

Prices up; fewer homes for sale

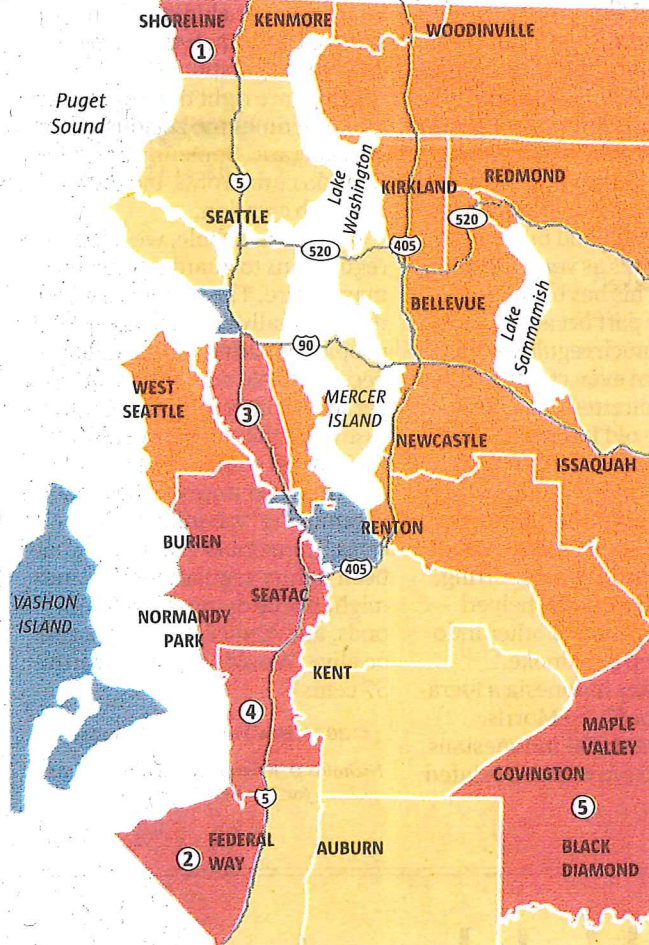
In the first quarter, the average home price in King County was up 11 percent over the year, but the number of deals was down amid tight inventory.

King County areas with biggest change in average price

MLS AREA	AVERAGE PRICE	CHANGE IN PRICE
① Richmond Beach, Shoreline	\$478,351	26.7%
② Dash Point, Federal Way	\$285,466	26.1%
③ Sodo/Beacon Hill	\$354,236	26.1%
④ Des Moines, Redondo	\$274,782	25.0%
⑤ Black Diamond, Maple Valley	\$343,850	24.0%

Change in average price

Less than 0%
 0 to 9.9%
 10 to 19.9%
 20% and greater



Source: Northwest Multiple Listing Service

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