

Ongoing Tally of Relevant Affordability Articles

Taxes:

- [Proposed bill would double WA state's death tax \(KONA Radio\)](#)
- [Washington State Department of Revenue's capital gains tax collection site goes live \(The Center Square\)](#)
- [OPINION: If WA capital gains tax is allowed to stand, in time it won't apply to only the wealthy \(Jason Mercier, Washington Policy Center/Tri-City Herald\)](#)
- [OPINION: Capital gains tax will help rural communities and struggling families \(Kris Cameron, retired teacher/Tri-City Herald\)](#)
- [OPINION: Tax code needs to change for spirits-based canned drinks \(Don Poffenroth, founder of Dry Fly Distilling/The Spokesman-Review\)](#)

Housing:

- [Study: Past government efforts to spur affordable housing have backfired \(The Center Square\)](#)
- [Washington state Senate passes bill that would make it easier to build small condominiums \(KHQ TV\)](#)
- [OPINION: Steps local governments can take to improve home-ownership rates \(Nate Nehring, Vice Chair of the Snohomish County Council/The Center Square\)](#)
- [OPINION: Lack of housing is hurting WA's workforce \(Rachel Smith, president and CEO of the Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, Garry Clark, president and CEO, Economic Alliance Snohomish County, and Andrea Reay, president and CEO, Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber/The Seattle Times\)](#)
- [King County homelessness front-line workers don't make enough to afford a 1 BR apartment \(The Center Square\)](#)
- [COLUMN: Republicans are right: Solving homelessness in WA requires more than housing \(Matt Driscoll/The News Tribune\)](#)
- [Washington's overfunded public pension system could cost taxpayers, officials say \(The Center Square\)](#)
- [12th District representatives have concerns about governor's housing referendum \(KOZI Radio\)](#)
- ['Pave the way': Rep. Jacobsen bills would ease rules to build homes in Washington \(The Center Square\)](#)
- [Design review process could be axed to speed up housing production in Washington state \(KUOW Radio\)](#)
- [This plan would build 'middle-income' homes by the Foothills Trail in East Pierce County \(Puyallup Herald/The News Tribune\)](#)
- [2022 was slowest year for US home sales in nearly a decade \(AP/KOMO TV\)](#)
- [OPINION: If Seattle cares about affordability, why does it make it so hard to add basement apartments? \(Eric Fisk, software engineer and public policy nerd/The Seattle Times\)](#)
- [OPINION: No place like home: Launching a yearlong exploration of regional housing issues \(Anna Schlecht is retired from the City of Olympia/The Olympian\)](#)

- [Bill to ease Washington's housing crisis would allow up to fourplex on all residential lots \(The Spokesman-Review\)](#)
- [Middle housing bill begins with more support in Washington Legislature than last time \(KUOW Radio\)](#)
- [Affordable housing legislation introduced in Olympia \(Columbia Basin Herald\)](#)
- [Gov. Inslee: Homelessness is complex, needs help from legislature \(MyNorthwest\)](#)
- [OPINION: Charting a new path toward housing affordability in Washington state \(Brad Smith, president and vice chair of Microsoft, and Phyllis Campbell, chairman of JPMorgan Chase, Pacific Northwest/The Seattle Times\)](#)
- [**How WA's legislature is addressing the housing crisis in 2023 \(Crosscut\)**](#)
- [Report: Foreclosure filings expected to reach pre-pandemic levels later this year \(Puget Sound Business Journal\)](#)
- [Packed In: Spokane's housing supply still limited; short 25,000 housing units \(KXLY TV\)](#)
- [OPINION: WA's housing crisis requires bold reform. This bill would be transformative \(Rep. Andrew Barkis, R-Olympia, and Rep. Jessica Bateman, D-Olympia/The News Tribune\)](#)
- [Washington lawmakers aim to work on housing, workforce shortages in upcoming session \(The Daily News\)](#)

Energy:

- [By 2050, Washington might need to buy energy from other states \(Crosscut\)](#)
- [Washington bill boosts 'advanced nuclear reactor technology' for state's green future \(The Center Square\)](#)
- [Environmental bills being considered by WA House \(Columbia Basin Herald\)](#)
- [Puget Sound Energy rethinks pilot program to move people off natural gas \(The Seattle Times\)](#)
- [In the fight over gas stoves, meet the industry's go-to scientist \(The New York Times/The Seattle Times\)](#)
- [**New carbon tax law could be driving costs up \(KXLY TV\)**](#)
- [Washington gas prices continue to spike as state readies for carbon auctions \(The Center Square\)](#)

Childcare and Family Expenses:

- [Food prices weigh on seniors' savings, health and even social ties \(The New York Times/The Seattle Times\)](#)
- [Egg shortage has WA shoppers shelling out and farmers scrambling \(The Seattle Times\)](#)
- [Higher bills are leading Americans to delay medical care \(The New York Times/The Seattle Times\)](#)
- [Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue metro area ranked sixth in the na](#)
- [Lawmakers at state and federal level address the childcare crisis \(KXLY TV\)](#)
- [OPINION: Washington's child care shortage is a business issue \(Kris Johnson, president of the Association of Washington Business/The Chronicle\)](#)

- [New funding would improve childcare, Murray says \(Washington State Journal/Lynden Tribune\)](#)
- [OPINION: Washington's child care shortage is a business issue \(Kris Johnson, Association of Washington Business/Kitsap Sun\)](#)
- [tion for rising inflation \(The Center Square\)](#)
- [Half of Americans say they're worse off, most since 2009 \(Bloomberg News/The Columbian\)](#)
- [The new grocery store experience: higher prices, locked merchandise \(MyNorthwest\)](#)
- [Dent introduces childcare provider qualifications bill \(Columbia Basin Herald\)](#)