

The Builder's Bulletin

Homing in on our Region's Housing Statistics

MONTH'S SUPPLY OF HOUSING INVENTORY

AS OF OCTOBER 2016



King County had **1.12 months' supply** of inventory (down from 1.29 months of inventory a year ago)



Snohomish County had **1.31 months' supply** of inventory (down from 1.91 a year ago)

Many industry analysts consider a four-to-six-month level as an indicator of a healthy market.

Source: Northwest Multiple Listing Service

MEDIAN HOME PRICE

IN OCTOBER 2016



The median price of single family homes and condos was **\$495,500** in King County and **\$369,950** in Snohomish County.



For single family homes only, the median price in King County rose 14.58 percent, from \$480,000 a year ago to **\$550,000**. The median price in Snohomish County rose 5.92 percent, from \$365,000 to **\$386,599**.

In Seattle, the median single family home price for June was **\$625,000**, a 12.61 percent increase from October 2015.

Source: Northwest Multiple Listing Service

POPULATION

The Puget Sound Region's population as of April 1, 2016 was 3,985,040.

Over the past year, the region added 86,320 people, as follows:

• King County +52,300

• Kitsap County +4,390

• Pierce County +14,370

• Snohomish County +15,260





Source: Office of Financial Management

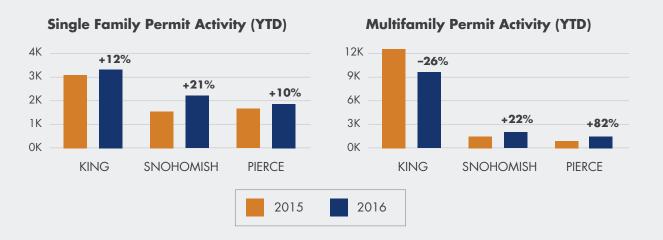
BUILDING PERMITS

The following building permit data is for the Seattle Metro Area (including King, Snohomish and Pierce counties).

7,448 Single Family Permits (YTD as of Sept. 30, 2016) YTD % Change Compared to 2015: **+14%**

11,014 Multifamily Permits (YTD as of Sept. 30, 2016) YTD % Change Compared to 2015: **-19**%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau



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JOBS

Since 2010, the Puget Sound Region has added 279,000 jobs representing a 16% increase. We've added over three jobs for every housing unit.



The Washington Unemployment Rate for October 2016 is 5.4%, and for Seattle/Bellevue/Everett it is **3.8%.**

Washington added 1,900 construction jobs between September 2016 and October 2016, bringing total employment in construction up to **189,500 statewide.**

Source: Puget Sound Regional Council and Employment Security Department: WA Employment Estimates (Seasonally Adjusted), October 2016

