



Office of Economic Development and Competitiveness

Information, Communication Technology Sector



Governor Inslee’s top priority is to create an economic climate where innovation and entrepreneurship can continue to thrive and create good-paying jobs in every corner of our state.

How do we define the information and communication technology industry

- **Telecommunication** – wired and wireless carriers, electronic sales
- **Software design** – software publishing, apps development
- **Data management** – hosting, processing

Sector impacts on Washington’s economy:

People Impact¹

FIRMS	JOBS	PAYROLL	AVG. WAGE	% OF TOTAL STATE PAYROLL
9,265	190,953	\$21.1 billion	\$110,240	18.4

Economic Impact²

INDUSTRY	GROSS BUSINESS INCOME IN 2012
Software publishing	\$ 5 billion (approx.)
Wired and wireless telecommunications	\$ 8.3 billion (approx.)
Electronic shopping and auctions	\$ 3.6 billion
Data processing, hosting	\$ 1.7 billion

What’s next?

Top 3 Items to Focus on in 2014

- Tell our story better
- Develop the workforce needed to sustain our technology leadership
- Put high-tech entrepreneurship at the top of the State’s agenda.

Communication and Coordination

Through coordinated stakeholder engagement and action, we will have an opportunity to make significant progress in building our ICT sector. If you are interested in participating in this conversation, please contact **Will Saunders**, 360.902.2981

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Mission Statement:

Support and inform statewide sector specific economic development efforts by strengthening private and public collaborative efforts that support life science and global health sector partnerships in all communities across the state.

¹2012 Tech America Cyberstates Report

²Washington State Department of Revenue