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WASHINGTON

Washington: some state symbols



flag



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bird: willow goldfinch



seal



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flower: coast rhododendron



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tree: western hemlock

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<https://wa.gov/>



WASHINGTON – CLIMATE

https://wrcc.dri.edu/Climate/narrative_wa.php

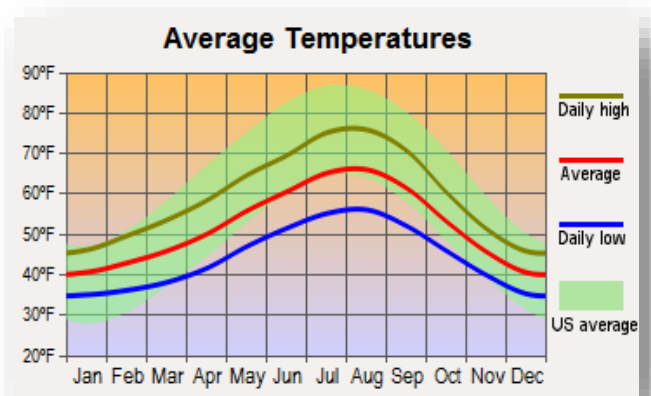
The Cascade Mountains divide Washington not only topographically but also climatically. Despite its northerly location, western Washington is as mild as the middle and southeastern Atlantic coast; it is also one of the rainiest regions in the world. Eastern Washington, on the other hand, has a much more continental climate, characterized by cold winters, hot summers, and sparse rainfall. Since the prevailing winds are from the west, the windward (western) slopes of the state's major mountains intercept most of the atmospheric moisture and precipitate it as rain or snow. Certain coastal areas, receiving more than 200 in (500 cm) of rain a year, support dense stands of timber in a temperate rain forest. But in the dry southeastern quadrant, there are sagebrush deserts. Average January temperatures in western Washington range from a minimum of 20°F (−7°C) on the western slope of the Cascades to a maximum of 48°F (9°C) along the Pacific coast; July temperatures range from a minimum of 44°F (7°C) on the western slope of the Cascades to a maximum of 80°F (27°C) in the foothills. In the east the temperature ranges are much more extreme: in January, from 8°F (−13°C) in the northeastern Cascades to 40°F (4°C) on the southeastern plateau; in July, from 48°F (9°C) on the eastern slope of the Cascades to 92°F (33°C) in the south-central portion of the state. The normal daily mean temperature in Seattle is 52°F (11°C), ranging from 40°F (4°C) in January to 65°F (18°C) in July; Spokane averages 47°F (8°C), ranging from 27°F (−3°C) in January to 69°F (21°C) in July.

MAJOR CITIES:

Northeast Washington
Northwest Washington

Southeast Washington
Peninsula Region Wash.

Spokane
Seattle,
Olympia,
Tacoma,
Vancouver,
Cascade
Mountains
Yakima
Olympic
Mountains



CULTURAL ACTIVITIES



Click on these sites for more cultural activity ideas:

- <http://www.tripadvisor.com/Attractions-g28968-Activities-Washington.html>
- <https://www.twowanderingsoles.com/blog/best-things-to-do-in-washington-state>
- <https://www.thecrazytourist.com/top-25-things-to-do-in-washington-state/>

Woodland Park Zoo- Seattle

<https://www.zoo.org/>

Seattle Aquarium – Seattle

<https://www.seattleaquarium.org/>

Museum of Pop Culture – Seattle

<https://www.mopop.org/>

Riverfront Park – Spokane

<https://my.spokanecity.org/riverfrontspokane/>

Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium – Tacoma

<https://www.pdza.org/>

Tacoma Nature Center – Tacoma

<https://www.metroparkstacoma.org/place/tacoma-nature-center/>

Vancouver Lake Park – Tacoma

<https://www.clark.wa.gov/public-works/vancouver-lake-regional-park>

Olympic Flight Museum – Olympia

<https://olympicflightmuseum.com/>

Chihuly Gardens and Glass

<https://www.chihulygardenandglass.com/>



GROCERY SHOPPING

Albertsons	QFC Quality Food Centers
Costco	Safeway
Fred Meyer	Wal-Mart Supermarket

Click on this link for more grocery stores:

<http://supermarketpage.com/state/WA/>



SHOPPING MALLS

Click on this link for a list of shopping malls:

<https://mallseeker.com/washington-malls.aspx>

PHARMACIES

Walgreens	Safeway
Bartell Drug Co	Fred Meyer Pharmacy
WFC	

Click here to locate other pharmacies:

<https://www.goodrx.com/pharmacy-near-me/all/wa>



POST OFFICES / SHIPPING



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<http://www.postofficehours.net/state/WA.html>



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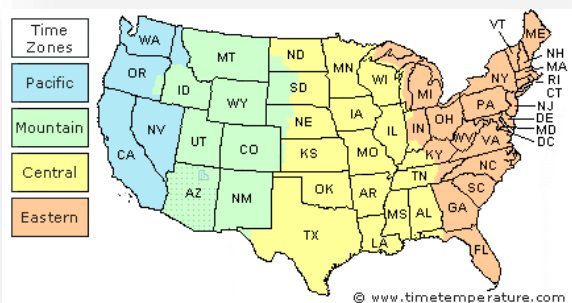
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<https://locations.theupsstore.com/wa>

TIME ZONES



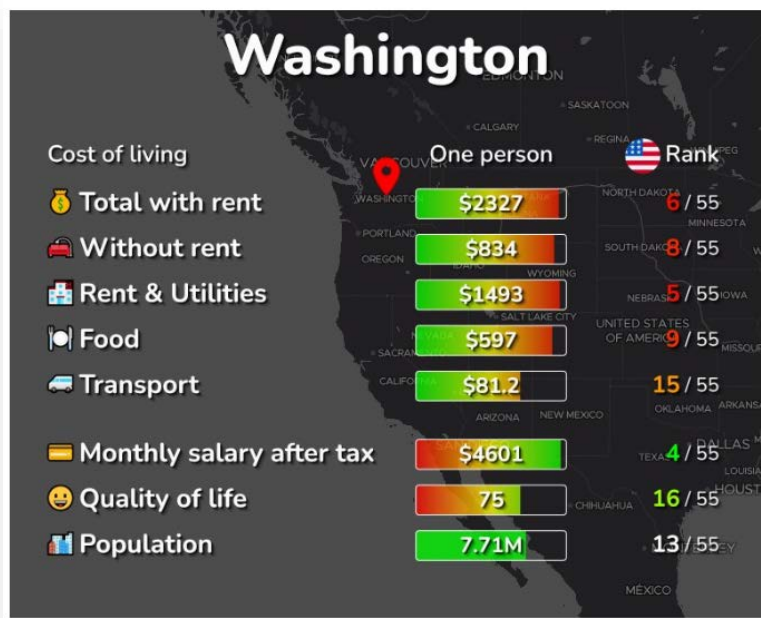
Click here for more information:

https://www.timetemperature.com/tzus/washington_time_zone.shtml

Washington Local Time Details

Time Zone Abbreviations	Pacific Standard Time - is abbreviated as PST Pacific Daylight Time - is abbreviated as PDT
UTC - GMT Offset	Washington is GMT/UTC - 8h during Standard Time Washington is GMT/UTC - 7h during Daylight Saving Time
Daylight Saving Time Usage	Washington does utilize Daylight Saving Time.
Daylight Saving Start Date	Washington starts Daylight Saving Time on Sunday March 12, 2023 at 2:00 AM local time.
Daylight Saving End Date	Washington ends Daylight Saving Time on Sunday November 5, 2023 at 2:00 AM local time.

COST OF LIVING IN WASHINGTON



Click here for more information:

<https://livingcost.org/cost/united-states/wa>



MINIMUM WAGE

State	2023 Minimum Wage	2023 Tipped Wage
WA	\$15.74	\$15.74

Click here for more information:

<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/minimum-wage/state#w>

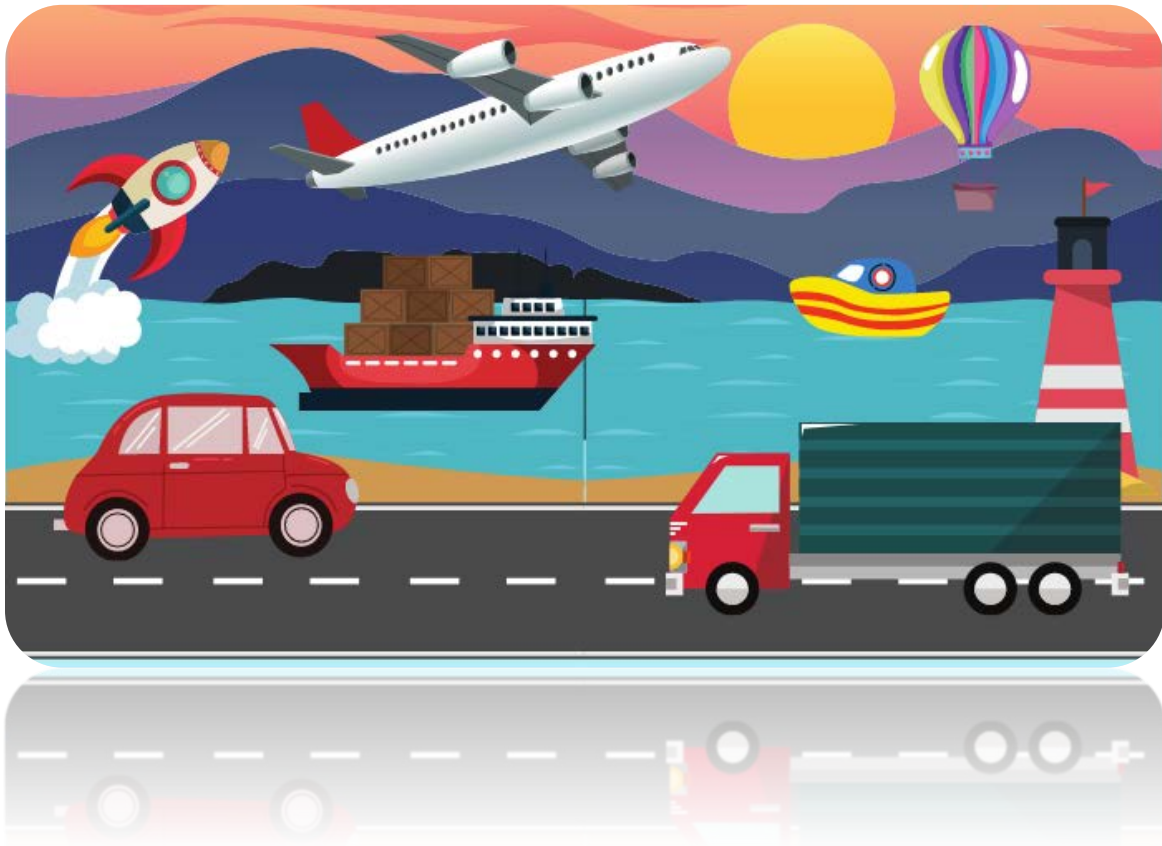
or

<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/state/minimum-wage/tipped#Washington>

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Click here for more information:

<https://lni.wa.gov/insurance/insurance-requirements/do-i-need-a-workers-comp-account/>



TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Click here for more information:

<https://www.apta.com/research-technical-resources/public-transportation-links/washington/>

Ride Sharing:

www.uber.com

www.lyft.com