October 1, 2021

Honorable Christine Rolfes  
Honorable Lynda Wilson  
Honorable David Frockt  
Honorable Jim Honeyford  
Senate Ways & Means Committee

Honorable Steve Tharinger  
Honorable Mike Steele  
House Capital Budget Committee

Honorable Timm Ormsby  
Honorable Drew Stokesbary  
House Appropriations Committee

Dear Senators Rolfes, Wilson, Frockt and Honeyford, and Representatives Tharinger, Steele, Ormsby and Stokesbary:

Pursuant to RCW 43.82.150, I am pleased to submit the 2021 Facilities Inventory Executive Summary and 2021 inventory of state-owned and leased facilities prepared by the Office of Financial Management. The executive summary, dashboard, inventory spreadsheets and related summary reports are available on our Facilities Inventory web page.

Initially developed last year, OFM’s map-driven inventory dashboard allows users to visualize and interact with facilities data in a more meaningful way. The dashboard replaces a traditional paper report and is intended to add value and improve transparency through more accessible and dynamic data.

If you have any questions, please contact Yvonne Knutson, Facilities Oversight and Planning Program Manager, at yvonne.knutson@ofm.wa.gov or (360) 790-2723.

Sincerely,

David Schumacher  
Director

cc: Michael Bezanson, Senate Ways & Means Committee  
Susan Howson, Senate Ways & Means Committee  
Kelci Karl-Robinson, House Capital Budget Committee  
Charlie Gavigan, House Appropriations Committee  
Yvonne Knutson, Office of Financial Management  
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2021 Facilities Inventory Executive Summary

Requirement and purpose

The state of Washington owns and leases thousands of facilities that house state agencies. This is a significant financial investment by the people of Washington. To monitor this investment, the Office of Financial Management gathers and reports the state’s facilities inventory, as required by RCW 43.82.150.

A facility is defined as a building with at least one wall, a roof and a permanent foundation, regardless of occupancy. Facilities in the inventory range from residences, classrooms and office buildings to grain elevators, warehouses and more.

The statewide facilities inventory is used to inform the biennial Six-Year Facilities Plan, capital budget decisions, comprehensive emergency management planning, and other analyses related to state facilities.

2021 facilities inventory overview

As of June 30, 2021, the statewide inventory included 11,231 facilities, totaling nearly 123.4 million square feet. Seventy-two agencies and higher education institutions occupy 10,068 owned facilities, totaling more than 109 million square feet, and 1,163 leased facilities, totaling nearly 14.4 million square feet. Based on square footage, 88.4 percent of the state’s facilities inventory is owned, while we lease the remaining 11.6 percent.

Since 2020, the state’s facilities inventory has increased by nearly 1.8 million square feet. We credit this change largely to improved reporting in the natural resources sector and new facilities in the higher education and human services sectors. For example, the Department of Fish and Wildlife reported more than 400 existing public restrooms in this year’s inventory, and the University of Washington added a new skyscraper in Seattle with more than one million square feet.

You can find leased and owned inventory data spreadsheets on OFM's Facilities Inventory web page.

Facilities portfolio management tool

For the past four years, OFM has used the facilities portfolio management tool, or FPMT system, to collect inventory data. FPMT has improved the accuracy of the inventory by providing a stable platform for state agencies to store, update and validate their facilities data. You can find more information about this system on OFM’s FPMT web page.

Facilities inventory dashboard

In 2020, OFM transitioned to reporting the annual facilities inventory in a dashboard format, which allows for greater transparency and accessibility of data. The dashboard features filterable maps and charts and allows agencies, the Legislature and the public to visualize and interact with facilities data in a more meaningful way.

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1 RCW 43.82.150 requires all agencies, boards, commissions, and institutions of higher education to report their facilities inventory as of June 30 each year. Four entities did not submit an updated inventory for 2021; this data is footnoted in the 2021 inventory data spreadsheets. All agricultural commissions are exempt from reporting. The statewide inventory does not include public school (K-12) facilities, which fall under local school district jurisdiction.