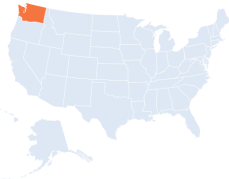


## Introduction

The state of Washington is located in the northwest corner of the continental United States and features a predominately mountainous terrain. Mining was the main driver of Washington's economy in the 19th century, and the discovery of gold in Alaska during the early 20th century sparked the growth of Seattle. The city's location made it a perfect departure point for those hoping to strike it rich in the northern frontier. In modern times, Washington has become a manufacturing hub for the aerospace and technology industries. The cities of Seattle, Tacoma, and Everett in the Puget Sound contain a significant portion of Washington's commercial development. The Columbia River has long been at the heart of Washington's economy as a source of transportation, fishing, hydroelectric power, and irrigation. Other significant contributors to Washington's economy include wheat, aluminum, and tourism.



- Abbreviation:** WA
- Capital:** Olympia
- Nick Name:** Evergreen State
- Time Zone-Standard:** GMT -8
- Time Zone-Daylight Saving:** GMT -7
- Sales Tax Rate:** 6.50%
- Motto:** By and by
- Web Site:** <https://access.wa.gov/>

## Government

- Governor:** Jay Robert Inslee (D)
- Senator:** Maria Cantwell (D)
- Senator:** Patty Murray (D)
- Entered Union:** November 11, 1889

## Statistics

Total GDP (Billions):	\$445,413.00 (2015)
Per Capita Real GDP:	\$55,577 (2015)
Population:	7,288,000 (2016)
% of People under Poverty Level:	12.20%
Per Capita Personal Income:	\$53,493
Unemployment Rate:	5.40% (2016)
% of Population with a Bachelor's Degree:	34.20%
Total Exports:	\$90,547,036,334.00 (2014)

## Top 5 Export Partner Countries

Country	Exports
China	\$16,747,104,619
Canada	\$8,931,953,892
Japan	\$7,004,477,758
United Arab Emirates	\$4,031,569,655
Mexico	\$3,202,533,801

## Top 5 Export Merchandise

Segment	Exports
Transportation Equipment	\$44,588,157,800
Crop Production	\$10,324,409,441
Petroleum & Coal Products	\$4,747,928,650
Computers & Electronic Prod.	\$3,665,701,024
Processed Foods	\$3,454,350,968

## Major Cities

City	Population
Seattle	684,451
Spokane	213,272
Tacoma	207,948

## Main Airports

Code	Name	City
BLI	Bellingham International Airport	Bellingham
GEG	Spokane International Airport	Spokane
PSC	Tri-Cities Airport	Pasco
SEA	Seattle-Tacoma International Airport	Seattle
YKM	Yakima Air Terminal	Yakima

## Main Ports

Port of Olympia, Port of Seattle, Port of Tacoma

## Corporations

Company	Fortune 1000 Rank	Revenue	City
Amazon.com	12	\$135,987,000,000	Seattle
Costco	16	\$118,719,000,000	Issaquah
Microsoft	28	\$85,320,000,000	Redmond
Starbucks	131	\$21,316,000,000	Seattle
Paccar	164	\$17,033,000,000	Bellevue
Nordstrom	188	\$14,757,000,000	Seattle
Expedia	317	\$8,774,000,000	Bellevue
Weyerhaeuser	341	\$7,902,000,000	Federal Way
Expeditors International of Washington	429	\$6,098,000,000	Seattle
Alaska Air Group	438	\$5,931,000,000	Seattle

**Corporate Marginal Income Tax Rate:** none  
**Individual Income Tax Rate:** none

## U.S. Commercial Service

<b>Seattle</b> Diane Mooney USEAC Director (206) 553-5615 ext. 236	<b>Spokane</b> Janet Bauermeister USEAC Director (509) 344-9398
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**Web page:** <http://export.gov/washington/>