



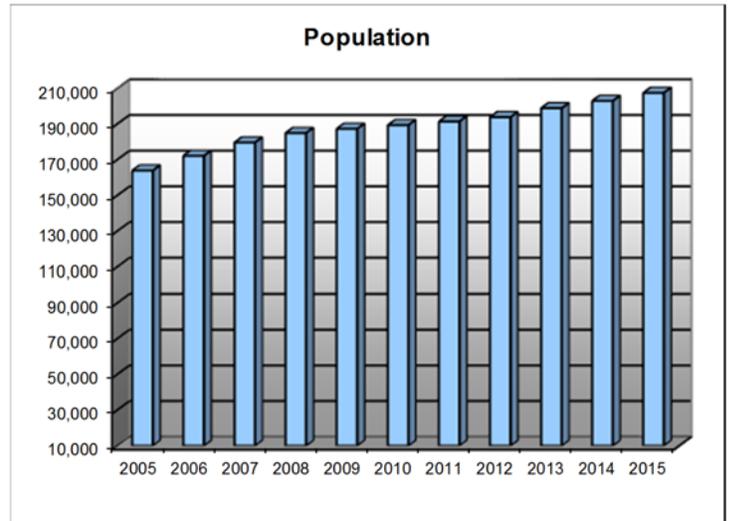
Canyon County

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Workforce Trends

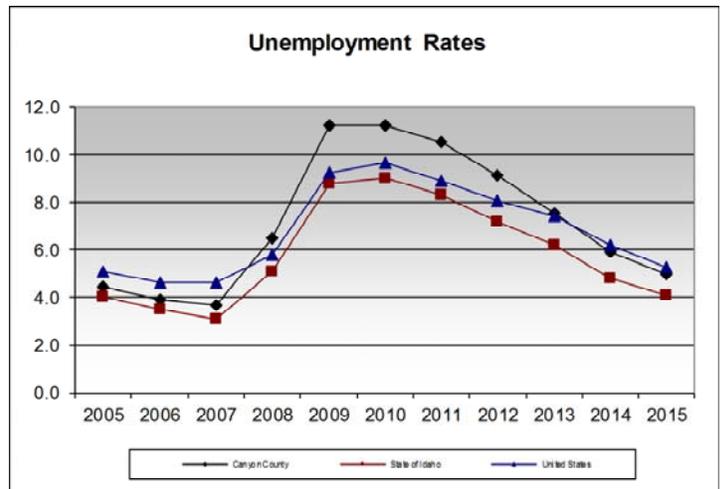
Population

Canyon County is Idaho's second most populous county with 207,478 residents. It is the seventh smallest county geographically. It lies within the Boise metro area and combined with Ada County, Idaho's largest county, the population is almost 642,000. Many people are drawn to Canyon County by lower housing prices and a rural life style within commuting distance of jobs in Ada County. The population grew 43,531, or 27 percent, from 2005 to 2015. Growth remained robust over the past year at 2.2 percent after posting 2 and 2.6 percent growth in each of the previous two years.



Labor Force & Employment

The Canyon County civilian labor force exhibited strong growth throughout the past decade, increasing by 12,026, or 15 percent since 2005. By 2005, the county had started reaping the benefits of the housing boom and accompanying commercial construction. That drove the unemployment rate to record lows in 2006 before the recession dealt a blow to the county in the second half of 2008. The housing bubble, which fueled the expansion, had burst. The unemployment rate added 2.8 points from 2007 to 2008, then shot up to 11.3 percent in 2009 and remained there through 2010. 2011 saw the first unemployment rate decline since the recession, dropping to 10.6 percent. The county has since con-



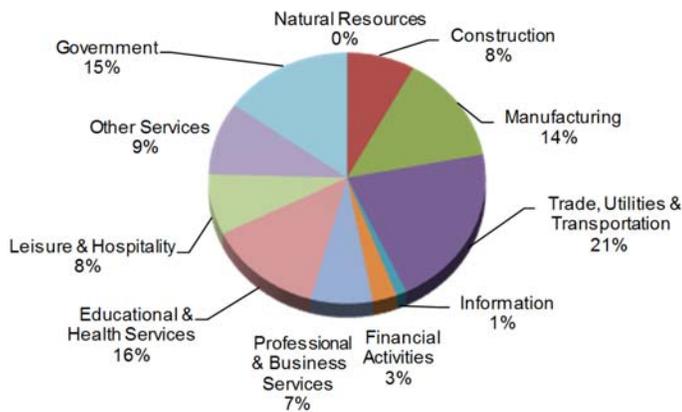
tinued to recover, with the rate dropping to just under 5 percent in 2015.

As part of the Canyon County's robust recovery, the county has added 2,344 jobs in 2015. The leaders were other services, which added 432 jobs, and construction, which added 401 jobs.

Labor Force	Oct 15	Oct 16
Civilian Labor Force	91,165	91,990
Total Employment	87,005	88,146
Unemployed	4,160	3,843
% of Labor Force Unemployed	4.6	4.2
State of Idaho % Unemployed	4.0	3.8
U.S. % Unemployed	5.0	4.9

Labor Force	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Civilian Labor Force	78,790	82,571	83,264	84,096	85,237	84,728	85,469	86,952	87,866	89,217	90,816
Unemployment	3,504	3,220	3,084	5,459	9,595	9,540	9,023	7,925	6,651	5,282	4,483
% of Labor Force Unemployed	4.4	3.9	3.7	6.5	11.3	11.3	10.6	9.1	7.6	5.9	4.9
Employment	75,286	79,351	80,180	78,638	75,643	75,188	76,447	79,027	81,215	83,934	86,333

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs for 2015



Per Capita Income and Wages

Despite commuters who work in neighboring Ada County, Canyon County ranked 42nd in per capita income. 2014 showed some improvement, up \$695 to \$26,968. This puts the county at only 73 percent of state per capita income and a paltry 59 percent of national per capita income.

Average wages range from \$13,481 in the leisure and hospitality sector to \$44,549 in financial activities, only 3 percent are employed in this sector. Most jobs are in manufacturing, retail and wholesale trade and government.

Major Employers

Amalgamated Sugar Co.
Caldwell School District
Canyon County
City of Nampa
J.R. Simplot
St Alphonsus Regional Medical Center
Nampa School District
Plexus Corp.
College of Western Idaho
Vallivue School District
Wal-Mart
West Valley Medical Center

Occupational Wages* Starting Wage

Home Health Aides	\$8.21
Licensed Practical Nurses	\$16.70
Registered Nurses	\$23.79
Welders	\$12.00
Billing and Posting Clerks	\$12.28
Automotive Service Technicians	\$13.70
Truck Drivers, Heavy	\$13.09
Agricultural Workers	\$8.10
File Clerks	\$9.46
Fork Lift Driver	\$11.08
Landscaping Workers	\$9.64

* 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	51,260	\$27,687	56,234	\$32,947	58,579	\$33,876
Agriculture	2,956	\$23,413	2,981	\$29,900	3,381	\$29,993
Mining	55	\$38,001	26	\$35,018	28	\$36,271
Construction	5,402	\$28,455	4,162	\$34,428	4,562	\$35,965
Manufacturing	8,889	\$32,659	8,098	\$41,787	8,494	\$42,882
Trade, Utilities & Transportation	10,218	\$28,228	12,072	\$34,481	12,504	\$35,362
Information	579	\$33,558	704	\$38,497	749	\$38,944
Financial Activities	1,740	\$32,027	1,623	\$46,860	1,645	\$44,549
Professional and Business Services	3,461	\$27,952	4,386	\$30,777	4,298	\$32,503
Educational and Health Services	6,269	\$27,950	7,355	\$30,458	7,699	\$31,305
Leisure and Hospitality	3,478	\$10,232	4,402	\$12,776	4,685	\$13,481
Other Services	1,044	\$20,981	1,601	\$28,706	1,654	\$29,955
Government	7,168	\$29,415	8,825	\$34,043	8,881	\$35,544

Per Capita Income	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Canyon County	\$22,364	\$24,240	\$25,275	\$24,873	\$24,149	\$24,458	\$25,375	\$26,123	\$26,273	\$26,968
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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