



# Teton County

September 2017

## Workforce Trends

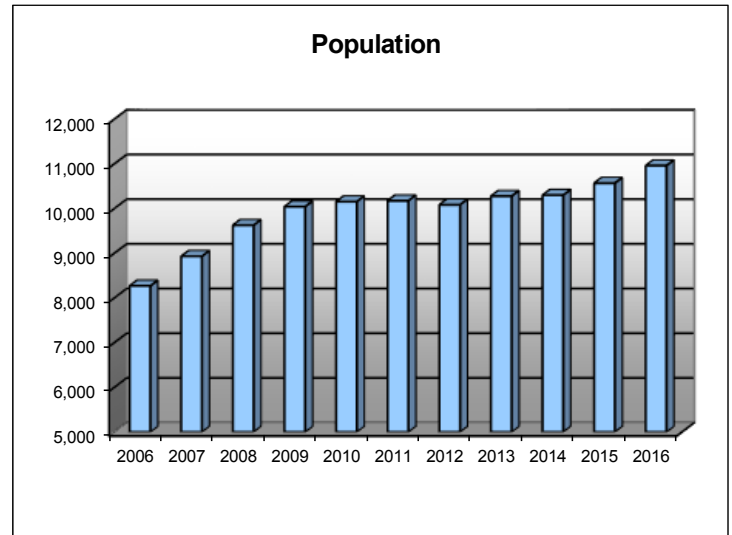
### Population

Between 2006 and 2016 Teton County has grown faster than any other county in the state. The population was up 35.5 percent from 8,270 to 10,960.

The county has attracted many second homeowners near the popular Wyoming tourist locations of Jackson Hole and Grand Targhee Ski Resort. Many employers and employees of Wyoming businesses commute from Teton County. With natural, pristine landscapes and close access to Jackson, Wyo., increases in population are expected to continue.

Victor and Driggs are the major cities in the county with a 2016 population of 2,055 and 1,736, respectively.

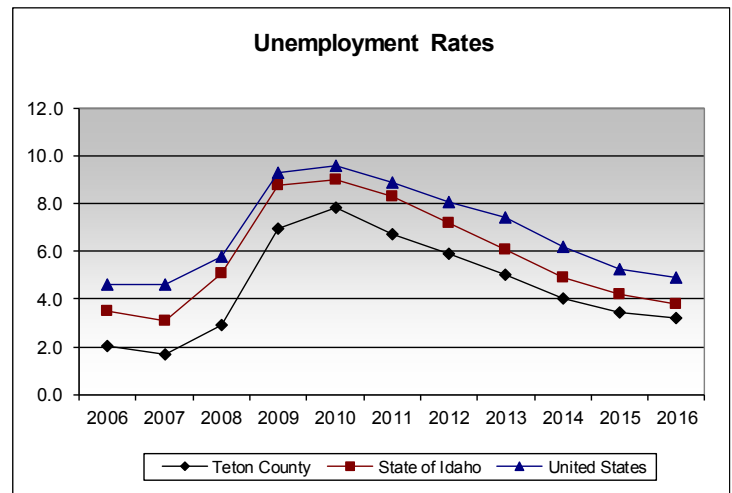
Declines in construction slowed growth in recent years. County residents are accustomed to harsh and long winters where they can be cut off for days from surrounding areas due to road closures.



### Labor Force & Employment

Teton County has had one of the lowest unemployment rates in the state, dipping to 1.7 percent in 2007. The rate has been significantly below 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 had a marginal effect compared to the recent national recession, which has impacted the county to a much greater degree. But the county still has one of Idaho's lowest unemployment rates. The annual unemployment rate in 2016 was 3.2 percent.

The five main industries are leisure and hospitality, trade, government, professional and business services and construction. State and local government jobs along with hospital and school employment make government the top employer. Trade, leisure and hospitality depend



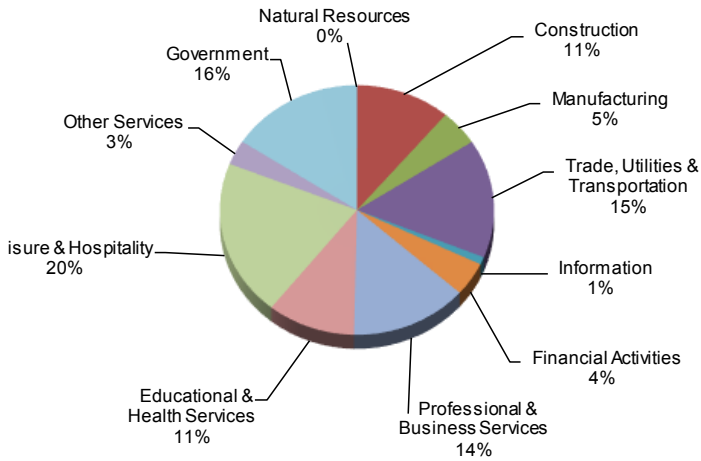
on the local and national tourism market. With population growing so rapidly, residential and commercial construction had been heavy when weather permitted, but both have slowed with the onset of the recession. Many people commute from neighboring counties in Idaho for construction jobs in the area.

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

Labor Force	Aug 16	Aug 17
Civilian Labor Force	6,023	4,922
Total Employment	5,835	4,659
Unemployed	188	134
% of Labor Force Unemployed	3.1	2.2
State of Idaho % Unemployed	3.8	2.9
U.S. % Unemployed	4.9	4.4

Labor Force	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Civilian Labor Force	4,736	5,069	5,304	5,287	5,446	5,325	5,311	5,457	5,628	5,836	5,996
Unemployment	96	86	155	367	428	359	313	274	226	203	193
% of Labor Force Unemployed	2.0	1.7	2.9	6.9	7.9	6.7	5.9	5.0	4.0	3.5	3.2
Employment	4,641	4,983	5,149	4,920	5,018	4,966	4,998	5,183	5,403	5,633	5,803

## Nonfarm Payroll Jobs for 2016



## 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 since job and wage data are gathered at the place of work, not residence. Covered employment in Teton County grew by 102 jobs between 2014 and 2015, up 3.6 percent. Professional and business services reported the largest job growth between 2014 and 2015.

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

## Major Employers

Broulim's Supermarket
MD Landscaping Inc
Owen PC Construction
Teton County
Teton County School District #401
Teton Valley Hospital

Eastern Idaho Occupational Wages*	Entry Wages	Median Wages
Agricultural Workers	\$8.30	\$9.54
Assemblers & Fabricators	\$9.89	\$11.66
Cashiers	\$8.32	\$9.29
Computer Support Specialists	\$8.86	\$16.97
Customer Service Reps	\$9.00	\$12.18
Farming Occupations	\$8.27	\$8.99
Food & Beverage Serving Workers	\$8.29	\$8.77
Licensed Practical & Vocational Nurses	\$14.39	\$17.66
Nursing Aides, Orderlies & Attendants	\$8.72	\$10.69
Retail Sales Workers	\$8.34	\$10.73
Secretaries & Administrative Assistants	\$9.72	\$13.72
Woodworkers	\$10.98	\$14.53

\* Additional occupational wage data can be found on the Idaho Department of Labor website at [lmi.idaho.gov](http://lmi.idaho.gov).

Covered Employment & Average Annual Wages Per Job for 2006, 2015 & 2016	2006		2015		2016	
	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	2,826	\$26,803	2,958	\$31,890	3,049	\$32,842
Agriculture	121	\$17,622	130	\$22,385	126	\$23,967
Mining	*	*	0	\$0	*	*
Construction	617	\$29,559	302	\$40,919	312	\$42,304
Manufacturing	129	\$26,238	124	\$26,757	130	\$28,908
Trade, Utilities & Transportation	477	\$23,671	447	\$27,799	447	\$27,393
Information	51	\$35,493	37	\$49,318	30	\$44,900
Financial Activities	140	\$36,578	122	\$35,323	129	\$36,625
Professional and Business Services	290	\$36,456	393	\$41,955	396	\$45,166
Educational and Health Services	132	\$21,461	300	\$35,281	309	\$38,182
Leisure and Hospitality	299	\$15,003	564	\$19,899	605	\$19,988
Other Services	72	\$27,248	92	\$30,725	96	\$31,695
Government	495	\$27,956	446	\$35,931	470	\$36,330

Per Capita Income	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Teton County	\$30,998	\$33,411	\$29,856	\$25,484	\$23,649	\$25,297	\$27,675	\$26,677	\$29,609	\$31,023
State of Idaho	\$31,357	\$32,580	\$33,031	\$31,436	\$31,727	\$33,296	\$34,691	\$35,703	\$37,153	\$38,392
United States	\$38,144	\$39,821	\$41,082	\$39,376	\$40,277	\$42,453	\$44,267	\$44,462	\$46,414	\$48,112

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