

Agricultural Highlights for Washington

LABOR MARKET AND ECONOMIC ANALYSIS

\$13.38

The H-2A worker Adverse Effect Wage Rate during 2017 increased \$0.69 from 2016

34,677

Average covered seasonal employment during 2016

22,041

Covered seasonal employment in apple orchards during September 2016

\$12.72

Median hourly wage rate for agricultural industries during 2016

\$27,288

2016 average covered annual agricultural wage in Washington State

40%

Covered agricultural employment within-sector movement

28.5%

Growth in total covered agricultural employment 2007 to 2016

70.2%

of agricultural cash receipts is from crops

Washington agricultural dashboard

	Measure	Previous period	Current period	Series (10-year)
Agriculture in Washington State	GDP share (2014 and 2015)	0.81%	1.07%	
	Total employment share (2014 and 2015)	2.10%	1.99%	
	GDP per employee (2014 and 2015)	\$36,800	\$50,000	
Covered employment and wages	Covered employment: all industries (2015 and 2016)	94,993	97,068	
	Statewide average covered seasonal employment (2015 and 2016)	35,073	34,677	
	Statewide average annual wages (2015 and 2016)	\$26,685	\$27,288	
H-2A applications, requested workers and wage rate	Employer H-2A applications submitted (2015 and 2016)	114	146	
	H-2A workers requested (2015 and 2016)	12,125	13,148	
	Adverse Effect Wage Rates (fiscal years 2016 and 2017)	\$12.69	\$13.38	