

Center City neighborhoods include Uptown, South Lake Union, Belltown, Denny Triangle, Waterfront, Central Business District, Pioneer Square, the International District and *parts* of Capitol Hill, First Hill and SoDo.

Population, Families, and Occupied Housing Units

	2000 (Census)	2005 (Est.)	2009 (Est.)
Population	47,459	54,572	57,370
Families*	4,667	5,434	5,831
Housing Units	28,102	32,383	34,822
Average Household Size	1.40	1.41	1.40

*U.S. Census defines 'Family' as - A group of two or more people who reside together and who are related by birth, marriage, or adoption.

- Population data trended upwards from 2000 to 2009 by twenty-one percent. There was however only a five percent increase between 2005 and 2009.

Occupied Housing Units

	2000 (Census)	2005 (Est.)	2009 (Est.)
Owner Occupied	4,404	5,220	5,414
Renter Occupied	23,698	27,163	29,408
Total	28,102	32,383	34,822

- The data show an increase of twenty-four percent in the number of housing units between 2000 and 2009 with eighty-four percent of them occupied by renters.

Income

	2000 (Census)	2005 (Est.)	2009 (Est.)
Per Capita (\$)	29,456	31,386	37,461
Average Household (\$)	46,100	49,616	52,047

- The per capita income in Center City grew by twenty-seven percent from 2000 to 2009, while the average household income only increased by thirteen percent.

Street Level Businesses *

Type	Downtown Seattle 2005	Downtown Seattle 2009
Services	1,451	1,535
Hotel & Inns	44	48
Human Services & Special Interest Groups	100	101
Restaurants, Bars & Cafes	687	693
Others	620	693
Residential Buildings	169	204
Retail	1,027	901
Government	27	24
Education	18	23
Industrial	7	5
Total	2,699	2,692

- The total number of Street Level businesses in Downtown Seattle in 2005 and 2009 remained steady.

* To allow for historic comparisons with the street level businesses the following neighborhoods represent Downtown Seattle: Belltown, International District, Denny Triangle, Pioneer Square, Retail Core, Waterfront, and West Edge.

Sources: Demographic statistics - Nielsen Claritas. Employment Statistics - Puget Sound Regional Council "2008 Covered Employment Estimates". Street Level Business & Services Statistics - 2009 Downtown Seattle Association annual inventory. Park Statistics - City of Seattle.

College Graduates

	2000 (Census)	2005 (Est.)	2009 (Est.)
Residents Age 25+ with Associates Degree+	17,002	21,117	22,721

Age of Population

	2000 (Census)	2005 (Est.)	2009 (Est.)
Female	41.42	43.10	44.16
Male	39.21	41.17	42.81

- The data indicate in 2009, almost forty-five percent of Center City population 25 years or older had completed at least an Associates degree.

Employment

	2005	2008
Construction / Resources	4,495	8,948
FIRE*	25,002	29,197
Manufacturing	5,779	6,020
Retail	12,905	13,655
Services	120,847	132,155
WTU**	19,477	17,338
Education	3,245	1,737
Government	37,712	35,709
Total	229,462	245,769

- Employment between 2005 and 2008 increased by seven percent.

*FIRE: Finance, Insurance & Real Estate

**WTU: Wholesale Trade, Transportation & Utilities

(2008 numbers are the most current available)

Parks and Recreational Areas

Including the new Lake Union Park and The Seattle Art Museum's Olympic Sculpture Park, there are 29 parks in Center City Seattle, providing 58 acres of open space. Seattle Center adds an additional 74 acres of recreational space and hosts some of the largest festivals in the region.

Employment - Neighborhood Rankings

Census Tract	Center City Neighborhood	% of total employees
81	Central Business Dist	26%
93	SoDo Dist	17
72 & 73	Denny Triangle & South Lake Union	15
82	Central Business Dist & First Hill	11
85	First Hill	9
80.01 & 80.02	Belltown & Waterfront	8
74, 83 & 84	Capitol Hill	6
71	Uptown	5
91 & 92	Pioneer Square & International Dist	3

Pedestrian Counts

Neighborhood	Location	Apr '09	Aug '09	Dec '09
Uptown	1st Ave N & Mercer St	2,027	2,304	1,565
South Lake Union	Westlake Ave & Harrison St	1,175	1,067	1,097
Denny Triangle	7th Ave & Stewart St	1,663	2,516	2,044
Denny Triangle	9th Ave & Westlake Ave	2,812	2,406	1,338
Belltown	Western Ave & Broad St	270	439	319
Retail Core	4th Ave & Pine St	5,458	6,635	6,873
Retail Core	2nd Ave & University St	2,215	3,009	2,128
Retail Core	7th Ave & Pike St	5,194	3,207	3,057
Retail Core	6th Ave & Pine St	5,666	7,164	6,215
Waterfront	Alaska Way & Seneca St	1,646	5,804	1,002
First Hill	Madison St & Minor Ave	845	2,551	1,597
Capitol Hill	Broadway & Olive Way	1,235	1,031	974
Pioneer Square	1st Ave & Yesler Way	3,095	3,951	2,272
International District	5th Ave & Weller St	1,919	4,407	2,946

- For most sites, summer (August) waves were the busiest, followed by spring (April).
- Count locations at 6th and Pine and 4th and Pine tend to be the busiest, especially during the Holiday (December) wave.
- Overall, summer counts are the most stable when compared to the other two waves.

For additional information please see our website.

Note: from 2006-2009 pedestrian counts were conducted in April, August and December. April Counts are being discontinued in 2010.