

APPENDIX D

City of Kenmore Comprehensive Plan 20 Year Vision



2. KENMORE 20-YEAR VISION

Note: This Chapter contains supporting information as well as an essential component of the Comprehensive Plan - the Vision Statement. Supporting information may be updated periodically for informational purposes by City staff as authorized by the City Council. Amendments to the Vision Statement, as an essential component, would require formal Comprehensive Plan amendment by the City Council in accordance with City regulations.

KENMORE 20-YEAR VISION

As we look into the future, we see Kenmore as a place that residents, businesses and visitors find welcoming, with courteous people, and that offers a high quality of life to live, raise children, shop, work, recreate, and socialize. In 2035, we see Kenmore as a fun, vibrant waterfront community that

- is connected both visually and physically to its waterfront, recognizing it as a significant local and regional asset
- supports recreation and health through well-maintained parks, trails, and open spaces
- protects natural and environmentally sensitive areas, significant open space, trees, and air and water quality
- provides a safe, reliable and effective system of streets, sidewalks, bike ways, trails, and transit routes, linking significant local and regional destinations
- has its own sense of place and an identifiable, walkable downtown offering commercial, civic, cultural and park spaces, integrated with multifamily housing
- has an economic base that provides a range of goods and services, offers quality employment opportunities, and supports local businesses
- has clear design standards creating attractive, functional, and enduring buildings and places
- supports the character of its single family residential neighborhoods
- offers a diversity of housing types to provide a choice of attractive living accommodations for all residents
- encourages volunteerism and public involvement and works as a good partner with citizens and governments throughout the region
- supports the safety, health, and welfare of all of its citizens
- supports and encourages education and quality schools
- is inclusive and family friendly, with a small town feeling, that fosters a sense of belonging and pride
- supports local arts, culture and history

To achieve this vision, responsible commitments in planning and resources will be made. We share and support this vision for Kenmore.



3. DEMOGRAPHICS AND ECONOMICS

Note: This Chapter contains supporting information to the Kenmore Comprehensive Plan. Supporting information may be updated periodically for informational purposes by City staff as authorized by the City Council. In accordance with the Growth Management Act, the City will review its development capacity periodically, and that review may lead to formal amendment of the Comprehensive Plan by the City Council in accordance with City regulations.

DEMOGRAPHICS AND ECONOMICS

INTRODUCTION

Population information can help describe a community’s social and economic characteristics. Population projections are a foundation for land use, capital facility, and utility planning. This section describes historical population and employment growth and future population and employment projections.

EXISTING CONDITIONS

Population

Recent population information is available for the City of Kenmore from the Washington State Office of Financial Management (OFM) and the U.S. Census. The OFM collects U.S. Census Information and building permit information to prepare annual population estimates. Refer to **Table DE-A**.

**TABLE DE-A
CITY OF KENMORE
EXISTING POPULATION/HOUSING**

CHARACTERISTIC	2000 U.S. Census	2005 OFM	2010 U.S. Census	2014 OFM
Population	18,678	19,227	20,460	21,370
Housing	7,488	8,066	8,569	8,835
Single-family	5,235 (70%)	5,599 (69%)	6,024 (70%)	6,276 (71%)
Two+ Units	1,892 (25%)	2,091 (26%)	2,254 (26%)	2,268 (26%)
Mobile Home & Special Housing Units	361 (5%)	376 (5%)	291 (3 %)	291 (3%)

Sources: US Census 2000 and 2010; Washington State Office of Financial Management, 2005 and 2014

Table DE-A shows a 14 percent increase in population in the 14 years between 2000 and 2014 and an 18 percent increase in housing units.

Resident Characteristics

2010 U.S. Census and American Community Survey (ACS) information is available at the City limits level. Unlike the Census, the ACS, initiated by the Census Bureau in 2005, collects estimated information about social, economic and housing characteristics in both 3- and 5-year intervals. Information about resident characteristics is shown in **Tables DE-B and DE-C**.

TABLE DE-B
2010 US CENSUS

CHARACTERISTICS	YEAR 2010
Population	20,460
Households	7,984
Sex	
Male	10,142 (49.6%)
Female	10,318 (50.4%)
Age	
Under 5 years	6.7%
65 years and over	11.9%
Median Age	39.5 years
Race	
White	80%
Black or African American	1.6%
American Indian & Alaska Native	.5%
Asian	10.5%
Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander	.3%
Other, including two or more races	7%
Hispanic or Latino Population	7%

TABLE DE-C
2009-2013 AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY 5-YEAR ESTIMATES

CHARACTERISTICS	YEAR 2013
Educational attainment, age 25 yrs. +	
Less than 9th grade	1.9%
9 th -12 th , no diploma	4.9%
High school grad/GED	14%
Some college, no degree	22.2%
Associate degree	8.3%
Bachelor's degree	29.9%
Graduate or professional degree	18.8%
Civilian employed population, age 16 yrs.+	10,181
Agric., forestry, fishing and hunting, mining	34 (<1%)
Construction	581 (6%)
Manufacturing	1,124 (11%)
Wholesale trade	405 (4%)
Retail trade	1,110 (11%)
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	184 (2%)
Information	395 (4%)
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	697 (7%)
Professional, scientific, management, administrative and waste management	1,851 (18%)
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	2,200 (22%)
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	775 (8%)
Other services, except public administration	515 (5%)
Public administration	310 (3%)
Median Household Income	\$82,334

U.S. Census information for 2010 showed the median age to be 39.5 years. Most of the population was between the ages of 5 and 65; there were relatively few young children or senior citizens. The majority of residents were white, with the next greatest number being Asian.

The 2009-2013 American Community Survey shows a highly educated population with the majority either having attended college or attained an associate’s degree, a bachelor’s degree or a graduate or professional degree. Residents tended to be employed in the following industries: education/health/social services, retail trade, manufacturing, or professional services. Median household income was at \$82,334, according to the 2009-2013 American Community Survey.

Employment in Kenmore

Based upon all employees “covered” under the State’s unemployment insurance act, the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) estimates that there were 3,606 jobs located in the City in 2013. Covered employment accounts for approximately 85-90% of all employment, but excludes some jobs, for example, proprietors and self-employed individuals. The employment breakdown is shown in **Table DE-D**. The jobs tend to be in services (including information, professional services, management, administrative support, health care, and arts and entertainment) and education.

**TABLE DE-D
EMPLOYMENT IN THE CITY OF KENMORE (2013)**

INDUSTRY/TRADE	NO. EMPLOYED
Construction and Resources (Mining, Forestry)	366
FIRES (Finance, Insurance, Real Estate)	116
Services (including information, professional services, management, administrative support, health care, and arts and entertainment)	1,768
Manufacturing	54
Retail	384
WTCU (Wholesale trade, Transportation, Communication, Utilities)	301
Education	495
Government	123
Total	3,606

Source: Puget Sound Regional Council 2013 Covered Employment Estimates by Jurisdiction

Kenmore’s larger private employers are shown in **Table DE-E**. Bastyr University, the City’s largest employer, employs approximately 500 staff and faculty, including those who work part-time.

**TABLE DE-E
KENMORE BUSINESSES (2014)**

TOP PRIVATE EMPLOYERS	EMPLOYEES	DESCRIPTION
Bastyr University	500	Education
Kenmore Air Harbor	250 (summer peak season)	Airline
Safeway	120	Grocery

FUTURE TRENDS

Puget Sound Regional Council

The Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) provides historical population, housing, and employment information as well as future population, housing and employment forecasts. The PSRC prepares the

forecasts for Forecast Analysis Zones (FAZs) and Transportation Analysis Zones (TAZs) in order to prepare regional transportation and land use plans (i.e. Transportation 2040 and Vision 2040). Information in this section uses PSRC data, information from the City’s 2014 travel demand forecasting model, as well as historic U.S. Census data. **Table DE-F** shows both past and future population, housing and employment information.

TABLE DE-F
POPULATION & HOUSING TRENDS

Year	Population	Housing Units	Employment
2000	18,678	7,488	4,601
2010	20,460	8,569	3,625
2035	28,473	12,236	6,704

Source: 2000 and 2010 US Census; Puget Sound Regional Council

The number of housing units in the City has increased steadily over time. In the 10 years between 2000 and 2010, 1,081 new housing units were built. It is anticipated that an additional 3,667 units will be built over the 25 years between 2010 and the 2035 planning horizon. This averages to an additional 147 new units annually. Jobs actually were lost in the City during the decade between 2000 and 2010, reflecting impacts of the Great Recession. Over the 25 years between 2010 and 2035, it is anticipated that an additional 3,079 jobs will come to Kenmore--an average of 123 new jobs per year.

SUMMARY

- Population and housing units increased 9.5 percent and 14 percent, respectively, between the year 2000 and 2010.
- U.S. Census information for 2010 shows a median age of 39.5 years. Most of the population is between the ages of 5 and 65; there are relatively fewer young children or senior citizens, although the relative proportions of both of these groups are growing.
- In 2010, the majority of residents were white, with Asians the next largest ethnic group.
- The 2009-2013 American Community Survey shows a highly educated population with the majority either having attended college, or attained an associate’s degree, a bachelor’s degree or a graduate or professional degree. Residents tended to be employed in the following industries: education/health/social services, retail trade, manufacturing, or professional services.
- In the five years between 2009 and 2013, the average median household income in the City was \$82,334.
- Based upon all employees “covered” under the State’s unemployment insurance act, approximately, 3,606 jobs were located in the City as of 2013. Many jobs are service-oriented.
- Bastyr University, Kenmore Air Harbor, and Safeway employ the greatest number of people.
- The Kenmore area saw steady growth in population and housing between 2000 and 2010. This growth is expected to continue to the 2035 planning horizon.
- The estimated 2014 population of the City was 21,370. It is forecast that there will be 28,473 persons and 12,236 housing units within the City by 2035. The net increase in population would equal 7,103.

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