

Business and Professional Licensing

Point-In-Time Snapshot of Individual & Business Licenses	
Profession	12/31/2024
Architects	9,705
Body Piercing & Tattooing	5,425
Cosmetologists	90,220
Funeral Directors & Embalmers	2,164
Geologists	2,171
Limousine & For Hire	1,772
Notaries Public	75,624
Private Investigators	1,521
Real Estate Appraisers	2,778
Real Estate Professionals	46,411
Security Guards	19,814
Vehicle Dealers & Transport/Disposal	6,994
Other	8,774
Total	273,373
Type	12/31/2024
Total Individual Licenses	239,612
Total Business Licenses	33,761
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License Transactions by Channel — CY 2024 Count		
Activity	Originals	Renewals
Polaris - Paper	4,847	14,294
Polaris - Internet	32,872	120,553
BLS Partner (DOR)*	1,303	11,477
Total	39,022	146,324
Polaris - Paper	13%	10%
Polaris - Internet	84%	82%
BLS Partner (DOR)*	3%	8%

*BLS = Business Licensing Service; DOR = Dept. of Revenue.

Firearms Program* CY 2024	
Activity	Count
Law Enforcement Inquiries to Firearms Database	5,154,012
Firearm Transfers Received	153,341
Concealed Pistol Licenses Issued by Law Enforcement	146,496
Point-In-Time Snapshot as of 12/31/2024	
Active Concealed Pistol Licenses	700,623
Firearms Dealers	786

*DOL updates and maintains the firearms database for use by law enforcement. As of CY 2023, transfers include both pistol and semi automatic rifles.

Prorate & Fuel Tax Services	
Activity	CY 2024 Count
Fuel Tax Business Audits	209
Prorate & Fuel Tax Licenses	16,034
Annual Fuel Tax Collected	\$1,619,549,772

*As of CY 2023 - Prorate & Fuel Tax license counts were updated to include additional license types.

Uniform Commercial Code* — CY 2024 Count			
Activity	Internet	Paper	Total
Filings Processed	81,332	9,658	90,990
Searches Completed	311,547	1,852	313,399
Point-In-Time Snapshot as of 12/31/2024			
Total Active Filings in Database	696,388		

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

Growing a culture of belonging through our values:

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Inclusion

Agency Facts	
Driver Licensing Services Offices	51
Vehicle Agent & Sub-Agent Offices	175
Allotted Full Time Positions (FTEs)	1,482

Biennial Budget 2023-2025	
Transportation	\$ 440 million
Omnibus	\$ 103 million
Total	\$ 543 million

Revenue Collected — by Recipient	
Recipient	Fiscal Year 2024*
WA State	\$ 2,795,042,846
Other States (IRP, IFTA)	\$ 558,035
Local (TBD, RTA)	\$ 390,362,995
Other	\$ 2,577,865
Total	\$ 3,188,541,741

*Due to budget cycles, revenue collected by fiscal year is only updated in calendar year-end publications.

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Calendar Year 2024

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Driver Licensing

Point-In-Time Snapshot of Card Holders*					
Type	12/31/2020	12/31/2021	12/31/2022	12/31/2023	12/31/2024
Driver License (DL)	5,888,294	5,920,572	5,977,980	6,033,102	6,080,192
<i>18 years old & over</i>	5,813,840	5,841,780	5,897,395	5,947,940	5,993,572
<i>Intermediate (under 18)</i>	74,454	78,792	80,585	85,162	86,620
Identification Card (ID)	673,205	678,146	705,836	735,508	762,972
Instruction Permit	99,844	91,415	94,235	95,428	95,775
Enhanced Documents (Counts are included in Driver License and ID Card counts above)					
Driver License (EDL)	1,109,141	1,217,679	1,370,028	1,518,366	1,694,447
Identification Card (EID)	35,333	38,754	45,135	51,216	57,014
Endorsements & Restricted Licenses (Counts are included in Driver License counts above)					
Motorcycle	433,189	429,715	425,440	421,689	417,566
Commercial (CDL)	188,384	187,898	188,476	188,829	188,857
Ignition Interlock	3,340	3,004	2,719	2,644	2,853

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	CY 2024 Count	Percent
Office	453,733	58%
Internet	304,169	39%
Mail	20,953	3%
Total	778,855	

Driver License Testing — CY 2024 Count		
Type	Driver Licensing Office	Driver Training School
Knowledge	30,230	268,665
Drive	9,487	201,011
Total	39,717	469,676

Regulating Activity	
Action	CY 24 Count
Hearings & Interviews Processed	29,396
Point-In-Time Snapshot as of 12/31/2024	
Suspended, Revoked, or Canceled*	244,636

*Includes unlicensed and out-of-state people.

Driver Transactions — CY 2024 Count		
Type	Originals	Renewals
Driver License (DL)	358,152	707,298
<i>Motorcycle</i>	13,006	51,145
<i>Commercial</i>	10,893	32,542
Identification Card (ID)	138,754	73,959
Instruction Permit	102,827	15,457

Individual Abstract of Driving Record (ADR) CY 2024 Requests by Channel		
Channel	Count	Percent
Office	29,610	15%
Internet	152,192	74%
Mail	23,268	11%
Total	205,070	

Commercial Data Broker ADR	
Type	CY 2024 Count
Monitored	30,909,707
Purchased	2,033,118

Vehicle/Vessel Licensing

Point-In-Time Snapshot of Currently Registered Vehicles and Vessels*					
Type	12/31/2020	12/31/2021	12/31/2022	12/31/2023	12/31/2024
Vehicles	8,042,128	8,139,392	8,049,484	8,014,871	8,012,765
<i>Motorcycles</i>	242,113	243,911	238,083	227,939	222,326
Vessels	229,117	226,364	218,916	215,200	211,507

Email Renewal Notices — CwY Counts				
Type Sent	2021	2022	2023	2024
Vehicle Email Renewal Notices	511,533	491,896	493,584	411,629
Vehicle Paper Notice*	6,751,410	6,715,153	6,621,510	6,580,373
New Enrollees				
Vehicle	66,686	61,035	64,644	66,551
Vessel	2,205	1,690	1,634	1,679
Total	68,891	62,725	66,278	68,230

*Vessels do not have a paper renewal notice option.

Vehicle Renewal Transactions by Channel		
Channel	CY 2024 Count	Percent
Office	3,751,678	51%
Internet	3,091,556	42%
Mail	531,735	7%
Total	7,374,969	

Vehicle Title Transactions	
Type	CY 2024 Count
New to WA	675,622
Transfers	995,930
Modifications	452,802
Duplicates	59,212
Total	2,183,566

Vehicle Permit Transactions	
Type	CY 2024 Count
Trip	140,557
Temp. Plates	615,601
Transit	13,360
Other*	6,219
Total	775,737

*Farm; Military; Off Road; Snowmobiles.

Original License Plate Issuances CY 2024	
Type	Count
Standard Background	1,359,189
<i>Standard Configuration</i>	1,318,743
<i>Personalized Configuration</i>	2,990
<i>Non-Standard Configuration*</i>	37,456
Special Background	13,595
<i>Standard Configuration</i>	11,542
<i>Personalized Configuration</i>	2,053
Metal Tag/Decal	23,784
Total	1,396,568

*Exempt, Disabled, Veteran, etc.