

Benton County & Franklin County Demographics & Social Characteristics

2009



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April 1 Population of Cities, Towns, and Counties

Used for Allocation of Selected State Revenues

State of Washington

Caution: Annual change may not be valid due to corrections and data changes. Estimates for individual years may not be comparable. Estimates in this series are not revised based on information that becomes available after the estimate date. Evaluate growth by looking at the growth between the last census and most current estimate.

Census total/percent

Source: Washington State Office of Financial Management

County Municipality	Census 2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Estimate 2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Benton	142,475 100%	144,800 100%	147,600 100%	151,600 100%	155,100 100%	158,100 100%	160,600 100%	162,900 100%	165,500 100%	169,300 100%
Unincorporated	33,169 23.0%	33,350 23.0%	34,610 23.0%	34,965 23.0%	35,830 23.0%	36,075 23.0%	36,195 23.0%	36,525 22.0%	34,450 21.0%	34,975 21.0%
Incorporated	109,306 77.0%	111,450 77.0%	112,990 77.0%	116,635 77.0%	119,270 77.0%	122,025 77.0%	124,405 77.0%	126,375 78.0%	131,050 79.0%	134,325 79.0%
Benton City	2,624 1.8%	2,720 1.9%	2,725 1.8%	2,790 1.8%	2,815 1.8%	2,840 1.8%	2,840 1.8%	2,860 1.8%	2,855 1.7%	2,955 1.7%
Kennewick	54,751 38.0%	55,780 38.0%	56,280 38.0%	57,900 38.0%	58,970 38.0%	60,410 38.0%	61,770 38.0%	62,520 38.0%	65,860 40.0%	67,180 40.0%
Prosser	4,838 3.4%	4,865 3.4%	4,905 3.3%	4,940 3.3%	4,985 3.2%	5,045 3.2%	5,045 3.1%	5,075 3.1%	5,075 3.1%	5,110 0.0%
Richland	38,708 27.2%	39,350 27.2%	40,150 27.2%	41,650 27.5%	42,660 27.5%	43,520 27.5%	44,230 27.5%	45,070 27.7%	46,080 28.0%	47,410 28.0%
West Richland	8,385 6.0%	8,735 6.0%	8,930 6.1%	9,355 6.2%	9,840 6.3%	10,210 6.5%	10,520 6.6%	10,850 6.7%	11,180 6.8%	11,670 6.9%
Franklin	49,347 100%	50,400 100%	51,300 100%	53,600 100%	57,000 100%	60,500 100%	64,200 100%	67,400 100%	70,200 100%	72,700 100%
Unincorporated	13,686 28.0%	13,765 27.0%	12,915 25.2%	12,175 23.0%	12,305 21.6%	12,455 20.6%	12,730 19.8%	13,325 19.8%	14,000 20.0%	14,105 19.0%
Incorporated	35,661 72.3%	36,635 72.7%	38,385 75.0%	41,425 77.3%	44,695 78.0%	48,045 79.0%	51,470 80.0%	54,075 80.0%	56,200 80.1%	58,595 81.0%
Connell	2,956 6.0%	2,970 6.0%	3,100 6.0%	3,190 6.0%	3,195 6.0%	3,195 5.3%	3,200 5.0%	3,205 5.0%	3,255 5.0%	3,430 5.0%
Kahlotus	214 0.4%	215 0.4%	215 0.4%	215 0.4%	220 0.4%	220 0.4%	220 0.3%	220 0.3%	215 0.3%	220 0.3%
Mesa	425 0.9%	440 0.9%	440 0.9%	440 0.8%	440 0.8%	440 0.7%	440 0.7%	440 0.7%	440 0.6%	455 0.6%
Pasco	32,066 65.0%	33,010 65.5%	34,630 66.0%	37,580 70.0%	40,840 72.0%	44,190 73.0%	47,610 74.2%	50,210 74.5%	52,290 74.5%	54,490 75.0%

The population estimates are developed as accurately as possible from standard and tested methods. The population figures represent the resident population of an area as defined by the federal Census Bureau. The figures include all persons usually residing in an area including military personnel and dependents, persons living in correctional institutions, and persons living in nursing homes or other care facilities. College students are considered residents of the place where they live while attending school. Seasonal population, such as vacationers or migrant farm workers, are considered residents of the place they consider their usual residence. Persons with no usual residence are counted where they are on April 1.

Population and Components of Population Change by County: April 1, 2000 to April 1, 2009
with Ranking by Percent Population Change (totals may not add due to rounding)

Population & Components of Population Change by County						
April 1, 2000 to April 1, 2009						
	Change		Component of Change			Rank by Percent Change
	Number	Percent	Births	Deaths	Net Migration	
Benton County	30,400	21.9%	20,374	9,580	16,032	5
Franklin County	27,600	61.2%	12,442	2,668	13,578	1

NOTE: Corrections to Census 2000 counts results in some minor differences in published figures. Numbers may not add or compare to other tables due to rounding. Source: Office of Financial Management, Forecasting Division / June 29, 2009

Estimates in this series are not revised based on information that becomes available after the estimate date. Unrounded numbers are not meant to imply accuracy.

In and out movement of agricultural and seasonal workers may make population estimate more variable.

POPULATION by Age & Sex Benton County

Source: Washington State Office of Financial Management

Age	2005			2006			2007			2008			2009		
	Total	Male	Female												
0-4	11,598	5,932	5,666	11,734	6,002	5,733	11,991	6,133	5,858	12,295	6,289	6,007	12,622	6,456	6,167
5-9	11,795	5,957	5,838	11,954	6,034	5,920	12,059	6,087	5,972	12,167	6,139	6,028	12,377	6,245	6,133
10-14	13,076	6,700	6,376	12,970	6,646	6,324	12,842	6,578	6,265	12,792	6,545	6,246	12,938	6,617	6,320
15-19	12,859	6,606	6,253	13,076	6,722	6,355	13,275	6,828	6,447	13,410	6,904	6,506	13,519	6,957	6,562
20-24	9,763	4,860	4,904	10,011	4,983	5,028	10,156	5,045	5,111	10,280	5,097	5,183	10,456	5,180	5,277
25-29	8,963	4,435	4,528	9,363	4,624	4,739	9,730	4,807	4,923	10,124	5,011	5,113	10,503	5,195	5,308
30-34	9,460	4,698	4,762	9,284	4,612	4,671	9,261	4,604	4,657	9,420	4,684	4,736	9,727	4,845	4,881
35-39	10,833	5,428	5,405	11,039	5,541	5,498	11,137	5,604	5,534	11,083	5,575	5,508	11,001	5,526	5,475
40-44	12,280	6,134	6,146	12,035	6,027	6,009	11,747	5,888	5,858	11,554	5,804	5,750	11,554	5,824	5,730
45-49	12,590	6,389	6,201	12,715	6,455	6,259	12,758	6,481	6,277	12,756	6,481	6,275	12,911	6,573	6,338
50-54	11,500	5,863	5,637	11,805	6,027	5,778	12,069	6,165	5,904	12,308	6,301	6,007	12,563	6,440	6,123
55-59	9,795	4,966	4,829	10,364	5,243	5,122	10,513	5,314	5,199	10,792	5,450	5,341	11,219	5,653	5,566
60-64	7,124	3,545	3,579	7,436	3,690	3,747	8,132	4,027	4,105	8,685	4,288	4,397	9,243	4,563	4,679
65-69	4,954	2,424	2,530	5,162	2,533	2,629	5,427	2,669	2,758	5,824	2,866	2,958	6,290	3,090	3,200
70-74	3,847	1,790	2,057	3,886	1,810	2,076	3,964	1,853	2,111	4,104	1,926	2,179	4,310	2,031	2,279
75-79	3,175	1,359	1,816	3,180	1,376	1,805	3,173	1,384	1,789	3,171	1,390	1,781	3,205	1,411	1,794
80-84	2,450	914	1,536	2,444	915	1,529	2,419	905	1,514	2,415	911	1,504	2,430	925	1,505
85 +	2,038	681	1,357	2,141	717	1,424	2,245	756	1,489	2,320	781	1,540	2,433	820	1,613
TOTAL	158,100	78,679	79,421	160,600	79,956	80,644	162,900	81,129	81,771	165,500	82,443	83,057	169,300	84,351	84,949

Population by Age Group for Adolescents

15	2,861	1,476	1,385	2,878	1,477	1,401	2,868	1,472	1,395	2,846	1,468	1,378	2,789	1,432	1,357
16	2,775	1,418	1,357	2,897	1,485	1,412	2,912	1,485	1,427	2,907	1,483	1,424	2,907	1,490	1,417
17	2,689	1,396	1,292	2,723	1,418	1,305	2,841	1,484	1,357	2,860	1,487	1,374	2,877	1,496	1,382
18	2,480	1,288	1,193	2,540	1,322	1,218	2,570	1,341	1,229	2,686	1,405	1,281	2,725	1,419	1,306
19	2,054	1,028	1,026	2,038	1,020	1,018	2,084	1,045	1,039	2,111	1,062	1,049	2,221	1,120	1,101
15-19	12,859	6,606	6,253	13,076	6,722	6,355	13,275	6,828	6,447	13,410	6,904	6,506	13,519	6,957	6,562
15-17	8,319	4,286	4,033	8,498	4,380	4,118	8,621	4,441	4,179	8,613	4,437	4,176	8,574	4,418	4,156
18-19	4,540	2,319	2,221	4,578	2,341	2,237	4,655	2,387	2,268	4,797	2,467	2,330	4,945	2,539	2,407

POPULATION by Age & Sex
Franklin County

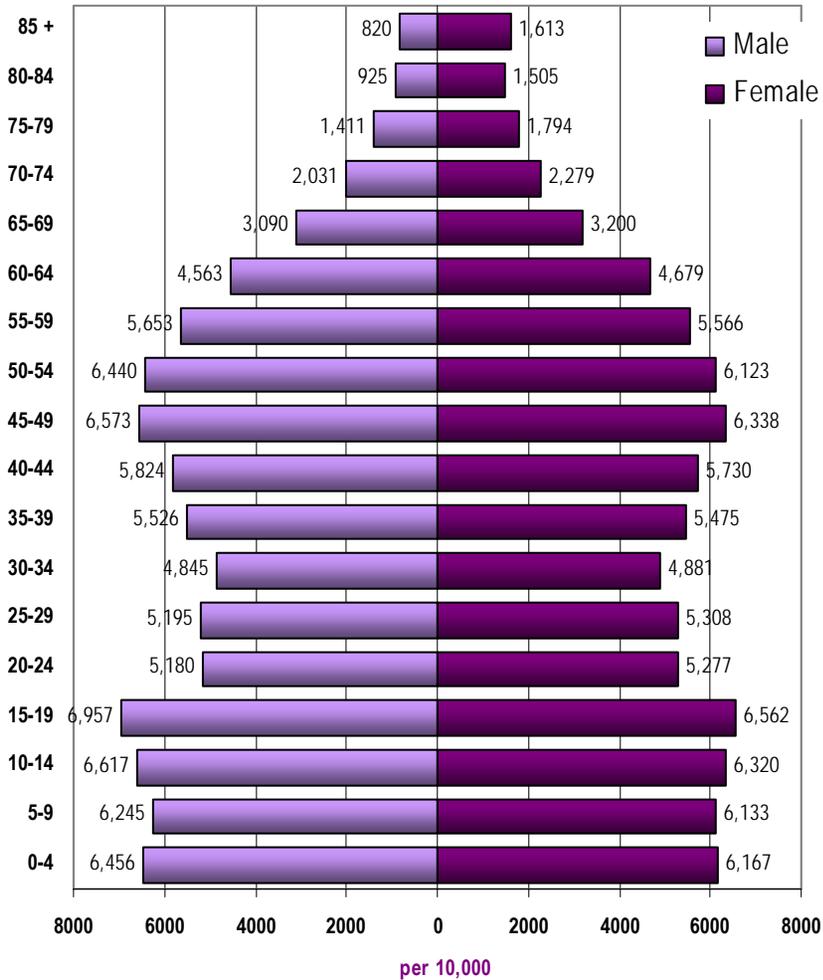
Source: Washington State Office of Financial Management

Age	2005			2006			2007			2008			2009		
	Total	Male	Female												
0-4	5,908	3,102	2,806	6,247	3,280	2,967	6,607	3,469	3,138	6,946	3,647	3,299	7,222	3,792	3,430
5-9	5,463	2,822	2,641	5,786	2,987	2,799	6,042	3,119	2,922	6,249	3,225	3,024	6,439	3,323	3,116
10-14	5,279	2,761	2,518	5,472	2,863	2,610	5,609	2,933	2,676	5,727	2,992	2,735	5,867	3,063	2,803
15-19	5,515	2,973	2,542	5,861	3,162	2,700	6,160	3,324	2,835	6,379	3,446	2,933	6,513	3,517	2,996
20-24	4,917	2,684	2,232	5,268	2,877	2,392	5,531	3,014	2,517	5,739	3,123	2,616	5,912	3,214	2,698
25-29	4,372	2,319	2,053	4,772	2,527	2,245	5,134	2,719	2,414	5,476	2,906	2,571	5,754	3,051	2,702
30-34	3,897	2,127	1,770	3,997	2,183	1,814	4,127	2,255	1,872	4,304	2,352	1,951	4,502	2,464	2,037
35-39	3,728	1,927	1,801	3,970	2,056	1,914	4,146	2,152	1,994	4,230	2,195	2,035	4,252	2,204	2,048
40-44	3,849	2,067	1,781	3,943	2,123	1,820	3,983	2,147	1,837	4,017	2,169	1,848	4,070	2,205	1,865
45-49	3,971	2,124	1,847	4,191	2,242	1,948	4,353	2,330	2,022	4,462	2,389	2,073	4,574	2,454	2,120
50-54	3,362	1,723	1,639	3,607	1,851	1,756	3,817	1,959	1,857	3,990	2,053	1,937	4,125	2,125	2,000
55-59	2,868	1,473	1,395	3,172	1,625	1,546	3,330	1,705	1,625	3,504	1,793	1,711	3,690	1,883	1,806
60-64	2,129	1,106	1,023	2,322	1,203	1,119	2,628	1,359	1,269	2,877	1,483	1,394	3,101	1,599	1,502
65-69	1,599	770	829	1,741	841	900	1,894	917	978	2,084	1,010	1,075	2,280	1,102	1,178
70-74	1,293	603	690	1,365	638	728	1,441	676	766	1,530	720	810	1,627	769	859
75-79	985	451	534	1,032	477	555	1,066	497	570	1,093	511	581	1,119	526	593
80-84	789	352	437	823	368	455	843	377	466	864	389	475	881	400	481
85 +	577	222	355	633	245	389	688	267	421	729	283	446	774	301	473
TOTAL	60,500	31,606	28,894	64,200	33,544	30,656	67,400	35,220	32,180	70,200	36,685	33,515	72,700	37,990	34,710

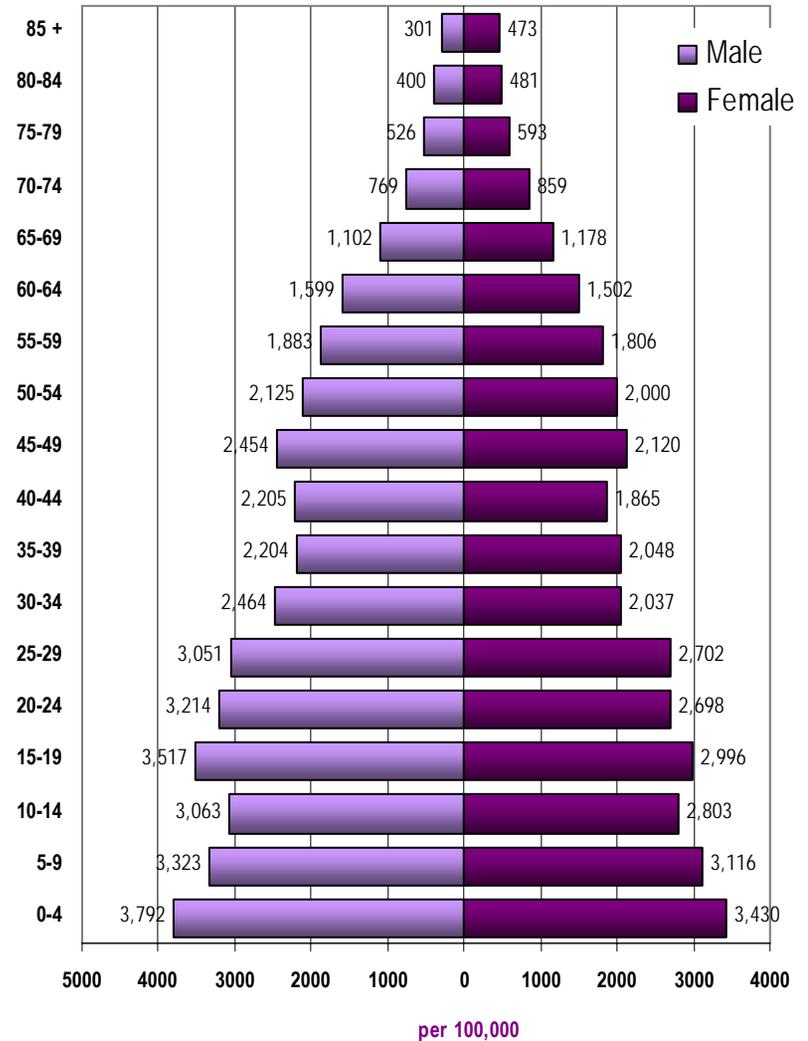
Population by Age Group for Adolescents

15	1,088	583	505	1,144	610	534	1,179	629	550	1,199	642	557	1,188	633	555
16	1,199	629	570	1,308	688	620	1,360	712	648	1,391	728	663	1,407	739	667
17	1,150	622	528	1,217	660	557	1,314	715	599	1,355	734	622	1,378	746	633
18	1,081	581	501	1,158	623	534	1,212	654	558	1,298	702	595	1,331	716	614
19	998	559	439	1,035	580	455	1,095	615	480	1,137	640	497	1,209	682	527
15-19	5,515	2,973	2,542	5,861	3,162	2,700	6,160	3,324	2,835	6,379	3,446	2,933	6,513	3,517	2,996
15-17	3,436	1,834	1,603	3,669	1,958	1,711	3,853	2,055	1,798	3,945	2,104	1,841	3,973	2,118	1,855
18-19	2,079	1,140	939	2,192	1,203	989	2,307	1,269	1,038	2,434	1,342	1,092	2,540	1,399	1,142

Distribution of Population by Age & Sex
Benton County, 2009



Distribution of Population by Age & Sex
Franklin County, 2009



In 2009 Benton County had a total estimated population of 169,300 of which 84,351 are males and 84,949 are females. Females outnumber males slightly. The median age is estimated to be at 36.14 years old; males 35.62 years old and females at 36.67 years old.

In 2009 Franklin County had a total estimated population of 72,700 of which 37,990 are males and 34,710 are females. Males outnumber females. The median age is estimated to be at 28.82 years old; males 28.42 years old and females at 29.28 years old.

The total estimated population for Benton and Franklin Counties is 242,000 people.

NOTE: Age/sex details may not add due to rounding, and unrounded numbers are not meant to imply precision. The 1990 Counts are adjusted for age mis-reporting.

Population by Race & Hispanic Ethnicity

Benton County		2002	2004	2006	2008
Total Population		142,475 100%	155,100 100%	160,600 100%	165,500 100%
White		134,098 94.0%	145,632 94.0%	150,247 94.0%	154,706 93.5%
Black		1,435 1.0%	1,520 1.0%	1,700 1.1%	1,784 1.1%
Race	AIAN	1,235 0.9%	1,371 0.9%	1,391 0.9%	1,454 0.9%
	API	3,437 2.4%	3,799 2.4%	4,275 2.7%	4,446 2.7%
	Two or More	2,270 1.6%	2,778 1.8%	2,988 1.9%	3,110 1.9%
	Hispanic Ethnicity	17,806 12.5%	22,815 15.0%	24,786 15.0%	26,869 16.0%

These estimates are done with five race categories and one ethnic category.

The racial groups used in these estimates are: White; Black and African American; American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN); Asian/Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (API); and, Two or More race.

AIAN: American Indian and Alaska Native

API: American Pacific Islander

The ethnic group is the Hispanic Origin population. Notice that by the Office of Management and Budget racial classification, Hispanic is not a race category. A person of Hispanic Origin can be racially White, or Black, or any other race.

Estimates are reported by the following category:

Total population by race, where each racial group **includes** persons of Hispanic Origin.

Franklin County		2002	2004	2006	2008
Total Population		49,347 100%	57,000 100%	64,200 100%	70,200 100%
White		45,958 93.0%	53,478 94.0%	60,090 94.0%	66,009 94.0%
Black		1,396 2.8%	1,228 2.2%	1,435 2.2%	1,472 2.1%
Race	AIAN	460 0.9%	468 0.8%	532 0.8%	379 0.5%
	API	1,006 2.0%	1,076 2.0%	1,324 2.1%	1,432 2.0%
	Two or More	527 1.1%	751 1.3%	820 1.3%	908 1.3%
	Hispanic Ethnicity	23,032 46.7%	31,798 56.0%	36,495 57.0%	41,628 59.0%

Note: The sum of race categories may not add up to the county totals, and in a few cases, the county age sex distribution do not add to the state. This is due to the suppression of small numbers that may violate the confidentiality measures.

Rounding is the second reason that the numbers may not add up. The small numbers in the 2008 estimates do not imply precision

Source: Washington State Office of Financial Management

INCOME				
Median Household Income Estimates				
	Year	Benton County Income	Franklin County Income	Washington State Income
Estimate	1997	\$44,056	\$35,770	\$42,400
	1998	\$45,650	\$37,196	\$44,499
Census	1999	\$47,044	\$38,991	\$45,776
	2000	\$49,190	\$40,349	\$48,300
	2001	\$51,570	\$42,204	\$49,337
Estimate	2002	\$52,584	\$42,571	\$49,958
	2003	\$54,112	\$42,370	\$50,779
	2004	\$56,242	\$41,634	\$53,530
	2005	\$55,031	\$41,609	\$53,697
	2006	\$53,385	\$43,017	\$56,184
Preliminary Estimate	2007*	\$55,429	\$44,820	\$59,119
Projection	2008**	\$56,683	\$44,800	\$60,010

Money income, as defined by the Bureau of the Census, includes wage or salary income, self-employment income, interest, dividend, rental income, social security or other public assistance income, retirement, and disability income; etc. It excludes some of the income components of personal income defined by the BEA. For example, employer-paid pension and medical benefits are included in personal income but not in money income. The median measures the point at which half of all households have more income and half have less.

Thurston County and Yakima County Project higher incomes levels for 2007 in comparison to both Benton and Franklin Counties. Thurston County 2008 Projection is \$59,885 and Yakima County is projected to be at \$40,794.

Note: 1989 and 1999 median income values are derived from the 1990 and 2000 U.S. Census of Population and Housing, respectively. Estimates of median household money income for the inter- and post-Census years are based on the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) per capita income data and the estimates of household characteristics, at the county level.

*Preliminary estimates for 2007 are based on the payroll data compiled by the state Employment Security Department and the state personal income data published by BEA (Bureau of Economic Analysis).

**Projection for the year 2008 is based on the Revenue Forecast Council's September 2008 forecast of the state personal income.

Source: Washington State Office of Financial Management

HOMELESS POPULATION

Benton-Franklin Counties & Comparison Counties

	Sheltered								Unsheltered							
	Individuals				Persons in Families with Minor Children				Individuals				Persons in Families with Minor Children			
	2006*	2007	2008	2009	2006	2007	2008	2009	2006	2007	2008	2009	2006	2007	2008	2009
Benton-Franklin	297	233	116	116	395	309	338	214	36	28	209	32	23	18	221	19
Kitsap County	154	95	164	119	281	111	121	227	76	87	145	137	36	18	9	36
Thurston County	175	208	171	265	144	184	137	261	115	175	140	205	7	12	14	14
Whatcome County	338	437	393	213	316	294	260	284	169	109	147	177	15	21	51	34
Yakima County	224	303	167	179	235	315	178	121	216	100	50	58	52	59	91	88
Washington State	7,637	7,124	4,173	6,684	8,421	8,827	2,146	9,598	4,214	4,835	5,183	5,447	1,690	1,259	1,315	1,098

	Total Homeless				TOTAL Temporarily Living with Family or Friends				TOTAL Chronically Homeless: Sheltered & Unsheltered			
	person in homeless families & homeless individuals											
	2006*	2007	2008	2009	2006	2007	2008	2009	2006	2007	2008	2009
Benton-Franklin Counties	751	588	884	381	461	192	125	219	55	85	382	28
Kitsap County	547	311	439	519	442	193	266	290	110	100	168	60
Thurston County	441	579	462	745	104	103	150	159	103	210	84	98
Whatcome County	838	861	851	708	360	389	401	477	176	78	98	115
Yakima County	727	777	486	446	539	269	342	585	156	364	73	81
Washington State	21,962	22,045	12,217	22,827	**	**	**	**	3,695	3,656	3,000	2,540

NOTE:

*Only includes person counted from which a housing status was collected, resulting in a significantly smaller count total in counties that did not collect housing status from everyone counted.

**Many of the largest counties did not attempt to count persons temporarily living with family or friends, which precludes the calculation of a meaningful state total. For those counties that did, the count is probably significantly low due to the difficulty in finding "double-up" persons.

Source: <http://www.cted.wa.gov/DesktopModules/CTEDPublications/CTEDPublicationsView.aspx?tabID=0&ItemID=6157&Mid=870&wversion=Staging>.
 July 23, 2009.

**HOMELESS: Benton & Franklin Counties
Point in Time Count**

	2007	2008	2009	Percent Change from 2007-2008
Total number of households surveyed:	372	468	525	57/12% increase of households (There were 793 individuals reported in the households surveyed in 2009)
Total number of homeless individuals reported:	704	517	474	43/8% decrease of individuals
Total number of individuals in short-term transitional housing:	76/10%	367/42%	211/45%	156/43% decrease of individuals
*Homeless Demographics:				
Men (surveyed)	64%	71%	54%	17% increase of total
Women (surveyed)	36%	29%	46%	17% increase of total
Under 18 (based on total)	333/43%	155/30%	273/34%	4% increase of total
**Other Trends:				
Mentally Disabled	23%	24%	32%	8% increase
Developmental Disabilities	5%	6%	6%	No change
Drug/Alcohol Addiction	30%	32%	25%	7% decrease
Physically Disabled	22%	19%	20%	1% increase
Served in U.S. Military	14%	8%	3%	56% decrease
***Reason for becoming Homeless:				
Can't find/keep work/lost job	106	174	119	
Family Breakup	n/a	n/a	75	
Unable to pay rent/mortgage	99	187	77	
Criminal Record, Felony	109	162	n/a	
Alcohol or Drug Use	82	155	82	
Mental Illness	n/a	n/a	113	
Bad Credit	75	116	n/a	

Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) defines **homelessness** as: when a person resides in places not meant for human habitation, such as cars, parks, sidewalks, and abandoned buildings; or in an emergency shelter; or in transitional or supportive housing (for homeless persons who originally came from the streets or emergency shelter). The number of people identified as homeless are individuals surveyed on one day. The numbers counted reflect trends and minimums, as it is not possible to identify and survey all of the people who are homeless.

Lack of Job Skills Included: Lost job 119, failed job drug screening 4, lack of job skills 27=150

Source: Data provided by the Benton Franklin Community Action Committee; Updated July 2009

*These numbers relate directly to increased funding received to provide transitional housing for individuals and families

**Other trends, based on number of households and information given by homeless individual surveyed

***Reason for homelessness (Note: most people cited multiple reasons for being homeless)

Note: It is important to remember that this is trend data. It is based on the responses of homeless individuals surveyed on one day. The count methodology is replicated each year as closely to the previous years' as possible. The numbers counted reflect trends and minimums, as it is not possible to identify and survey all of the people who are homeless. This information is used to assist government and service providers in assessing the local homeless situation, to obtain funding and to ultimately create effective programs to end homelessness.

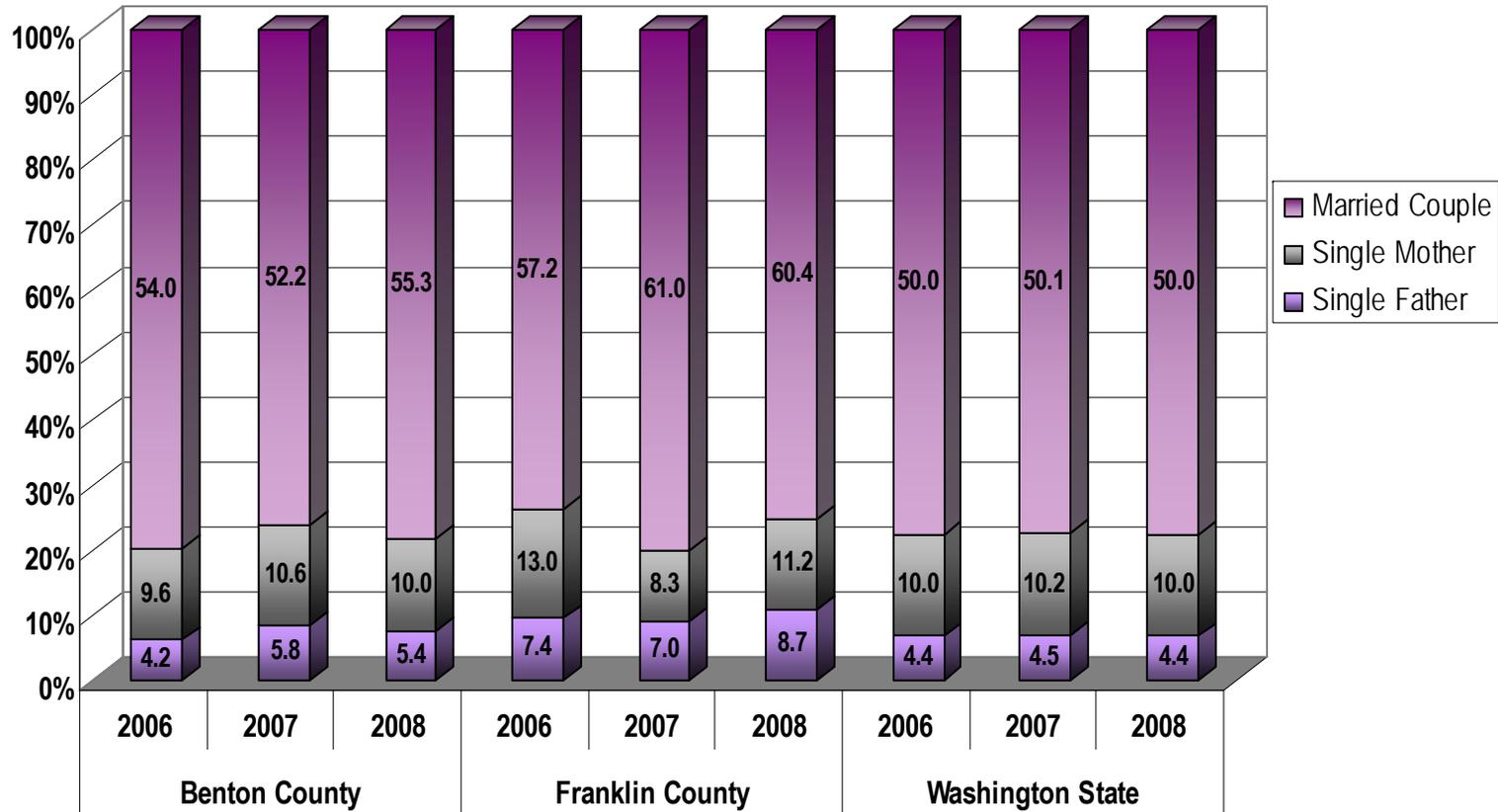
HOUSEHOLD TYPE

Count/ (lower; upper) / percent	Benton County		Franklin County		Washington State	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
Total Households	56,391 (54,644;58,138) 100%	60,165 (58,759;61,571) 100%	20,050 (19,280;20,820) 100%	20,849 (20,132;21,566) 100%	2,501,509 (2,492,840;2,510,178) 100%	2,547,663 (2,538,590;2,556,736) 100%
▶ Family households (families)	38,636 (36,587;40,685) 68.5%	42,518 (40,489;44,547) 71.0%	15,132 (13,990;16,274) 75.5%	16,745 (15,604;17,886) 80.3%	1,619,537 (1,607,858;1,631,216) 64.7%	1,636,755 (1,621,949;1,651,561) 64.2%
with own children under 18 years	17,951 (16,110;19,792) 32.0%	20,831 (19,173;22,489) 35.00%	9,712 (8,596;10,828) 48.4%	10,944 (9,786;12,102) 52.5%	764,019 (753,527;774,511) 30.5%	774,125 (763,617;784,633) 30.4%
▶ Married-couple family	29,415 (27,318;31,512) 52.2%	33,258 (31,252;35,264) 55.3%	12,148 (10,970;13,326) 60.6%	12,592 (11,295;13,889) 60.4%	1,252,212 (1,238,663;1,265,761) 50.1%	1,270,730 (1,256,657;1,284,803) 50.0%
with own children under 18 years	12,100 (10,612;13,588) 21.5%	14,676 (13,219;16,133) 24.4%	7,646 (6,491;8,801) 38.1%	7,930 (6,815;9,045) 38.0%	534,345 (524,802;543,888) 21.4%	546,597 (536,554;556,640) 21.5%
▶ Female householder, no husband present, family	5,954 (4,737;7,171) 10.6%	6,006 (4,920;7,092) 10.0%	1,670 (1,115;2,225) 8.3%	2,342 (1,637;3,047) 11.2%	254,181 (247,051;261,311) 10.2%	254,593 (246,735;262,451) 10.0%
with own children under 18 years	4,152 (3,125;5,179) 7.4%	4,080 (3,145;5,015) 7.0%	1,163 (713;1,613) 8.3%	1,604 (918;2,290) 8.0%	167,733 (161,054;174,412) 6.7%	162,781 (156,389;169,173) 6.4%
▶ Non-family households	17,755 (15,830;19,680) 31.5%	17,647 (15,937;19,357) 29.3%	4,918 (3,907;5,929) 24.5%	4,104 (3,160;5,048) 20.0%	881,972 (870,954;892,990) 35.3%	910,908 (896,466;925,350) 36.0%
Householder living alone	15,077 (13,362;16,792) 27.0%	15,326 (13,596;17,056) 25.5%	3,897 (3,005;4,789) 19.4%	3,577 (2,687;4,467) 17.2%	696,182 (685,311;707,053) 28.0%	714,658 (702,204;727,112) 28.1%
65 years and older	5,381 (4,581;6,191) 9.5%	6,079 (4,981;7,177) 10.1%	1,101 (643;3,1,559) 5.5%	1,332 (930;1,734) 6.4%	207,722 (202,325;213,119) 8.3%	221,119 (214,968;227,270) 8.7%

Source: U.S. Census, American Community Survey 2006 – 2008

HOUSEHOLDTYPE

Families with Children <18 years by Householder Type



Benton County: For all household types there were no significant changes from 2006 to 2008.
Franklin County: There was an increase of married couple households from 2006 to 2008 and a decrease of single parent households from 2006 to 2008.
WA State: For all household types there were no significant changes from 2006 to 2008.

EDUCATION

Educational Attainment for Individuals 25 years of Age or Older

Count/ (lower; upper) * / percent	Benton County		Franklin County		Washington State	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
Population 25 years and over	102,886 (102,434;103,338) 100%	106,115 (105732;106498) 100%	39,656 (39,068;40,244) 100%	40,653 (39,872;41,434) 100%	4,327,936 (4,324,159;4,331,713) 100%	4,387,893 (4,383,726;4,392,060) 100%
Less than 9th grade	7,613 (7,499;7,727) 7.4%	5,490 (4,015;6,965) 5.2%	6,741 (6,505;6,977) 17.0%	8,168 (6,852;9,484) 20.1%	173,117 (172,771;173,463) 4.0%	179,874 (172,195;187,553) 4.1%
9th through 12th grade, no diploma	6,585 (6,499;6,671) 6.4%	7,561 (5,893;9,229) 7.1%	3,569 (3,451;3,687) 9.0%	5,859 (4,562;7,156) 14.4%	289,972 (289,392;290,552) 6.7%	274,759 (266,019;283,499) 6.3%
High School graduate (including equivalency)	31,380 (30,596;32,164) 30.5%	26,799 (24,283;29,315) 25.3%	12,769 (12,258;13,280) 32.2%	9,417 (7,936;10,898) 23.2%	1,107,952 (1,103,520;1,112,384) 25.6%	1,041,543 (1026095;1056991) 23.7%
Some college, no degree	24,898 (24,425;25,371) 24.2%	27,509 (25,185;29,833) 25.9%	7,733 (7,478;7,988) 19.5%	9,129 (7,874;10,384) 22.5%	1,038,705 (1,035,589;1,041,821) 24.0%	1,135,802 (1,120,920;1150,684) 25.9%
Associate's degree	9,877 (9,719;10,035) 9.6%	9,820 (8,028;11,612) 9.3%	3,490 (3,410;3,570) 8.8%	2,202 (1,409;2,995) 5.4%	411,154 (410,332;411,976) 9.5%	408,831 (399,004;418,658) 9.3%
Bachelor's degree	14,198 (13,943;14,453) 13.8%	17,989 (16,129;19,849) 17.0%	3,529 (3,448;3,610) 8.9%	4,500 (3,480;5,520) 11.1%	843,947 (841,415;846,479) 19.5%	870,887 (857,321;884,453) 19.8%
Graduate or professional degree	8,231 (8,124;8,338) 8.0%	10,947 (9,174;12,720) 10.3%	1,824 (1,797;1,851) 4.6%	1,378 (895;1,861) 3.4%	467,417 (466,015;468,819) 10.8%	476,197 (465,280;487,114) 10.9%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; American Community Survey, 2006 - 2008

EDUCATION & POVERTY

Poverty Rate for the Population 25 years and Over for Whom Poverty Status is Determined by Educational Attainment Level

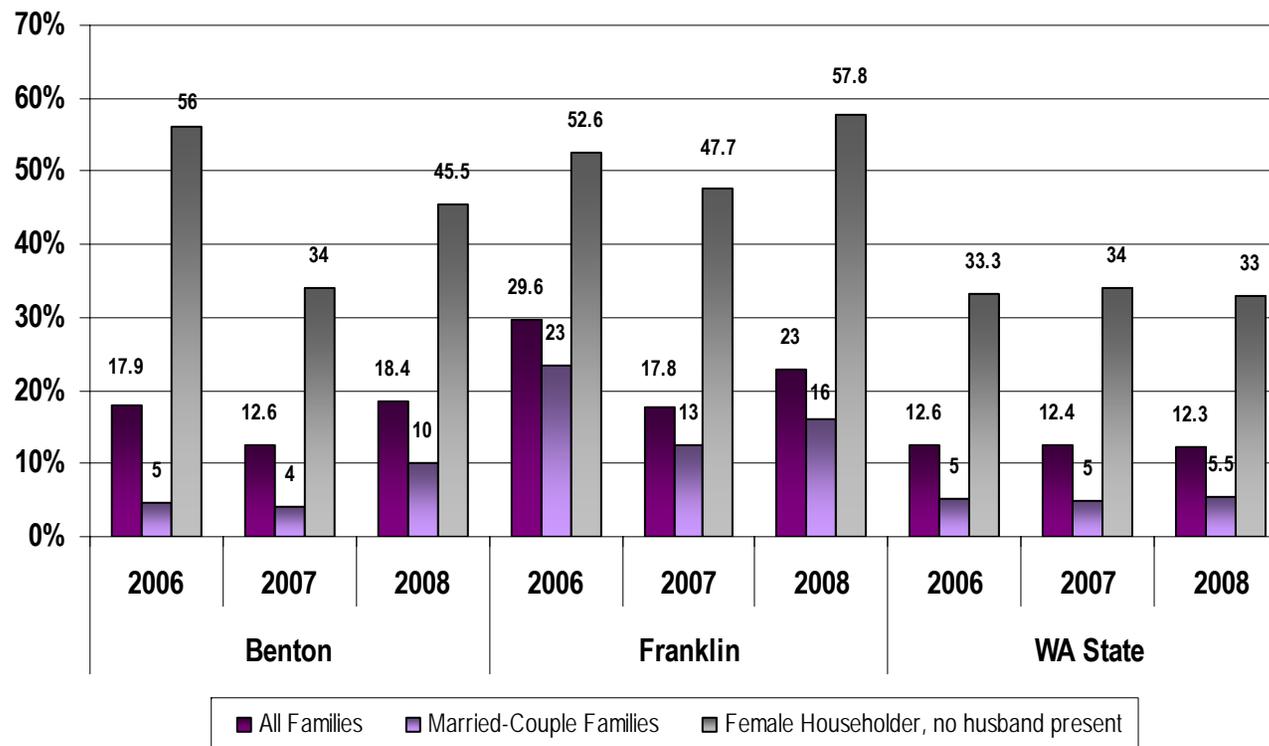
(lower/upper)/percent % = below poverty level	Benton County		Franklin County		Washington State	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
Population 25 years and over	102,886 (102,434;103,338) 100%	104,782 (103,036;106,528) 100%	39,656 (39,068;40,244) 100%	39,917 (38,931;40,903) 100%	4,327,936 (4,324,159;4,331,713) 100%	4,335,229 (4,330,378;4,340,080) 100%
Less than high school graduate	23,458 (21,628;25,288) 22.8%	12,540 (10,510;14,570) 30.2%	8,724 (7,939;9,509) 22.0%	13,905 (12,247;15,563) 29.2%	930,506 (918,410;942,602) 21.5%	442,394 (430,247;454,541) 23.1%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	10,289 (9,919;10,659) 10.0%	26,330 (23,735;28,925) 10.4%	4,957 (4,684;5,230) 12.5%	8,885 (7,429;10,341) 9.7%	476,073 (473,693;478,453) 11.0%	1,020,147 (1,005,001;1,035,293) 10.8%
Some college or associate's degree	5,453 (5,355;5,551) 5.3%	37,058 (34,576;39,540) 9.3%	2,300 (2,222;2,378) 5.8%	11,249 (9,654;12,844) 7.1%	350,563 (348,810;352,316) 8.1%	1,531,073 (1,515,870;1,546,276) 7.9%
Bachelor's degree	926 (916;936) 0.9%	28,854 (26,466;31,241) 2.9%	4,005 (3,685;4,325) 10.1%	5,878 (4,729;7,027) 4.4%	181,773 (181,046;182,500) 4.2%	1,341,615 (1,324,461;1,358,769) 3.7%
Graduate or professional degree	2,572 (2,508;2,636) 2.5%	n/a	1,071 (1,014;1,128) 2.7%	n/a	129,838 (129,189;130,487) 3.0%	n/a

NOTE. Data are limited to the household population and exclude the population living in institutions, college dormitories, and other group quarters. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, non-sampling error, and definitions, see Survey Methodology.

Data are based on a sample and are subject to sampling variability. The degree of uncertainty for an estimate arising from sampling variability is represented through the use of a confidence interval. The interval shown here is a 90% confidence interval. The stated range can be interpreted roughly as providing a 90% probability that the interval defined by the lower and upper bounds contains the true value.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; American Community Survey, 2006 - 2007

Percent of Families with Related Children under 18 years Living at or below FPL



Benton County and Franklin County experienced a significant increase for All Families with children living at \leq 100% FPL from 2006 to 2008. Female householder, no husband present percent of families living at \leq 100% FPL in both county is greater then the state more so for Franklin County in 2008.

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	Household of 2	Household of 3	Household of 4
100% FPL	\$1,167/mos	\$1,467/mos	\$1,767/mos
185% FPL	\$2,159/mos	\$2,714/mos	\$3,269/mos
200% FPL	\$2,334/mos	\$2,934/mos	\$3,534/mos
250% FPL	\$2,917/mos	\$3,667/mos	\$4,417/mos
300% FPL	\$3,501/mos	\$4,401/mos	\$5,301/mos

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey , 2006 - 2008

DISABILITY

Disability Status of the Civilian Non-Institutionalized Population

		Benton County			Franklin County			Washington State		
		Population ≥5 years	Count with disability	% with disability	Population ≥5 years	Count with disability	% with disability	Population ≥5 years	Count with disability	% with disability
2006	Estimate	147,338	23,523	16.0%	58,473	7,958	13.6%	5,891,685	936,709	16.0%
	Lower	146,842	21,162		58,201	6,638		5,888,626	922,082	
	Upper	147,834	25,884		58,745	9,278		5,894,744	951,336	
2007	Estimate	145,579	23,831	16.4%	60,548	7,008	11.6%	5,946,654	940,012	15.8%
	Lower	144,881	21,306		60,181	5,774		5,943,550	923,858	
	Upper	146,277	26,356		60,915	8,242		5,949,758	956,166	
2008	Estimate	161,328	19,299	12.0%	71,966	7,866	10.9%	6,428,235	782,681	12.2%
	Lower	159,486	17,009		71,277	6,341		6,424,265	768,028	
	Upper	163,170	21,589		72,655	9,391		6,432,205	797,334	

HEALTH INSURANCE

Health Insurance Coverage Status by Age for the Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population

	Benton County			Franklin County			Washington State		
	Estimate	MOE	Percent	Estimate	MOE	Percent	Estimate	MOE	Percent
Total:	161,970	+/-3,970		71,966	+/-689		6,428,235	+/-3,970	
Under 18 years	42,549	+/-8	100%	24,786	+/-339	100%	1,540,488	+/-1,706	100%
With health insurance coverage	38,743	+/-1,973	91.0%	17,343	+/-2,076	70.0%	1,410,093	+/-8,833	92.0%
No health insurance coverage	3,806	+/-1,971	9.0%	7,443	+/-2,124	30.0%	130,395	+/-8,544	8.0%
18 to 64 years:	100,652	+/-1,751	100%	41,920	+/-942	100%	4,123,998	+/-5,151	100%
With health insurance coverage	83,911	+/-2,509	83.4%	29,481	+/-1,958	70.3%	3,420,924	+/-15,230	83.0%
No health insurance coverage	16,741	+/-2,399	16.6%	12,439	+/-2,035	29.7%	703,074	+/-15,327	17.0%
65 years or over:	18,127	+/-749	100%	5,260	+/-689	100%	763,749	+/-2,854	100%
With health insurance coverage	17,893	+/-791	98.7%	5,207	+/-691	99.0%	755,221	+/-3,445	99.0%
No health insurance coverage	234	+/-233	1.3%	53	+/-99	1.0%	8,528	+/-1,798	1.0%
Total with health insurance coverage	140,547		87.0%	52,031		72.30%	5,586,238		87.0%
Total no health insurance coverage	20,781		13.0%	19,935		27.70%	841,997		13.0%

Source: U.S. Census, American Community Survey, 2006 - 2008 ; Source: U.S. Census, 2008 American Community Survey 1-year Estimates, FactFinder

UNEMPLOYED				
Annual Average Percentage of Unemployment for Residents				
Benchmark: 1st quarter 2008				
Year	Benton County	Franklin County	Benton-Franklin Counties	Washington State
1996	7.3%	10.5%	8.1%	5.9%
1997	6.1%	8.8%	6.7%	4.9%
1998	5.8%	8.7%	6.5%	4.8%
1999	5.2%	8.9%	6.1%	4.8%
2000	4.9%	7.2%	5.4%	5.0%
2001	5.7%	8.0%	6.2%	6.2%
2002	6.3%	8.6%	6.8%	7.3%
2003	6.9%	8.8%	7.3%	7.4%
2004	5.9%	7.5%	6.3%	6.2%
2005	5.7%	7.0%	6.1%	5.5%
2006	5.7%	7.0%	6.0%	4.9%
2007	4.9%	6.2%	5.2%	4.5%
2008	5.1%	6.2%	5.4%	5.3%
2009				
January	8.0%	10.7%	8.8%	7.8%
February	7.7%	10.0%	8.3%	8.3%
March	8.0%	10.1%	8.6%	9.1%
April	7.3%	8.8%	7.7%	9.1%
May	6.6%	7.8%	6.9%	9.1%
June	6.4%	7.4%	6.7%	9.2%
July	6.0%	6.3%	6.1%	8.9%
August	6.3%	7.2%	6.5%	9.2%

The annual average unemployment rate for Franklin County is slightly higher than Benton County. Benton County annual unemployment rate is lower than the State as of August 2009, Tri-Cities unemployment rate is lower in comparison to the State.

NOTE: Detail may not add or divide due to rounding.

Source: Washington State Employment Security Department, Labor Market and Economic Analysis, Benchmark: 1st quarter 2008; September 15, 2009

CRIME			
Rate per 1,000 Population			
Year	Benton County	Franklin County	Washington State
2004	39.9	39.5	52.7
2005	39.4	40	52.9
2006	35.6	34.9	48.2
2007	30.7	32.9	43.3
2008	28.9	29.5	40.2

Both Counties experienced slightly lower crime rates from 2007 to 2008. The crime rate for both counties in 2008 was lower than the State.

Thurston County's Crime rate in 2006 was 25.2, 2007 was 21.4, and 2008 was 26 per 1,000.

Yakima County's Crime rate in 2006 was 37.4, 2007 was 32.5, and 2008 was 30.4 per 1,000.

Note: This includes crimes identified as violent crimes and property crimes per 1,000 inhabitants as reported by all law enforcement agencies in Benton County, Franklin County, and Washington Statewide.

Note: WA state totals (adjusted to include murders from non-reporting agencies). Populations are based on the Washington State Office of Financial Management "Official April 1, 2008 Population Estimates", except for University Police, Port Police, Tribal Police, and Non-reporting agencies which show zero populations.

Source: Washington Association of Sheriff's and Police Chiefs, Washington State Uniform Crime Report

CHILDCARE							
Median Cost per Month for Childcare							
		Child Care Center			Family Center		
		Benton County	Franklin County	Washington State	Benton County	Franklin County	Washington State
2004	Infant (<1)	\$628	\$433	\$706	\$477	\$433	\$542
	Toddler (1 to 2.5 yrs)	\$559	\$428	\$607	\$451	\$433	\$542
	Preschool (2.5 to 5 yrs)	\$494	\$390	\$554	\$412	\$368	\$477
	*School-age ((6 yrs +)	\$220	\$253	\$316	\$217	\$184	\$238
2005	Infant (<1)	\$650	\$532	\$737	\$477	\$433	\$542
	Toddler (1 to 2.5 yrs)	\$596	\$445	\$628	\$455	\$433	\$542
	Preschool (2.5 to 5 yrs)	\$498	\$407	\$576	\$412	\$368	\$477
	*School-age ((6 yrs +)	\$217	\$182	\$325	\$217	\$184	\$260
2006	Infant (<1)	\$650	\$533	\$776	\$520	\$461	\$587
	Toddler (1 to 2.5 yrs)	\$590	\$475	\$650	\$482	\$438	\$542
	Preschool (2.5 to 5 yrs)	\$529	\$451	\$594	\$433	\$392	\$498
	*School-age ((6 yrs +)	\$217	\$307	\$338	\$217	\$196	\$260
2007	Infant (<1)	\$708	\$758	\$802	\$542	\$542	\$607
	Toddler (1 to 2.5 yrs)	\$628	\$542	\$685	\$542	\$542	\$585
	Preschool (2.5 to 5 yrs)	\$542	\$515	\$607	\$477	\$433	\$520
	*School-age ((6 yrs +)	\$260	\$282	\$347	\$260	\$198	\$260
2008	Infant (<1)	\$715	\$683	\$845	\$585	\$563	\$650
	Toddler (1 to 2.5 yrs)	\$628	\$563	\$715	\$585	\$563	\$617
	Preschool (2.5 to 5 yrs)	\$542	\$542	\$650	\$498	\$477	\$542
	*School-age ((6 yrs +)	\$282	\$282	\$364	\$282	\$230	\$296

Child Care Center: For infants and toddlers the cost per month was higher in Benton County compared to Franklin County but lower compared to the State.

Family Center: For all ages the cost per month was higher in Benton County compared to Franklin County but lower compared to the State.

The cost of Family Center Care was less across both counties and state in comparison to a Child Care Center

*Notes on School-Age rates: The school-age rates shown above do not include kindergarten. Also they indicate the rates for school-age children during the school year and, for providers who use an hourly rate, are based on a 20-hour a week schedule. The rates for school-age children during the summer are approximately the same as for pre-school children.

Provider Discounts: While some providers give discounts when caring for two or more children from the same family, these are not included in the calculations.

BIRTH RISK FACTORS

Births by Place of Residence		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Births to women of all ages per 1,000 female aged 15-44 years old	Benton County	68.8	72.8	70.3	70.2	69.1	67.7	72.4	75.5
	Franklin County	106.9	110.3	113.5	121.2	115.2	121.9	119.1	117.6
	Peer County	56.2	57.3	53.8	57.6	56.8	56.3	58.1	60.3
	WA State	62.7	61.2	60.8	62	62.8	63.1	65.5	66.4
Births per 1,000 females aged 15-17 years old	Benton County	22.7	21.2	19.8	19.4	18.6	19.1	19	24.6
	Franklin County	55.9	50.1	48.5	44.4	40.7	43.7	52.6	44.5
	Peer County	12.7	13.1	11.6	12.3	9.8	8.1	9.9	10.8
	WA State	20.4	17.7	16.8	15.3	15.5	14.9	15.2	16.1
Birth weights less than 2,500 grams or about 5.5 pounds (% of total births for which risk factor is known) per 100 births	Benton County	6.3	6.0	6.0	7.0	6.5	7.0	6.4	6.7
	Franklin County	5.7	5.2	5.4	5.0	6.4	7.1	7.2	6.3
	Peer County	4.5	5.1	6.1	6.0	5.6	7.0	6.0	5.9
	WA State	5.6	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.2	6.1	6.5	6.3
Mothers who smoked during pregnancy (% of total births for which risk factor is known)	Benton County	11.7	11.0	12.6	34.4	27.7	26.7	22.5	24.8
	Franklin County	5.2	3.7	6.0	11.8	9.7	8.3	9.0	7.5
	Peer County	16.0	15.1	13.6	30.1	32.6	34.0	37.4	37.2
	WA State	12.9	12.3	11.6	28.4	26.2	26.3	26.7	26.2
Infant deaths per 1,000 live births	Benton County	9.1	5.4	6.0	5.9	4.1	5.5	7.3	3.3
	Franklin County	*	7.8	5.0	4.5	4.5	3.4	5.9	*
	Peer County	4.3	5.8	6.5	5.3	6.9	6.1	5.4	5.1
	WA State	5.2	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.5	5.1	4.7	4.8
Mothers with 1st trimester prenatal care (% of total births for which risk factor is known) per 100 births		1998-2000	1999-2001	2000-2002	2001-2003	2002-2004	2003-2005	2004-2006	2005-2007
	Benton County	72.43	72.21	71.68	71.86	73.09	74.92	74.53	57.14
	Franklin County	61.43	61.51	59.43	60.22	63.34	67.58	67.41	70.83
	Peer County	87.10	86.63	85.97	85.86	85.57	84.68	82.64	61.29
	WA State	82.81	82.89	83.06	82.6	81.39	79.92	79.05	66.67
Hospitalizations for asthma per 100,000 (age-adjusted to year 2000 US population)	Benton County	69.41	79.25	87.34	92.37	87.67	84.96	83.25	82.86
	Franklin County	77.58	92.09	101.63	106.62	99.27	89.21	81.76	75.84
	Peer County	81.08	86.11	89.06	88.63	84.82	80.52	76.47	75.9
	WA State	89.31	90.17	91.32	87.83	83.5	80.39	77.28	76.15

Source: Center for Health Statistics, Washington State Department of Health, 03/2003-11/2007, 12/2008; Vista PHw 7.3.0.4 Calculator Version 6.0.2.1 Web; Birth Certificate Data: Washington State Department of Health, Center for Health Statistics; 1990-2008 Population Estimates: Population Estimates for Public Health Assessment, Washington State Department of Health, Vista Partnership, and Krupsi Consulting January 2009; Hospitalization Discharge Data: Washington State Department of Health, Office of Hospital and Patient Data Systems.

MORTALITY RATES

Deaths per 100,000 age-adjusted to year 2000 US population by selected causes

Death Category/All Causes	Three Year Rolling Average							
	1998-2000	1999-2001	2000-2002	2001-2003	2002-2004	2003-2005	2004-2006	2005-2007
Benton County								
All Cancers	547.63	517.94	571.93	558.57	532.04	500.16	480.71	n/a
Heart Disease	223.02	214.01	215.28	213.37	203.98	199.57	196.26	205.03
Chronic lower respiratory disease	54.76	57.60	58.24	57.59	51.47	49.53	48.34	51.85
Cerebrovascular diseases (stroke)	64.33	68.06	69.03	63.91	57.72	54.20	52.01	49.75
Alzheimer's Disease	17.26	22.43	27.76	31.60	31.66	30.61	28.43	30.94
Diabetes mellitus	30.11	26.48	26.91	27.30	26.80	26.51	23.38	26.85
Franklin County	1998-2000	1999-2001	2000-2002	2001-2003	2002-2004	2003-2005	2004-2006	2005-2007
All Cancers	497.87	508.00	513.94	485.35	429.42	416.21	396.72	n/a
Heart Disease	218.87	200.40	218.92	221.71	209.73	197.60	197.03	180.72
Chronic lower respiratory disease	64.72	60.04	59.73	53.21	48.01	35.13	31.65	35.68
Cerebrovascular diseases (stroke)	126.92	113.00	80.22	53.79	40.88	34.91	35.94	35.47
Alzheimer's Disease	30.25	45.86	53.92	45.52	28.78	24.15	31.58	36.87
Diabetes mellitus	33.74	33.23	32.49	24.71	31.64	36.99	37.15	32.16
Peer County	1998-2000	1999-2001	2000-2002	2001-2003	2002-2004	2003-2005	2004-2006	2005-2007
All Cancers	567.65	548.93	545.48	548.73	562.49	575.16	579.56	n/a
Heart Disease	209.09	206.47	194.75	190.23	173.56	173.36	171.18	171.09
Chronic lower respiratory disease	59.43	60.27	54.19	51.10	46.94	47.29	48.51	47.63
Cerebrovascular diseases (stroke)	64.37	60.66	61.57	62.35	61.24	54.72	47.74	45.43
Alzheimer's Disease	33.10	40.78	46.58	48.08	45.27	43.15	42.05	46.17
Diabetes mellitus	25.81	26.53	27.50	29.48	28.23	29.44	29.40	29.66
WA State	1998-2000	1999-2001	2000-2002	2001-2003	2002-2004	2003-2005	2004-2006	2005-2007
All Cancers	552.99	556.20	554.52	551.22	545.37	541.96	538.03	n/a
Heart Disease	214.72	209.11	201.97	195.66	187.18	181.22	173.07	169.51
Chronic lower respiratory disease	49.69	49.58	48.67	47.67	46.13	45.02	44.01	43.69
Cerebrovascular diseases (stroke)	69.49	68.85	67.48	65.06	60.48	54.14	47.96	43.65
Alzheimer's Disease	27.59	33.53	36.57	38.93	38.86	38.12	37.37	38.52
Diabetes mellitus	24.22	24.78	25.41	25.92	25.90	25.53	25.06	24.44

Notes: Cancer cases per 100,000 age-adjusted to year 2000 US population. *Rate not calculated for values < 5. Injury counts are tabulated by location of residence.

Source: Death Certificate Data: Washington State Department of Health, Center for Health Statistics & Cancer Registry; Washington State Department of Health, 1990-2008
 Population Estimates: Population Estimates for Public Health Assessment, Washington State Department of Health, Vista Partnership, and Krupski Consulting, January 2009.

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Death Category/All Causes

All unintentional fatal injuries	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Benton County	30.0	32.6	23.5	37.9	36.6	35.2	31.7	37.4	28.5	40.5	36.8
Franklin County	31.8	31.4	39.3	40.5	31.7	35.1	24.3	28.1	23.1	21.8	23.7
Peer County	31.1	31.6	34.1	35.2	32.4	35.3	38.6	33.9	41.9	36.8	44.1
WA State	32.9	32.9	32.8	34.7	34.5	36.1	36.2	37.7	40.3	41.5	39.5
Suicide (intentional self-harm fatal)	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Benton County	11.7	12.3	13.5	9.8	12.4	10.2	15.2	14.8	6.3	11.8	11.7
Franklin County	*	*	*	*	*	9.7	11.2	*	*	12.5	*
Peer County	16.6	17.3	16.5	14.0	10.5	13.2	17.2	15.1	12.0	13.8	13.0
WA State	12.9	12.2	14.0	12.3	11.9	13.4	13.1	13.3	13.0	12.5	13.2

Source: Washington State Department of Health, Center for Health Statistics, Death Records-2008 release; Injury Violence Prevention Program 1998-2007.

Population Source: Washington State Office of Financial Management with DSHS/DOH Adjustments-September, 2008 Release; August 2009.

Birth Risk Factors

Birth Rates: The general fertility rate shown under "All Ages" equals total live births per 1,000 women of childbearing age (15-44). Age-Specific rate equal the number of live births to women in a specific age group per 1,000 women in the age group.

Maternal Smoking: Percents may not add to 100% due to rounding.

Infant Mortality Rate: deaths to infants under one year of age per 1,000 live births; *rates or ratio not calculated because number of deaths was less than 5

Prenatal Care/Birth Risk Factor: Percent of births for which the given risk factor is present among births for which status of that risk factor is known

Asthma Hospitalization Rates: Hospitalizations per 100,000, age-adjusted to year 2000 US population.

-Franklin County continues to have higher birth rates specially among females ages 15-17 years old.

-Benton County had a slightly higher birth risk factors for low birth weight and maternal smoking rates. However, both Benton County and Franklin County had lower maternal smoking rates in comparison to Peer County and the State.

-Benton County had a higher infant death rate compared to Franklin County. Both counties had lower infant death rates then the Peer County and State.

-Franklin County had a higher rate among mothers seeking prenatal care in the first trimester.

-Benton County experienced higher asthma hospitalization rates.

Mortality Rates

Heart Disease was the leading cause of death.

-Franklin County had the lowest mortality rate due to all unintentional fatal injuries compared to Benton County, Peer County and the State.

-Franklin County had a lower suicide (intentional self-harm fatal) mortality rate compared to Benton County, Peer County, and the State.

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