

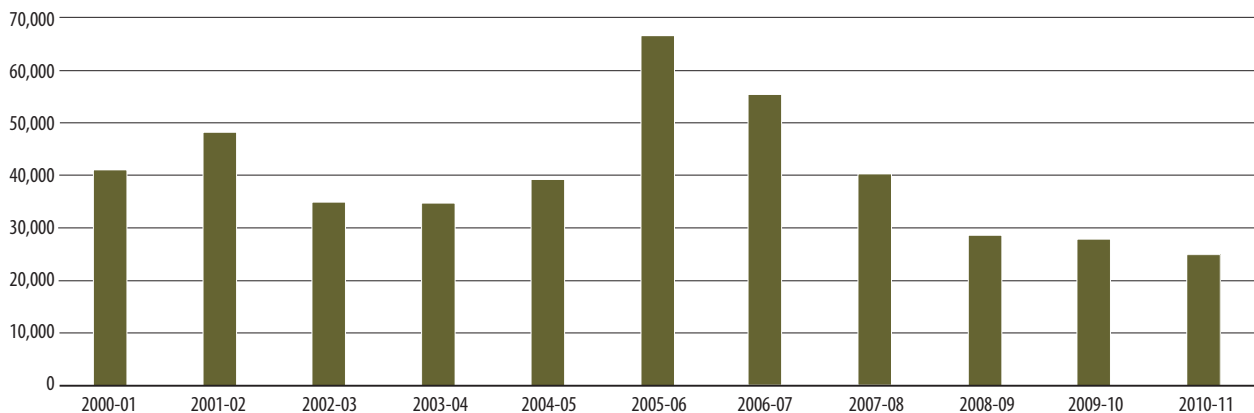
Population of Cities and Towns

As of April 1, 2011, population in the central Puget Sound region was estimated at a total of 3,715,650 persons, an increase of approximately 24,700 persons (0.7%) over the 2010 decennial census count. It marks another year of slowed growth in the region with the growth rate at its lowest since 2000.

Recovery from the economic downturn in 2008 has been slow, placing a drag on in-migration to the region. Despite a small uptick in regional employment levels from 2010 to 2011, unemployment rates remain as high or higher than the state or national rates, weakening the incentive for potential job seekers to migrate into the region. Additionally, migration levels have been dampened by the effects of the housing bust. With numerous homeowners owing more on their homes than what they are worth, many are choosing to remain in place.

This issue of Puget Sound Trends presents the Washington State Office of Financial Management's official April 1, 2011 population estimates for cities, towns, and counties in the central Puget Sound region. Appendix A presents a map of the region and its municipalities, and Appendix B presents the population estimates.

Figure 1. Annual Population Change in the Central Puget Sound*



Note: * Trends for 2000-2010 are based on intercensal estimates from OFM and 2000 and 2010 Census population counts.

County Populations

As of April 1, 2011 the population of King County was estimated at 1,942,600 persons, followed by Pierce with 802,150, Snohomish with 717,000, and Kitsap with 253,900 persons. King County saw the largest nominal growth from 2010-11 with approximately 11,350 persons (0.6%). Kitsap County, which grew by approximately 2,770 persons (1.1%), was the fastest growing county in the region, as well as one of the fastest in the state. Pierce County followed with a growth rate of 0.9% (6,930 persons), while Snohomish County grew by 0.5% (3,670 persons).

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Table 1. Population of Central Puget Sound Counties

County	Census 2000	Census 2010	OFM 2011	Change 2000-10	Percent Change 2000-10	Avg Annual Percent Change 2000-10	Change 2010-11	Percent Change 2010-11
King	1,737,046*	1,931,249	1,942,600	194,203	11.2%	1.1%	11,351	0.6%
Kitsap	231,969	251,133	253,900	19,164	8.3%	0.8%	2,767	1.1%
Pierce	700,818*	795,225	802,150	94,407	13.5%	1.3%	6,925	0.9%
Snohomish	606,024	713,335	717,000	107,311	17.7%	1.6%	3,665	0.5%
Region	3,275,857*	3,690,942	3,715,650	415,100	12.7%	1.2%	24,708	0.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Washington State Office of Financial Management.

Note: * Indicates a correction to the federal 2000 census count and/or a revised state estimate.

Cities and Towns

The central Puget Sound region is made up of 82 cities and towns. These cities and towns are home to about 70% of the region's population and have grown by 55,560 people (2.2%) since the 2010 Census. Overall, the incorporated population has grown by 20% or 422,200 persons since the 2000 Census, with annexations of previously unincorporated areas accounting for 38% of the growth. Annexations continue to contribute to the growth of incorporated areas. From 2010-11, about 74% of the growth in incorporated areas resulted from annexation activity. A substantial portion of that occurred in King County. The remainder of the increase results from real population change; i.e., natural population change (birth minus deaths) and net migration (people moving in minus people moving out).

Table 2. Top Ten Cities with the Greatest Nominal Population Growth from 2010 to 2011

Municipality	County	Census 2000	Census 2010	Population 2011	Change 2010-11	Percent Change 2010-11	Population Annexed 2010-11
Kent	King	79,524	92,411	118,200	25,789	27.9%	25,458
Burien	King	31,881	33,313	47,660	14,347	43.1%	14,292
Seattle	King	563,376	608,660	612,100	3,440	0.6%	0
Renton	King	50,052	90,927	92,590	1,663	1.8%	16
Sammamish	King	34,104	45,780	46,940	1,160	2.5%	906
Bremerton	Kitsap	37,259	37,729	38,790	1,061	2.8%	0
Bellevue	King	109,827	122,363	123,400	1,037	0.8%	0
Redmond	King	45,256	54,144	55,150	1,006	1.9%	147
Marysville	Snohomish	25,315	60,020	60,660	640	1.1%	0
Auburn (all)	King/Pierce	43,047	70,180	70,705	525	0.7%	0

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Washington State Office of Financial Management

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Table 2 presents a list of the top 10 cities with the greatest nominal population growth between 2010 and 2011. Listed are three of the region's five metropolitan cities (Seattle, Bellevue, and Bremerton), traditional population centers (Auburn, Burien, Kent, Redmond, and Renton), and emerging population centers such as Marysville and Sammamish.

Considerable growth in Kent and Burien occurred as a result of two large annexations which contributed nearly all of the growth in these two cities. Kent incorporated nearly 25,500 people in the Panther Lake area and Burien annexed about 14,300 people in the North Highland area. Sammamish also saw substantial gains, increasing by nearly 1,200 people, 80% of which was due to annexation.

The contribution of annexation to Renton's and Redmond's growth was relatively small. These cities grew largely from real population change, much like Auburn, Marysville, and the three metropolitan cities on the list.

Table 3. Top Ten Cities with the Greatest Percentage Population Growth from 2010 to 2011

Municipality	County	Census 2000	Census 2010	OFM 2011	Change 2010-11	Percent Change 2010-11	Population Annexed 2010-11
Burien	King	31,881	33,313	47,660	14,347	43.1%	14,292
Kent	King	79,524	92,411	118,200	25,789	27.9%	25,458
DuPont	Pierce	2,452	8,199	8,430	231	2.8%	0
Bremerton	Kitsap	37,259	37,729	38,790	1,061	2.8%	0
Snoqualmie	King	1,631	10,670	10,950	280	2.6%	0
Port Orchard	Kitsap	7,693	11,157#	11,440	283	2.5%	40
Sammamish	King	34,104	45,780	46,940	1,160	2.5%	906
Enumclaw (all)	King/Pierce	11,116	10,669	10,920	251	2.4%	194
Redmond	King	45,256	54,144	55,150	1,006	1.9%	147
Renton	King	50,052	90,927	92,590	1,663	1.8%	16

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Washington State Office of Financial Management.

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Census 2010 population and housing adjusted for annexations effective and approved by OFM from January 2, 2010 to April 1, 2010.

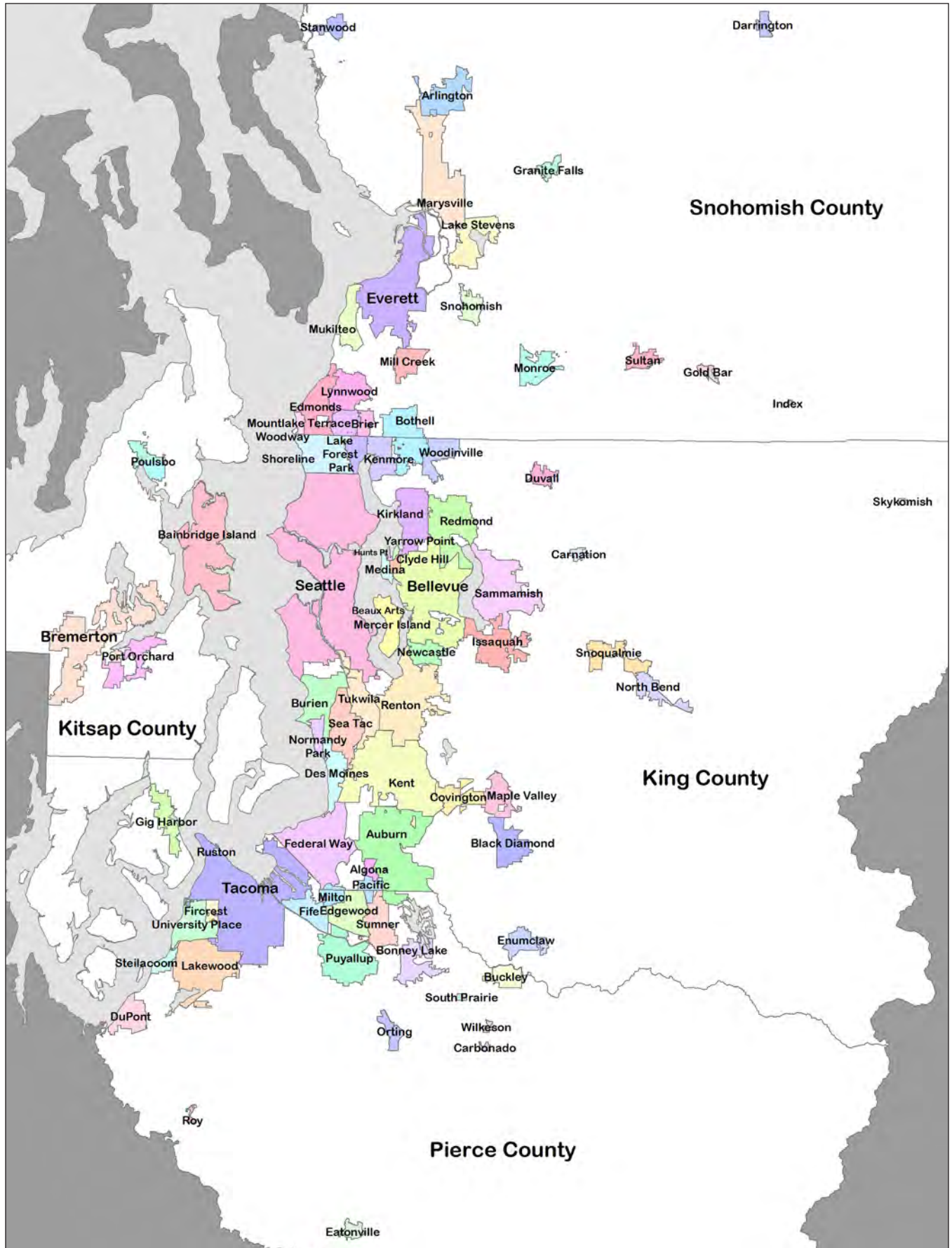
Table 3 lists the top 10 cities with the greatest percentage population growth from 2010 to 2011. Cities such as Burien, Bremerton, Kent, Redmond, Renton, and Sammamish also appear in the list of cities with the largest nominal population growth.

Burien and Kent are the two fastest growing cities, with a 43% and 28% percent increase in population during 2010-11, respectively. Most towns and cities in Table 3 grew moderately with a growth rate between 2-3%. Enumclaw and Sammamish owe nearly 80% of their growth to annexations of previously unincorporated areas. Redmond and Renton grew slightly below 2% with minimal annexations.

DuPont, Bremerton, and Snoqualmie grew primarily as a result of real population change. Growth in these cities has been boosted by large planned developments as well as major redevelopment activity, as seen in Bremerton's Bay Vista neighborhood.

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Appendix A. Cities and Towns of the Central Puget Sound Region



Appendix B. Population of Cities, Towns, and Counties in the Central Puget Sound

County Municipality	Census 2000	Census 2010	OFM 2011	Population Change 2000-10	Population Change (%) 2000-10	Population Annexed 2000-10	Population Change 2010-11	Population Change (%) 2010-11	Population Annexed 2010-11
Central Puget Sound	3,275,857	\$ 3,690,942	3,715,650	415,085	12.7%	--	24,708	0.7%	--
Unincorporated	1,116,254	\$ 1,164,052	1,133,205	47,798	4.3%	-119,470	-30,847	-2.6%	-41,197
Incorporated	2,159,593	\$ 2,526,890	2,582,445	367,297	17.0%	119,470	55,555	2.2%	41,197
King	1,737,046	\$ 1,931,249	1,942,600	194,203	11.2%	--	11,351	0.6%	--
Unincorporated	349,234	\$ 325,000	285,265	-24,234	-6.9%	-56,489	-39,735	-12.2%	-41,122
Incorporated	1,387,812	\$ 1,606,249	1,657,335	218,437	15.7%	56,489	51,086	3.2%	41,122
Algona	2,460	3,014	3,055	554	22.5%	0	41	1.4%	0
Auburn (part)	42,901	62,761	63,050	19,860	46.3%	16,258	289	0.5%	0
Beaux Arts	307	299	300	-8	-2.6%	0	1	0.3%	0
Bellevue	109,827	122,363	123,400	12,536	11.4%	2,764	1,037	0.8%	0
Black Diamond	3,970	4,153 #	4,160	183	4.6%	2	7	0.2%	0
Bothell (part)	16,119	\$ 17,090	17,150	971	6.0%	2	60	0.4%	0
Burien	31,881	33,313	47,660	1,432	4.5%	0	14,347	43.1%	14,292
Carnation	1,893	1,786	1,780	-107	-5.7%	10	-6	-0.3%	0
Clyde Hill	2,890	2,984	2,985	94	3.3%	0	1	0.0%	0
Covington	13,783	17,575	17,640	3,792	27.5%	375	65	0.4%	0
Des Moines	29,267	29,673	29,680	406	1.4%	401	7	0.0%	0
Duvall	4,616	6,695	6,715	2,079	45.0%	42	20	0.3%	0
Enumclaw (part)	11,116	10,669	10,920	-447	-4.0%	0	251	2.4%	194
Federal Way	83,259	89,306	89,370	6,047	7.3%	2,722	64	0.1%	0
Hunts Point	443	394	390	-49	-11.1%	0	-4	-1.0%	0
Issaquah	11,212	30,434	30,690	19,222	171.4%	6,210	256	0.8%	0
Kenmore	18,678	20,460	20,780	1,782	9.5%	0	320	1.6%	0
Kent	79,524	92,411	118,200	12,887	16.2%	882	25,789	27.9%	25,458
Kirkland	45,054	48,787	49,020	3,733	8.3%	170	233	0.5%	0
Lake Forest Park	12,871	\$ 12,598	12,610	-273	-2.1%	0	12	0.1%	0
Maple Valley	14,209	22,684	22,930	8,475	59.6%	1,954	246	1.1%	0
Medina	3,011	2,969	2,970	-42	-1.4%	0	1	0.0%	0
Mercer Island	22,036	22,699	22,710	663	3.0%	0	11	0.0%	0
Milton (part)	814	831	835	17	2.1%	0	4	0.5%	0
Newcastle	7,737	10,380	10,410	2,643	34.2%	0	30	0.3%	0
Normandy Park	6,392	6,335	6,345	-57	-0.9%	0	10	0.2%	0
North Bend	4,746	5,731	5,830	985	20.8%	941	99	1.7%	98
Pacific (part)	5,373	6,514	6,520	1,141	21.2%	-2	6	0.1%	0
Redmond	45,256	54,144	55,150	8,888	19.6%	482	1,006	1.9%	147
Renton	50,052	90,927	92,590	40,875	81.7%	22,912	1,663	1.8%	16
Sammamish	34,104	45,780	46,940	11,676	34.2%	345	1,160	2.5%	906
SeaTac	25,496	26,909	27,110	1,413	5.5%	0	201	0.7%	0
Seattle	563,376	\$ 608,660	612,100	45,284	8.0%	0	3,440	0.6%	0
Shoreline	53,296	\$ 53,007	53,200	-289	-0.5%	0	193	0.4%	0
Skykomish	214	198	195	-16	-7.5%	0	-3	-1.5%	0
Snoqualmie	1,631	10,670	10,950	9,039	554.2%	0	280	2.6%	0
Tukwila	17,181	19,107	19,050	1,926	11.2%	0	-57	-0.3%	11
Woodinville	9,809	\$ 10,938	10,940	1,129	11.5%	19	2	0.0%	0
Yarrow Point	1,008	1,001	1,005	-7	-0.7%	0	4	0.4%	0

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Kitsap	231,969	251,133	253,900	19,164	8.3%	--	2,767	1.1%	--
Unincorporated	159,896	170,022	171,395	10,126	6.3%	-2,801	1,373	0.8%	-75
Incorporated	72,073	81,111	82,505	9,038	12.5%	2,801	1,394	1.7%	75
Bainbridge Island	20,308	23,025	23,030	2,717	13.4%	0	5	0.0%	0
Bremerton	37,259	37,729	38,790	470	1.3%	70	1,061	2.8%	0
Port Orchard	7,693	11,157 #	11,440	3,464	45.0%	2,439	283	2.5%	40
Poulsbo	6,813	9,200	9,245	2,387	35.0%	292	45	0.5%	35
Pierce	700,818 \$	795,225	802,150	94,407	13.5%	--	6,925	0.9%	--
Unincorporated	315,359 \$	366,738	372,110	51,379	16.3%	-5,737	5,372	1.5%	0
Incorporated	385,459 \$	428,487	430,040	43,028	11.2%	5,737	1,553	0.4%	0
Auburn (part)	146	7,419	7,655	7,273	4981.5%	19	236	3.2%	0
Bonney Lake	9,687	17,374	17,500	7,687	79.4%	2,158	126	0.7%	0
Buckley	4,145	4,354	4,345	209	5.0%	0	-9	-0.2%	0
Carbonado	621	610	610	-11	-1.8%	0	0	0.0%	0
DuPont	2,452	8,199	8,430	5,747	234.4%	0	231	2.8%	0
Eatonville	2,012	2,758	2,775	746	37.1%	22	17	0.6%	0
Edgewood	9,089	9,387	9,405	298	3.3%	0	18	0.2%	0
Enumclaw (part)	0	0	0	0	--	0	0	0.0%	0
Fife	4,784	9,173	9,220	4,389	91.7%	136	47	0.5%	0
Fircrest	5,868	6,497	6,500	629	10.7%	0	3	0.0%	0
Gig Harbor	6,465	7,126	7,200	661	10.2%	481	74	1.0%	0
Lakewood	58,293 \$	58,163	58,190	-130	-0.2%	0	27	0.0%	0
Milton (part)	4,981	6,137	6,140	1,156	23.2%	343	3	0.0%	0
Orting	3,931 \$	6,746	6,770	2,815	71.6%	0	24	0.4%	0
Pacific (part)	154	92	85	-62	-40.3%	0	-7	-7.6%	0
Puyallup	33,014	37,022	37,240	4,008	12.1%	2,058	218	0.6%	0
Roy	260	793	795	533	205.0%	503	2	0.3%	0
Ruston	738	749	750	11	1.5%	0	1	0.1%	0
South Prairie	382	434	435	52	13.6%	0	1	0.2%	0
Steilacoom	6,049	5,985	6,000	-64	-1.1%	0	15	0.3%	0
Sumner	8,504	9,451	9,450	947	11.1%	14	-1	0.0%	0
Tacoma	193,556	198,397	198,900	4,841	2.5%	3	503	0.3%	0
University Place	29,933	31,144	31,170	1,211	4.0%	0	26	0.1%	0
Wilkeson	395	477	475	82	20.8%	0	-2	-0.4%	0
Snohomish	606,024	713,335	717,000	107,311	17.7%	--	3,665	0.5%	--
Unincorporated	291,142	302,292	304,435	11,150	3.8%	-54,443	2,143	0.7%	0
Incorporated	314,882	411,043	412,565	96,161	30.5%	54,443	1,522	0.4%	0
Arlington	11,927	17,926	17,930	5,999	50.3%	924	4	0.0%	0
Bothell (part)	13,965	16,415	16,570	2,450	17.5%	10	155	0.9%	0
Brier	6,383	6,087	6,100	-296	-4.6%	0	13	0.2%	0
Darrington	1,136	1,347	1,345	211	18.6%	47	-2	-0.1%	0
Edmonds	39,544	39,709	39,800	165	0.4%	0	91	0.2%	0
Everett	91,488	103,019	103,100	11,531	12.6%	4,712	81	0.1%	0
Gold Bar	2,014	2,075	2,060	61	3.0%	5	-15	-0.7%	0

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Granite Falls	2,347	3,364	3,370	1,017	43.3%	45	6	0.2%	0
Index	157	178	180	21	13.4%	0	2	1.1%	0
Lake Stevens	6,361	28,069	28,210	21,708	341.3%	18,223	141	0.5%	0
Lynnwood	33,847	35,836	35,860	1,989	5.9%	224	24	0.1%	0
Marysville	25,315	60,020	60,660	34,705	137.1%	25,832	640	1.1%	0
Mill Creek	11,525	18,244	18,370	6,719	58.3%	3,656	126	0.7%	0
Monroe	13,795	17,304	17,330	3,509	25.4%	72	26	0.2%	0
Mountlake Terrace	20,362	19,909	19,990	-453	-2.2%	56	81	0.4%	0
Mukilteo	18,019	20,254	20,310	2,235	12.4%	0	56	0.3%	0
Snohomish	8,494	9,098	9,200	604	7.1%	412	102	1.1%	0
Stanwood	3,923	6,231	6,220	2,308	58.8%	225	-11	-0.2%	0
Sultan	3,344	4,651	4,655	1,307	39.1%	0	4	0.1%	0
Woodway	936	1,307	1,305	371	39.6%	0	-2	-0.2%	0
Cross-County Municipality Totals:									
Auburn	43,047	70,180	70,705	27,133	63.0%	16,277	525	0.7%	0
Bothell	30,084 \$	33,505	33,720	3,421	11.4%	12	215	0.6%	0
Enumclaw	11,116	10,669	10,920	-447	-4.0%	0	251	2.4%	194
Milton	5,795	6,968	6,975	1,173	20.2%	343	7	0.1%	0
Pacific	5,527	6,606	6,605	1,079	19.5%	-2	-1	0.0%	0

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Washington State Office of Financial Management

Notes:

The county and municipal populations shown for 2000/2010 are, with a few exceptions, the 2000/2010 federal census Public Law 94-171 counts. Some 2000/2010 counts may differ from the federal census as noted below.

* - State Certified Special Census.

+ - Informal population count. Does not meet criteria for a special census.

\$ - Indicates a correction to the federal 2000/2010 census count and/or a revised state estimate.

@ - Incorporation Base. First Office of Financial Management April 1 estimate after incorporation.

- Census 2010 population and housing adjusted for annexations effective and approved by OFM from January 2, 2010 to April 1, 2010

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