

Renton / Tukwila Significant Growth Opportunities



Renton / Tukwila

Submarket Fundamentals

TOP EMPLOYERS

Renton/Tukwila is the largest submarket in the Southend. Its proximity to the Seattle and Bellevue CBDs, as well as the warehouse market in Kent, makes it the ideal location for back office operations. Some of the largest tenants in this submarket are BECU, UW Medicine (Valley Medical Center), and Wizards of the Coast.

Renton/Tukwila has traditionally been the strongest of the Southend submarkets. Unfortunately, due to a series of events, namely Boeing downsizing, the FAA relocating, and the development of Southport, the vacancy rate has gone from 8.7% to 17.4% in the last five years. It is one of only nine submarkets in the region where vacancy increased in that period, with only Mercer Island experiencing a larger jump.

There are two ways of looking at the above vacancy trend; the Renton/Tukwila submarket is either in trouble or this is an opportunity for it to rebound. We believe that the market is ripe for an improvement for three reasons. First, the reason that this submarket has traditionally been the strongest submarket in the Southend is its proximity to Seattle and the Eastside, and that is still true. Second, we think that post-Covid tenant demand in the suburbs will be stronger, as companies decide they need less space in dense urban areas. Third and most importantly, the Southend has an abundance of large and inexpensive blocks of space.

Concerning the large blocks of space, the fact that Renton/Tukwila has three times as many 50,000 SF blocks of space as the Eastside, which has only 314K SF of such spaces, and almost as many large blocks as the Seattle CBD, which has 2.2M SF of space, is quite surprising. Equally surprising is that nine submarkets saw their vacancy rate increase over the last five years with Renton/Tukwila being in the top three along with Mercer Island and Vashon/Maury Island.



Tenants Occupying 100K+ SF



SF Office Under Construction





SF Industrial Under Construction

3.7%



Industrial Vacancy Rate

17.4%



Office Vacancy Rate

126K



2020 Population 14.2%



2010-2020 Population Growth

Rent and Vacancy

Submarket	Vacancy	Direct Gross Rent
Renton/Tukwila	17.4%	\$34.49
Seattle CBD	7.8%	\$49.71
Bellevue CBD	3.7%	\$55.18

Largest Available Contiguous Spaces, 50K+ SF

Building	Available SF
Southport 1, 2 & 3	713,000
Triton Tower Two	108,000
1601 Lind	191,000
Duwamish Towers	167,000
Riverfront Tech Park	84,000
Offices at Intergate	81,000
Valley Medical Pavillion	60,000
Total	1,405,000

Available Contiguous Space, 50K+ SF

Submarket	# Buildings	SF
Renton/Tukwila	9	1,405,000
Seattle CBD	12	2,195,000
Eastside	3	313,000
Northend	2	181,000



BECU

UW Medicine

VALLEY

MEDICAL CENTER

of Seattle

PROVIDENCE

Port 2

Renton / Tukwila

Excellent Access and Affordability

Renton/Tukwila provides a skilled workforce, affordable real estate, available space and superior access to regional employment hubs. The area is home to global industry leaders as well as numerous home grown companies.

