

2019 Statistical Profile: City of Tumwater

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Demographics

Population, 2000	12,698	
Population, 2010	17,371	
Population, 2019	24,060	
Pop. Growth per Year, 2000-'10	3.2%	
Pop. Growth per Year, 2010-'19	4.8%	
Households, 2010	7,566	
Average Household Size, 2010	2.30	
Age Structure, 2010:		
17 and under	3,767	22%
18 - 64	11,354	65%
65 and over	2,250	13%
Median Age	37	--
Race and Ethnic Categories, 2010:		
White	14,769	85%
Black/African American	301	2%
American Indian & Alaska Native	201	1%
Asian	841	5%
Native Hawaiian & Other Pacific Islander	90	1%
Other Race	272	2%
Two or More Races	897	5%
Hispanic or Latino (Of Any Race), 2010:		
Hispanic ²	1,069	6%

Tumwater, originally called "New Market," was the first permanent American settlement on Puget Sound.

In 1845, a party of 30 men and women, led by Michael T. Simmons and George Bush, established a settlement when the area was still a British territory.

Initially, the community developed around the falls of the Deschutes River, called SpEkwa'L, "cascade," by the Coastal Salish. The town was later known as "Tumwater," Chinook jargon for "waterfall." Tumwater was incorporated November 25, 1869 and reincorporated on November 12, 1875.

In 1896, Leopold Schmidt established a brewery at the falls, which became a focus of the city. In 1956, the construction of the freeway through the city razed most of the original downtown.

Now noted for its parks and museums, Tumwater has adopted the classic lines of the Old Brewhouse building for its civic structures along Israel Road.

Housing

Housing Units, 2019 Estimate:		
Single-Family	6,110	58%
Multifamily	3,600	34%
Manufactured Homes	760	7%
Average Home Sale Price, 2018:	\$331,379	

Median Household Income (in 2017 \$\$\$)¹:	
2008-2012 (ACS Estimate)	\$57,711
2013-2017 (ACS Estimate)	\$64,786

Taxable Retail Sales, 2018: \$818,553,178

Households by Income Category, 2013-2017¹:		
Less than \$24,999	1,615	17%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1,684	18%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	2,016	22%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,553	17%
\$100,000 or more	2,429	26%

Total Jobs, 2014 Estimate²:	22,350
Resource, Construction, Utilities	1,095
Manufacturing, Wholesale Trade	2,345
Retail, Accommodation, Food	3,335
Transportation, Warehousing	645
Services	4,670
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate	1,110
Government	9,145

Employment and Income

Development Activity

New Housing Units Permitted	
Average per Year, 2000-'10	141
Average per Year, 2011-'17	172
Total New Units Permitted, 2018	73

Subdivision Activity, 2017:	# Appl.	# Lots
Short Plat	2	5
Long Plat	1	64