

# ***ECONOMY***



*Agriculture in Canyon County*

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# Labor Force and Wages

## Labor Force

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Civilian Labor Force	688,999	703,851	725,216	741,708	754,137
Unemployment	36,372	33,105	28,024	23,440	20,484
Percent Unemployed	5.3%	4.7%	3.9%	3.2%	2.7%
Total Employment	652,627	670,746	697,192	718,268	733,652

Source: *Work Force Trends*, Idaho Department of Commerce & Labor

## Non-Farm Payroll Jobs (2006)

Civilian Labor Force	738,739
Construction	52,130
Manufacturing	66,101
Retail & Wholesale Trade	107,542
Transportation & Warehousing	18,025
Financial Activities	31,846
Professional & Business Services	81,676
Educational & Health Services	70,187
Leisure & Hospitality Services	59,836
Government	116,415
Total	639,541

Source: *Idaho at a Glance*, Idaho Department of Commerce

## Idaho's Ranking in Employment & Labor

	Value	Ranking	
		US	NW*
Average Annual Pay (2006)	\$32,580	45	6
Unemployment Rate (2007)	3.0%	49	7
Labor Force: % Women (2006)	61.5%	21	4
Job Growth (2006-2007)	1.3%	17	5
% Emp: Construction (2007)	7.9%	5	4
% Emp: Manufacturing (2007)	9.6%	28	4
% Emp: Mining (2007)	0.7%	16	4

\*NW Rank: Idaho's rank relative to the state's six neighbors: Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, Oregon and Washington. Values are Ranked from High to Low (Highest = 1)

Source: *Idaho Fiscal Facts 2008*, Legislative Services Office

## Civilian Labor Force by County (2008 Annual Average)

Ada	195,011	Cassia	9,997	Lewis	1,785
Adams	2,117	Clark	524	Lincoln	2,504
Bannock	39,644	Clearwater	3,231	Madison	16,187
Bear Lake	3,181	Custer	2,482	Minidoka	9,345
Benewah	4,054	Elmore	11,285	Nez Perce	18,713
Bingham	21,468	Franklin	6,515	Oneida	2,385
Blaine	14,231	Fremont	6,551	Owyhee	4,698
Boise	3,719	Gem	7,386	Payette	10,507
Bonner	21,469	Gooding	8,607	Power	3,755
Bonneville	50,822	Idaho	7,320	Shoshone	5,952
Boundary	4,151	Jefferson	11,215	Teton	5,239
Butte	1,579	Jerome	10,212	Twin Falls	38,283
Camas	639	Kootenai	71,265	Valley	5,497
Canyon	83,281	Latah	17,296	Washington	5,067
Caribou	3,291	Lemhi	4,039		

Source: Idaho Department of Labor, Research & Analysis and Public Affairs

## Average Hourly Earnings by Industry (2006)

Construction	\$20.02
Manufacturing	\$16.80
Retail Trade	\$12.58
Wholesale Trade	\$18.91
Transportation & Warehousing	\$17.28
Financial Services	\$18.80
Professional & Business Services	\$19.12
Educational & Health Services	\$17.38
Leisure & Hospitality Services	\$9.75
Information	\$23.23

Source: *Idaho At A Glance*, Idaho Department of Commerce

## Per Capita Income (2006)

Ada	\$39,302	Gooding	30,857
Adams	26,612	Idaho	22,292
Bannock	25,436	Jefferson	21,315
Bear Lake	21,648	Jerome	27,249
Benewah	24,394	Kootenai	26,970
Bingham	21,569	Latah	26,458
Blaine	52,245	Lemhi	23,375
Boise	24,856	Lewis	27,922
Bonner	24,844	Lincoln	21,318
Bonneville	29,642	Madison	16,489
Boundary	18,885	Minidoka	20,086
Butte	23,613	Nez Perce	28,504
Camas	26,577	Oneida	19,056
Canyon	20,397	Owyhee	22,089
Caribou	25,257	Payette	24,025
Cassia	25,166	Power	21,154
Clark	24,697	Shoshone	26,050
Clearwater	25,585	Teton	23,918
Custer	23,301	Twin Falls	26,196
Elmore	25,786	Valley	34,126
Franklin	22,472	Washington	22,548
Fremont	21,192		
Gem	22,289		

Source: *Idaho Infrastructure Resources Guide*, Idaho Department of Commerce

<b>Per Capita Income</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>
State of Idaho	\$25,221	\$25,524	\$27,361	\$28,301	\$29,920
United States	\$30,821	\$31,504	\$33,123	\$34,757	\$36,714

Source: *Work Force Trends*, Idaho Department of Commerce & Labor

## Annual Percent Labor Force Unemployed

1997	5.1
1998	5.1
1999	4.9
2000	4.6
2001	4.9
2002	5.4
2003	5.3
2004	4.7
2005	3.9
2006	3.2
2007	2.7

Source: *Work Force Trends*, Idaho Department of Labor

## Median Hourly Wage by Occupation (2007)

Financial managers	\$29.57
General & operations managers	25.63
Computer Programmers	27.22
Computer systems analysts	29.76
Electronics engineers	34.68
Accountants & auditors	20.64
Retail salespersons	9.34
Office clerks, general	10.96
Cashiers	7.86
Executive secretaries & administrative assistants	14.47
Receptionists & information clerks	9.97
Electrical and electronic equipment assemblers	10.89
Assemblers & fabricators	11.49
Electricians	21.95
Helpers, construction trades	13.04
Carpenters	14.39
Welders, cutters, solderers & brazers	14.60
Truck Drivers, heavy & tractor trailer	14.51
Logging equipment operators	18.66
Crushing, grinding & polishing machine setters, operators & tenders	14.85
Janitors & cleaners	9.44
Registered nurses	24.07
Child, family & school social workers	16.47
Medical & clinical lab technicians	14.25
Nursing aides, orderlies & attendants	9.23
Cooks, restaurant	9.44

Source: *Idaho At A Glance*, Idaho Department of Commerce

## Agriculture

	Value	Ranking	
		US	NW*
Number of Farms (2006)	25,000	32	4
Average Acres per Farm (2006)	472	14	5
Farm Income: Crops (2006)	\$1,999,621,000	21	3
Farm Income: Livestock (2006)	\$2,415,981,000	19	1
Farm Income: Gov't Pymts (2006)	\$140,790,000	29	3
Acres Planted (2007)	4,294,000	23	2
Acres Harvested (2007)	4,155,000	22	2

\* NW Rank: Idaho's rank relative to the state's six neighbors: Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, Oregon and Washington.

Source: *Idaho Fiscal Facts 2008*, Legislative Services Office

## Idaho Food and Agriculture Products Exported

Commodity	Dollars (Millions)
Vegetables & Preparations	\$362.4
Wheat & Products	268.4
Dairy Products	146.6
Feeds & Fodders	87.9
Feed Grains & Products	60.7
Live Animals & Meat	28.1
Hides & Skins	27.6
Seeds	14.5
Fruits & Preparations	7.1
Fats, Oils & Greases	4.3
Poultry & Products	0.1
Other	170.9
Total	\$1,178.6

Source: *Idaho Agriculture Facts*, Idaho State Department of Agriculture



*Adams County near Council.*

Photo Courtesy: Julie Walton, inet-success.com

## National Production Ranking of Products (2007)

	US Rank	US %
<b>CROPS</b>		
All Potatoes	1	29
Foodsize Trout	1	73
Austrian Winter Peas	1	51
Barley	2	21
Wrinkled Seed Peas	2	25
Sugarbeets	2	18
Alfalfa Hay	3	7
Hops	3	7
All Mint	3	17
Total Cheese	3	8
Onions (Summer Storage)	4	12
Lentils	4	13
Prunes and Plums (fresh)	4	15
Dry Edible Peas	4	3
Milk Production	4	7
Other Spring Wheat	5	6
Dry Edible Beans	5	6
Milk Cows	5	6
Sweet Cherries	6	1
Wool	8	5
All Hay	9	4
Winter Wheat	9	3
All Sheep & Lambs	9	4
All Wheat	10	4
Peaches	10	1
Honey	10	3
All Cattle & Calves	14	2
Apples	18	1

Source: *Idaho Agriculture Facts*, Idaho State Department of Agriculture

## Cash Receipts Breakdown (2007)

(thousands of dollars)

	Value	% All Commodities
Crops	\$2,412,564	42.5%
Livestock & Livestock Products	3,269,314	57.5%
<b>Total Production Value</b>	<b>\$5,681,878</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: *Idaho Agriculture Facts*, Idaho State Department of Agriculture

## Transportation

	Value	Ranking	
		US	NW*
<b>Transportation</b>			
Per Capita Federal Highway Fund (2008)	\$176	8	3
Percent Federally Funded Road & Street Miles (2005)	23.2%	31	3
Public Road & Street Mileage (2005)	47,129	35	4
Highway Fatalities Per 100 Million Vehicle Miles (2005)	1.85	13	4
Alcohol Related Fatalities as a % of all Highway Fatalities (2005)	32	40	5
Vehicle Registrations (2005)	1,374,056	37	4
Safety Belt Usage Rate (2006)	80%	24	4

\* NW Rank: Idaho's rank relative to the state's six neighbors: Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, Oregon, Washington

Source: *Idaho Fiscal Facts 2008*, Legislative Services Office



*Lumberjack statue in Orofino dedicated to Idaho's timber workers*

Photo Courtesy: Steve Lee



# Revenue and Expenditures

## General Fund Revenue

(Millions)

By Revenue Source	Fiscal Year 1999	Fiscal Year 2009	Annual % Change	Total % Change
Individual Income Tax	\$841.9	\$1,334.7	4.7%	58.5%
Corporate Income Tax	95.4	150.2	4.6%	57.4%
Sales Tax	588.8	1,134.0	6.8%	92.6%
All Other Sources	98.3	147.4	4.1%	49.9%
Revenues*	\$1,624.4	\$2,766.3	5.5%	70.3%

\*Revised August 2008 Revenue Forecast (excludes beginning balances)

Source: *Fiscal Facts 2008*, Idaho Legislative Services Office

## General Fund Appropriations

(Millions)

By Functional Area	Fiscal Year 1999	Fiscal Year 2009	Annual % Change	Total % Change
All Education Agencies	\$1,092.8	\$1,878.8	5.6%	71.9%
Health & Human Services	273.1	619.0	8.5%	126.7%
Public Safety	143.3	272.3	6.6%	90.1%
Natural Resources	30.7	55.9	6.2%	82.0%
Economic Development	11.0	31.3	11.0%	184.5%
General Government	59.9	102.0	5.5%	70.2%
Appropriations	\$1,610.8	\$2,959.3	6.3%	83.7%

Source: *Fiscal Facts 2008*, Legislative Services Office

## All Funds Revenue

### Sources of Revenue

(Millions)

By Fund Source	Fiscal Year 1999	Fiscal Year 2009	Annual %Change	Total %Change
General Fund	\$1,610.8	\$2,959.3	6.3%	83.7%
Dedicated Funds	668.5	1,037.0	4.5%	55.1%
Federal Funds	833.7	1,909.0	8.6%	129.0%
Total Sources	\$3,113.0	\$5,905.3	6.6%	89.7%

Totals may not add due to rounding.

Source: *Fiscal Facts 2008*, Idaho Legislative Services Office

## All Funds Appropriations

(Millions)

By Functional Area	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	Annual	Total
	1999	2009	% Change	% Change
All Education Agencies	\$1,324.1	\$2,356.0	5.9%	77.9%
Health & Human Services	858.1	1,926.2	8.4%	124.5%
Public Safety	192.5	357.5	6.4%	85.7%
Natural Resources	128.6	255.5	7.1%	98.7%
Economic Development	427.3	682.8	4.8%	59.8%
General Government	182.4	327.3	6.0%	79.4%
Total Appropriations	\$3,113.0	\$5,905.3	6.6%	89.7%

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

Source: *Fiscal Facts 2008*, Idaho Legislative Services Office

### GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**Fiscal Year:** The accounting year used by the state, July 1 of a given year through June 30 of the following year.

**Appropriation:** 1. Annual fixed budgets that state officers, departments and institutions may not exceed. 2. That portion of the total state budget allocated by the Legislature to a state agency or program for one fiscal year.

**Classification of funds:**

1. General: The state's primary source of revenue. 46.8% of the General Fund comes from the personal income tax, 40.4% from the sales tax, and 7.8% from the corporate income tax. The remaining 5.1% comes from taxes on alcohol and tobacco and a variety of other taxes and certain licenses and fees not specifically appropriated to any other fund. General tax revenues are used to finance the operations of state government that do not have their own dedicated source of revenue, such as education and prisons.

2. Dedicated/Other: Represents revenue received from a specified source or sources, and disbursed for a specific function or government as required by law. For example, the Department of Fish & Game receives no General Fund money. Instead, the revenue generated by the sale of fishing and hunting licenses and tags is dedicated exclusively to paying for the department's fish and wildlife management and activities.

3. Federal: Identifies moneys from the federal government for specified state administered services.

**Annual Percent Change:** The rate at which the 1999 appropriation would have to change on an annual basis to reach the 2009 appropriation.

**Total Percent Change:** The quantity of the 2009 appropriation minus the 1999 appropriation divided by the 1999 appropriation.

## Tax Burden

Fiscal Year 2004 vs. 2006

Type of Tax	Based on Income		Based on Population		No. of States* With Tax
	% of U.S. Average	Rank	% of U.S. Average	Rank	
Individual Income	108/115	21/18	89/93	31/27	44
Corporate Income	79/95	27/23	65/77	30/30	47
Sales	109/97	18/26	89/78	31/38	47
Motor Vehicles	158/154	5/5	129/125	13/11	51
Property	88/87	31/31	72/70	37/38	51
Overall	97/95	27/34	79/77	43/46	51

\*includes Washington D.C.

Source: *Fiscal Facts 2008*, Idaho Legislative Services

## Resources/Land Use

### Land Use\*

	Acres (Thousands)	Percent
Urban or Built-up Land	214,700	0.4
Agricultural Land	7,788,500	14.6
Range Land	21,985,700	41.1
Forest Land	20,636,600	38.6
Water	525,600	1.0
Wetland	262,100	0.5
Barren Land	2,058,000	3.8
Tundra	11,400	0.0
Perennial Snow or Ice	0	0.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>53,482,600</b>	<b>100.0</b>

\*U.S.G.S. land use/cover classification system. The water category and the rounding and estimating of satellite-based data usually results in slightly higher totals of land use.

Source: *County Profiles of Idaho*, Idaho Department of Commerce

### Land Ownership

	Acres	% of Total
Federal Land	33,412,277	63.1%
BLM	11,836,481	22.3%
USFS	20,458,276	38.6%
Other	1,117,520	2.1%
State Land	2,693,260	5.1%
Endowments	2,458,405	4.6%
Fish & Game	187,769	0.4%
Parks & Recreation	38,407	0.1%
U of I Board of Regents	8,679	0.0%
Private	16,271,679	30.7%
Tribal Land	464,077	0.9%
County Land	96,311	0.2%
Municipal Land	22,972	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>52,960,576</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: *Fiscal Facts 2008*, Idaho Legislative Services

### Percent of Land Ownership

Federal	63.1%
State	5.1%
City and County	0.2%
Private	31.6%

Source: *County Profiles of Idaho*, Idaho Department of Commerce

# Economy and Industry

## Total Housing Units (2004)

### Idaho State - 578,774

Ada	135,717	Gem	6,311
Adams	2,201	Gooding	5,761
Bannock	30,169	Idaho	7,740
Bear Lake	3,519	Jefferson	6,860
Benewah	4,300	Jerome	6,951
Bingham	14,821	Kootenai	52,411
Blaine	13,497	Latah	14,412
Boise	4,699	Lemhi	4,319
Bonner	19,759	Lewis	1,808
Bonneville	33,360	Lincoln	1,720
Boundary	4,255	Madison	9,890
Butte	1,287	Minidoka	7,552
Camas	679	Nez Perce	16,538
Canyon	57,874	Oneida	1,832
Caribou	3,243	Owyhee	4,633
Cassia	8,015	Payette	8,443
Clark	536	Power	2,936
Clearwater	4,258	Shoshone	7,035
Custer	3,022	Teton	3,460
Elmore	11,119	Twin Falls	27,405
Franklin	4,148	Valley	8,777
Fremont	7,303	Washington	4,199

Source: *Idaho Facts*, Idaho Department of Labor

## Average Single-Family Housing Cost (2006)

Community (County)	Median \$Value	Mean \$Value
Blackfoot (Bingham)	100,104	111,538
Boise (Ada)	212,825	245,640
Burley (Cassia)	87,525	103,322
Coeur d'Alene (Kootenai)	211,120	268,046
Idaho Falls (Bonneville)	128,775	149,320
Ketchum/Sun Valley (Blaine)	517,210	812,124
Lewiston (Nez Perce)	132,773	145,297
Moscow (Latah)	164,850	175,209
Mountain Home (Elmore)	133,355	139,389
Nampa/Caldwell (Canyon)	148,712	167,194
Pocatello (Bannock)	110,483	129,288
Rexburg (Madison)	141,060	153,191
Sandpoint (Bonner)	235,000	308,286
Twin Falls (Twin Falls)	128,650	143,012

Source: *Idaho At A Glance*, Idaho Department of Commerce

## Idaho Exports (2006)

(US Dollars Millions)	Export Totals	% of Total
	<b>\$3,720.9</b>	
High-Tech	2,711.4	72.8
Food & Agriculture	406.3	10.9
Wood & Building Materials	167.5	4.5
Other	134.3	3.6
Transportation Equipment	110.3	2.9
Raw Materials	79.9	2.1
Fertilizers	65.9	1.8

Source: Idaho Department of Labor

## Cost of Living

Based on average housing costs, utilities, health care, transportation, groceries, and other services, Idaho's cost of living is the lowest of the eleven western states. Boise's cost of living is 96 percent of the national average, Idaho Falls' is 92 percent, Pocatello is 92 percent, and Twin Falls' is 93 percent. The list below provides a comparison of the relative cost of living in the western united states averaged over 4 consecutive quarters based on the participating cities within those states.

<b>Index</b>	
Idaho	94.8
Utah	98.3
National	100.0
New Mexico	101.7
Montana	101.7
Wyoming	101.9
Colorado	102.1
Washington	104.0
Arizona	105.2
Nevada	108.1
Oregon	110.4
California	135.9

Source: *Idaho At A Glance*, Idaho Department of Commerce & Labor  
ACCRA Cost of Living Index 3rd Quarter 2006 through 4th quarter 2007.



*Farmers Market in downtown Boise*

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