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# **Clearwater County Economic Overview**

Civilian Labor Force (Nov 2025) 3.426 **Unemployment Rate (Nov 2025)** 6.2% Population (2024) 9,151 Median Household Income (2023) \$57,961 \$43,947 Per Capita Personal Income (2023) Poverty Rate (2023) 12.5%

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### 1. Clearwater County Demographic Characteristics, 2023 5-Year ACS

	Clearwater County	Clearwater County (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)
Total Population	8,921	100.0%	1,893,296	332,387,540
Race and Ethnicity				
White alone, not hispanic	8,020	89.9%	83.3%	63.4%
Black or African American alone, not hispanic	18	0.2%	0.7%	12.4%
Native American alone, not hispanic	119	1.3%	1.1%	0.9%
Asian alone, not hispanic	87	1.0%	1.3%	5.8%
Hispanic, or Latino (of any race)	379	4.2%	13.3%	19.0%
Gender				
Male	4,915	55.1%	50.3%	49.5%
Female	4,006	44.9%	49.7%	50.5%
Age				
Median age	52.0	-	37.1	38.7
Under 18 years	1,365	15.3%	24.5%	22.2%
Over 18 years	7,556	84.7%	75.5%	77.8%
21 years and over	7,090	79.5%	65.7%	68.7%
Over 65 years	2,544	28.5%	16.6%	16.8%
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and Over)				
Less than 9th grade	98	1.1%	2.1%	3.2%
High school graduate (with equivalencies)	2,539	28.5%	17.0%	18.0%
Some college, no degree	1,933	21.7%	16.3%	13.3%
Associate's degree	609	6.8%	6.4%	6.0%
Bachelor's degree	940	10.5%	13.7%	14.6%
Graduate or professional degree	439	4.9%	6.8%	9.4%
Median Household Income	\$57,961	-	\$74,636	\$78,538

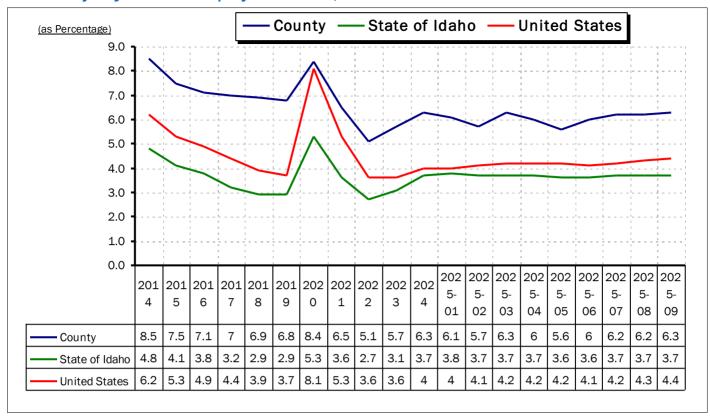
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

### 2. Labor Force Growth, November 2024 to November 2025

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	<b>Unemployment Rate</b>
November 2024	3,426	3,215	211	6.2%
November 2023	3,452	3,242	210	6.1%
YoY % Change	-0.8%	-0.8%	0.5%	0.1%

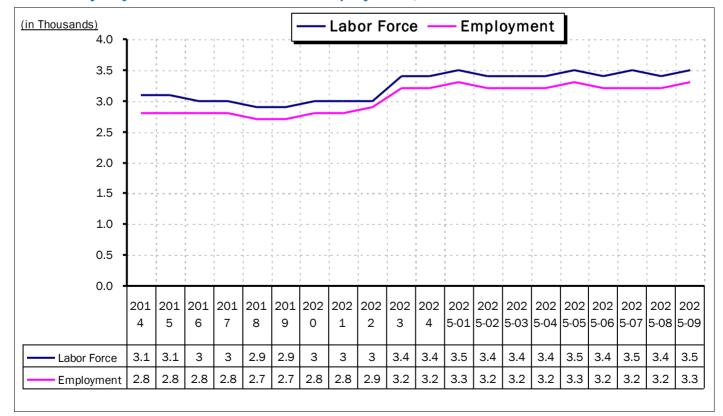
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

#### 3. Seasonally-Adjusted Unemployment Rate, 2014 to November 2025



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### 4. Seasonally-Adjusted Labor Force and Employment, 2014 to November 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	2,761	\$34,423	2,744	\$48,575	2,707	\$50,760
Natural Resources and Mining	259	\$46,782	163	\$66,777	156	\$67,555
Construction	103	\$37,986	164	\$50,659	174	\$53,121
Manufacturing	137	\$27,808	383	\$52,947	382	\$52,671
Trade,Transportation, and Utilities	443	\$36,175	341	\$40,062	320	\$41,455
Information	52	\$32,117	30	\$62,833	30	\$56,807
Financial Activities	62	\$34,141	57	\$45,395	63	\$43,970
Professional and Business Services	146	\$43,415	122	\$82,670	116	\$85,083
Education and Health Services	781	\$32,032	784	\$47,471	752	\$52,061
Leisure and Hospitality	188	\$11,837	229	\$17,121	231	\$18,413
Other Services	43	\$26,834	34	\$43,928	33	\$48,706
Public Administration	547	\$37,765	437	\$52,556	450	\$55,299

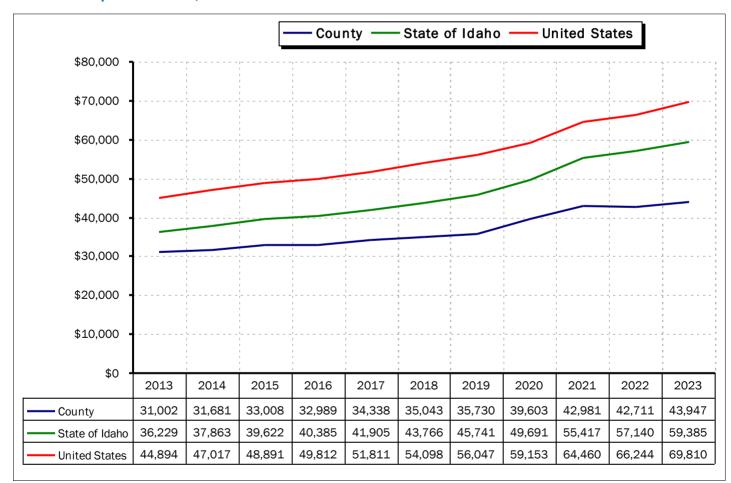
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

### 6. Top Employers, 2024

Employer	Ownership	Employment Range
Orofino Joint School District	Local government	100 - 249
Clearwater Valley Hospital & Clinics	Private	100 - 249
Lightforce Usa	Private	100 - 249
Idaho Department Of Health And Welfare	State government	100 - 249
Idaho Department Of Corrections	State government	100 - 249
Clearwater County	Local government	100 - 249
Empire Lumber	Private	050 - 099
A Compassionate Care	Private	050 - 099
U.s. Civilian Department Of Defense	Federal government	050 - 099
Clearwater Of Cascadia	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)

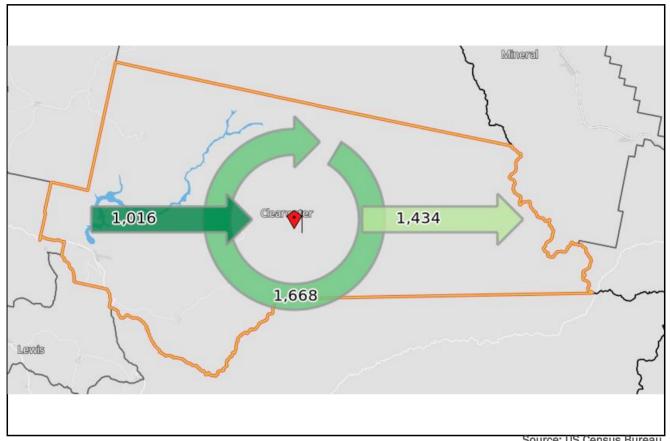
#### 7. Real Per Capita Income, 2013 to 2023



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

#### 8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2022

It is estimated that 1,668 workers lived and worked in Clearwater County in 2022. Another 1,016 workers were employed in Clearwater County but lived outside, while 1,434 workers commuted to other counties for work.



#### Source: US Census Bureau

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

City of Residence	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Orofino	507	18.9%
Lewiston	125	4.7%
Pierce	98	3.7%
Weippe	75	2.8%
Kamiah	56	2.1%
Moscow	39	1.5%
Coeur d'Alene	29	1.1%
Clarkston Heights-Vineland CDP, WA	27	1.0%
Elk River	25	0.9%
Post Falls	20	0.7%

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 Clearwater County Work, 2022

City of Employment	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Orofino	1,105	35.6%
Lewiston	267	8.6%
Boise	114	3.7%
Weippe	79	2.5%
Coeur d'Alene	60	1.9%
Pierce	58	1.9%
Kamiah	53	1.7%
Moscow	47	1.5%
Clarkston, WA	36	1.2%
Spokane Valley, WA	36	1.2%

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