

TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY WASHINGTON (USA)





#### FROM PRODUCTION TO NEW MATERIALS AND R&D, WE'RE OPERATING ON A WHOLE NEW PLANE

Tacoma-Pierce County has deep aerospace roots. We are part of the supply chain for **Boeing's 737, 747, 767, 777** and **787**. But we go further. Our global reach and experienced manufacturing network have expertise in: composites, plastics, and advanced materials; fabrication, machining and tooling; testing and engineering; assembly and metal finishing. Join our successful supply chain, where your business will soar to new heights.





# NOSE-TO-TAIL SUPPLY CHAIN

The Boeing Company Toray Composite Materials America GKN Aerospace Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics Tool Gauge AIM Aerospace P&J Machining Cadence Aerospace Service Steel Aerospace General Plastics Manufacturing Company



# LOGISTICS & MARKET ACCESS

Pierce County's strategic location in the Puget Sound region makes connectivity seamless and efficient. SeaTac International Airport is conveniently located just north of Pierce County and is located equidistant to Europe and Asia. This supports the transportation of aerospace components, which account for 11% of all air cargo, to both continents. By sea, the Northwest Seaport Alliance is the 4th largest container gateway in North America, making trade and logistics part of the integrated supply network. A highway system serves the US West Coast, Western Canada, Mexico and other major US cities. Access to both major US railroads ensures limitless options for logistics and transportation. Pierce County can confidently connect your network from air, sea, land or rail.

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#### **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
- Family-wage jobs credit
- No sales or use tax on machinery and equipment used in manufacturing operations
- No sales or use tax for aerospace businesses for computer hardware/ software/peripherals
- 40% reduction in Business & Occupation (B&O) tax rate for aerospace businesses
- No retail sales or use tax for the construction of new facilities used for airplane repair & maintenance
- One of the largest, most successful foreign trade zones
- Workforce training grants and credits
- Other project-specific state & local programs



## **HIGHLY SKILLED TALENT SUPPLY**

Twenty-five regional colleges and universities, along with 36 technical schools, produce 56,800 graduates each year. University of Washington Tacoma, and Bates and Clover Park Technical Colleges each serve as a significant pipeline of aerospace workers. 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). We are a magnet for top talent.





## **CONTACT US FOR ASSISTANCE**

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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 to 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.