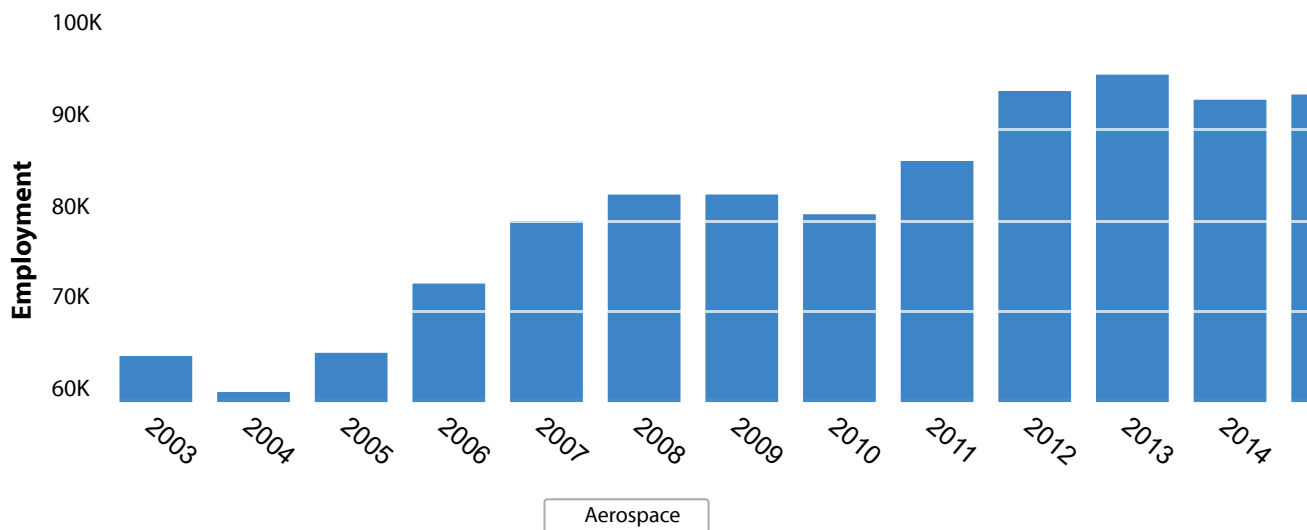Sign In

2.1.a. Increase employment in these sectors by 9.9% (from 558,782 in 2015 to 613,922 through 2020): clean technology, agriculture, aerospace, life sciences, information and communication technology, and maritime.
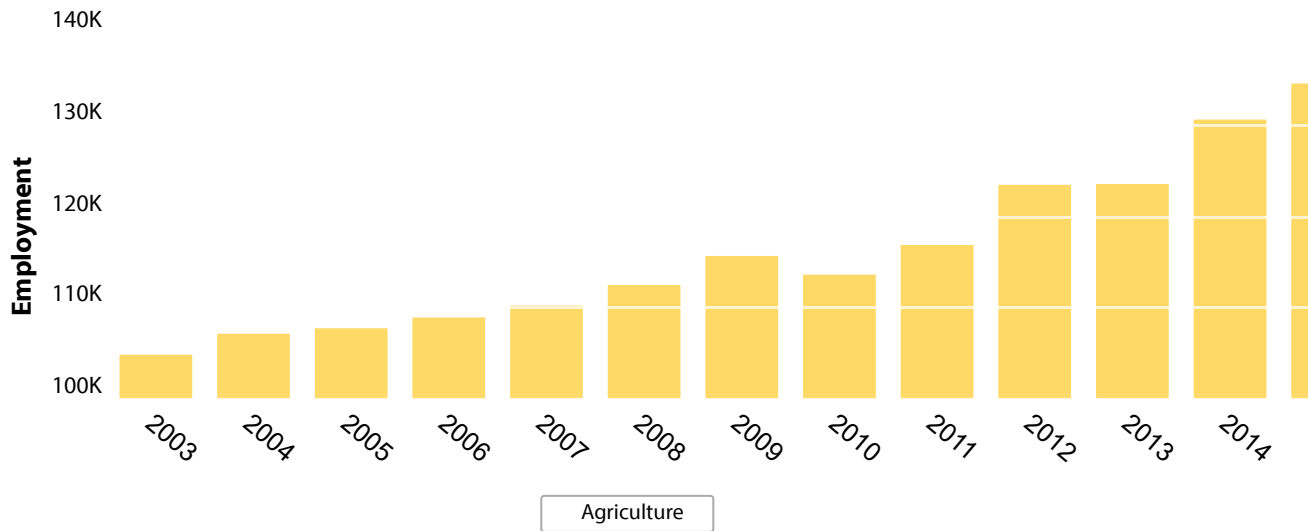
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2003	65,268	105,040	49,965	107,342	31,057	42,994	-3.2%
2004	61,335	107,336	51,873	108,469	31,169	44,907	0.9%
2005	65,622	107,929	52,791	112,408	32,058	46,386	3%
2006	73,191	109,109	53,628	119,844	33,033	47,253	4.5%
2007	80,037	110,408	55,384	132,527	33,638	47,457	5.4%
2008	82,909	112,663	56,357	139,882	34,531	47,699	3.2%
2009	82,918	115,820	55,678	137,828	35,107	45,481	0.2%

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Aerospace industry sector employment

Aerospace

Agriculture industry sector employment

Employment by year (Agriculture):
- 2003: ~103K
- 2004: ~105K
- 2005: ~106K
- 2006: ~107K
- 2007: ~108K
- 2008: ~111K
- 2009: ~114K
- 2010: ~112K
- 2011: ~115K
- 2012: ~122K
- 2013: ~122K
- 2014: ~129K

Agriculture

Clean technology industry employment

Clean Tech

Action Items:

Problem / Opportunity	Strategies	Task	Due Date
Having recently filled the Clean Technology Sector Lead position, it is necessary to spread the word throughout the State on the opportunities to grow the clean tech sector. **Measure Owner** Commerce/ESD **Partner** ADOs, Ports, PUDs	Face-to-face meetings with economic development authorities and business leaders in all counties around the state. **Task Lead** Clean Tech Sector Lead	Visit Whatcom, Grant, Benton, Lewis, and Spokane counties to meet with Economic Development Authorities, PUDs, and Clean Tech companies to build relationships and inform the parites on opportunities at the state level.	Whatcom, Grant, Benton, Spokane and Lewis county visits complete by Mar 31. **Status** On track
Sector growth starts with attracting the highest level of talent to the State. **Measure Owner**	Work with universities, research institutions, workforce development experts to attract talent to the	Attract a nationally recognized expert in Clean Technology commercialization in Q1 2015	**Due Date** End Q1 2015 **Status** On track

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Information and communications technology industry sector employment

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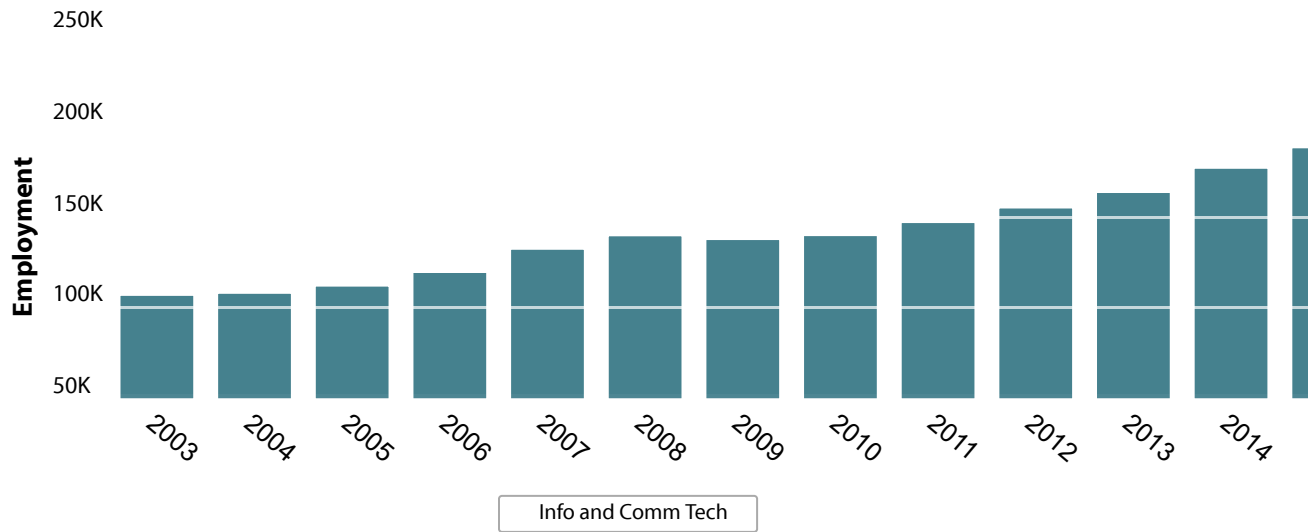
Life sciences industry sector employment

Life Sciences
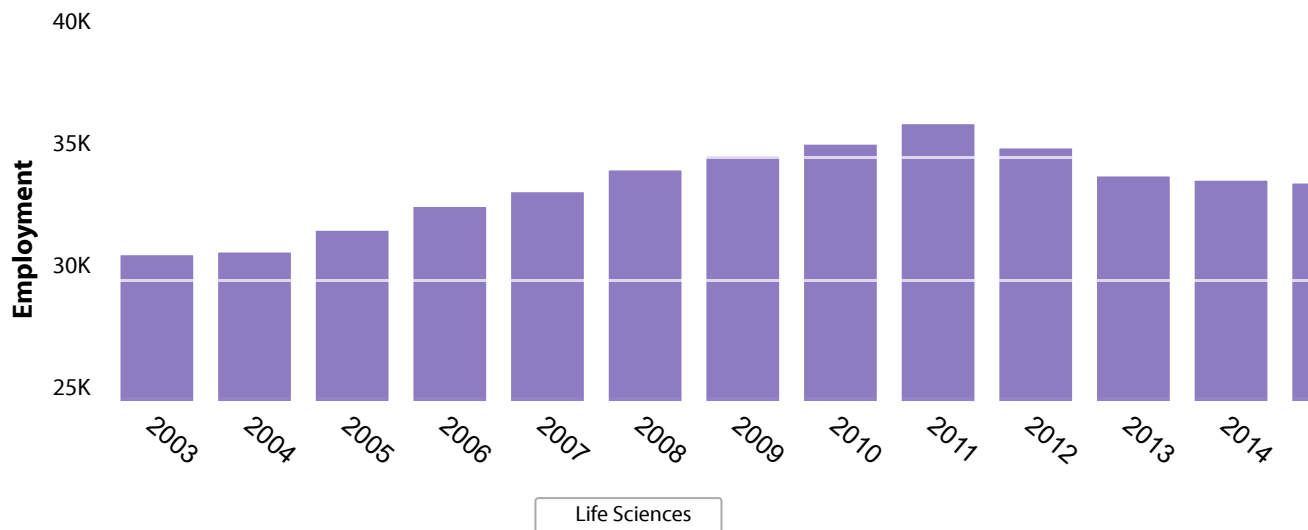
Problem / Opportunity	Strategies	Task	Due Date
Increase knowledge about federal grant programs by hosting the National Institutes of Health's Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer conference in Washington State.	Bring community leaders together to plan & promote the event.	Attract NIH to WA - Complete; Plan event - on track	October 27 - 29, 2015
	Task Lead		**Status** On track
	Maura Little		
Measure Owner			
Commerce/ESD			
Partner			
Commerce; Results WA Staff			

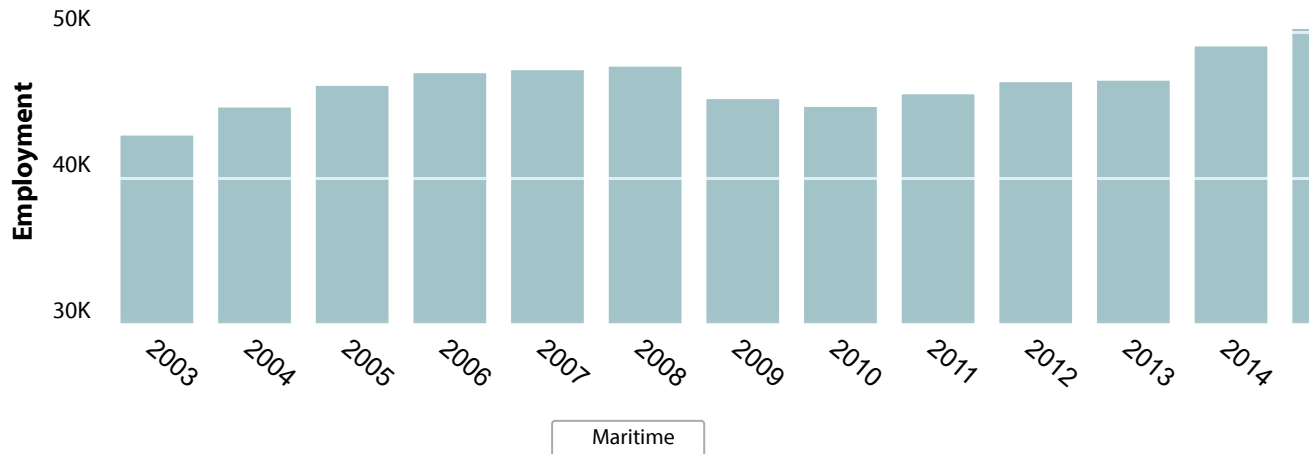| Problem / Opportunity	Strategies	Task	Due Date
There is a lack of	Build the Washington Life	Build website - complete;	Complete as of February 2015

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Maritime industry sector employment

Action Items:

Problem / Opportunity	Strategies	Task	Due Date 1-Aug-15
There is not sufficient capacity in K12 or community colleges to provide the necessary education and training for the maritime workforce	Develop a comprehensive, prioritized set of needs that are agreed upon and supported by industry.	Work with the Washington Maritime Workforce Initiative, Core Plus and other education and training iniatives to develop the strategy	Status On track
Measure Owner Commerce/ESD	**Task Lead** Steve Sewell/Ann Avary		
Partner State Board, Community Colleges, OSPI, and numerous external stakeholders.			

Problem / Opportunity	Strategies	Task	Due Date 1-Aug-15
Opportunity to rebuild the commercial fishing fleet--	Develop a multi-pronged approach to ensure these	Continue to support tax incentive legislation, continue	Status On track

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Why is this a priority?

Key industry sectors in the state have the capacity to grow and generate additional quality jobs as well as serving as magnets for further development. These sectors include: aerospace, agriculture, clean technology, information and communications technology, life sciences, and maritime.

How are we doing?

Green: Overall employment increased 9.5 percent from 2012 to 2015, surpassing the 2015 goal of 6.5 percent growth.

What are we working on?

Problem/Opportunity:	**Strategy:**	**Examples/Details**	**Lead:**
Increase employment in industry by 6.5 percent from 2012 to 2015	Track strategic implementations among industry sectors by reporting employment data.	Quarterly update of action items based on input from Department of Commerce	Jaime Rossman
			Due Date:
			30-Jun-15
			Status:
			On Track

Partner Agencies:

Commerce

Problem/Opportunity:	**Strategy:**	**Examples/Details**	**Lead:**
The current public job matching case management system is outd and inefficient and is not seen as alternative to private systems.	ESD has contracted with Monster Government Solutions for the redesign of the public job matching and case management system. Functionality and format will be based on cutting edge technology while maintaining relevant WA state labor market data.	Go live for WorkSourceWA.gov is set for May 3, 2016.	Jan Oswald
			Due Date:
			3-May-16
			Status:
			Complete

Partner Agencies:

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