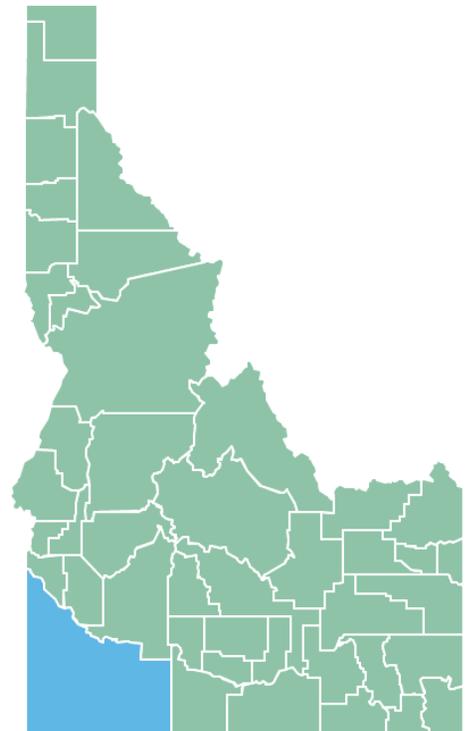


Owyhee County Labor Force And Economic Profile

Last Updated: January 2026

Owyhee County Economic Overview

Civilian Labor Force (Dec 2025)	6,237
Unemployment Rate (Dec 2025)	3.7%
Population (2024)	12,748
Median Household Income (2024)	\$64,406
Per Capita Personal Income (2023)	\$48,928
Poverty Rate (2024)	12.2%



1. Owyhee County Demographic Characteristics, 2024 5-Year ACS

	Owyhee County	Owyhee County (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)
Total Population	12,503	100.0%	1,934,262	334,922,499
Race and Ethnicity				
White alone, not hispanic	8,729	69.8%	81.7%	61.0%
Black or African American alone, not hispanic	66	0.5%	0.8%	12.2%
Native American alone, not hispanic	611	4.9%	1.2%	0.9%
Asian alone, not hispanic	17	0.1%	1.4%	6.0%
Hispanic, or Latino (of any race)	3,103	24.8%	13.6%	19.3%
Gender				
Male	6,465	51.7%	50.3%	49.5%
Female	6,038	48.3%	49.7%	50.5%
Age				
Median age	39.0	-	37.3	38.9
Under 18 years	3,056	24.4%	24.1%	22.0%
Over 18 years	9,447	75.6%	75.9%	78.0%
21 years and over	8,408	67.2%	66.1%	68.9%
Over 65 years	2,414	19.3%	17.0%	17.2%
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and Over)				
Less than 9th grade	1,115	8.9%	2.1%	3.2%
High school graduate (with equivalencies)	3,319	26.5%	17.3%	17.9%
Some college, no degree	1,889	15.1%	16.0%	13.1%
Associate's degree	329	2.6%	6.4%	6.1%
Bachelor's degree	687	5.5%	14.1%	14.9%
Graduate or professional degree	354	2.8%	7.0%	9.7%
Median Household Income	\$64,406	-	\$77,800	\$80,734

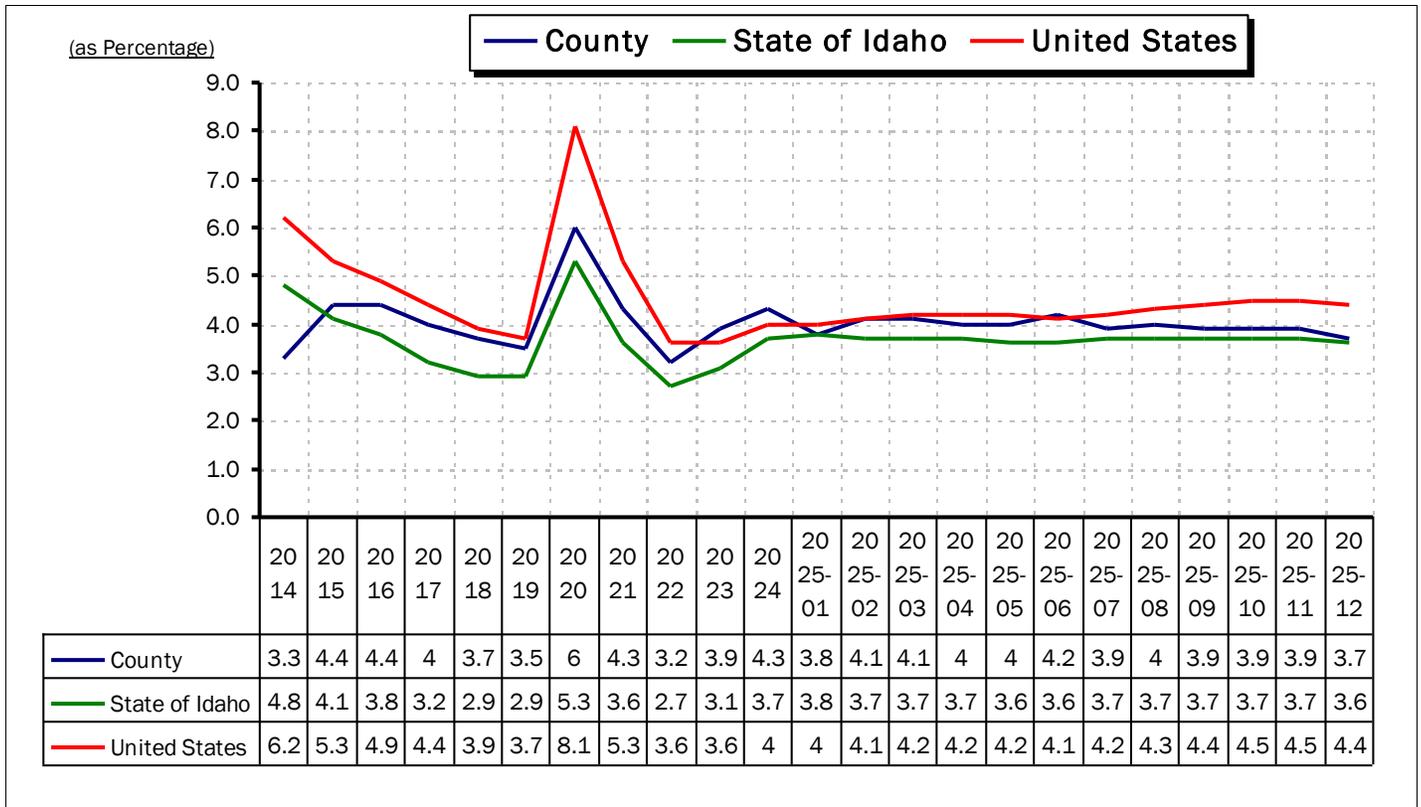
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

2. Labor Force Growth, December 2024 to December 2025

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
December 2025	6,237	6,006	231	3.7%
December 2024	6,204	5,944	260	4.2%
YoY % Change	0.5%	1.0%	-11.2%	-0.5%

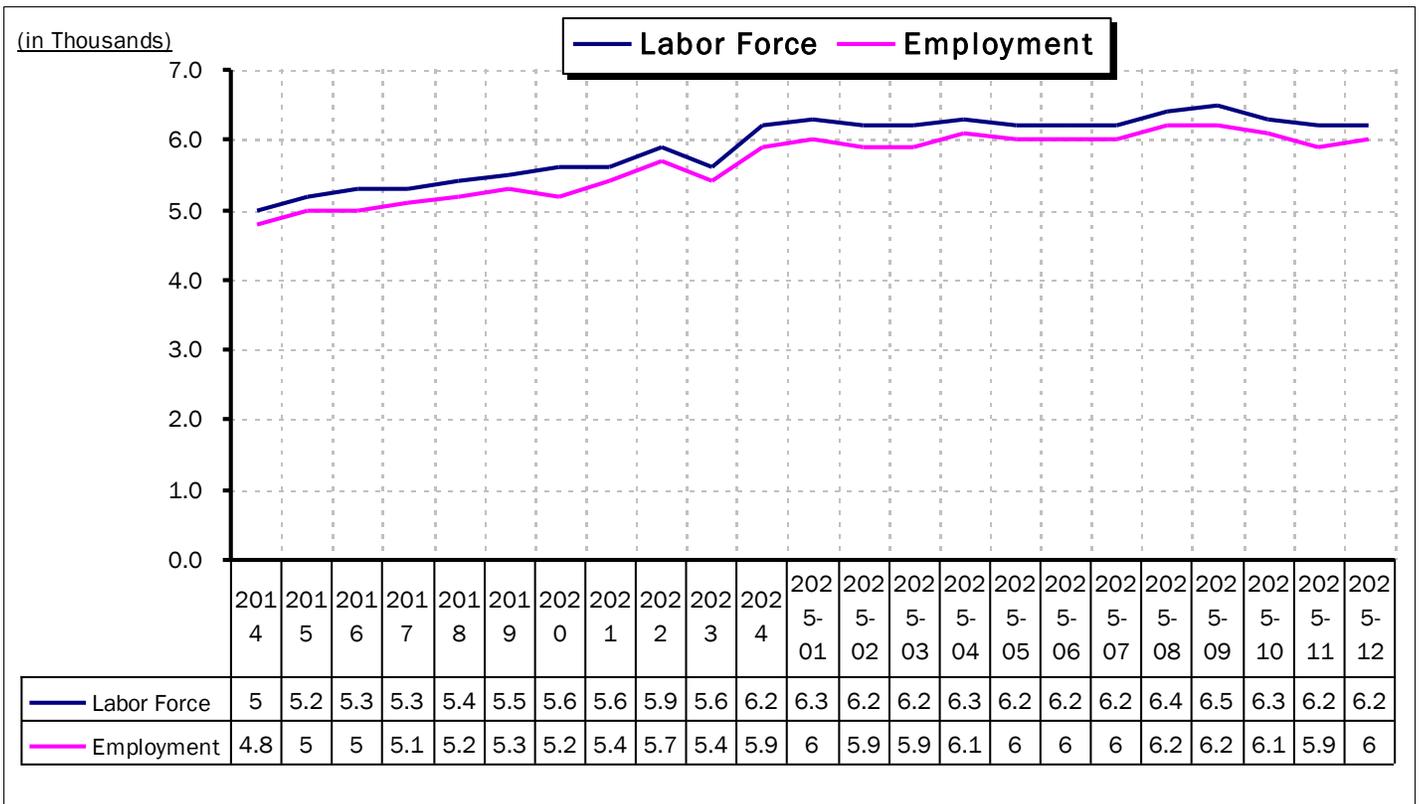
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

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

Supersector	2014		2023		2024	
	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	2,950	\$32,252	3,180	\$45,789	3,531	\$47,459
Natural Resources and Mining	1,177	\$35,444	939	\$35,444	1,188	\$47,367
Construction	90	\$30,814	191	\$30,814	182	\$48,439
Manufacturing	177	\$36,611	164	\$36,611	240	\$71,242
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	392	\$37,630	564	\$37,630	535	\$45,687
Information	23	\$32,574	27	\$32,574	24	\$36,570
Financial Activities	32	\$44,745	32	\$44,745	34	\$48,870
Professional and Business Services	148	\$43,383	166	\$43,383	209	\$79,133
Education and Health Services	537	\$24,280	583	\$24,280	599	\$40,873
Leisure and Hospitality	153	\$10,482	250	\$10,482	243	\$15,397
Other Services	13	\$27,899	47	\$27,899	61	\$72,874
Public Administration	208	\$27,963	217	\$27,963	216	\$42,593

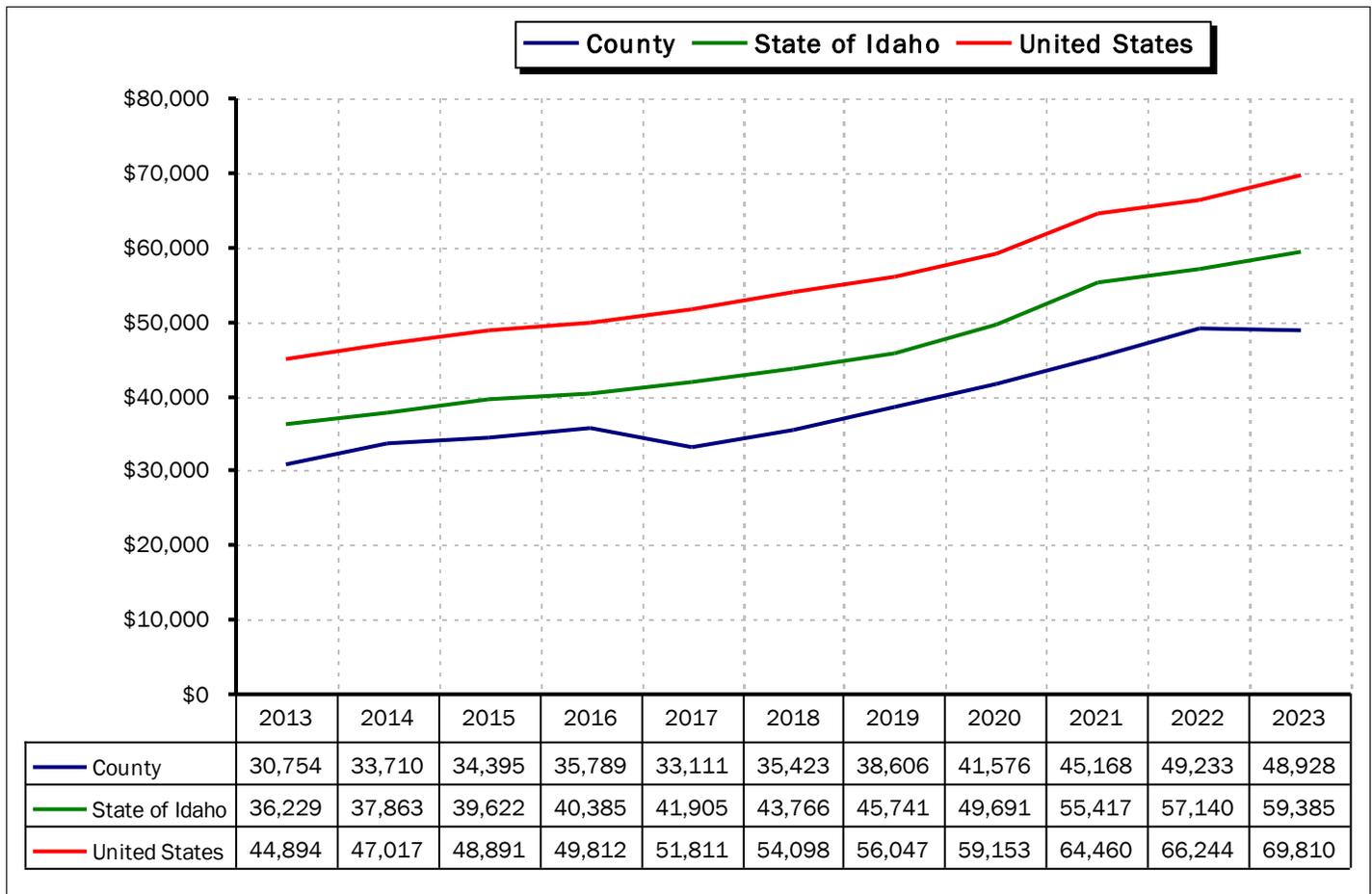
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

6. Top Employers, 2024

Employer	Ownership	Employment Range
Marsing Agricultural Labor Sponsoring Comm.	Private	250 - 499
J R Simplot	Private	250 - 499
Homedale Joint School District	Local government	100 - 249
Marsing Joint School District	Local government	100 - 249
Owyhee County	Local government	050 - 099
Owyhee Health & Rehabilitation Center	Private	050 - 099
Albertsons	Private	050 - 099
Bruneau-grandview Joint School District	Local government	050 - 099
U.s. Ecology Idaho	Private	050 - 099
Savory Layne Bbq	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)

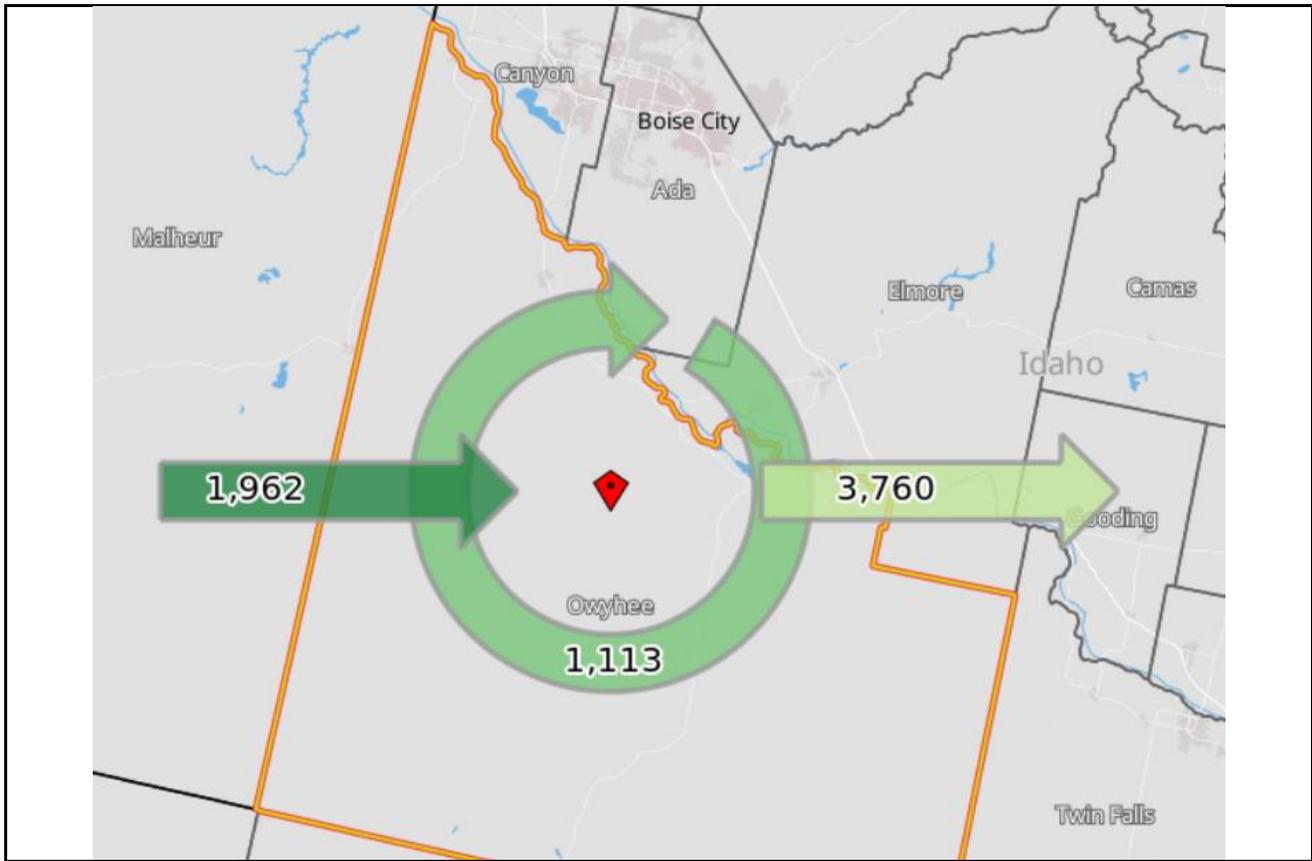
7. Real Per Capita Income, 2013 to 2023



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2023

It is estimated that 1,113 workers lived and worked in Owyhee County in 2023. Another 1,962 workers were employed in Owyhee County but lived outside, while 3,760 workers commuted to other counties for work.



Source: US Census Bureau

9. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Work in Owyhee County Live, 2023

City of Residence	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Homedale city, ID	271	8.8%
Nampa city, ID	234	7.6%
Caldwell city, ID	214	7.0%
Boise City city, ID	140	4.6%
Mountain Home city, ID	134	4.4%
Marsing city, ID	124	4.0%
Meridian city, ID	88	2.9%
Grand View city, ID	51	1.7%
Wilder city, ID	49	1.6%
Eagle city, ID	25	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 Owyhee County Work, 2023

City of Employment	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Boise	758	15.6%
Nampa	647	13.3%
Caldwell	456	9.4%
Homedale	340	7.0%
Meridian	314	6.4%
Marsing	151	3.1%
Mountain Home	80	1.6%
Grand View	64	1.3%
Twin Falls	64	1.3%
Eagle	63	1.3%

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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