

Business and Professional Licensing

Point-In-Time Snapshot of Individual & Business Licenses	
Profession	12/31/2016
Architects	7,466
Body Piercing & Tattooing	2,529
Combative Sports	892
Cosmetologists	78,925
Driver Training Schools	1,854
Engineers & Land Surveyors	28,988
Funeral Directors & Embalmers	1,863
Geologists	2,257
Limousine & For Hire	2,114
Notary Public	73,968
Private Investigators	1,467
Real Estate Appraisers	2,884
Real Estate Professionals	40,516
Security Guards	11,586
Vehicle Dealers & Transport/Disposal	7,043
Other	7,537
Total	271,889
Type	12/31/2016
Total Individual Licenses	235,989
Total Business Licenses	35,900
Total	271,889

License Transactions — CY16 Count		
Activity	Originals	Renewals
Total Licenses	29,400	111,100

License Renewals by Channel		
Channel	CY16 Count	Percent
Paper	64,197	58%
Internet	46,903	42%
Total	111,100	

Firearms Program*	
Activity	CY16 Count
Law Enforcement Inquiries to Firearms Database	2,769,951
Pistol Sales & Transfers Received	152,429
Concealed Pistol Licenses Issued by Law Enforcement	157,741
Point-In-Time Snapshot as of 12/31/2016	
Active Concealed Pistol Licenses	571,404

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

Prorate & Fuel Tax Services	
Activity	CY16 Count
Fuel Tax Business Audits	159
Prorate & Fuel Tax Licenses	5,257
Annual Fuel Tax Collected	\$ 1,663,194,650

Uniform Commercial Code* — CY16 Count			
Activity	Internet	Paper	Total
Filings Processed	72,434	13,171	85,605
Searches Completed	411,551	2,034	413,585
Point-In-Time Snapshot as of 12/31/2016			
Total Active Filings in Database	598,881		

*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	181
Allotted Full Time Positions (FTEs)	1,331

Biennial Budget 2015-2017	
Transportation	\$ 318.4 Million
Omnibus	\$ 47.6 Million
Total	\$ 366.0 Million

Revenue Collected — by Recipient	
Recipient	Fiscal Year 2016*
WA State	\$ 3,113,328,227
Federal	\$ 1,608,889
Other States (IRP, IFTA)	\$ 12,408,855
Local (TBD, RTA)	\$ 153,460,313
Other	\$ 2,115,722
Total	\$ 3,282,922,006

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Statistics At-A-Glance



Calendar Year 2016

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Drivers Licensing

Point-In-Time Snapshot of Card Holders					
Type	12/31/2012	12/31/2013	12/31/2014	12/31/2015	12/31/2016
Driver License (DL)	5,269,552	5,359,469	5,472,566	5,576,586	5,705,688
<i>18 years old & over</i>	5,206,586	5,299,626	5,395,223	5,498,162	5,625,789
<i>Intermediate (under 18)</i>	62,966	59,843	77,343	78,424	79,899
Identification Card (ID)	608,615	620,824	618,506	615,604	623,909
Instruction Permit	87,579	83,198	85,759	86,673	87,097
Enhanced Documents (Counts are included in Driver License and ID Card counts above)					
Driver License (EDL)	333,816	380,463	422,640	482,068	584,337
Identification Card (EID)	21,979	22,032	22,631	22,989	24,969
Endorsements (Counts are included in Driver License counts above)					
Motorcycle	390,638	403,295	416,082	428,006	429,585
Commercial (CDL)	193,141	191,526	184,536	190,982	186,963
Ignition Interlock	5,440	5,339	5,148	4,293	4,757

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	CY16 Count	Percent
Office	714,062	71%
Internet	250,952	25%
Mail	37,355	4%
Total	1,002,369	

Driver License Testing — CY16 Count		
Type	Licensing Services Office	Driver Training School
Knowledge	32,137	211,607
Drive	13,088	173,177
Total	45,225	384,784

Regulating Activity	
Action	CY16 Count
Hearings & Interviews Processed	8,894
Point-In-Time Snapshot as of 12/31/2016	
Suspended, Revoked, or Canceled*	374,555

*Includes unlicensed and out-of-state people.

Driver Transactions — CY16 Count		
Type	Originals	Renewals
Driver License (DL)	305,368	925,597
<i>Motorcycle</i>	26,221	71,869
<i>Commercial</i>	11,661	32,507
Identification Card (ID)	84,640	76,772
Instruction Permit	98,249	27,605

Individual Abstract of Driving Record (ADR) CY16 Requests by Channel		
Channel	Count	Percent
Office	55,340	22%
Internet	141,876	58%
Mail	48,626	20%
Total	245,842	

Commercial Data Broker ADR	
Type	CY16 Count
Monitored	23,487,861
Purchased	1,899,582

Vehicles/Vessels Licensing

Point-In-Time Snapshot of Currently Registered Vehicles and Vessels					
Type	12/31/2012	12/31/2013	12/31/2014	12/31/2015	12/31/2016
Vehicles	6,708,887	6,792,305	6,932,826	7,123,864	7,559,161
<i>Motorcycles</i>	218,385	216,029	218,119	219,576	233,491
Vessels	235,564	230,015	228,334	234,195	225,004

Email Renewal Notices — CY Counts				
Type Sent	2013	2014	2015	2016
Vehicle Email Renewal Notices*	507,327	610,226	628,006	777,175
Vehicle Paper Notices	6,060,363	6,007,730	5,991,468	6,053,215
New Email Renewal Enrollees				
Vehicle	261,612	276,448	189,444	195,624
Vessel	8,001	8,383	6,358	5,921
Total	269,613	284,831	195,802	201,545

*Vessels do not have a paper option

Vehicle Renewal Transactions by Channel		
Channel	CY16 Count	Percent
Office/Mail	4,870,629	69%
Internet	2,153,140	31%
Total	7,023,769	

Vehicle Title Transactions	
Type	CY16 Count
New to WA	810,674
Transfers	1,048,943
Modifications	194,745
Duplicates	35,965
Total	2,090,327

Vehicle Permit Transactions	
Type	CY16 Count
Trip	155,614
Dealer	690,588
Transit	42,002
Other*	2,255
Total	890,459

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

License Plate Transactions	
Type	CY16 Count
Standard Background	1,645,453
Special Background	19,745
Personalized	10,089
Collector/Carriage	16,384
Disabled Parking	5,580
Other*	1,284
Total	1,697,897
Reason	CY16 Count
Mandatory Replacement	784,768
Other Issuances**	913,111
Total	1,697,879

*Exempt, etc.

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