

# SATSOP DEVELOPMENT PARK

2006

**WORKFORCE**

A recap of the Workforce Availability Study of Grays Harbor County, Washington

*Skilled workers available for jobs*

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# AVAILABLE WORKFORCE



In August 2004, the Grays Harbor Economic Development Council commissioned a Workforce Availability Study conducted by The Pathfinders, a site selection/location analysis consultant firm.

The purpose was to determine availability of workers for a new employer, to determine desired pay rates, and to collect information on age, education, commuting patterns, experience and skills.

The information gathered proves that Grays Harbor County has the workforce to supply large and small companies that relocate or expand to our region. Because of the wide variation of skill sets, there are opportunities for contact centers and telecommunication centers, as well as light and heavy industrial companies. The information shows that training for these types of companies should be focused on company-specific needs rather than pre-employment entry-level training.

The Workforce Availability Study of Grays Harbor County, WA, shows that, generally, the Grays Harbor County workforce is above the median when comparing skills, education and experience to The Pathfinders' database of other locations. These locations vary from New York City to small towns in Illinois. Similarly, employers from Grays Harbor County rate their workforce as good to excellent in productivity, skills, availability and reading/writing/math competencies.

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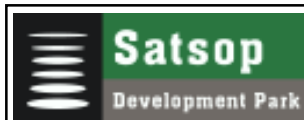
### RESULTS FOR EAST COUNTY

SIZE OF WORKFORCE .....	68,200
UNEMPLOYED .....	4,400
UNDEREMPLOYED .....	15,800
NOT WORKING BUT CONTEMPLATING ENTERING THE WORKFORCE .....	2,900

### EDUCATION (AS A PERCENTAGE OF WORKFORCE)

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE .....	27%
SOME COLLEGE .....	41%
ASSOCIATE DEGREE .....	12%
COLLEGE DEGREE .....	12%
GRADUATE DEGREE .....	4%
OTHER .....	4%

*Grays Harbor County has excellent public and private school education. Grays Harbor Community College is available for company-specific workforce training. See the Satsop Workforce Training Information Sheet for complete information on facilities located within a 30-minute and 60-minute drive of the Park.*



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