



There are 3 main traffic routes for major vessels along coastal and territorial waters: Port Access, Inside Passage, and the Great Circle shipping route. Four deep-sea port locations (Metro Vancouver, Prince Rupert, Kitimat and Stewart) connect vessels to Canada's highways and railways. The Strait of Georgia, Haro Strait, and Juan de Fuca Strait have the highest port access volumes as they provide access and egress to all major ports in the Lower Mainland and US Puget Sound (Reid, 2008).

Reid, S. Major Marine Vessel Casualty Response Preparedness in BC. Cowichan Bay: EnviroEmerg Consulting Services, 2008.

 Deep-sea Ports

Vessel Routes

 Inside Passage

 Great Circle Route

0 60 120 180 240 km

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