

# The Builder's Bulletin

Homing in on our Region's Housing Statistics

SEPTEMBER 2017

## MONTH'S SUPPLY OF HOUSING INVENTORY

AS OF JULY 2017



King County had **1.00 months' supply** of inventory (down from 1.18 months of inventory a year ago)



Snohomish County had **1.13 months' supply** of inventory (down from 1.30 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 IULY 2017



The median price of single family homes and condos was **\$599,000** in King County and **\$430,000** in Snohomish County.



For single family homes only, the median price in King County rose 18.56 percent, from \$555,000 a year ago to **\$658,000**. The median price in Snohomish County rose 11.87 percent, from \$405,000 to **\$453,085**.

In Seattle, the median single family home price for June was **\$748,500**, a 15.15 percent increase from July 2016.

Source: Northwest Multiple Listing Service

# **POPULATION**

The Puget Sound Region's population as of April 1, 2017 was 4,066,800.

Over the past year, the region added 81,760 people, as follows:

• King County +48,600

• Kitsap County +1,710

• Pierce County +14,910

• Snohomish County +16,540





Source: Office of Financial Management

### **BUILDING PERMITS**

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

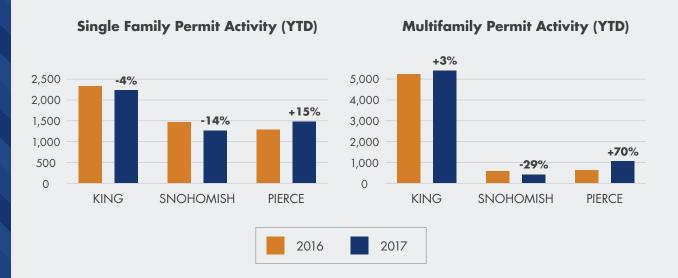
**5,020 Single Family Permits** (YTD as of June 30, 2017)

YTD % Change Compared to 2016: -2%

**6,968 Multifamily Permits** (YTD as of June 30, 2017)

YTD % Change Compared to 2016: +8%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau



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## **JOBS**

Between 2010 and 2016, the Puget Sound Region added 301,600 jobs. We've added over three jobs for every housing unit.



The Washington Unemployment Rate for July 2017 is 4.5% and for Seattle/Bellevue/Everett it is **3.5%**.

Construction employment in Washington fell by 1,300 between June 2017 and July 2017. Total employment in construction is **194,800 statewide**.

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

