



Regional Freight Delay and Commodities Movement Study

2020 and 2045 freight modeling results EMCTC TAC, March 1st, 2023 Tim Collins, Metro

Main Study Objectives

- Identify which mobility corridors are carrying the highest volumes and highest values of commodities
- Explore how increases in e-commerce are impacting the transportation system and regional economy
- Examine how congestion and unreliability on the regional transportation system impacts commodity movement
- Make recommendations for future regional policy and planning efforts to improve commodity movement; while addressing equity, safety and climate when applicable

Let's talk freight movement



Freight Network from Regional Freight Strategy



Commodities traveling in the freight corridors (modeled)

The commodities are grouped into 10 categories that include:

- 1) Agriculture; 2) Chemicals and Fertilizers;
- 3)Coal, Oil, Waste, (energy sector commodities);
- 4) Electronics (including computer microchips);
- 5) Food; 6) Gravel, Sand, (rock products); 7) Machinery;
- 8) Misc. manufactured goods;
- 9) Motor Vehicles, other commercial vehicles; and
- 10) Wood, Paper, etc.

Commodities traveling in the I-205 freight corridor from Vancouver to Oregon City (Year 2020 modeled)

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Commodities traveling in the I-205 freight corridor from Gateway to Oregon City (2020 daily \$ in millions)



Grouping by Dally \$M

Key Findings for 2020 – Vancouver to Oregon City

- I-205 south of the Columbia River to Oregon City carries a diverse array of commodity types.
- South of I-84, Food and Electronics are the top two commodity types (by daily value) on I-205 NB; and Food, Misc.
 Manufacturing and Electronics are the top three on I-205 SB
- North of I-84, Motor Vehicles, Machinery, Misc. Manufacturing, and Electronics are the top four commodities on I-205 SB.
- On I-205 SB, about \$3 M daily of motor vehicles, and about \$2 M each of Machinery and Electronics exit I-205 at Airport Way.

Key Findings for 2020 – Vancouver to Oregon City

- On I-205 SB, the daily value of All Goods is \$49.2 M at the Glen Jackson Br., drop to \$40.2 M south of Airport Way, and drops to \$34 M at Stark St. (south of I-84).
- On I-205 NB, the daily value of All Goods is \$33.3 M at Stark St., drops to \$23.7 M south of Airport Way, and increases to \$24.7 M at the Glen Jackson Br.
- On I-205 SB, the daily value of All Goods is \$31.8 M south of Sunnyside Rd.; and drops to \$29.9 M south of OR 224.
- On I-205 NB, the daily value of All Goods is \$29.9 M south of OR 224; and increases to \$33.1 M south of Sunnyside.

Commodities traveling in the I-84 freight corridor from Gateway to Troutdale/Wood Village (Year 2020 modeled)



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Commodities traveling in the I-84 freight corridor from Gateway to Troutdale/Wood Village (2020 daily \$ in millions)



Grouping by Daily \$M

Key Findings for 2020 – Gateway to Wood Village/Troutdale

- I-84 east of I-205 carries a diverse array of commodity types.
- I-84 east of I-205 carries the second largest dollar value and third largest tonnage for 'All Goods' in the corridors.
- East of I-205, Motor Vehicles and Electronics are the top two commodity types (by daily value) on I-84 eastbound.
- East of I-205, Electronics and Food are the top two commodity types (by daily value) on I-84 westbound.

Regional Level Key Findings for 2020 (modeled)

- For All Goods, major interstate highways in the region are carrying both the largest daily tons of commodities, and the largest daily dollar value of goods.
- Electronics, Food, Misc. Manufacturing, and Motor Vehicles are the most common commodity types, by percentage of daily dollar value, on all the interstate and state highways.
- Of All Goods crossing the Columbia River northbound, 73% of the daily dollar value; and 71% of the daily tonnage is on I-5.
- Of All Goods crossing the Columbia River southbound, 57% of the daily dollar value; and 63% of the daily tonnage is on I-5.

Growth rates by percent increases (from 2020 to 2045)

- I-205 south of Sandy Blvd. has over a 100% increase in the daily dollar value of All Goods in both directions.
- I-205 north of Sunnyside Road has about a 90% increase in the daily dollar value of All Goods in both directions.
- I-84 eastbound at both the NE 122nd and at Troutdale/Wood Village locations, has about a 59% increase in the daily dollar value of All Goods.
- I-84 westbound at both the NE 122nd and at Troutdale/Wood Village locations, has about a 47% increase in the daily dollar value of All Goods.

Mobility Corridor Volumes



- Which mobility corridors are carrying the highest volumes?
 - Freeways generally carrying highest volumes: 6k+ trucks daily by direction
 - Other corridors also play important roles for freight movement and connect industrial sites to freeways and destinations

Mobility Corridor Freight Mobility

• Future analysis to come

- Consider average travel speed during all hours of day
- Use INRIX data (15-minute intervals) to compile annual average speeds
- Metro's draft mobility policy 4 hours or less of congestion
 - Expressway Speeds < 35 mph
 - Other throughways (with signals) Speeds < 20 mph
- Report the duration that congestion occurs

Comments and feedback

Questions?

