



# CONNECTING THE DOTS:

## *Metrics that Matter*

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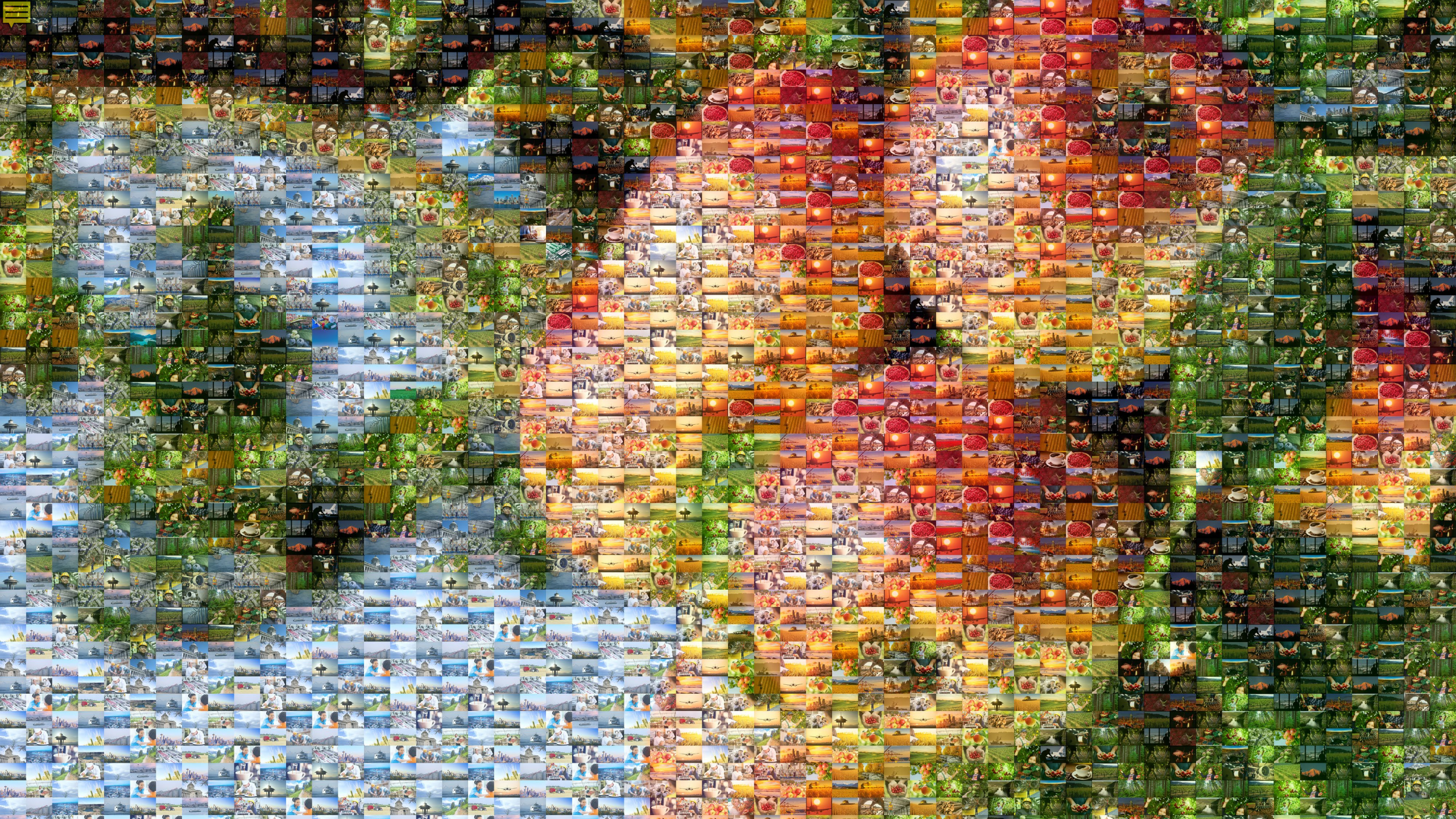
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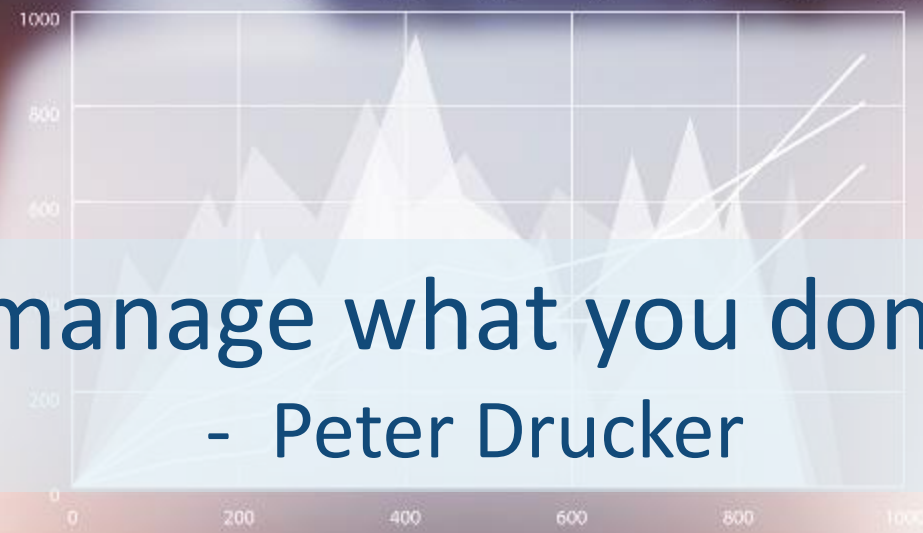
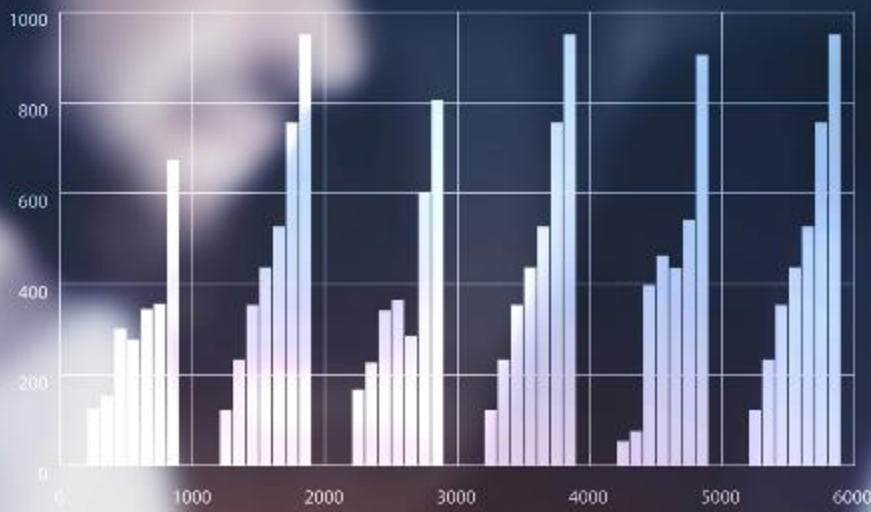


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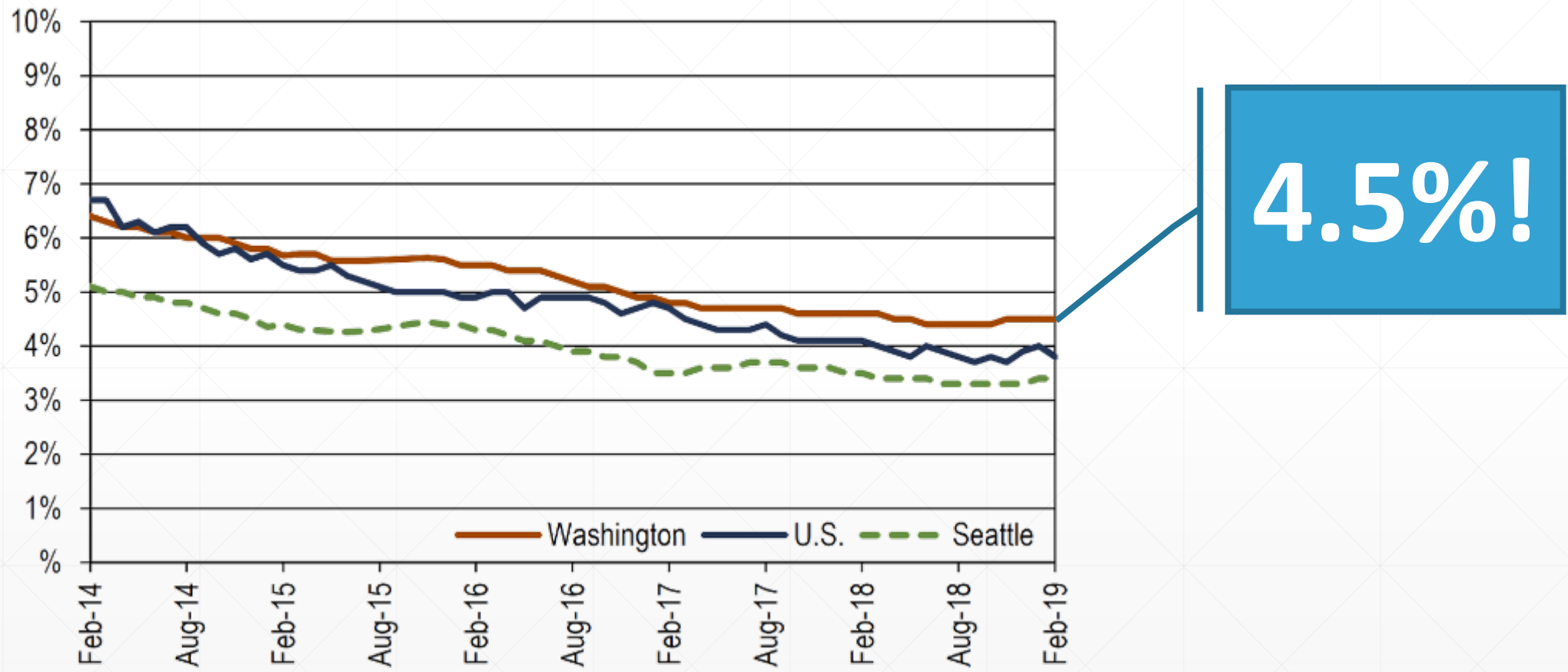




**“You can’t manage what you don’t measure”**

**- Peter Drucker**

# Unemployment rate

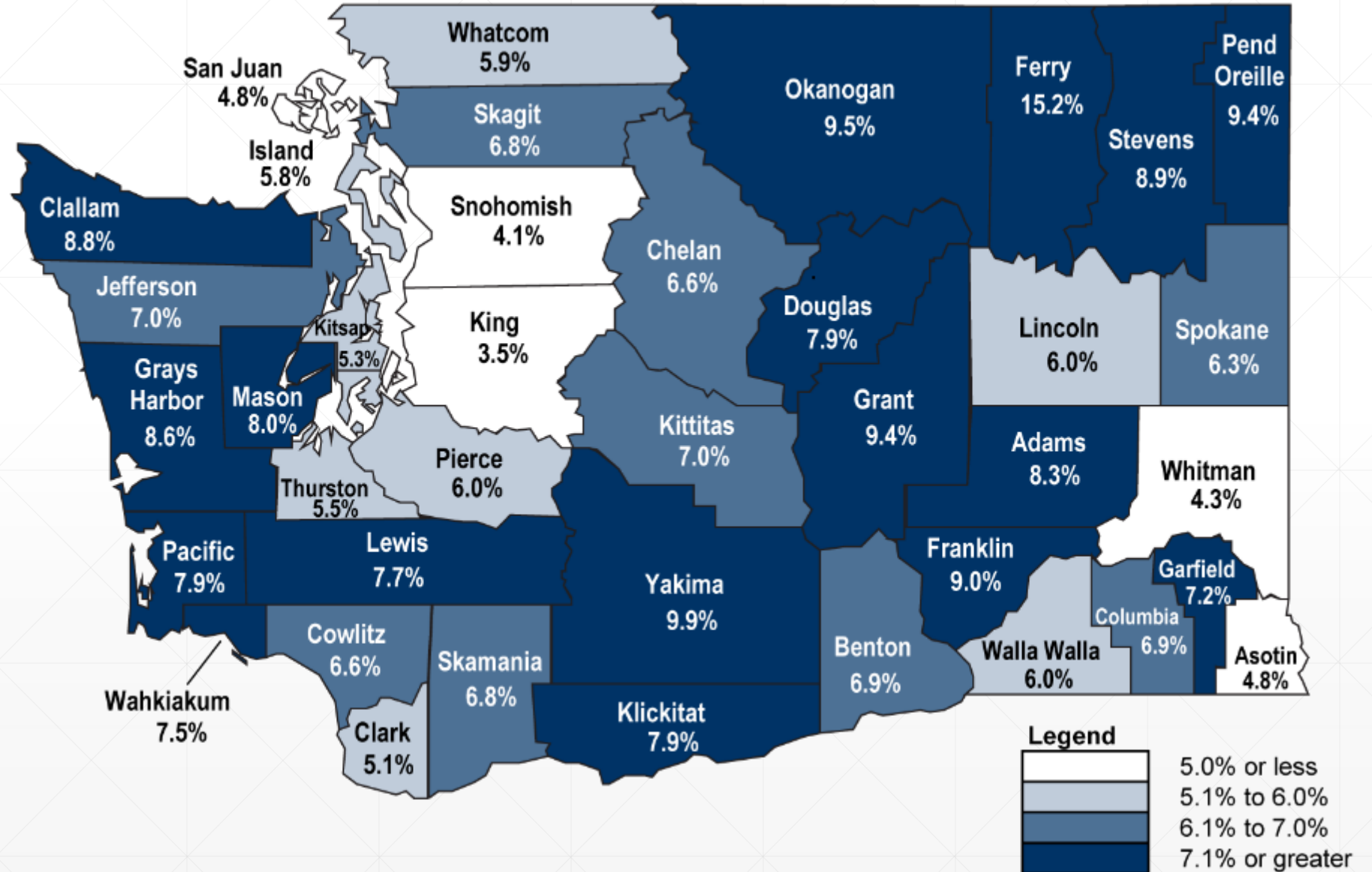




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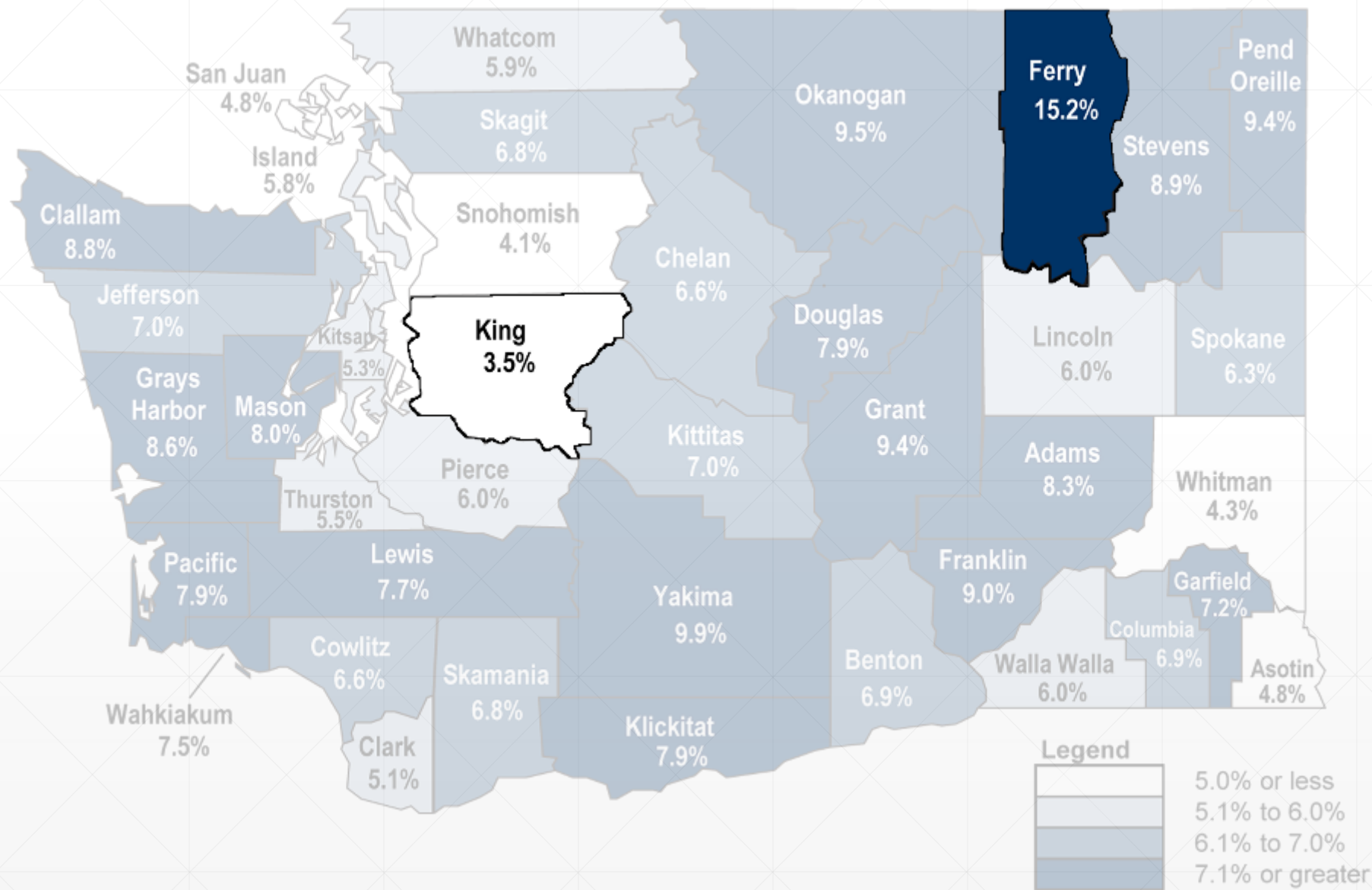
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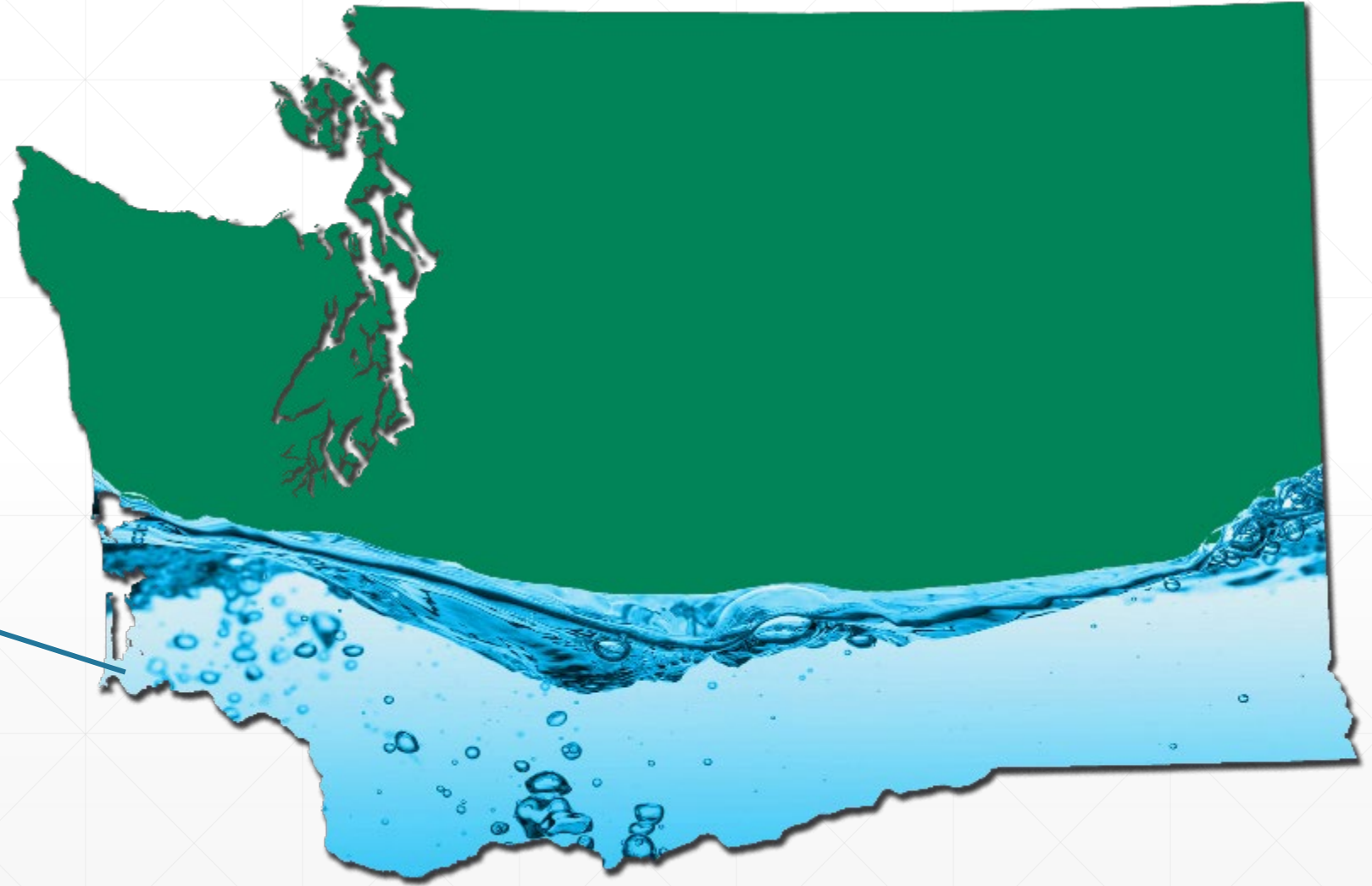


# Projected Near General Fund State Revenues



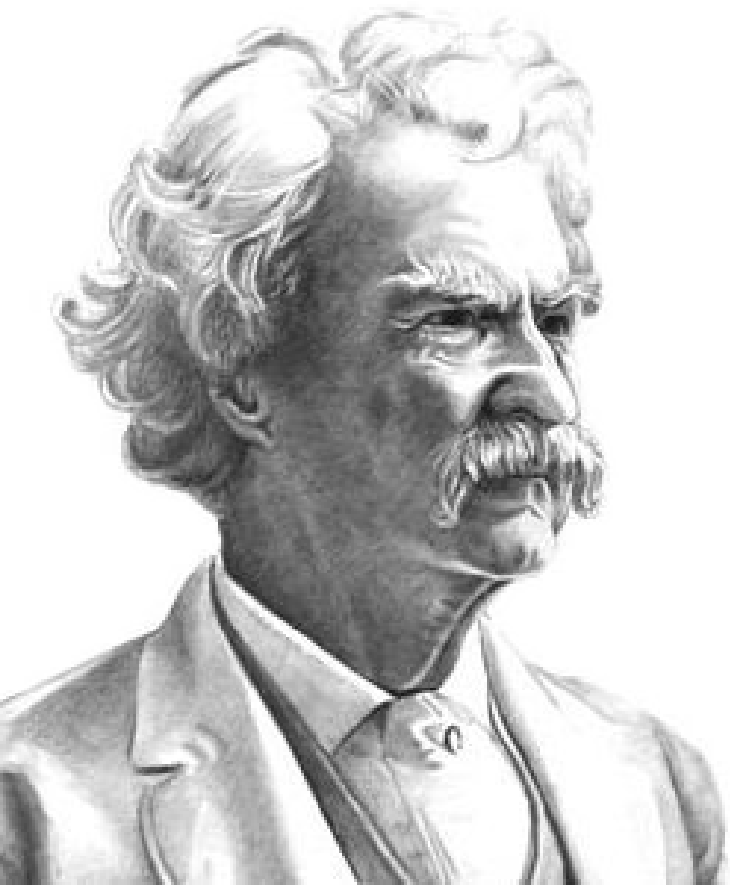
# Results WA Economic Security review

26% of  
Washingtonians  
are underwater\*



\* This measures the % of Washingtonians who live below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level and are eligible to receive SNAP benefits

“Take a man and put one of his feet in a bucket of ice and the other foot in a bucket of boiling water; and, on average, he’s comfortable”





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# Today's agenda

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# Key Economic Factors Across Geographies and Sectors: How They Affect Us and How We Address Them



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Thank you

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