

BC Ferry Visitor Statistics – Synthesized

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Travel Route

Swartz Bay to: **Pender Island: Otter Bay**
 Mayne Island: Village Bay
 Saturna Island: Lyall Harbour
 Galiano Island: Sturdies Bay

BC Ferry Vessel and Capacity

1. Queen of Cumberland

Passenger Capacity (maximum)	450
Vehicle Capacity (official)	127

2. Mayne Queen

Passenger Capacity (maximum)	393
Vehicle Capacity (official)	70

Peak Traffic Months

The increase of traffic begins May and June and increases dynamically in July and August and begins to settle in September. Demand for Ferries fluctuates by month increasing 160% from January to August.

Percentage of Visitors and People on Vacation

Summer: Vacation 46%
 Visiting 27%
 73% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

Spring: Vacation 26%
 Visiting 17%
 43% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

Residency of Travelers

	Gulf Islands	Vancouver Island	Lower Mainland	Other BC	Outside BC
Summer	28%	42%	14%	2%	14%
Spring	57%	28%	8%	1%	6%

Travel Route

Crofton to: Salt Spring Island: Vesuvius Bay

BC Ferry Vessel and Capacity**1. Howe Sound Queen**

Passenger Capacity (maximum)	330
Vehicle Capacity (official)	70

Peak Traffic Months

The increase of traffic jumps in May tends to decrease in June and then progressively increase through July and August and begins to decline in September. Demand for Ferries fluctuates by month increasing 190% from January to August.

Percentage of Visitors and People on Vacation

Summer: Vacation 44%
 Visiting 22%
66% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

Winter: Vacation 12%
 Visiting 18%
30% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

Residency of Travelers

	Salt Spring Island	Vancouver Island	Lower Mainland	Other	Outside BC
Summer	40%	44%	5%	1%	10%
Winter	58%	38%	3%	0%	1%

Travel Route

Horse Shoe Bay to: Bowen Island: Snug Cove

BC Ferry Vessel and Capacity

1. Queen of Capilano

Passenger Capacity (maximum)	445
Vehicle Capacity (official)	85

Peak Traffic Months

The increase of traffic begins in May holds steady through June and increases again in July; this same amount holds through August and then a decrease appears in September. Demand for Ferries fluctuates by month increasing 130% from January to August.

Percentage of Visitors and People on Vacation

Summer: Vacation 24%
 Visiting 13%
37% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

Winter: Vacation 13%
 Visiting 8%
21% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

Residency of Travelers

	Bowen Island	North & West Vancouver	Other Greater Vancouver	Other BC	Outside BC
Summer	56%	15%	21%	5%	3%
Winter	80%	6%	12%	2%	0%

Travel Route

Tsawwassen to:	Galiano Island:	Sturdies Bay
	Mayne Island:	Village Bay
	Pender Islands:	Otter Bay
	Salt Spring Island:	Long Harbour

BC Ferry Vessel and Capacity

1. Queen of Nanaimo

Passenger Capacity (maximum)	1183
Vehicle Capacity (official)	192

2. Bowen Queen

Passenger Capacity (maximum)	393
Vehicle Capacity (official)	70

Peak Traffic Months

The increase of traffic begins in May and increases through June. There is a drastic increase in demand from June to July and into August. From August there is a decline to the same amount of demand there was in June. Demand for Ferries fluctuates by month increasing 330% from January to August. In the summer period the Bowen Queen runs a supplementary service to service all the visitors by running from Tsawwassen and Long Harbour on Salt Spring Island five days a week.

Percentage of Visitors and People on Vacation

Summer:	Vacation	62%
	<u>Visiting</u>	<u>24%</u>
		86% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

Winter:	Vacation	30%
	<u>Visiting</u>	<u>30%</u>
		60% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

Residency of Travelers

	Gulf Islands	Lower Mainland	Vancouver Island	Other BC	Outside BC
Summer	20%	59%	2%	2%	17%
Winter	49%	47%	1%	1%	2%

Travel Route

Nanaimo Harbour to: Gabriola Island: Descanso Bay

BC Ferry Vessel and Capacity

1. Quinsam

Passenger Capacity (maximum)	400
Vehicle Capacity (official)	70

Peak Traffic Months

The increase of traffic begins in May decreases in June and then continues to increase through July and August with a decline into September. Demand for Ferries fluctuates by month increasing 140% from January to August.

Percentage of Visitors and People on Vacation

Summer: Vacation 22%
 Visiting 18%
40% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

Winter: Vacation 10%
 Visiting 16 %
26% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

Residency of Travelers

	Gabriola Island	Nanaimo	Southern Vancouver Island	Lower Mainland	Other BC and Canada
Summer	54%	13%	4%	5%	24%
Winter	74%	11%	4%	0%	11%

Travel Route

**Chemainus to: Thetis Island
Kuper Island**

BC Ferry Vessel and Capacity

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| 1. Klitsa (Summer Vessel) | |
| Passenger Capacity (maximum) | 195 |
| Vehicle Capacity (official) | 26 |
| 2. Kahloke (Winter Vessel) | |
| Passenger Capacity (maximum) | 195 |
| Vehicle Capacity (official) | 30 |

Peak Traffic Months

There is an increase in traffic in May, a slight decline into June and then an increase into July and August with a decline again in September. Demand for Ferries fluctuates by month increasing 140% from January to August.

Percentage of Visitors and People on Vacation

Summer: Vacation 45%
 Visiting 16%
 61% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

Winter: Vacation 27%
 Visiting 16%
 53% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

Residency of Travelers

	Thetis/Kuper Island	Chemainus	Other Vancouver Island	Lower Mainland	Other BC and Canada
Summer	41%	8%	24%	13%	13%
Winter	46%	7%	26%	13%	7%

Travel Route**Buckley Bay to: Denman Island****BC Ferry Vessel and Capacity****1. Quinitsa**

Passenger Capacity (maximum)	394
Vehicle Capacity (official)	50

Peak Traffic Months

There is a slight decline in traffic in May which is followed by a large and constant increase in demand from June through to August. September's traffic is declined from August but is more than May.

Percentage of Visitors and People on Vacation

Summer: Vacation 46%
 Visiting 16%

62% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

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Residency of Travelers

	Denman Island	Hornby Island	Other Vancouver Island	Lower Mainland	Other BC & Outside BC
Summer	25%	7%	34%	19%	15%
Winter	*	*	*	*	*

*** Winter statistics are unavailable**

Travel Route

Denman Island (Gravelly Bay) to: Hornby Island (Shingle Spit)

BC Ferry Vessel and Capacity

1. Kahloke (Summer Vessel)	
Passenger Capacity (maximum)	195
Vehicle Capacity (official)	30
2. Tachek (Winter Vessel)	
Passenger Capacity (maximum)	243
Vehicle Capacity (official)	30

Peak Traffic Months

There is a steady incline of traffic from May to June followed by a drastic increase into July through to August. The traffic settles to be the same amount as it was during June in September. Demand for Ferries fluctuates by month increasing 350% from January to August.

Percentage of Visitors and People on Vacation

Summer: Vacation 45%
 Visiting 16%

61% of BC Ferry traffic in the summer is visitors.

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Residency of Travelers

	Hornby Island	Vancouver Island	Lower Mainland	Other BC	Outside BC
Summer	19%	34%	28%	5%	13%
Winter	*	*	*	*	*

*** Winter statistics are available**