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Lincoln County Economic Overview

Civilian Labor Force (Aug 2025) 2.835 **Unemployment Rate (Aug 2025)** 4.0% Population (2024) 5.556 Median Household Income (2023) \$66,038 \$46,300 Per Capita Personal Income (2023) Poverty Rate (2023) 9.4%

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

	Lincoln County	Lincoln County (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)	
Total Population	5,276	100.0%	1,893,296	332,387,540	
Race and Ethnicity					
White alone, not hispanic	3,659	69.4%	83.3%	63.4%	
Black or African American alone, not hispanic	34	0.6%	0.7%	12.4%	
Native American alone, not hispanic	174	3.3%	1.1%	0.9%	
Asian alone, not hispanic	23	0.4%	1.3%	5.8%	
Hispanic, or Latino (of any race)	1,689	32.0%	13.3%	19.0%	
Gender					
Male	2,759	52.3%	50.3%	49.5%	
Female	2,517	47.7%	49.7%	50.5%	
Age					
Median age	37.2	-	37.1	38.7	
Under 18 years	1,373	26.0%	24.5%	22.2%	
Over 18 years	3,903	74.0%	75.5%	77.8%	
21 years and over	3,501	66.4%	65.7%	68.7%	
Over 65 years	817	15.5%	16.6%	16.8%	
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and Over)					
Less than 9th grade	324	6.1%	2.1%	3.2%	
High school graduate (with equivalencies)	1,287	24.4%	17.0%	18.0%	
Some college, no degree	737	14.0%	16.3%	13.3%	
Associate's degree	458	8.7%	6.4%	6.0%	
Bachelor's degree	244	4.6%	13.7%	14.6%	
Graduate or professional degree	163	3.1%	6.8%	9.4%	
Median Household Income	\$66,038	-	\$74,636	\$78,538	

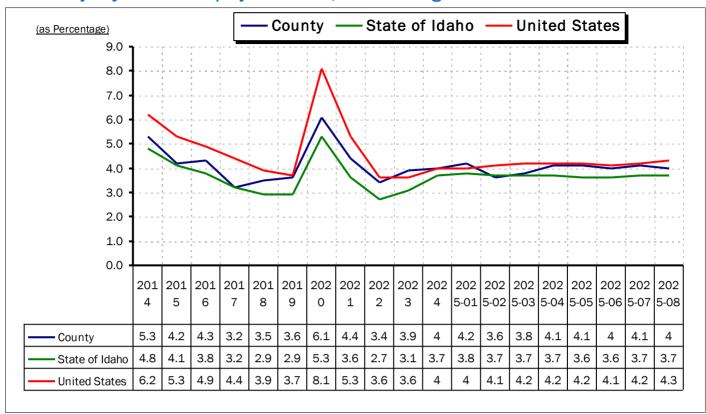
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

2. Labor Force Growth, August 2024 to August 2025

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
August 2025	2,835	2,722	113	4.0%
August 2024	2,808	2,687	121	4.3%
YoY % Change	1.0%	1.3%	-6.6%	-0.3%

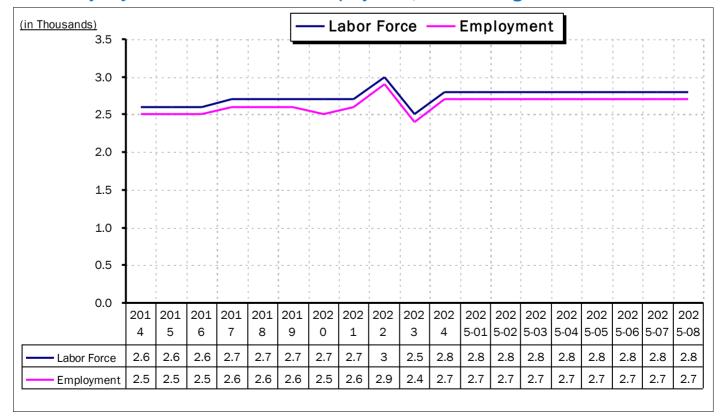
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

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



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



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

	201	4	202	23	202	4
Supersector	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	1,524	\$32,146	1,740	\$48,515	1,716	\$49,535
Natural Resources and Mining	367	\$31,332	422	\$50,115	423	\$46,917
Construction	145	\$32,108	247	\$61,856	236	\$67,608
Manufacturing	119	\$54,755	132	\$69,742	138	\$69,115
Trade,Transportation, and Utilities	175	\$24,697	221	\$41,941	191	\$39,216
Information			4	\$28,094	5	\$50,898
Financial Activities	13	\$18,194	9	\$23,597	11	\$22,154
Professional and Business Services	118	\$30,733	79	\$42,212	81	\$43,169
Education and Health Services	318	\$25,694	313	\$36,013	333	\$37,824
Leisure and Hospitality	34	\$13,739	49	\$16,264	47	\$16,711
Other Services	9	\$22,093	14	\$24,329	11	\$26,911
Public Administration	224	\$41,255	250	\$53,784	240	\$60,421

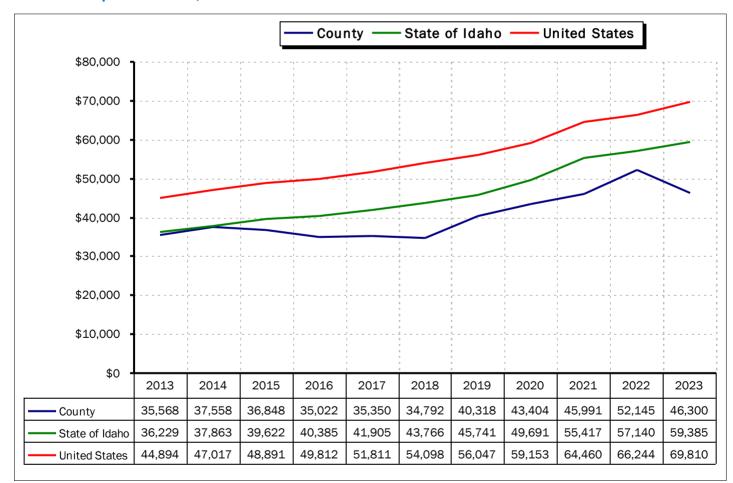
Source: Idaho Department of Labor-Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

6. Top Employers, 2024

Employer	Ownership	Employment Range
Shoshone Joint School District	Local government	050 - 099
Glanbia Foods	Private	050 - 099
Idaho Transportation Department	State government	050 - 099
Bureau Of Land Management	Federal government	050 - 099
Richfield School District	Local government	050 - 099
Dietrich School District	Local government	010 - 049
Desano Place	Private	010 - 049
Lincoln County Care Center	Private	010 - 049
Lincoln County	Local government	010 - 049
Rocky Mountain Hardware	Private	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)

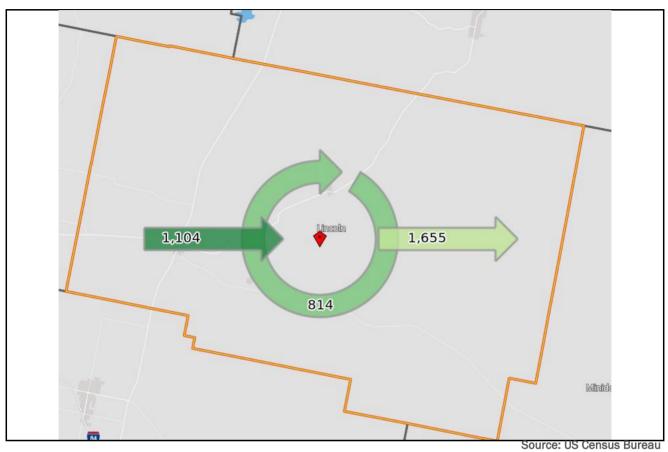
7. Real Per Capita Income, 2013 to 2023



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2022

It is estimated that 814 workers lived and worked in Lincoln County in 2022. Another 1,104 workers were employed in Lincoln County but lived outside, while 1,655 workers commuted to other counties for work.



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

City of Residence	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Shoshone	252	13.1%
Twin Falls	140	7.3%
Jerome	112	5.8%
Gooding	90	4.7%
Richfield	72	3.8%
Dietrich	40	2.1%
Hailey	20	1.0%
Buhl	18	0.9%
Wendell	17	0.9%
Idaho Falls	16	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 Lincoln County Work, 2022

City of Employment	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Twin Falls	278	11.3%
Shoshone	260	10.5%
Hailey	176	7.1%
Ketchum	133	5.4%
Boise	103	4.2%
Jerome	90	3.6%
Richfield	71	2.9%
Sun Valley	64	2.6%
Bellevue	52	2.1%
Gooding	50	2.0%

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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