

| Region | Physical Features/Climate | Natural Resources/Industry | People | Interesting Facts |
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| Columbia Plateau | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lava, Scablands (created by ice age flood), mountains • 1/3 of the state - big • Yakima, Walla Walla, Tri Cities, Spokane • Many rivers (Columbia River is the main one) • Dry hot summers, cold winters | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rich soil for growing crops and farming • Apples • Wheat • Grains • Vegetables and legumes • Livestock (cattle) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farmers • Ranchers • Fruit industry workers • People who fish for money • Diverse population | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plateau tribes lived here • Largest lava plateaus in the world. • Grand Coulee Dam, makes more hydraulic power in the US |
| Western Lowlands | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mild temperatures • Located between Olympic Mountains and Cascade Mountains • Lots of rain and fog • Tacoma, Olympia and SEATTLE * and SMS 😊 • Puget Sound and Strait of Juan de Fuca | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microsoft (computer software, technology, games) • Logging (trees) and farming • Nintendo • Boeing makes airplanes • Shipping (around the world) • Amazon • Military Bases | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ¾ of the state's population • Immigrants, many people from around the world move to this region because of its economy, location, and mild climate. • Service men and women (military). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are automobile ferries (drive your car onto a ferry) • Space needle was built for the 1962 World's Fair • St. James Cathedral • Pike's Place Market • Starbucks was started here • Most important region in our state (and has the best 4th graders!!!!) |

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| <p>Coastal Region</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long Beach (longest in USA, longest drivable beach in the world) • Bird watching at Bowerman Basin, natural ecosystems • Lots of species of plants • Willapa Bay • Hood Canal • Puget Sound to the Pacific Ocean/coastline • Ocean Shores, Port Angeles • Lots of rain and colder weather (wet!) • | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fishing (many types of fish) • Dairy farmers and berries • Tourism • Timber industry (wood and paper) • | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only a few small cities • Farmers • Fishermen and women | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 290 of species of birds • Forests contain the most valuable trees in Washington • Douglas Fir, Sitka Spruce, Western Hemlock, Western Red Cedar (housing, totem poles, canoes) • Many Christmas tree farms! |
| <p>Cascade Mountains</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East of the PS Lowlands • Volcanoes (Mount St. Helen's, Mount Rainier, Mount Baker) • Cold and wet winters • Higher elevation • Leavenworth, Chelan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rafting • Fish • Rock climbing • Ski/snow activities • National Parks • Logging • Mining | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very few people live in the cascade mountain region | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mt. St. Helen's erupted in May 18, 1980 (27 people died) and caused billions of dollars of damage! It was a powerful eruption. • Several volcanoes |

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| Okanogan Highlands | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mountains • Narrow valleys • Columbia River divides this region into 2 sections • East of the Cascades and North of the Columbia Plateau • Not a lot of cities, ghost towns • Rocky Mountains | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mining for gold and magnetite • Cattle and sheep • Fruit and alfalfa • Rodeos! | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sparsely populated with a few small towns • Average 3 people per square mile • Native Americans | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gold was discovered in the highlands! • Ghost Towns • Omak Stampede (rodeo) |