

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON

BUSINESS GUIDE

2025

WASHINGTON STATE

BEST STATES

*U.S. News & World Report
Top 10 in 2024*

AMERICA'S TOP STATES FOR BUSINESS

CNBC 2024

BEST STATE ECONOMY

WalletHub 2025

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GLOBAL CONNECTIONS

Situated in the heart of the Pacific Northwest, Clark County serves as the premier Pacific Rim gateway to the U.S. and Canada. Well-positioned to access major West Coast, Midwest, and international markets through multimodal connections via highway, deep-water ports, rail, and the Portland International Airport (PDX).

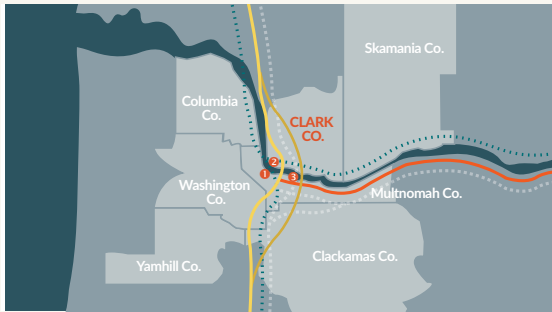
Washington State is equidistant between Asia & Europe



10
Non-stop
international flights

87
Non-stop destinations

270
Daily non-stop
departures



7,000
miles of state highways

465
miles of navigable waterways

75
ports

- ① Port of Portland — I-5 ▨ Union Pacific Railroad
- ② Port of Vancouver — I-205 ▨ BNSF Railroad
- ③ Portland Int'l Airport — I-84

INFRASTRUCTURE

Clark County offers **COMPETITIVE** lease rates, **ABUNDANT** clean water, and **LOW** utility rates.

#8
Washington Ranks
Best States Overall

#7
Washington
Infrastructure

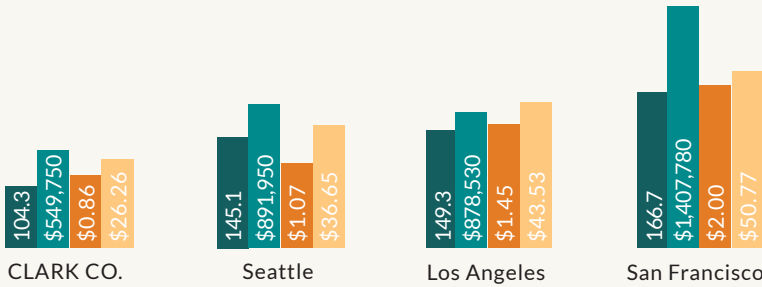
#2
Oregon
Infrastructure

U.S. News & World Report 2024

EXCEPTIONAL LIVABILITY

WASHINGTON STATE IS NO. 5 IN THE NATION FOR QUALITY OF LIFE.

Enjoy the excitement of the city and the escape of the outdoors. Nestled on the north bank of the Columbia River, Clark County, Washington is an energetic and charming place to live, work and play. Spectacular natural beauty, historic sites, and lively downtown communities make this the perfect place to call home.



Cost Of Living Index (US = 100)

C2ER, Cost of Living Index 2024

Median Home Sales Price

National Association of Realtors, Median Home Sale Price, Q3 2024

Industrial Real Estate Costs (Average Total Asking Rent - \$PSF)

JLL, Q4 2024

Class A Office (Gross Cost PSF)

Costar Analytics, Q4 2024

WASHINGTON STATE BUSINESS INCENTIVES

0%

Corporate or Personal Income Tax

0.14%–1.75%

State and Occupational Tax

8.7%

State and Local Combined Sales Tax

1.35%

Unemployment Insurance Tax on the first \$72,800 in wages

\$0.74/hr

Worker's Compensation

Tax Exemptions available for Manufacturing, Food Processing and Distribution

CREDC BUSINESS SERVICES

PROFESSIONAL • CONFIDENTIAL • NO COST

LET US HELP YOU:

- Coordinate business-to-business meetings with local executives.
- Compile local market data and demographics specific to industry sectors.
- Facilitate introductions to potential partners and supply chain development.
- Determine relevant incentives to reduce project costs.
- Provide connections to resources to recruit, screen, and train employees.
- Assist with stewarding permits through city, county, and state agencies.
- Mobilize regional and community resources to ensure continued business growth.
- Collaborate on public relations opportunities.
- Connect businesses with education partners.

Your Journey Starts Here

STEP **01**

Our team connects with company leadership to discuss the project and scope of expansion or relocation.

STEP **02**

Our team is with you every step of the way, identifying resources and making community connections.

STEP **03**

Welcome to Clark County! As your real journey begins, we ensure you have what you need to thrive in the community.

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