



9th Fastest Growing Region 2016-2017

The region grew by 82,000 people last year:



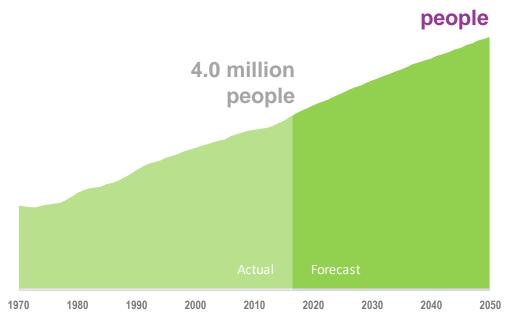
That's more than 9 people per hour



2050 Population Forecast

The long range forecast is for continued growth

- The region is projected to grow by about 1.8 million people between now and 2050
- Continued job growth combined with dynamics of an aging population are key drivers of the population forecast





5.8 million

Population Growth

Seattle

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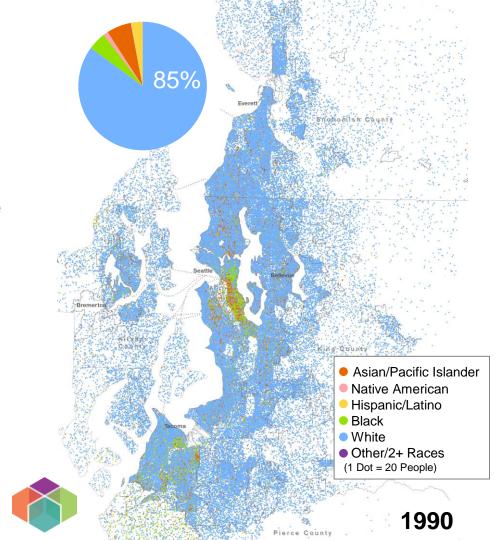


People of color in the region

- Currently 35% of the population
- Represent 81% of the growth since 2000

Hispanics, with growth of 130% since 2000, now are 10% of the region's population

People of color are more dispersed throughout the region

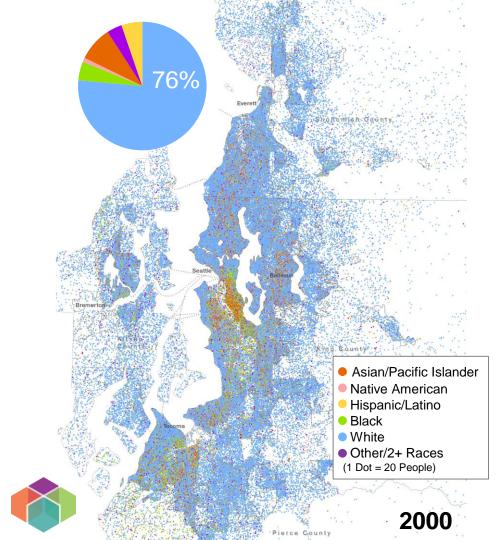


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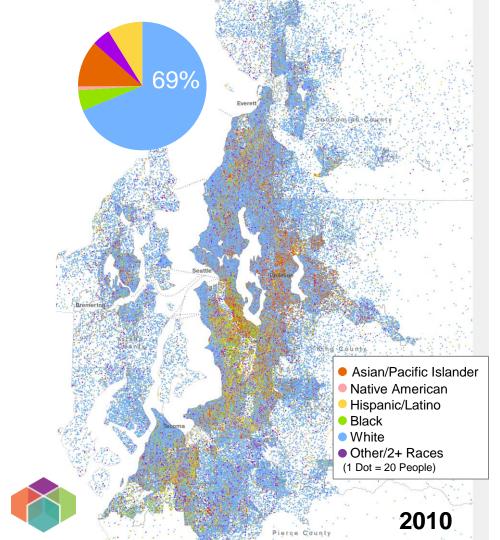
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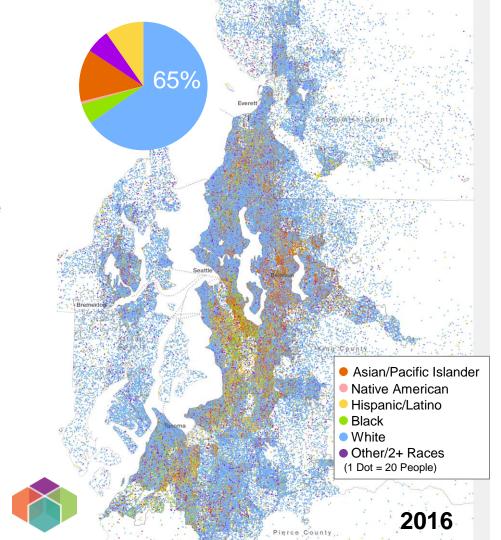
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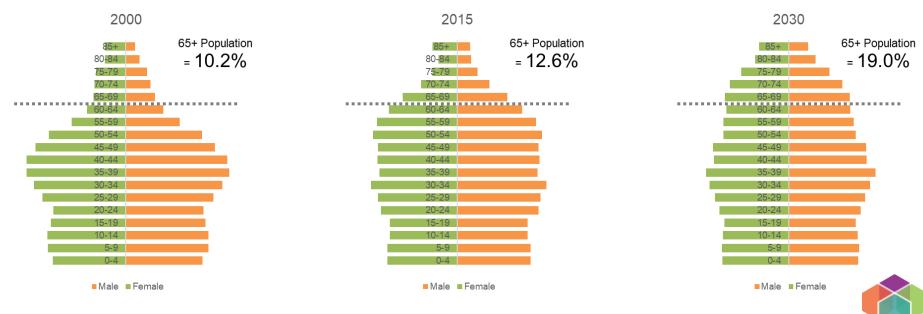
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And Getting Older

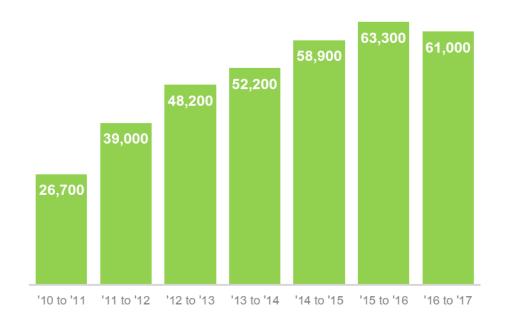
By 2030, nearly **1 in 5** of the region's residents will be seniors, nearly double the share in 2000



Source: OFM 2017 GMA Population Projections for Counties, population by age and sex, five-year age groups

A Robust Regional Economy

Annual Job Change, 2010-2017



61,000 wage & salary jobs added to region last year (**3.0% increase**)

349,000 jobs added to region since 2010 (**20% increase**)

King and Snohomish counties have accounted for **86%** of job growth since 2010

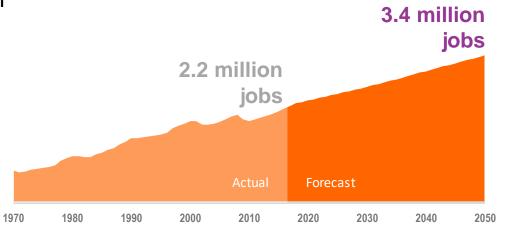


Source: ESD, WA Employment Estimates (seasonally adjusted annual averages), January 2018

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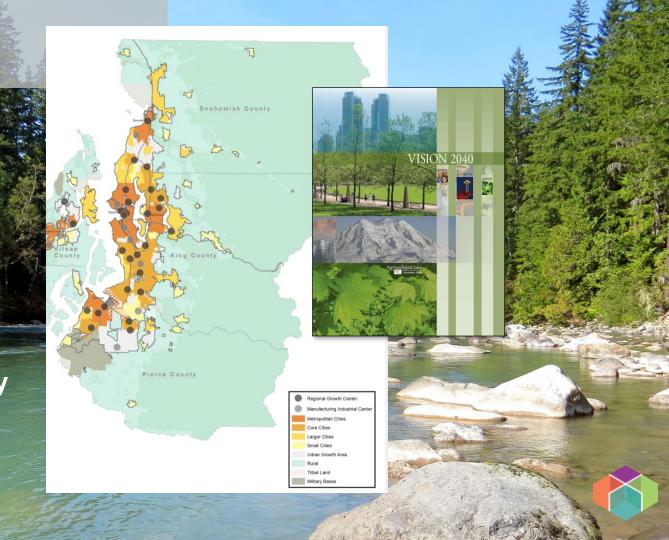
- The region is projected to add about 1.2 million jobs between now and 2050
- A robust, diversified regional economy that continues to outperform the national economy is the key driver for the jobs forecast





VISION 2040

- A strong economy and a healthy environment
- Preserve waters, farms, recreation and resource lands
- Urban Growth Area and centers strategy
- Grassroots actions to achieve regional VISION







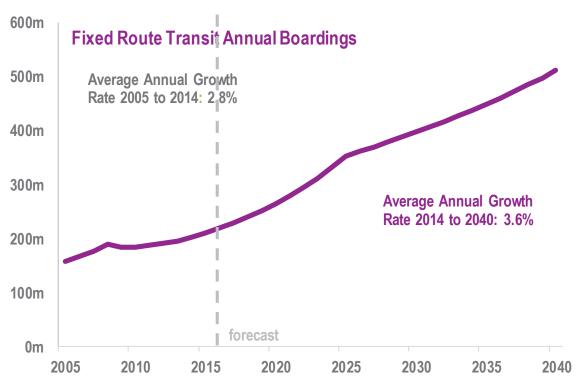






Transit Use is Forecasted to Grow by 2040

How Many Boardings are Occurring Every Year on the Region's Fixed Route Transit System?



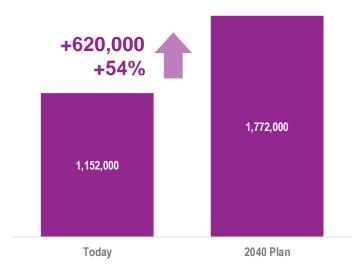
About **220 million** annual boardings occurred on the regional system in 2017

By 2040, almost **510 million** annual transit boardings are forecasted to occur



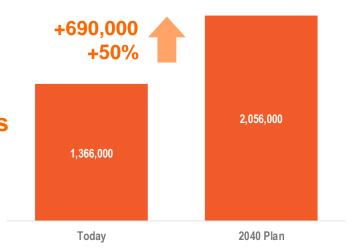
Travel Choices for People to Get Around

How Many People Have Access to a Bus or Train that Operated Every 15 Minutes or Less?



People who live within a ½ mile from frequent transit

Over 620,000 more people and 690,000 more jobs will be within a short walk of transit by 2040

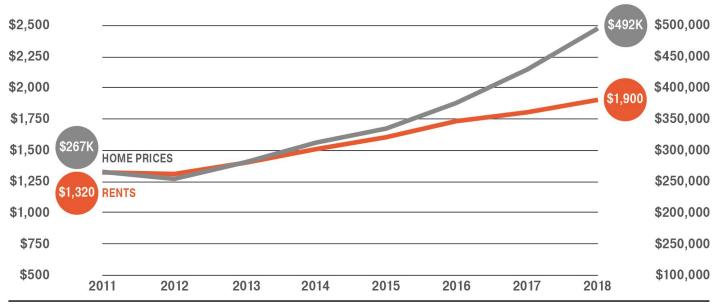


Jobs within a 1/4 mile of transit



A Crisis in Affordability

Roughly a **60% increase** in home prices and apartment rents in past 5 years.

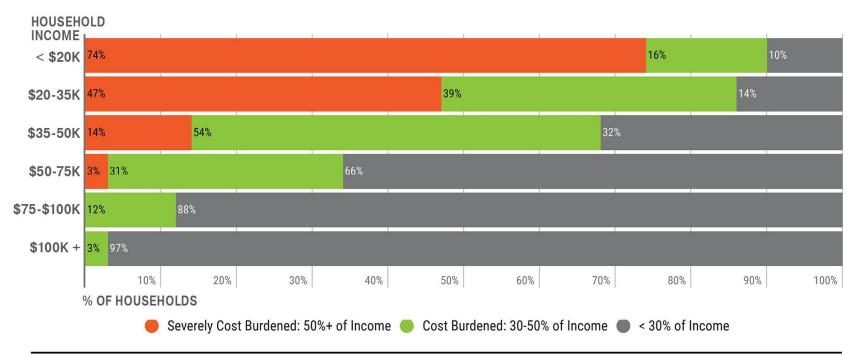


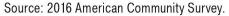
Source: Zillow.

Note: Data represent March estimates for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue MSA; median rents are for the multifamily (5+ unit) rental stock; median home prices are for all homes, including single family homes and condominiums.



Lower Income Renter Households are Hit Hardest







VISION 2050 Work Program

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2017	2018	2019	2020
Early work	Scoping, research, planning	SEPA review, draft plan	Adoption

