

Whatcom County 2017 Top Employers

The Center for Economic and Business Research at Western Washington University asks businesses for permanent full-time employees based in Whatcom County each year – the following table is for employment counts as of 12/31/17 for those businesses with more than 200 employees. Getting this information is harder than you might think due to differences in how companies define full-time, how to count people who work in different locations during the year, etc. Numbers in the table should be used for discussion purposes and reference, with an understanding of the uncertainty surrounding the numbers.

Not all companies contacted agree to have their employment numbers published. If an omission is believed to have occurred, please contact the Center for Economic and Business Research at Western Washington University by phone at 360 -650-3909 or by e-mail at cebr@wwu.edu.

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2016 Rank	2017 Rank	Company Name	FTE	Full-time Employees	Total Headcount	Notes
1	1	St Joseph Hospital	2289		3028	
2	2	Lummi Nation			1731	
3	3	Western Washington University	1519		1700	
4	4	Bellingham Public Schools			1010	
5	5	Whatcom County		907	907	
6	6	BP Cherry Point			856	
7	7	The City of Bellingham			853	
51	8	Mayberry Packing LLC			805	Seasonal and full-time workers
9	9	Haggen			750	
8	10	Fred Meyer			710	
11	11	Alcoa Intalco Works	690		690	
25	12	WECU	343.3	325	668.25	
14	13	Bellingham Tech. College	234	430	664	
12	14	Ferndale school district	510		650	
31	15	Blaine School District			562	
23	16	Matrix Service Inc			515	
10	17	Zodiac Interiors		496	496	
20	18	Lynden Door Company			463	800 total for US and Canada
16	19	Family Care Network	380.6		449	
32	20	Costco			445	
13	21	T-mobile			437	Based on 2015 Numbers

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15	22	Lynden School District			430	
19	23	Peoples Bank	414		414	
45	24	Phillips 66 Refinery	269		409	140 contracted
17	25	Smith Gardens		400	400	Based on 2016 Numbers
18	26	Anvil Corporation		400	400	
22	27	The Markets		370	370	Based on 2016 Numbers
39	28	Aramark	234	111	345	
21	29	Alpha Technologies		331	331	
29	30	Mt. Baker School District	327		327	
26	31	Faithlife (Formerly Logos)			322	
24	32	Diamond B Construction		300	300	
27	33	Cascade DAFO			292	
28	34	Whatcom Community College		285	285	
35	35	Meridian School District			262	
38	36	Trans Ocean Products		248	248	
34	37	Target	197	28	225	
37	38	Samson Rope Tech		219	219	
40	39	Nature's Path Foods USA Inc		200	200	