



The Portland metropolitan region is more than a collection of houses and buildings – it's our home. As our region grows, our home is changing. Here's a look at where we are now.

**33,500**  
New residents in the region between 2013 and 2014



**2.6**  
Average household size



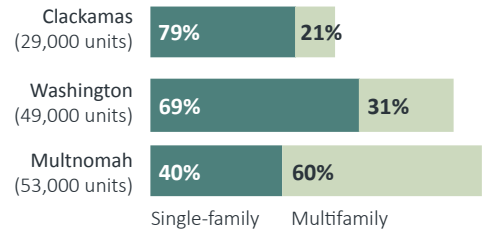
**50%**  
Population growth due to people moving to the region

## What type of housing is being built and where?

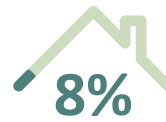


**67%**  
Single-family homes make up 67% of the region's housing

Units by type developed since 1998



**3 in 5** households own their own home



In areas added to the urban growth boundary since 1998, only 8% of the planned housing has been built

## What's it like to buy or rent a home right now?

Weekly hours needed to work to afford a two-bedroom apartment



**78.5** hrs at **\$9.25/hr**  
(Median salary of a cook in the region)



**40** hrs at **\$18.15/hr**  
(Median salary of a social worker in the region)

*"We got heartbroken once or twice a week for two and a half months."*

– Freddie and Leslie

Bought a home in Northeast Portland after 13 failed offers.

*"I thought about [moving to a new apartment] a little while ago, but the rents are getting too high."*

– Silvia

Rents an apartment in a Beaverton neighborhood that she loves.



**1 in 5** households are cost burdened

Spending more than 45% of their income on housing and transportation costs



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