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Eastern Idaho Economic Overview

Civilian Labor Force (May 2025)	131,657	
Unemployment Rate (May 2025)	3.2%	
Population (2024)	267,901	
Median Household Income (2023)	\$65,082	
Per Capita Personal Income (2023)	\$50,728	
Poverty Rate (2023)	13.4%	





1. Eastern Demographic Characteristics, 2023 5-Year ACS

	Eastern	Region (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)
Total Population	254,677	100.0%	1,893,296	332,387,540
Race and Ethnicity				
White alone, not hispanic	220,721	86.7%	83.3%	63.4%
Black or African American alone, not hispanic	1,265	0.5%	0.7%	12.4%
Native American alone, not hispanic	1,451	0.6%	1.1%	0.9%
Asian alone, not hispanic	2,117	0.8%	1.3%	5.8%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	31,128	12.2%	13.3%	19.0%
Gender				
Male	125,923	49.4%	50.3%	49.5%
Female	128,754	50.6%	49.7%	50.5%
Age				
Median age	39.1	-	37.1	38.7
Under 18 years	68,970	27.1%	24.5%	22.2%
Over 18 years	185,707	72.9%	75.5%	77.8%
21 years and over	144,440	56.7%	65.7%	68.7%
Over 65 years	32,689	12.8%	16.6%	16.8%
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and C	Over)			
Less than 9th grade	3,931	1.5%	2.1%	3.2%
High school graduate (with equivalencies)	34,738	6.8%	17.0%	18.0%
Some college, no degree	35,629	14.0%	16.3%	13.3%
Associate's degree	17,360	6.8%	6.4%	6.0%
Bachelor's degree	32,411	12.7%	13.7%	14.6%
Graduate or professional degree	13,810	5.4%	6.8%	9.4%
Median Household Income	\$65,082	-	\$74,636	\$78,538

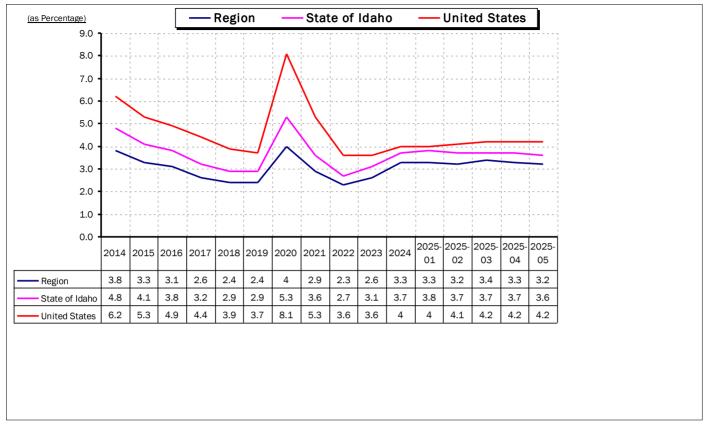
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

2. Labor Force Growth, May 2024 to May 2025

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
May 2025	131,657	127,473	4,184	3.2%
May 2024	134,559	130,359	4,200	3.1%
YoY % Change	-2.2%	-2.2%	-0.4%	0.1%

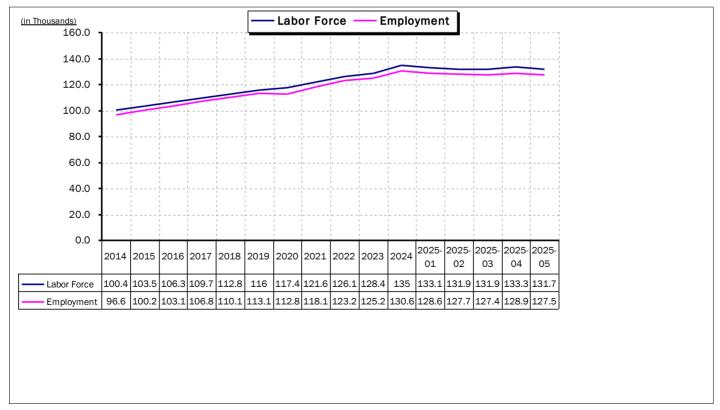
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

3. Seasonally-Adjusted Unemployment Rate, 2014 to May 2025



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4. Seasonally-Adjusted Labor Force and Employment 2014 to May 2025



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

	2013	3	202	2	202	3
Industry Sector	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	80,179	\$36,340	105,993	\$49,584	109,432	\$51,488
Natural Resources and Mining	2,498	\$37,197	2,268	\$45,191	2,379	\$48,156
Construction	3,954	\$36,787	7,295	\$50,037	7,789	\$54,812
Manufacturing	4,589	\$36,423	6,701	\$52,702	6,626	\$52,646
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	18,660	\$30,917	20,882	\$42,835	21,342	\$44,366
Information	1,221	\$34,869	974	\$49,116	1,045	\$52,680
Financial Activities	2,679	\$38,411	3,800	\$57,374	3,851	\$59,638
Professional and Business Services	13,635	\$61,025	19,041	\$81,645	19,362	\$86,313
Education and Health Services	17,950	\$32,762	25,820	\$42,966	26,920	\$43,867
Leisure and Hospitality	7,908	\$12,891	11,690	\$19,952	12,378	\$20,249
Other Services	2,002	\$23,080	2,408	\$34,523	2,481	\$36,630
Public Administration	5,083	\$42,781	5,114	\$57,536	5,259	\$60,630

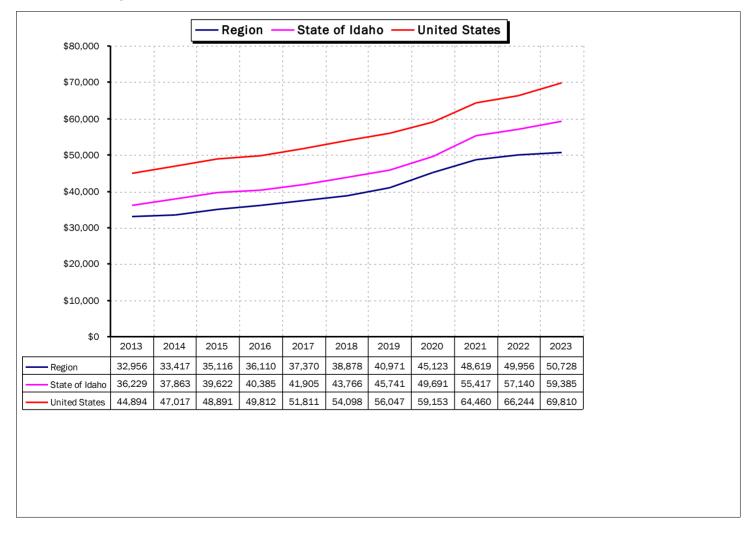
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

6. Top Employers, 2023

Employer	Ownership	Employment Range
Battelle Energy Alliance	Private	5,000+
Idaho Environmental Coalition	Private	1,000 - 2,499
Mountain View Hospital	Private	1,000 - 2,499
Bonneville Joint School District	Local Government	1,000 - 2,499
Melaleuca	Private	1,000 - 2,499
Brigham Young University-Idaho	Private	1,000 - 2,499
Wal-Mart	Private	1,000 - 2,499
Idaho Falls School District	Local Government	1,000 - 2,499
Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center	Private	1,000 - 2,499
Fluor Marine Propulsion	Private	1,000 - 2,499

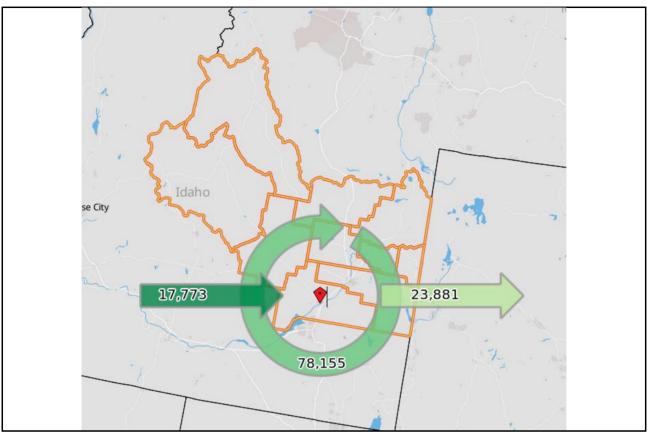
NOTE: Only employers that have given the Department permission to release employment range data are listed. Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

7. Real Per Capita Income, 2013 to 2023



8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2022

It is estimated that 78,155 workers lived and worked in Eastern Idaho in . Another 17,773 workers were employed in Eastern Idaho but lived outside, while 23,881 workers lived in the area but commuted outside for work.



Source: US Census Bureau

9. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Work in Eastern Idaho Live, 2022

City of Residence	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Idaho Falls	24,142	25.2%
Rexburg	9,015	9.4%
Ammon	6,351	6.6%
Pocatello	3,212	3.3%
Rigby	1,657	1.7%
Lincoln CDP	1,621	1.7%
Blackfoot	1,489	1.6%
Shelley	1,204	1.3%
Boise	1,130	1.2%
St. Anthony	1,059	1.1%

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 Eastern Idaho Work, 2022

City of Employment	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Idaho Falls	37,649	36.9%
Rexburg	11,568	11.3%
Ammon	4,611	4.5%
Boise	3,301	3.2%
Pocatello	2,613	2.6%
Rigby	2,448	2.4%
Jackson, WY	1,636	1.6%
Salmon	1,328	1.3%
Driggs	1,157	1.1%
Twin Falls	1,071	1.0%

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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