

Washington

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“This is an incredibly valuable industry and we need to do everything humanly possible we can to protect and grow our position. To do this, we must act boldly.”

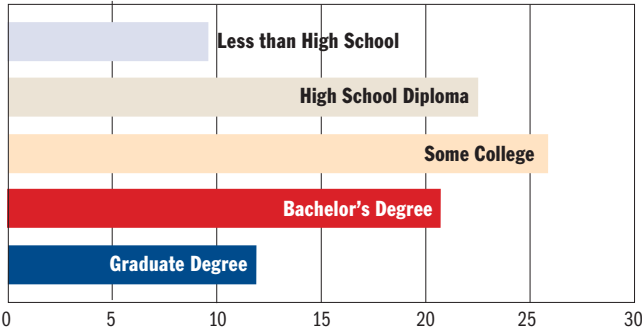
— Gov. Jay Inslee, speaking about the aerospace industry in remarks made at the Governor’s Aerospace Conference, October 2, 2013

Governor: Jay Inslee (D) choosewashington.com

Right-to-work state: No

Population 2013: 6,933,534 Population growth forecast 2013 thru 2018: 4.42% Median household income: \$64,061 Median age: 37.2

Work Force Education by Percentage



Rankings that Matter

GDP	14 (\$325,165*)
Business Tax Climate	6
Small Business Policy	6
Career Readiness Certificates	29 (2,093)
High School Graduation	36
Health	14

* Real GDP in US millions

Legislative Update

- In November, Washington state lawmakers passed an \$8.7 billion tax incentive package during a special session of the legislature in an attempt to keep Boeing’s 777x production in the state.
- The legislature met three times in 2013, with two special sessions focusing on tax incentives for Boeing and passing a large transportation package valued at approximately \$10 billion which would be financed in part by a hefty increase in the state’s gas tax. By early December, the legislature still had not passed the transportation package.

- Three bills from the governor’s Working Washington Agenda were signed into law in July 2013: HB 1866, a bill to continue the new Joint Center for Aerospace Technology Innovation; HB 1872, a comprehensive STEM education initiative; and SB 5718, a bill to track development of MyAccount, a one-stop tax payment and licensing portal for Washington businesses.
- Following the 2012 passage of legislation to legalize marijuana sales in Washington, the state’s Liquor Control Board passed rules for the recreational sale of pot in November 2013.

Did You Know?

- Washington State received \$2 million from the U.S. Dept of Energy SunShot Initiative, a program to make rooftop solar installations more accessible, faster and affordable for citizens.
- Washington set up three new Innovation Partnership Zones (IPZs) designed to spur regional economic growth in the manufacturing, global health and technology sectors. Washington has 18 IPZs throughout the state to encourage collaboration and innovation through training and sharing best practices.
- According to a study released in November 2013, the maritime industry in Washington State generated a total of \$30 billion in direct, indirect and induced revenues in 2012 and creates over 148,000 jobs.
- Washington was named one of the top 10 states for energy efficiency on the 2013 State Energy Efficiency Scorecard released by the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE).

Selected Corporate Facility Projects 2013

Company	City	County	Type	New/ Exp.	Product	Investment (\$ millions)	Employment
Amazon	Seattle	King	OF	E	Retail Merchandise	\$266	12,000
SGL Automotive Carbon Fibers	Moses Lake	Grant	MF	E	Carbon	100	
Targa Sound Terminals	Tacoma	Pierce	MF	E	Petroleum	80	
Niagara Bottling Inc	Frederickson		MF	N	Bottled Water	50	36
AstaReal Technologies/ Fuji Chemical Industry	Moses Lake	Grant	MF	N	Supplements	30	45
Odom Corporation	Spokane	Spokane	DW	E	Beverages	20	173
URM Stores Inc.	Spokane	Spokane	DW	E	Food	4	
Omohundro	Port Orchard	Kitsap	MF	N	Reflectors	3	40
Scafo Grain Systems	Spokane Valley		OF/DW	E	Farm Machinery	3	
US Mat Systems	Winton	Chelan	MF	N	Mat System for Oil Rigs	2	100
Vivint	Liberty Lake	Spokane	OF	N	Home Automation	1	400
State Farm	Tacoma	Pierce	OF	E	Claims	1	253
Booking.com	Bellevue	King	CC	N	Customer Care		350
BE Aerospace	Everett	Snohomish	MF	N	Aerospace Parts		100
Umbra	Everett	Snohomish	RD	E	Aerospace		100
Mtorres	Everett	Snohomish	MF	E	Aerospace Parts		20
American Steel	Kent	King	DW	N	Metal Service Center		
Boeing	Everett	Snohomish	OF	N	Aircraft		
Dart Container	Tacoma	Pierce	MF	N	Food Containers		
FastCap	Ferndale	Whatcom	MF	N	Plastic Products		
GB Auctions	Auburn	King	DW	N	Automobiles		
Integra Telecom	Vancouver	Clark	OF	N	Telecommunications		
Paccar	Algona	KING	MF	N	Trucks		
RealNetworks	Seattle	King	OF	N	Software		
State Farm	Tacoma	Pierce	OF	N	Insurance		
Zulily	Seattle	King	DW	N	Retail Merchandise		

MF = Manufacturing OF = Office HQ = Headquarters RD = Research & Development CC = Contact Center DW = Distribution/Warehouse

N = New E = Expansion

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