

# REGION IV

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# JUNE 4, 2020



## TOPICS

- ❑ How is this downturn different than the last?
- ❑ Population Estimates – south central Idaho cities
- ❑ Unemployment Rates – March and April
- ❑ Initial Claims by SC County and Industry

# COVID-19 FACTS & FIGURES

Almost 3,000 cases statewide w-83 deaths

SC region 46% of cases/1,360 w-31 deaths

Ages 18-29 largest share of COVID cases

55% of cases are Female

316 cases among health care workers

# DIFFERENCES FROM THE GREAT RECESSION

Velocity

Industry Mix

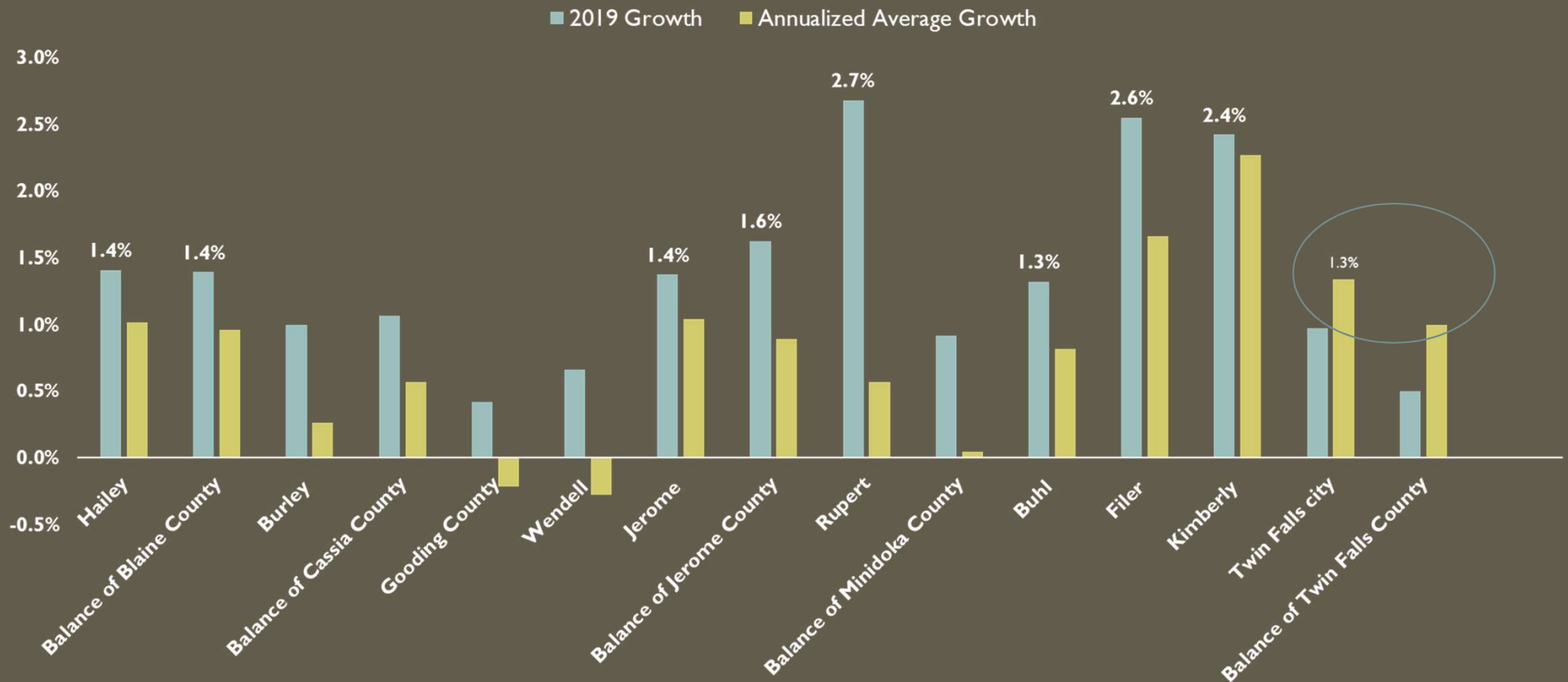
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Idaho Pockets

Global in Scope

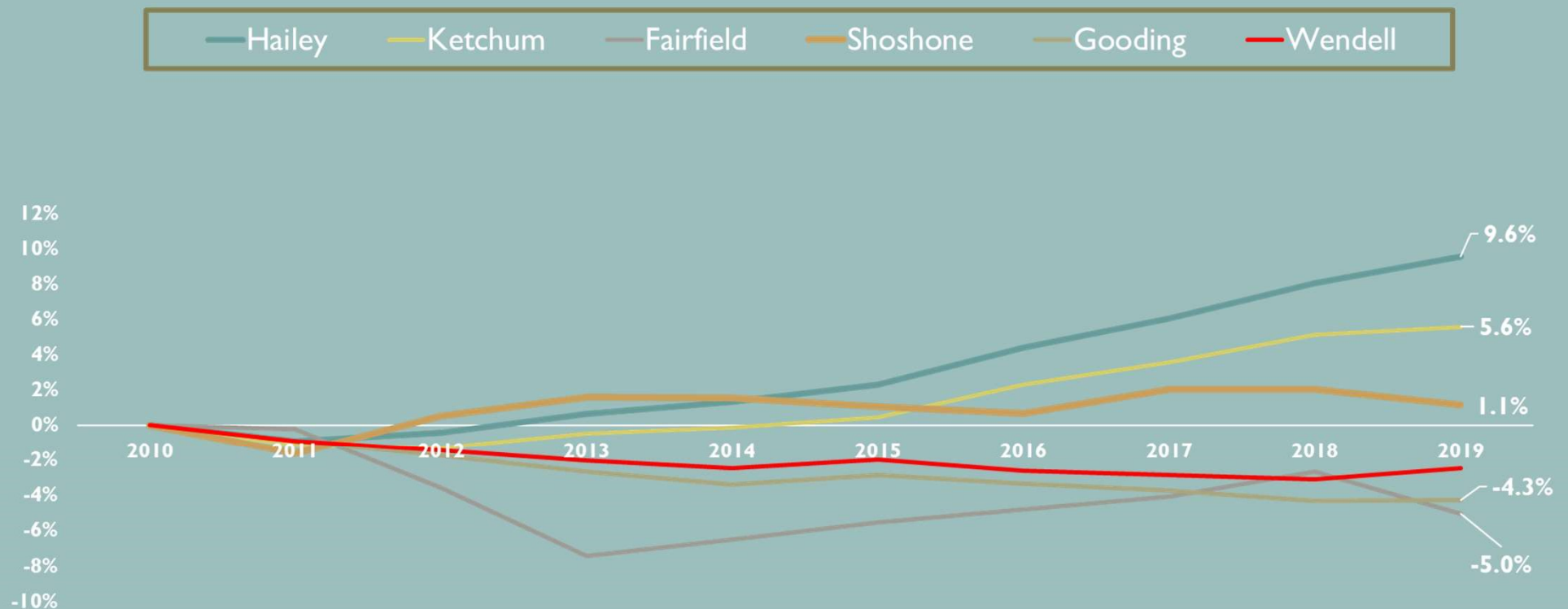
# 2019 POPULATION GROWTH SOUTH CENTRAL CITIES

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# NORTHERN REGION CITIES GROWTH SINCE 2010

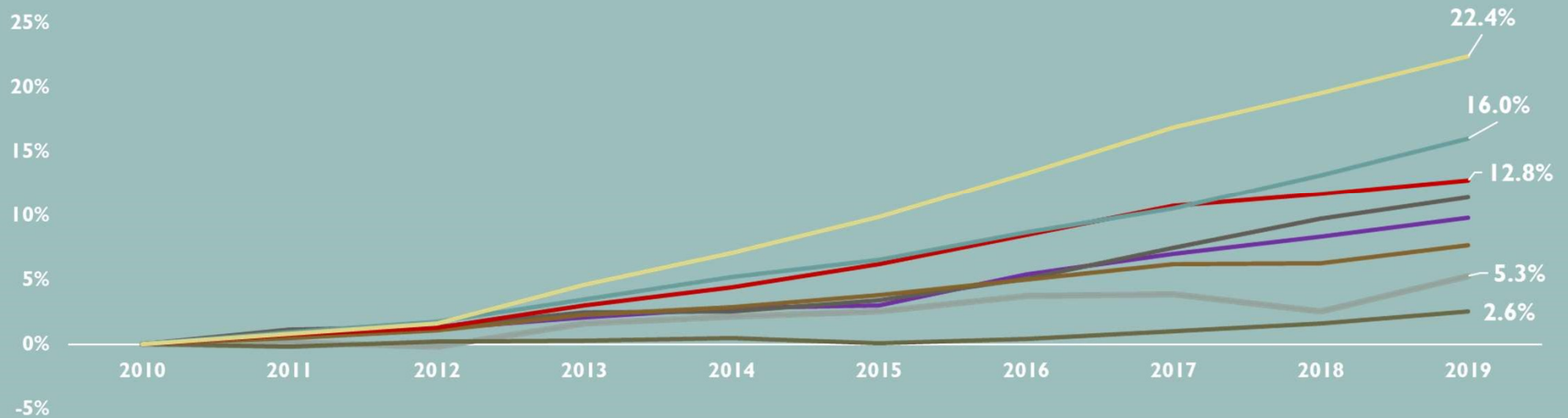
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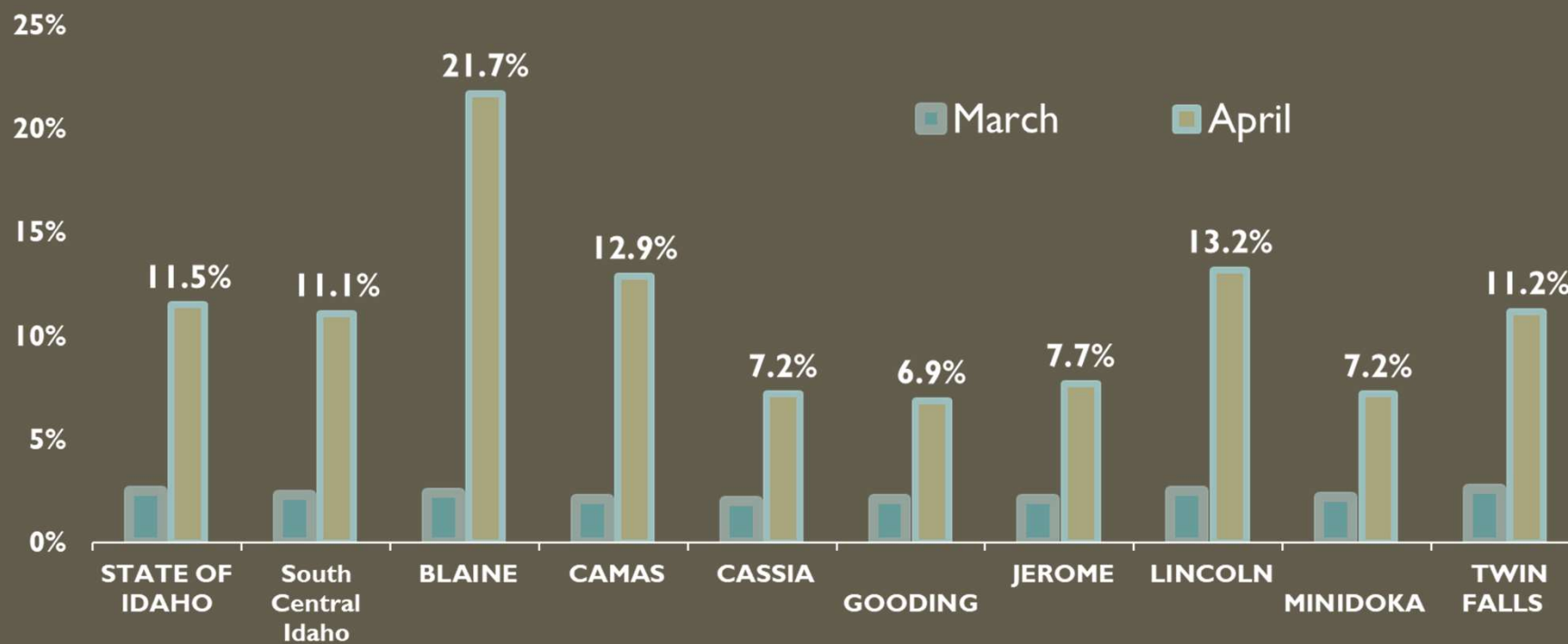
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# UNEMPLOYMENT RATES MARCH & APRIL 2020

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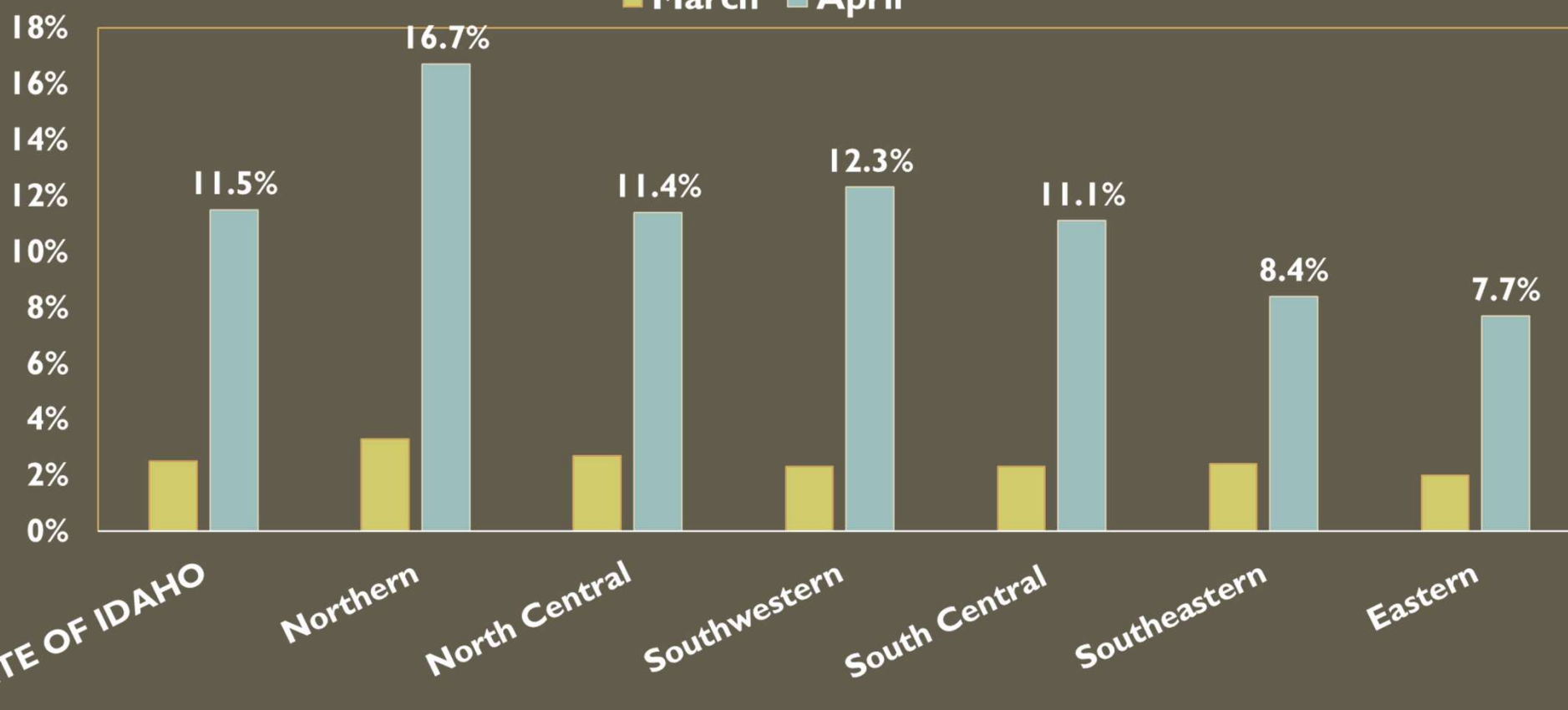




# REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

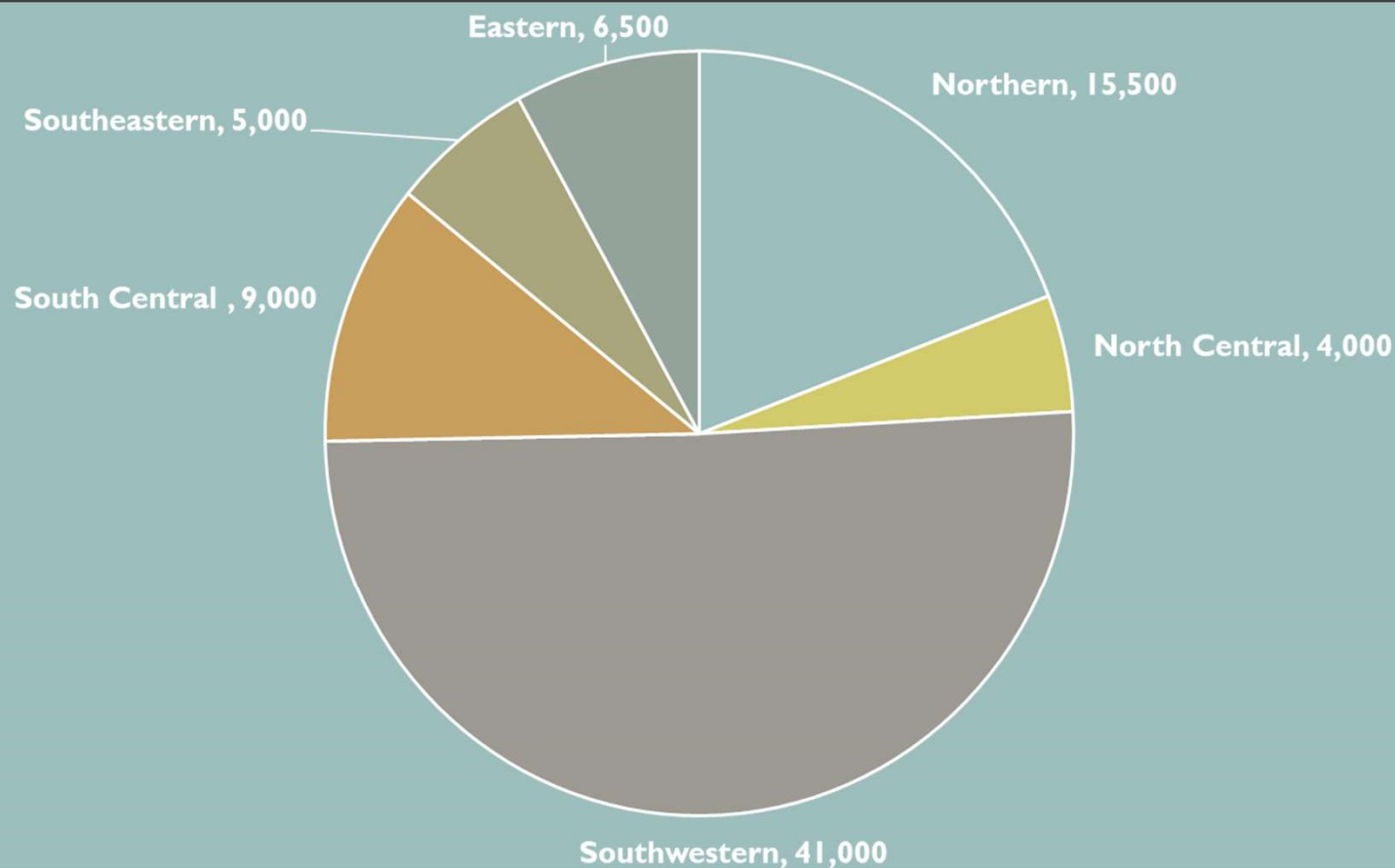
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■ March ■ April



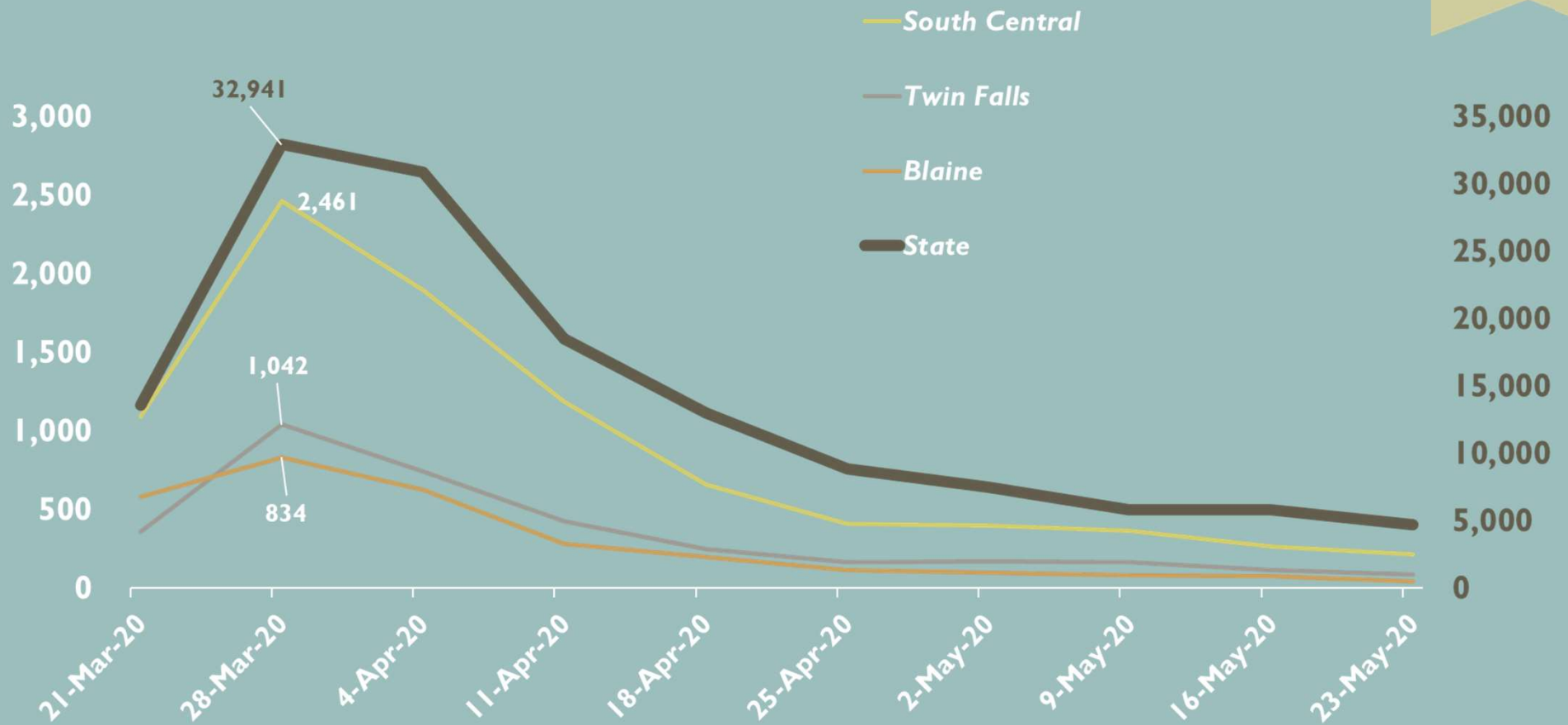
# UNEMPLOYED CHANGE MARCH > APRIL STATE OF IDAHO CHANGE = 81,000

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# INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS BY WEEK

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Source: iUS, Idaho Department of Labor

## INITIAL CLAIMS BY INDUSTRY

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■ Twin Falls ■ Blaine



# RURAL CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Work Remotely - Transportation Needs Lessened

Affordable Housing Pressure Reduced – Commuting lessened

Budgets – interest rates low and disruption to spending habits

Heightened in-migration to less densely populated areas

# UNCERTAINTIES

Participation  
Rate ↓

Consumer  
Buying Habits

Second Wave

Trade

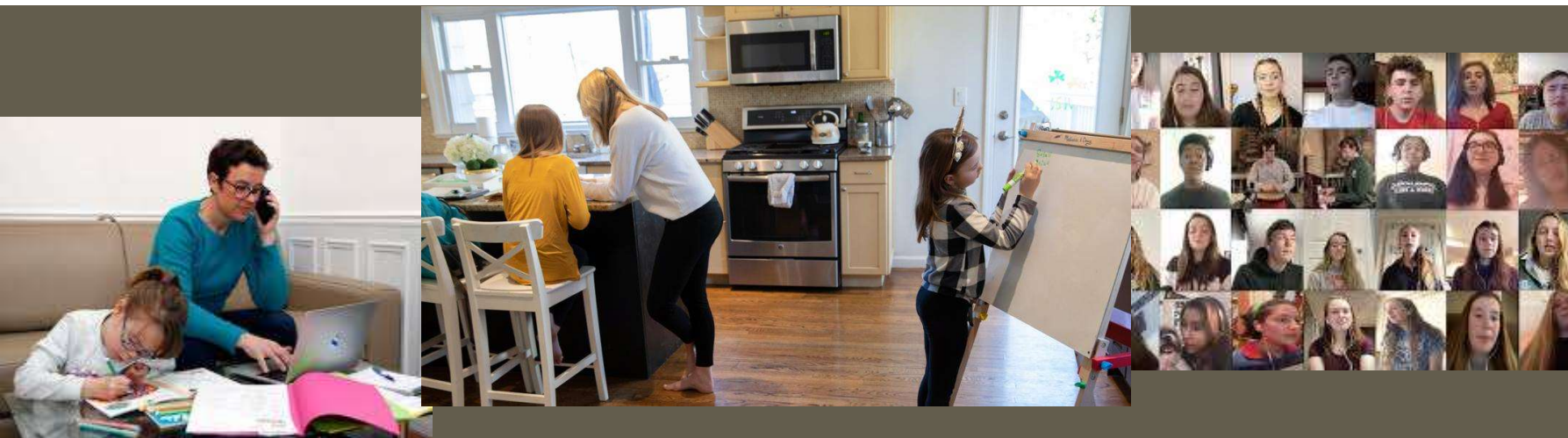
Net Job  
Creation

New Entrants  
Truncated  
Learning

# LABOR MARKET RELEASES

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- 2019 Occupational Employment & Wage Survey, released May 2020 aka the 'Wage Survey' <https://lmi.idaho.gov/oes>
- Initial Claims Tableau dashboard
  - Demographics – age and gender
  - By Industry [source for previous slides]
  - Updated Weekly
  - <https://public.tableau.com/profile/idlabor#!/vizhome/IdahoInitialClaims/Dashboard>



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