

FREIGHT TRAVEL MARKET SUMMARY NO. 1A: CHARLOTTE COUNTY TO PORT MANATEE

Trends and Conditions

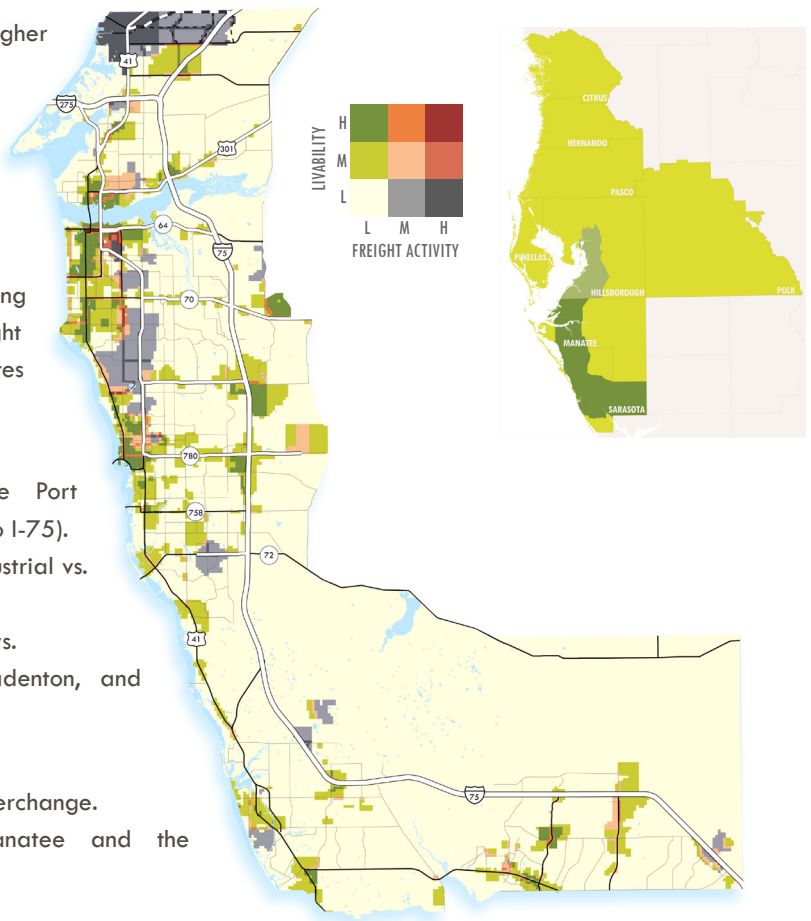
- Truck volume is forecast to increase at a higher rate than auto volume.
- Total truck volume in the corridor is expected to double between 2010 and 2035.
- The bulk of forecasted growth in truck volume is expected to be carried by freeways.
- Trucks are expected to comprise an increasing percentage of total traffic on regional freight mobility corridors and freight distribution routes between 2010 and 2035.

Freight Travel Market Issues

- Accessibility to Port Manatee and the Port Encouragement Zone (especially east/west to I-75).
- Conflicting development pressures (port/industrial vs. residential).
- Commuter/freight traffic conflicts on freeways.
- Truck traffic in downtown Sarasota, Bradenton, and Palmetto.

Potential Strategies/Projects

- Port Manatee Connector to I-75 and new interchange.
- New access road connecting Port Manatee and the Encouragement Zone.
- Add capacity to I-75 (special use lanes).
- ITS/signal optimization/channelization on regional freight mobility corridors.



2035 Freight Network Performance Statistics

FACILITY CLASS	Total VMT	Class %	Auto VMT	Class %	Truck VMT	Class %	% Truck Traffic
Limited Access Freeway	10,354,472	36%	8,452,073	33%	1,902,399	71%	18.4%
Regional Freight Mobility Corridor	6,400,219	22%	6,000,270	23%	399,949	15%	6.2%
Other Designated Freight Distribution Route	10,258,218	36%	9,900,209	38%	358,009	13%	3.5%
FAC Street	1,490,984	5%	1,462,646	6%	28,338	1%	1.9%
Total	28,503,893	100%	25,815,198	100%	2,688,695	100%	9.4%