



Idaho County Labor Force And Economic Profile

Last Updated: September 2026

Idaho County Economic Overview

Civilian Labor Force (Aug 2026)	7,200
Unemployment Rate (Aug 2026)	4.2%
Population (2025)	17,874
Median Household Income (2024)	\$66,325
Per Capita Personal Income (2024)	\$48,477
Poverty Rate (2024)	11.1%



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

	Idaho County	Idaho County (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)
Total Population	17,432	100.0%	1,934,262	334,922,499
Race and Ethnicity				
White alone, not hispanic	15,876	91.1%	81.7%	61.0%
Black or African American alone, not hispanic	22	0.1%	0.8%	12.2%
Native American alone, not hispanic	319	1.8%	1.2%	0.9%
Asian alone, not hispanic	95	0.5%	1.4%	6.0%
Hispanic, or Latino (of any race)	689	4.0%	13.6%	19.3%
Gender				
Male	9,055	51.9%	50.3%	49.5%
Female	8,377	48.1%	49.7%	50.5%
Age				
Median age	49.4	-	37.3	38.9
Under 18 years	3,456	19.8%	24.1%	22.0%
Over 18 years	13,976	80.2%	75.9%	78.0%
21 years and over	12,894	74.0%	66.1%	68.9%
Over 65 years	5,124	29.4%	17.0%	17.2%
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and Over)				
Less than 9th grade	285	1.6%	2.1%	3.2%
High school graduate (with equivalencies)	4,378	25.1%	17.3%	17.9%
Some college, no degree	3,112	17.9%	16.0%	13.1%
Associate's degree	1,447	8.3%	6.4%	6.1%
Bachelor's degree	2,055	11.8%	14.1%	14.9%
Graduate or professional degree	855	4.9%	7.0%	9.7%
Median Household Income	\$66,325	-	\$77,800	\$80,734

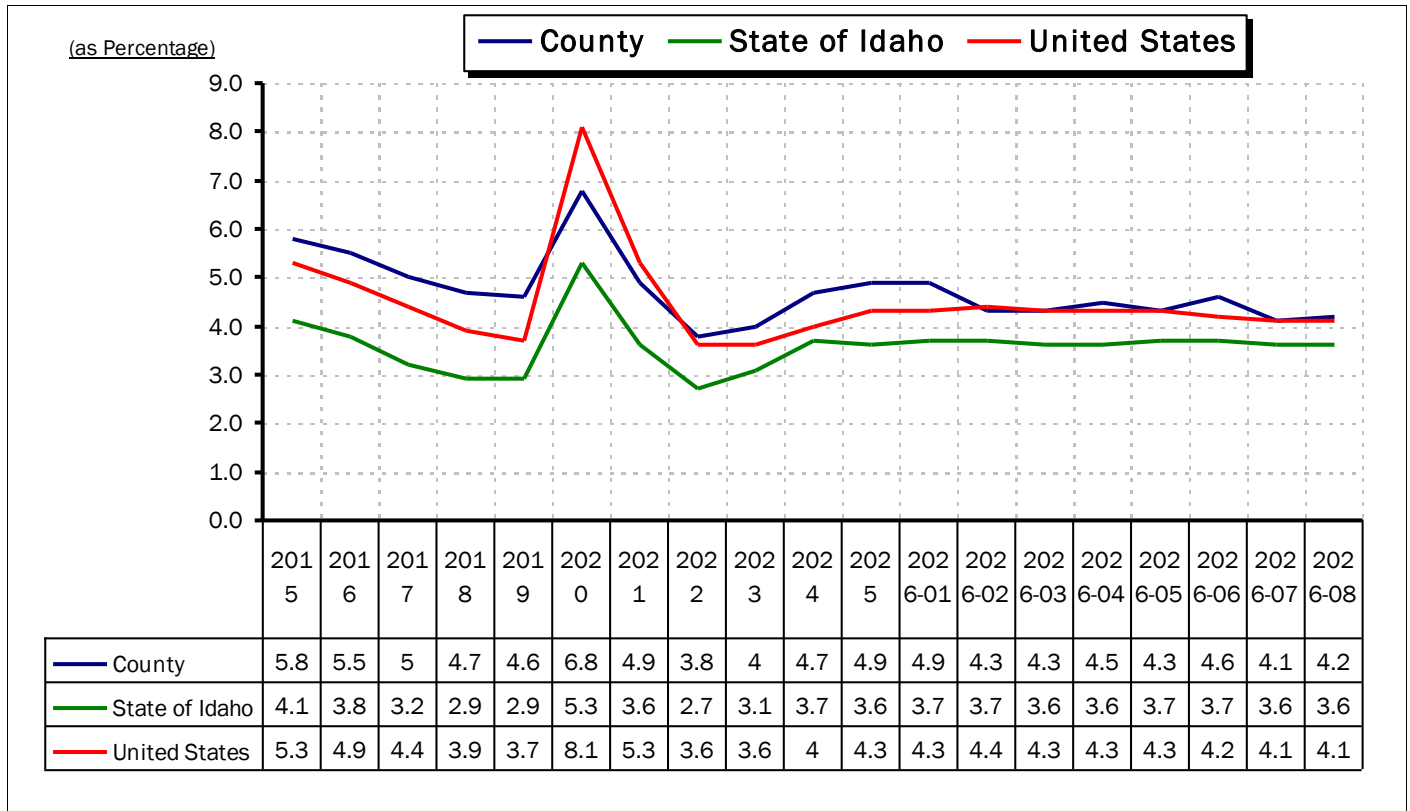
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

2. Labor Force Growth, August 2025 to August 2026

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
August 2026	7,200	6,897	303	4.2%
August 2025	7,177	6,832	345	4.8%
YoY % Change	0.3%	1.0%	-12.2%	-0.6%

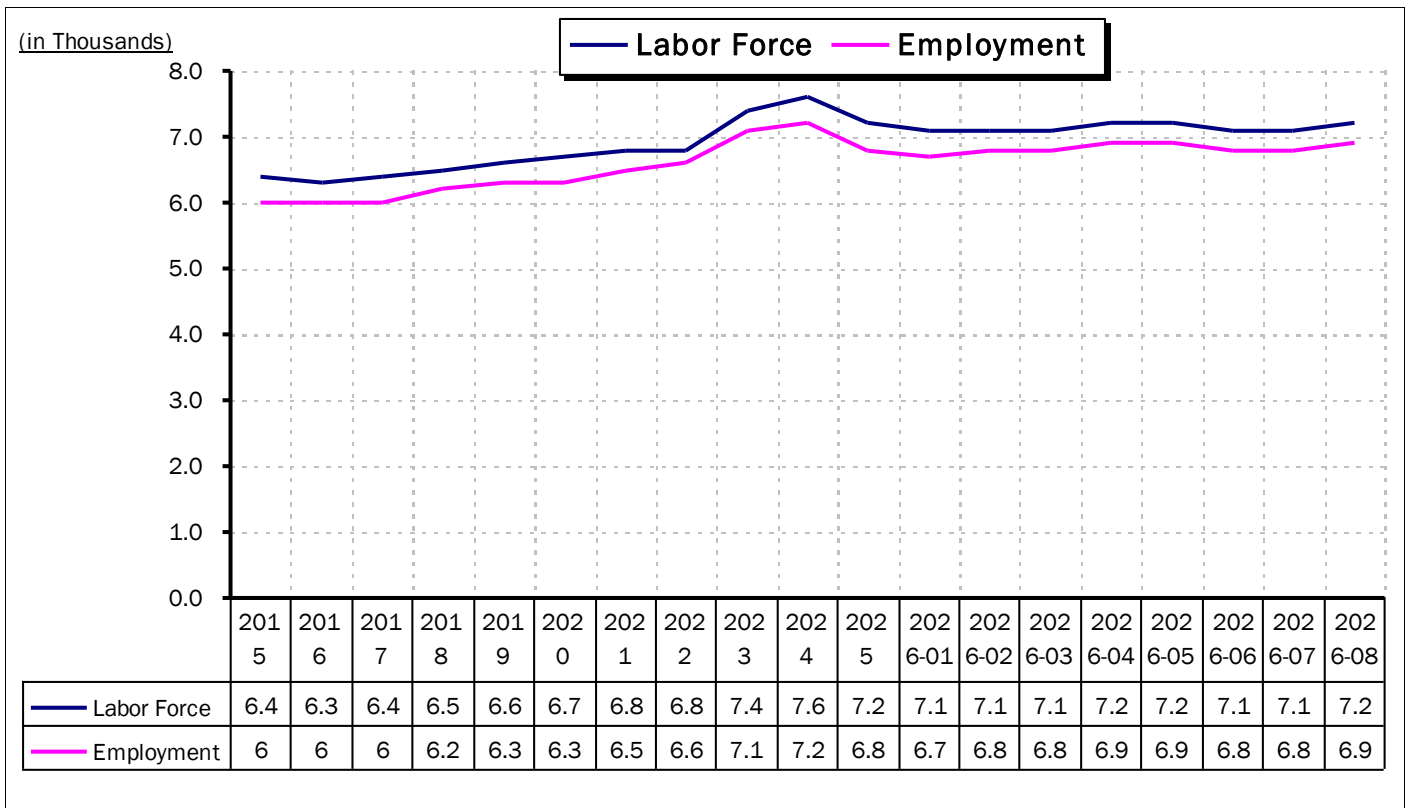
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

3. Seasonally-Adjusted Unemployment Rate, 2015 to August 2026



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

4. Seasonally-Adjusted Labor Force and Employment, 2015 to August 2026



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

5. Industry Employment and Wages, 2015, 2024, and 2025

Supersector	2015 Average Employment	2015 Average Wages	2024 Average Employment	2024 Average Wages	2025 Average Employment	2025 Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	4,184	\$36,172	689	\$46,981	4,553	\$49,400
Natural Resources and Mining	201	\$32,246	76	\$52,532	297	\$56,761
Construction	388	\$32,397	124	\$46,099	490	\$49,956
Manufacturing	334	\$44,139	34	\$55,295	427	\$58,649
Trade,Transportation, and Utilities	921	\$37,671	125	\$39,538	825	\$40,707
Information	40	\$32,221	12	\$32,428	55	\$35,736
Financial Activities	154	\$32,936	52	\$54,912	144	\$58,369
Professional and Business Services	102	\$47,056	65	\$50,682	181	\$53,903
Education and Health Services	1,059	\$32,041	62	\$47,207	1,055	\$49,449
Leisure and Hospitality	326	\$12,097	85	\$17,143	413	\$18,612
Other Services	73	\$19,645	35	\$31,414	78	\$30,333
Public Administration	587	\$55,234	19	\$71,618	580	\$73,042

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

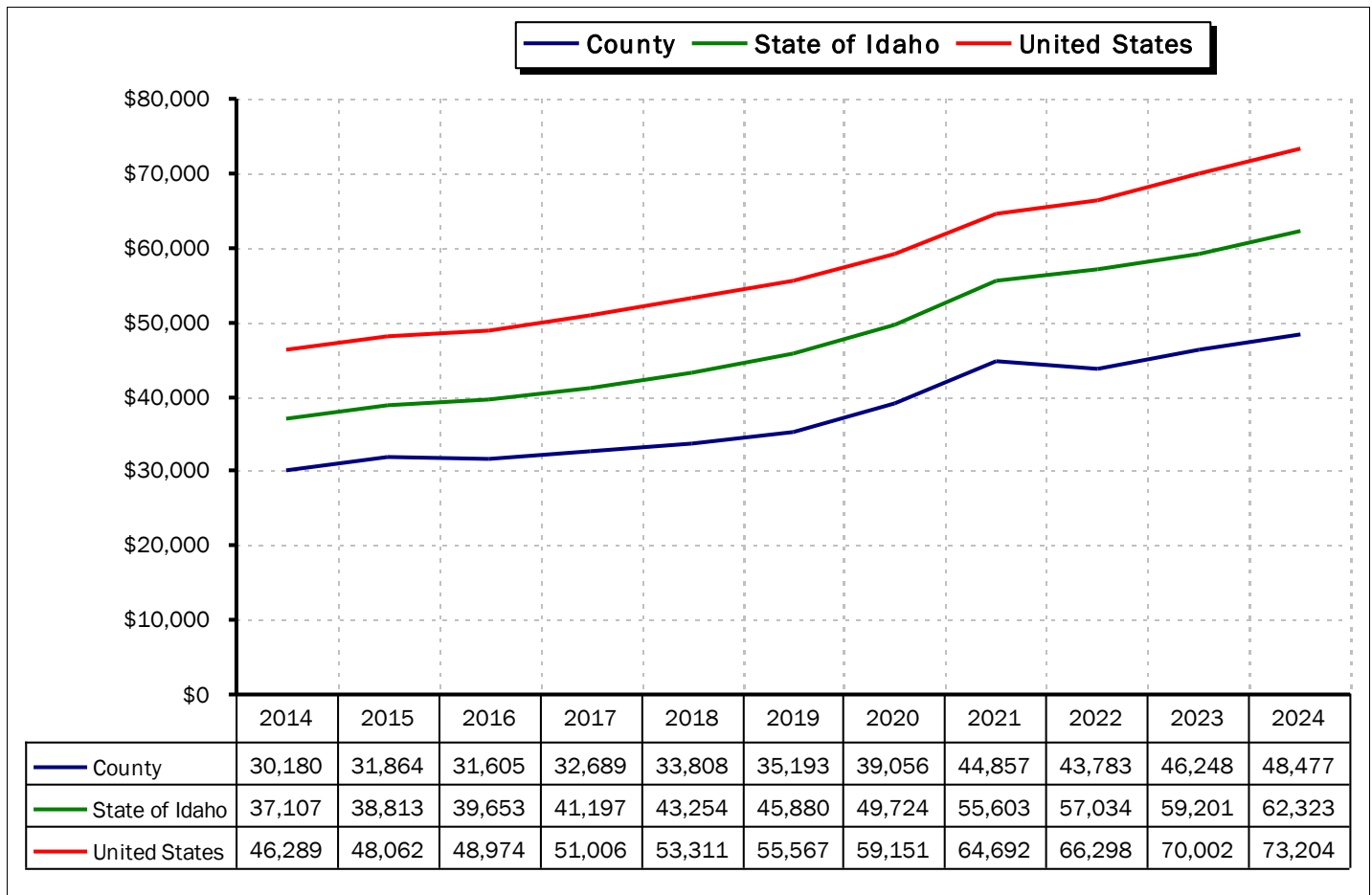
6. Top Employers, 2025

Employer	Ownership	Employment Range
US Department of Agriculture	Federal Government	100 - 249
Mountain View School District	Local Government	100 - 249
Saint Marys Hospital Inc-Cottonwood	Private	100 - 249
Idaho Forest Group	Private	100 - 249
Syringa General Hospital District	Local Government	100 - 249
Idaho County	Local Government	100 - 249
Cloningers Marketplace	Private	100 - 249
Department of Corrections	State Government	050 - 099
Pacific Cabinets Inc	Private	050 - 099
Cottonwood Joint School District	Local Government	050 - 099

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)

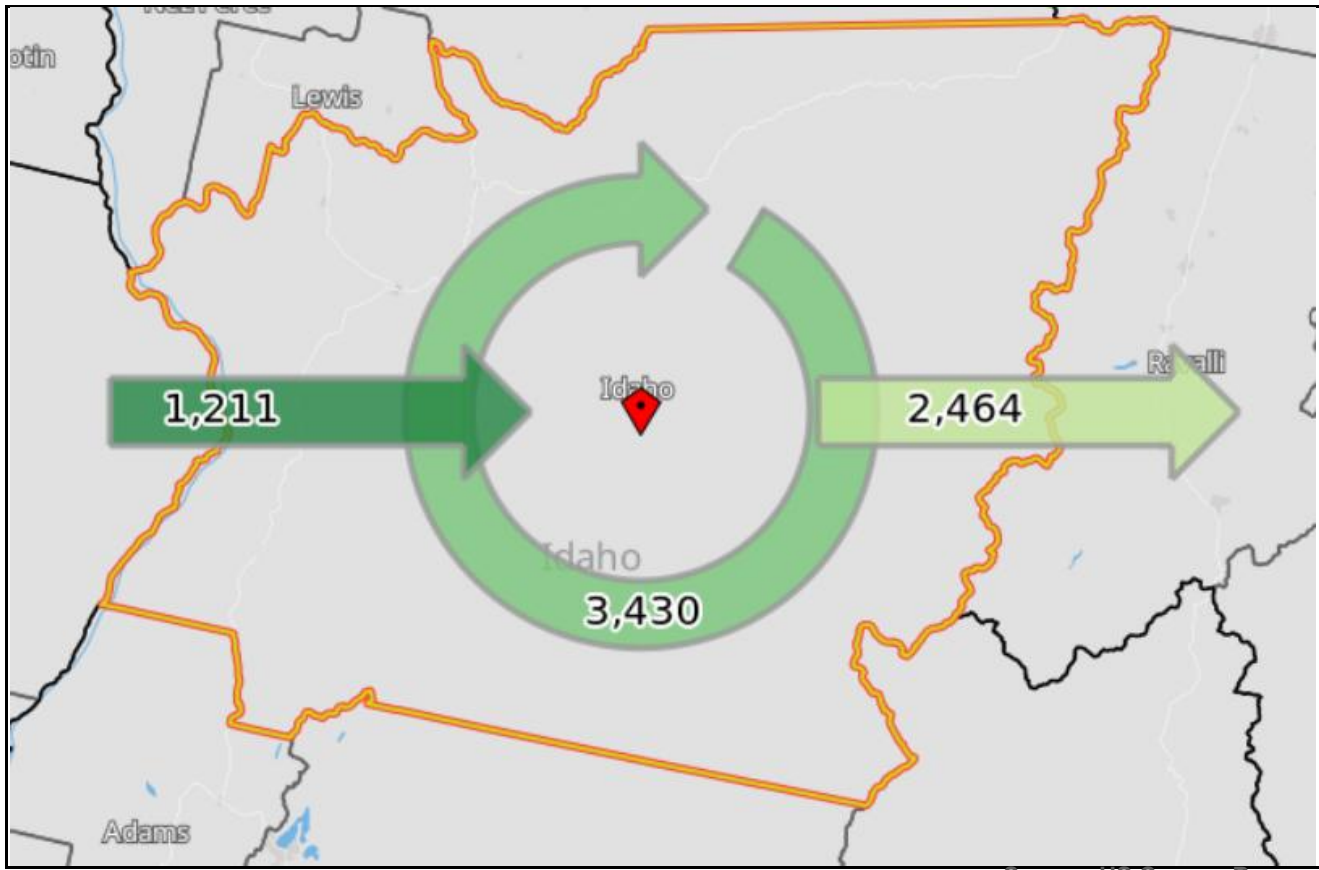
7. Per Capita Income, 2014 to 2024



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2023

It is estimated that 3,430 workers lived and worked in Idaho County in 2023. Another 1,211 workers were employed in Idaho County but lived outside, while 2,464 workers commuted to other counties for work.



Source: US Census Bureau

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

City of Residence	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Grangeville	955	20.6%
Cottonwood	204	4.4%
Lewiston	183	3.9%
Riggins	72	1.6%
Kooskia	58	1.2%
Kamiah	55	1.2%
Moscow	34	0.7%
Orofino	34	0.7%
Nez Perce	29	0.6%
Boise	28	0.6%

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 Idaho County Work, 2023

City of Employment	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Grangeville	1,342	22.8%
Cottonwood	471	8.0%
Kamiah	348	5.9%
Lewiston	303	5.1%
Kooskia	171	2.9%
Boise	167	2.8%
Riggins	142	2.4%
Orofino	96	1.6%
Coeur d'Alene	69	1.2%
Moscow	66	1.1%

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