

Idaho economic situation report

May 22, 2026 (April 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

April 2026

Idaho unemployment rate

3.6%

±0.0

U.S. unemployment rate

4.3%

±0.0

Idaho nonfarm jobs OTM

+3,600

↑0.4%

- Over-the-year total nonfarm jobs increased by 4,700 (0.5%).
- 76.6% of OTY gains occurred in April 2026.

U.S. Transportation and Warehousing OTM

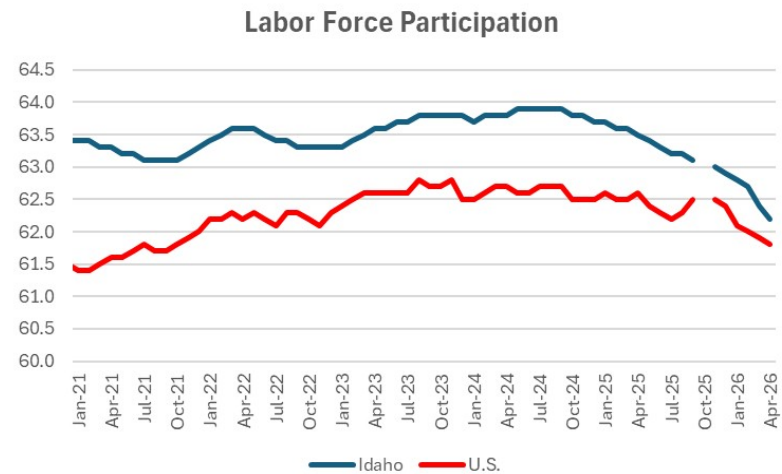
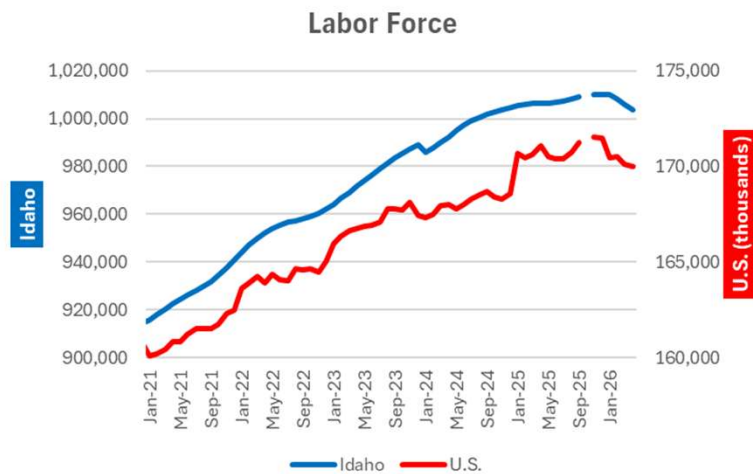
+30,000

↑0.5%

- Couriers and Messengers: +38,000 jobs
- Other Transportation: -8,000 jobs
- Over-the-Year: -71,100 (1.1%)

State and national labor force

Current and historical, compared



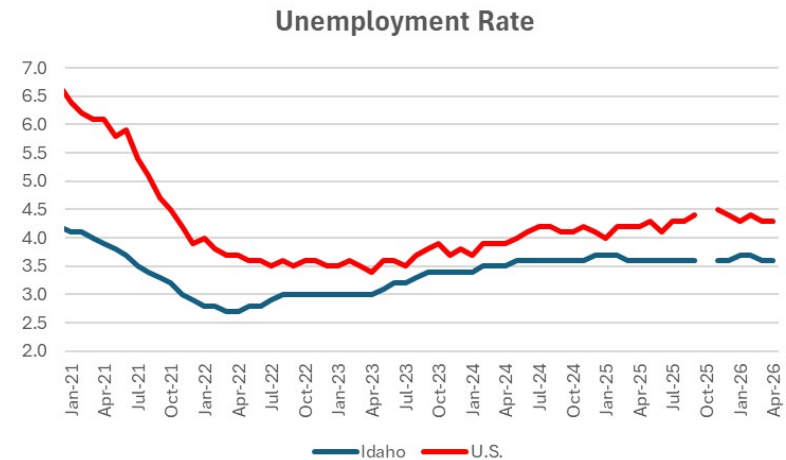
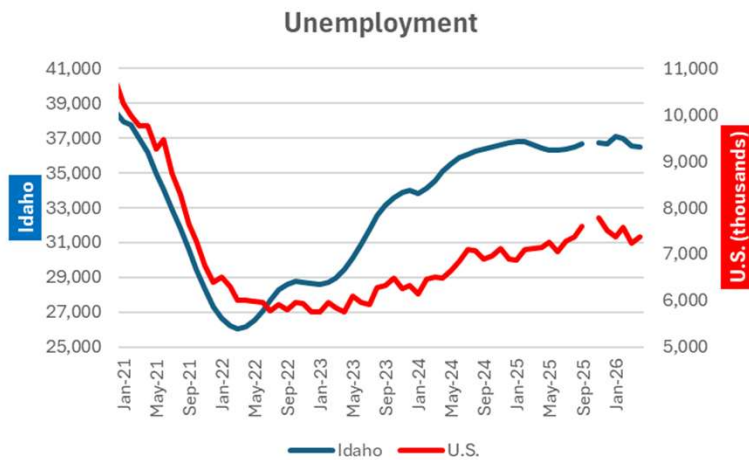
Labor force, April 2026			
	Current	Over-the month change	Over-the year change
Idaho	1,003,496	-0.2%	-0.3%
U.S.	169,995,000	-0.1%	-0.6%

Labor force participation rate, April 2026			
	Current	Over-the month change	Over-the year change
Idaho	62.2%	-0.2	-1.3
U.S.	61.8%	-0.1	-0.8

*Data unavailable for October 2025

State and national unemployment

Current and historical, compared



Unemployment, April 2026

	Current	Over-the month change	Over-the year change
Idaho	36,517	-0.2%	0.3%
U.S.	7,373,000	1.9%	3.0%

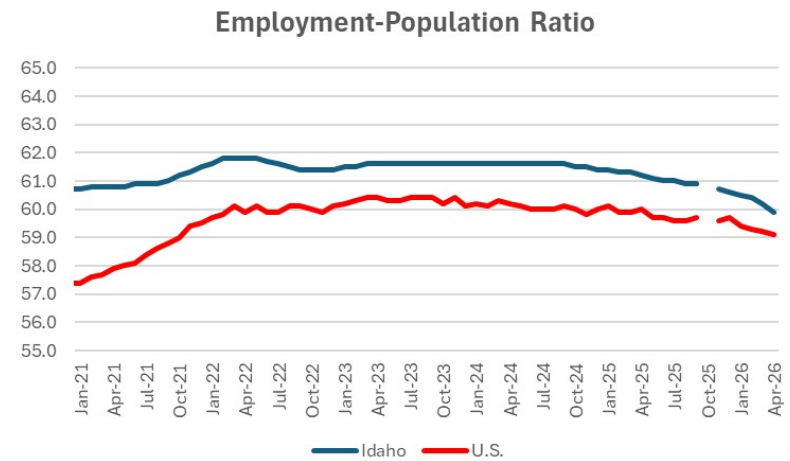
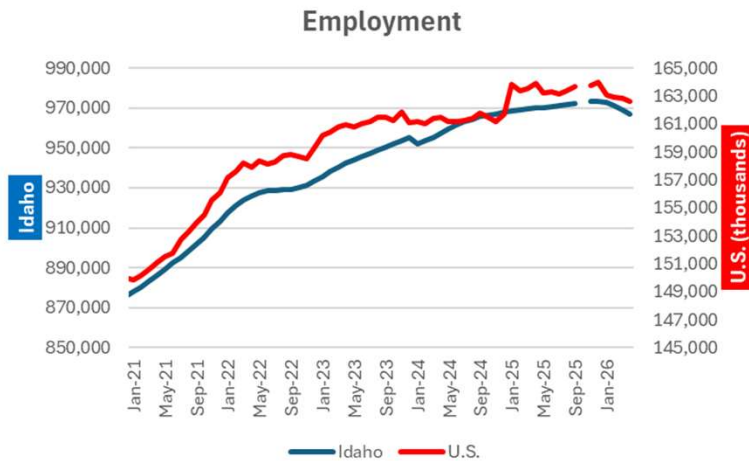
Unemployment rate, April 2026

	Current	Over-the month change	Over-the year change
Idaho	3.6%	0.0	0.0
U.S.	4.3%	0.0	0.1

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State and national employment

Current and historical, compared



Employment, April 2026

	Current	Over-the month change	Over-the year change
Idaho	966,979	-0.2%	-0.3%
U.S.	162,622,000	-0.1%	-0.8%

Employment-Population ratio, April 2026

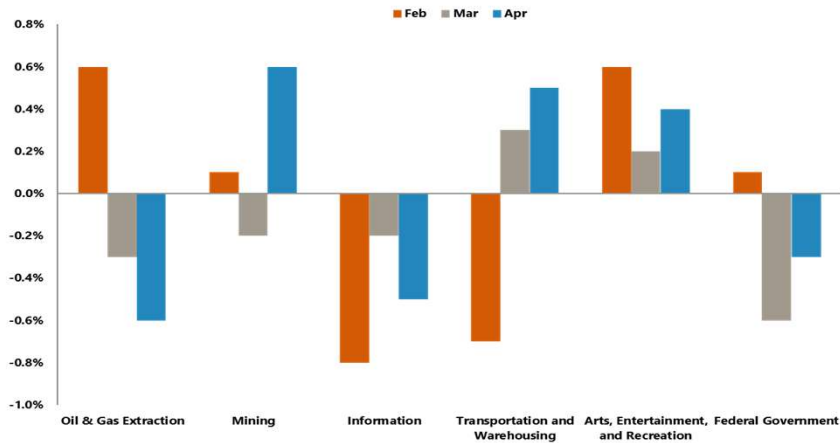
	Current	Over-the month change	Over-the year change
Idaho	59.9%	-0.3	-1.3
U.S.	59.1%	-0.1	-0.9

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U.S. nonfarm jobs (CES)

Nationwide seasonally adjusted change by industry

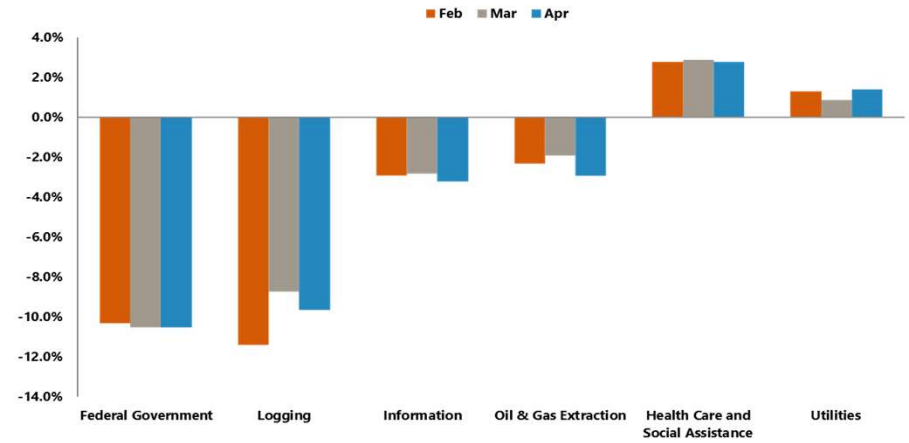
U.S. Industries With Largest Over-the-Month Nonfarm Jobs Changes, April 2026



National month-to-month highlights

Oil & Gas Extraction	-0.6%
Mining	0.6%
Information	-0.5%
Transportation and Warehousing	0.5%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	0.4%
Federal Government	-0.3%

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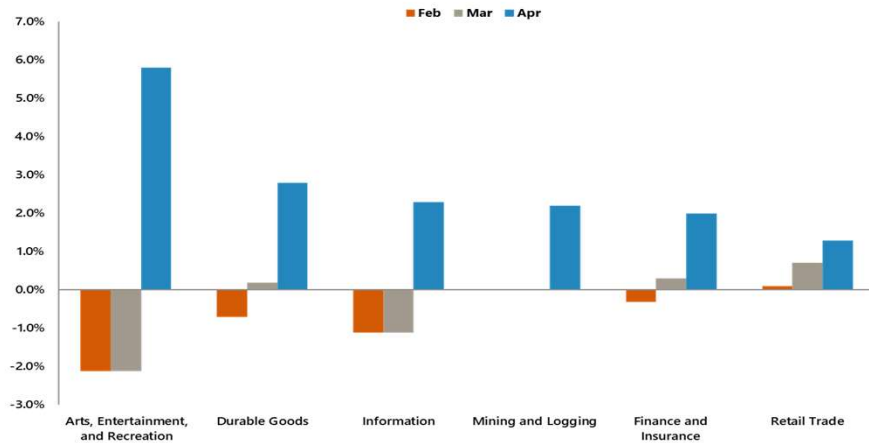
National over-the-year highlights

Federal Government	-10.5%
Logging	-9.6%
Information	-3.2%
Oil & Gas Extraction	-2.9%
Health Care and Social Assistance	2.8%
Utilities	1.4%

Idaho nonfarm jobs (CES)

Statewide seasonally adjusted change by industry

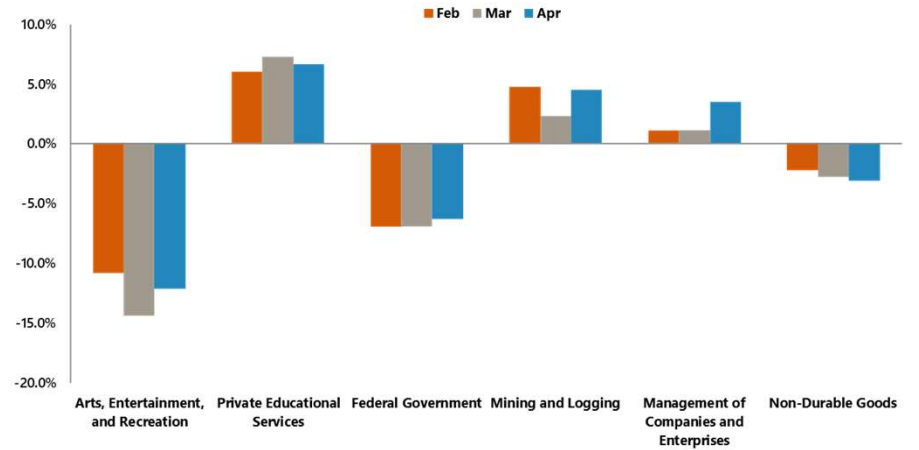
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Statewide month-to-month highlights

Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	5.8%
Durable Goods	2.8%
Information	2.3%
Mining and Logging	2.2%
Finance and Insurance	2.0%
Retail Trade	1.3%

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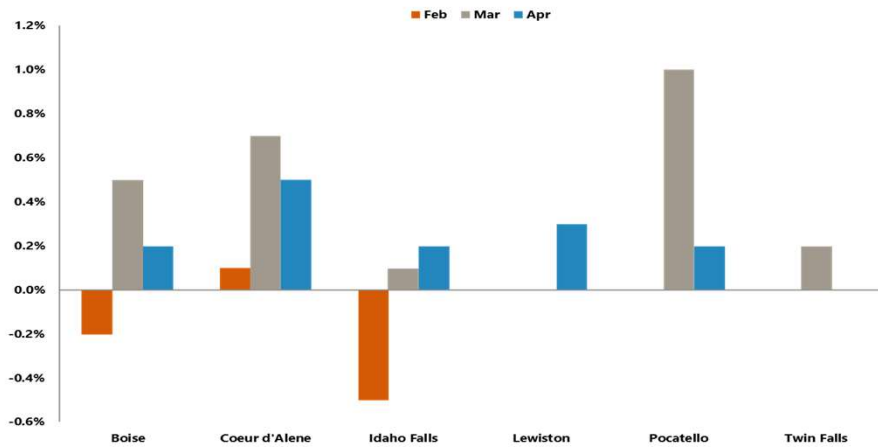
Statewide over-the-year highlights

Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	-12.1%
Private Educational Services	6.6%
Federal Government	-6.3%
Mining and Logging	4.5%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3.5%
Non-Durable Goods	-3.1%

Idaho nonfarm jobs (CES)

Statewide seasonally adjusted change by MSAs

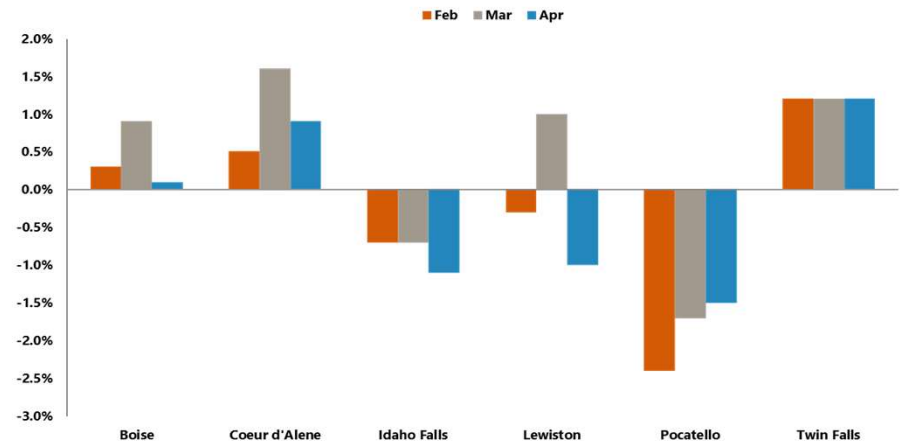
MSA Over-the-Month Nonfarm Jobs Changes, April 2026



Metropolitan statistical area month-to-month changes

Boise	0.2%
Coeur d'Alene	0.5%
Idaho Falls	0.2%
Lewiston	0.3%
Pocatello	0.2%
Twin Falls	0.0%

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



Metropolitan statistical area over-the-year changes

Boise	0.1%
Coeur d'Alene	0.9%
Idaho Falls	-1.1%
Lewiston	-1.0%
Pocatello	-1.5%
Twin Falls	1.2%

Idaho unemployment rate: Counties

Highest Unemployment Rates

Adams	5.3%
Clearwater	4.9%
Custer	4.8%
Bonner	4.7%
Washington	4.6%

Lowest Unemployment Rates

Teton	2.8%
Oneida	2.9%
Jefferson	3.1%
Fremont	3.1%
Latah	3.2%

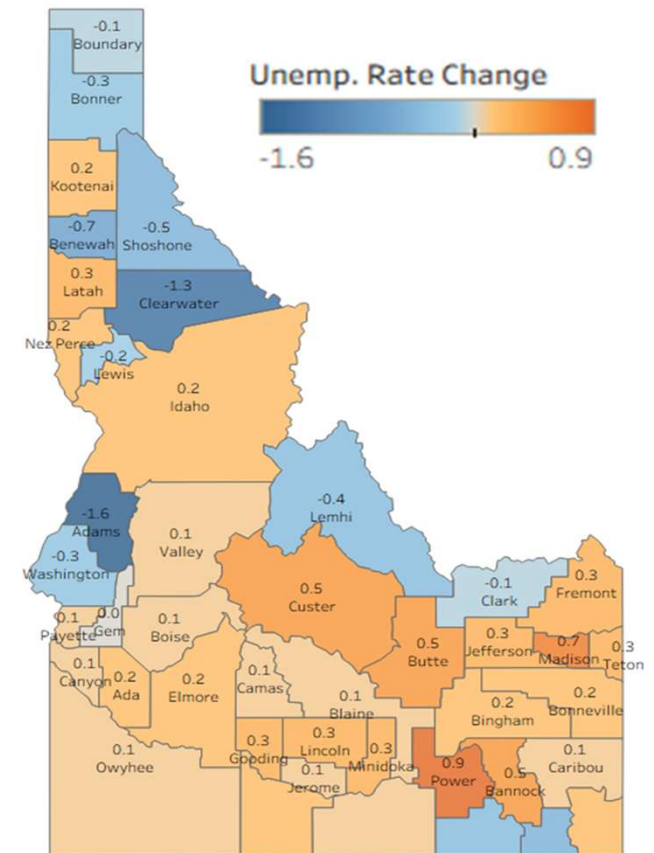
Largest Rate Changes

Adams	-1.6
Clearwater	-1.3
Power	+0.9
Madison	+0.7
Benewah	-0.7

31 counties experienced increases.

12 experienced decreases.

1 saw no statistical change.



Idaho unemployment rate: Statistical areas

Highest Unemployment Rates

Sandpoint MicSA	4.7%
Idaho-Lewis LMA	4.4%
Coeur d'Alene MSA	4.4%
Pocatello MSA	4.3%
Mountain Home MicSA	4.2%

Lowest Unemployment Rates

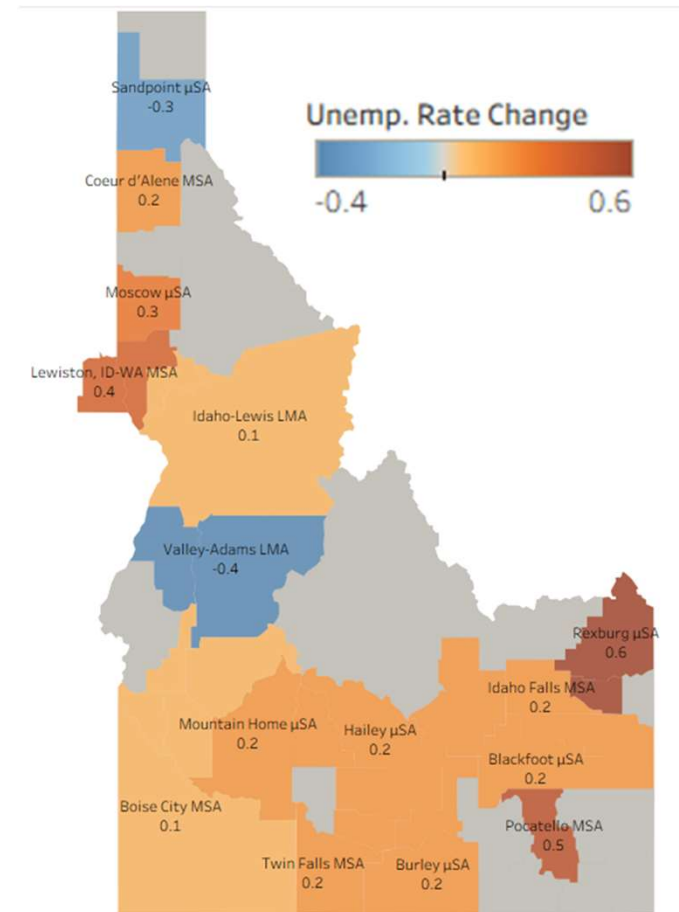
Moscow MicSA	3.2%
Hailey MicSA	3.3%
Idaho Falls MSA	3.3%
Burley MicSA	3.4%
Twin Falls MSA	3.4%

Largest Rate Changes

Rexburg MicSA	+0.6
Pocatello MSA	+0.5
Lewiston MSA	+0.4
Valley-Adams LMA	-0.4
Moscow MicSA	+0.3

13 areas experienced increases.

2 experienced a decrease.



Idaho unemployment rate: Cities

Highest Unemployment Rates

Pocatello	4.6%
Post Falls	4.6%
Coeur d'Alene	4.3%
Rexburg	4.1%
Caldwell	4.0%

Lowest Unemployment Rates

Meridian	3.2%
Moscow	3.3%
Boise	3.3%
Twin Falls	3.4%
Lewiston	3.4%

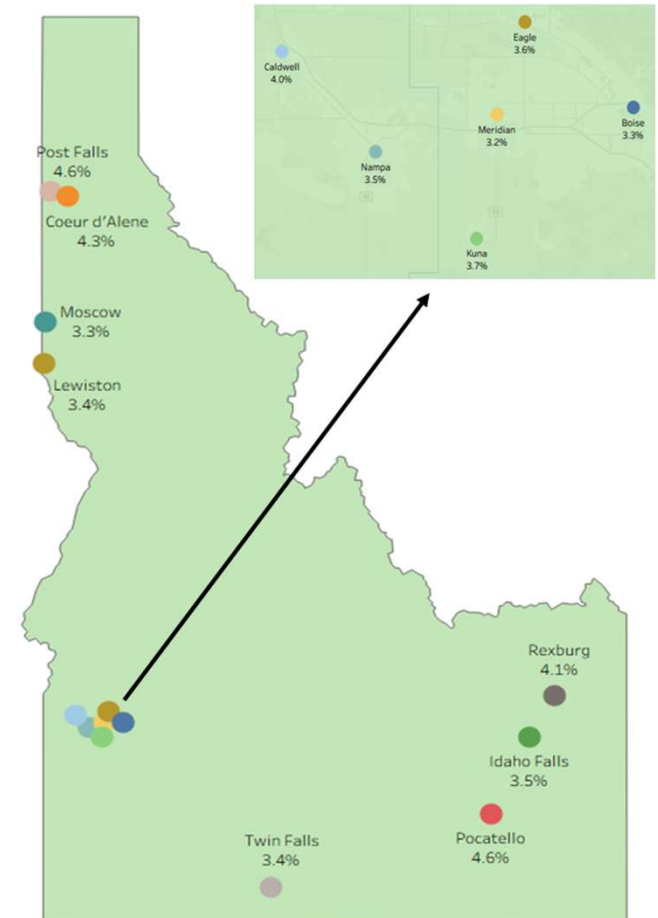
Largest Rate Changes

Rexburg	+0.7
Moscow	+0.6
Pocatello	+0.6
Coeur d'Alene	+0.3
Eagle	+0.2

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*The unemployment rate for Kuna is not seasonally adjusted

Upcoming release dates

Upcoming release schedule

- **June 18, 2026**

- Statewide labor force and nonfarm employment data for May 2026.

- **July 17, 2026**

- Statewide labor force and nonfarm employment data for June 2026.

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