

# Thriving Report

## Thriving Communities Index - NUREC Report

### Location

Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area

### Green Infrastructure

#### Forested Acres

This indicator displays the percent of total acreage in a county that is forested.

Report Area	Acres	Woodland Acres	Percent of Woodland Acres	Forested Acres	Percent of Forested Acres	Percent of Acres not in Forest or Woodland
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area	9,330,365.22	3,570,298.85	38.27	1,550,694.58	16.62	45.11
King County, WA	3,466,178.73	1,228,559.04	35.44	601,898.48	17.36	47.19
Pierce County, WA	2,621,054.52	892,232.06	34.04	398,240.50	15.19	50.77
Snohomish County, WA	3,243,131.97	1,449,507.75	44.69	550,555.60	16.98	38.33
Washington	100,770,199.42	29,159,102.30	28.94	9,650,567.14	9.58	61.49
United States	3,438,000,071.88	447,054,567.91	13.00	342,236,028.51	9.95	77.04

Note: This indicator is compared to the state average.

Data Source: Multi-Resolution Land Characteristics Consortium, [National Land Cover Database, 2024](#). →

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## Park Access

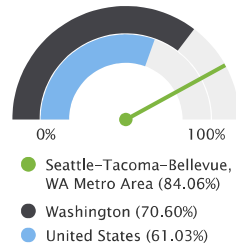
This indicator reports the percentage of population living within 1/2 mile of a park. This indicator is relevant because access to outdoor recreation encourages physical activity and other healthy behaviors.

Report Area	Total Population, 2016-20	Population Within 1/2 Mile of a Park	Percent Within 1/2 Mile of a Park
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area	3,928,498	3,302,260	84.06%
King County, WA	2,225,064	2,071,534	93.10%
Pierce County, WA	891,862	608,249	68.20%
Snohomish County, WA	811,572	622,475	76.70%
Washington	7,512,465	5,303,800	70.60%
United States	326,569,308	199,317,503	61.03%

Note: This indicator is compared to the state average.

Data Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, CDC - National Environmental Public Health Tracking Network. 2020. → [Show more details](#)

Percent Population Within 1/2 Mile of a Park



## Population Within 10 Minute Walk of a Park

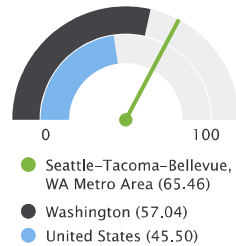
This indicator displays the number of people who live within a 10-minute walk from a park

Report Area	Total Population (2020)	Population Within a 10-Minute Walk	Percent of Population Within a 10-Minute Walk
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area	4,018,762	2,630,625	65.46
King County, WA	2,269,675	1,832,149	80.72
Pierce County, WA	921,130	405,567	44.03
Snohomish County, WA	827,957	392,909	47.46
Washington	7,705,281	4,395,168	57.04
United States	334,735,155	152,294,403	45.50

Note: This indicator is compared to the state average.

Data Source: [Trust for Public Land, 2025](#) → [Show more details](#)

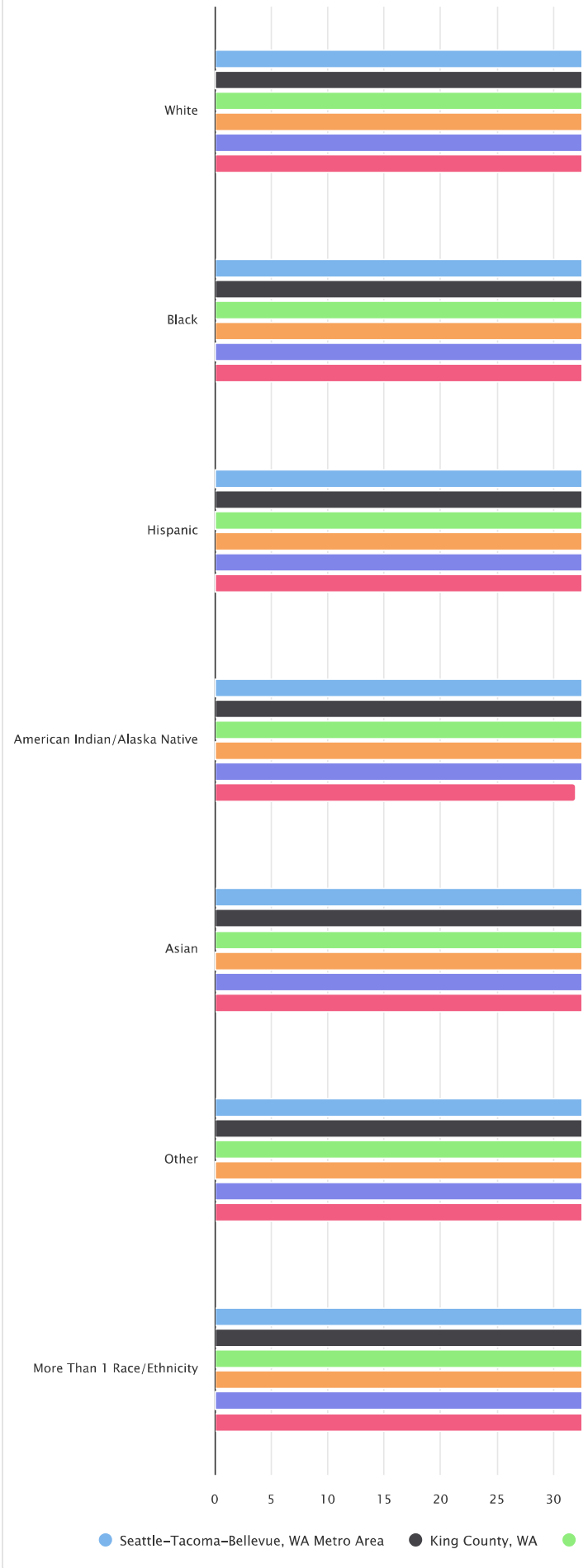
Percent of Population Within a 10-Minute Walk



**Population Within a 10-Minute Walk of a Park - By Race and Hispanic Ethnicity**

**This chart shows the proportion of each race/ethnicity within a 10-minute walk of a park to the total population of each race/ethnicity in the report area.**

### Population Within a 10-Minute Wa



## Protected Area

This indicator displays the percent of acres in a county that are in the Protected Areas Database owned by Local, State, or Federal governments and open to the public.

Report Area	Total Acres	Recreational Land Acres	Percent of Acres in Recreational Land
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area	4,037,546	1,680,168	41.61
King County, WA	1,476,770	520,955	35.28
Pierce County, WA	1,155,495	374,340	32.40
Snohomish County, WA	1,405,281	784,873	55.85
Washington	45,632,383	14,969,833	32.81
United States	2,439,683,092	611,466,613	25.06

Data Source: [United States Geological Survey \(USGS\) Protected Areas Database. 2023.](#) → [Show more details](#)

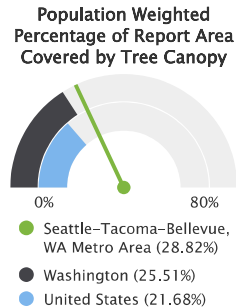
## Tree Canopy Area

This indicator reports the percentage of the report area that is covered by tree canopy. Report data is based on analysis of the 2023 National Land Cover Database - Tree Canopy analytical dataset.

Report Area	Total Population	Area Covered by Canopy, Percent (Crude)	Area Covered by Canopy, Percent (Population Weighted)
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area	4,021,467	52.92%	28.82%
King County, WA	2,262,713	53.74%	28.64%
Pierce County, WA	924,106	49.25%	26.65%
Snohomish County, WA	834,648	55.18%	31.73%
Washington	7,740,984	32.81%	25.51%
United States	330,128,653	22.22%	21.68%

Note: This indicator is compared to the state average.

Data Source: [Multi-Resolution Land Characteristics Consortium, National Land Cover Database. 2023.](#) → [Show more details](#)



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