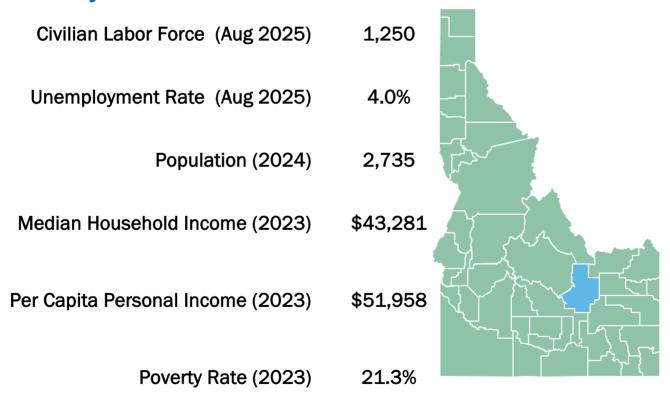


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1. Butte County Demographic Characteristics, 2023 5-Year ACS

	Butte County	Butte County (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)
Total Population	2,654	100.0%	1,893,296	332,387,540
Race and Ethnicity				
White alone, not hispanic	2,449	92.3%	83.3%	63.4%
Black or African American alone, not hispanic	0	0.0%	0.7%	12.4%
Native American alone, not hispanic	1	0.0%	1.1%	0.9%
Asian alone, not hispanic	0	0.0%	1.3%	5.8%
Hispanic, or Latino (of any race)	206	7.8%	13.3%	19.0%
Gender				
Male	1,354	51.0%	50.3%	49.5%
Female	1,300	49.0%	49.7%	50.5%
Age				
Median age	39.2	-	37.1	38.7
Under 18 years	705	26.6%	24.5%	22.2%
Over 18 years	1,949	73.4%	75.5%	77.8%
21 years and over	1,773	66.8%	65.7%	68.7%
Over 65 years	528	19.9%	16.6%	16.8%
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and Over)				
Less than 9th grade	66	2.5%	2.1%	3.2%
High school graduate (with equivalencies)	502	18.9%	17.0%	18.0%
Some college, no degree	419	15.8%	16.3%	13.3%
Associate's degree	387	14.6%	6.4%	6.0%
Bachelor's degree	178	6.7%	13.7%	14.6%
Graduate or professional degree	67	2.5%	6.8%	9.4%
Median Household Income	\$43,281	-	\$74,636	\$78,538

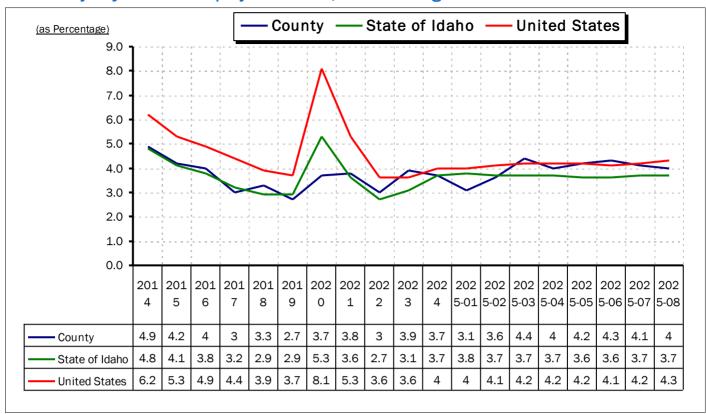
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

2. Labor Force Growth, August 2024 to August 2025

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
August 2025	1,250	1,200	50	4.0%
August 2024	1,234	1,181	53	4.3%
YoY % Change	1.3%	1.6%	-5.7%	-0.3%

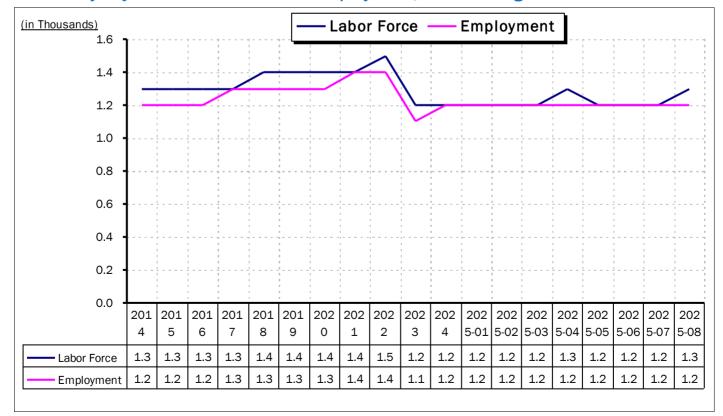
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

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



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



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

5. Industry Employment and Wages, 2014, 2023, and 2024

	201	4	202	23	202	24
Supersector	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	7,109	\$82,534	9,867	\$110,090	10,206	\$115,424
Natural Resources and Mining	49	\$24,005	39	\$40,624	45	\$40,483
Construction	42	\$51,825	164	\$82,728	235	\$89,733
Manufacturing	45	\$46,172	53	\$61,508	49	\$56,948
Trade,Transportation, and Utilities	130	\$24,946	181	\$42,878	188	\$46,232
Information	12	\$32,762	26	\$74,792	27	\$65,623
Financial Activities	36	\$49,721	9	\$38,877	7	\$43,056
Professional and Business Services	6,433	\$87,548	8,981	\$115,933	9,224	\$121,697
Education and Health Services	174	\$31,971	218	\$35,930	216	\$38,778
Leisure and Hospitality	70	\$24,680	83	\$26,803	83	\$35,632
Other Services	14	\$25,503	20	\$58,326	33	\$51,886
Public Administration	104	\$48,422	93	\$57,749	99	\$60,355

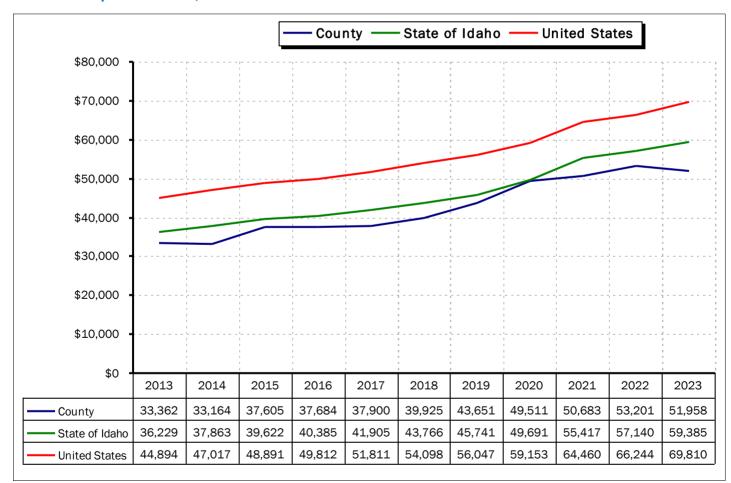
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

6. Top Employers, 2024

Employer	Ownership	Employment Range
Battelle Energy Alliance	Private	5,000+
Idaho Environmental Coalition	Private	1,000 - 2,499
Fluor Marine Propulsion	Private	1,000 - 2,499
Lost River Medical Center	Private	100 - 249
Butte County School District	Local government	050 - 099
Butte County	Local government	010 - 049
American Bottling Company	Private	010 - 049
Jelydo	Private	010 - 049
Us Dept Of Energy	Federal government	010 - 049
Pickle's Place	Federal government	010 - 049

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)

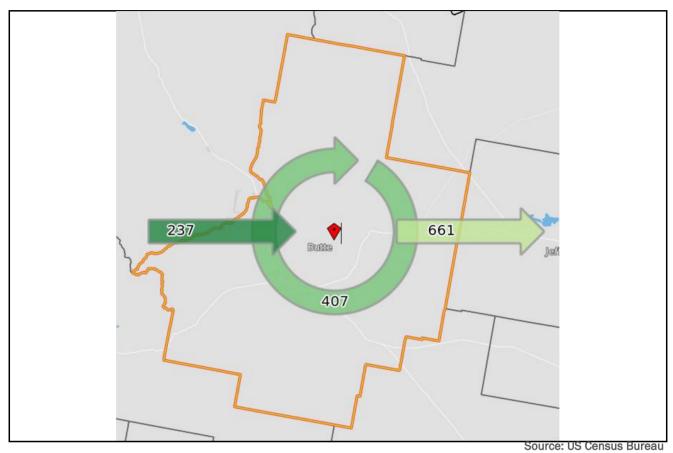
7. Real Per Capita Income, 2013 to 2023



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2022

It is estimated that 407 workers lived and worked in Butte County in 2022. Another 237 workers were employed in Butte County but lived outside, while 661 workers commuted to other counties for work.



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

City of Residence	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Arco	152	23.6%
Pocatello	37	5.7%
Moore	31	4.8%
Idaho Falls	19	3.0%
Boise	12	1.9%
Butte	12	1.9%
Twin Falls	10	1.6%
Meridian	9	1.4%
Chubbuck	7	1.1%
Challis	5	0.8%

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 Butte County Work, 2022

City of Employment	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Arco	304	28.5%
Idaho Falls	216	20.2%
Boise	33	3.1%
Pocatello	31	2.9%
Mackay	27	2.5%
Hailey	17	1.6%
Challis	15	1.4%
Rexburg	13	1.2%
Twin Falls	13	1.2%
Blackfoot	11	1.0%

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