

Why WASHINGTON



PUGET SOUND OVERVIEW

The Puget Sound is home to over 40% of Washington State's population and is a national center for manufacturing, technology, services, international trade and tourism. Some of the world's most recognizable companies call the Puget Sound home: Microsoft, Boeing, Starbucks, Amazon, T-Mobile, Nordstrom, and Costco. The region is projected to generate 1.2 million new jobs by 2040.

Seattle has remained one of the most resilient cities due to its diverse industries. The city accounts for over 20% of the nation's software publishing employment. Healthcare employment is projected to continue to grow dramatically and Seattle has the 5th largest biotechnology Research and Development alliance in the University of Washington and the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center. This is in addition to remaining one of the capitals of aerospace and computing.

Combine that with the superb quality of life in the Pacific Northwest, a world-class arts scene, professional sports teams, and culinary delights from some of the country's top chefs, and you've got a great place to do business where employees are happy to call "home."



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WA STATE
INCOME
TAX



#1
FOR MOST
GROWTH
THIS DECADE



#2
BEST CITIES
FOR OUTDOOR
ACTIVITIES



#3
BEST CITIES
FOR YOUNG
PROFESSIONALS
IN AMERICA



#5
BEST PLACE
TO LIVE
IN AMERICA

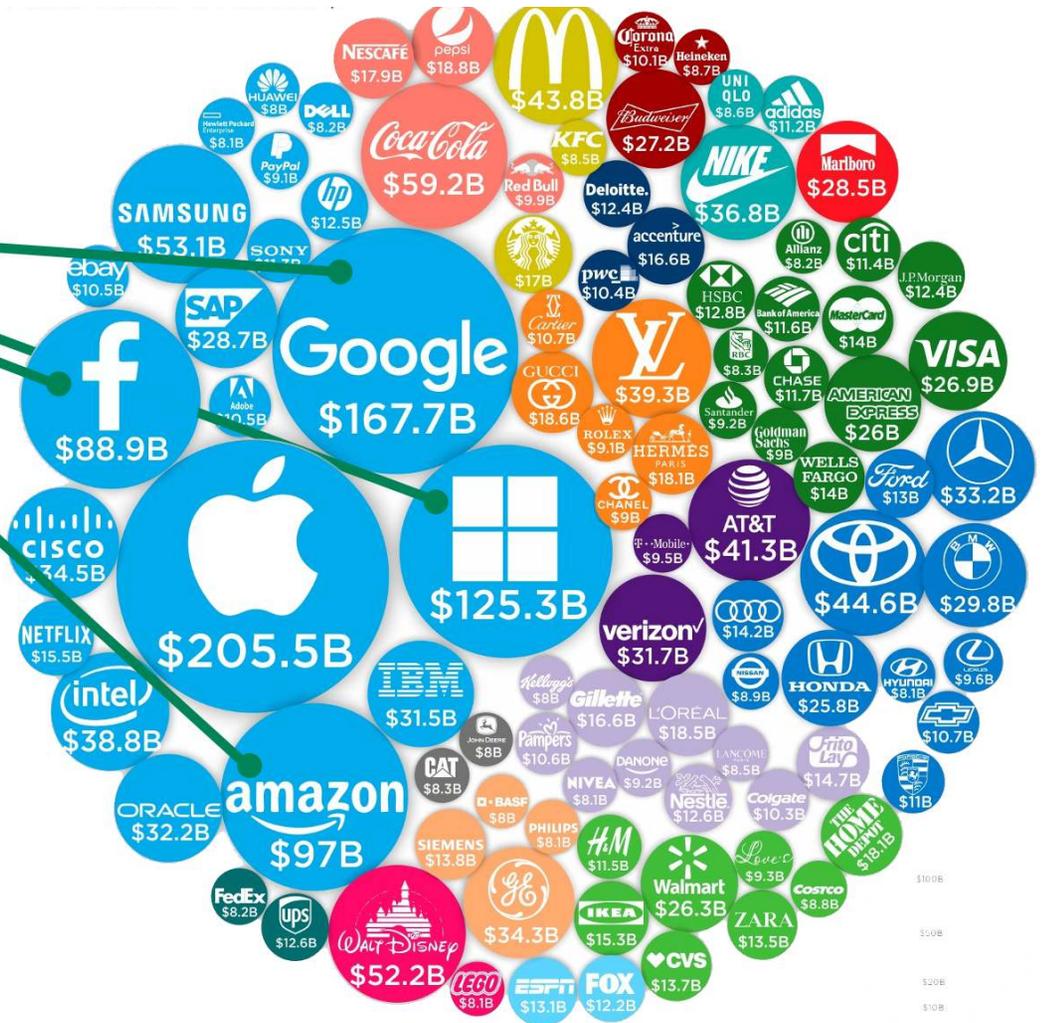
TOP US BRANDS WITH OFFICES IN WASHINGTON



BRAND REVENUES IN BILLIONS

Google	\$167.7B
Microsoft	\$125.3B
Amazon	\$97.0B
Facebook	\$88.9B

Forbes - 2019



Note: Forbes considered only companies with a presence in the U.S. market

Valuation

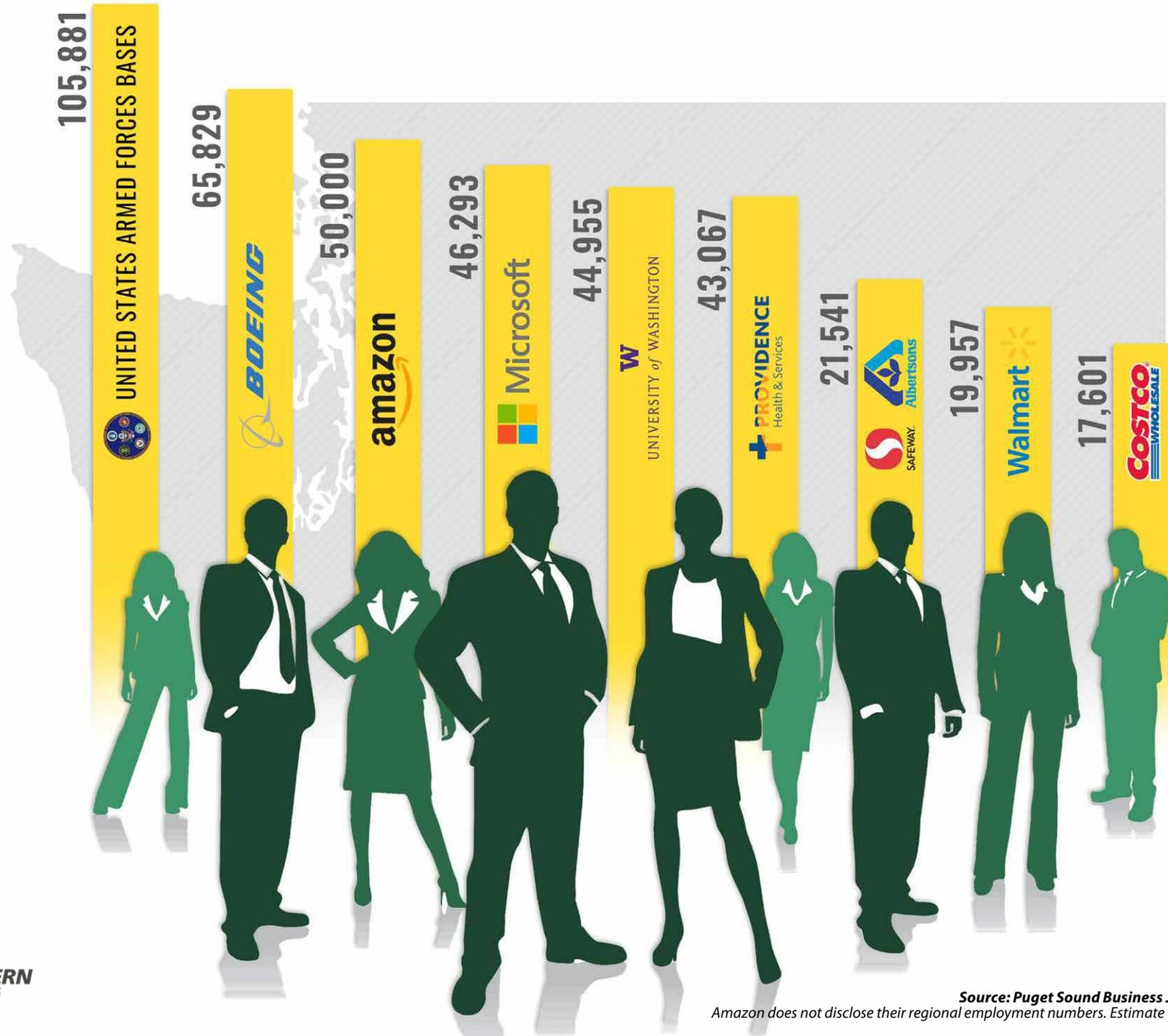
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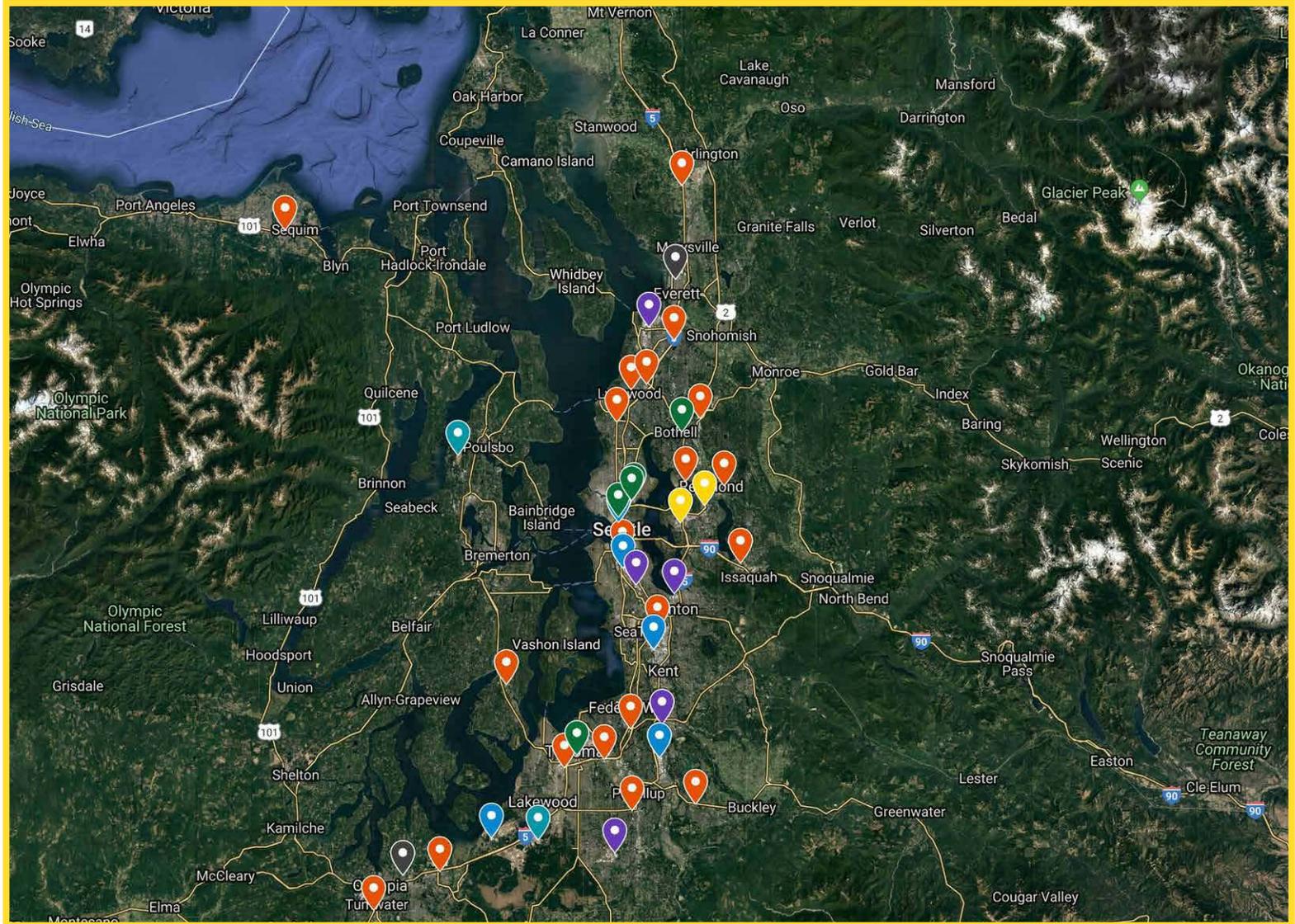
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LARGEST EMPLOYERS IN WASHINGTON STATE



MAJOR EMPLOYERS IN WASHINGTON STATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

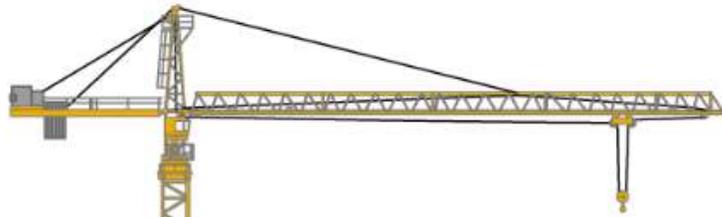
LOCATION

UNEMPLOYMENT

Seattle	3.3%
State of Washington	4.6%
National	4.8%

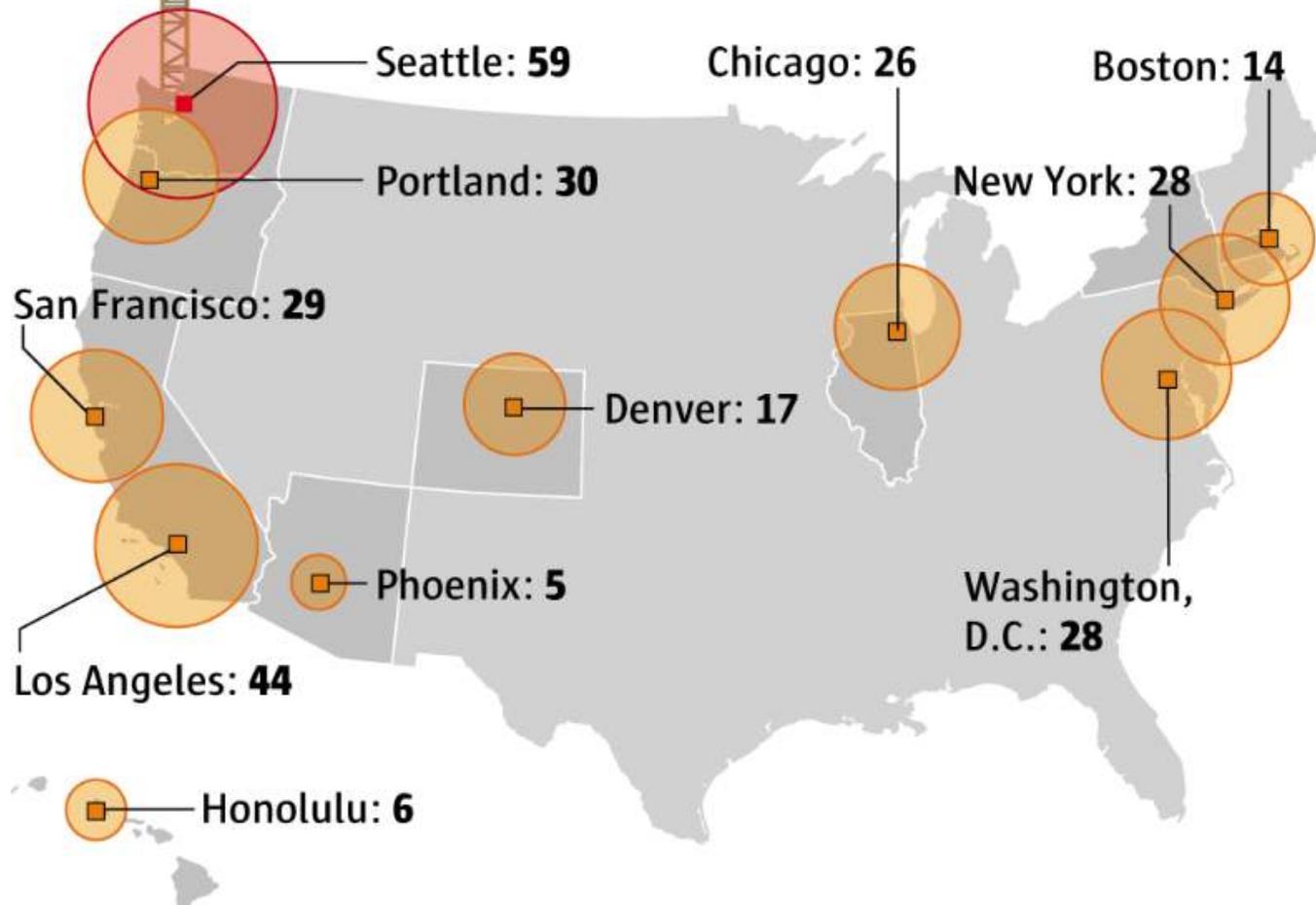
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

NUMBER OF CITY CRANES



Where the cranes are

Seattle has the most cranes in the country for the third year in a row.



RESIDENTIAL GROWTH

"The U.S. Census Bureau released new population figures for U.S. cities and they show that Seattle has become the nation's fastest growing big city this decade.

Seattle has now been ranked in the top 4 for growth among major cities for five consecutive years – quite an impressive run. Add up all the population gains since 2010 and Seattle has grown by a staggering 18.7 percent, which ranks as the fastest rate of growth among the 50 largest U.S. cities.

But here's some perspective as to how fast we are growing: Seattle's population increased by 114,000 in the first seven years of this decade – that's around the same amount it grew in the previous 30 years, back to 1980.

In Washington, among the state's 24 cities with at least 50,000 residents, Auburn and Redmond were the fastest-growing last year, tied at 3.1 percent. Bellevue grew by a healthy 2.3 percent, and Tacoma by 1.5 percent."



Seattle No. 1 for growth this decade

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Sources: U.S. Census
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