

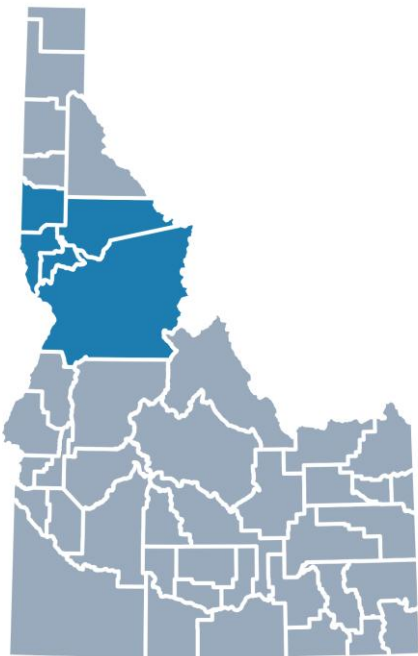


North Central Idaho Labor Force And Economic Profile

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North Central Idaho Economic Overview

Civilian Labor Force (Aug 2026)	53,707
Unemployment Rate (Aug 2026)	3.8%
Population (2025)	115,443
Median Household Income (2024)	\$63,193
Per Capita Personal Income (2024)	\$53,756
Poverty Rate (2024)	14.2%



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

	North Central	Region (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)
Total Population	113,872	100.0%	1,934,262	334,922,499
Race and Ethnicity				
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%
Gender				
Male	58,114	51.0%	50.3%	49.5%
Female	55,758	49.0%	49.7%	50.5%
Age				
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%
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and Over)				
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%
Median Household Income	\$63,193	-	\$77,800	\$80,734

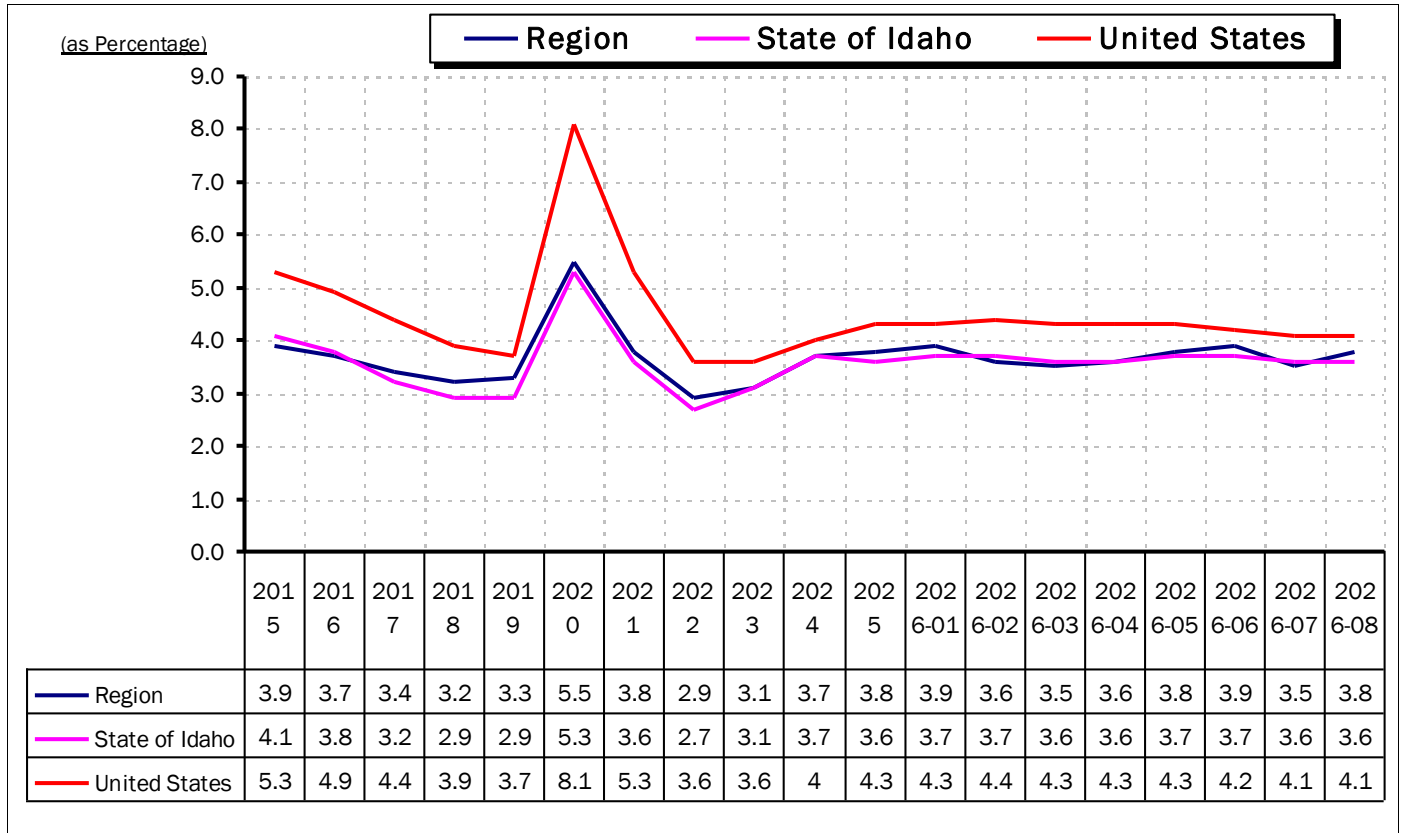
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

2. Labor Force Growth, August 2025 to August 2026

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
August 2026	53,707	51,689	2,018	3.8%
August 2025	54,025	51,915	2,110	3.9%
YoY % Change	-0.6%	-0.4%	-4.4%	-0.1%

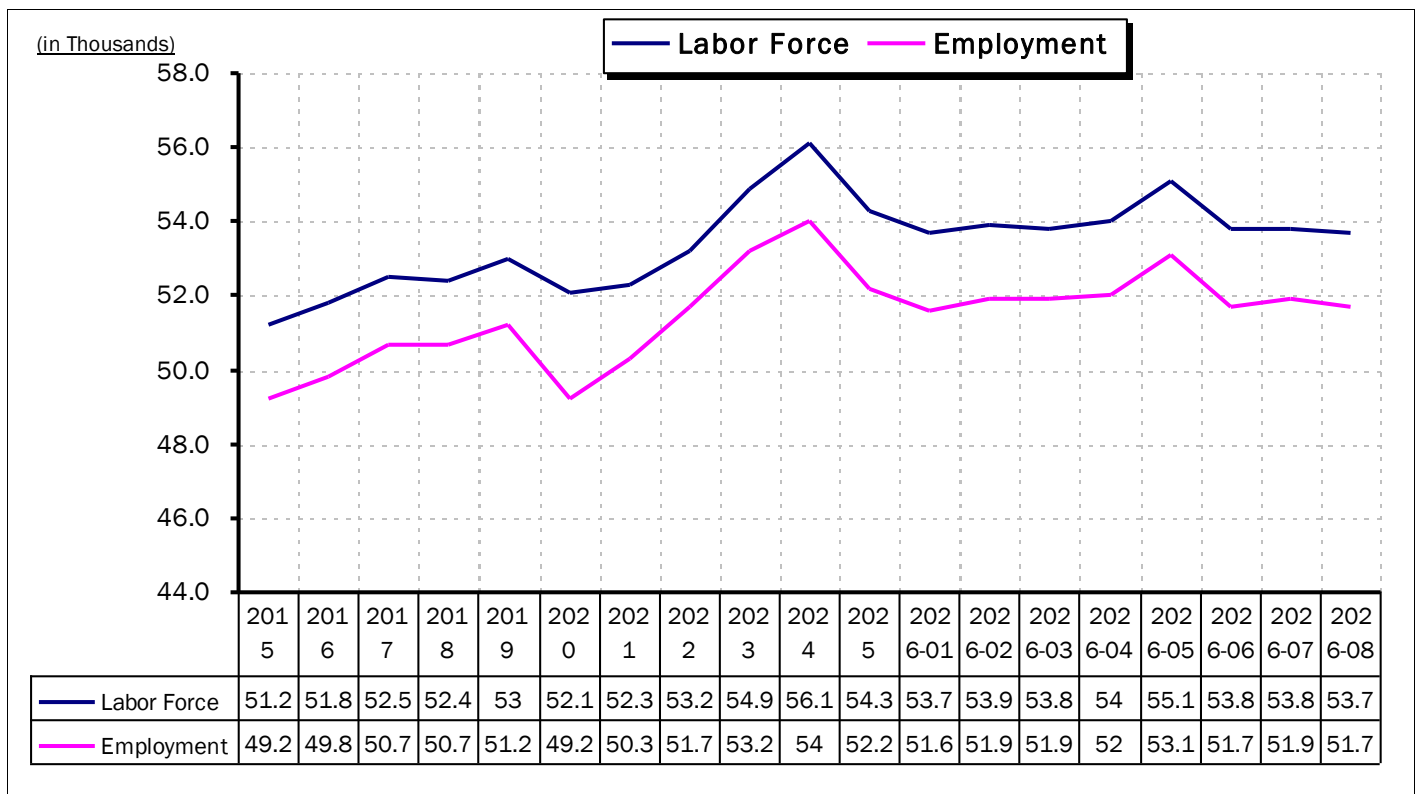
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

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

Industry Sector	2015	2015	2024	2024	2025	2025
	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	42,727	\$36,770	45,490	\$51,468	45,602	\$52,989
Natural Resources and Mining	1,315	\$44,661	1,129	\$62,397	1,137	\$64,216
Construction	1,761	\$36,295	2,594	\$55,746	2,586	\$60,430
Manufacturing	4,892	\$51,867	5,729	\$67,181	5,600	\$69,507
Trade,Transportation, and Utilities	8,016	\$32,786	7,739	\$42,864	7,671	\$44,263
Information	620	\$31,800	610	\$64,633	555	\$54,253
Financial Activities	1,893	\$46,239	1,976	\$72,631	1,971	\$74,587
Professional and Business Services	2,171	\$35,795	2,420	\$60,924	2,528	\$62,662
Education and Health Services	13,028	\$38,036	13,855	\$51,845	14,060	\$53,231
Leisure and Hospitality	4,576	\$14,828	4,830	\$21,472	4,813	\$22,147
Other Services	970	\$23,929	1,085	\$38,037	1,094	\$38,888
Public Administration	3,484	\$46,006	3,519	\$61,335	3,572	\$62,843

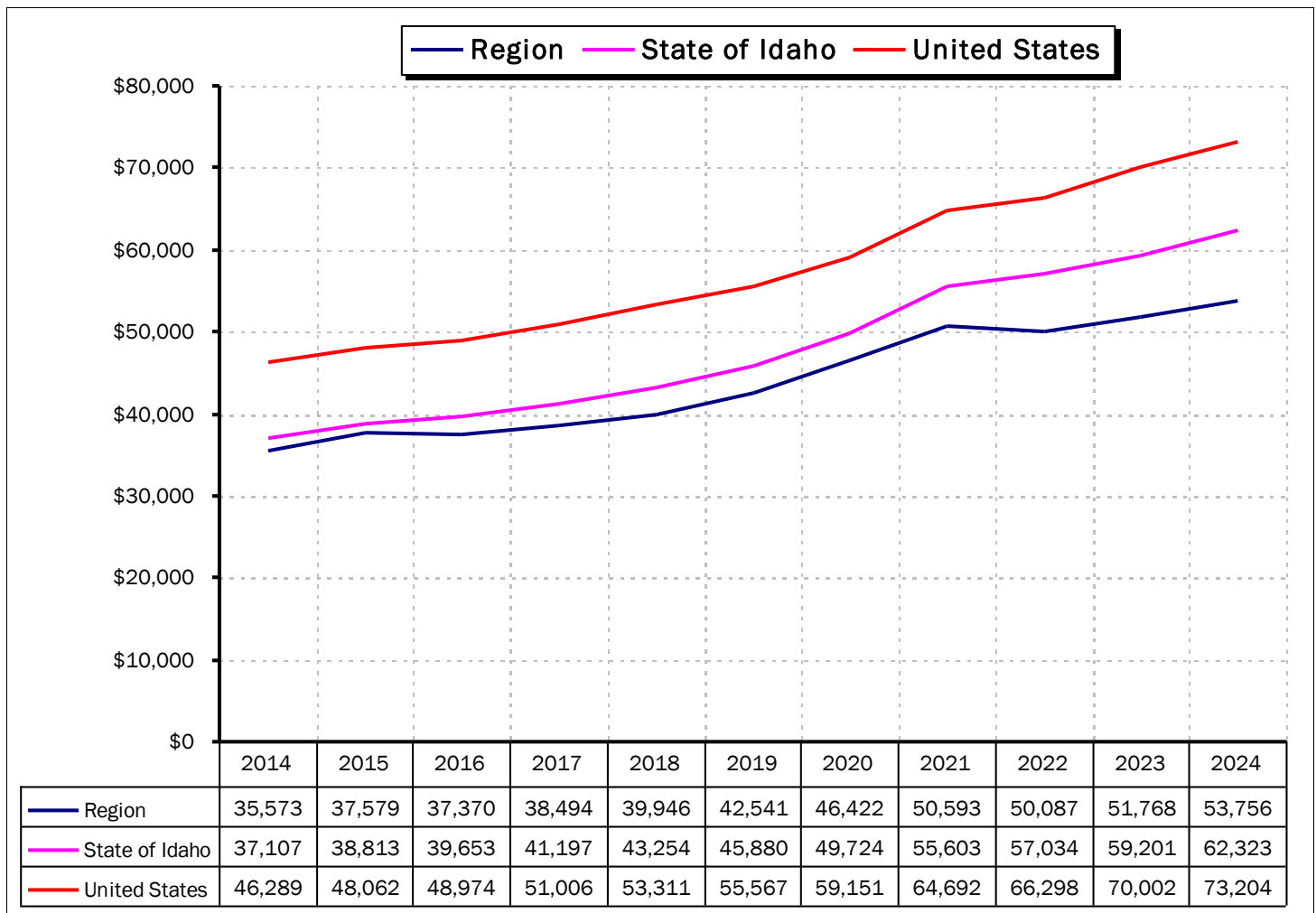
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

6. Top Employers, 2025

Employer	Ownership	Employment Range
University of Idaho	State Government	2,500 - 4,999
Federal Cartridge Co	Private	1,000 - 2,499
Nez Perce Approval Committee	Local Government	1,000 - 2,499
Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories	Private	500 - 999
Lewiston School District	Local Government	500 - 999
Clearwater Paper Corporation	Private	500 - 999
Moscow Hospital Association	Private	500 - 999
Lewis-Clark State	State Government	500 - 999
Moscow School District	Local Government	250 - 499
Idaho Forest Group	Private	250 - 499

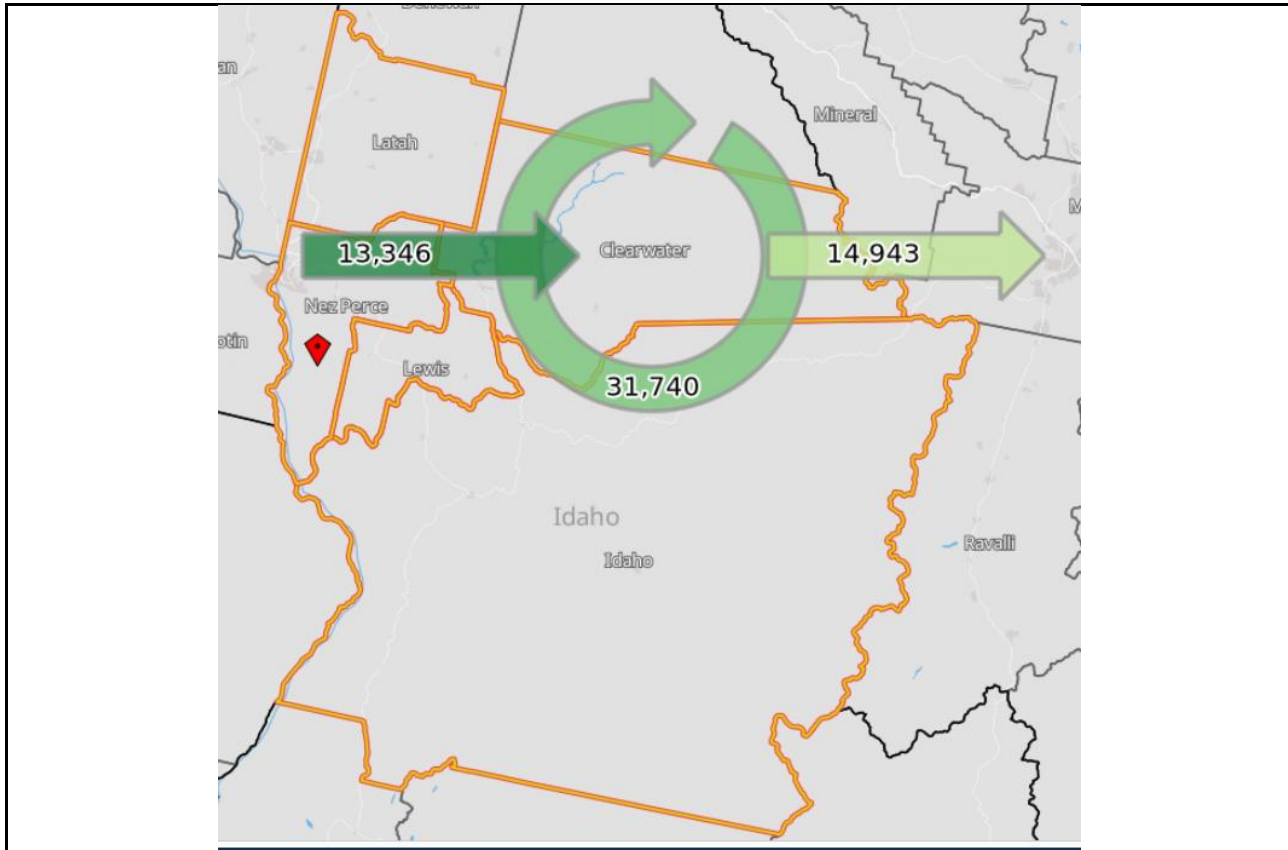
NOTE: Only employers that have given the Department permission to release employment range data are listed.
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

7. Per Capita Income, 2014 to 2024



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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