

Business and Professional Licensing

Point-In-Time Snapshot of Individual & Business Licenses	
Profession	12/31/2017
Architects	7,771
Body Piercing & Tattooing	3,629
Combative Sports	887
Cosmetologists	78,950
Driver Training Schools	1,824
Engineers & Land Surveyors	49,300
Funeral Directors & Embalmers	1,720
Geologists	2,239
Limousine & For Hire	2,035
Notaries Public	74,177
Private Investigators	1,514
Real Estate Appraisers	3,004
Real Estate Professionals	42,687
Security Guards	12,059
Vehicle Dealers & Transport/Disposal	7,195
Other	7,766
Total	296,757
Type	12/31/2017
Total Individual Licenses	261,218
Total Business Licenses	35,539
Total	296,757

License Transactions — CY17 Count		
Activity	Originals	Renewals
Total Licenses	30,792	116,415

License Renewals by Channel		
Channel	CY17 Count	Percent
Paper	55,235	47%
Internet	61,180	53%
Total	116,415	

Firearms Program*	
Activity	CY17 Count
Law Enforcement Inquiries to Firearms Database	2,065,935
Pistol Sales & Transfers Received	201,935
Concealed Pistol Licenses Issued by Law Enforcement	141,014
Point-In-Time Snapshot as of 12/31/2017	
Active Concealed Pistol Licenses	590,810

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

Prorate & Fuel Tax Services	
Activity	CY17 Count
Fuel Tax Business Audits	314
Prorate & Fuel Tax Licenses	5,436
Annual Fuel Tax Collected	\$1,773,918,294

Uniform Commercial Code* — CY17 Count			
Activity	Internet	Paper	Total
Filings Processed	76,282	13,419	89,701
Searches Completed	299,239	1,959	301,198
Point-In-Time Snapshot as of 12/31/2017			
Total Active Filings in Database	603,272		

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

Mission

With a strong commitment to great service, we advance public safety and consumer protection through licensing, regulation, and education, and we collect revenue that supports our state's transportation system.

Agency Facts	
Driver Licensing Services Offices	56
Vehicle Agent & Sub-Agent Offices	179
Allotted Full Time Positions (FTEs)	1,338

Biennial Budget 2017-2019	
Transportation	\$ 319 Million
Omnibus	\$ 47 Million
Total	\$ 366 Million

Revenue Collected — by Recipient	
Recipient	Fiscal Year 2017*
WA State	\$ 2,581,493,219
Federal	\$ 631,875
Other States (IRP, IFTA)	\$ 28,792,763
Local (TBD, RTA)	\$ 214,593,251
Other	\$ 2,678,977
Total	\$ 2,828,190,084

*Fiscal year (FY) revenue is not available at FY end. Once released, it is updated in the calendar year end publications.

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Statistics At-A-Glance



Calendar Year 2017

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Drivers Licensing

Point-In-Time Snapshot of Card Holders					
Type	12/31/2013	12/31/2014	12/31/2015	12/31/2016	12/31/2017
Driver License (DL)	5,359,469	5,472,566	5,576,586	5,705,688	5,842,167
18 years old & over	5,299,626	5,395,223	5,498,162	5,625,789	5,761,617
Intermediate (under 18)	59,843	77,343	78,424	79,899	80,550
Identification Card (ID)	620,824	618,506	615,604	623,909	634,496
Instruction Permit	83,198	85,759	86,673	87,097	86,655
Enhanced Documents (Counts are included in Driver License and ID Card counts above)					
Driver License (EDL)	380,463	422,640	482,068	584,337	686,799
Identification Card (EID)	22,032	22,631	22,989	24,969	25,809
Endorsements (Counts are included in Driver License counts above)					
Motorcycle	403,295	416,082	428,006	429,585	446,260
Commercial (CDL)	191,526	184,536	190,982	186,963	183,779
Ignition Interlock	5,339	5,148	4,293	4,757	4,902

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	CY17 Count	Percent
Office	648,123	68%
Internet	272,254	29%
Mail	29,704	3%
Total	950,081	

Driver License Testing — CY17 Count		
Type	Licensing Services Office	Driver Training School
Knowledge	26,956	220,199
Drive	11,332	169,014
Total	38,288	389,213

Regulating Activity	
Action	CY17 Count
Hearings & Interviews Processed	8,712
Point-In-Time Snapshot as of 12/31/2017	
Suspended, Revoked, or Canceled*	313,784

*Includes unlicensed and out-of-state people.

Driver Transactions — CY17 Count		
Type	Originals	Renewals
Driver License (DL)	288,928	879,422
Motorcycle	24,480	70,070
Commercial	11,302	33,878
Identification Card (ID)	84,513	70,659
Instruction Permit	95,137	27,269

Individual Abstract of Driving Record (ADR) CY17 Requests by Channel		
Channel	Count	Percent
Office	48,106	20%
Internet	146,662	60%
Mail	48,750	20%
Total	243,518	

Commercial Data Broker ADR	
Type	CY17 Count
Monitored	25,503,851
Purchased	1,958,954

Vehicles/Vessels Licensing

Point-In-Time Snapshot of Currently Registered Vehicles and Vessels					
Type	12/31/2013	12/31/2014	12/31/2015	12/31/2016	12/31/2017
Vehicles	6,792,305	6,932,826	7,123,864	7,559,161	7,867,408
Motorcycles	216,029	218,119	219,576	233,491	213,371
Vessels	230,015	228,334	234,195	225,004	225,732

Vehicle Renewal Transactions by Channel		
Channel	CY17 Count	Percent
Office/Mail	5,009,252	69%
Internet	2,245,939	31%
Total	7,255,191	

License Plate Transactions	
Type	CY17 Count
Standard Background	1,608,432
Special Background	19,732
Personalized	11,533
Collector/Carriage	18,794
Disabled Parking	5,367
Other*	8,093
Total	1,671,951
Reason	CY17 Count
Mandatory Replacement	843,604
Other Issuances**	828,347
Total	1,671,951

Email Renewal Notices — CY Counts				
Type Sent	2014	2015	2016	2017
Vehicle Email Renewal Notices*	610,226	628,006	777,175	736,403
Vehicle Paper Notice	6,007,730	5,991,468	6,053,215	6,084,556
New Enrollees				
Vehicle	276,448	189,444	195,624	73,047
Vessel	8,383	6,358	5,921	3,730
Total	284,831	195,802	201,545	76,777

Vehicle Title Transactions	
Type	CY17 Count
New to WA	791,481
Transfers	1,070,819
Modifications	477,447
Duplicates	45,678
Total	2,385,425

Vehicle Permit Transactions	
Type	CY17 Count
Trip	124,851
Dealer	803,338
Transit	48,878
Other*	4,106
Total	981,173

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

*Exempt, etc.

**New/first, replaced, lost, stolen, broken, etc.

*Vessels do not have a paper option