

Pacific States/British Columbia Oil Spill Task Force

**Volumes of Crude Oil Transported in 2018  
via Rail, Pipeline, Barge and Vessel  
in the Task Force Jurisdictions**



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## Overview

The Pacific States/British Columbia Oil Spill Task Force initiated the crude movement project in 2013 in response to the emerging increase in crude movement by rail across several Task Force jurisdictions. This increase in rail transport represented a new risk for the region, with large volumes of oil moving through the inland areas where spill preparedness and response planning was less developed than for the marine waters. The work group for this project consists of the Task Force Coordinating Committee members from each of the six jurisdictions:

- Alaska Department of Environmental Quality
- British Columbia Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategies
- California Office of Spill Response
- Hawaii Department of Environmental Health
- Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
- Washington Department of Ecology

The data of volumes transported were collected from the state/provincial agency (or agencies) that track crude movement. The data provided may include crude that is accounted for more than once; for example, a barrel that is transported by rail then by vessel.

We created a map of the movement of crude across existing and new routes, via vessel, barge, pipeline and rail. The map also includes refineries and transfer proposed facilities, plus proposed projects on the West Coast. This map is updated annually and is available on the Task Force website at: <http://oilspilltaskforce.org/ourwork/west-coast-crude-transport-tracking-project/>

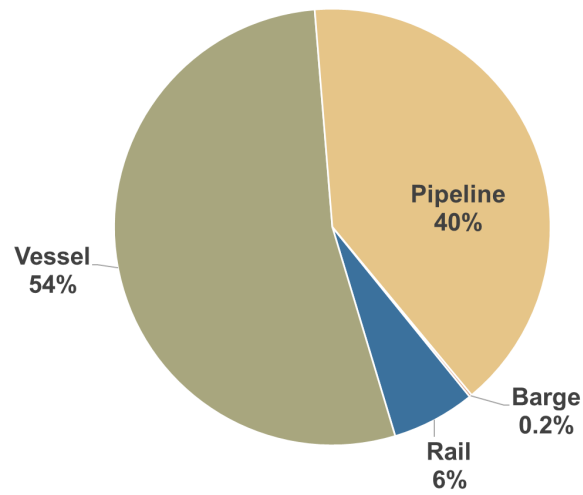
2018	Rail	Vessel	Pipeline	Barge	Exported Crude	Notes and Sources
Alaska	N/A	178,100,000 bbls* (loaded to tankers from the VMT)  (approximate volume loaded to tankers from the VMT)  Note: This volume is included in the Pipeline total. The oil in this category is transferred from the pipeline to tanker vessels at the marine terminal.	185,900,077 bbls **	N/A	0	<i>Data source:</i> APSC PIO* <a href="http://www.alaska-pipe.com/TAPS/PipelineOperations/Throughput">http://www.alaska-pipe.com/TAPS/PipelineOperations/Throughput</a> **  (All of the oil transported in vessels was first transported in the pipeline. The vessel transportation amount reflects the amount of oil transported via pipeline less oil offloaded at two locations along the pipeline route. It is not from a second production source.)
British Columbia	4,380,000 bbls	21,699,592 bbls**  Marine Movement of Crude Oil from BC	109,500,000 bbls  Trans-mountain capacity (Edmonton-Burnaby)	Unknown	0	*Source: "Future Supply, Demand and Transportation of Oil through British Columbia", EnSys Energy, 1/19/2019 NOTE: EnSys represents a combination of capacity and trends, rather than volume per period. EnSys describes the information as "present-day", which appears to smooth the variability of flows over time. ** Source: Fraser Port Authority
California	5,300,000 bbls (3.0 million bbls from Canada;	364,000,000 bbls (135 million bbls from Saudi Arabia;	185,000,000 bbls (all produced in Calif)	397,443 bbls (1 barge from WA)	0	<i>Data Sources:</i> <a href="http://www.energy.ca.gov/almanac/petroleum_data/">http://www.energy.ca.gov/almanac/petroleum_data/</a>

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	1,4 million bbls from New Mexico; 0.9 million bbls from Wyoming)	73 million bbls from Alaska; 52 million bbls from Ecuador; 45 million bbls from Colombia)				<a href="http://www.energy.ca.gov/almanac/petroleum_data/statistics/2016_crude_by_rail.html">http://www.energy.ca.gov/almanac/petroleum_data/statistics/2016_crude_by_rail.html</a> <a href="http://www.conservation.ca.gov/dog/pubs_stats/annual_reports/Pages/annual_reports.aspx">http://www.conservation.ca.gov/dog/pubs_stats/annual_reports/Pages/annual_reports.aspx</a> <a href="https://www.eia.gov/petroleum/supply/monthly/">https://www.eia.gov/petroleum/supply/monthly/</a> State Lands Commission staff.
Hawaii	N/A	48,932,000 bbls	N/A	N/A	0	Obtained from IES Downstream LLC and Par Pacific
Oregon	13,058,826 bbls	2,304,157 bbls	N/A	N/A	2,304,157 bbls	Rail data from railroad line submittals to ODOT. BNSF transported ~2,836 cars to PDX for loading to barges, ~5670 cars from WA to CA through Central Oregon. UPRR ~7,400 cars along Columbia River, with ~7,00 cars to PDX then WA, ~400 cars through PDX to CA via Willamette Valley, Cascades Crossing, Klamath Basin. Finally, the 2,304,157 bbls of oil exported to Asia from the Zenith facility in Portland arrived to the facility via BNSF rail line and is also included in the rail numbers.
Washington	59,448,635 bbls crude	95,014,321 bbls crude	55,491,674 bbls crude	2,097,447 bbls crude	0	Vessel and barge volume based on data from Ecology's Advanced Notice of Transfer System. Barge data includes Articulated Tug and Barge (ATB).  Pipeline volume reported by pipelines.

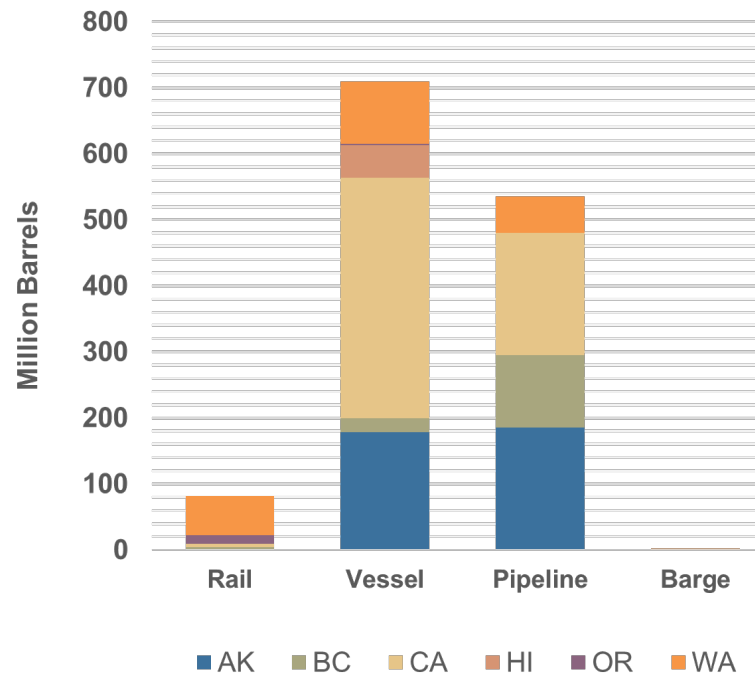
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**Assumptions:**

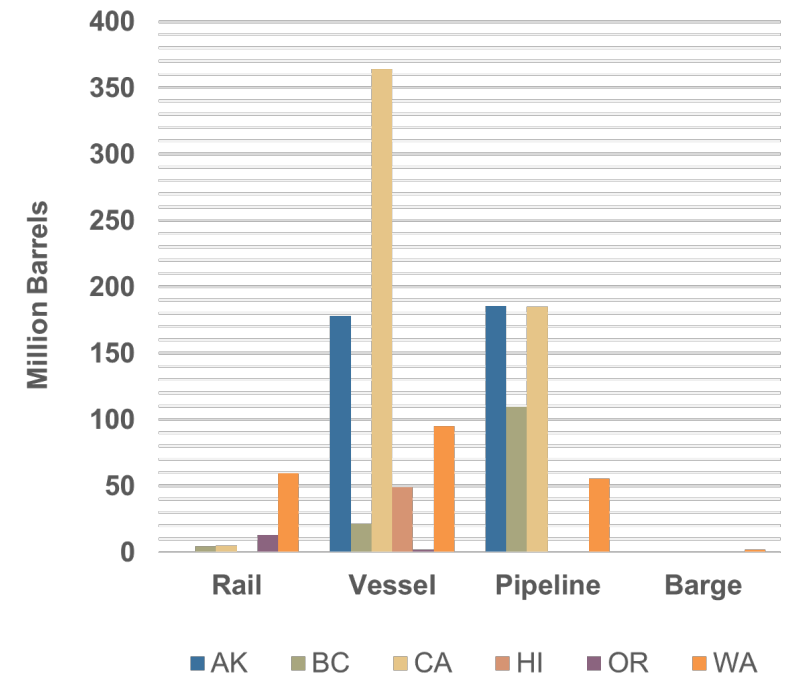
- All volumes reported in barrels (bbl)
- Definition of Crude Oil: All crude oils including Bakken, Alaska North Slope, oil sands products, black waxy and other crudes
- N/A: No transport of crude currently taking place
- Unknown: Transported volumes not currently tracked or measured.



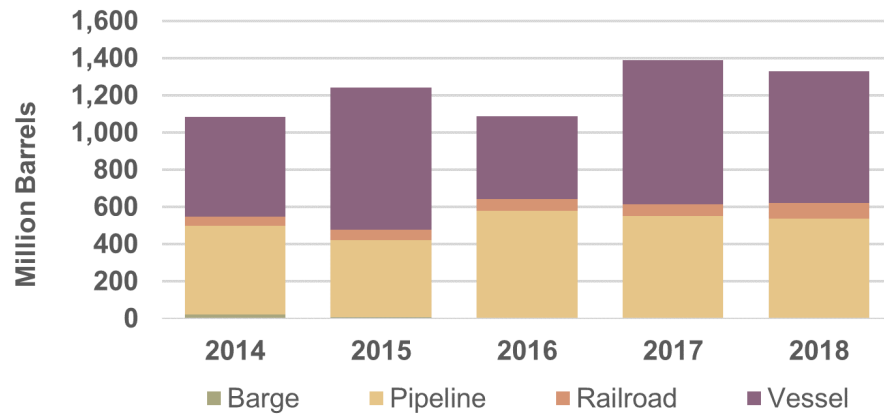
Graph 1: Percent total annual volume by transportation mode (2018)



Graph 2: Annual volume by transportation mode and jurisdiction (2018)



Graph 3: Annual volume by transportation mode and jurisdiction (2018)



Graph 4: Total annual volume by transportation mode (2014-2018)