# **TECHNOLOGY**

**TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY** WASHINGTON (USA)





#### **IMPRESSIVE TALENT & BREATHTAKING VIEWS**

From our vibrant communities to our world-class economy, the entire Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue region is increasingly identified as a top destination for the creative class. We offer beautiful views of Mt. Rainier, waterfront and outdoor recreation, a growing international airport with global connections, and employment anchors like Amazon, Microsoft, Boeing and Zillow. But beyond the picturesque panoramas and global giants, there are very practical reasons technology companies succeed in the Puget Sound—our world-class regional workforce; a data network stretching from Canada to Southern California and across the Pacific to Asia; and supportive business programs designed to help you launch operations successfully.





## **TOP TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES**

Topia Technology Alliance Enterprises 28 Oxford Global Resources Marvell Technology Group Post-Secondary ScaleMatrix Institutions

#### MAGNET FOR TALENT



Twenty-five regional colleges and universities, along with 36 technical schools, produce 56,800 graduates a year, including 17,750 with related engineering, mathematics, analytics, business and other high-tech degrees. Across the entire Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue area, there are 298,000 people employed in select computer and engineering-related occupations, with 71,122 specifically related to applications and systems software developers. Washington State was ranked the #1 in the nation for its health care, education, economy and opportunities by US News and World Reports (2019) and for its economy by WalletHub (2019).

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**100% PLACEMENT RATES FOR UW TACOMA'S TECHNOLOGY & ANALYTICS GRADUATES** Employers include: Infoblox | Microsoft | T-Mobile | Amazon | Google | Boeing | Citco | AmEx



On the Centeris Transpacific Hub Network



No.1 Washington State Best for Growth (U.S. News)

#### **REGIONAL FAST FACTS**

- Population: 3,867,046
- Labor Force: 2,146,096
- 45% of Household Incomes: > \$75,000
- Median Age: 37.1
- Median Household Income: \$69,278
- Pierce Co. Median Home Price: \$349,400
- Pierce Co. Cost of Living Index: 111.7



#### TAXES AND COST-SAVING INCENTIVES

- No personal state income tax
- No corporate income tax
- No inventory tax
- Business & Occupation (B&O) tax rate of 0.4% for all office and service businesses; state and local tax breaks for new employers can help offset this
- Job training funds through licensed educational institutions
- Electric rates are 50% below national averages and 60% below West Coast averages
- State of Washington B&O Tax Credit for customized training
- State of Washington Strategic Reserve Fund
- Other project-specific state & local programs



#### EASE OF ACCESS TO THE WORLD'S TOP MARKETS

SeaTac International Airport is conveniently located 22 miles north of Pierce County and is equidistant from major markets in Europe and Asia. Frequent direct flights reach the Bay Area, Boston, New York, Toronto and Washington, as well as international hubs like Beijing, Frankfurt, Hong Kong, London, Paris, Seoul, Shanghai and Tokyo. In total, 31 airlines connect our region to 28 international and 91 non-stop domestic destinations.





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The Economic Development Board for Tacoma-Pierce County (EDB) helps companies looking to relocate or expand in Pierce County with market information, site selection, collaboration with state and local officials, connections with workforce training and more. The EDB offers these services confidentially and at no cost, as it is our mission to generate jobs and wealth for the South Sound region. We welcome you to discover the endless opportunities that await you in Pierce County, Washington, U.S.A.