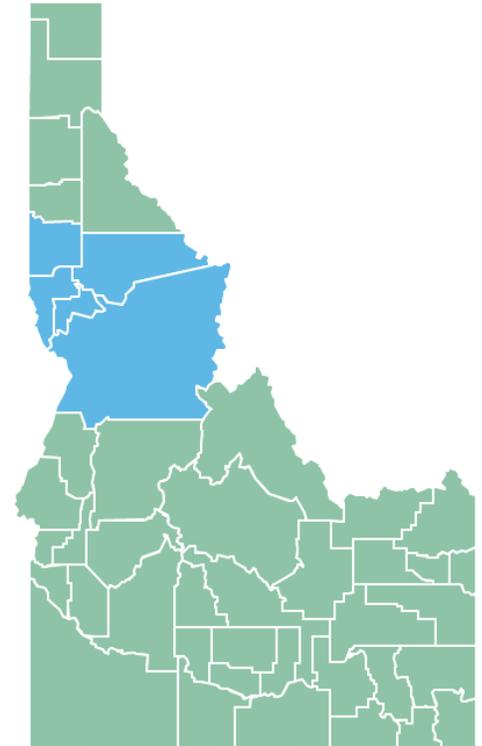


# North Central Idaho Labor Force And Economic Profile

Last Updated: January 2026

## North Central Idaho Economic Overview

Civilian Labor Force (Dec 2025)	54,432
Unemployment Rate (Dec 2025)	3.9%
Population (2024)	115,818
Median Household Income (2024)	\$63,193
Per Capita Personal Income (2023)	\$51,110
Poverty Rate (2024)	14.2%



## 1. North Central Demographic Characteristics, 2024 5-Year ACS

	North Central	Region (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)
<b>Total Population</b>	113,872	100.0%	1,934,262	334,922,499
<b>Race and Ethnicity</b>				
White alone, not hispanic	100,000	87.8%	81.7%	61.0%
Black or African American alone, not hispanic	568	0.5%	0.8%	12.2%
Native American alone, not hispanic	2,643	2.3%	1.2%	0.9%
Asian alone, not hispanic	1,457	1.3%	1.4%	6.0%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	5,263	4.6%	13.6%	19.3%
<b>Gender</b>				
Male	58,114	51.0%	50.3%	49.5%
Female	55,758	49.0%	49.7%	50.5%
<b>Age</b>				
Median age	44.5	-	37.3	38.9
Under 18 years	22,416	19.7%	24.1%	22.0%
Over 18 years	91,456	80.3%	75.9%	78.0%
21 years and over	76,775	67.4%	66.1%	68.9%
Over 65 years	23,857	21.0%	17.0%	17.2%
<b>Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and Over)</b>				
Less than 9th grade	1,477	1.3%	2.1%	3.2%
High school graduate (with equivalencies)	22,086	7.1%	17.3%	17.9%
Some college, no degree	18,822	16.5%	16.0%	13.1%
Associate's degree	8,080	7.1%	6.4%	6.1%
Bachelor's degree	15,240	13.4%	14.1%	14.9%
Graduate or professional degree	7,987	7.0%	7.0%	9.7%
<b>Median Household Income</b>	\$63,193	-	\$77,800	\$80,734

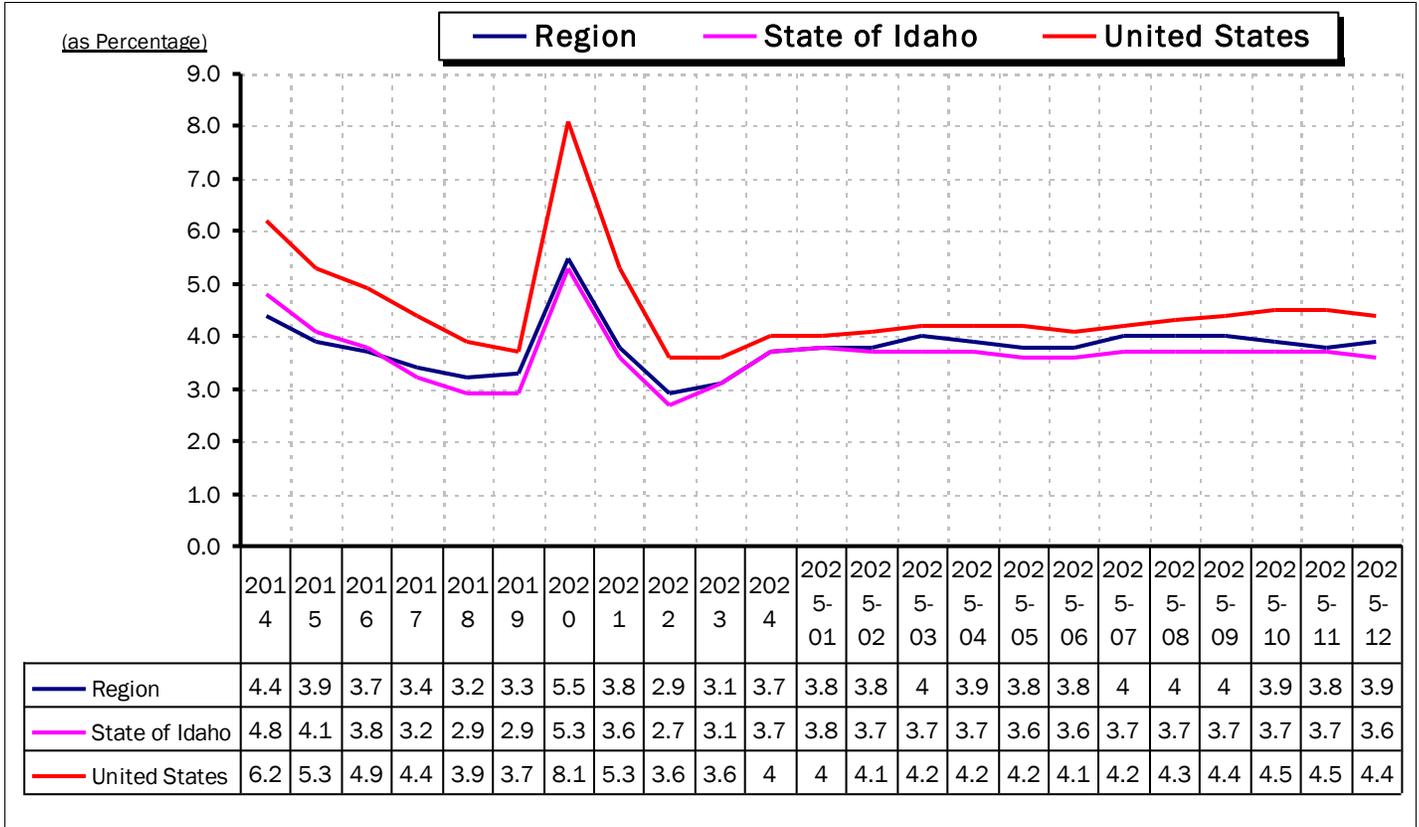
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

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

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
December 2025	54,432	52,314	2,118	3.9%
December 2024	56,385	54,162	2,223	3.9%
<b>YoY % Change</b>	<b>-3.5%</b>	<b>-3.4%</b>	<b>-4.7%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

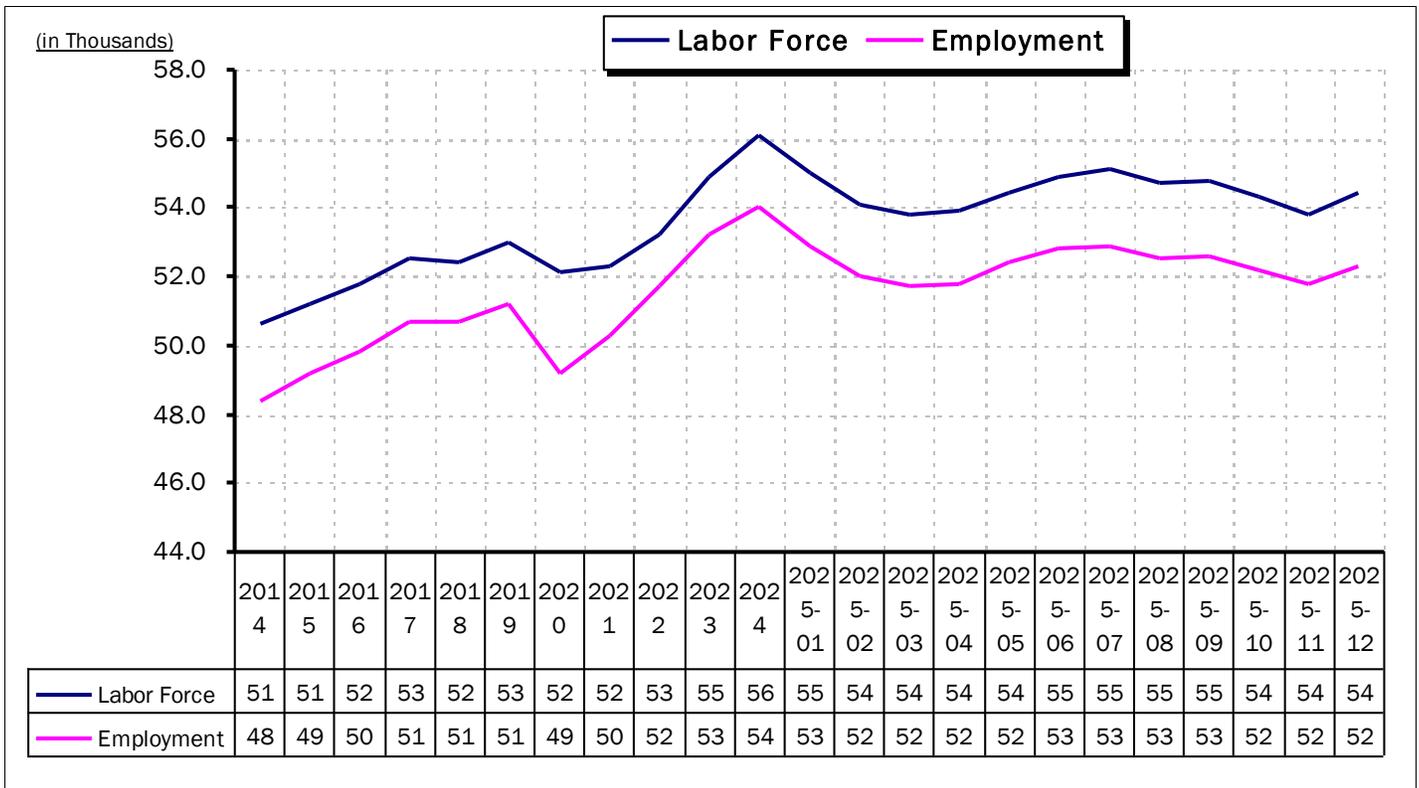
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

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



Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS), Note: October 2025 data is imputed

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



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

Industry Sector	2014		2023		2024	
	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	42,419	\$35,583	44,923	\$49,331	45,544	\$51,477
Natural Resources and Mining	1,250	\$44,367	1,125	\$62,691	1,135	\$62,354
Construction	1,705	\$34,914	2,494	\$52,087	2,605	\$55,717
Manufacturing	4,779	\$50,343	5,740	\$64,049	5,730	\$67,186
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	7,818	\$31,436	7,672	\$41,837	7,745	\$42,887
Information	666	\$31,487	623	\$61,191	610	\$64,785
Financial Activities	1,923	\$46,956	1,947	\$70,072	1,975	\$72,666
Professional and Business Services	2,083	\$36,062	2,435	\$56,936	2,430	\$60,968
Education and Health Services	13,054	\$36,661	13,466	\$49,569	13,869	\$51,846
Leisure and Hospitality	4,555	\$14,481	4,867	\$20,723	4,834	\$21,477
Other Services	973	\$24,080	1,100	\$36,332	1,092	\$38,000
Public Administration	3,613	\$42,538	3,454	\$59,504	3,519	\$61,342

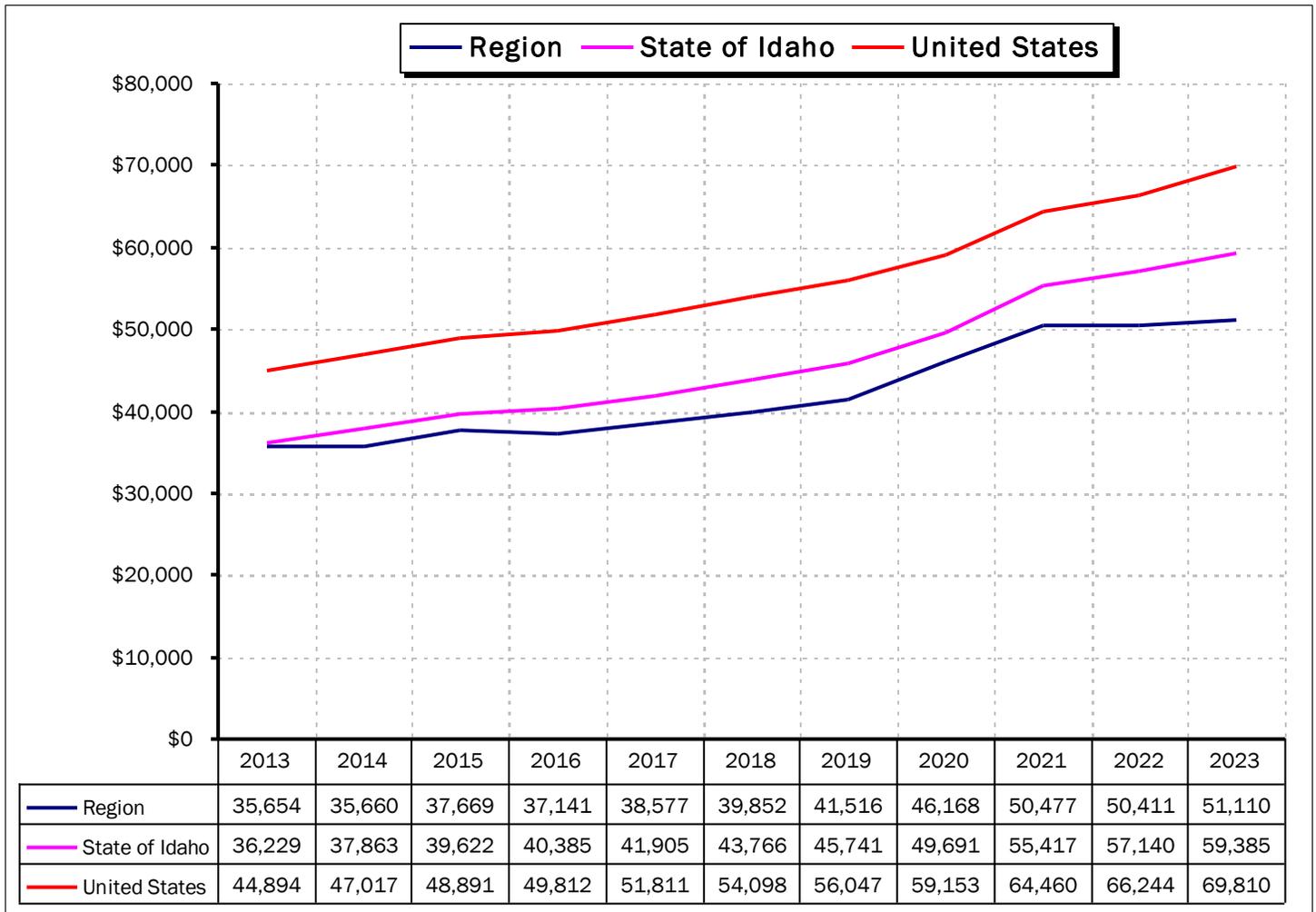
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

## 6. Top Employers, 2024

Employer	Ownership	Employment Range
University of Idaho	State Government	2,500 - 4,999
Federal Cartridge Company	Private	1,000 - 2,499
Clearwater Paper Corporation	Private	1,000 - 2,499
Nez Perce Tribe	Local Government	1,000 - 2,499
Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories	Private	500 - 999
Lewiston Independent School District	Local Government	500 - 999
Gritman Medical Center	Private	500 - 999
St. Joseph Hospital	Private	500 - 999
Lewis-Clark State College	State Government	500 - 999
Cambia Health Solutions	Private	500 - 999

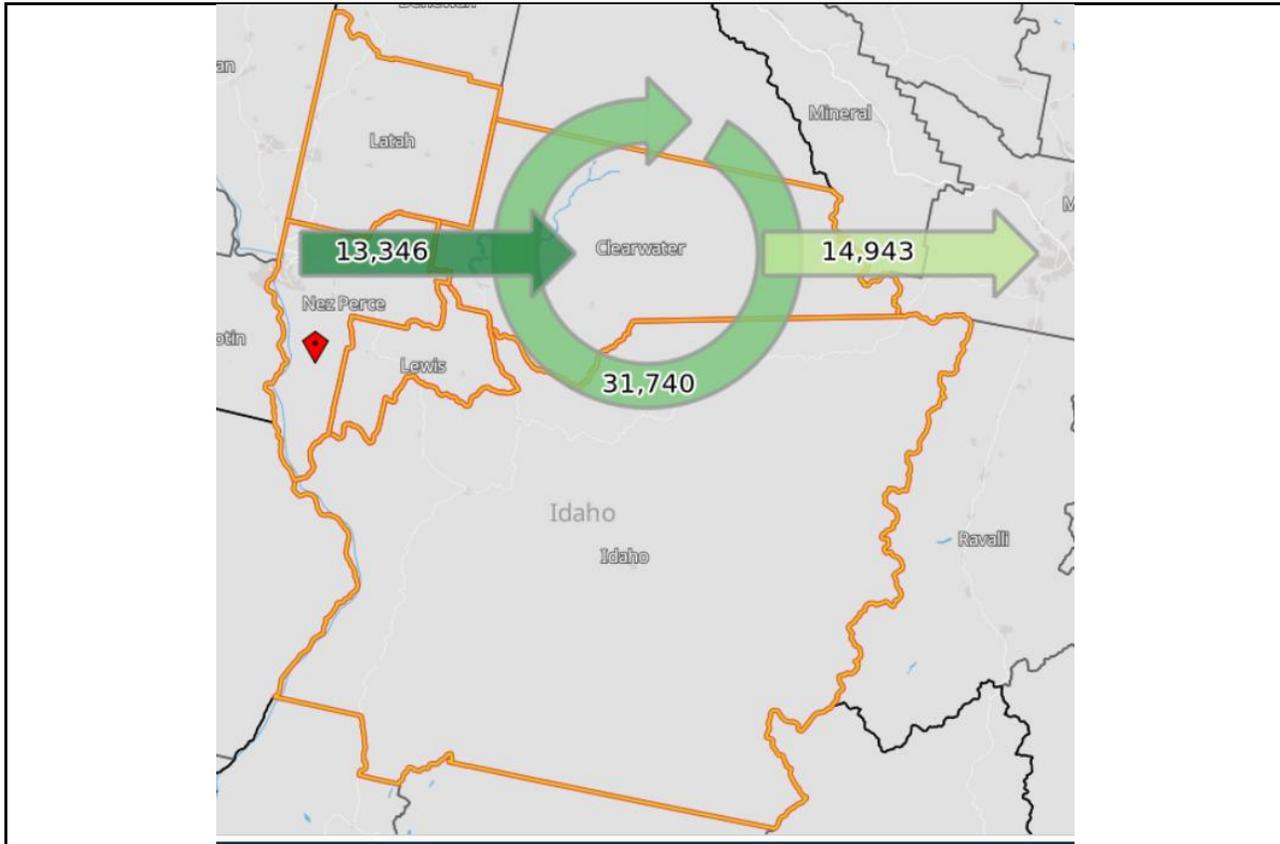
NOTE: Only employers that have given the Department permission to release employment range data are listed.  
 Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

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



## 8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2023

It is estimated that 31,740 workers lived and worked in North Central Idaho in . Another 13,346 workers were employed in North Central Idaho but lived outside, while 14,943 workers lived in the area but commuted outside for work.



Source: US Census Bureau

## 9. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Work in North Central Idaho Live, 2023

City of Residence	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Lewiston	11,665	25.9%
Moscow	6,378	14.1%
Clarkston	1,315	2.9%
Clarkston Heights-Vineland CDP,	1,144	2.5%
Grangeville	998	2.2%
West Clarkston-Highland CDP, WA	964	2.1%
Pullman	956	2.1%
Orofino	590	1.3%
Boise	529	1.2%
Coeur d'Alene	465	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)

## 10. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Live in North Central Idaho Work, 2023

City of Employment	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Lewiston	12,143	26.0%
Moscow	7,682	16.5%
Pullman, WA	2,807	6.0%
Clarkston	1,405	3.0%
Grangeville	1,373	2.9%
Boise	1,242	2.7%
Orofino	1,237	2.6%
Coeur d'Alene	883	1.9%
Kamiah	573	1.2%
Cottonwood	510	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)

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