

TABLE 1

GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL REVENUES BY SOURCE
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

FISCAL YEAR	TAXES	LICENSES AND PERMITS	INTER- GOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	FINES AND FORFEITURES	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES (INCLUDING INTEREST)	TOTALS
1996	\$ 117,562,696	\$ 3,766,067	\$ 124,370,685	\$ 31,545,606	\$ 4,036,584	\$ 11,807,240	\$ 293,088,878
1997	127,974,018	4,050,215	145,412,725	28,844,843	3,850,044	12,200,905	322,332,750
1998	136,088,896	4,821,282	145,059,992	36,539,460	4,250,604	11,560,156	338,320,390
1999	145,918,537	5,309,735	149,925,771	39,009,433	3,984,003	13,276,042	357,423,521
2000	157,784,539	5,186,538	152,770,473	42,409,379	4,615,293	17,344,824	380,111,046
2001	169,772,004	5,530,989	175,910,643	45,531,984	4,755,863	15,977,552	417,479,035
2002	184,014,349	6,010,603	182,751,976	47,531,142	5,753,669	12,783,096	438,844,835
2003	200,652,591	6,662,479	175,969,511	51,536,023	5,252,336	9,888,700	449,961,640
2004	206,637,839	7,190,578	179,871,788	50,936,731	5,297,165	11,889,750	461,823,851
2005	222,198,757	9,147,512	150,681,084	55,057,764	6,292,550	13,239,486	456,617,153

Includes general, special revenue, debt service and capital project funds.

TABLE 2

GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

<u>FISCAL YEAR</u>	<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES</u>	<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>	<u>PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>LEGAL AND JUDICIAL</u>
1996	\$ 25,049,898	\$ 69,584,425	\$ 23,979,985	\$ 38,792,962
1997	26,284,880	74,154,471	21,724,491	42,705,456
1998	28,084,174	78,684,938	22,114,652	44,294,460
1999	28,178,759	83,867,506	22,669,938	45,784,181
2000	29,344,635	89,300,179	23,569,266	47,811,507
2001	31,547,624	96,555,252	32,373,257	51,699,432
2002	33,809,403	102,253,589	27,446,890	54,512,257
2003	33,735,009	111,060,227	38,317,011	54,974,357
2004	36,634,344	115,675,628	28,077,040	57,991,853
2005	38,027,056	115,431,400	33,322,990	61,160,955

<u>FISCAL YEAR</u>	<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>	<u>ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES</u>	<u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>
1996	\$ 34,231,584	\$ 23,081,828	\$ 48,047,461	\$ 6,280,240
1997	34,058,849	14,536,328	66,843,944	6,466,161
1998	34,434,312	11,997,952	69,166,859	6,416,664
1999	33,186,095	13,581,889	73,317,876	6,594,279
2000	32,895,084	15,542,406	90,673,596	6,814,102
2001	35,977,046	16,458,967	110,455,012	7,284,826
2002	37,296,246	16,337,421	100,350,796	8,821,355
2003	37,534,814	16,325,806	98,141,746	9,239,838
2004	40,044,695	16,018,233	100,581,825	10,405,549
2005	40,989,810	18,585,676	86,386,670	9,388,617

<u>FISCAL YEAR</u>	<u>CAPITAL PROJECT</u>	<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1996	\$ 31,696,085	\$ 3,478,763	\$ 304,223,231
1997	28,545,875	3,354,035	318,674,490
1998	23,925,015	3,475,139	322,594,165
1999	28,185,260	3,554,324	338,920,107
2000	27,462,117	3,868,545	367,281,437
2001	43,496,627	5,163,184	431,011,227
2002	49,266,571	6,178,954	436,273,482
2003	37,478,133	6,848,583	443,655,524
2004	37,693,582	5,709,456	448,832,205
2005	48,224,025	5,467,186	456,984,385

Includes general, special revenue, debt service, and capital project funds.

TABLE 3

**PROPERTY TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS
PIERCE COUNTY OPERATING FUNDS**

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

FISCAL YEAR	ORIGINAL TAX LEVY	NET ADJUSTMENTS TO TAX LEVIES	CURRENT TAX COLLECTIONS	PERCENT OF LEVY COLLECTED	DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTIONS	TOTAL TAX COLLECTIONS	TOTAL COLLECTIONS AS A PERCENT OF CURRENT LEVY	OUTSTANDING DELINQUENT TAXES	OUTSTANDING DELINQUENT TAXES AS A PERCENT OF CURRENT LEVY
1996	\$ 74,759,646	\$ 48,152	\$ 71,590,625	95.76 %	\$ 3,382,857	\$ 74,973,482	100.29 %	\$ 4,902,527	6.56 %
1997	82,051,214	28,197	78,854,942	96.10	3,033,538	81,888,480	99.80	5,093,458	6.21
1998	87,015,153	17,703	83,350,324	95.79	3,373,834	86,724,158	99.67	5,402,156	6.21
1999	93,897,771	(120,131)	89,992,180	95.84	3,380,686	93,372,866	99.44	5,806,930	6.18
2000	102,382,041	223,390	98,342,765	96.05	3,876,200	102,218,965	99.84	6,193,396	6.05
2001	112,001,798	(112,658)	107,063,755	95.59	3,786,231	110,849,986	98.97	7,232,550	6.46
2002	116,920,354	(92,313)	112,048,775	95.83	4,531,866	116,580,641	99.71	7,479,950	6.40
2003	119,928,609	(1) 4,201,826	115,844,907	96.59	8,619,002	124,463,909	103.78	7,146,476	5.96
2004	125,324,944	(1) 1,670,805	122,835,604	98.01	4,647,125	127,482,729	101.72	6,659,496	5.05
2005	132,139,591	(1) (121,627)	128,222,192	97.04	4,417,259	132,639,451	100.38	6,038,009	4.57

(1) Resolution of disputed value

TABLE 4

**ASSESSED AND ESTIMATED ACTUAL VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

(1) LEVY YEAR	REAL PROPERTY			PERSONAL PROPERTY			TOTAL		(2) RATIO OF ASSESSED VALUE TO TOTAL ESTIMATED ACTUAL VALUE	PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN TOTAL ASSESSED VALUE FROM PRIOR YEAR
	ASSESSED VALUE	(2) R.P. RATIO	ESTIMATED ACTUAL VALUE	ASSESSED VALUE	(2) P.P. RATIO	ESTIMATED ACTUAL VALUE	ASSESSED VALUE	ESTIMATED ACTUAL VALUE		
1996	\$ 27,916,471,071	86.0 %	\$ 32,461,012,873	\$ 1,841,852,245	100.0 %	\$ 1,841,852,245	\$ 29,758,323,316	\$ 34,302,865,118	86.8 %	5.85 %
1997	29,714,021,932	90.2	32,942,374,647	1,982,006,619	94.4	2,099,583,283	31,696,028,551	35,041,957,930	90.5	6.51
1998	31,690,062,868	92.3	34,333,762,587	2,053,630,674	99.5	2,063,950,426	33,743,693,542	36,397,713,013	92.7	6.46
1999	33,236,280,976	91.4	36,363,545,926	2,007,216,432	99.9	2,009,225,658	35,243,497,408	38,372,771,583	91.8	4.44
2000	35,741,729,190	92.3	38,723,433,575	2,190,652,786	100.0	2,190,652,786	37,932,381,976	40,914,086,361	92.7	7.63
2001	39,188,940,253	93.1	42,093,383,730	2,275,314,401	98.2	2,317,020,775	41,464,254,654	44,410,404,505	93.4	9.31
2002	42,631,871,443	92.7	45,989,073,833	2,387,333,556	97.7	2,443,534,858	45,019,204,999	48,432,608,691	93.0	8.57
2003	44,036,072,997	89.3	49,312,511,755	2,503,758,884	93.7	2,672,101,264	46,539,831,881	51,984,613,018	89.5	3.38
2004	46,849,117,774	85.6	54,730,277,773	2,522,225,279	94.0	2,683,218,382	49,371,343,053	57,413,496,155	86.0	6.08
2005	50,650,222,517	95.8	52,870,795,947	2,542,008,084	86.7	2,931,958,574	53,192,230,601	55,802,754,521	95.3	7.74

(1) Property taxes are levied in the current year
(2) Ratios provided by Assessor-Treasurer's office.

TABLE 5

**PROPERTY TAX RATES - DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTS
(PER \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUATION)**

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

LEVY YEAR	COUNTY			STATE	PORT OF TACOMA	RURAL LIBRARYS	CITIES AND TOWNS	FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS	PARK DISTRICTS	SCHOOLS	OTHER DISTRICTS	TOTALS
	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS									
1996	\$ 2.7362	\$ 1.5117	\$ 1.2245	\$ 3.5537	\$ 0.1984	\$ 0.4211	\$ 1.7431	\$ 0.9793	\$ 0.3374	\$ 5.7530	\$ 0.0001	\$ 15.7223
1997	2.5926	1.5538	1.0388	3.5893	0.1842	0.3436	1.9077	1.0401	0.3001	5.7832	–	15.7408
1998	2.5958	1.5423	1.0535	3.4511	0.1873	0.3547	1.8604	1.0336	0.2872	5.9155	–	15.6856
1999	2.6658	1.6145	1.0513	3.3195	0.1859	0.3557	1.8400	1.0578	0.2601	5.4356	0.0013	15.1217
2000	2.7113	1.6468	1.0645	3.1806	0.1873	0.3518	1.8486	1.0635	0.3001	5.9655	–	15.6087
2001	2.7037	1.8318	0.8719	2.9987	0.1788	0.3322	1.8358	1.1083	0.2282	5.7910	–	15.1767
2002	2.5973	1.7609	0.8364	2.9160	0.1859	0.3224	1.7669	1.1628	0.2604	5.6697	–	14.8814
2003	2.5973	1.6728	0.9090	2.9380	0.1840	0.3143	1.8559	1.2156	0.2535	5.6536	0.0017	14.8814
2004	2.5384	1.7017	0.8367	3.0259	0.1863	0.3142	1.8105	1.2522	0.2538	5.5486	0.0003	14.9302
2005	2.4841	1.5855	0.8986	2.9118	0.1863	0.3057	1.7368	1.2577	0.2157	5.5826	0.0003	14.6810

The tax rates for each type of district are an average of the levies for each individual district based on the county-wide assessed valuation.

TABLE 6A

**SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BILLINGS AND COLLECTIONS
UTILITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

FISCAL YEAR	ASSESSMENT BILLINGS	ASSESSMENT COLLECTIONS	RATIO OF ASSESSMENT COLLECTIONS TO BILLINGS	TOTAL OUTSTANDING ASSESSMENTS
1996	\$ 1,175,572	\$ 2,975,445	253.11 %	\$ 14,699,636
1997	1,510,414	3,904,024	258.47	13,481,729
1998	1,243,392	4,932,693	396.71	9,869,899
1999	1,181,101	1,777,841	150.52	8,092,058
2000	1,024,913	1,724,588	168.27	6,367,471
2001	888,855	5,811,647 (2)	653.84	22,846,909 (1)
2002	1,311,058	2,179,885	166.27	20,667,024
2003	1,211,282	3,090,360	255.13	17,579,341
2004	1,098,468	2,756,058	250.90	14,819,422
2005	878,295	3,050,909	347.37	11,768,513

(1) ULID 90-4 in amount of \$18,068,202 was added in 2001. The first installment was due January 2002.

(2) Prepayments of \$4,222,794 were received during the interest free period of ULID 90-4..

TABLE 6B

**SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BILLINGS AND COLLECTIONS
ROAD IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

FISCAL YEAR	ASSESSMENT BILLINGS	ASSESSMENT COLLECTIONS	RATIO OF ASSESSMENT COLLECTIONS TO BILLINGS	TOTAL OUTSTANDING ASSESSMENTS
1996	\$ 55,485	\$ 100,003	180.23 %	\$ 284,331
1997	49,466	114,628	231.73	202,131
1998	46,520	93,094	200.12	130,744
1999	20,316	45,138	222.18	85,605
2000	16,790	22,327	132.98	63,278
2001	14,349	26,741	186.36	36,537
2002	10,674	19,191	179.79	17,345
2003	4,408	11,343	257.33	6,002
2004	-	362,660 (4)	N/A	182,476 (3)
2005	42,485	161,430	379.97	21,046

(3) RID 1-92 in amount of \$539,134 was added in 2004. The first installment was due July 2005.

(4) Prepayments of \$359,134 were received during the interest free period of RID 1-92..

TABLE 7

**RATIO OF NET GENERAL BONDED DEBT TO ASSESSED VALUE
AND NET BONDED DEBT PER CAPITA**

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

FISCAL YEAR	POPULATION	ASSESSED VALUE (IN 000's)	GROSS BONDED DEBT	DEBT PAYABLE FROM PROPRIETARY FUNDS	AVAILABLE DEBT SERVICE MONIES	NET BONDED DEBT	RATIO OF NET BONDED DEBT TO ASSESSED VALUE	NET BONDED DEBT PER CAPITA
1996	665,200	\$ 29,758,323	\$ 33,445,000	\$ 8,790,000	\$ 179	\$ 24,654,821	0.0008	\$ 37.06
1997	673,900	31,696,029	32,810,000	7,885,000	38,875	24,886,125	0.0008	36.93
1998	686,800	33,743,694	32,390,000	6,625,000	8,076	25,756,924	0.0008	37.50
1999	700,000	35,243,497	31,620,000	5,305,000	455,501	25,859,499	0.0007	36.94
2000	706,000	37,932,382	65,065,000	3,930,000	1,725,662	59,409,338	0.0016	84.15
2001	713,400	41,464,255	61,335,000	2,490,000	727,317	58,117,683	0.0014	81.47
2002	725,000	45,019,205	57,275,000	1,275,000	516,563	55,483,437	0.0012	76.53
2003	733,700	46,539,832	53,531,758	3,150,000	427,467	49,954,291	0.0011	68.09
2004	744,000	49,371,343	50,572,903	-	583,482	49,989,421	0.0010	67.19
2005	755,900	53,192,231	83,631,632	26,235,000	1,129,677	56,266,955	0.0011	74.44

COMPUTATION OF LIMITATION OF INDEBTEDNESS

December 31, 2005

Under Washington State law, a county may issue general obligation debt for general county purposes in an amount not to exceed 2.5% of actual value of all taxable property. Unlimited tax debt requires an approving vote of the people; and any election to validate general obligation debt must have a voter turnout of at least 40% of those who voted in the last state general election and of those voting 60% must be in the affirmative. The County Council may, by ordinance, authorize the issuance of limited tax general obligation debt in an amount up to 1.5% of the actual valuation within the county without a vote of the people. No combination of limited or unlimited tax debt may exceed 2.5% of the actual valuation. The debt service on unlimited tax debt is secured by excess tax levies, whereas the debt service on limited tax debt is secured by taxes collected within the \$1.80 per \$1,000 of assessed value county operating levy. \$5,465,000 of the outstanding debt is expected to be paid from the net revenues of the Pierce County Sewer Utility, \$20,770,000 from net revenues of the Chambers Bay Golf Course, and \$4,472,738 from the net revenues of the Pierce County Ferry.

Total Taxable Property Value		<u>\$ 53,192,230,601</u>
2.5 % General Obligation Debt Limit		<u>\$ 1,329,805,765</u>
Debt Limit Allocated Between:		
Debt capacity without a vote:		
Maximum: Up to 1.5% without vote	\$ 797,883,459	
Less: Outstanding debt	(106,952,653)	
Add: Available assets	<u>1,129,677</u>	
Remaining debt capacity without a vote		<u>\$ 692,060,483</u>
Debt capacity with a vote:		
Maximum: Up to 2.5% with vote	\$ 1,329,805,765	
Less: Outstanding debt	(106,952,653)	
Add: Available assets	<u>1,129,677</u>	
Remaining debt capacity with a vote		<u>\$ 1,223,982,789</u>

Source: Annual statement of 2004 assessment values of property taxes payable in 2005 prepared by Assessor-Treasurer.

TABLE 9

**COMPUTATION OF
DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING DEBT**

December 31, 2005

<u>JURISDICTION</u>	<u>NET OUTSTANDING DEBT</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE APPLICABLE TO PIERCE COUNTY</u>	<u>AMOUNT APPLICABLE TO PIERCE COUNTY</u>
Direct Debt:			
Pierce County	\$ 83,631,632	100%	\$ 83,631,632
Overlapping Debt:			
Cities And Towns	208,611,410	100%	208,611,410
Port Of Tacoma	87,400,000	100%	87,400,000
School Districts	1,121,482,457	100%	1,121,482,457
Fire Protection Districts	26,245,473	100%	26,245,473
Park Districts	45,470,908	100%	45,470,908
Water Districts	135,405	100%	135,405
Pierce Transit	1,985,000	100%	1,985,000
Total Overlapping Debt	<u>1,491,330,653</u>		<u>1,491,330,653</u>
Total Direct And Overlapping Debt	<u>\$ 1,574,962,285</u>		<u>\$ 1,574,962,285</u>

TABLE 10

**RATIO OF ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE EXPENDITURES FOR
GENERAL BONDED DEBT TO TOTAL GENERAL EXPENDITURES**

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

FISCAL YEAR	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST AND FISCAL CHARGES	TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	TOTAL GENERAL EXPENDITURES	RATIO OF DEBT SERVICE TO TOTAL GENERAL EXPENDITURES
1996	\$ 1,495,000	\$ 1,526,543	\$ 3,021,543	\$ 304,223,231	0.99 %
1997	1,765,000	1,289,667	3,054,667	318,674,490	0.96
1998	1,860,000	1,348,556	3,208,556	322,594,165	0.99
1999	1,980,000	1,356,456	3,336,456	338,920,107	0.98
2000	2,180,000	1,409,828	3,589,828	367,281,437	0.98
2001	2,290,000	2,796,508	5,086,508	431,011,227	1.18
2002	2,845,000	3,176,945	6,021,945	436,273,482	1.38
2003	3,186,854	2,868,282	6,055,136	443,655,526	1.36
2004	2,958,854	2,708,914	5,667,768	448,832,205	1.26
2005	3,215,614	2,027,015	5,242,629	456,984,385	1.15

TABLE 11

REVENUE BOND COVERAGE FOR SEWER REVENUE BONDS

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Operating Revenues	\$ 17,621,750	\$ 18,113,682	\$ 18,794,410	\$ 19,378,300	\$ 20,384,490	\$ 21,188,967	\$ 22,042,618	\$ 22,790,885	\$ 25,022,500	\$ 26,948,060
Connection Charges	4,303,900	5,895,480	5,191,625	5,777,440	5,555,700	4,581,127	4,510,053	8,591,808	6,227,955	7,885,856
Unrestricted Investment Income	1,687,214	2,076,035	2,473,184	2,420,502	3,107,936	2,583,830	1,279,281	432,009	383,858	818,692
Miscellaneous Adjustments	(92,790)	97,486	211,684	440,854	(236,135)	(654,332)	(1,406,637)	(307,630)	(258,996)	(261,466)
Total Revenue	23,520,074	26,182,683	26,670,903	28,017,096	28,811,991	27,699,592	26,425,315	31,507,072	31,375,317	35,391,142
Less: Operating And Maintenance Expense (1)	10,715,715	11,826,942	12,686,774	13,583,893	13,402,792	14,579,694	16,103,995	15,880,896	16,913,185	18,413,948
Net Revenue Available	12,804,359	14,355,741	13,984,129	14,433,203	15,409,199	13,119,898	10,321,320	15,626,176	14,462,132	16,977,194
Assessment Collections And Withdrawals	4,134,704	4,027,320	3,985,945	3,826,496	3,664,786	7,116,186	2,635,263	2,279,863	8,155,595	3,983,032
Net Revenue And Assessment Collections Available	\$ 16,939,063	\$ 18,383,061	\$ 17,970,074	\$ 18,259,699	\$ 19,073,985	\$ 20,236,084	\$ 12,956,583	\$ 17,906,039	\$ 22,617,727	\$ 20,960,226
Required Annual Debt Service:										
Revenue Bonds	\$ 4,134,704	\$ 4,027,320	\$ 3,985,945	\$ 3,826,496	\$ 3,664,786	\$ 7,631,686	\$ 2,953,099	\$ 2,584,863	\$ 8,415,595	\$ 3,983,092
LTGO/Revenue Bonds	1,378,948	1,386,564	1,349,541	1,352,311	1,344,474	1,342,626	1,336,706	1,337,475	—	—
Total	\$ 5,513,652	\$ 5,413,884	\$ 5,335,486	\$ 5,178,807	\$ 5,009,260	\$ 8,974,312	\$ 4,289,805	\$ 3,922,338	\$ 8,415,595	\$ 3,983,092
Debt Service Coverage:										
Revenue Bonds	4.10	4.56	4.51	4.77	5.20	2.65	4.39	6.93	2.69	5.26
All Bonds	3.07	3.40	3.37	3.53	3.81	2.25	3.02	4.57	2.69	5.26

(1) Per the bond covenants, maintenance and operating expenses exclude depreciation and amortization of the utility plant.

TABLE 12

DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

<u>FISCAL YEAR</u>	<u>POPULATION (1)</u>	<u>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT (2)</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE</u>
1996	665,200	129,116	6.3 %
1997	673,900	132,101	4.5
1998	686,800	134,212	4.5
1999	700,000	134,635	4.6
2000	701,000	135,476	5.2
2001	713,400	137,334	6.4
2002	725,000	139,759	6.7
2003	733,700	142,050	6.9
2004	744,000	140,626	7.0
2005	755,900	139,032	5.1

Sources: (1) Washington State Office of Financial Management, Research Division

(2) Superintendent of Public Instruction

TABLE 13

PROPERTY VALUE, CONSTRUCTION AND BANK DEPOSITS

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

FISCAL YEAR	ASSESSED VALUATION — REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY	BUILDING PERMITS (1)		COMMERCIAL BANK DEPOSITS
		QUANTITY	AMOUNT	
1996	\$ 29,758,323,316	9,065	\$ 589,157,067	\$ 5,499,943,000 (2)
1997	31,696,028,551	10,167	691,657,810	4,252,865,000 (3)
1998	33,743,693,542	11,066	766,255,496	4,380,750,000 (3)
1999	37,932,381,976	11,259	842,407,806	4,449,677,000 (3)
2000	37,932,381,976	10,155	863,040,316	4,808,000,000 (3)
2001	41,464,254,654	8,943	901,035,026	5,331,706,000 (3)
2002	45,019,204,999	9,826	979,226,705	5,652,000,000 (3)
2003	46,539,831,881	8,555	1,193,882,610	6,438,011,000 (3)
2004	49,371,343,053	10,766	1,145,871,084	6,718,000,000 (3)
2005	53,192,230,601	10,631	1,300,749,352	7,640,000,000 (3)

Sources: (1) The City of Tacoma, City of Lakewood and Pierce County Building Departments

(2) Key Bank of Washington at December 31.

(3) FDIC at June 30.

TABLE 14

PRINCIPAL TAXPAYERS

December 31, 2005

TAXPAYER	TYPE OF BUSINESS	2004 ASSESSED VALUATION (1)	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL ASSESSED VALUATION
Puget Sound Energy	Electric and Natural Gas Utility	\$ 439,350,176	0.83 %
The Boeing Company	Airplane Manufacturer	386,517,746	0.73
Qwest Corporation Inc.	Telecommunications	252,024,024	0.47
Frederickson Power	Electric Utility	142,430,000	0.27
Fred Meyer Stores	Retail Sales	124,680,210	0.23
Intel Corporation	Semiconductor Manufacturer	124,236,284	0.23
Tacoma Mall Partnership	Retail Shopping Mall	122,917,216	0.23
Northwest Building LLC	Industrial Park	108,172,539	0.20
Costco Wholesale corp.	Retail Sales	95,021,387	0.18
Cafaro Northwest Partnership	Retail Shopping Mall	90,234,300	0.17
ERP Operating LP / Holly Residential Properties	Construction	89,959,700	0.17
Inland Western Lakewood LLC	Real Estate Investment	73,897,800	0.14
AMB Partners II LP	Real Estate Investment	71,074,300	0.13
Simpson Tacoma Kraft Co.	Pulp and Paper Mill	70,747,425	0.13
Glacier Northwest, Inc	Construction	67,858,384	0.13
Simpson Timber Co	Wood Products	62,073,300	0.12
Teachers Insurance & Annuity Assoc.	Financial Services	56,981,700	0.11
FM Retail Services Inc	Retail Sales	56,981,700	0.11
Century Tel of WA Inc.	Telecommunications Services	53,969,077	0.10
Total Assessed Valuation of Principal Taxpayers		<u>\$ 2,489,127,268</u>	<u>4.68 %</u>
Total 2004 Taxable Value of Pierce County (2)		<u>\$ 53,192,230,601</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>

(1) Totals include valuation of real, personal and operating properties.

(2) 2004 taxable value is basis for 2005 property tax levies.

MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

December 31, 2005

Pierce County, incorporated in 1852, operates under a Home Rule Charter adopted by a vote of the citizens of the County in 1980 and is organized under the Executive-Council form of government. The county is the second most populous county in Washington with an estimated 2005 population of 755,900. There are 21 incorporated cities and towns within the county. Tacoma, the county seat, is the state's third largest city.

The county covers 1,794 square miles (1,676 of land and 118 of water). Altitudes in the county range from sea level on Puget Sound to the peak of Mount Rainier at 14,411 feet. *Pierce County* has approximately 125 miles of saltwater shoreline and an abundance of lakes and national forests providing excellent recreational opportunities. The local area is served by extensive ferry and transit systems, and by a well-developed network of highways and freeways. The principal port area of *Pierce County*, the Port of Tacoma, is on Commencement Bay, one of the world's finest deep water harbors. The harbor is an arm of Puget Sound which opens to the Pacific Ocean.

The county has developed a varied economy. The deep water Port of Tacoma is now the second largest port in Washington and one of the largest ports in the world. The port contributes significantly to the county's position as a major regional trade and service center. The regions manufacturing sector produces lumber and wood products, metals, chemicals, food, clothing, computer/semiconductor chips and parts, and airplane parts. Agricultural products include berries, lettuce, beans, cabbage, and daffodil bulbs. The county is the nation's number one producer of rhubarb.

The county is an important rail center served by two transcontinental railroads: Union Pacific and Burlington Northern Santa Fe. Seattle-Tacoma International Airport is located about 20 miles north of Tacoma. Over 200 motor freight lines provide local and long-distance hauling services. Interstate Highway 5 (the major north-south route on the west coast) passes directly through Tacoma. Additionally, the county maintains 1,500 miles of roadway, 150 bridges, 60 traffic signal systems, and a ferry system. The toll free Narrows Bridge provides direct access to residential and recreational areas on the Olympic Peninsula.

<u>Major Corporate Employers</u>	<u>Employees</u>
Franciscan Health System	4,137
MultiCare Health Systems.....	3,779
Fred Meyer Stores	2,159
Emerald Queen Casino.....	1,591
Safeway Stores.....	1,508
Good Samaritan Hospital.....	1,496
Intel Corporation	1,250
The Boeing Company (Frederickson site).....	1,200
Milgard Manufacturing, Inc.....	1,178
McDonald's Restaurants	1,031

EDUCATION

Educational needs within *Pierce County* are provided by 15 school districts. Four institutions of higher learning, Pacific Lutheran University, University of Puget Sound, Tacoma Community College, and Pierce College, have main campuses located in the county. Evergreen State College, City University, and the University of Washington each maintain a branch campus in Tacoma. In addition, Washington State University operates agricultural extension programs in the county.

LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT IN TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY

The labor data below is based on the resident labor force for the Tacoma Metropolitan Statistical Area (an area coterminous with *Pierce County*). The labor data presented is compiled by the State of Washington Employment Security Department and represents average monthly employment levels for each year.

**NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
IN TACOMA PMSA (PIERCE COUNTY)**
Annual Average Employment

INDUSTRY	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
TOTAL (1)	264,700	254,500	248,900	243,600	243,900
PRODUCING GOODS	40,100	38,500	37,200	36,800	38,400
PROVIDING SERVICES	220,500	215,900	211,700	206,800	205,600
GOVERNMENT	53,600	53,400	52,900	52,400	51,600

Source: Washington State Department of Employment Security

(1) Excludes proprietors, self-employed, members of armed services, workers in private households and agriculture.

Includes full-and part-time wage and salary workers receiving pay during the pay period including the 12th of the month.

INDUSTRY

The principal industrial area of Tacoma, the Port of Tacoma Industrial District, is home of North America's sixth-largest port. Situated on Commencement Bay, the Port of Tacoma covers over 3,000 acres and can accommodate vessels of any draft. The Port of Tacoma revolutionized west-coast cargo transfer as the first port to build an on-dock intermodal rail yard. The port currently uses 2,400 acres of land for terminal activity and industrial development and has about 700 acres in reserve for future development.

Nearby are Fort Lewis, an 86,000-acre army base including Madigan General Hospital, and McChord Air Force Base, a major air force installation of 5,000 acres. Combined the military facilities employ over 48,000 people, including both military and civilian personnel.

TABLE 16

SEWER UTILITY CUSTOMER STATISTICS

Wastewater Treated (in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGPD))		Customers Connected at December 31	
Year	MGPD	Residential Units	Commercial Accounts
1996	14.73	55,569	2,033
1997	15.56	57,865	2,103
1998	14.90	59,830	2,138
1999	16.30	62,856	2,159
2000	14.41	65,745	2,216
2001	15.18	68,247	2,231
2002	16.38	70,395	2,273
2003	16.65	72,756	2,301
2004	17.04	74,841	2,351
2005	16.65	77,692	2,373

Customer Rate Structure		
Customer Class	Rate Methodology	2005 Rate
Single Family Residence	Fixed Monthly	\$ 22.15
Multi-Family Residence	Fixed Monthly	19.50
Commercial SIC Class #1	0-300 mg/1 BOD or SS Plus \$ /CCF Usage	6.50 1.90
Commercial SIC Class #2	301-500 mg/ 1 BOD or SS Plus \$/CCF Usage	6.50 2.55
Commercial SIC Class #3	501-700 mg/ 1 BOD or SS Plus \$/CCF Usage	6.50 3.20
Commercial SIC Class #4	701-900 mg/ 1 BOD or SS Plus \$/CCF Usage	6.50 3.90
Commercial SIC Class #5	Over 900 mg/ 1 BOD or SS Plus \$/CCF Usage Plus \$/LB for BOD Plus \$/LB for SS	6.50 1.22 0.24 0.29

