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Southeast Idaho Economic Overview

| Civilian Labor Force (Nov 2025) | 86,803 | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--|
| Unemployment Rate (Nov 2025) | 3.9% | |
| Population (2024) | 184,912 | |
| Median Household Income (2023) | \$67,599 | |
| Per Capita Personal Income (2023) | \$48,593 | |
| Poverty Rate (2023) | 11.1% | |

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1. Southeast Demographic Characteristics, 2023 5-Year ACS

| | Southeast | Region (%) | State of Idaho (%) | United States (%) |
|---|-----------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Total Population | 178,534 | 100.0% | 1,893,296 | 332,387,540 |
| Race and Ethnicity | | | | |
| White alone, not hispanic | 149,218 | 83.6% | 83.3% | 63.4% |
| Black or African American alone, not hispanic | 1,071 | 0.6% | 0.7% | 12.4% |
| Native American alone, not hispanic | 5,260 | 2.9% | 1.1% | 0.9% |
| Asian alone, not hispanic | 1,626 | 0.9% | 1.3% | 5.8% |
| Hispanic or Latino (of any race) | 21,730 | 12.2% | 13.3% | 19.0% |
| Gender | | | | |
| Male | 90,048 | 50.4% | 50.3% | 49.5% |
| Female | 88,486 | 49.6% | 49.7% | 50.5% |
| Age | | | | |
| Median age | 36.4 | - | 37.1 | 38.7 |
| Under 18 years | 49,049 | 27.5% | 24.5% | 22.2% |
| Over 18 years | 129,485 | 72.5% | 75.5% | 77.8% |
| 21 years and over | 112,496 | 63.0% | 65.7% | 68.7% |
| Over 65 years | 27,392 | 15.3% | 16.6% | 16.8% |
| Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and C | Over) | | | |
| Less than 9th grade | 2,781 | 1.6% | 2.1% | 3.2% |
| High school graduate (with equivalencies) | 33,922 | 6.2% | 17.0% | 18.0% |
| Some college, no degree | 30,223 | 16.9% | 16.3% | 13.3% |
| Associate's degree | 11,043 | 6.2% | 6.4% | 6.0% |
| Bachelor's degree | 19,089 | 10.7% | 13.7% | 14.6% |
| Graduate or professional degree | 9,393 | 5.3% | 6.8% | 9.4% |
| Median Household Income | \$67,599 | - | \$74,636 | \$78,538 |

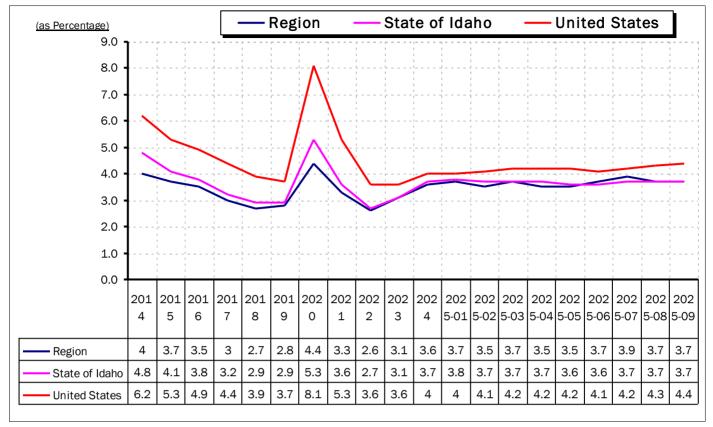
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

2. Labor Force Growth, November 2024 to November 2025

| | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Unemployment Rate |
|---------------|-------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|
| November 2024 | 86,803 | 83,451 | 3,352 | 3.9% |
| November 2023 | 88,629 | 85,809 | 2,820 | 3.2% |
| YoY % Change | -2.1% | -2.7% | 18.9% | 0.7% |

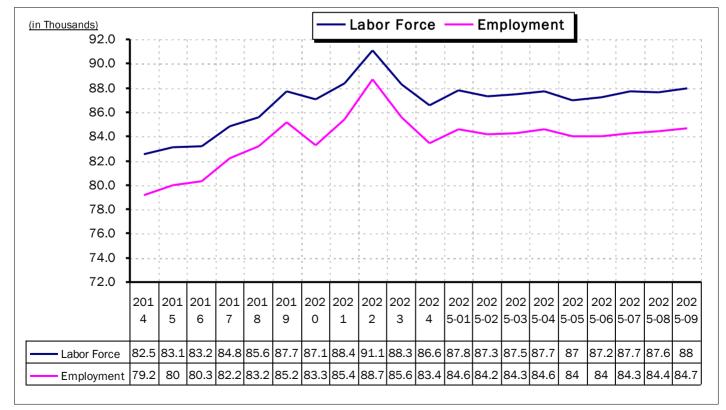
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

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



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

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



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

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

| | 2014 | 4 | 2023 | 3 | 202 | 4 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Industry Sector | Average Employment | Average Wages | Average Employment | Average Wages | Average Employment | Average Wages |
| Total Covered Wages | 58,890 | \$33,652 | 67,762 | \$46,588 | 68,875 | \$48,593 |
| Natural Resources and Mining | 3,084 | \$35,427 | 3,303 | \$53,802 | 3,342 | \$55,420 |
| Construction | 2,759 | \$36,368 | 4,483 | \$52,239 | 4,669 | \$56,877 |
| Manufacturing | 5,988 | \$54,126 | 7,148 | \$65,804 | 7,395 | \$65,588 |
| Trade,Transportation, and Utilities | 11,532 | \$30,736 | 12,300 | \$43,930 | 12,417 | \$45,043 |
| Information | 705 | \$28,710 | 481 | \$38,522 | 446 | \$41,064 |
| Financial Activities | 2,806 | \$40,979 | 2,052 | \$60,473 | 2,109 | \$63,645 |
| Professional and Business Services | 4,777 | \$32,515 | 5,515 | \$55,811 | 5,779 | \$56,467 |
| Education and Health Services | 16,152 | \$32,610 | 19,242 | \$44,421 | 19,669 | \$47,019 |
| Leisure and Hospitality | 5,273 | \$13,633 | 7,053 | \$18,966 | 6,859 | \$19,585 |
| Other Services | 1,239 | \$26,293 | 1,554 | \$37,671 | 1,551 | \$38,526 |
| Public Administration | 4,575 | \$37,570 | 4,631 | \$51,136 | 4,639 | \$54,743 |

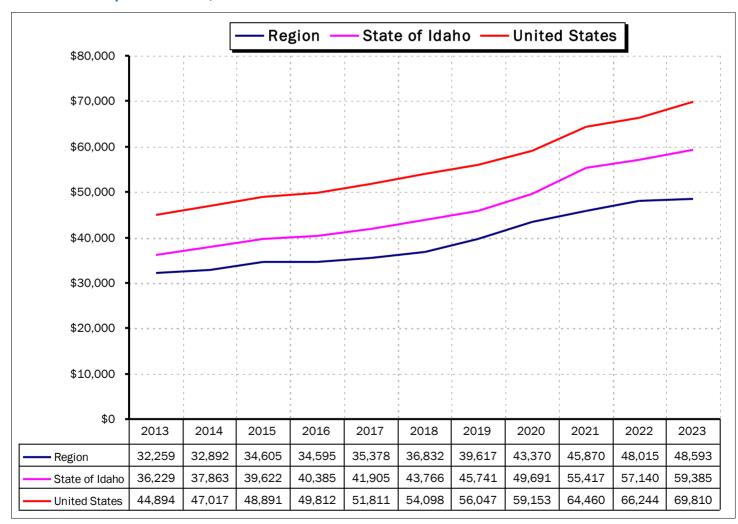
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

6. Top Employers, 2024

| Employer | Ownership | Employment Range |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Idaho State University | State Government | 2,500 - 4,999 |
| Pocatello/Chubbuck School District | Local Government | 1,000 - 2,499 |
| Portneuf Medical Center | Private | 1,000 - 2,499 |
| Idaho Central Credit Union | Private | 1,000 - 2,499 |
| Bingham Memorial Hospital | Private | 500 - 999 |
| Shoshone Bannock Tribes | Local Government | 500 - 999 |
| Lamb Weston Inc. | Private | 500 - 999 |
| City of Pocatello | Local Government | 500 - 999 |
| Amy's Kitchen | Private | 500 - 999 |
| J. R. Simplot Company | Private | 500 - 999 |

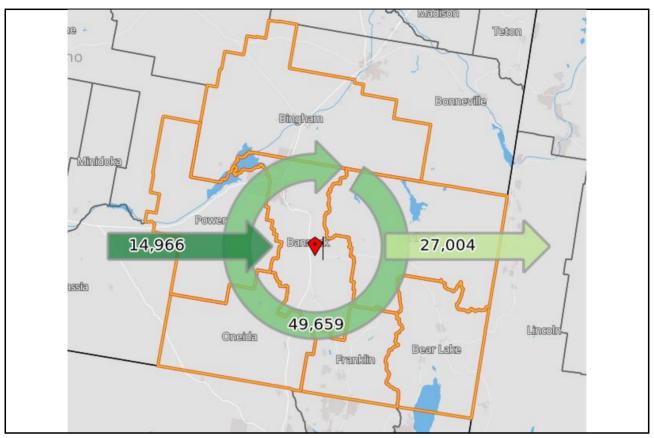
NOTE: Only employers that have given the Department permission to release employment range data are listed. Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

7. Real Per Capita Income, 2013 to 2023



8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2022

It is estimated that 49,659 workers lived and worked in Southeast Idaho in . Another 14,966 workers were employed in Southeast Idaho but lived outside, while 27,004 workers lived in the area but commuted outside for work.



Source: US Census Bureau

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

| City of Residence | Count of All Jobs | Percentage of Total Jobs |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Pocatello | 17,867 | 27.6% |
| Chubbuck | 5,008 | 7.7% |
| Blackfoot | 3,465 | 5.4% |
| Idaho Falls | 2,603 | 4.0% |
| American Falls | 1,495 | 2.3% |
| Preston | 1,172 | 1.8% |
| Fort Hall CDP | 930 | 1.4% |
| Soda Springs | 915 | 1.4% |
| Montpelier | 780 | 1.2% |
| Shelley | 528 | 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 Southeast Idaho Work, 2022

| City of Employment | Count of All Jobs | Percentage of Total Jobs |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Pocatello | 20,800 | 27.1% |
| Idaho Falls | 8,221 | 10.7% |
| Blackfoot | 4,502 | 5.9% |
| Chubbuck | 4,051 | 5.3% |
| Preston | 2,005 | 2.6% |
| Boise City | 1,710 | 2.2% |
| Soda Springs | 1,391 | 1.8% |
| Fort Hall CDP | 1,295 | 1.7% |
| Logan, UT | 949 | 1.2% |
| Rexburg | 896 | 1.2% |

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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