



Teton County

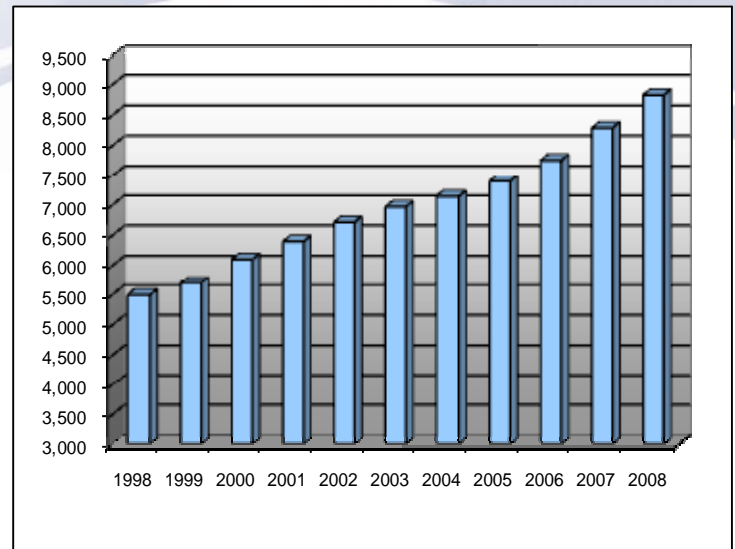
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Population

Teton County, bordering Wyoming, has experienced one of the largest percentage population growths in the state – 61 percent from 5,496 in 1998 to 8,833 in 2008 to rank 30th.

The county has been a desirable location to many people who own second homes near the popular tourist locations of Jackson Hole and Grand Targhee Ski Resort in Wyoming. Many employers and employees of Wyoming businesses commute from Teton County. With natural, pristine landscapes and explosive residential construction, increases in population are expected to continue.

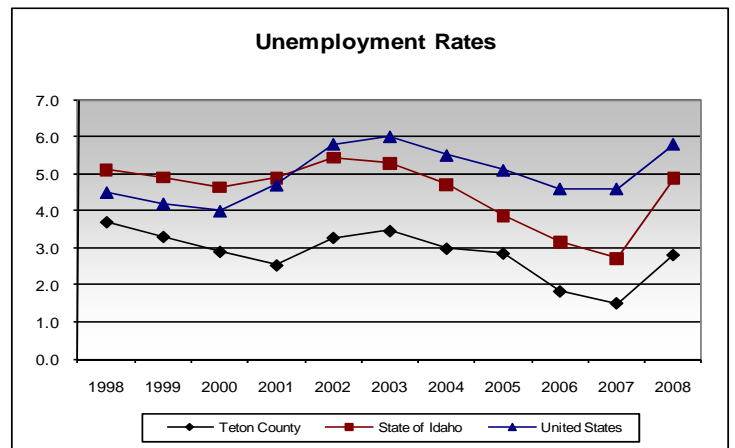
Work Force Trends



Labor Force & Employment

Teton County has had one of the lowest unemployment rates in the state, dipping to its lowest rate of the decade in 2007 at 1.5 percent. The rate has been significantly lower than both the state and national rates since 1998. Much of the county's employment is seasonal and depends on tourism, but officials are working toward more year-round employment. The 2001 recession affected the county in 2002 and 2003, and the current national recession has had an impact in 2008. But the county still has one of Idaho's lowest unemployment rates.

The county has five main industries – trade, leisure and hospitality, construction, professional and business services and government. State and local government jobs along with hospital and school employment make government the top employer. Trade and leisure and hospitality are high because of the local and national tourism market. With



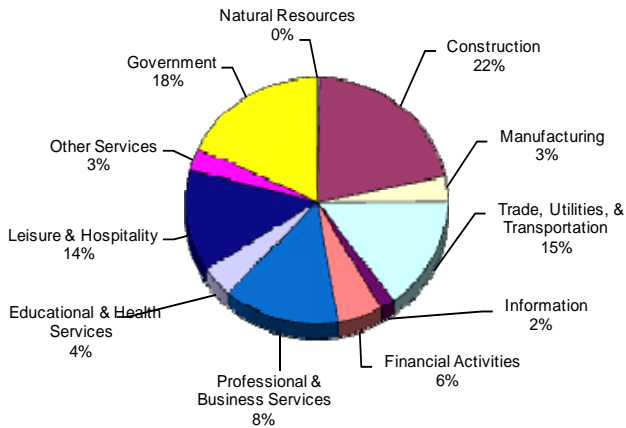
population growing so rapidly, residential and commercial construction has been heavy when weather permits but had slowed with the onset of the recession and is just starting to rebound. Many people commute from neighboring counties in Idaho for construction jobs in the area.

The pure tranquility and breathtaking beauty of the county encourages growth with little or no marketing. Infrastructure and utilities are trying to keep pace with the influx of people.

| Labor Force | Oct 2008 | Oct 2009 |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Civilian Labor Force | 4,269 | 4,115 |
| Total Employment | 4,064 | 3,726 |
| Unemployed | 204 | 389 |
| % of Labor Force Unemployed | 4.8 | 9.5 |
| State of Idaho % Unemployed | 5.6 | 8.9 |
| U.S. % Unemployed | 6.6 | 10.2 |

| Labor Force | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Civilian Labor Force | 2,926 | 3,094 | 3,664 | 3,837 | 4,016 | 4,167 | 4,235 | 4,480 | 4,702 | 4,911 | 5,233 |
| Unemployment | 107 | 103 | 106 | 97 | 132 | 144 | 126 | 128 | 86 | 74 | 147 |
| % of Labor Force Unemployed | 3.7 | 3.3 | 2.9 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 3.5 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 2.8 |
| Employment | 2,819 | 2,991 | 3,558 | 3,740 | 3,885 | 4,023 | 4,109 | 4,352 | 4,616 | 4,837 | 5,086 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs for 2008



| Major Employers |
|-----------------------------------|
| Broulim's Supermarket |
| MD Landscaping Inc. |
| Owen PC Construction |
| Teton County |
| Teton County School District #401 |
| Teton Valley Hospital |

| Eastern ID Occupational Wages* | Average Wage |
|--|--------------|
| Agricultural Workers | \$8.59 |
| Assemblers & Fabricators | \$13.36 |
| Cashiers | \$8.17 |
| Computer Support Specialists | \$18.65 |
| Customer Service Reps | \$10.77 |
| Farmworkers, Farm & Ranch | \$7.64 |
| Food & Beverage Serving Workers | \$7.33 |
| Licensed Practical & Vocational Nurses | \$16.22 |
| Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants | \$10.05 |
| Retail Sales Workers | \$10.31 |
| Secretaries & Administrative Assistants | \$13.63 |
| Woodworkers | \$12.08 |

Covered Employment & Wages

Because so many Teton County residents commute to comparatively higher-paying jobs in Wyoming, the covered employment and wages for the county are essentially depressed because the data are gathered at the place of work, not residence. Covered employment in Teton County was up 2,204 jobs from 1998 to 2008 while average wages increased \$13,224. Information, financial services and construction showed the largest wage increases while construction added the most jobs.

Covered employment includes employers who are subject to state and federal unemployment insurance laws. These laws apply to approximately 92 percent of Idaho's employers.

* Wages include 12 counties of eastern Idaho. Additional occupational wage data can be found on the Idaho Department of Labor Web site at lmi.idaho.gov.

| Covered Employment & Average Annual Wages Per Job for 1998, 2007 & 2008 | 1998 | | 2007 | | 2008 | |
|---|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|
| | Average Employment | Average Wages | Average Employment | Average Wages | Average Employment | Average Wages |
| Total Covered Wages | 1,336 | \$18,081 | 3,475 | \$29,746 | 3,403 | \$30,684 |
| Agriculture | 84 | \$15,683 | 112 | \$21,118 | 103 | \$22,330 |
| Mining | 0 | \$0 | * | * | * | * |
| Construction | 126 | \$19,111 | 718 | \$34,861 | 726 | \$35,838 |
| Manufacturing | 18 | \$18,570 | 148 | \$25,953 | 103 | \$27,739 |
| Trade, Utilities, & Transportation | 301 | \$18,665 | 513 | \$25,882 | 504 | \$26,231 |
| Information | 33 | \$20,014 | 57 | \$37,171 | 62 | \$39,784 |
| Financial Activities | 41 | \$19,826 | 169 | \$37,063 | 177 | \$30,447 |
| Professional and Business Services | 66 | \$18,704 | 506 | \$37,657 | 482 | \$39,330 |
| Educational and Health Services | 52 | \$20,330 | 130 | \$21,289 | 139 | \$20,257 |
| Leisure and Hospitality | 193 | \$9,814 | 483 | \$19,450 | 445 | \$18,331 |
| Other Services | 28 | \$21,368 | 64 | \$29,283 | 76 | \$29,930 |
| Government | 394 | \$20,864 | 569 | \$30,327 | 581 | \$34,120 |

| Per Capita Income | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Teton County | \$16,882 | \$18,099 | \$18,634 | \$20,124 | \$20,337 | \$20,456 | \$23,131 | \$24,256 | \$26,039 | \$29,112 |
| State of Idaho | \$21,789 | \$22,786 | \$24,077 | \$25,024 | \$25,234 | \$25,543 | \$27,389 | \$28,681 | \$30,374 | \$31,804 |
| United States | \$26,883 | \$27,939 | \$29,843 | \$30,574 | \$30,838 | \$31,530 | \$33,157 | \$34,690 | \$36,794 | \$38,615 |

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