

Washington Transportation Plan

The WTP Data Library

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WTP Data Library

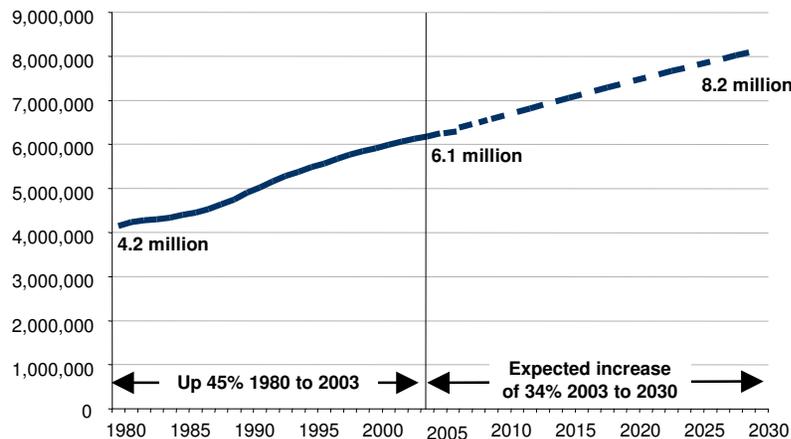
A centralized body of information and resources that can support decision-making

Four categories of information:

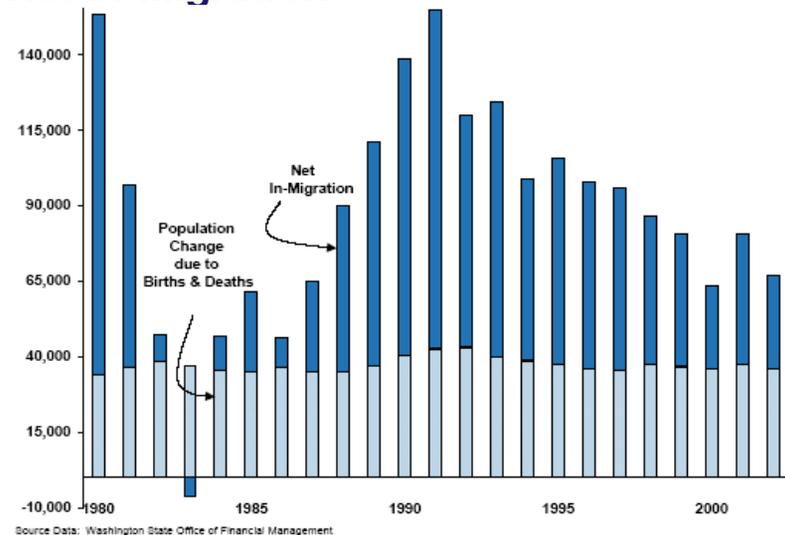
- Population
- Economy
- Transportation Facilities and Systems
- Use of Transportation Facilities and Systems

Washington's Population is growing

Washington State Total Population



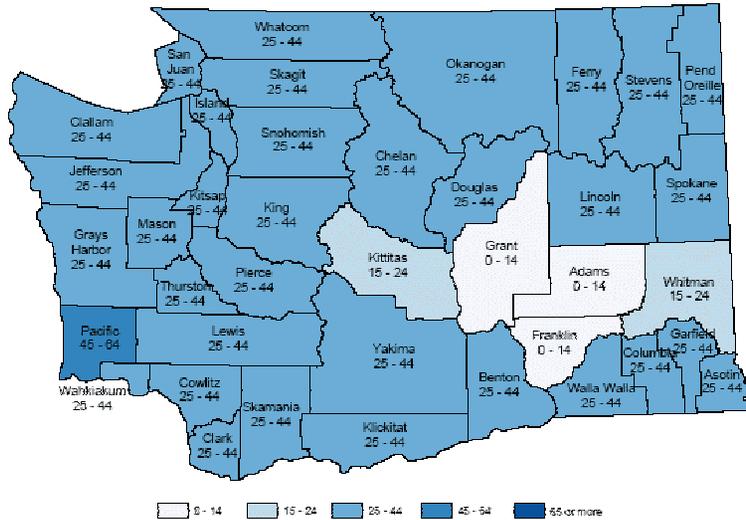
Population Growth - Natural Increase and Net In-Migration



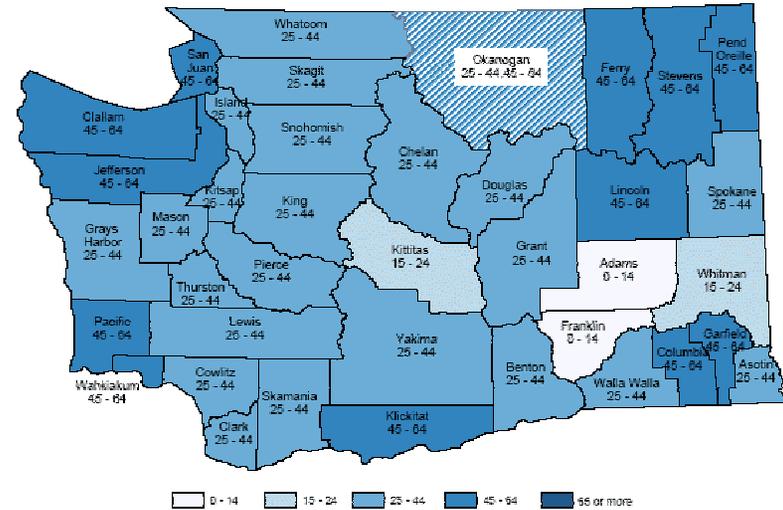
- Washington's population grew from 4.1 million in 1980 to 5.9 million in 2000 and is expected to reach 8.2 million by 2030.
- The rate of growth will slow, compared with the high growth of the 80's and 90's.
- Because natural increase has been relatively flat, this trend suggests lower in-migration than in the past.

Population is getting older

Most Represented Age Group by County in 1980

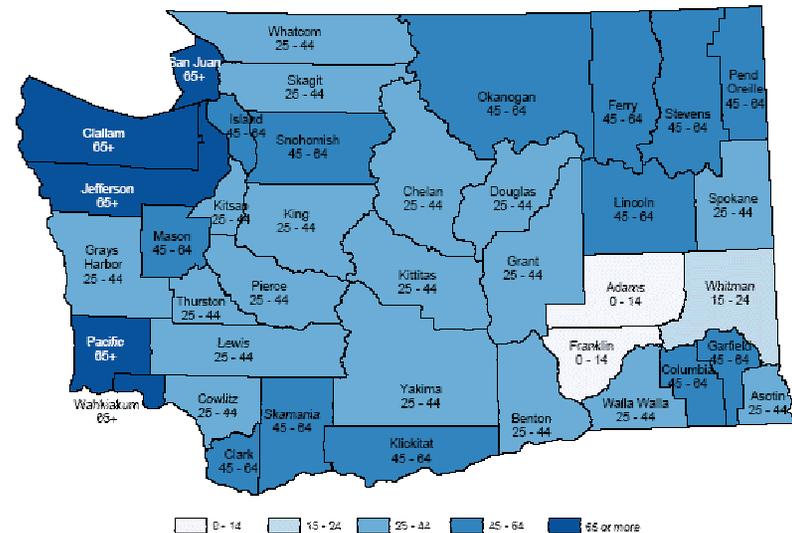


Most Represented Age Group by County in 2000



...and greater proportions of all counties will be people over 65. This is especially true in five rural counties where people over 65 will be the most prevalent age group.

Most Represented Age Group by County in 2020

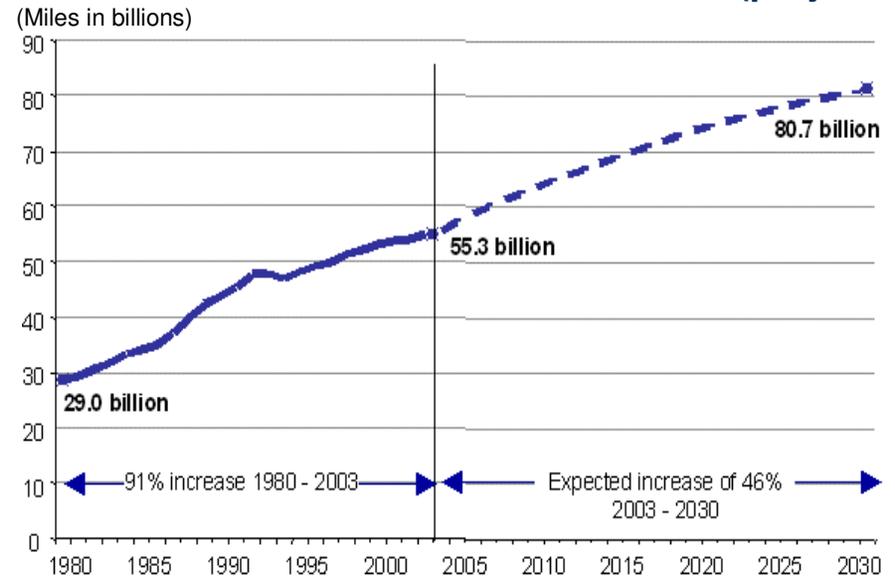


Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) will continue to grow but at a slower rate.

Drivers of VMT growth in the past

- **Population growth**
- **Household growth**
- **Workforce growth (women in the workforce)**
- **Licensed driver growth**
- **Suburban development**

Total Vehicle Miles Traveled 1980 - 2030 (projected)



In the future, VMT will grow at a slower rate more consistent with population growth.

The WTP Data Library will continue under construction in all categories.

In fact, it will “go public” at the end of April.

It is built as an interactive website so that interested people can contribute their data and perspectives.

WSDOT envisions the Data Library in use for many of our data-driven reports on performance.

Some pages from the Data Library are included in your notebooks.

Strategic Issues for this Update

System Preservation

System Efficiencies

Safety

Transportation for Everyone

Bottlenecks & Chokepoints

Strong Economy & Good Jobs

Moving Freight

Building Future Visions

Health & the Environment