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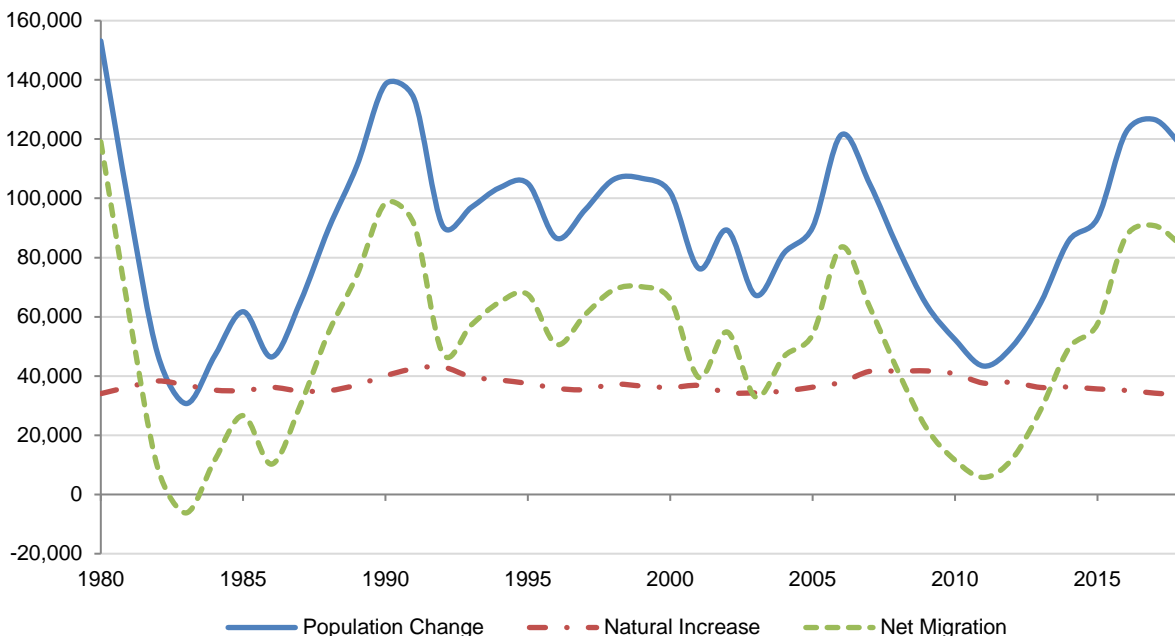
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### Strong population growth in Washington continues

**OLYMPIA, Wash.** –As of April 1, 2018, an estimated 7,427,600 people resided in the state of Washington, according to annual estimates prepared by the Washington State Office of Financial Management. The state’s population grew by 117,300 persons, a 1.6 percent increase over the past year. While state population growth remains strong by historical standards, the growth rate is down slightly from last year.

Migration continues to be the primary driver behind Washington’s population growth. From 2017 to 2018, net migration (people moving in versus people moving out) to Washington totaled 83,700, down 8,700 from last year. Net migration accounted for 71 percent of the state’s population growth this year, with natural increase (births minus deaths) responsible for the other 29 percent (33,600 persons).

**Components of State Population Change**



Although population growth remains concentrated in the five largest metropolitan counties — Clark, King, Pierce, Snohomish and Spokane — momentum has shifted to the other metropolitan and nonmetropolitan counties. Seventy percent of the growth occurred in the five largest metropolitan counties this year, down from 77 percent in 2017. Growth in metropolitan counties outside the top five increased from 18 percent of growth in 2017 to 22 percent this year, with nonmetropolitan counties accounting for 8 percent of growth, a 3 percent increase.

The April 1, 2018, population estimate for Washington’s incorporated cities and towns is 4,836,500, an increase of 83,600 persons from the prior year, with 6,300 due to annexation. The top 10 cities for population growth, in descending order, are Seattle, Vancouver, Spokane, Redmond, Pasco, Kent, Bellingham, Bellevue, Auburn and Kennewick. The largest numeric increase in population is associated with Seattle, which grew by 16,700 persons to 730,400.

Washington’s population has grown by 703,000 persons since the most recent decennial census (April 1, 2010). The state has grown by an average of 87,900 persons per year this decade, exceeding that of 83,000 in the previous decade. King County is the main contributor, with total growth of 259,000 persons over eight years, compared to 194,200 persons between 2000 and 2010.

The state added 42,200 housing units in 2018, compared with 39,300 in 2017, an increase of 8 percent. The housing stock has grown by an average of 30,000 units per year since 2010, 31 percent below the prior decade average of 43,500 units. More than 70 percent of all new housing this decade is located in the five largest metropolitan counties. King County leads all counties with an addition of 85,500 housing units, 36 percent of the state total. Statewide, more than 52 percent of all new housing units were associated with multi-family structures this past year.

Additional information on the latest population estimates for the state, counties, cities and towns is available at <http://www.ofm.wa.gov/pop/april1/>.

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**Table 1. Population, Change and Rank**

County	Total Population			Numeric Change			Percentage Change			Percentage of State Total		
	2010	2017	2018	2010-18	2017-18	Rank	2010-18	2017-18	Rank	2010	2018	Rank
State	6,724,540	7,310,300	7,427,570	703,030	117,270	--	10.45	1.60	--	100.00	100.00	--
Adams	18,728	19,870	20,020	1,292	150	33	6.90	0.75	33	0.28	0.27	31
Asotin	21,623	22,290	22,420	797	130	34	3.69	0.58	37	0.32	0.30	28
Benton	175,177	193,500	197,420	22,243	3,920	8	12.70	2.03	2	2.61	2.66	10
Chelan	72,453	76,830	77,800	5,347	970	16	7.38	1.26	22	1.08	1.05	17
Clallam	71,404	74,240	75,130	3,726	890	18	5.22	1.20	25	1.06	1.01	18
Clark	425,363	471,000	479,500	54,137	8,500	4	12.73	1.80	8	6.33	6.46	5
Columbia	4,078	4,100	4,150	72	50	37	1.77	1.22	23	0.06	0.06	37
Cowlitz	102,410	105,900	107,310	4,900	1,410	14	4.78	1.33	18	1.52	1.44	12
Douglas	38,431	41,420	42,120	3,689	700	21	9.60	1.69	14	0.57	0.57	26
Ferry	7,551	7,740	7,780	229	40	38	3.03	0.52	38	0.11	0.10	36
Franklin	78,163	90,330	92,540	14,377	2,210	11	18.39	2.45	1	1.16	1.25	14
Garfield	2,266	2,200	2,210	-56	10	39	-2.47	0.45	39	0.03	0.03	39
Grant	89,120	95,630	97,350	8,230	1,720	12	9.23	1.80	9	1.33	1.31	13
Grays Harbor	72,797	72,970	73,610	813	640	22	1.12	0.88	31	1.08	0.99	19
Island	78,506	82,790	83,860	5,354	1,070	15	6.82	1.29	20	1.17	1.13	15
Jefferson	29,872	31,360	31,590	1,718	230	29	5.75	0.73	34	0.44	0.43	27
King	1,931,249	2,153,700	2,190,200	258,951	36,500	1	13.41	1.69	13	28.72	29.49	1
Kitsap	251,133	264,300	267,120	15,987	2,820	9	6.37	1.07	28	3.73	3.60	7
Kittitas	40,915	44,730	45,600	4,685	870	19	11.45	1.95	5	0.61	0.61	23
Klickitat	20,318	21,660	21,980	1,662	320	27	8.18	1.48	17	0.30	0.30	29
Lewis	75,455	77,440	78,380	2,925	940	17	3.88	1.21	24	1.12	1.06	16
Lincoln	10,570	10,700	10,810	240	110	35	2.27	1.03	29	0.16	0.15	35
Mason	60,699	63,190	64,020	3,321	830	20	5.47	1.31	19	0.90	0.86	20
Okanogan	41,120	42,110	42,490	1,370	380	26	3.33	0.90	30	0.61	0.57	25
Pacific	20,920	21,250	21,420	500	170	31	2.39	0.80	32	0.31	0.29	30
Pend Oreille	13,001	13,370	13,540	539	170	31	4.15	1.27	21	0.19	0.18	33
Pierce	795,225	859,400	872,220	76,995	12,820	3	9.68	1.49	16	11.83	11.74	2
San Juan	15,769	16,510	16,810	1,041	300	28	6.60	1.82	7	0.23	0.23	32
Skagit	116,901	124,100	126,520	9,619	2,420	10	8.23	1.95	4	1.74	1.70	11
Skamania	11,066	11,690	11,890	824	200	30	7.45	1.71	12	0.16	0.16	34
Snohomish	713,335	789,400	805,120	91,785	15,720	2	12.87	1.99	3	10.61	10.84	3
Spokane	471,221	499,800	507,950	36,729	8,150	5	7.79	1.63	15	7.01	6.84	4
Stevens	43,531	44,510	45,030	1,499	520	24	3.44	1.17	27	0.65	0.61	24
Thurston	252,264	276,900	281,700	29,436	4,800	6	11.67	1.73	11	3.75	3.79	6
Wahkiakum	3,978	4,030	4,100	122	70	36	3.07	1.74	10	0.06	0.06	38
Walla Walla	58,781	61,400	61,800	3,019	400	25	5.14	0.65	35	0.87	0.83	21
Whatcom	201,140	216,300	220,350	19,210	4,050	7	9.55	1.87	6	2.99	2.97	9
Whitman	44,776	48,640	49,210	4,434	570	23	9.90	1.17	26	0.67	0.66	22
Yakima	243,231	253,000	254,500	11,269	1,500	13	4.63	0.59	36	3.62	3.43	8

**Table 2. Components of Population Change**

County	2010–18			2017–18		
	Natural Increase	Net Migration	Population Change	Natural Increase	Net Migration	Population Change
State	286,535	416,495	703,030	33,579	83,691	117,270
Adams	2,168	-876	1,292	251	-101	150
Asotin	-2	799	797	1	129	130
Benton	10,452	11,791	22,243	1,370	2,550	3,920
Chelan	2,133	3,214	5,347	282	688	970
Clallam	-2,137	5,863	3,726	-304	1,194	890
Clark	18,517	35,620	54,137	2,302	6,198	8,500
Columbia	-155	227	72	-23	73	50
Cowlitz	994	3,906	4,900	110	1,300	1,410
Douglas	1,794	1,895	3,689	238	462	700
Ferry	-84	313	229	6	34	40
Franklin	10,304	4,073	14,377	1,239	971	2,210
Garfield	-5	-51	-56	12	-2	10
Grant	6,794	1,436	8,230	761	959	1,720
Grays Harbor	-228	1,041	813	-101	741	640
Island	1,787	3,567	5,354	167	903	1,070
Jefferson	-1,304	3,022	1,718	-200	430	230
King	100,928	158,023	258,951	12,429	24,071	36,500
Kitsap	7,448	8,539	15,987	930	1,890	2,820
Kittitas	914	3,771	4,685	99	771	870
Klickitat	137	1,525	1,662	-57	377	320
Lewis	493	2,432	2,925	102	838	940
Lincoln	-143	383	240	-40	150	110
Mason	13	3,308	3,321	30	800	830
Okanogan	815	555	1,370	88	292	380
Pacific	-800	1,300	500	-67	237	170
Pend Oreille	-243	782	539	-32	202	170
Pierce	41,533	35,462	76,995	4,813	8,007	12,820
San Juan	-494	1,535	1,041	-103	403	300
Skagit	2,513	7,106	9,619	233	2,187	2,420
Skamania	62	762	824	-25	225	200
Snohomish	36,084	55,701	91,785	4,552	11,168	15,720
Spokane	13,598	23,131	36,729	1,521	6,629	8,150
Stevens	-31	1,530	1,499	-47	567	520
Thurston	8,428	21,008	29,436	967	3,833	4,800
Wahkiakum	-700	822	122	-323	393	70
Walla Walla	801	2,218	3,019	32	368	400
Whatcom	5,530	13,680	19,210	459	3,591	4,050
Whitman	1,426	3,008	4,434	162	408	570
Yakima	17,195	-5,926	11,269	1,745	-245	1,500

**Table 3. Components of Population Change, Average Annual Change**

County	1990–2000			2000–10			2010–18		
	Natural Increase	Net Migration	Population Change	Natural Increase	Net Migration	Population Change	Natural Increase	Net Migration	Population Change
State	38,355.3	64,392.7	102,748.0	38,026.4	45,013.3	83,039.7	35,816.9	52,061.9	87,878.8
Adams	202.8	79.7	282.5	272.4	-42.4	230.0	271.0	-109.5	161.5
Asotin	44.5	250.1	294.6	35.2	72.0	107.2	-0.3	99.9	99.6
Benton	1,183.1	1,808.4	2,991.5	1,201.5	2,068.7	3,270.2	1,306.5	1,473.9	2,780.4
Chelan	428.6	1,008.0	1,436.6	380.3	203.4	583.7	266.6	401.8	668.4
Clallam	-52.6	850.1	797.5	-222.7	945.2	722.5	-267.1	732.9	465.8
Clark	2,561.1	8,157.4	10,718.5	2,973.9	5,038.6	8,012.5	2,314.6	4,452.5	6,767.1
Columbia	-5.0	9.0	4.0	-9.8	11.2	1.4	-19.4	28.4	9.0
Cowlitz	417.7	665.2	1,082.9	293.9	652.3	946.2	124.3	488.3	612.5
Douglas	232.8	407.0	639.8	235.3	347.5	582.8	224.3	236.9	461.1
Ferry	20.9	75.6	96.5	3.0	26.1	29.1	-10.5	39.1	28.6
Franklin	727.8	459.6	1,187.4	1,110.3	1,771.3	2,881.6	1,288.0	509.1	1,797.1
Garfield	-11.3	26.2	14.9	-9.3	-3.8	-13.1	-0.6	-6.4	-7.0
Grant	739.1	1,250.9	1,990.0	916.3	525.9	1,442.2	849.3	179.5	1,028.8
Grays Harbor	145.9	156.0	301.9	57.2	503.1	560.3	-28.5	130.1	101.6
Island	524.7	611.6	1,136.3	354.2	340.6	694.8	223.4	445.9	669.3
Jefferson	-22.7	612.0	589.3	-91.2	448.5	357.3	-163.0	377.8	214.8
King	10,972.6	12,001.5	22,974.1	11,866.9	7,553.4	19,420.3	12,616.0	19,752.9	32,368.9
Kitsap	1,780.7	2,443.1	4,223.8	1,143.8	772.6	1,916.4	931.0	1,067.4	1,998.4
Kittitas	95.6	568.1	663.7	120.7	634.6	755.3	114.3	471.4	585.6
Klickitat	79.4	175.1	254.5	55.4	60.3	115.7	17.1	190.6	207.8
Lewis	193.8	730.4	924.2	144.2	541.3	685.5	61.6	304.0	365.6
Lincoln	-4.5	136.5	132.0	-17.7	56.3	38.6	-17.9	47.9	30.0
Mason	79.9	1,026.5	1,106.4	51.7	1,077.7	1,129.4	1.6	413.5	415.1
Okanogan	214.3	407.1	621.4	157.5	-1.9	155.6	101.9	69.4	171.3
Pacific	-53.8	264.0	210.2	-98.7	92.3	-6.4	-100.0	162.5	62.5
Pend Oreille	35.7	246.0	281.7	-4.9	131.8	126.9	-30.4	97.8	67.4
Pierce	5,250.3	6,211.2	11,461.5	5,196.6	4,244.1	9,440.7	5,191.6	4,432.8	9,624.4
San Juan	6.3	397.9	404.2	-20.9	190.1	169.2	-61.8	191.9	130.1
Skagit	477.8	1,865.6	2,343.4	442.0	950.2	1,392.2	314.1	888.3	1,202.4
Skamania	32.6	125.7	158.3	33.2	86.2	119.4	7.8	95.3	103.0
Snohomish	4,807.0	9,232.6	14,039.6	4,780.0	5,951.1	10,731.1	4,510.5	6,962.6	11,473.1
Spokane	2,220.3	3,440.3	5,660.6	1,973.2	3,355.0	5,328.2	1,699.8	2,891.4	4,591.1
Stevens	140.4	771.4	911.8	66.2	280.3	346.5	-3.9	191.3	187.4
Thurston	1,091.6	3,520.1	4,611.7	1,025.3	3,465.6	4,490.9	1,053.5	2,626.0	3,679.5
Wahkiakum	-8.1	57.8	49.7	-20.1	35.5	15.4	-87.5	102.8	15.3
Walla Walla	206.6	467.5	674.1	153.1	207.0	360.1	100.1	277.3	377.4
Whatcom	836.9	3,067.7	3,904.6	786.4	2,645.0	3,431.4	691.3	1,710.0	2,401.3
Whitman	199.0	-2.5	196.5	190.6	213.0	403.6	178.3	376.0	554.3
Yakima	2,563.5	812.3	3,375.8	2,501.4	-436.4	2,065.0	2,149.4	-740.8	1,408.6

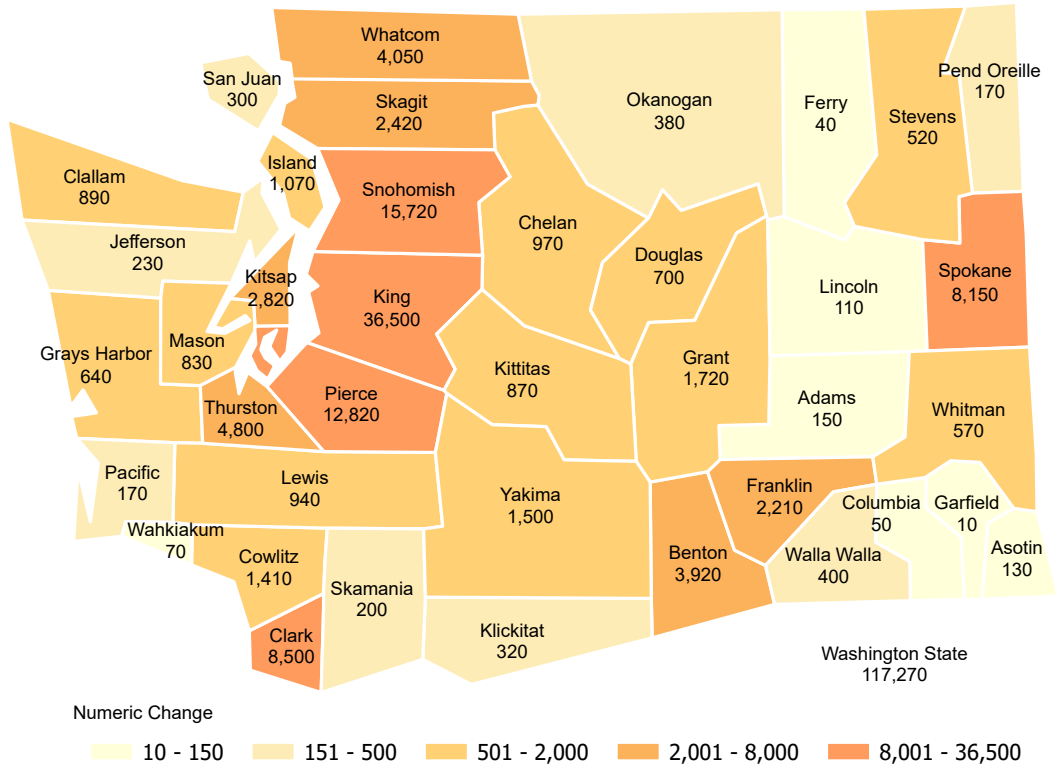
**Table 4. Top 25 Cities by Population Change**

<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Numeric Change 2017-18</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Change Due to Annexation 2017-18</b>	<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Percent Change 2017-18</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Change Due to Annexation 2017-18</b>
Seattle	16,700	1	0	Naches	11.63	1	9
Vancouver	7,100	2	5,528	Newcastle	10.02	2	0
Spokane	2,800	3	0	Gig Harbor	7.95	3	0
Redmond	1,940	4	182	Airway Heights	7.39	4	0
Pasco	1,910	5	0	Waverly	6.84	5	0
Kent	1,800	6	0	Elma	6.84	6	206
Bellingham	1,780	7	0	Ridgefield	6.50	7	0
Bellevue	1,700	8	0	Carnation	6.16	8	0
Auburn	1,655	9	0	Edgewood	5.47	9	0
Kennewick	1,570	10	0	Kalama	4.96	10	0
Lacey	1,470	11	2	Liberty Lake	4.84	11	0
Everett	1,400	12	0	Blaine	4.73	12	0
Renton	1,400	12	2	Rainier	4.66	13	0
Lynnwood	1,310	14	4	West Richland	4.50	14	0
Sammamish	1,230	15	0	Winthrop	4.49	15	0
Burien	1,170	16	0	Yelm	4.21	16	0
Richland	1,170	16	5	Moses Lake	4.14	17	0
Kirkland	1,160	18	0	Vancouver	4.02	18	5,528
Marysville	1,140	19	0	Friday Harbor	3.99	19	0
Newcastle	1,130	20	0	Lynden	3.96	20	0
Federal Way	1,090	21	0	La Center	3.91	21	12
Issaquah	1,080	22	0	McCleary	3.83	22	0
Tacoma	1,000	23	0	Everson	3.80	23	0
Moses Lake	940	24	0	Yacolt	3.79	24	0
Spokane Valley	920	25	0	Granite Falls	3.73	25	0

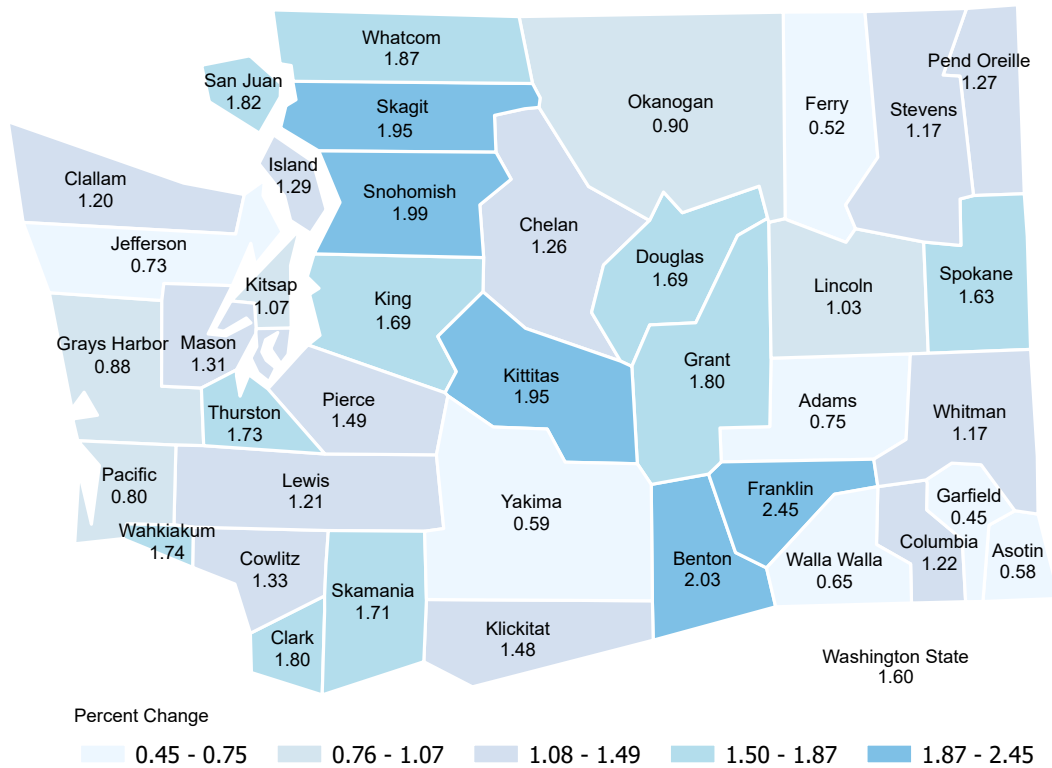
**Table 5. Top 10 Unincorporated Areas by Population Change**

<b>Area</b>	<b>Numeric Change 2017-18</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Change Due to Annexation 2017-18</b>
Unincorporated Pierce	8,540	1	-188
Unincorporated Snohomish	7,755	2	-14
Unincorporated Spokane	2,862	3	0
Unincorporated Thurston	1,930	4	6
Unincorporated Whatcom	1,191	5	0
Unincorporated Island	1,120	6	-2
Unincorporated Kitsap	1,070	7	-65
Unincorporated Cowlitz	820	8	0
Unincorporated Mason	810	9	0
Unincorporated Lewis	750	10	0

## Numeric Change in Population: 2017–18



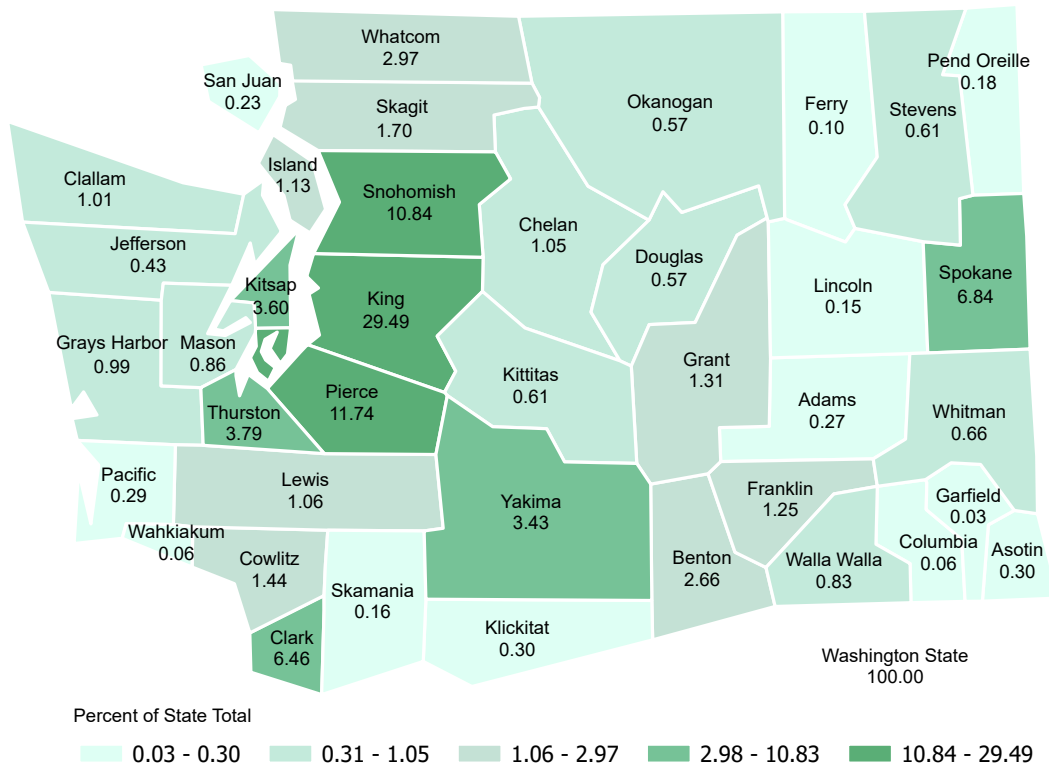
## Percent Change in Population: 2017–18



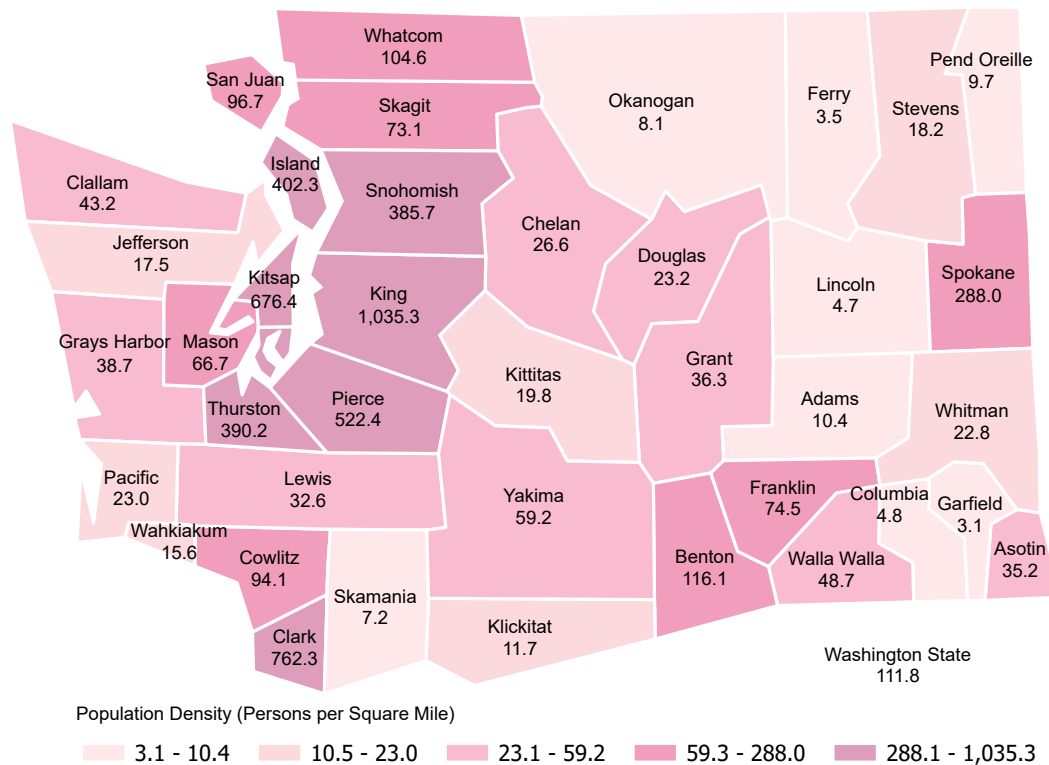
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## Percent of State Total Population: 2018



## Population Density: 2018



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