

PRINCIPAL COUNTIES IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

KING COUNTY

King county is located in the center of the tier of counties, the western borders of which are formed by the eastern shores of Puget Sound and which extend eastward to the summits of the Cascade mountains. To the north lies Snohomish county and Pierce county is directly south.

Seattle, county seat of King county and metropolis of the state, with a population of 437,683, is one of the most rapidly growing cities in the west. During the past few years it has annexed a number of suburbs, including Ballard, Columbia City, Ravenna, South Park, South Seattle, Southeast Seattle, West Seattle, and others, increasing its area to seventy-eight square miles, fifty of which are land and twenty-eight water.

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PIERCE COUNTY

Area and Transportation

Pierce county has an area of 1,800 square miles, and is growing rapidly with the extension of established railroads and buildings of new lines. The Northern Pacific, with its various branches, has a total mileage in Pierce county approximating 150 miles, while the Tacoma Eastern railroad, which taps the rich country around Mount Rainier, has built 76 miles of track, 60 of which are in this county. Electric lines traverse the country in all directions and others which are building will put Tacoma in close and quick touch with every important city or town within 100 miles.

Principal City

Tacoma, the county seat of Pierce, is on Commencement bay, where it is most advantageously located for the health and comfort of its residents, and for the handling of the vast amount of raw material from the forests and mines, as well as the products of the soil.

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SPOKANE COUNTY

Spokane county lies in the extreme eastern section of the state, being bounded on the north by Stevens county, on the east by the Idaho state line, on the south by Whitman