

Description of the Population

Kittitas County - 2002

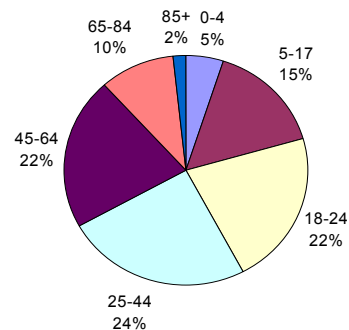
County Population Totals

Kittitas County	2000 Population	% Change from 1990
Total Population	33,362	↑ 20%
Unincorporated	13,614	↑ 32%
Incorporated	19,748	↑ 12%
Cities and Towns		
Ellensburg	15,414	↑ 14%
Cle Elum	1,755	↓ 4%
South Cle Elum	457	↑ 9%
Kittitas	1,105	↑ 44%
Roslyn	1,017	↓ 1%
Snoqualmie Pass*	201	NA
Thorp*	273	NA
Easton*	383	NA
Vantage*	70	NA

*1990 data unavailable
Source: US Census, 1990-2000

Males and females are relatively equally represented in Kittitas County: Females comprised 50.3%, and males, 49.7% of the 2000 population. While the total population increased by 20%, the proportion of the population represented by different age groups was not significantly different in 2000 from that of 1990. (Source: US Census)

2000 Population Distribution by Age



Race and Ethnicity* in Kittitas County and Washington State, 2000

	Kittitas	WA. State
Race	% total population	
White	91.8%	81.8%
Black	0.7%	3.2%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0.9%	1.6%
Asian	2.2%	5.5%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.1%	0.4%
Some Other Race	2.3%	3.9%
2 or More Races	2.0%	3.6%
Ethnicity	% total population	
Hispanic	5.0%	7.5%

*Persons may indicate one or more race; persons who define their ethnicity as Hispanic may be of any race
Source: US Census, 2000

Kittitas County Employment and Labor Force, 1990-2000

Work Force	%2000 population	%change, from 1990
Labor Force	45%	↓2%
Unemployment	5.6%	↓1.4%
Industry Type		
Agriculture/forestry/ fishing	6.9%	↓1.9%
Construction	3.6%	No data
Manufacturing	5.8%	No data
Transportation/communication /utilities	3.7%	↑4.6%
Retail Trade	24.2%	↑.1%
Services	18.6%	Same %
Government	31.4%	↑.7%
Other	2.3%	↑.1%

Sources: Office of Financial Management, Employment Security Department

Educational Attainment, Kittitas County and Washington State, 2000

	Kittitas County	Washington State
4 th grade students meeting state reading standard*	76.3%	67.3%
Grade 9-12 Dropout Rate*	3.3%	4.0%
High school diploma or higher**	87.2%	87.1%
Associate college degree**	5.7%	8%
Bachelor's degree**	16.9%	18%
Graduate or Professional degree**	9.3%	9.3%

Sources: *Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, **2000 US Census Data (aged 25 and over)

Kittitas County and Washington State Household Income, 1999

Income	Kittitas County	Washington State
Median household income* 2000 (% change from 1990)	\$32,546 (↑58.8%)	\$45,776 (↑46.8%)
Income below FPL**	19.6%	10.6%
Median Earnings, by sex (\$)		
Male full-time, year-round workers	\$36,257	\$40,687
Female full-time, year-round workers	\$25,640	\$30,021

*Source: WA State Office of Financial Mgt , 1990 actual data and 2000 U.S. Census

** Source: 1990, 2000 U.S. Census; 1999 FPL=Federal Poverty Level: \$8240 for one person <age 65, \$16,700 for a family of 4 in 1999

Kittitas County had the 6th lowest median household income in 1999 in Washington State, up from 4th lowest county in 1989. The percent of families with related children (under age 18) living below the federal poverty level was 15.9% according to 1999 census-based estimates, 0.5% less than in 1990.

Kittitas County Household Composition

Marital Status*	Kittitas County	Washington State
Married	49.5%	55.3%
Divorced	9.9%	11.4%
Household Type		
Renter occupied households	41.7%	35.4%
Households with children**	26.2%	32.7%
Married couple households**	19.5%	23.8%
Single female parent households**	5.1%	6.5%

*2000 US Census Data (aged 15 and over)

**with own children under 18 in household

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