

Economic Impact



The Port of Tacoma is an economic engine for South Puget Sound, providing family-wage jobs across Washington state connecting to Port activities. A major gateway to Asia and Alaska, the Port of Tacoma is among the largest container ports in North America. The Port is also a major center for bulk, breakbulk and project/heavy-lift cargoes, as well as automobiles and trucks. More than 2,700 acres of industrially-zoned property near marine terminals buoys manufacturing and distribution, supported by rail and highway access.

29,110
Total Jobs Impact

\$3 b
Revenue Impact

\$2.4 b
Personal Income Impact

\$631 m
Local Purchases

\$223 m
State & Local Tax Impact



Marine Cargo

With deep water terminals equipped with modern cargo-handling equipment, a productive longshore labor force moves cargo in and out of terminals quickly and efficiently. Several international carriers and their partners offer service to Asia and other ports around the world.

24,725
Jobs Impact

\$2.5 b
Revenue Impact

\$2.1 b
Personal Income Impact

\$543 m
Local Purchases

\$195 m
State & Local Tax Impact

Comparison to 2004

- > 1,803 increase in marine cargo direct jobs
- > 2.8 million decrease in tonnage activity
- > \$715* million increase in business revenue
- > \$92* million increase in state and local taxes
- > \$295* million increase in local purchases

*Updated based on 2013 dollars



20.8 million short tons of cargo moved through the port in 2013



Marine cargo supported 9,984 direct jobs in 2013

Industrial Lease Tenants

The Port of Tacoma also leases land to non-maritime related tenants. Property is leased for manufacturing, office, warehouse and distribution, equipment maintenance and repair, construction contractors and equipment storage, fish processing and office space.

4,385
Jobs Impact

\$561 m
Revenue Impact

\$306 m
Personal Income Impact

\$88 m
Local Purchases

\$28 m
State & Local Tax Impact



Direct jobs from industrial lease tenants increased by 1,264 positions between 2004 and 2013



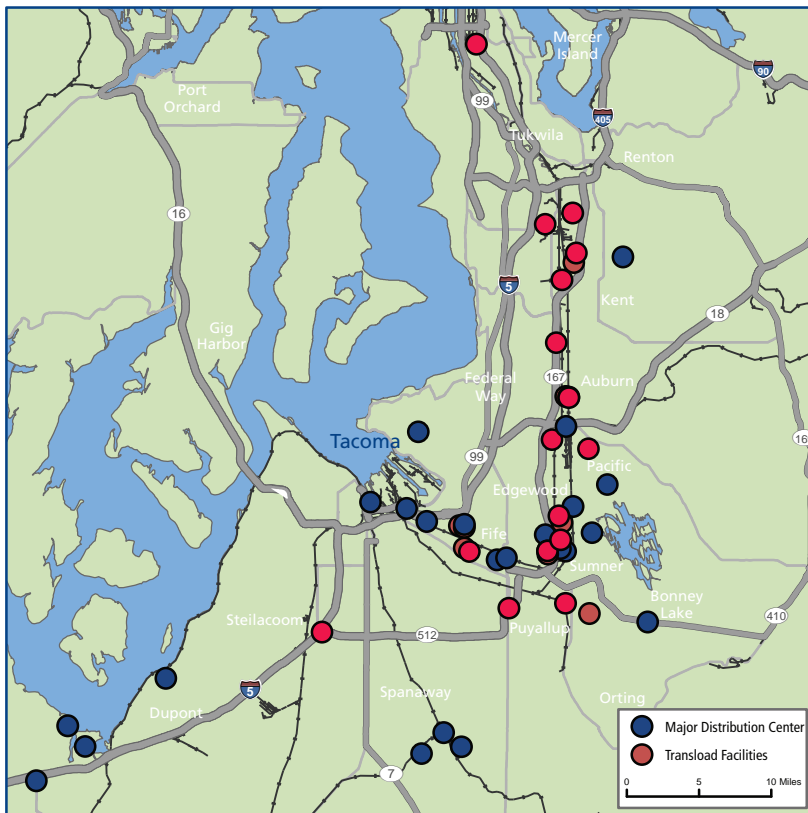
Foreign Trade Zone #86 encompasses the Port of Tacoma industrial area and the rest of Pierce County



26% of direct jobs with Port industrial lease tenants are in fishing



38% of direct jobs with Port industrial lease tenants are in manufacturing



The Port industrial area connects major distribution centers and transload facilities to regional transportation corridors, including I-5 to the north and south, and I-90 to the west.

Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) and Union Pacific Railway provide transcontinental service to and from Tacoma on four on- or near-dock intermodal rail yards and three arrival and departure tracks. Tacoma rail provides switching and terminal service.



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