


Figures are in millions and adjusted to 2000 U.S. Dollars, based on U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics import and export price indices.

## SUMAS/ABBOTSFORD-HUNTINGDON WEEKEND WAIT TIME ESTIMATES

$\underline{2011}$
NORTHBOUND


SOUTHBOUND



Note: Figures are estimates and may be affected by construction or other factors. Weekday data averaged Mon. - Thurs. Weekend data averaged Sat-Sun. Data sources: Cascade Gateway Border Data Warehouse

## SUMAS/ABBOTSFORD-HUNTINGDON WEEKDAY WAIT TIME ESTIMATES






2013
SOUTHBOUND





Note: Figures are estimates and may be affected by construction or other factors. Weekday data averaged Mon. - Thurs. Weekend data averaged Sat-Sun. Data sources: Cascade Gateway Border Data Warehouse (cascadegatewaydata.com) Data compiled by: Whatcom Council of Governments

## SUMAS/ABBOTSFORD-HUNTINGDON TRAVEL CHARACTERISTICS

## ORIGINS AND DESTINATIONS



## SUMAS/ABBOTSFORD-HUNTINGDON TRAVEL CHARACTERISTICS

## FREQUENCY OF CROSSING BY LANE TYPE

Figures are averages for both directions.

|  | Winter |  | Summer |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Travel Frequency | Standard | NEXUS | Standard | NEXUS |
| At least once a day | $1 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Once a week | $39 \%$ | $59 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $63 \%$ |
| Once a month | $41 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $31 \%$ |
| Once every 2 months | $8 \%$ |  | $4 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| 2-5 times per year | $10 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Once a year or less | $1 \%$ |  | $3 \%$ |  |

## REASON FOR CHOOSING THIS CROSSING

|  | Summer |  |  |  | Winter Northbound |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Northbound |  | Southbound |  |  |  |
|  | Standard | NEXUS | Standard | NEXUS | Standard | NEXUS |
| Most direct route | 86\% | 84\% | 87\% | 88\% | 90\% | 93\% |
| Avoid congestion | 5\% | 3\% | 4\% | 1\% | 1\% |  |
| Preferred route | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% |  | 5\% | 2\% |
| Border wait time signs | < 1\% |  | < 1\% |  | < 1\% | 1\% |
| NEXUS lane | < 1\% | 9\% |  | 6\% | < 1\% | 2\% |
| Follow directions | 2\% | 1\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% |
| Don't know | 1\% |  | 1\% | 1\% | < 1\% |  |
| Other | 4\% | 1\% | 3\% | 2\% | 1\% |  |

## POINT ROBERTS/BOUNDARY BAY PORT-OF-ENTRY



The U.S. port-of-entry at Point Roberts
Point Roberts, WA is a 4.9 square mile geographic exclave of the U.S. located on the southern tip of the Tsawwassen Peninsula, south of Delta, BC, and home to about 1,300 people. Despite its small size and water-locked separation from the rest of Washington, nearby Canadian residents make numerous trips to Point Roberts, mostly for gas and mailbox services.

Point Roberts is the sixth busiest crossing on the U.S. - Canada border.
${ }^{1}$ Over 2.3 million vehicle trips at this location in 2014.
81 percent of travelers crossing in the standard lanes cross at least once a month ${ }^{2}$. More than half the NEXUS travelers cross weekly or more, and 10 percent of NEXUS travelers cross daily.

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## POINT ROBERTS / BOUNDARY BAY

## POINT ROBERTS/BOUNDARY BAY

 AUTO VOLUMES, 2010-2014

## POINT ROBERTS/BOUNDARY BAY STANDARD VS. NEXUS, 2014



|  | Standard | NEXUS |  |  | Standard | NEXUS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan | 88,115 | 36,274 |  | Jan | 89,312 | 32,047 |
| Feb | 77,108 | 32,177 |  | Feb | 76,865 | 28,088 |
| Mar | 92,191 | 37,864 |  | Mar | 93,230 | 34,643 |
| O Apr | 102,120 | 41,962 | 들 | Apr | 104,202 | 37,778 |
| May | 107,603 | 46,268 | 5 | May | 111,012 | 42,281 |
| O Jun | 107,400 | 47,785 | O-1 | Jun | 110,608 | 41,251 |
| C Jul | 111,840 | 50,226 | C | Jul | 115,277 | 44,581 |
| - Aug | 111,285 | 49,658 | 5 | Aug | 114,536 | 43,836 |
| $\geqslant$ Sep | 97,968 | 42,634 | $\begin{gathered} 0 \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | Sep | 98,143 | 37,526 |
| Oct | 91,850 | 40,850 | - | Oct | 93,930 | 35,655 |
| Nov | 89,285 | 39,955 |  | Nov | 91,073 | 36,085 |
| Dec | 83,054 | 36,431 |  | Dec | 91,995 | 37,471 |

## POINT ROBERTS / BOUNDARY BAY

## POINT ROBERTS/BOUNDARY BAY TRAVEL CHARACTERISTICS

## FREQUENCY OF CROSSING BY MODE

Figures are averages for both directions.
Winter
Summer

| Travel Frequency | Standard | NEXUS | Standard | NEXUS |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| At least once a day | $2 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| Once a week | $38 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $58 \%$ |
| Once a month | $42 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $30 \%$ |
| Once every 2 months | $5 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| Once a year or less | $13 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $2 \%$ |



The monument marking the border between Point Roberts, WA and Delta, B.C.


[^0]:    Data sources: U.S. Customs \& Border Protection, Canada Border Services Agency, Statistics Canada, U.S.

[^1]:    1. U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics
    2. U.S. Customs \& Border Protection, Canada Border Services Agency
    3. 2014 IMTC Passenger Vehicle Intercept Survey
[^2]:    1. U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics
    2. U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics
    3. U.S. Customs \& Border Protection, Canada Border Services Agency
    4. 2013/2014 IMTC Passenger Intercept Survey
    5. U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics
[^3]:    1. U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics
    2. U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics
    3. U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics, U.S. Customs \& Border Protection
[^4]:    1 U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics
    2 2013-2014 IMTC Passenger Intercept Survey

