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Elmore County Economic Overview

Civilian Labor Force (Nov 2024) 12.631 Unemployment Rate (Nov 2024) 4.0% Population (2023) 29,724 \$55,000 Median Household Income (2022) \$46.255 Per Capita Personal Income (2023) Poverty Rate (2022) 12.0%

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1. Elmore County Demographic Characteristics, 2022 5-Year ACS

	Elmore County	Elmore County (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)
Total Population	28,752	100.0%	1,854,109	331,097,593
Race and Ethnicity				
White alone, not hispanic	21,885	76.1%	84.9%	65.9%
Black or African American alone, not hispanic	676	2.4%	0.7%	12.5%
Native American alone, not hispanic	464	1.6%	1.2%	0.8%
Asian alone, not hispanic	861	3.0%	1.3%	5.8%
Hispanic, or Latino (of any race)	5,140	17.9%	13.1%	18.7%
Gender				
Male	15,367	53.4%	50.4%	49.6%
Female	13,385	46.6%	49.6%	50.4%
Age				
Median age	32.3	-	36.9	38.5
Under 18 years	7,000	24.3%	24.5%	22.1%
Over 18 years	21,752	75.7%	75.5%	77.9%
21 years and over	18,474	64.3%	67.1%	69.0%
Over 65 years	4,030	14.0%	16.3%	16.5%
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and	Over)			
Less than 9th grade	1,049	3.6%	2.1%	3.2%
High school graduate (with equivalencies)	5,256	18.3%	17.2%	18.0%
Some college, no degree	4,723	16.4%	16.4%	13.5%
Associate's degree	2,246	7.8%	6.5%	6.0%
Bachelor's degree	2,806	9.8%	13.2%	14.3%
Graduate or professional degree	990	3.4%	6.6%	9.2%
Median Household Income	\$55,000	-	\$70,214	\$75,149

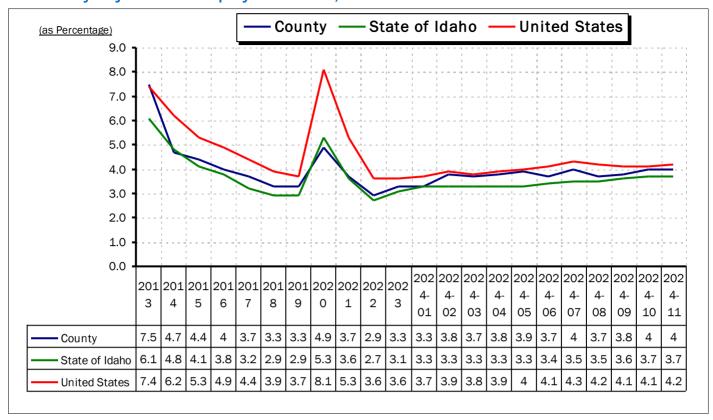
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

2. Labor Force Growth, November 2023 to November 2024

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
November 2024	12,631	12,123	508	4.0%
November 2023	12,778	12,352	426	3.3%
YoY % Change	-1.2%	-1.9%	19.2%	0.7%

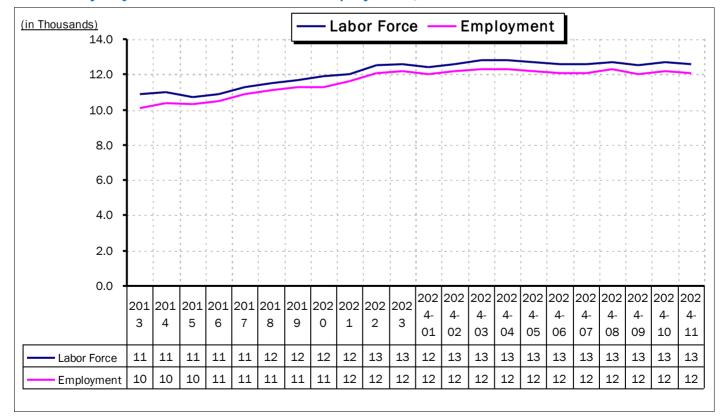
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

3. Seasonally-Adjusted Unemployment Rate, 2013 to November 2024



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4. Seasonally-Adjusted Labor Force and Employment, 2013 to November 2024



Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

5. Industry Employment and Wages, 2013, 2022, and 2023

	201	3	202	22	202	3
Supersector	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	6,274	\$30,159	7,338	\$42,867	7,479	\$45,374
Natural Resources and Mining	443	\$28,230	576	\$43,140	598	\$45,043
Construction	210	\$32,217	439	\$49,322	495	\$55,241
Manufacturing	462	\$30,276	766	\$41,339	775	\$44,869
Trade,Transportation, and Utilities	1,290	\$30,260	1,511	\$46,485	1,493	\$48,724
Information	73	\$41,779	60	\$57,888	56	\$60,839
Financial Activities	219	\$32,296	246	\$49,224	251	\$63,781
Professional and Business Services	293	\$42,427	268	\$44,320	356	\$40,695
Education and Health Services	1,466	\$28,405	1,485	\$42,924	1,544	\$43,719
Leisure and Hospitality	756	\$12,407	891	\$18,572	864	\$20,613
Other Services	134	\$26,230	147	\$45,589	156	\$43,977
Public Administration	928	\$42,920	949	\$54,479	891	\$57,775

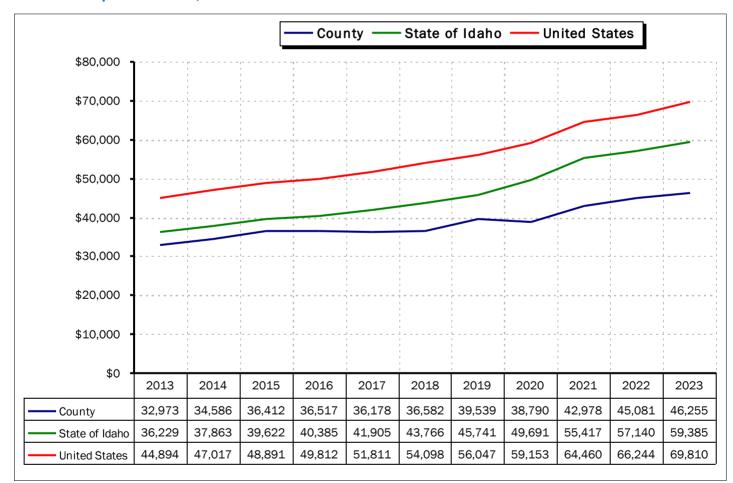
Source: Idaho Department of Labor-Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

6. Top Employers, 2023

Employer	Ownership	Employment Range
Marathon Cheese Company	Private	500 - 999
U.s. Civilian Department Of Defense	Federal Government	250 - 499
Mountain Home School District	Local Government	250 - 499
St. Luke's Regional Medical Center	Private	250 - 499
Wal-mart	Private	250 - 499
Elmore County	Local Government	100 - 249
Mountain Home Air Force Base	Federal Government	100 - 249
Pkl Services	Private	100 - 249
City Of Mountain Home	Local Government	100 - 249
Pioneer Federal Credit Union	Private	050 - 099

NOTE: Only employers that have given the Department permission to release employment range data are listed. Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

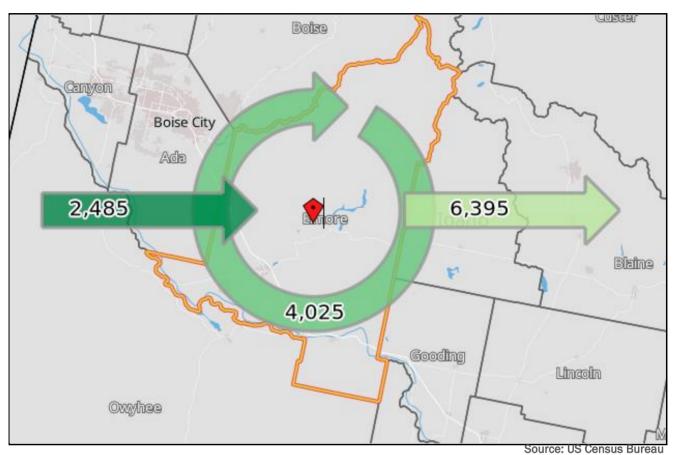
7. Real Per Capita Income, 2013 to 2023



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2022

It is estimated that 4,025 workers lived and worked in Elmore County in 2022. Another 2,485 workers were employed in Elmore County but lived outside, while 6,395 workers commuted to other counties for work.



9. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Work in Elmore County Live, 2022

City of Residence	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Mountain Home	2,707	41.6%
Boise	2,385	36.6%
Meridian	630	9.7%
Nampa	495	7.6%
Glenns Ferry	316	4.9%
Twin Falls	315	4.8%
Caldwell	255	3.9%
Garden City	124	1.9%
Mountain Home AFB CDP	123	1.9%
Eagle	119	1.8%

Note: "All Jobs" includes private and public sector jobs. It also includes a count of workers with multiple jobs. Source: US Census Bureau- Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD)

10. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Live in Elmore County Work, 2022

City of Employment	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Mountain Home	2,416	23.2%
Boise	415	4.0%
Glenns Ferry	277	2.7%
Meridian	207	2.0%
Nampa	162	1.6%
Twin Falls	111	1.1%
Caldwell	81	0.8%
Mountain Home AFB CDP	65	0.6%
Eagle	57	0.5%
Kuna	57	0.5%

Note: "All Jobs" includes private and public sector jobs. It also includes a count of workers with multiple jobs. Source: US Census Bureau- Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD)

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