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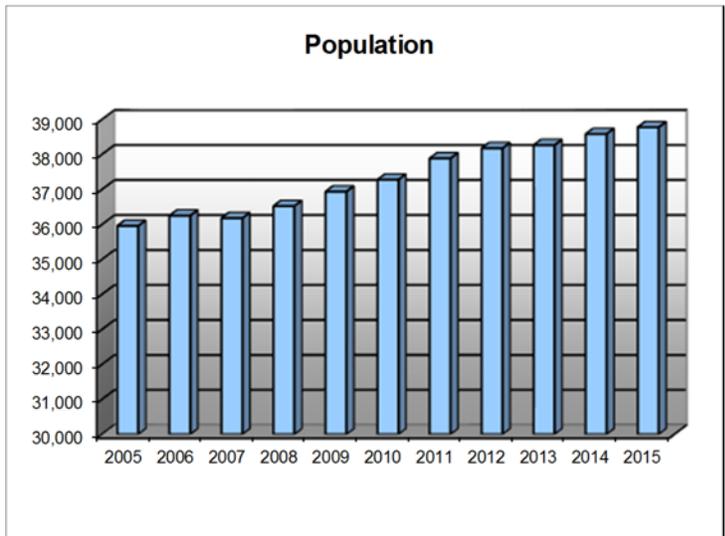
Workforce Trends

Population

Latah County's population grew 7.8 percent from 35,958 in 2005 to 38,778 in 2015, while the U.S. population grew 8.8 percent Idaho's grew 15.9 percent.

Because of students at the University of Idaho, a 26 percent of the county's population is 20 to 29 years old while 14 percent of the U.S. population is. Applications for driver's licenses show 8 percent of people who move to the county come from foreign countries.

Moscow, the county seat, had a population of 25,060 in 2015. The populations of other cities were 955 in Genesee, 880 in Troy, 805 in Potlatch, 578 in Juliettea, 508 in Deary, 298 in Kendrick, 253 in Bovill and 189 in Onaway.

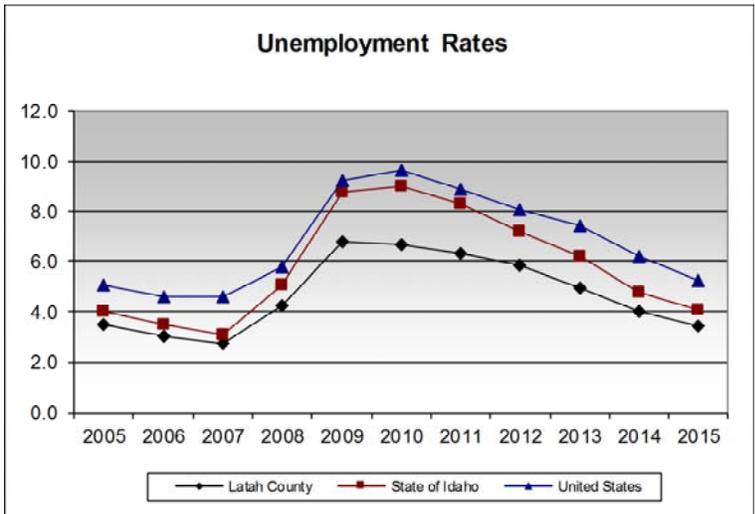


Labor Force & Employment

The University of Idaho in Moscow provides a fourth of the county's jobs.

Manufacturing, retail stores, construction and health services were the source of many new jobs in the three years prior to the recession. Construction fell sharply from the peaks it reached in 2007 and has remained low. Retail jobs also declined. About 220 jobs were regained when the Moscow Walmart reopened in 2012. Retail stores and services benefited from enrollment growth at both the University of Idaho and Washington State University eight miles away with an enrollment above 21,000. Many county residents work at fast-growing Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories in Pullman.

Manufacturing jobs, especially at lumber mills, fell sharply after the recession began in 2007. Most of those

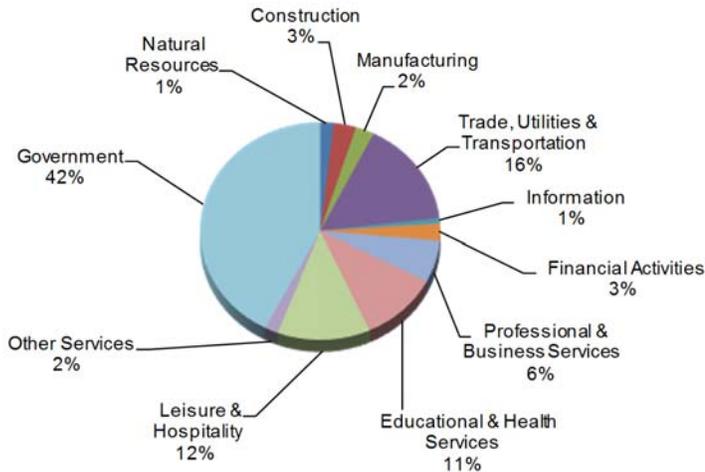


Labor Force	Oct 15	Oct 16
Civilian Labor Force	19,530	20,069
Total Employment	18,902	19,484
Unemployed	629	585
% of Labor Force Unemployed	3.2	2.9
State of Idaho % Unemployed	4.0	3.8
U.S. % Unemployed	5.0	4.9

jobs have returned. Manufacturing and professional services are expected to grow in the next few years. Growing emphasis by the university on transferring technology developed in its laboratories to commercial applications should bolster employment.

Labor Force	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Civilian Labor Force	17,947	17,599	17,003	17,181	17,794	19,280	19,244	19,626	19,446	19,335	19,480
Unemployment	633	535	469	727	1,211	1,280	1,212	1,146	961	781	676
% of Labor Force Unemployed	3.5	3.0	2.8	4.2	6.8	6.6	6.3	5.8	4.9	4.0	3.5
Employment	17,314	17,063	16,534	16,453	16,583	18,000	18,032	18,481	18,485	18,554	18,805

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs for 2015



Economic Development

The number of private-owned business has declined in the last 10 years from 990 in 2005 to 947 in 2015. The decreased result in a loss of 311 jobs. The largest decline in employers were in trade, utilities & transportation (-39) and construction (26). The number of employee Latah County added new businesses at a fair pace during the last 10 years.

The Latah Economic Development Council created the Alturas Technology Park with the University of Idaho and the city of Moscow to foster technology based businesses interested in locating near the university.

Major Employers
Bennett Lumber Products
City of Moscow
Economic Modeling Specialists Int'l (EMSI)
Good Samaritan Society (nursing home)
Gritman Medical Center
Latah County
Moscow School District 281
Northwest River Supplies
Winco Foods
University Inn - Best Western
University of Idaho
U.S. Forest Service

Occupational Wages*	Starting Pay
Accountants	\$18.40
Bookkeepers	\$10.90
Carpenters, Journey-Level	\$15.70
Cashiers	\$8.00
Child Care Workers	\$7.80
Computer Techs	\$15.80
Dental & Health Care Assistants	\$12.50
Janitors	\$9.00
Nurses, Registered	\$26.80
Salespersons, Retail	\$8.10
Secretaries	\$11.20
Teachers	\$23.40
Truck Drivers, Heavy	\$13.70

* Additional occupational wage data can be found on the Idaho Department of Labor website at lmi.idaho.gov.

Covered Employment & Average Annual Wages Per Job for 2005, 2014 & 2015	2005		2014		2015	
	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	13,905	\$26,263	13,174	\$32,988	13,418	\$34,336
Agriculture	409	\$38,853	357	\$47,055	415	\$44,240
Mining	17	\$30,142	14	\$52,519	14	\$59,604
Construction	579	\$27,749	387	\$30,936	412	\$31,939
Manufacturing	435	\$37,007	357	\$43,867	355	\$43,093
Trade, Utilities, & Transportation	2,406	\$20,475	2,283	\$25,142	2,325	\$27,834
Information	204	\$24,309	128	\$34,954	109	\$33,198
Financial Activities	483	\$27,020	364	\$34,068	361	\$34,854
Professional and Business Services	671	\$29,873	851	\$36,541	890	\$35,855
Educational and Health Services	1,519	\$23,383	1,560	\$31,167	1,567	\$32,668
Leisure and Hospitality	1,789	\$8,723	1,727	\$12,372	1,824	\$13,118
Other Services	328	\$19,352	254	\$26,487	256	\$28,690
Government	5,066	\$33,924	4,892	\$42,381	4,890	\$44,540

Per Capita Income	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Latah County	\$27,548	\$28,638	\$29,971	\$30,656	\$30,285	\$31,331	\$31,956	\$32,822	\$33,679	\$34,244
State of Idaho	\$29,815	\$31,945	\$32,952	\$32,854	\$31,392	\$32,050	\$33,544	\$34,846	\$35,641	\$36,734
United States	\$35,904	\$38,144	\$39,821	\$41,082	\$39,376	\$40,277	\$42,453	\$44,266	\$44,438	\$46,049

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