

Idaho economic situation report

April 20, 2026 (February data)

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Meeting overview

- Change summary.
- Economic and labor statistics for Idaho and the nation.

***Unless noted otherwise, data in this presentation is seasonally adjusted.**

Key developments

February 2026

Idaho unemployment rate

3.7%

±0.0

U.S. unemployment rate

4.4%

↑0.1

Idaho labor force OTM

-1,683

↓0.2%

- First statistical over-the-month decrease to Idaho's labor force since January 2024.

U.S. nonfarm jobs OTM

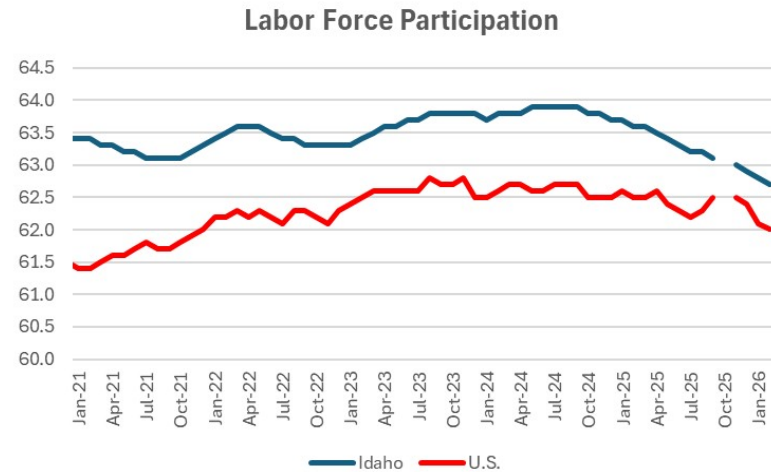
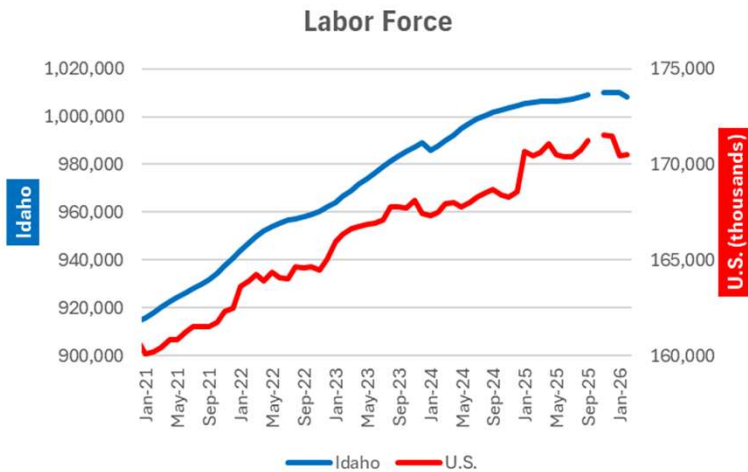
-133,000

↓0.1%

- Healthcare and Social Assistance declined by 28,000 (-0.1%)

State and national labor force

Current and historical, compared



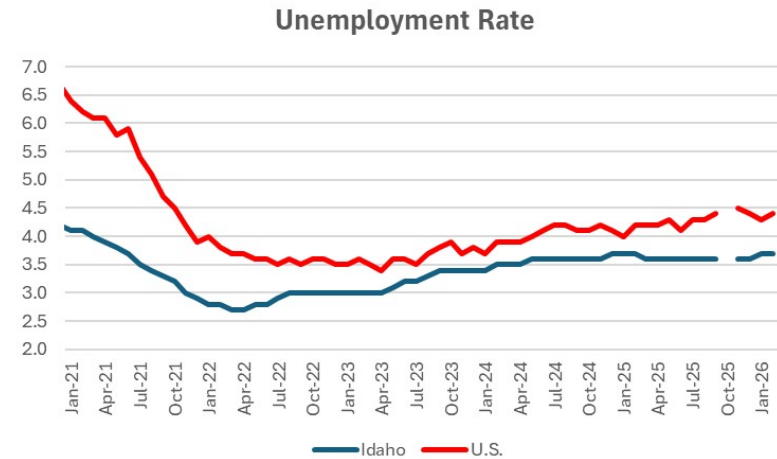
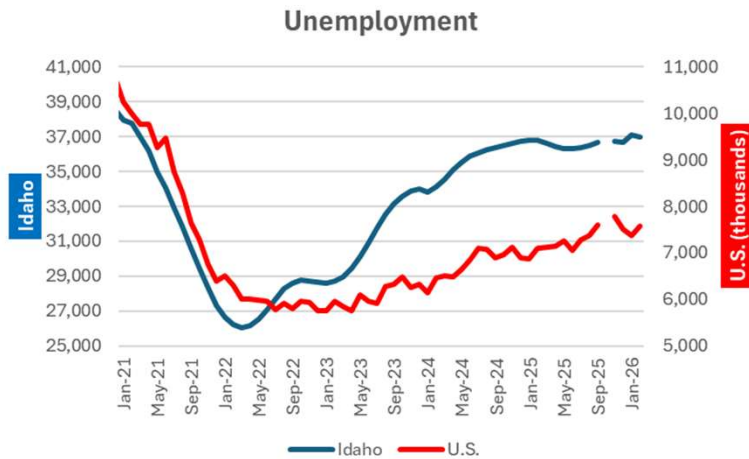
Labor force, February 2026			
	Current	Over-the month change	Over-the year change
Idaho	1,008,136	-0.2%	0.2%
U.S.	170,483,000	0.0%	0.0%

Labor force participation rate, February 2026			
	Current	Over-the month change	Over-the year change
Idaho	62.7%	-0.1	-0.9
U.S.	62.0%	-0.1	-0.5

*Data unavailable for October 2025

State and national unemployment

Current and historical, compared



Unemployment, February 2026

	Current	Over-the month change	Over-the year change
Idaho	36,950	-0.4%	0.5%
U.S.	7,571,000	2.8%	6.6%

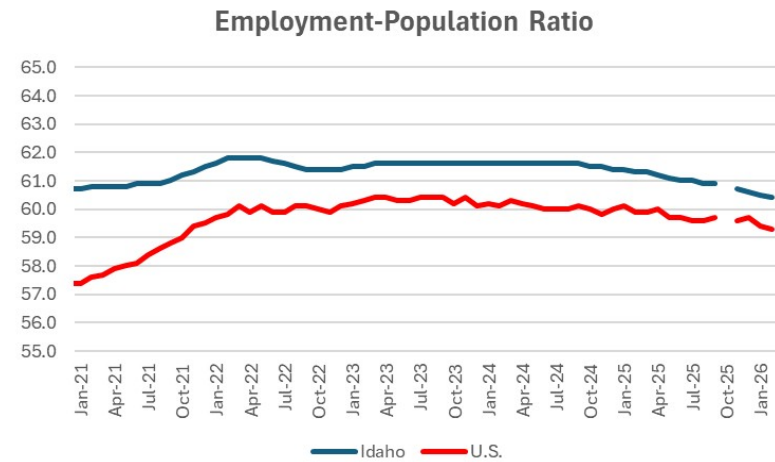
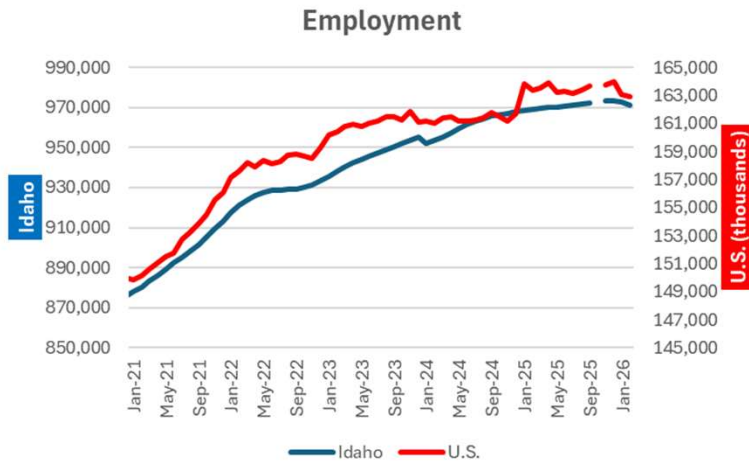
Unemployment rate, February 2026

	Current	Over-the month change	Over-the year change
Idaho	3.7%	0.0	0.0
U.S.	4.4%	0.1	0.2

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State and national employment

Current and historical, compared



Employment, February 2026

	Current	Over-the month change	Over-the year change
Idaho	971,186	-0.2%	0.2%
U.S.	162,912,000	-0.1%	-0.3%

Employment-Population ratio, February 2026

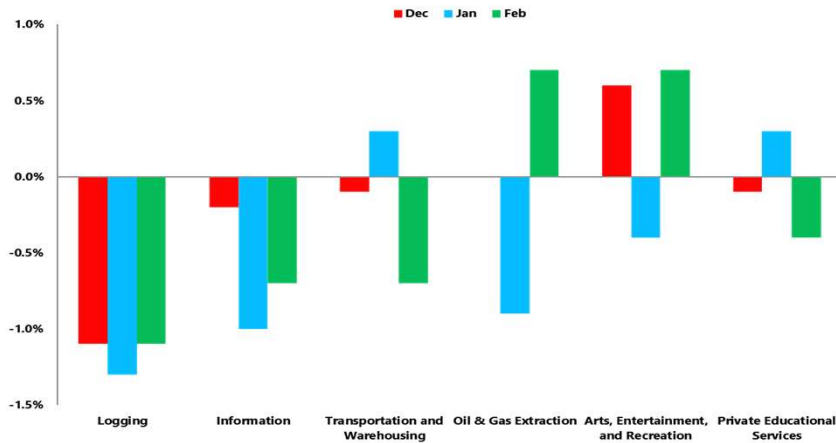
	Current	Over-the month change	Over-the year change
Idaho	60.4%	-0.1	-0.9
U.S.	59.3%	-0.1	-0.6

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U.S. nonfarm jobs (CES)

Nationwide seasonally adjusted change by industry

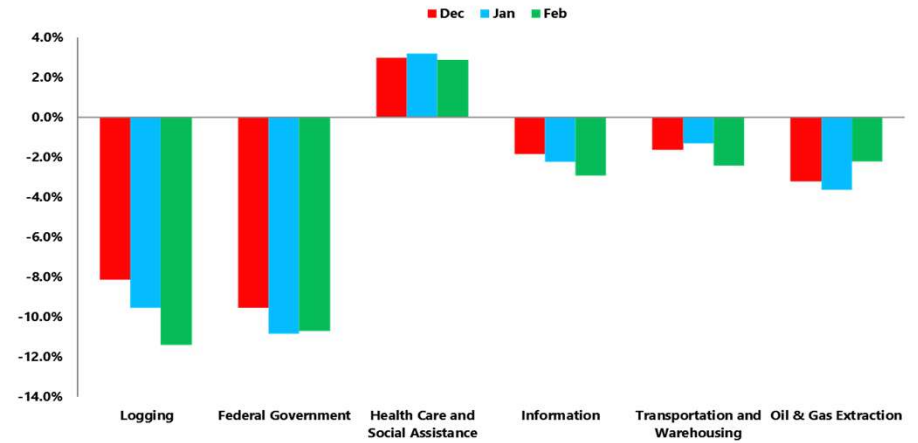
U.S. Industries With Largest Over-the-Month Nonfarm Jobs Changes, February 2026



National month-to-month highlights

Logging	-1.1%
Information	-0.7%
Transportation and Warehousing	-0.7%
Oil & Gas Extraction	0.7%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	0.7%
Private Educational Services	-0.4%

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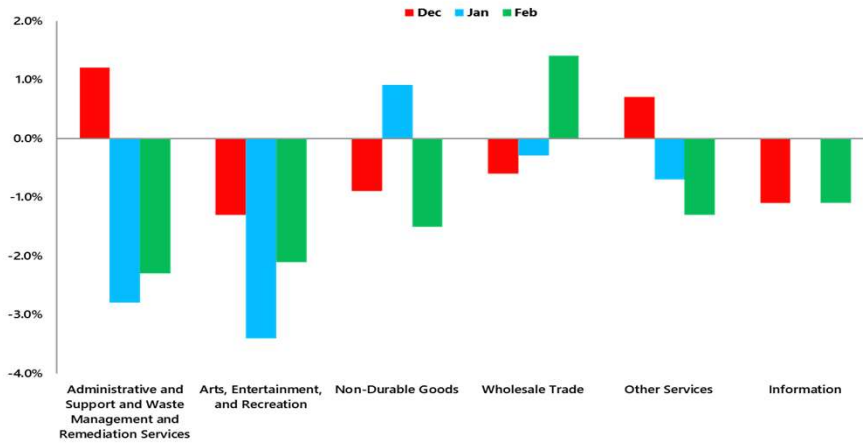
National over-the-year highlights

Logging	-11.4%
Federal Government	-10.7%
Health Care and Social Assistance	2.9%
Information	-2.9%
Transportation and Warehousing	-2.4%
Oil & Gas Extraction	-2.2%

Idaho nonfarm jobs (CES)

Statewide seasonally adjusted change by industry

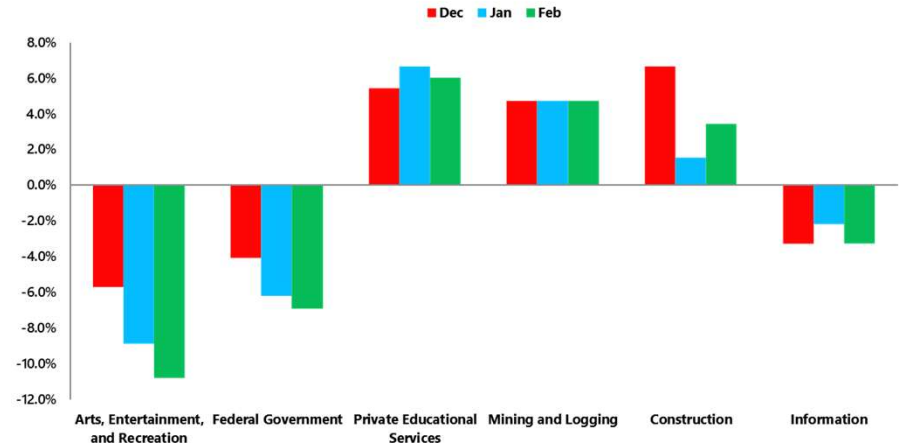
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Statewide month-to-month highlights

Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	-2.3%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	-2.1%
Non-Durable Goods	-1.5%
Wholesale Trade	1.4%
Other Services	-1.3%
Information	-1.1%

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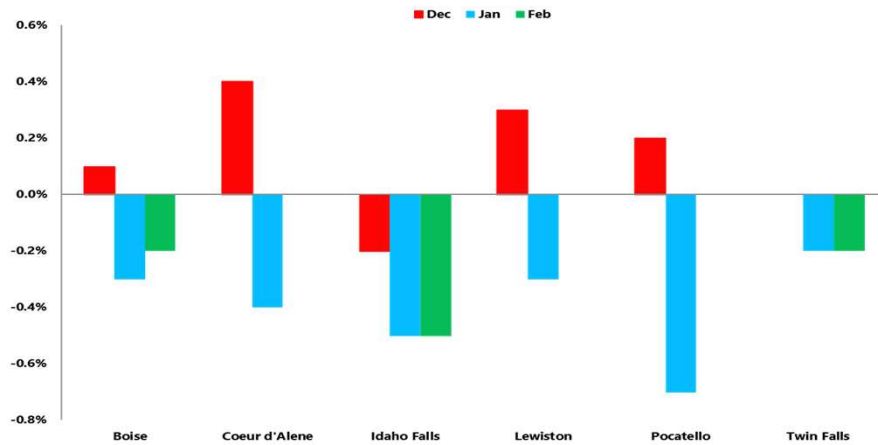
Statewide over-the-year highlights

Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	-10.8%
Federal Government	-6.9%
Private Educational Services	6.0%
Mining and Logging	4.7%
Construction	3.4%
Information	-3.3%

Idaho nonfarm jobs (CES)

Statewide seasonally adjusted change by MSAs

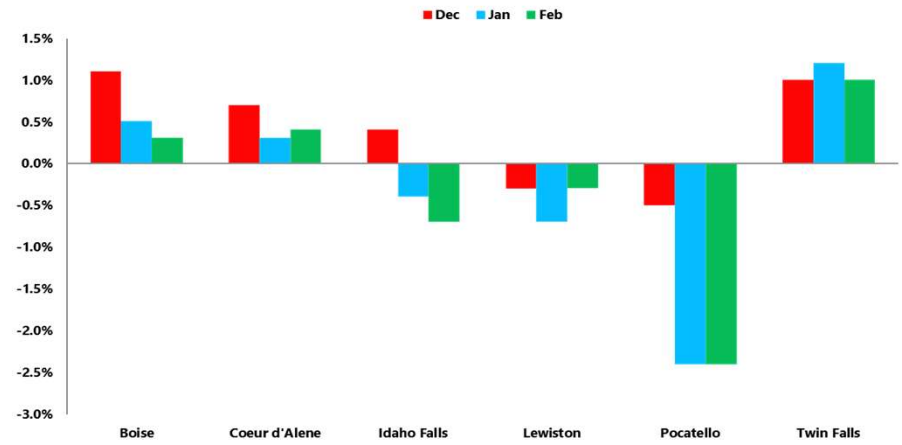
MSA Over-the-Month Nonfarm Jobs Changes, February 2026



Metropolitan statistical area month-to-month changes

Boise	-0.2%
Coeur d'Alene	0.0%
Idaho Falls	-0.5%
Lewiston	0.0%
Pocatello	0.0%
Twin Falls	-0.2%

MSA Over-the-Year Nonfarm Jobs Changes, February 2026



Metropolitan statistical area over-the-year changes

Boise	0.3%
Coeur d'Alene	0.4%
Idaho Falls	-0.7%
Lewiston	-0.3%
Pocatello	-2.4%
Twin Falls	1.0%

Upcoming release dates

Upcoming release schedule

- **May 4, 2026**
 - Statewide labor force and nonfarm employment data for March 2026.
- **May 22, 2026**
 - Statewide labor force and nonfarm employment data for April 2026.

Full release calendar is available at www.labor.idaho.gov/lmicalendar