

Business and Professional Licensing

Point-In-Time Snapshot of Individual & Business Licenses	
Profession	12/31/2018
Architects	7,972
Body Piercing & Tattooing	4,016
Combative Sports	727
Cosmetologists	80,870
Driver Training Schools	1,848
Engineers & Land Surveyors	50,576
Funeral Directors & Embalmers	1,735
Geologists	2,226
Limousine & For Hire	1,640
Notaries Public	75,367
Private Investigators	1,559
Real Estate Appraisers	3,032
Real Estate Professionals	44,908
Security Guards	12,359
Vehicle Dealers & Transport/Disposal	7,313
Other	7,861
Total	304,009
Type	12/31/2018
Total Individual Licenses	267,620
Total Business Licenses	36,389
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License Transactions — CY18 Count		
Activity	Originals	Renewals
Total Licenses	35,830	125,685

License Renewals by Channel		
Channel	CY18 Count	Percent
Paper	51,630	41%
Internet	62,866	50%
BLS Partner (DOR)*	11,189	9%
Total	125,685	

*BLS = Business Licensing Service; DOR = Dept. of Revenue.

Firearms Program*	
Activity	CY18 Count
Law Enforcement Inquiries to Firearms Database	2,378,668
Pistol Sales & Transfers Received	158,548
Concealed Pistol Licenses Issued by Law Enforcement	147,275
Point-In-Time Snapshot as of 12/31/2018	
Active Concealed Pistol Licenses	608,979
Firearms Dealers	783

*DOL updates and maintains the firearms database for use by law enforcement.

Prorate & Fuel Tax Services	
Activity	CY18 Count
Fuel Tax Business Audits	331
Prorate & Fuel Tax Licenses	5,732
Annual Fuel Tax Collected	\$1,805,601,709

Uniform Commercial Code* — CY18 Count			
Activity	Internet	Paper	Total
Filings Processed	76,778	12,229	89,007
Searches Completed	225,206	1,899	227,105
Point-In-Time Snapshot as of 12/31/2018			
Total Active Filings in Database	605,911		

*DOL records liens on personal property and makes information available to the public through searches.

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Agency Facts	
Driver Licensing Services Offices	56
Vehicle Agent & Sub-Agent Offices	179
Allotted Full Time Positions (FTEs)	1,478

Biennial Budget 2017-2019	
Transportation	\$ 367 Million
Omnibus	\$ 52 Million
Total	\$ 419 Million

Revenue Collected — by Recipient	
Recipient	Fiscal Year 2018*
WA State	\$ 2,883,880,318
Federal	\$ 59,399
Other States (IRP, IFTA)	\$ 47,903,497
Local (TBD, RTA)	\$ 387,035,189
Other	\$ 1,677,537
Total	\$ 3,364,277,363

*Due to budget cycles, revenue collected by fiscal year is only updated in calendar year end publications.

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Calendar Year 2018

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Drivers Licensing

Point-In-Time Snapshot of Card Holders					
Type	12/31/2014	12/31/2015	12/31/2016	12/31/2017	12/31/2018
Driver License (DL)	5,472,566	5,576,586	5,705,688	5,842,167	5,455,219
18 years old & over	5,395,223	5,498,162	5,625,789	5,761,617	5,375,192
Intermediate (under 18)	77,343	78,424	79,899	80,550	80,027
Identification Card (ID)	618,506	615,604	623,909	634,496	662,817
Instruction Permit	85,759	86,673	87,097	86,655	86,869
Enhanced Documents (Counts are included in Driver License and ID Card counts above)					
Driver License (EDL)	422,640	482,068	584,337	686,799	767,885
Identification Card (EID)	22,631	22,989	24,969	25,809	28,706
Endorsements & Restricted Licenses (Counts are included in Driver License counts above)					
Motorcycle	416,082	428,006	429,585	446,260	422,717
Commercial (CDL)	184,536	190,982	186,963	183,779	181,315
Ignition Interlock	5,148	4,293	4,757	4,902	4,375

*As of 2018, Point In Time Counts reflect data clean up, and more refined report filters in the new DOL driver records system.

Transactions/Count: Count of card holders or registrations issued, renewed, or replaced during the reporting year.

Point-In-Time Snapshot: Counts of all current card holders, vehicle/vessel registrations, or licenses on the date specified.

NOTE: Customer transactions can be counted in multiple places. For example, when they have both motorcycle and commercial endorsements, or combination plates (such as personalized on a special background).

DL & ID Renewal Transactions by Channel		
Channel	CY18 Count	Percent
Office	612,061	68%
Internet	255,240	28%
Mail	34,578	4%
Total	901,879	

Driver License Testing — CY18 Count		
Type	Licensing Services Office	Driver Training School
Knowledge	26,809	241,213
Drive	10,894	174,131
Total	37,703	415,344

Regulating Activity	
Action	CY18 Count
Hearings & Interviews Processed	9,514
Point-In-Time Snapshot as of 12/31/2018	
Suspended, Revoked, or Canceled*	364,322

*Includes unlicensed and out-of-state people.

Driver Transactions — CY18 Count		
Type	Originals	Renewals
Driver License (DL)	291,851	839,500
Motorcycle	15,004	70,261
Commercial	14,409	34,249
Identification Card (ID)	91,302	62,379
Instruction Permit	97,860	26,371

Individual Abstract of Driving Record (ADR) CY18 Requests by Channel		
Channel	Count	Percent
Office	48,176	21%
Internet	142,153	61%
Mail	40,844	18%
Total	231,173	
Commercial Data Broker ADR		
Type	CY18 Count	
Monitored	23,173,173	
Purchased	1,940,504	

Vehicles/Vessels Licensing

Point-In-Time Snapshot of Currently Registered Vehicles and Vessels					
Type	12/31/2014	12/31/2015	12/31/2016	12/31/2017	12/31/2018
Vehicles	6,932,826	7,123,864	7,559,161	7,983,583	8,091,714
Motorcycles	218,119	219,576	233,491	233,888	238,297
Vessels	228,334	234,195	225,004	225,732	222,938

Email Renewal Notices — CY Counts				
Type Sent	2015	2016	2017	2018
Vehicle Email Renewal Notices*	628,006	777,175	736,403	649,530
Vehicle Paper Notice	5,991,468	6,053,215	6,084,556	6,561,230
New Enrollees				
Vehicle	189,444	195,624	73,047	70,771
Vessel	6,358	5,921	3,730	3,392
Total	195,802	201,545	76,777	74,163

*Vessels do not have a paper option

Vehicle Renewal Transactions by Channel		
Channel	CY18 Count	Percent
Office/Mail	5,049,014	68%
Internet	2,384,256	32%
Total	7,433,270	

Vehicle Title Transactions	
Type	CY18 Count
New to WA	784,184
Transfers	1,096,198
Modifications	481,620
Duplicates	41,992
Total	2,403,994

Vehicle Permit Transactions	
Type	CY18 Count
Trip	135,251
Dealer	811,771
Transit	49,564
Other*	4,561
Total	1,001,147

*Farm; military; special fuel; off road; snowmobiles; 30, 60, 90 Day.

Original License Plate Issuances CY18	
Type	Count
Standard Background	1,617,812
Standard Configuration	1,572,163
Personalized Configuration	7,807
Non-Standard Configuration*	37,842
Special Background	19,851
Standard Configuration	16,152
Personalized Configuration	3,699
Metal Tag/Decal	29,335
Total	1,666,998

*Exempt, Disabled, Veteran, etc.