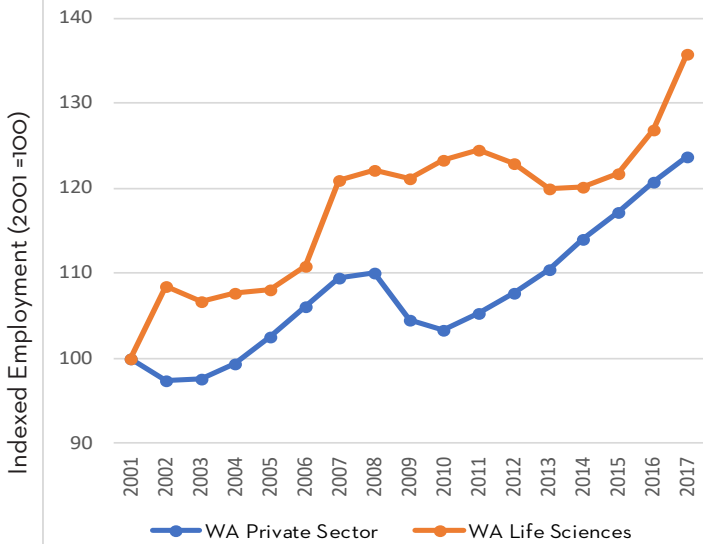


ECONOMIC IMPACT REPORT

Washington's growing life science industry encompasses world-class academic and non-profit research institutions, innovative startups, global corporations, and government laboratories. The state is a national leader in biotechnology, medical devices, digital health/health IT, bioagriculture, biofuels, and veterinary medicine.

LIFE SCIENCE EMPLOYMENT
13% GROWTH IN WASHINGTON
STATE FROM 2014 - 2017



- Over the past three years (2014-2017), the life science industry has experienced its strongest job growth in a decade: 13%.
- From 2001-2011 life science job creation greatly outpaced private sector job growth, providing a buffer against the past two recessions.
- Early investments by the state helped Washington become a national leader in life science discovery and innovation.
- Recent growth has been fueled by the maturation and expansion of home grown companies as well as a new generation of start-ups.

1100+

Life science organizations are located in 110 cities across Washington State.

347

Biotechnology & Nonprofit Research

316

Medical Device & Equipment

197

Digital Health/Health IT

118

Life Science-Related Distribution

100

Drug & Pharmaceutical

66

Agricultural Feedstock & Industrial Bioscience

EMPLOYMENT*

35,914

Individuals employed directly in life science jobs

90,401

Jobs supported by WA science industry

ECONOMIC IMPACT*

\$11.5 B

Added to WA's GDP

\$6.7 B

In wages & benefits

\$93,146

Average annual wage for life science jobs in WA

\$62,274

Average annual wage for other WA private sector jobs

POLICY PRIORITIES

Develop a sufficient workforce to sustain WA's life science industry

Support entrepreneurship and start-up mentoring programs

Invest in research & educational facilities

Ensure that business, tax, and regulatory policies enable companies to invest in long-term, high-risk R & D programs

110 WASHINGTON CITIES HOST LIFE SCIENCE EMPLOYERS

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City	Number of Companies	City	Number of Companies	City	Number of Companies
Aberdeen	1	Grayland	1	Point Roberts	2
Almira	1	Harrah	1	Pomeroy	2
Anacortes	1	Hobart	1	Port Orchard	3
Arlington	3	Ilwaco	1	Port Townsend	5
Auburn	7	Issaquah	10	Poulsbo	4
Bainbridge Island	11	Joint Base Lewis-Mcchord	2	Pullman	10
Battle Ground	1	Kenmore	4	Puyallup	3
Bellevue	78	Kennewick	12	Redmond	58
Bellingham	7	Kent	12	Renton	13
Black Diamond	2	Kingston	1	Richland	11
Blaine	2	Kirkland	35	Ridgefield	1
Bothell	61	Lacey	4	Sammamish	7
Bremerton	2	Lake Forest Park	1	Seattle	440
Brush Prairie	1	Lake Stevens	1	Shoreline	9
Burbank	1	Lakewood	2	Silverdale	2
Burlington	5	Liberty Lake	4	Snohomish	2
Camas	5	Lind	1	Snoqualmie	3
Carlsborg	2	Lynnwood	12	Spanaway	1
Carnation	1	Maple Valley	2	Spokane	37
Chehalis	1	Mercer Island	14	Spokane Valley	6
Cheney	1	Mill Creek	4	Stanwood	2
Colfax	1	Monroe	5	Steilacoom	1
Connell	1	Moses Lake	4	Sumner	3
Dryden	1	Mount Vernon	4	Sunnyside	2
Edmonds	3	Mountlake Terrace	7	Tacoma	18
Ellensburg	6	Moxee	1	Tukwila	6
Entiat	1	Mukilteo	2	Tumwater	2
Enumclaw	2	Newcastle	1	Union Gap	1
Ephrata	1	Normandy Park	1	University Place	1
Everett	9	North Bend	3	Vancouver	40
Fall City	1	Oak Harbor	2	Vashon	4
Federal Way	5	Olympia	4	Wapato	1
Ferndale	4	Othello	4	Warden	1
Fife	4	Parker	1	Wenatchee	5
Fircrest	1	Pasco	14	Woodinville	13
Friday Harbor	2			Woodland	1
Gig Harbor	5			Yakima	5
Grand Total					1,144