

The Builder's Bulletin

Homing in on our Region's Housing Statistics

MONTH'S SUPPLY OF HOUSING INVENTORY AS OF APRIL 2017



King County had **0.87 months' supply** of inventory (down from 1.12 months of inventory a year ago)



Snohomish County had **0.90 months' supply** of inventory (down from 1.21 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 APRIL 2017



The median price of single family homes and condos was **\$550,000** in King County and **\$416,668** in Snohomish County.



For single family homes only, the median price in King County rose 15.74 percent, from \$540,000 a year ago to **\$625,000**. The median price in Snohomish County rose 17.33 percent, from \$375,000 to **\$440,000**.

In Seattle, the median single family home price for April was **\$722,250**, a 13.34 percent increase from April 2016.

Source: Northwest Multiple Listing Service

POPULATION

The Puget Sound Region's population as of April 1, 2017 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).

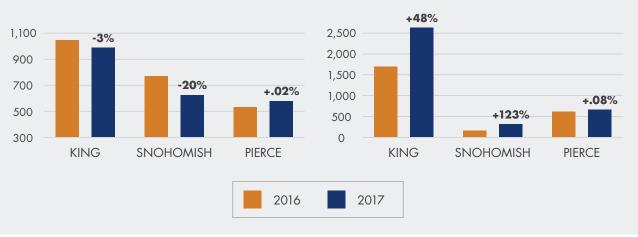
2,209 Single Family Permits (YTD as of Mar. 31, 2017) YTD % Change Compared to 2016: -8%

3,520 Multifamily Permits (YTD as of Mar. 31, 2017) YTD % Change Compared to 2016: **+53%**

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Single Family Permit Activity (YTD)

Multifamily Permit Activity (YTD)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

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 May 2017 is 4.6% and for Seattle/ Bellevue/Everett it is **3.3%**.

Construction employment in Washington remained unchanged between March 2017 and April 2017. Total employment in construction is **195,600 statewide**.

Source: Puget Sound Regional Council, Employment Security Department: WA Employment Estimates (Seasonally Adjusted), May 2017, and Bureau of Labor Statistics.



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