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Eastern Idaho COVID-19 Economic Report | June 1, 2020

About the Report

The RBDC is tracking the economic impact of the COVID-19 outbreak on eastern Idaho. The report is compiled by RBDC student research teams and will be updated weekly. We hope you find the report helpful to you. We appreciate the organizations that have contributed funds to make this report available. Please contact Will Jenson (w.jenson@rbdcenter.org) if you would like to participate in our weekly industry surveys or would like to contribute to our report in some other way.

-Thank you

Definitions

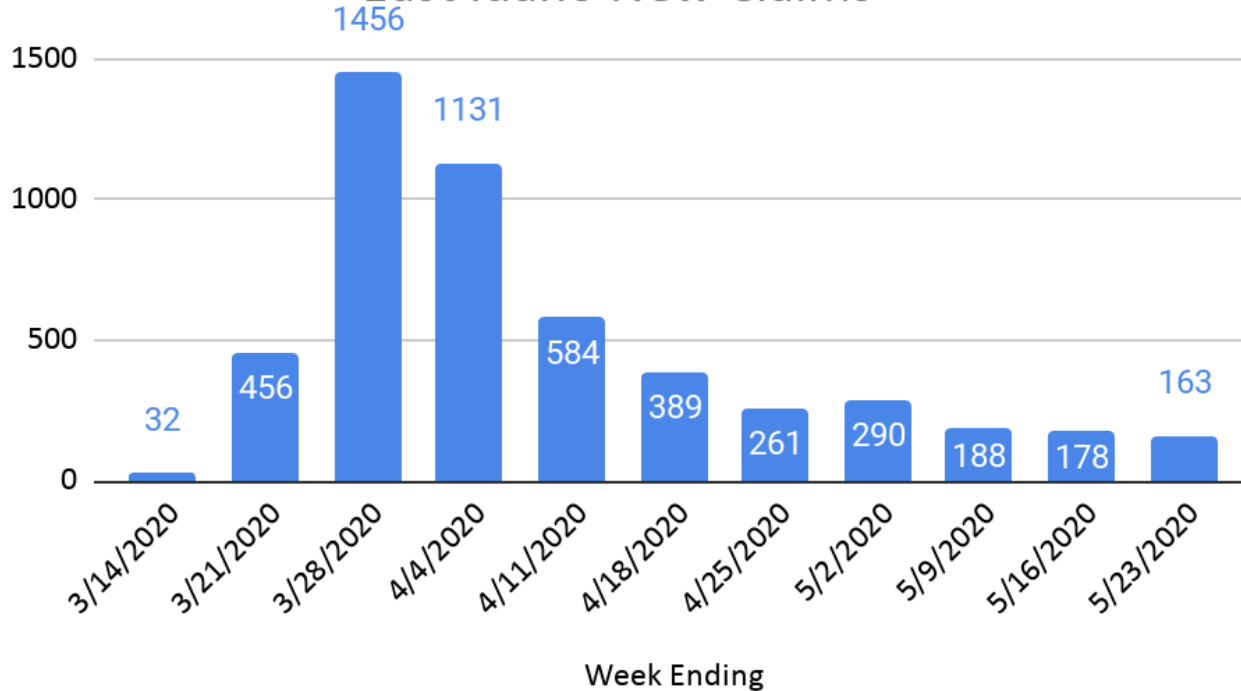
An **initial claim** is a claim filed by an unemployed individual after a separation from an employer. The claimant requests a determination of basic eligibility for the UI program. When an initial claim is filed with a state, certain programmatic activities take place and these result in activity counts including the count of initial claims. The count of initial claims for unemployment insurance is a leading economic indicator because it is an indication of emerging labor market conditions in the country. However, these are weekly administrative data which are difficult to seasonally adjust, making the series subject to some volatility.

New This Week

- Unemployment claims continued to drop this week in Eastern Idaho and State-wide
- Bonneville County building permits jumped this week from 44 to 69 permits issued in 1 week
- Residents in Rexburg feel very comfortable in going to the now reopened hair salons
- Gasoline prices are continuing to rise in Eastern Idaho
- Job openings in Eastern Idaho account for 10% of the job openings in the State

Weekly Initial Unemployment Claims

East Idaho New Claims*



Week Ending: 5/23/2020

Idaho Total New Claims: 4,727

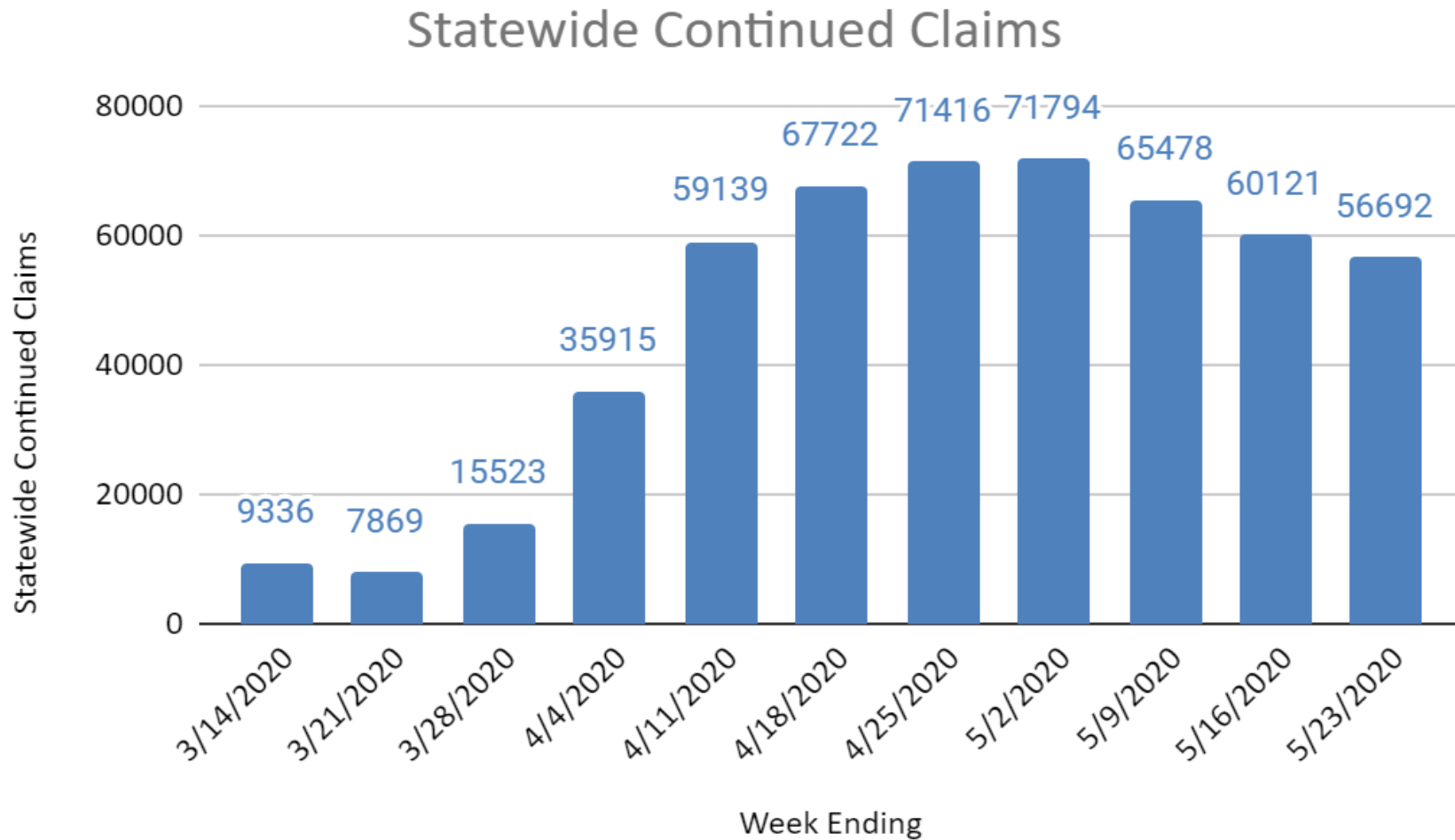
East Idaho New Claims: 163

Week Ending: 5/16/2020

Idaho Total New Claims: 5,800

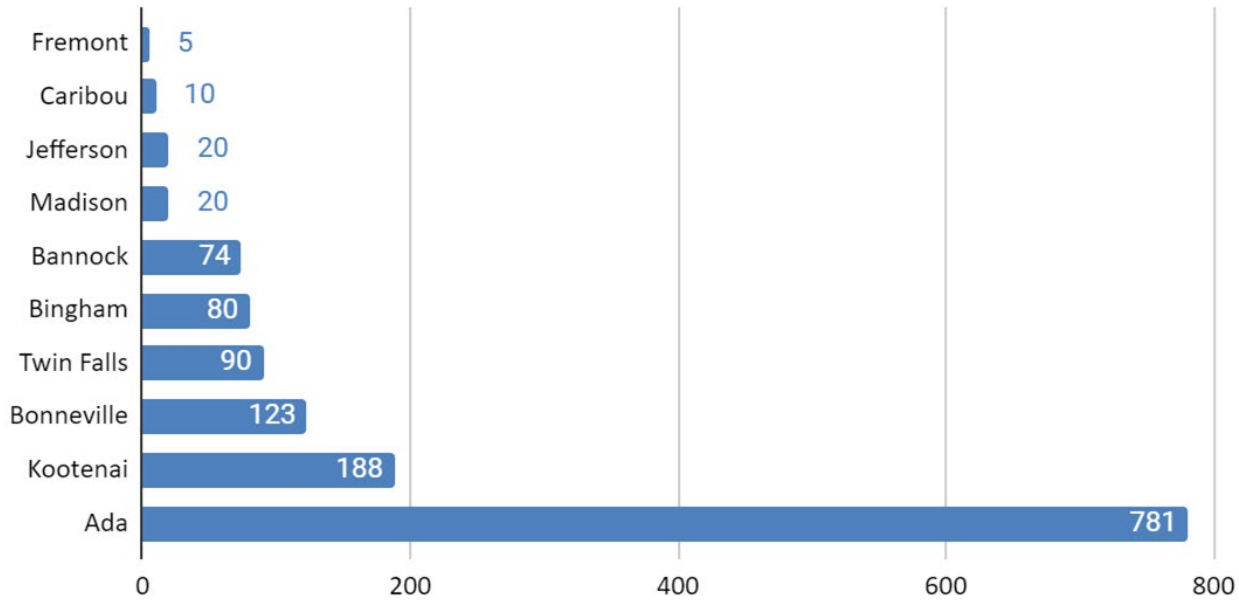
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Statewide Continued Unemployment Claims

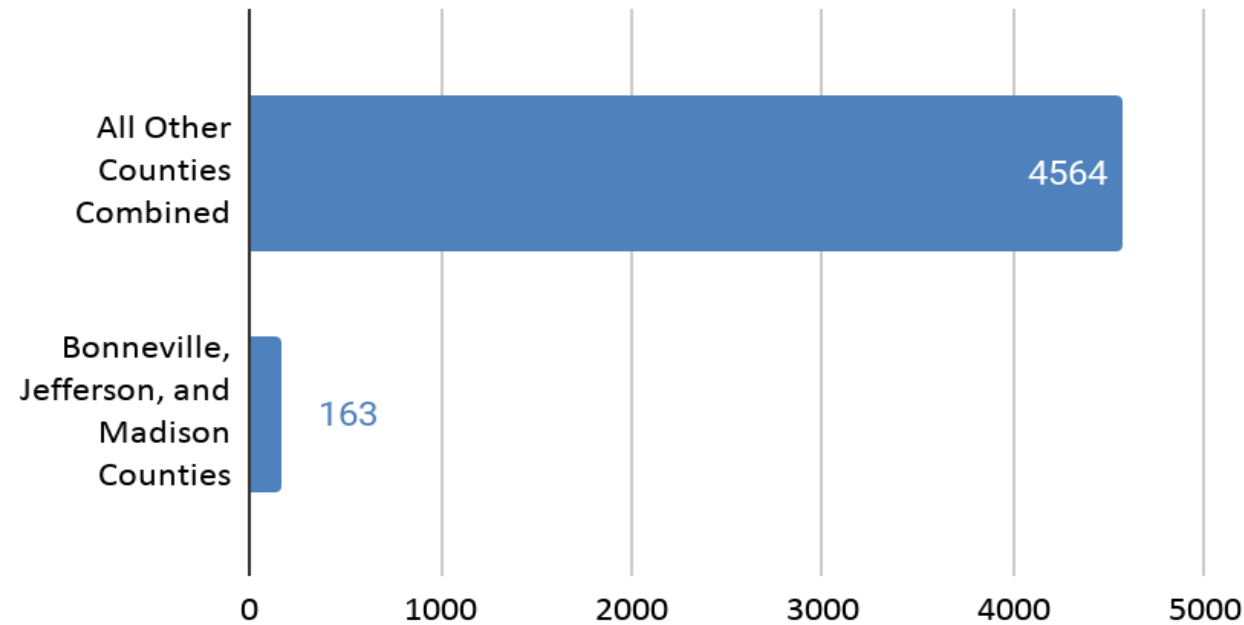


Initial Unemployment Claims

County Comparison New Unemployment Claims

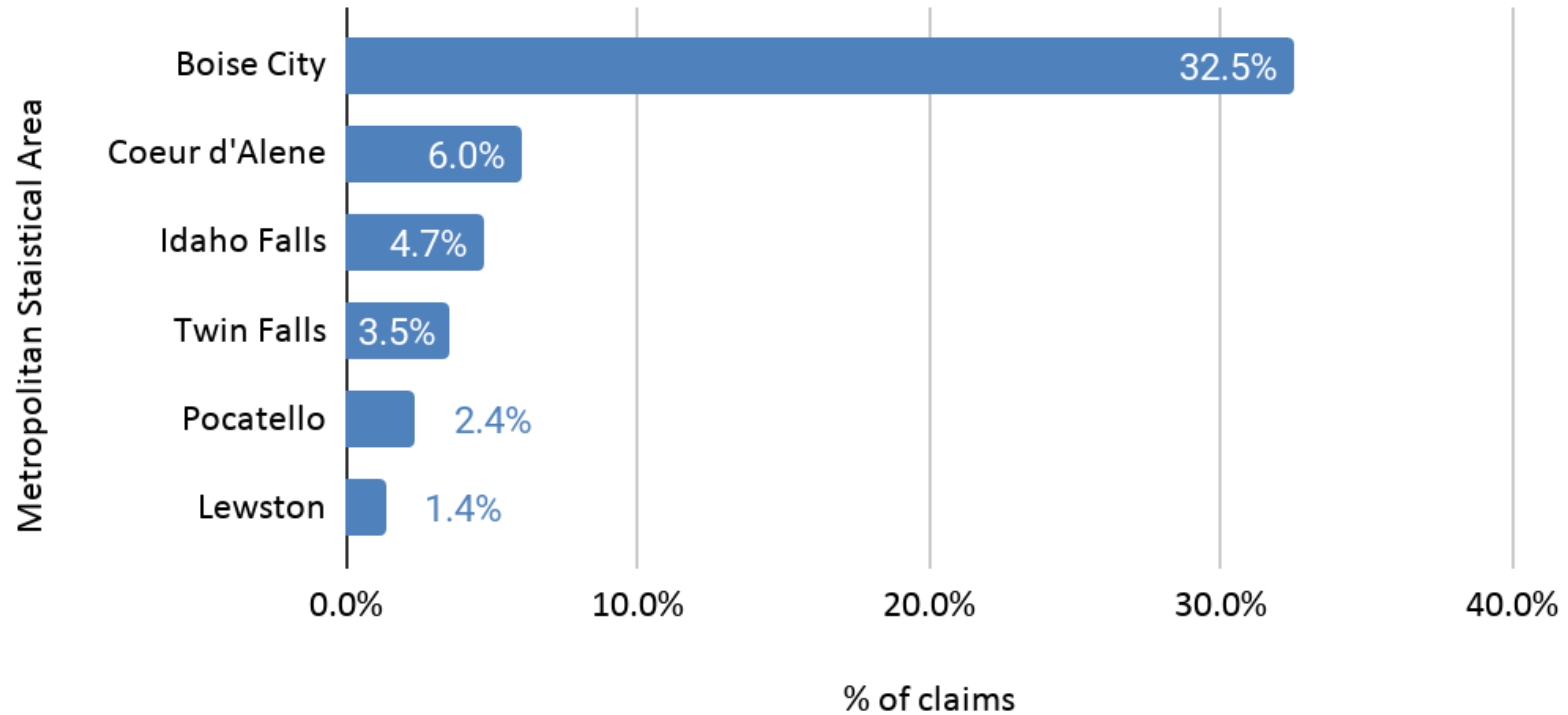


Idaho New Claims Comparison Week Ending May 23



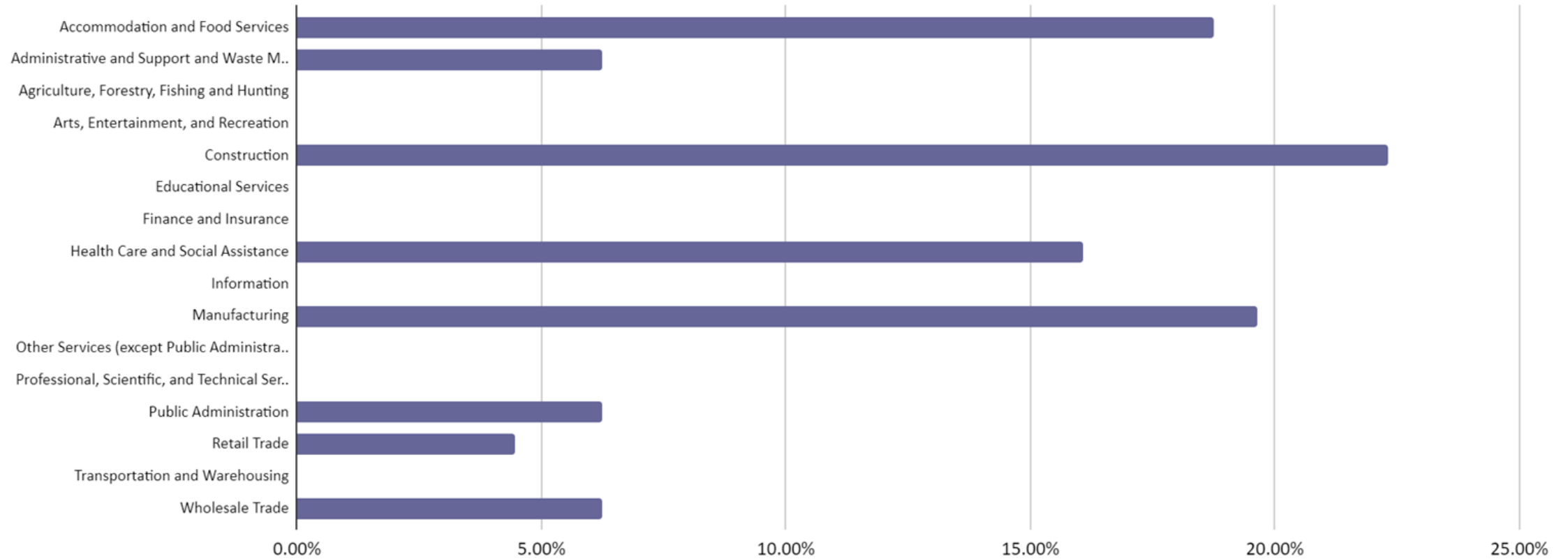
Initial Unemployment Claims

MSA New Claims Week Ending May 23



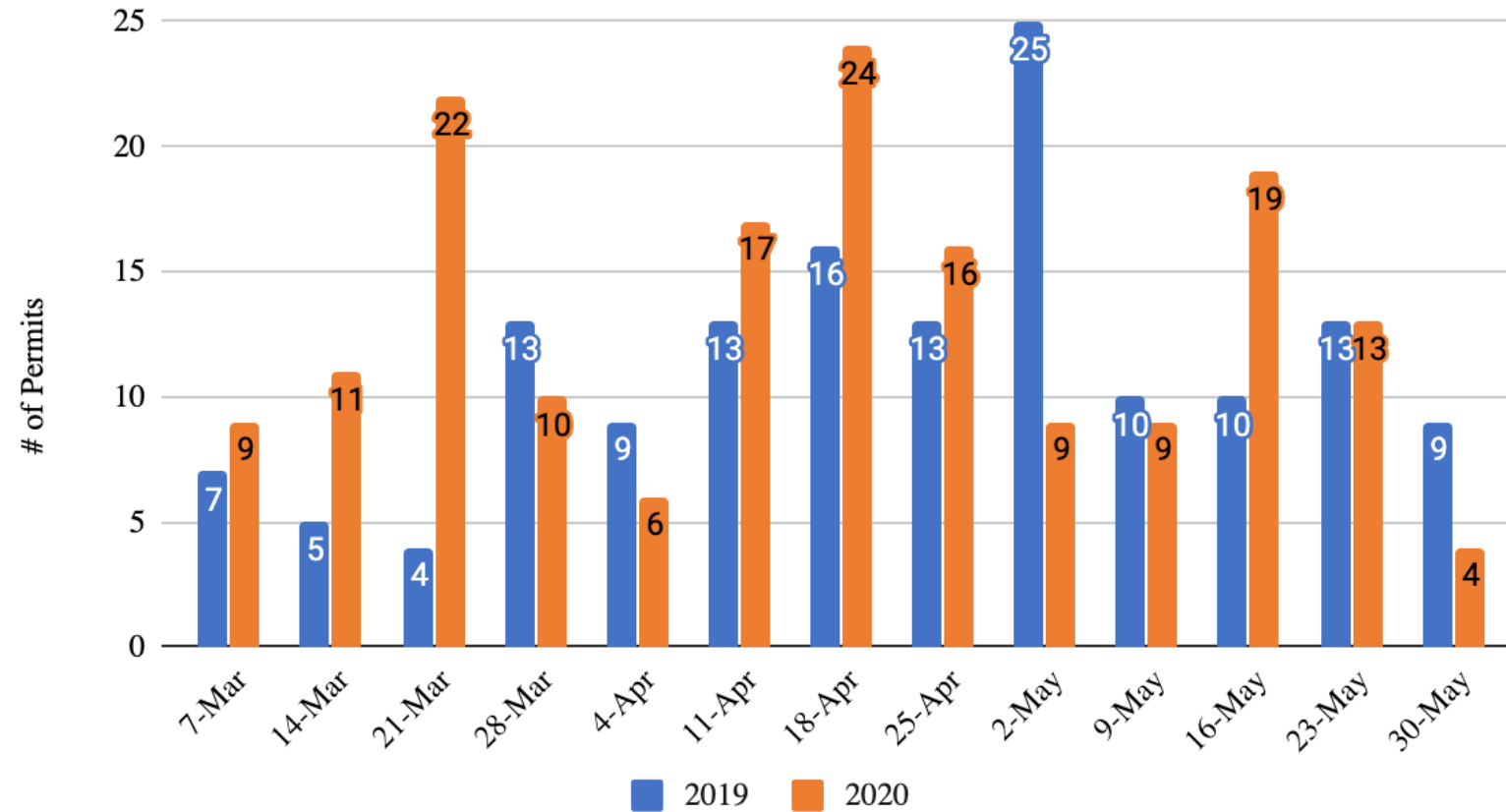
Initial Claims – Bonneville, Jefferson, Madison Counties

What Industries did the claimants work in?



Building Permits – Madison County

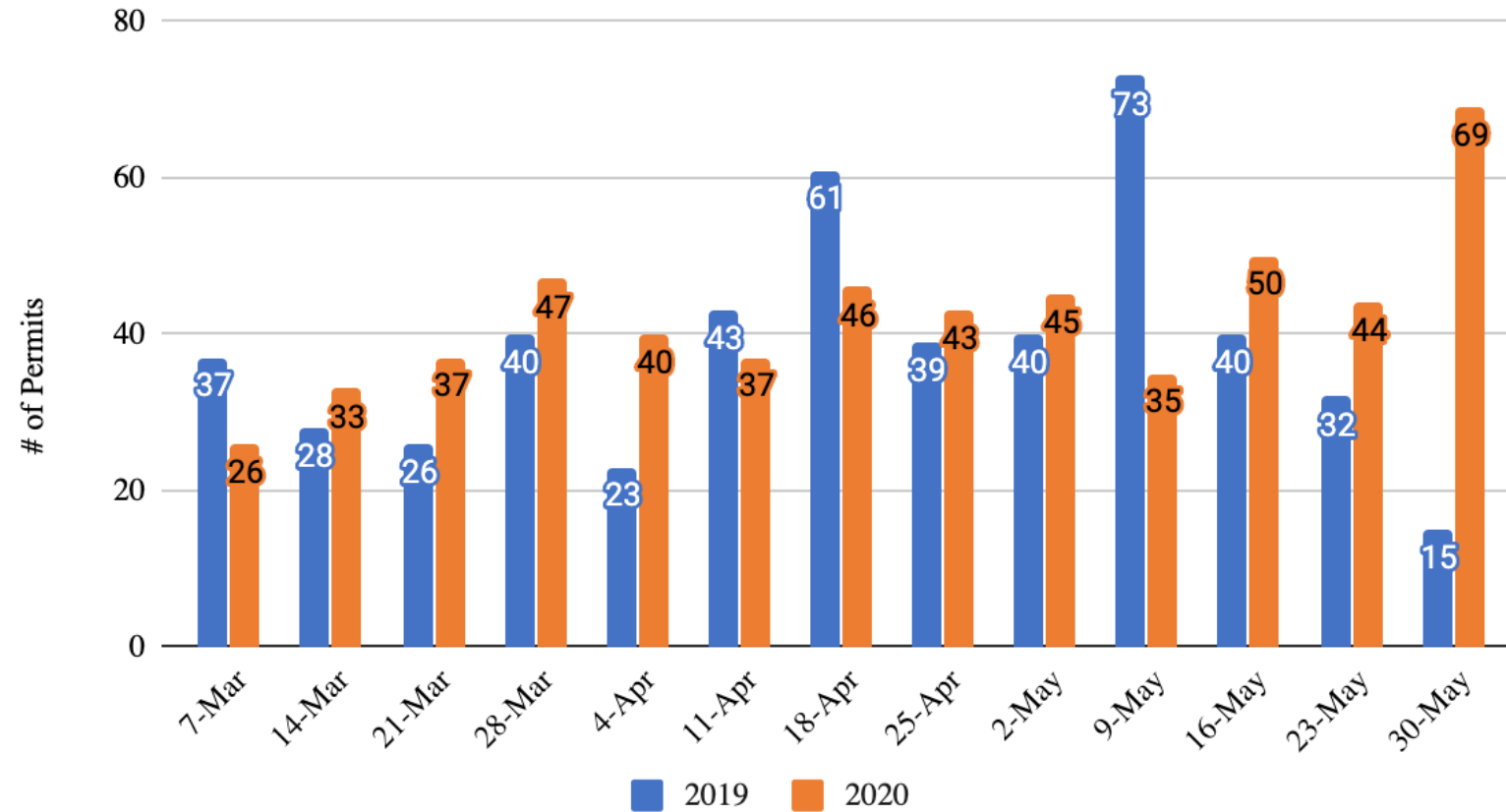
Madison County Building Permits



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Building Permits – Bonneville County

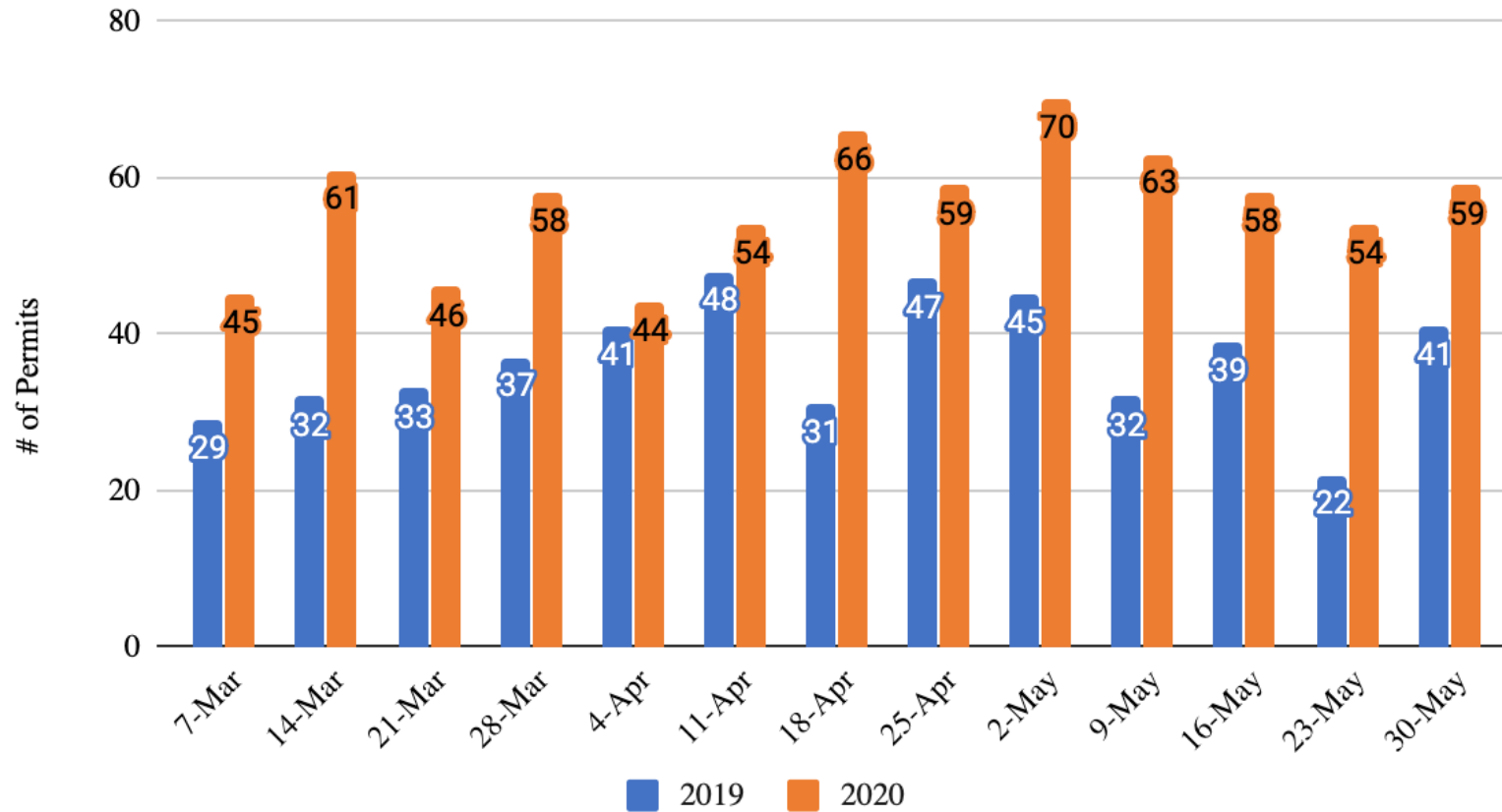
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Building Permits – Jefferson County

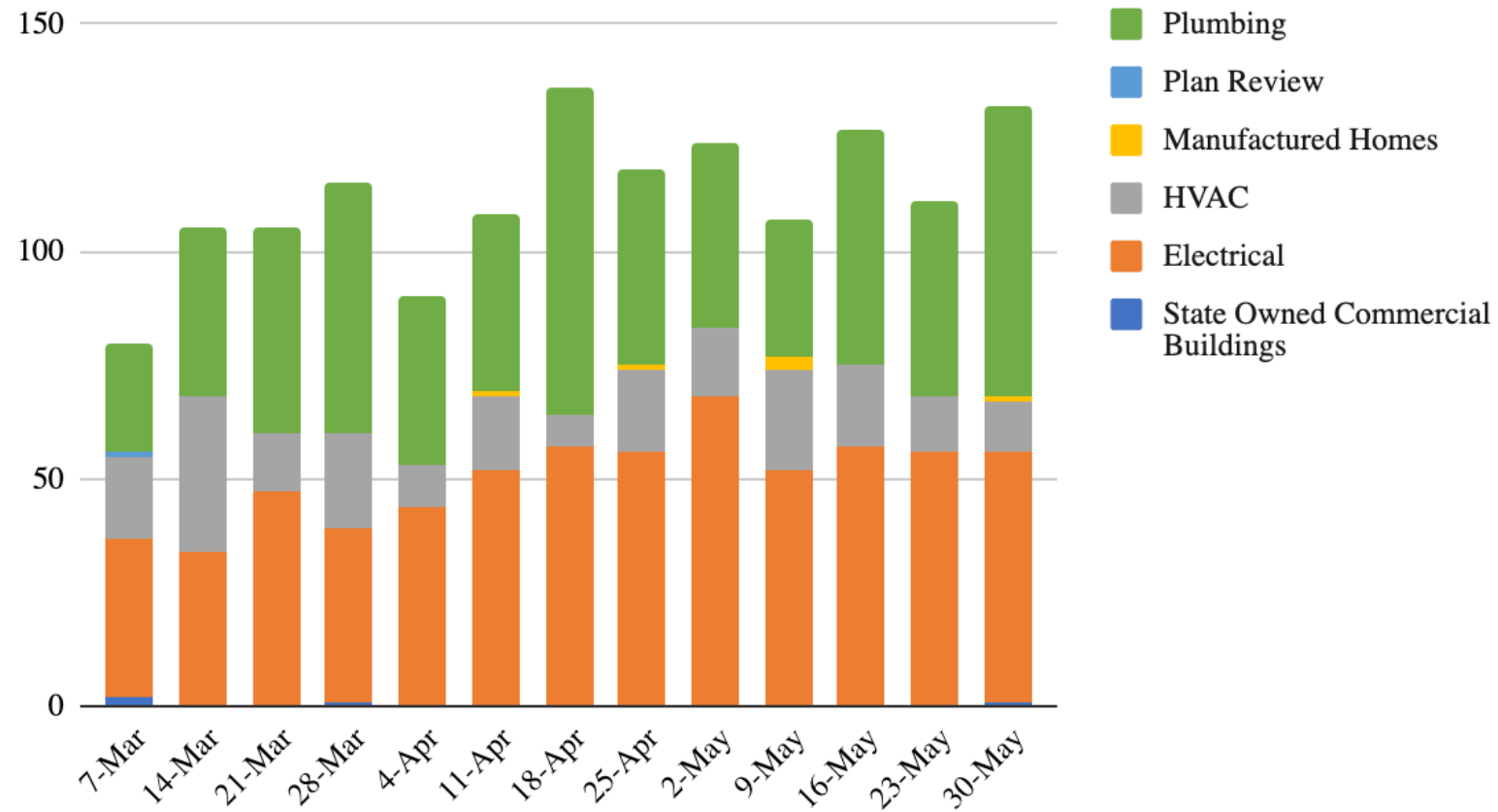
Jefferson County Building Permits



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Building Permits – All 3 Counties Combined

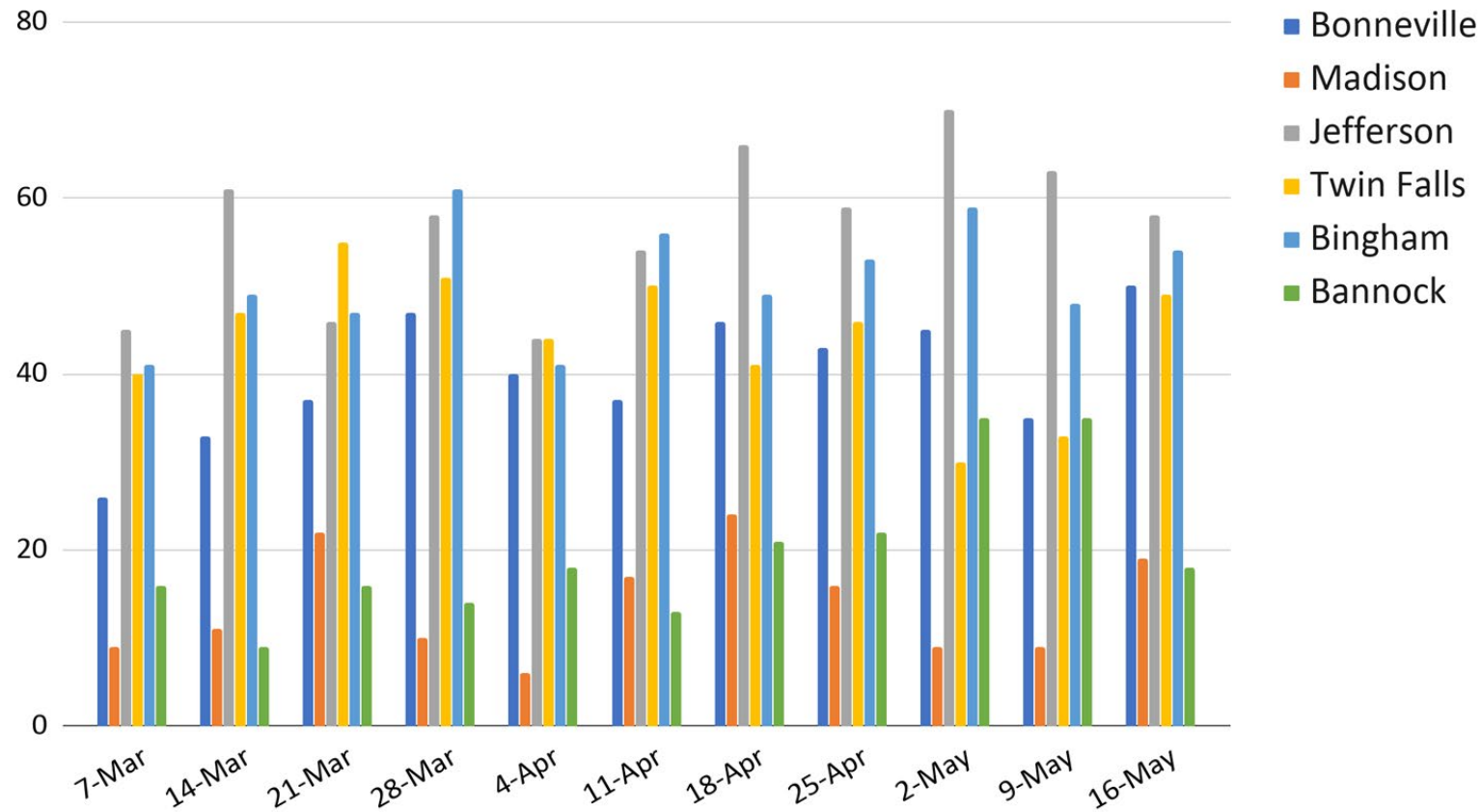
2020 Total Permit by Type



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Building Permits – Eastern Idaho Counties

2020 Building Permits



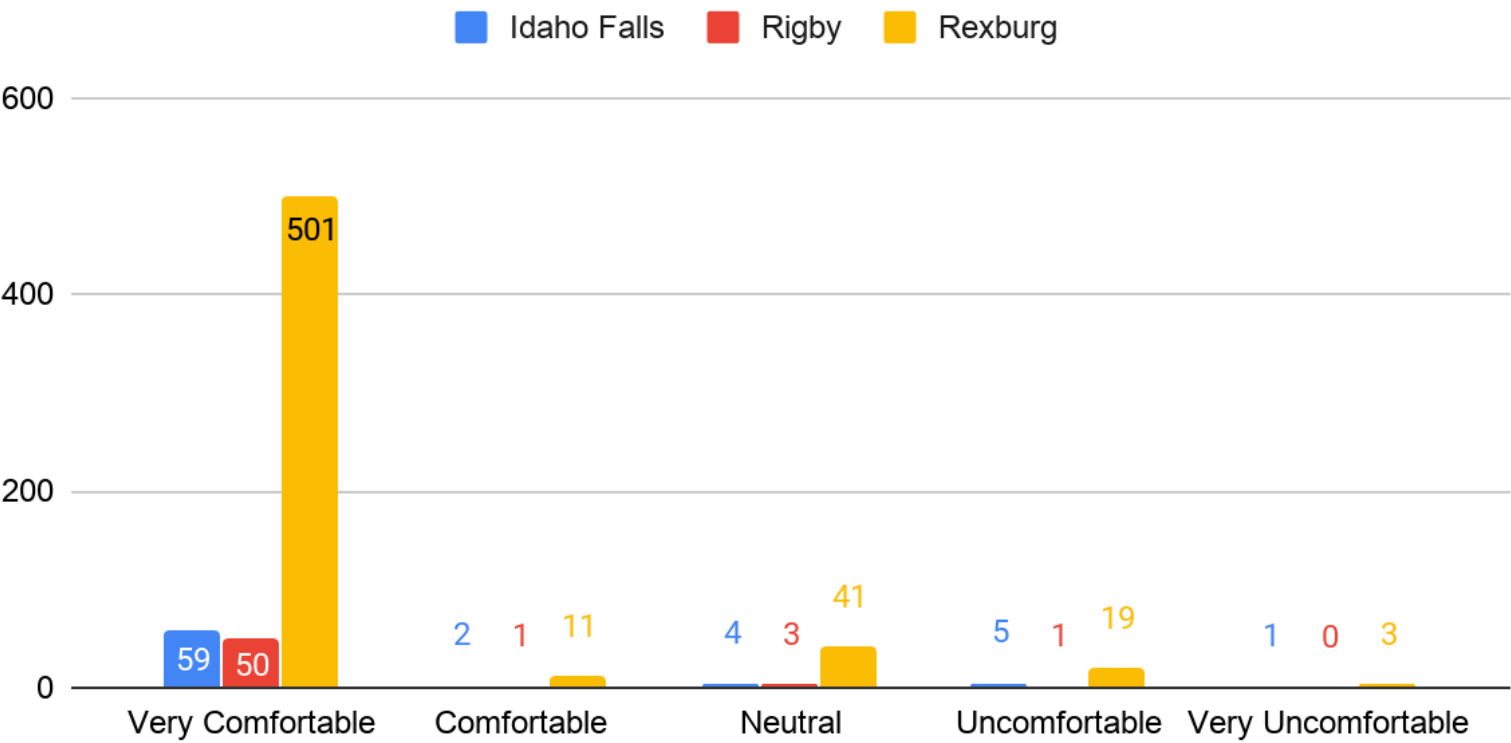
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Social Media Polls

The RBDC is conducting polls with key questions each week. The goal of these polls is to see how households and individuals are being impact by the COVID-19 outbreak. Each week the RBDC will also be conducting interviews with business owners to get qualitative and quantitative data.

Social Media Poll Comfort Levels

How comfortable do you feel going to the now reopened hair salons?

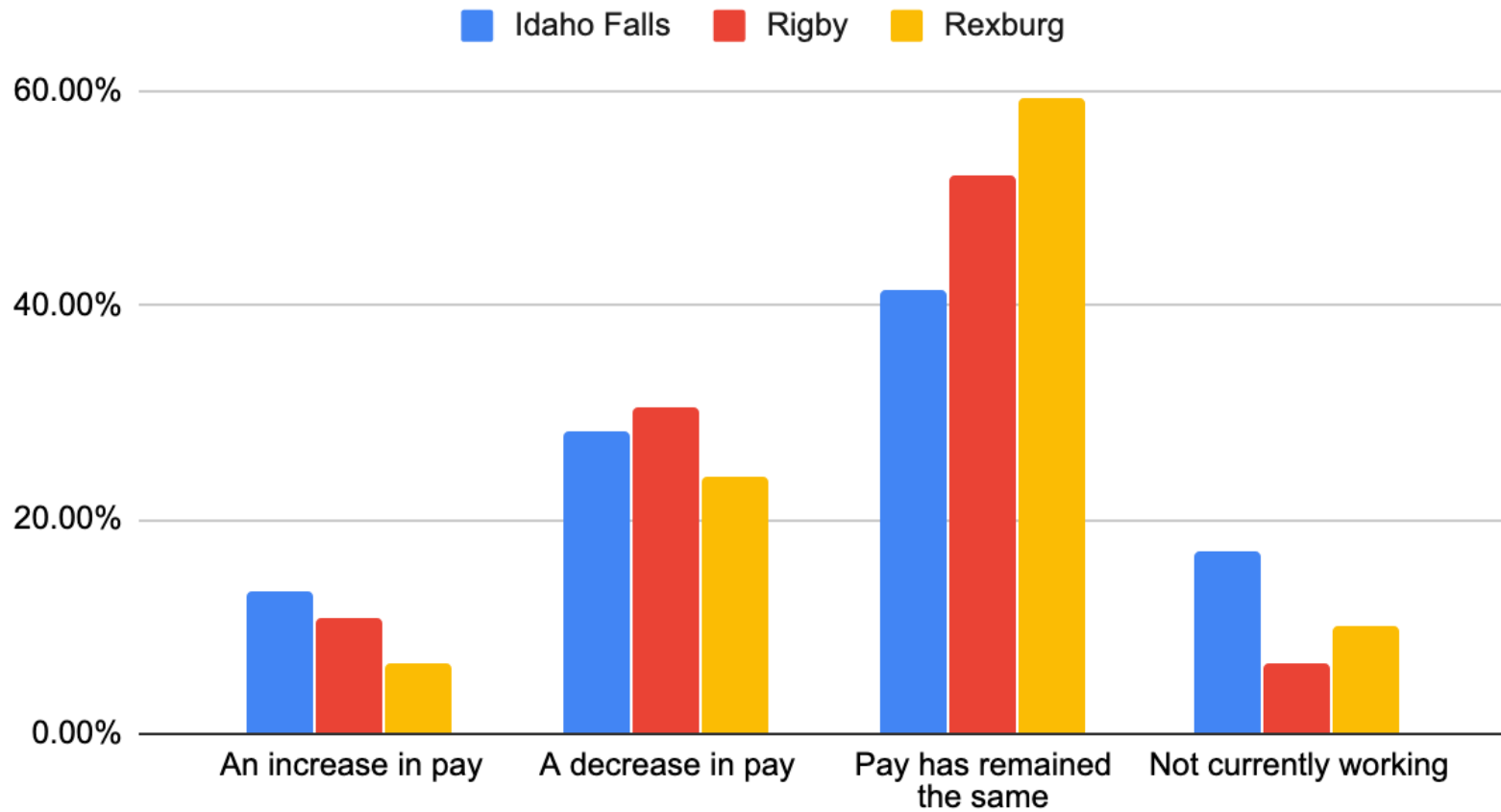


Poll posted in the Facebook Groups : ' Idaho Falls Moms,' 'I<3 life in Rexburg', 'I love Rigby and I'm allowed to talk about it'



Social Media Poll Household Income

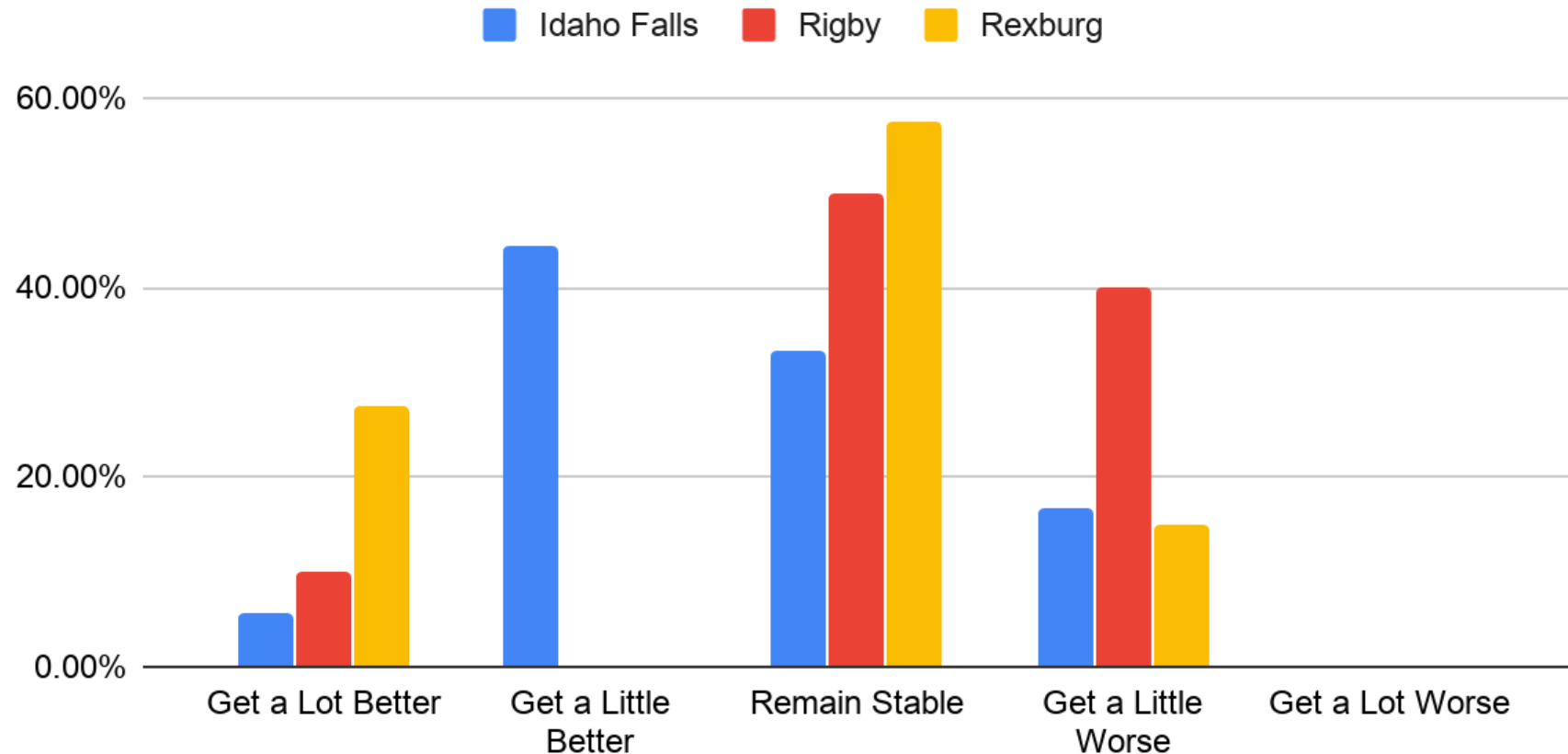
Change in Household Income



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Social Media Poll Consumer Confidence

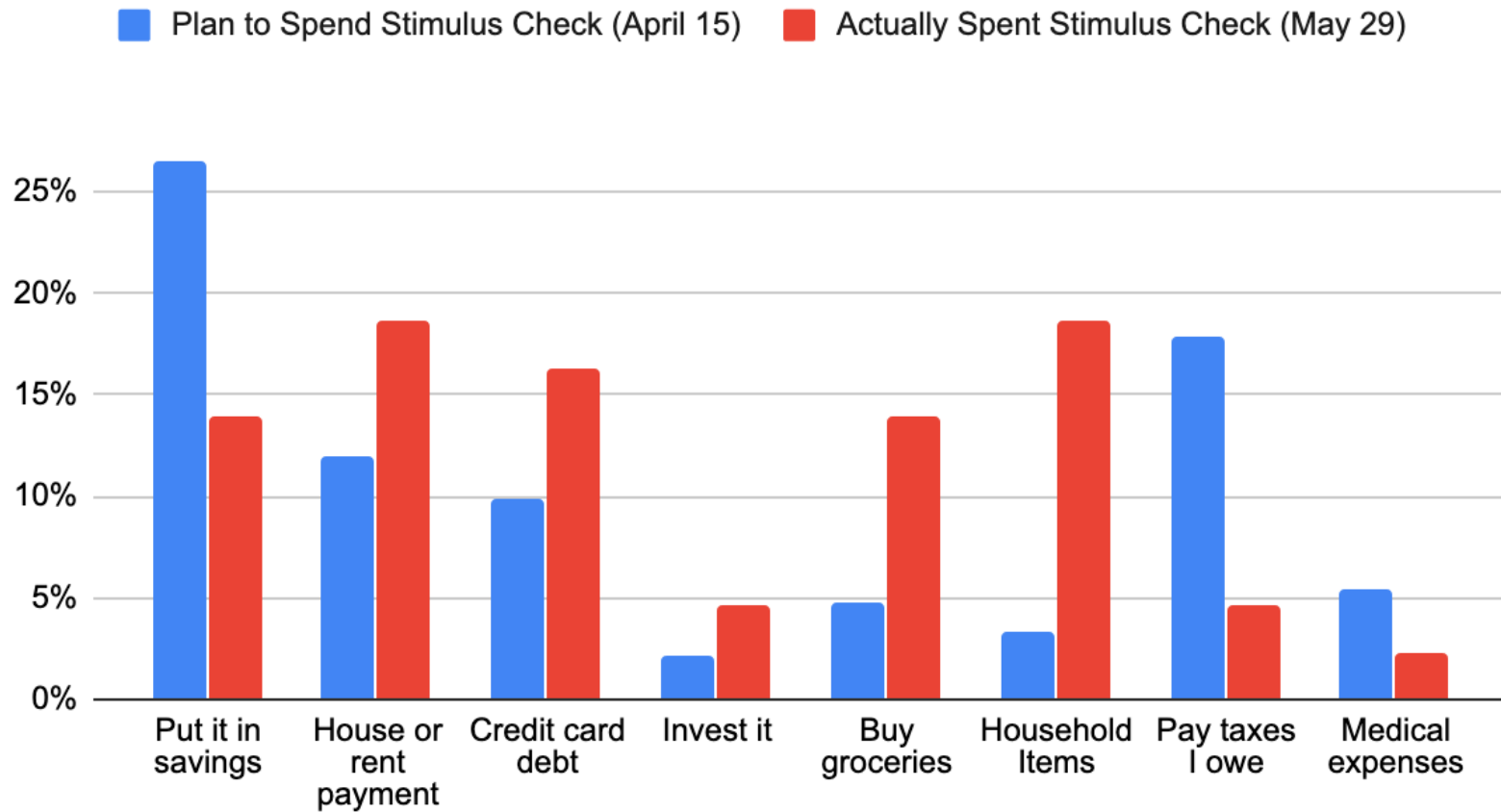
Over the next 12 months, do you expect the financial situation of your household to...?



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Social Media Poll Stimulus Check

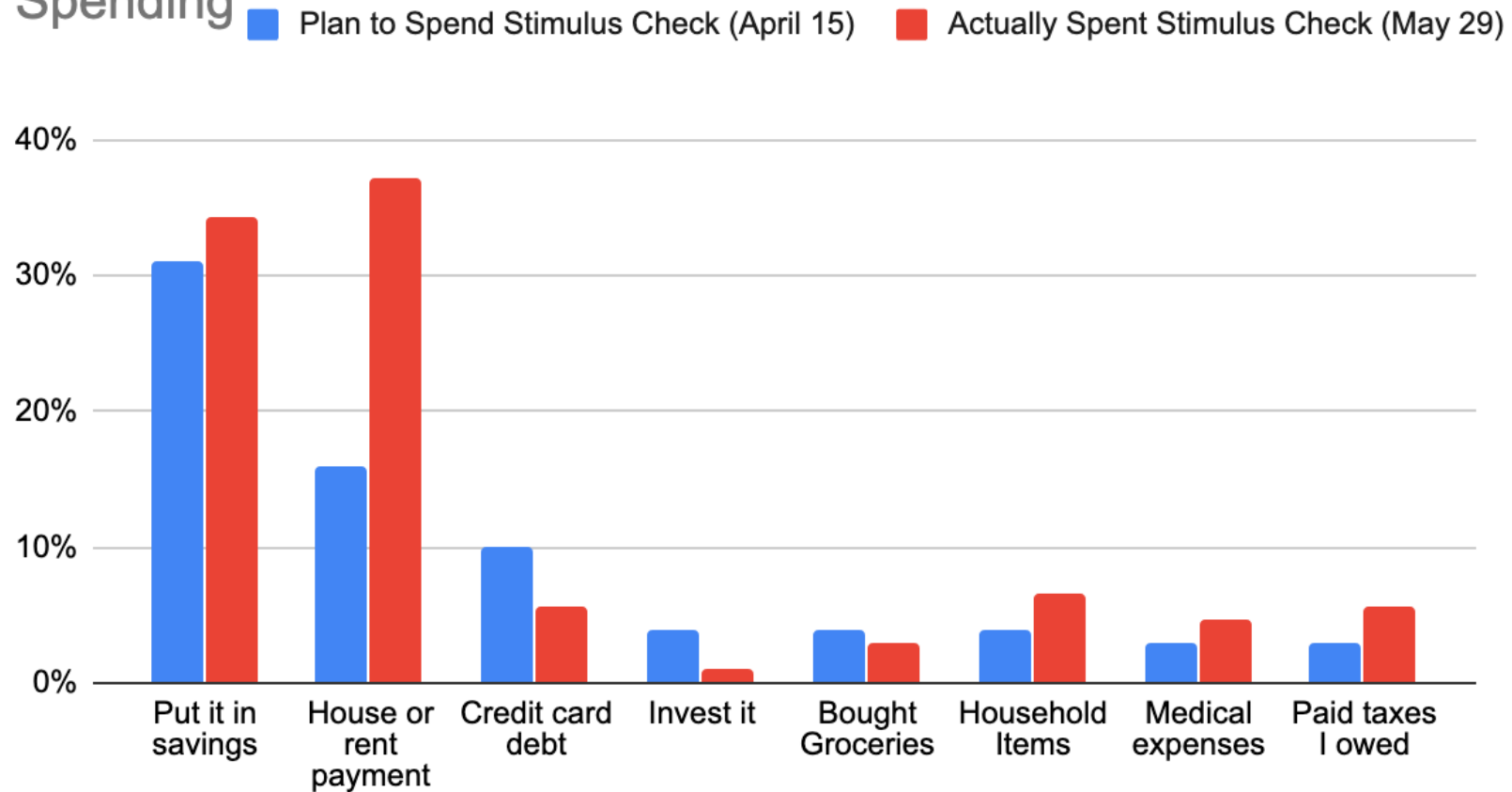
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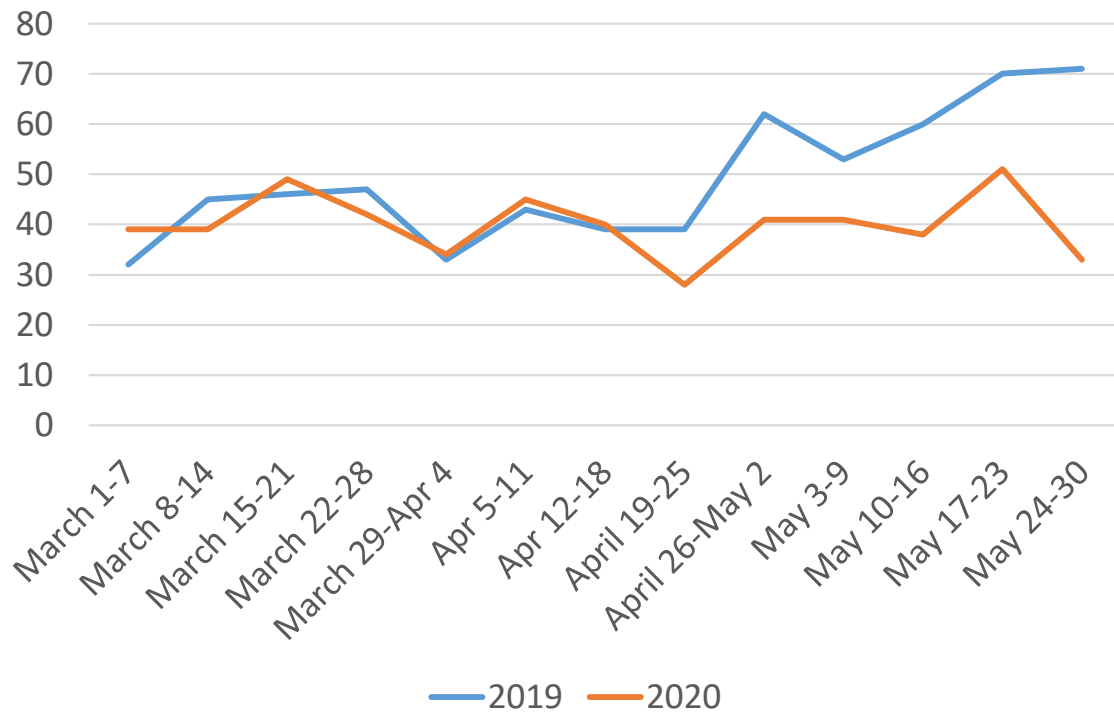
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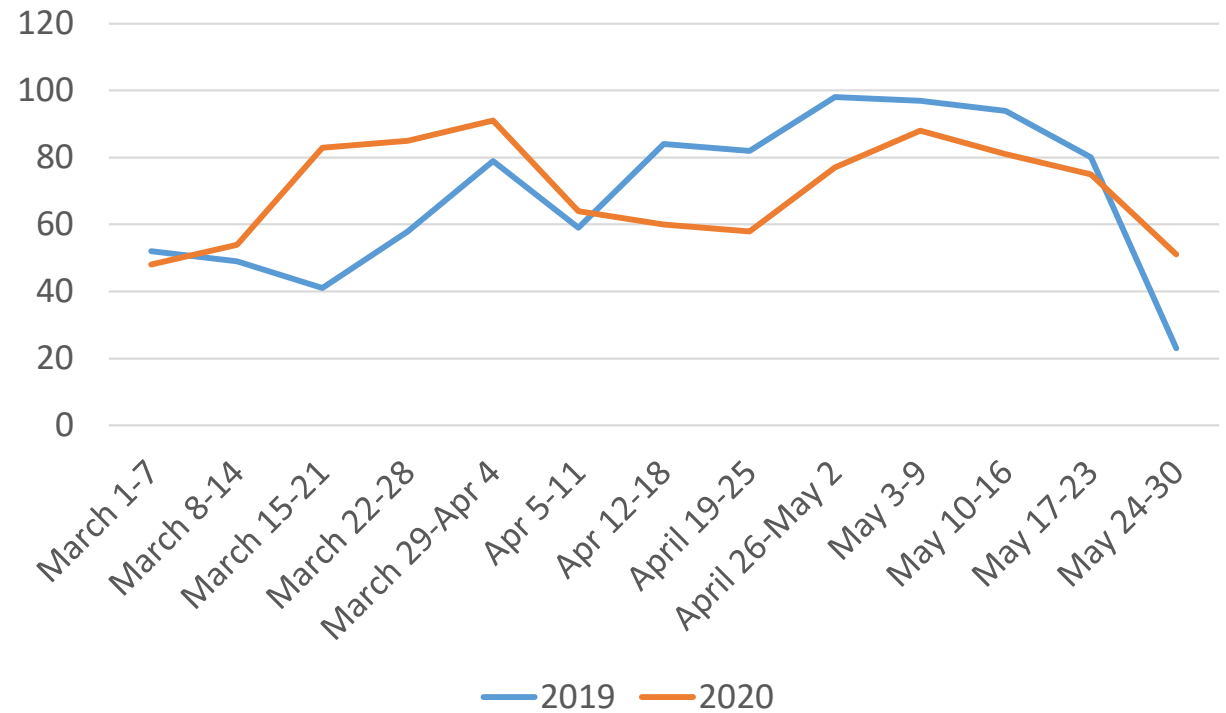
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Eastern Idaho Real Estate

Units Sold



New Listings

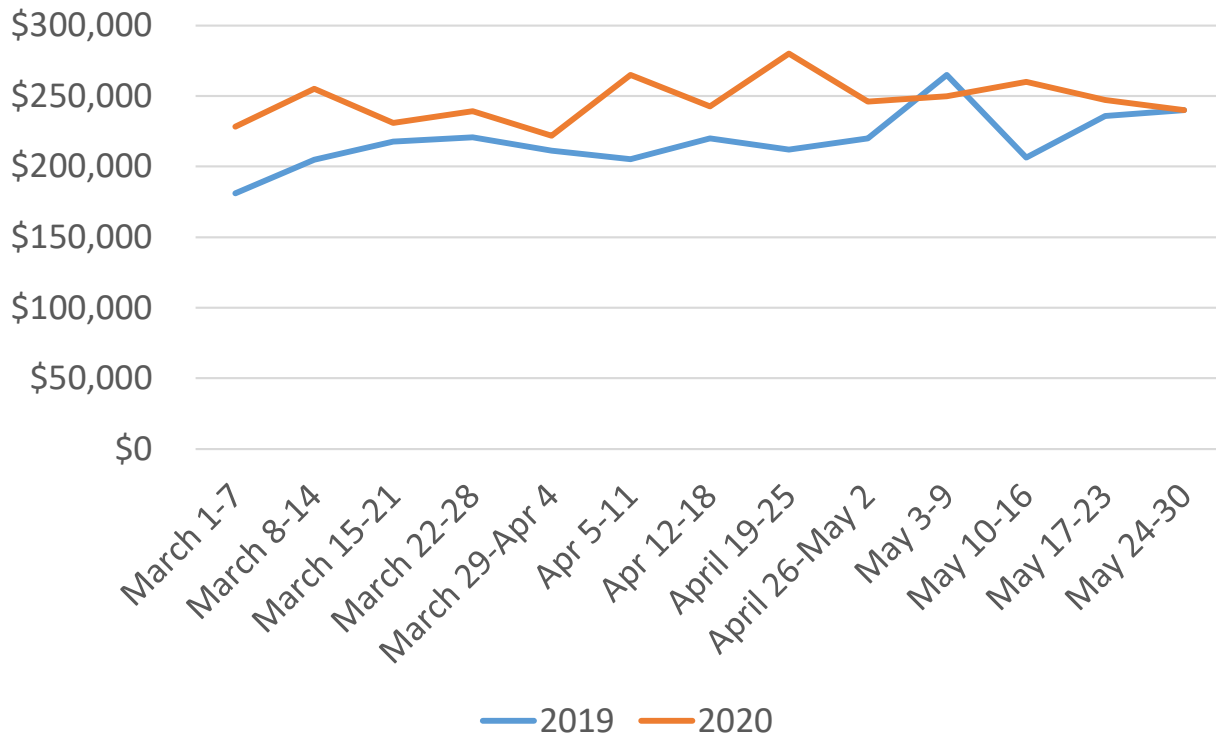


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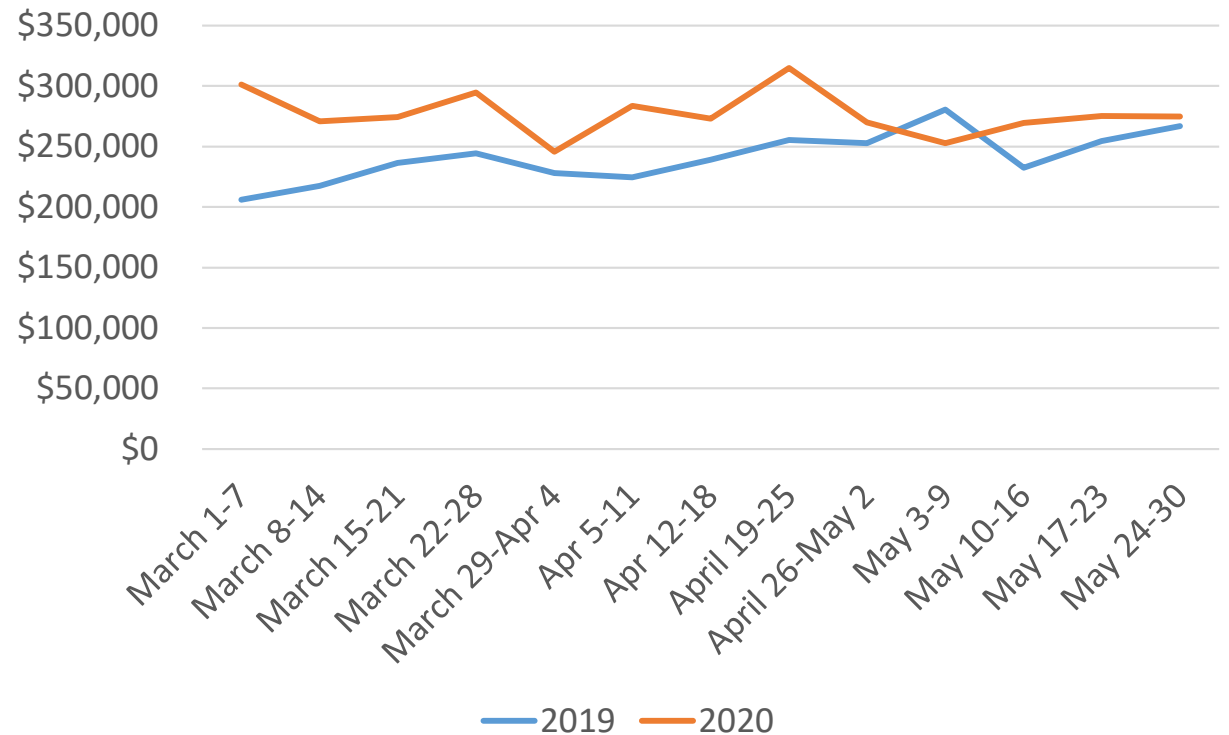


Eastern Idaho Real Estate

Median Sold Price



Average Sold Price

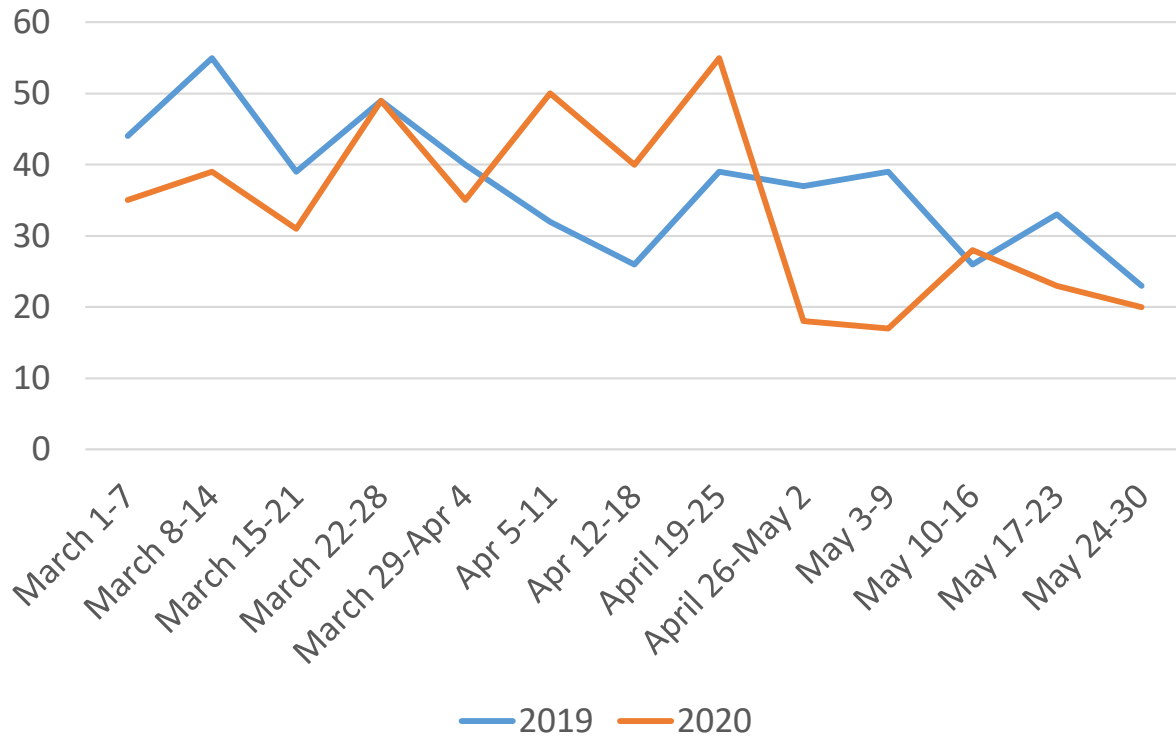


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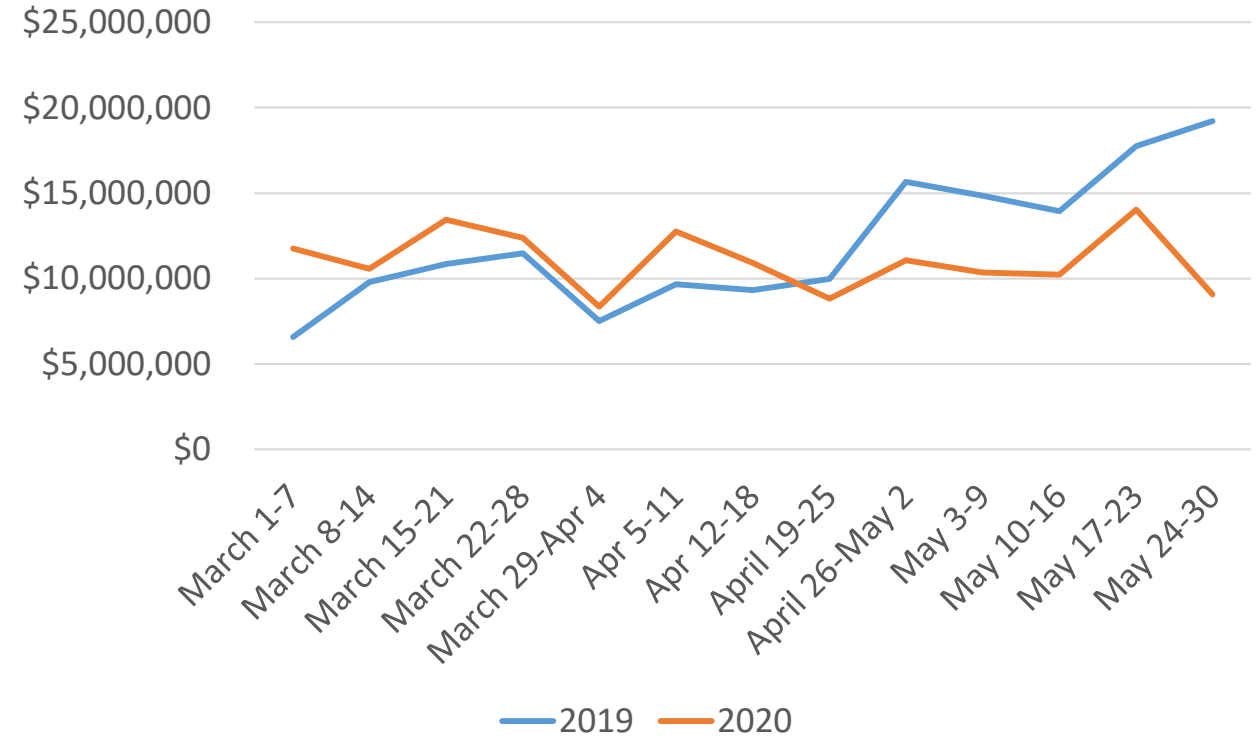


Eastern Idaho Real Estate

Days on Market



Total Home Sold Value

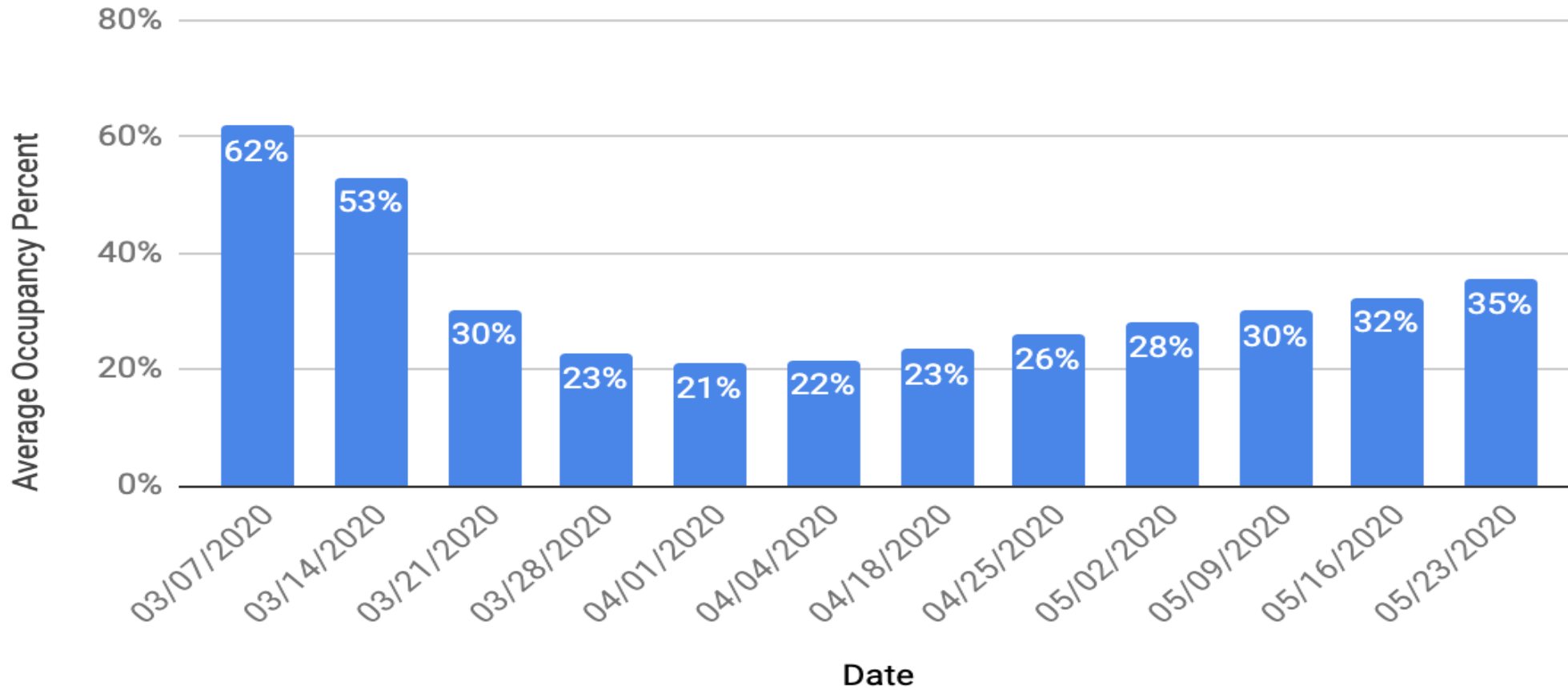


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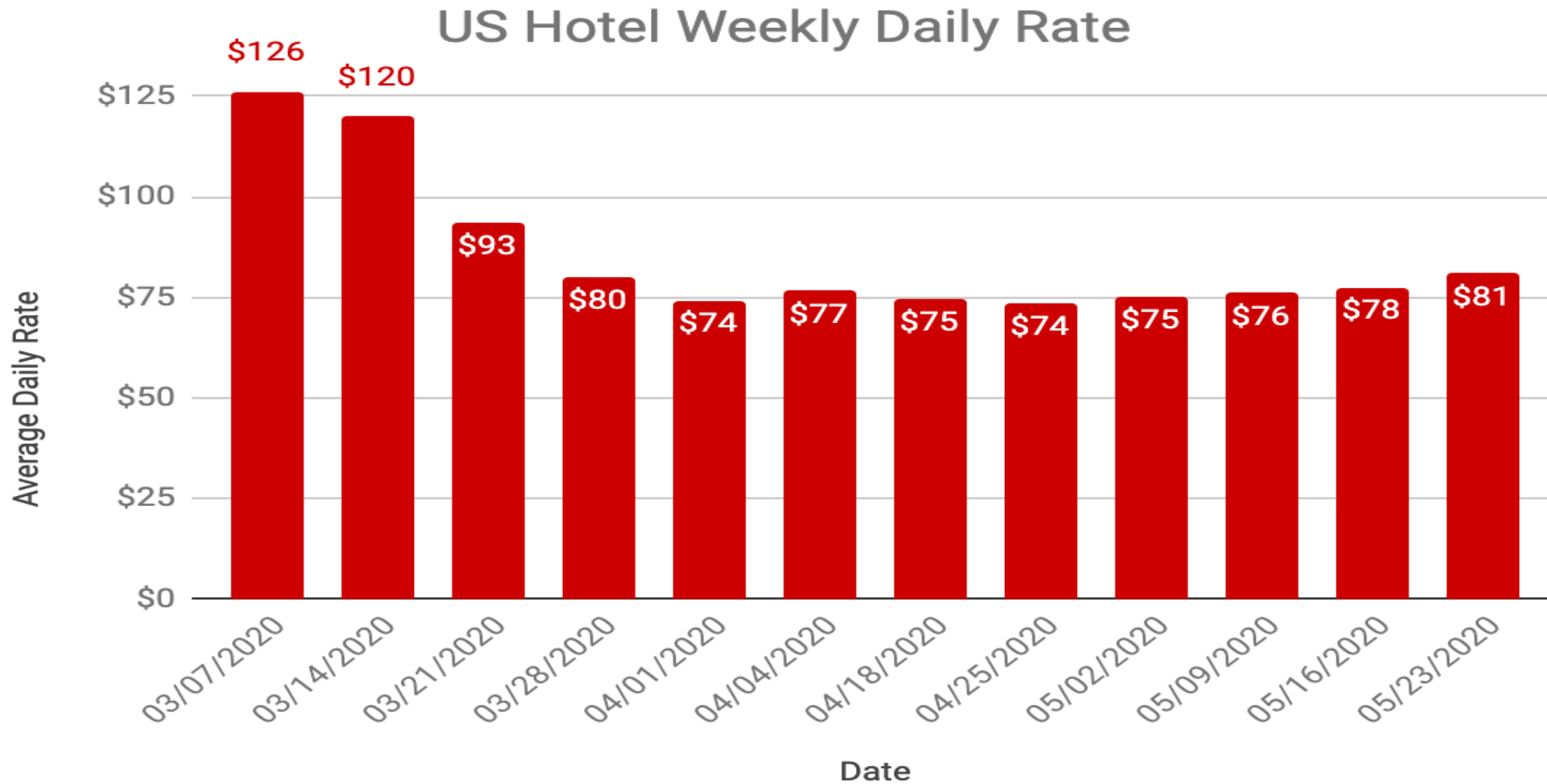


US Hotel Weekly Data

US Hotel Weekly Occupancy Data

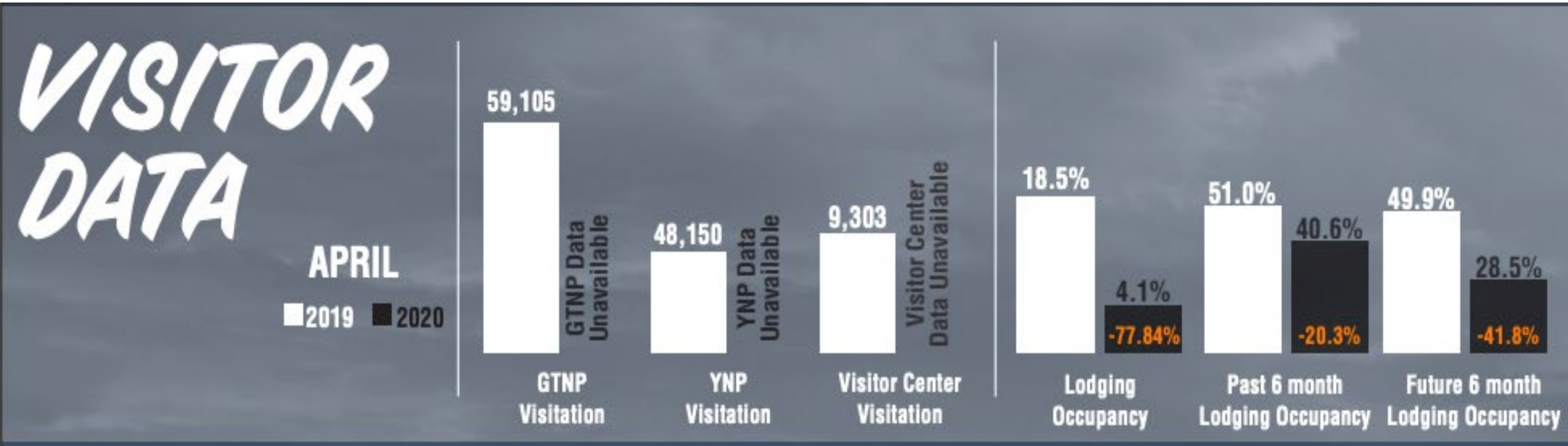


US Hotel Weekly Data



Jackson Hole, WY

Jackson Hole, Wyoming April 2020



** GTNP (Grand Teton National Park)

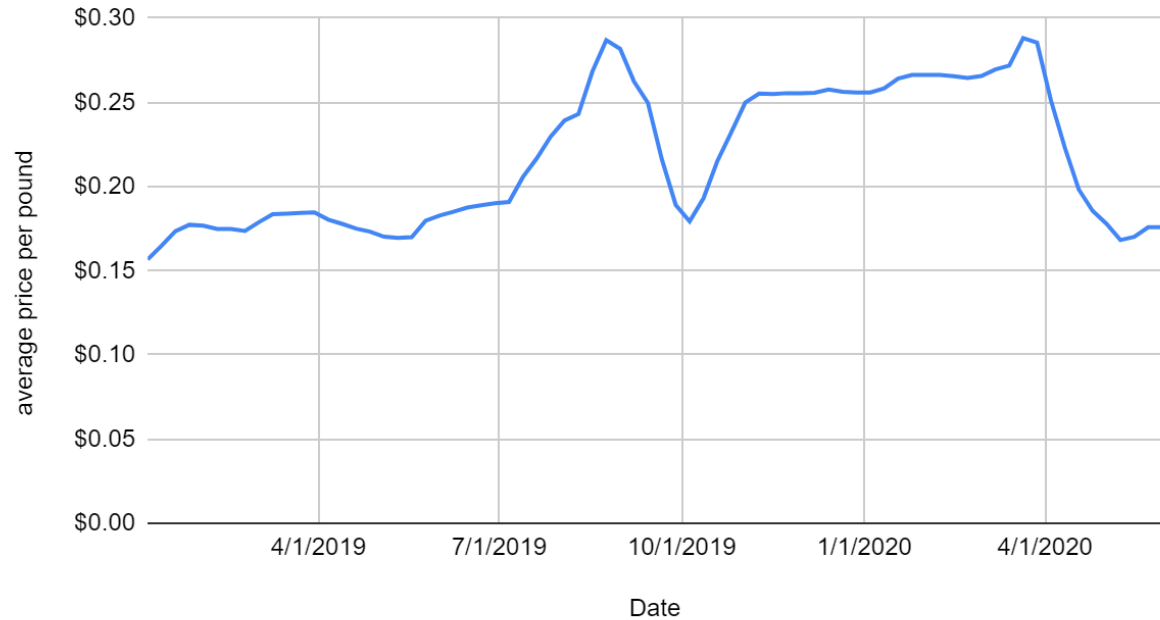
** The YNP (Yellowstone National Park) information is unavailable at this time due to the park being closed.

Visitor Data taken from Jackson Hole, WY Chamber of Commerce:

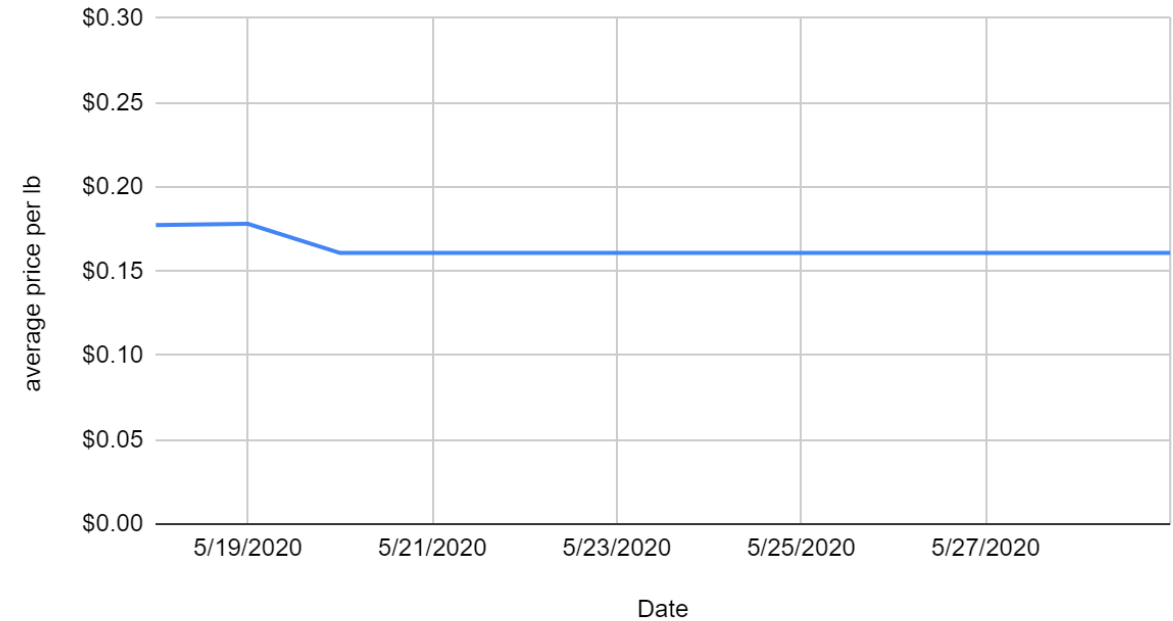
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Agricultural Weekly Prices

Average Price Recieved



Average Price Received



- This weeks prices are 2.14% lower than last years prices in the fourth week of May.

Data from Department of Agriculture-USDA

Bonneville Criminal Activity and Arrests

County monthly tracker uses data from all the police and sheriff stations in the county.

Compared to Bonneville Counties population of 119,062

In 2019, there was an average of 10 arrest per 1,000 people in the first terminal.

In 2020, there was an average of 7 arrets per 1,000 people in the first terminal

County Monthly Tracker # Of Incident			
Month	2019	2020	% Change of Crime
Jan	298	273	-8%
Feb	267	297	11%
Mar	363	206	-43%
Apr	313	140	-55%

Jefferson Criminal Activity and Arrests

County monthly tracker uses data from all the police and sheriff stations in the county.

Compared to Jefferson Counties population of 29,871

In 2019, there was an average of 4 arrest per 1,000 people in the first terminal.

In 2020, there was an average of 3 arrets per 1,000 people in the first terminal

County Monthly Tracker # Of Incidentis			
Month	2019	2020	% Change
Jan	37	15	-59%
Feb	21	10	-52%
Mar	24	7	-71%
Apr	24	3	-88%

Madison Criminal Activity and Arrests

County monthly tracker uses data from all the police and sheriff stations in the county.

Compared to Madison Counties population of 39,907

In 2019, there was an average of 4 arrest per 1,000 people in the first terminal.

In 2020, there was an average of 2 arrests per 1,000 people in the first terminal.

County Monthly Tracker # Of Incidents			
Month	2019	2020	% Change
Jan	44	24	-45%
Feb	42	28	-33%
Mar	42	20	-52%
Apr	34	13	-62%

Ada County Crime Rates

Ada County is home to Idaho's capital. It has the largest population of 481,587.

For its large size, it has experienced a relatively low crime rate.

In 2019, there was an average of 10 arrests per 1,000 people in the first terminal.

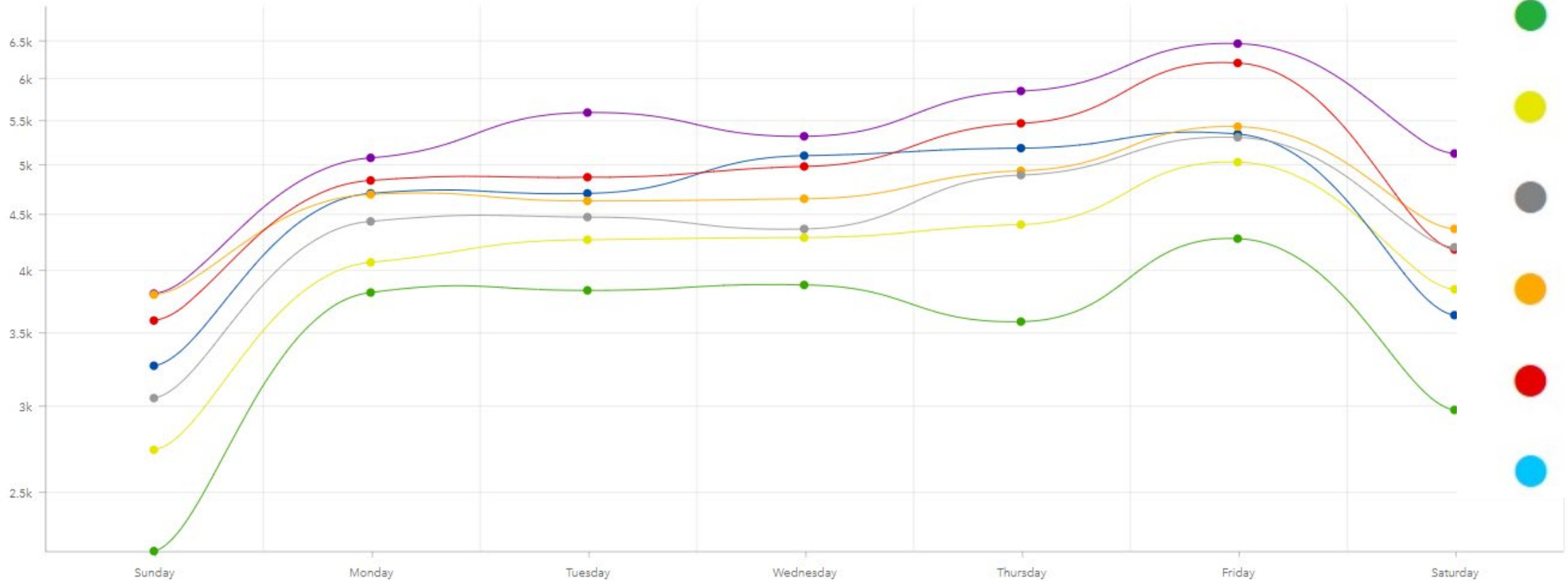
In 2020, there was an average of 4 arrests per 1,000 people in the first terminal.

Compared to Bonneville County, both counties have similar numbers despite the size differences.

Ada County Monthly Tracker # Of Incidents			
	2019	2020	% change
Jan	1,196	911	-23.83%
Feb	1,122	510	-54.55%
Mar	1,260	167	-86.75%
Apr	1,123	112	-90.03%

Traffic Volumes - Bonneville

Weekly Traffic Volumes



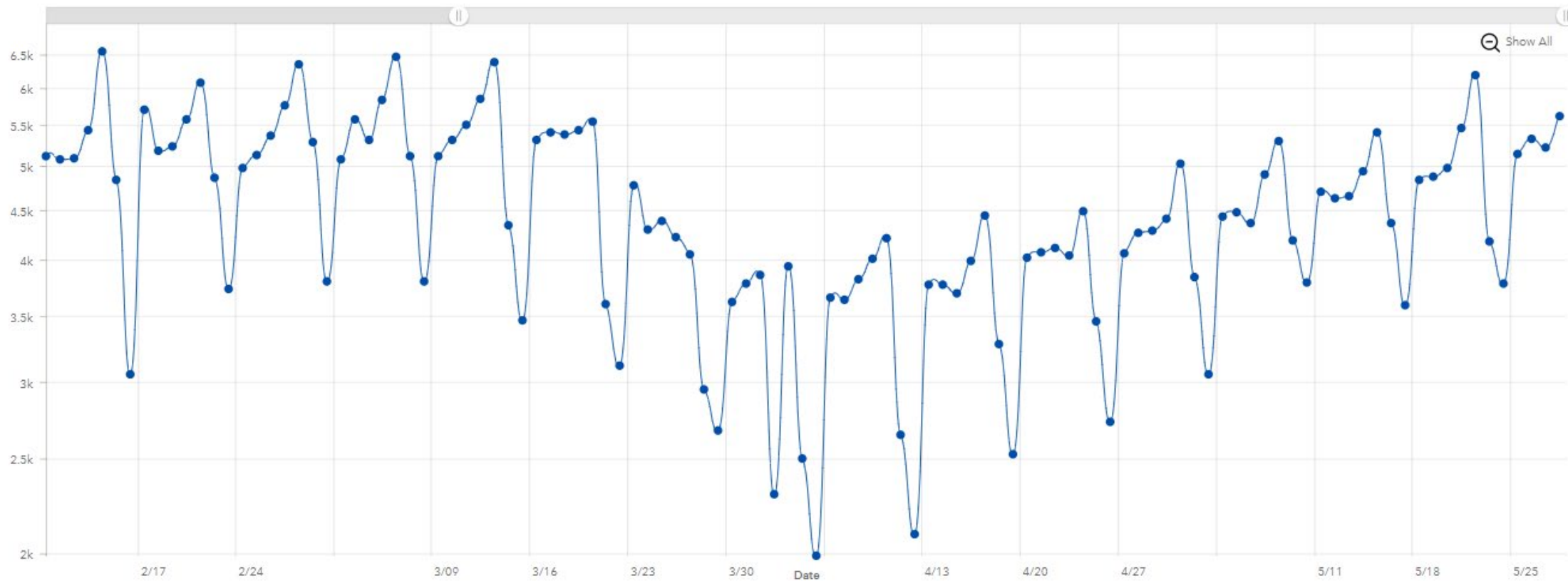
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Traffic Volumes - Bonneville

Average Daily Traffic Volumes for 2020

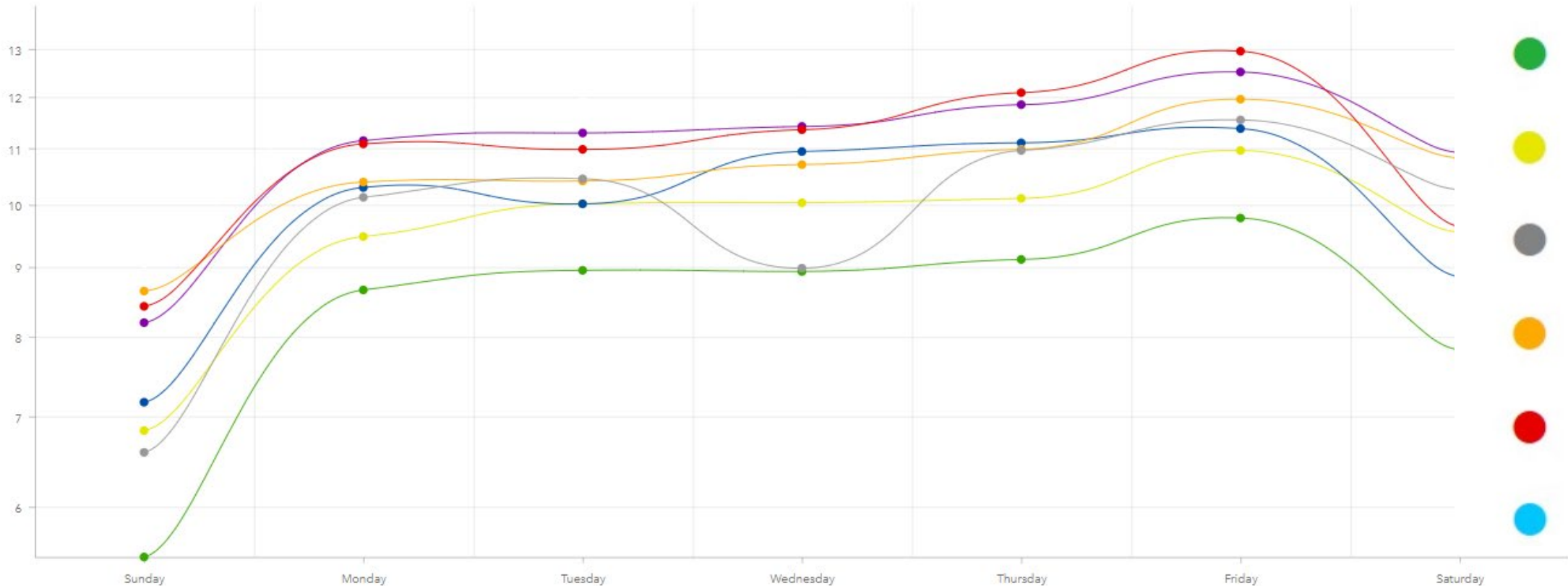


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Traffic Volumes - Jefferson

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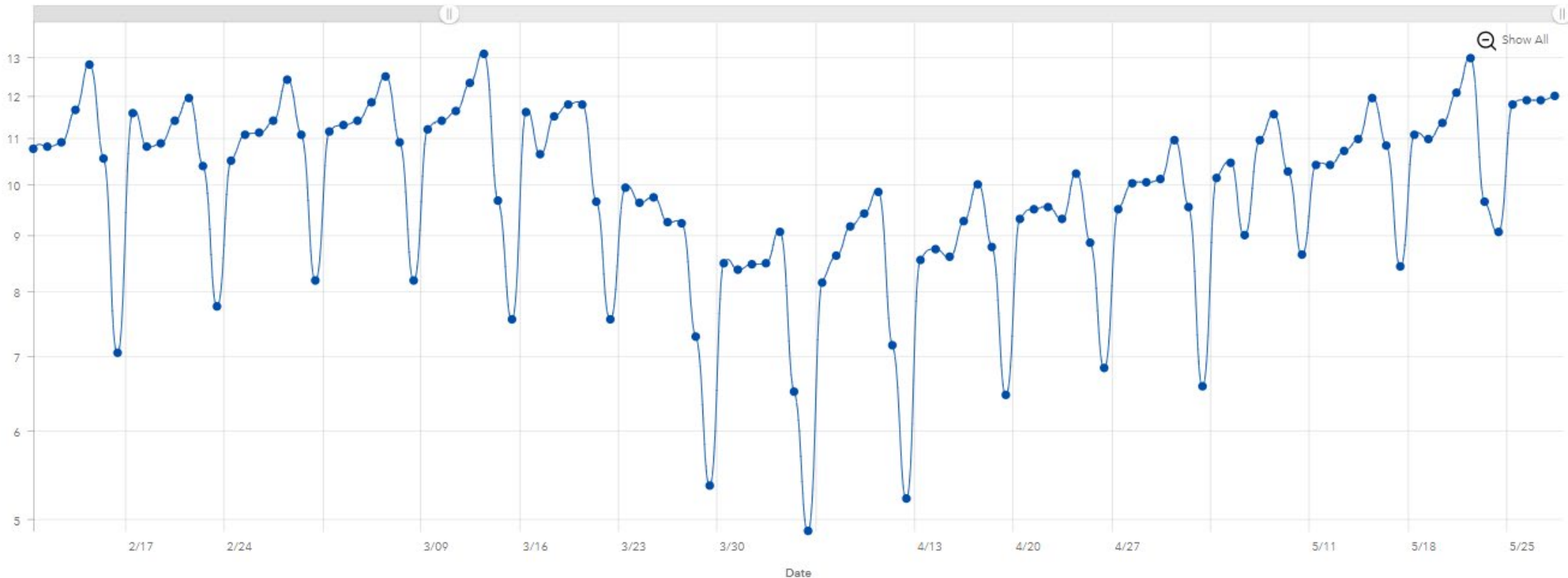


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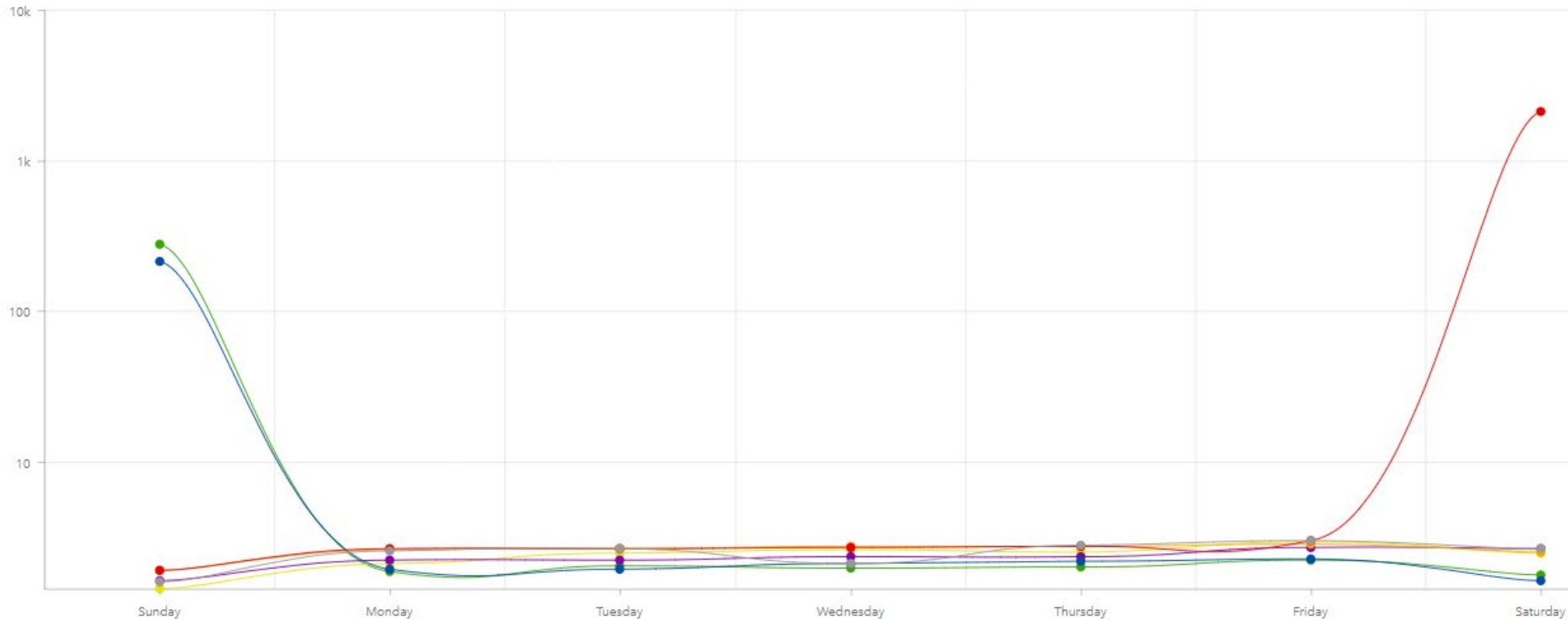
Average Daily Traffic Volumes for 2020



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Traffic Volumes - Madison

Weekly Traffic Volumes

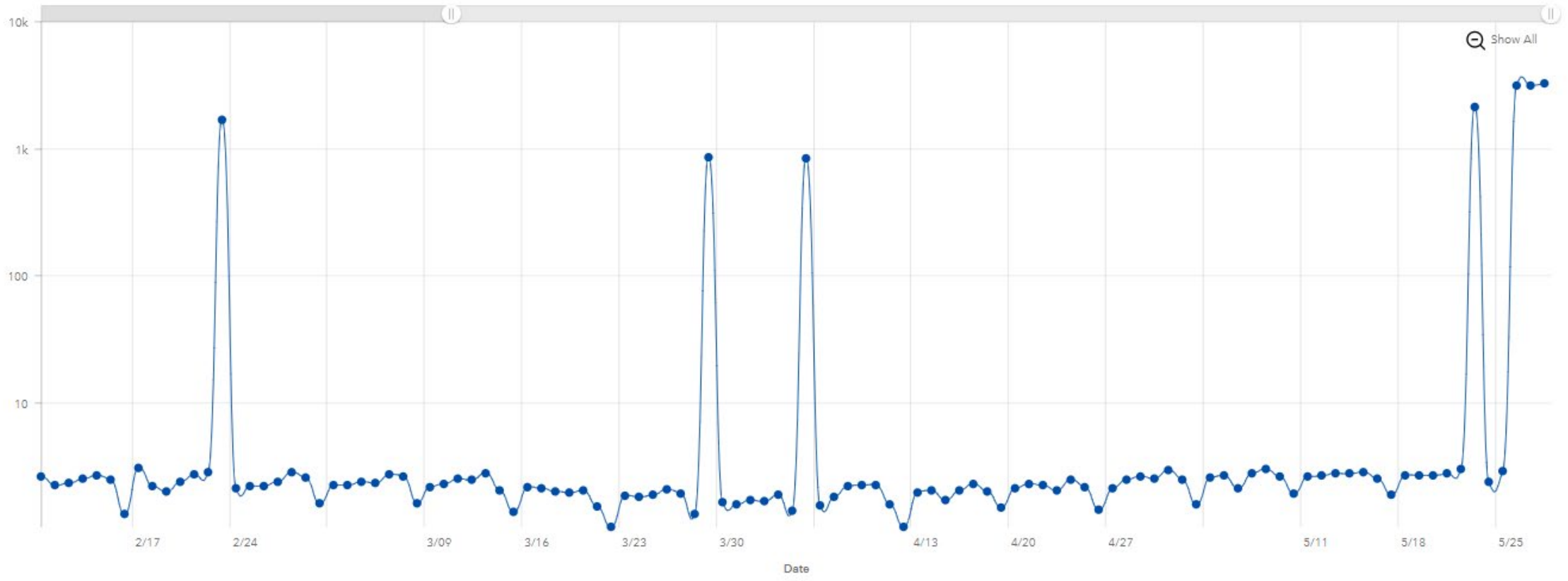


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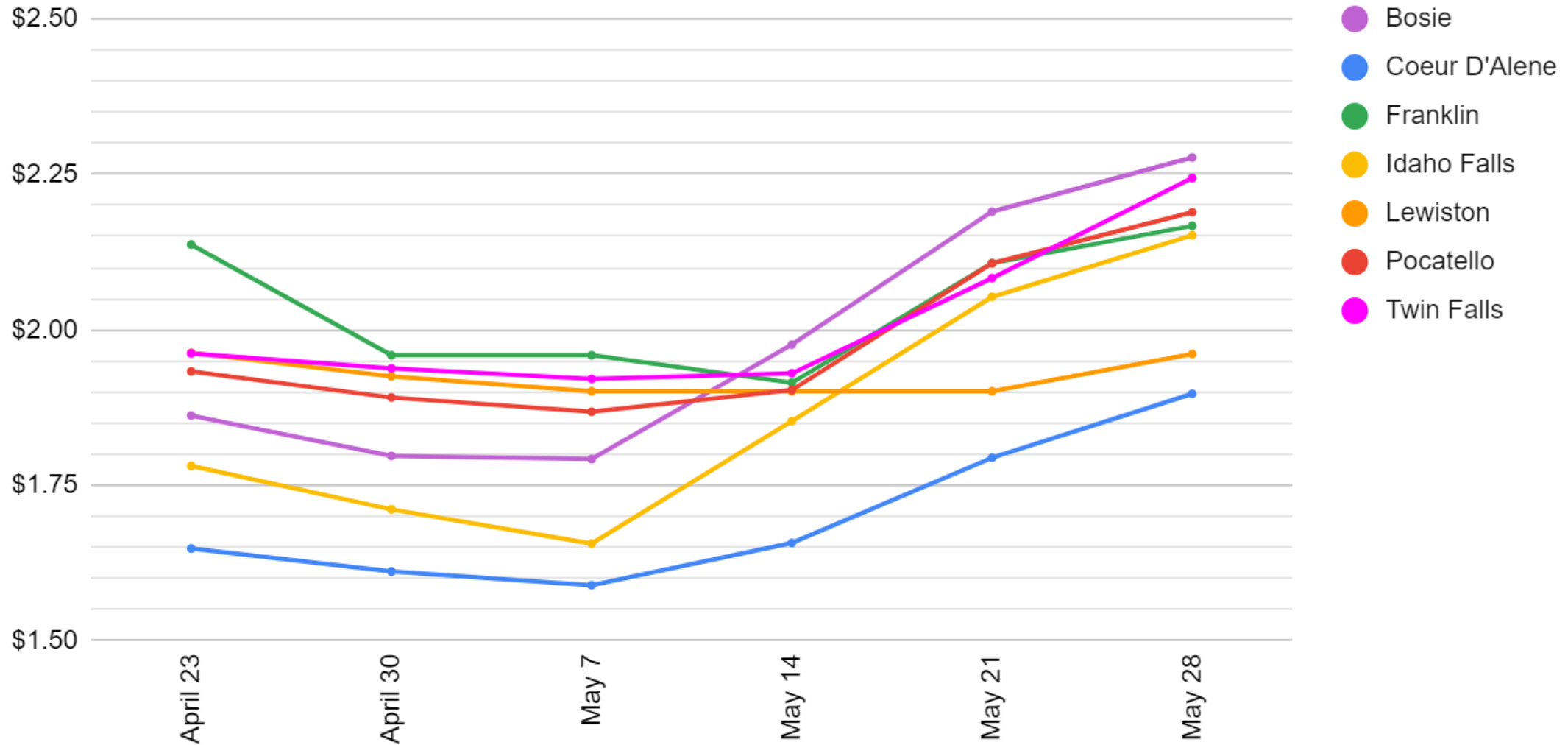
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Idaho Metro Gasoline Prices

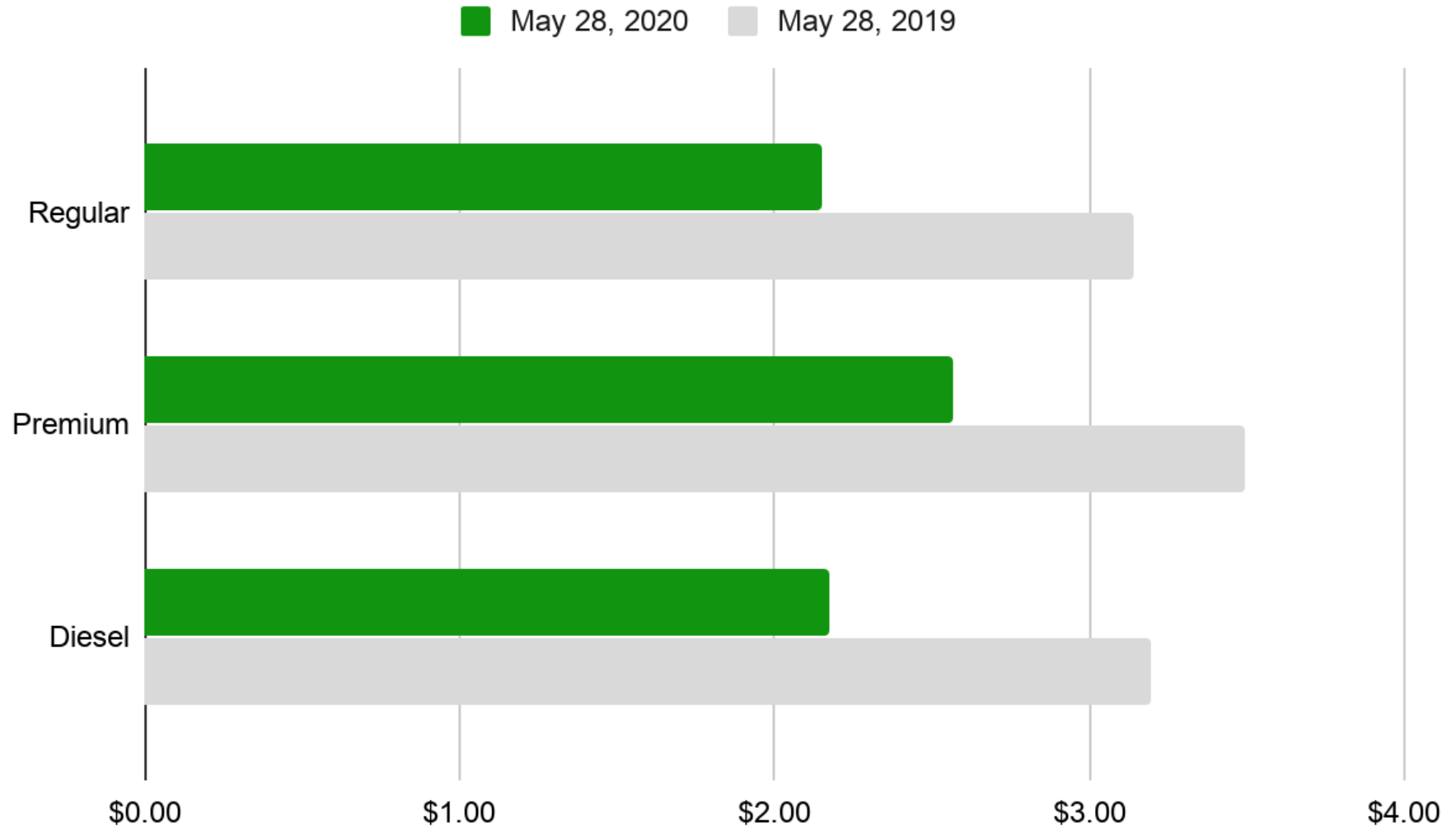


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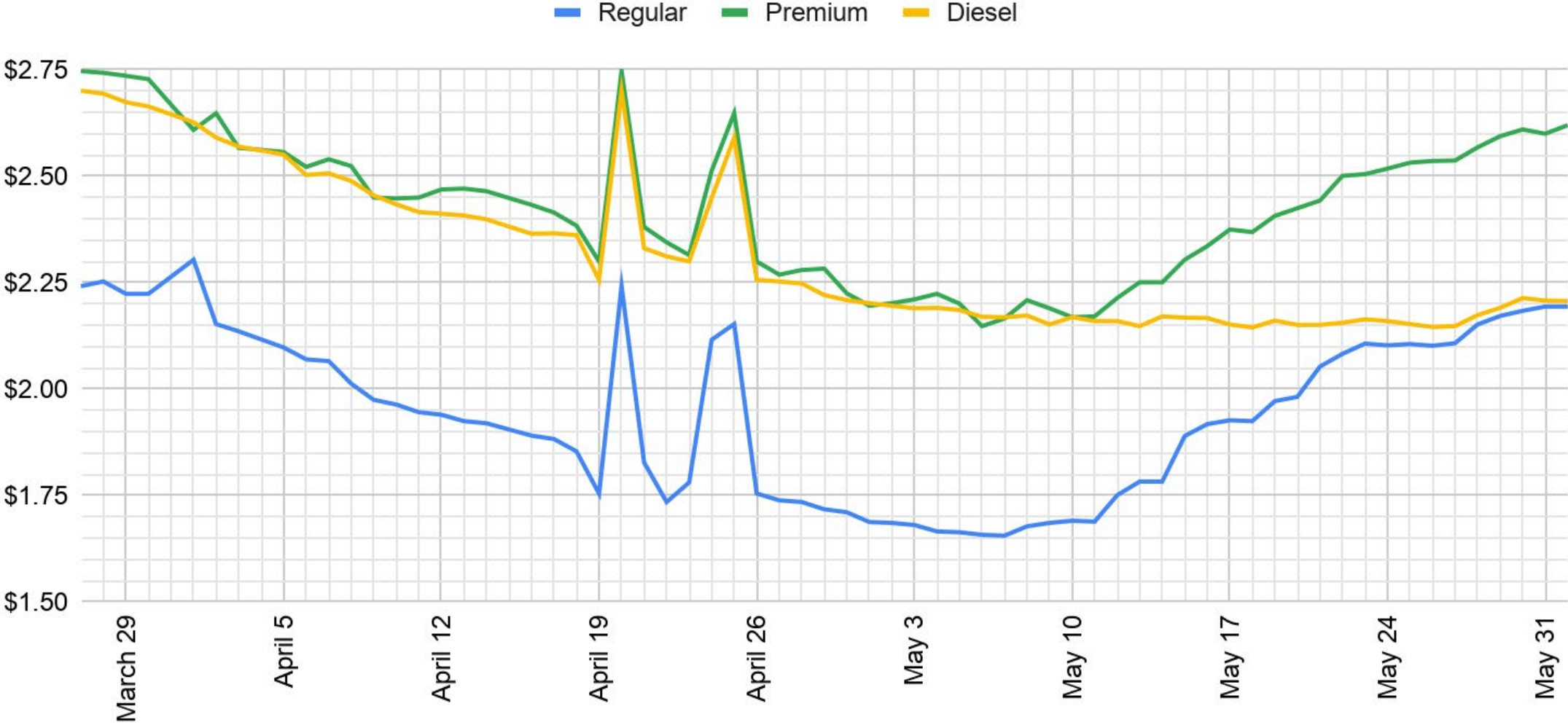
	Bosie			Idaho Falls			Pocatello			Twin Falls		
	Regular	Premium	Diesel	Regular	Premium	Diesel	Regular	Premium	Diesel	Regular	Premium	Diesel
May 28, 2020	\$2.28	\$2.59	\$2.44	\$2.15	\$2.57	\$2.17	\$2.19	\$2.54	\$2.58	\$2.24	\$2.57	\$2.43
May 28, 2019	\$3.26	\$3.53	\$3.25	\$3.14	\$3.49	\$3.19	\$3.17	\$3.45	\$3.29	\$3.22	\$3.53	\$3.21

Idaho Falls Gasoline Prices

Idaho Falls' average metro area gasoline price with previous year comparison.



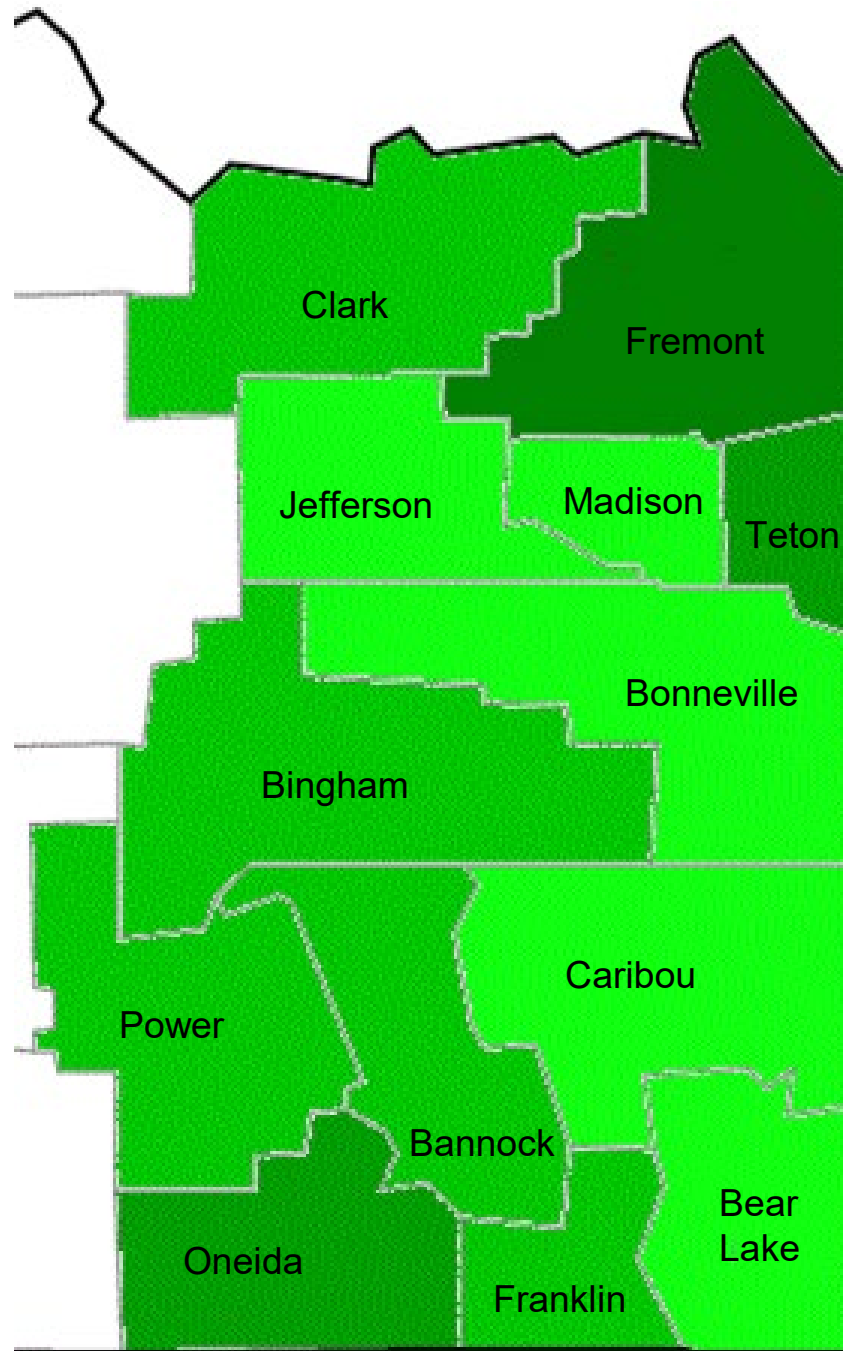
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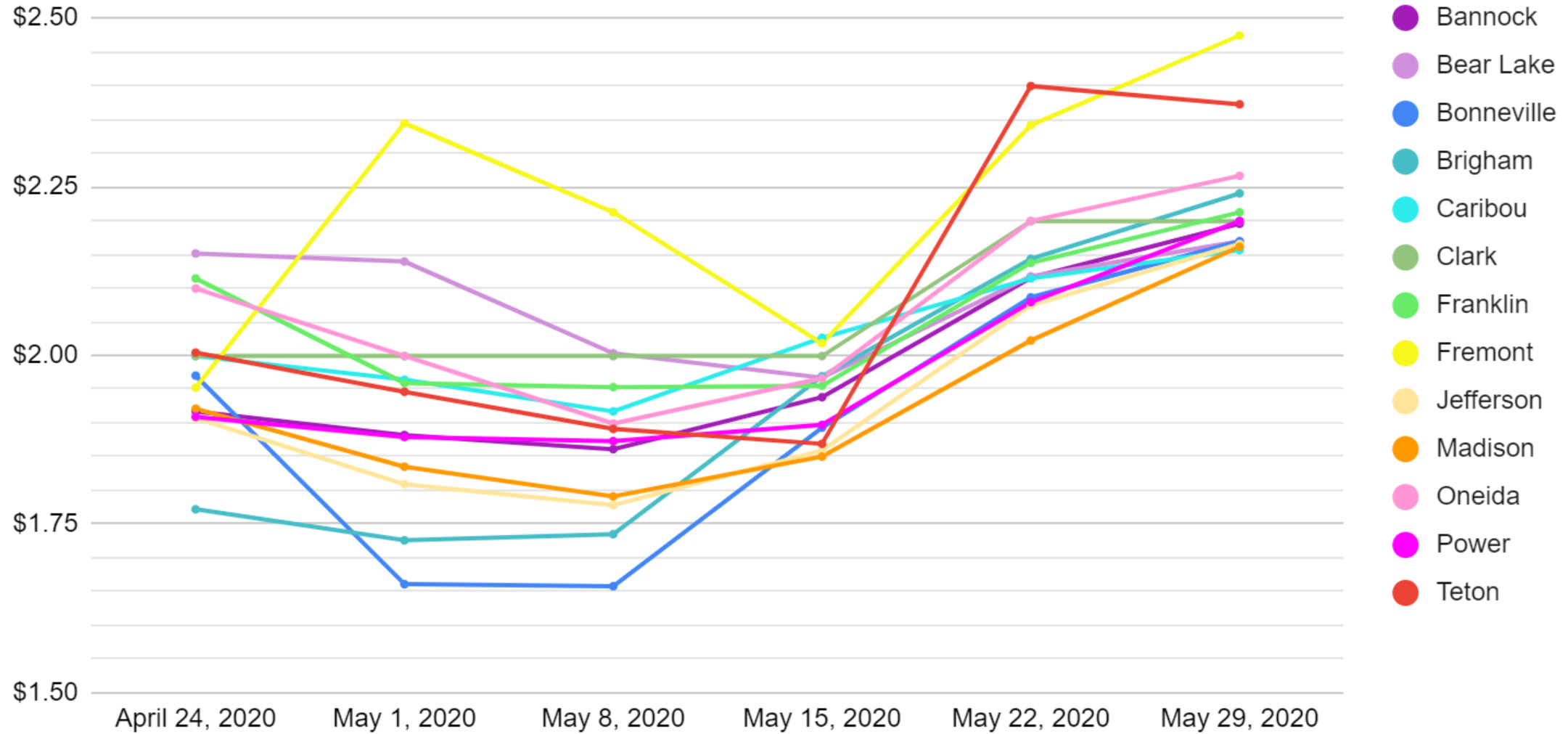
Idaho Counties Gasoline Prices

Average Regular Gasoline Prices

	\$1.90 - \$1.99
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	\$2.10 - \$2.19
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	\$2.30 - \$2.39
	\$2.40 - \$2.49
	\$2.50 - \$2.59

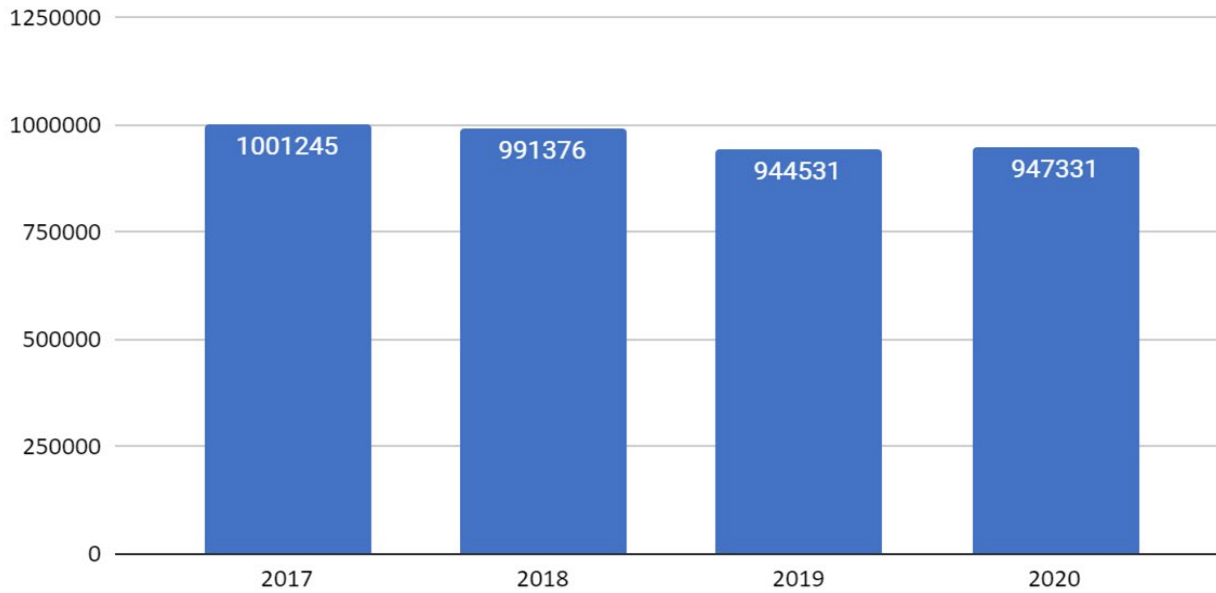


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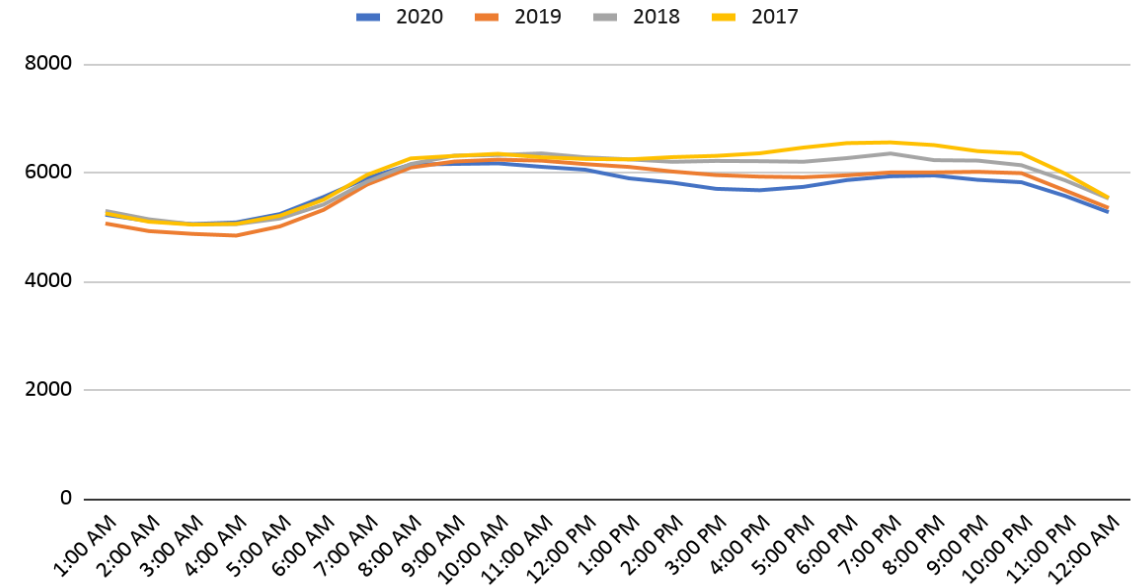
Electricity Demand- Bonneville Power Administration

Bonneville Power Administration Weekly Electricity Demand (MWh)
May 22-28

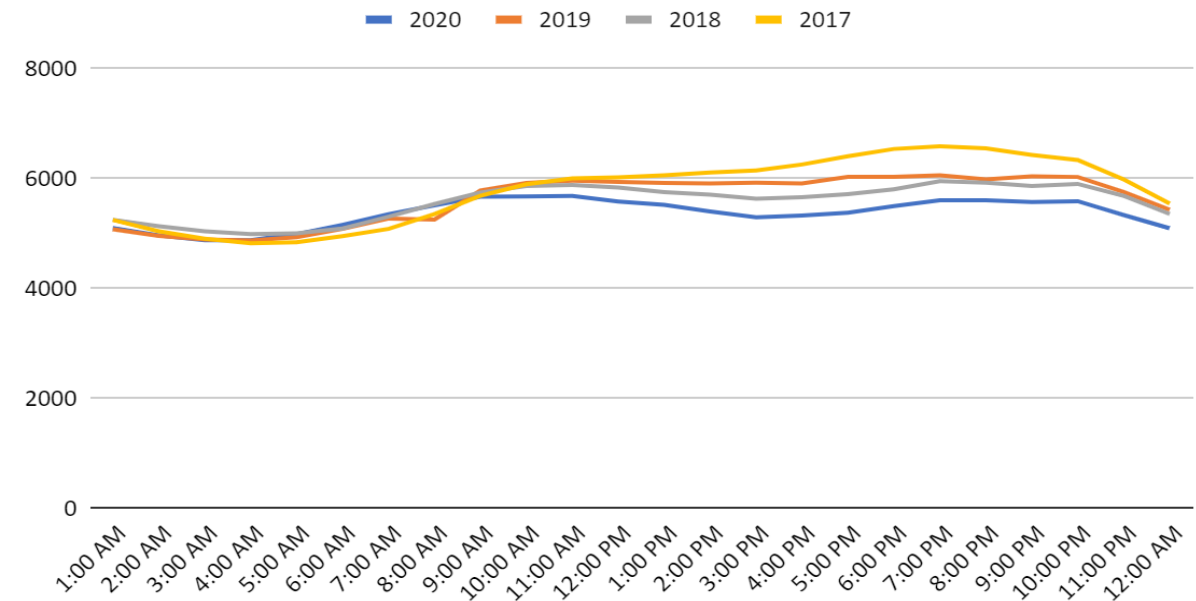


Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration
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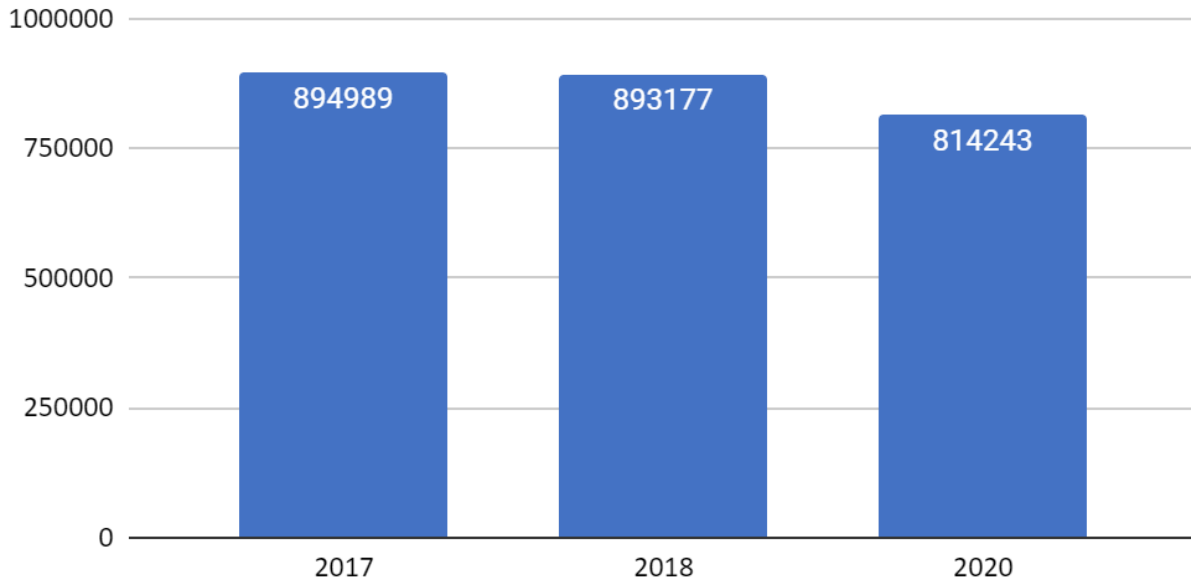


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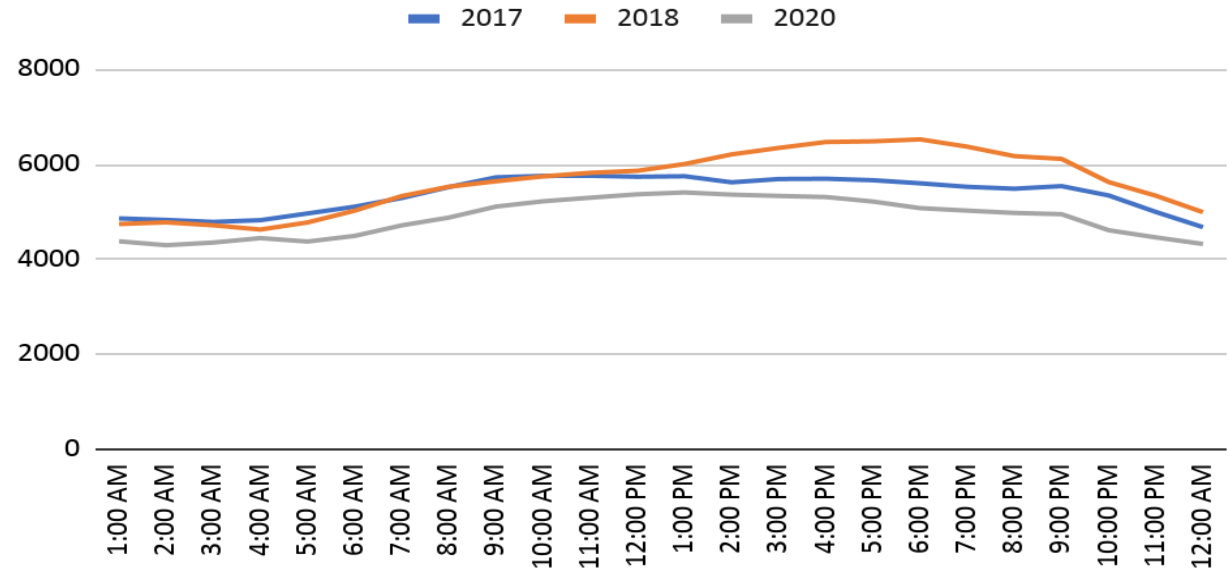


Electricity Demand- PacifiCorp East

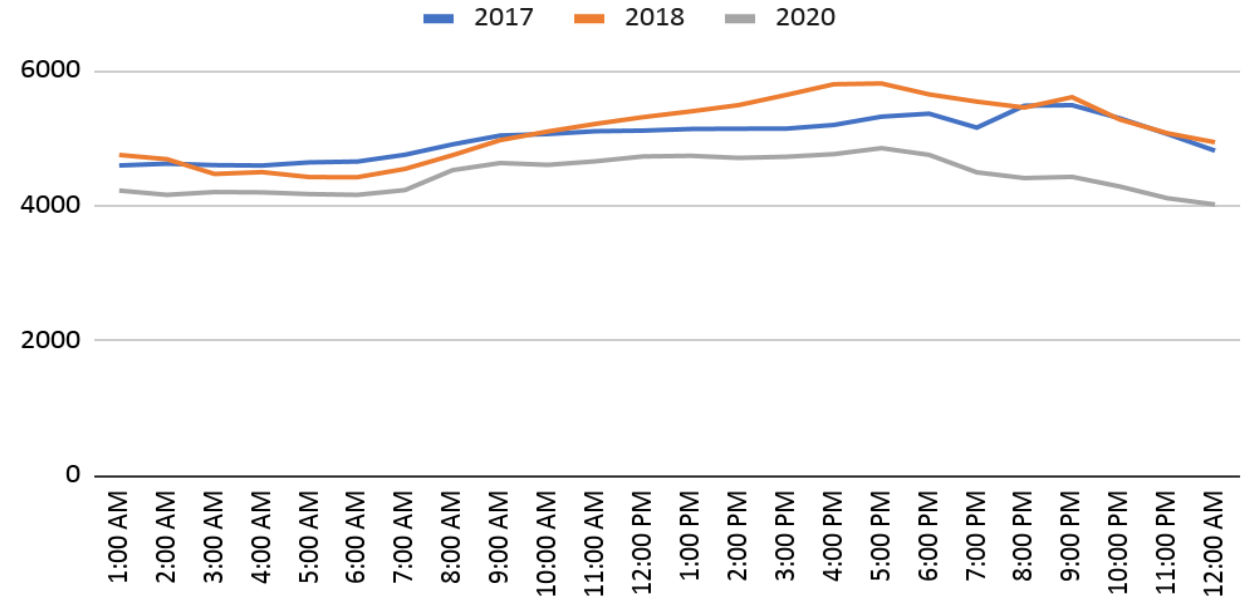
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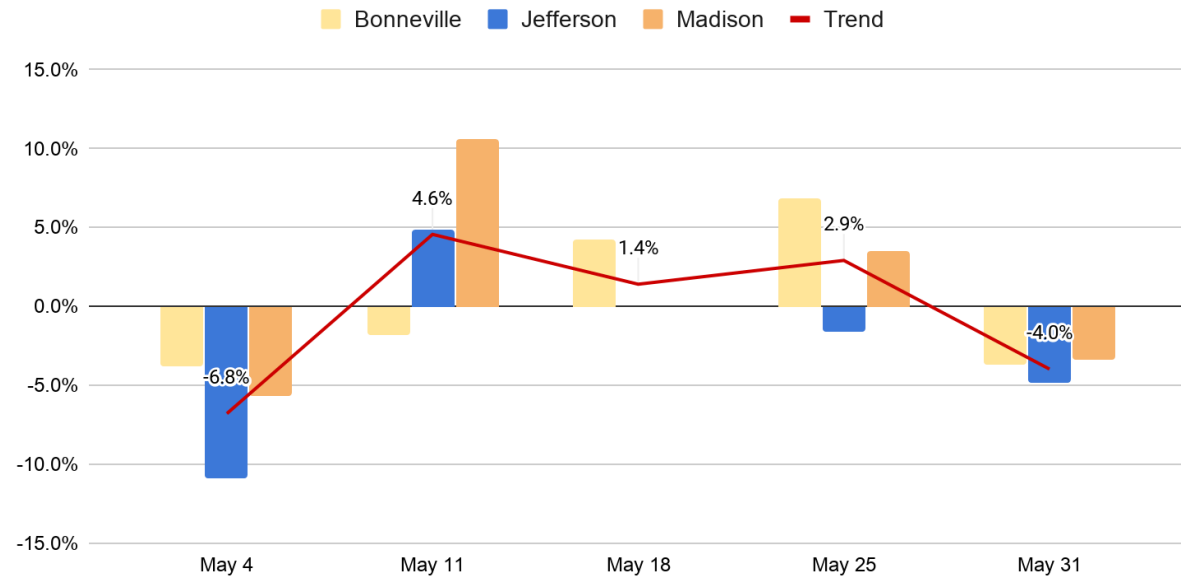
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Job Openings Overview

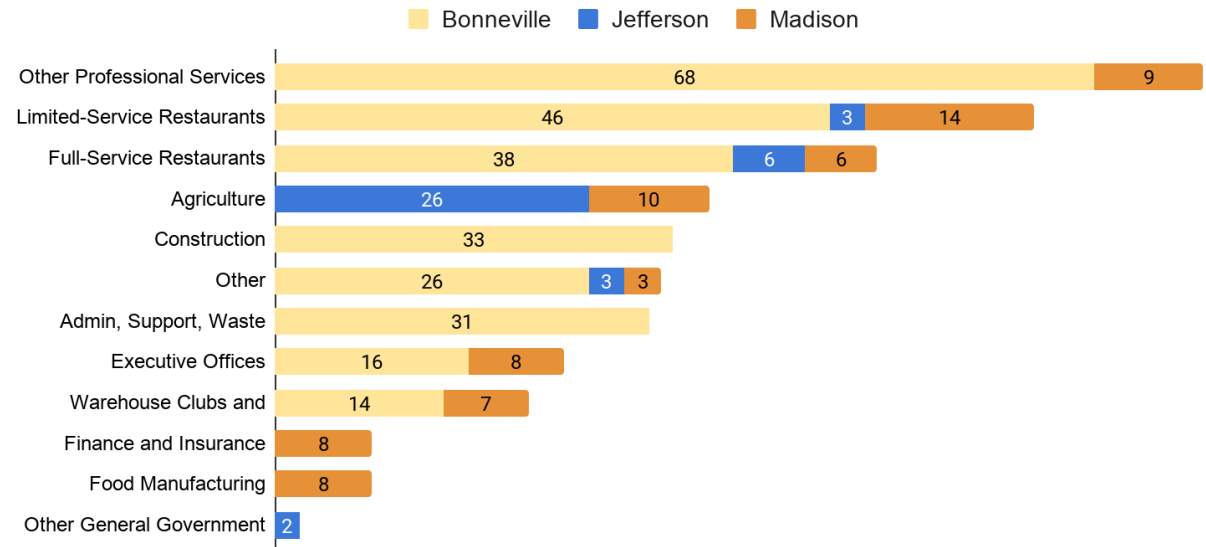
Job Openings Change

May 2020



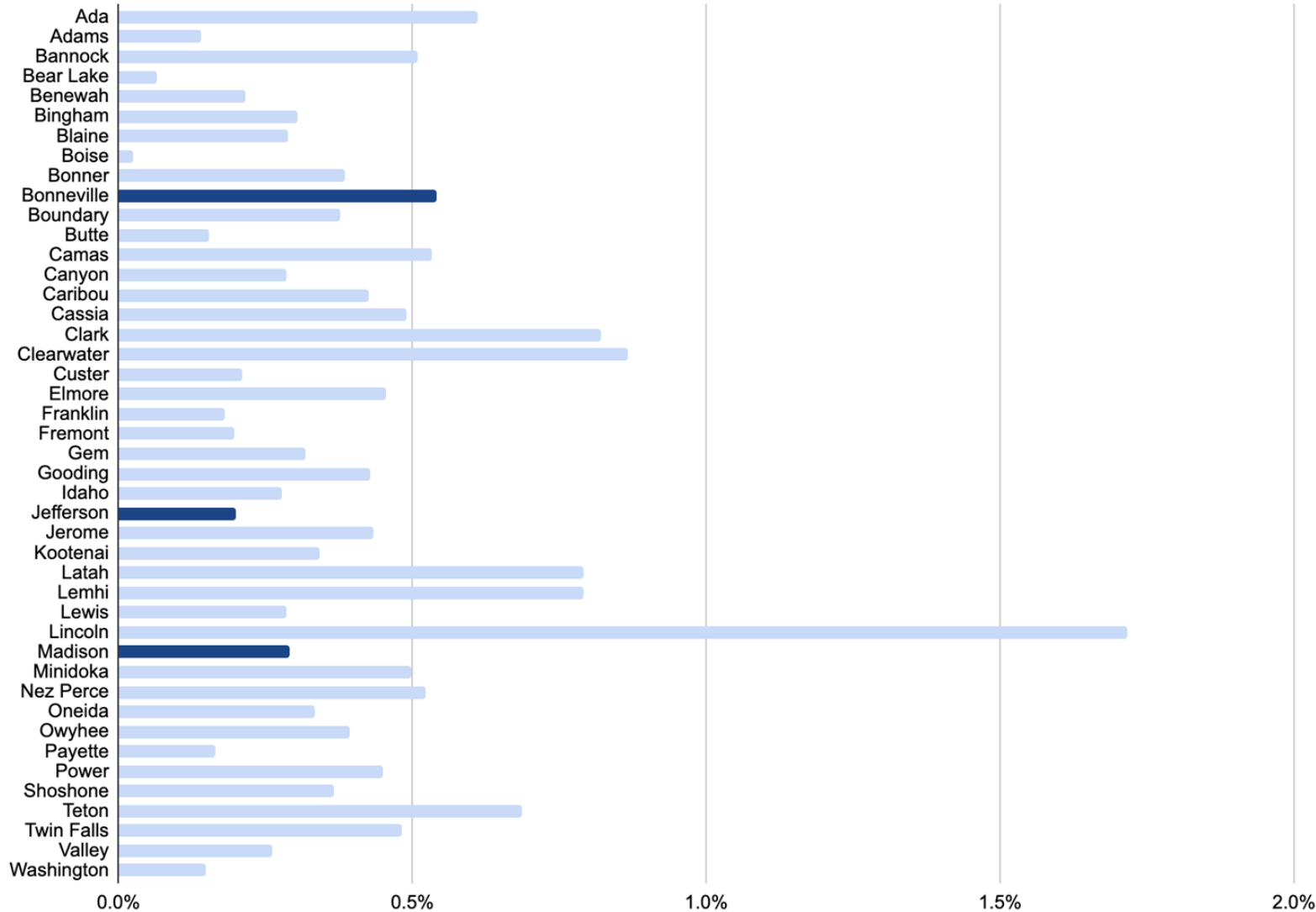
Job Openings by Industry

As of May 29, 2020



Source: [Idaho Department of Labor](#)

Idaho Job Openings as a Percentage of Population

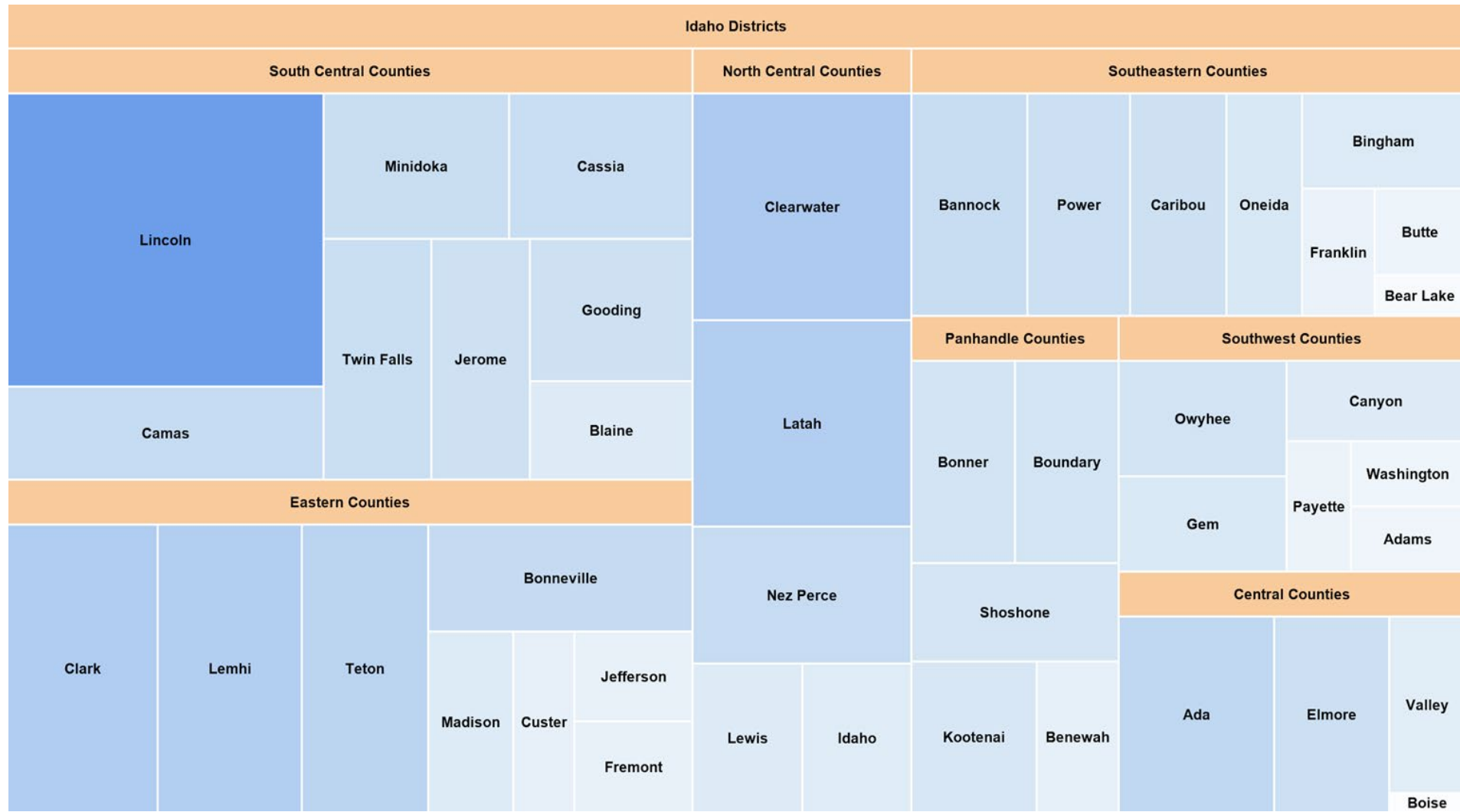


Openings in Bonneville, Jefferson, and Madison Counties account for 10.08% of job openings in Idaho

Source: [Idaho Department of Labor](#) and [World Population Review](#)



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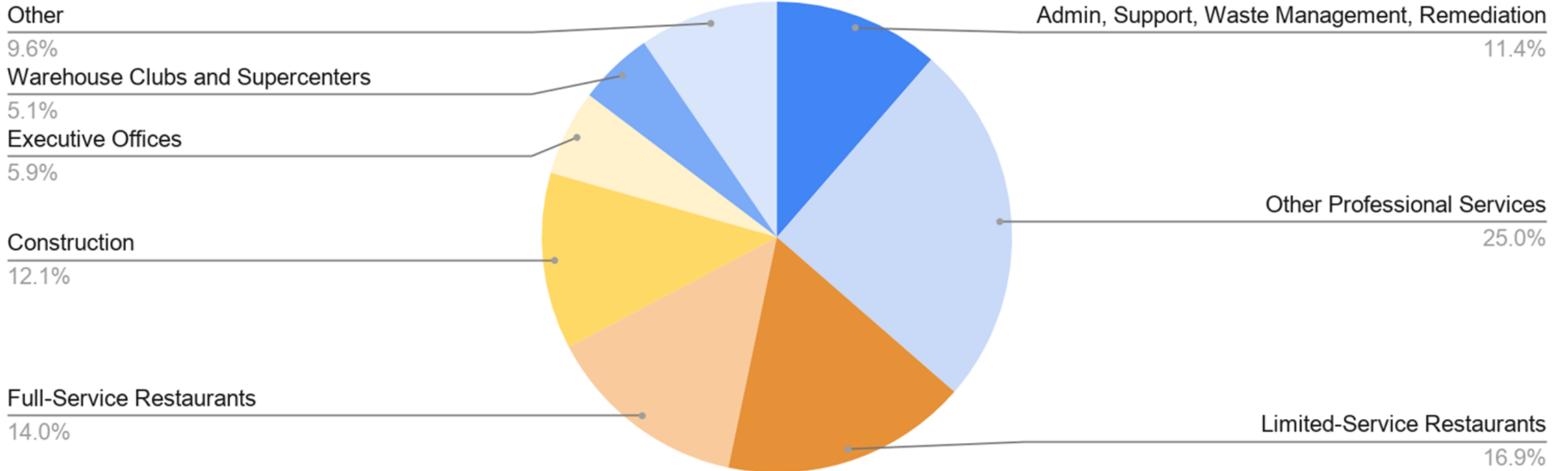


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Job Openings - Bonneville County

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Job Openings - Bonneville County

Latest Job Openings by Employer:

- Bonneville County
- KM Service Company LLC
- RS&I Inc.
- [Idaho National Laboratory](#)
- [HCA, Hospital Corporation of America](#)
- Aaron's Inc
- Camping World
- HSS Inc
- U-Haul
- [Melaleuca](#)
- Engineering System Solutions
- [Sportsman's Warehouse](#)
- Kelly Services
- GoWireless
- Realty Holdings Corporation
- Curtiss-Wright Corporation
- Easter Seals Goodwill Northern Rocky Mountain
- Idaho Division of Human Resources
- Aspen Dental
- Alr Methods
- [Lowe's](#)
- Avenue5 Residential, LLC
- Waste Connections, Inc
- [Good Samaritan Society](#)
- Duane Reade
- Walgreens***
- BMC - Building Materials and Construction Solution
- Advance Auto Parts
- Wells Fargo
- [Maverik](#)
- Albertsons
- East Idaho Credit Union
- Bureau of Land Management
- LifeCare
- Insuractive
- [Community Council of Idaho](#)
- Citizens Community Bank
- [H&K Contractors Inc.***](#)
- [Knife River Corp Mountain West Division***](#)
- BMPC
- Ormond Builders, Inc.
- Fluor Idaho, LLC
- Snow Eagle Brewing and Grill
- Basic American Foods
- Admiral Beverage Corporation (Pepsi)
- North Wind Infrastructure and Technology
- Progrexion
- C-A-L Stores Companies INC

***COVID-19 Essential Job

Source: [Idaho Department of Labor](#)

Companies listed in [blue](#) have 6 or more job offerings



Job Openings - Bonneville County

Older Job Openings:

- CROSSMARK
- [CDM Smith](#)
- Papa John's International
- [Jacobs](#)
- [Buffalo Wild Wings](#)
- Applied Materials
- [Sonic Drive-In](#)
- [Dominos Pizza](#)***
- [Olive Garden](#)
- Starbucks Coffee Company
- [Pizza Hut](#)
- Encompass Home Health***
- [AutoZone, Inc.](#)
- Docutech
- [McDonald's](#)
- Pilot Flying J
- Kforce
- Signature Service
- Western States Equipment Company
- AdvancedHomeServices
- Downeast Outfitters
- System One Services
- Grifols Shared Services North America, Inc
- NTG Groups, LLC
- Staples
- Elior North America
- HealthTrust Workforce Solutions
- [Walmart](#)
- [Home Depot](#)***
- Rush Enterprises
- Natural Grocers
- Petco

- BHI Energy
- Anheuser Busch
- Swift
- Panera Bread
- University of Utah
- Ross Stores, Inc.
- Washington Federal
- Peak Security
- Love's Travel Stops & Country***
- Dollar Tree
- Accountable Healthcare Staffing
- Unitek Learning, Inc.
- Citizen Schools
- UPS***
- Techflow Inc
- Idaho Central Credit Union***
- USIC
- Target***
- GNC
- Bank of America
- Kneaders Bakery & Cafe
- C & B Operations, LLC
- Abry's
- HEBCO
- Delta Fire Systems, Inc.
- Tradehome Shoes
- Fred Meyer
- Advantage Solutions
- Barnes & Noble College Booksellers
- Schneider
- TJX
- ServiceMaster Family of Brands
- Fresenius Medical Care North America
- ManTech

- Massage Envy
- Hayden Beverage Company
- Forest Service
- ABF Freight System, Inc***
- Invenergy Services Inc.
- BPMC
- DC Electric Inc.***
- Idaho Youth Ranch
- Big City Insulation of Idaho Inc
- Wood River Media
- Elwood Staffing Services
- Smith & Nephew, Inc.
- MarCom LLC
- HukariAscendent, Inc.
- Concrete Construction Supply***
- TMC Contractors***
- Edward D. Jones
- T and T Lawn Service***
- Rotech Healthcare Inc.
- Allegheny Science and Technology
- Rich Broadcasting
- American Staffing, inc.
- Handy M.E. LLC
- [North Wind Group](#)
- Monticello Montessori Charter School
- Beehive Rehabilitation and Counseling***
- Habitat for Humanity Idaho Falls Area
- Idaho Crop Improvement Association
- [Granite Construction incorporated](#)
- City of Idaho Falls
- Eastern Idaho Community Action Partnership
- Western Transport Inc.
- USDA APHIS PPQ PCN Program
- Teton Cleaners & Laundry

- Enercon Services inc
- Idaho Department of Labor
- Prestige Care, Inc.
- Panda Restaurant Group, Inc.
- Intermountain Erectors, Inc.
- Burns Concrete, Inc.
- Novitex
- Eagle Rock Timber, Inc.***
- PAE Aviation and Technical Services LLC
- State Trailer Supply
- Tri State Roofing
- Cable One
- [TRC Fabrication LLC](#)

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Companies listed in [blue](#) have 6 or more job offerings

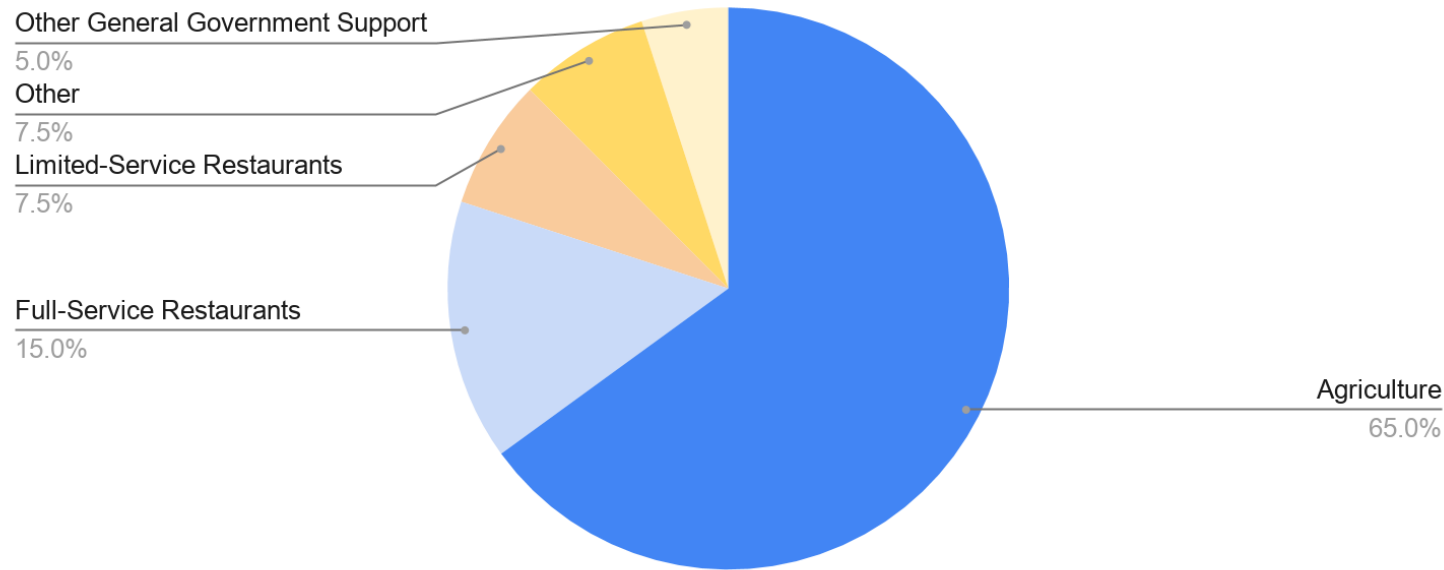
Source: [Idaho Department of Labor](#)



Job Openings - Jefferson County

Openings by Industry

As of May 29, 2020



Source: [Idaho Department of Labor](#)

Latest Job Openings by Employer:

- Stickler Construction LLC
- Maverik
- [AdvancedHomeServices](#)
- Idaho Division of Human Resources
- Runaway Inc

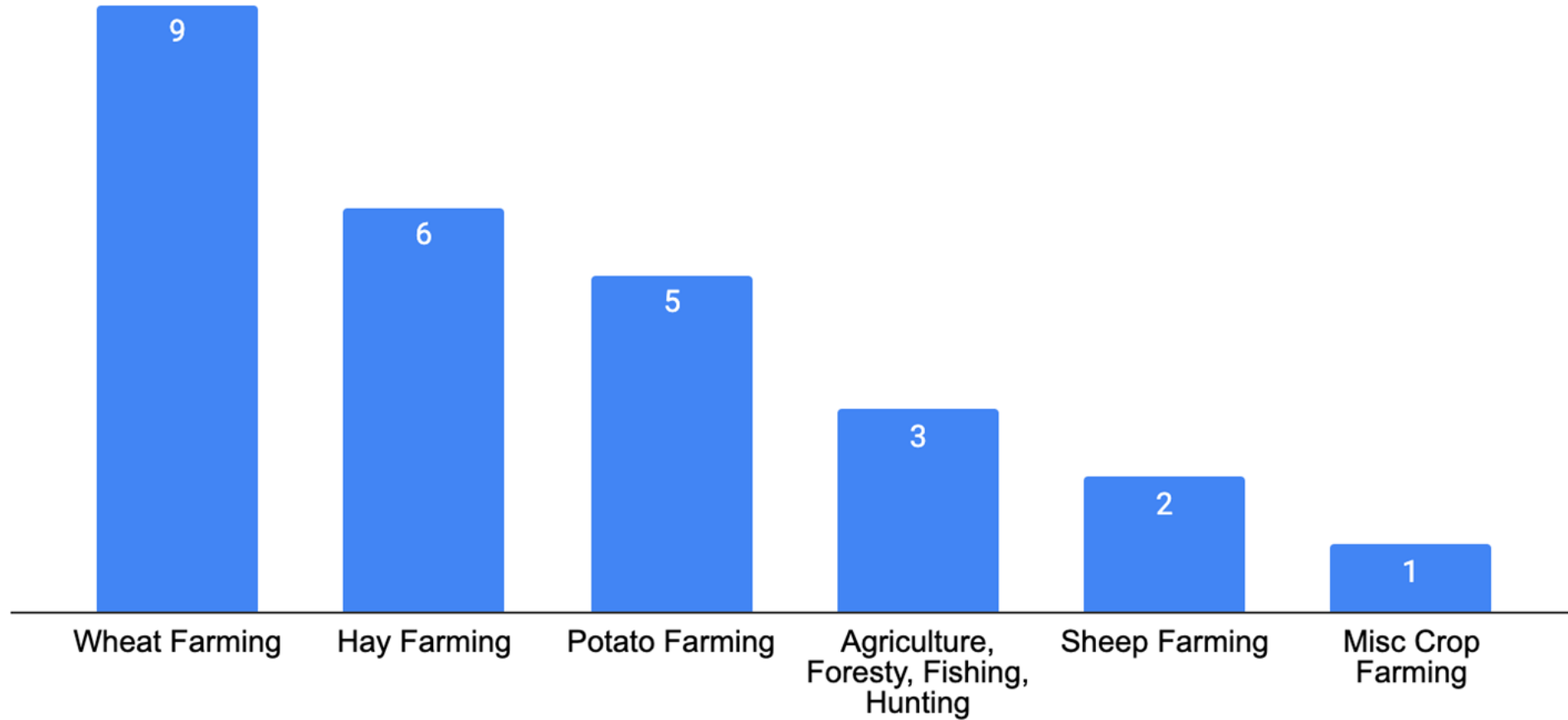
Older Job Openings:

- Dollar Tree
- [Pizza Hut](#)
- Dominos Pizza***
- Mickelsen Farms
- DL Evans Bank
- Nelson Electric LLC***

***COVID-19 Essential Job

Companies listed in [blue](#) have 6 or more job offerings

Jefferson County - Agricultural Breakdown

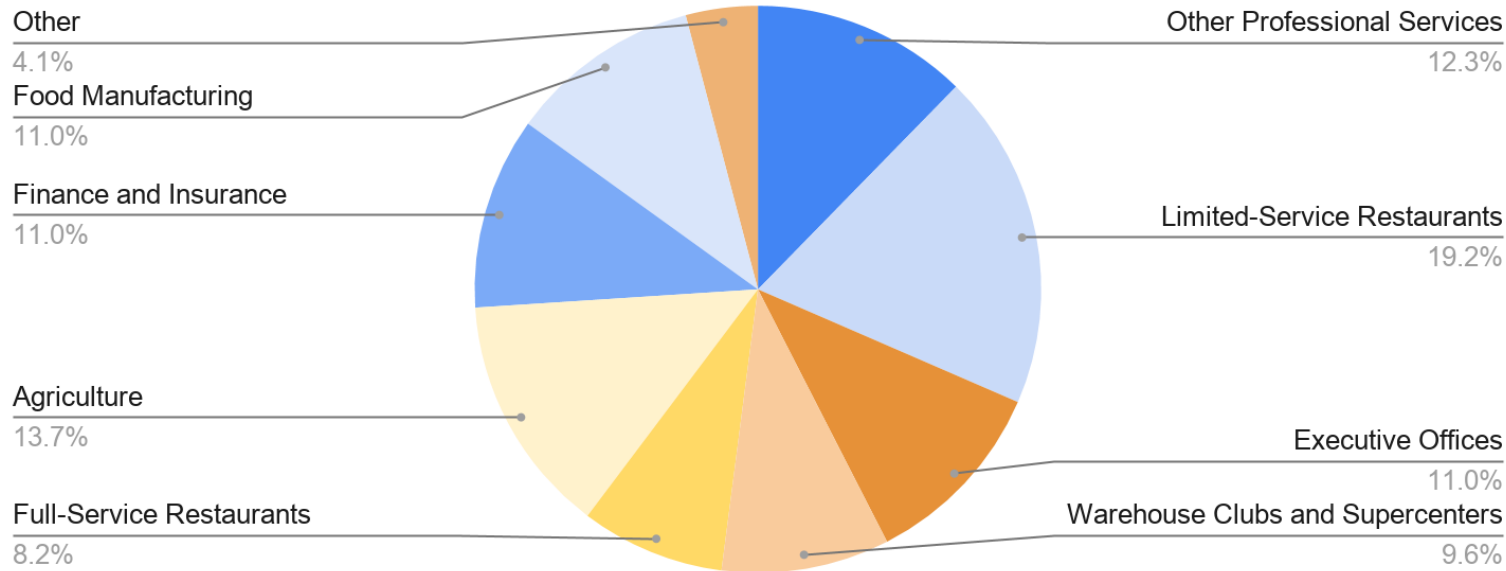


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Job Openings - Madison County

Openings by Industry

As of May 29, 2020



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Companies listed in blue have 5 or more job offerings

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Latest Job Openings by Employer:

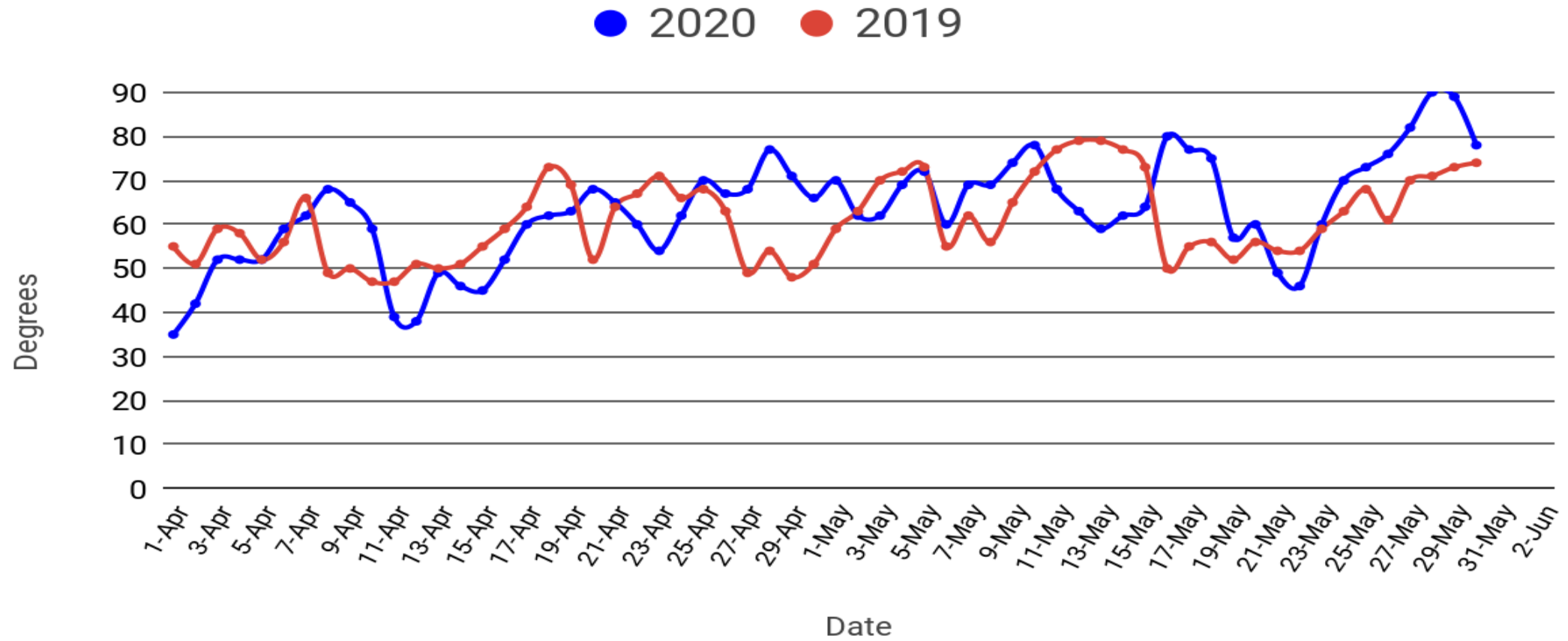
- Progrexion
- University of Utah
- GoWireless
- [Melaleuca](#)
- Kelly Services
- Idaho Division of Human Resources
- [McDonald's](#)
- Amet, Inc.
- [Beehive FCU](#)
- [Basic American Foods](#)
- Admiral Beverage Corporation (Pepsi)

Older Job Openings:

- Papa John's International
- Dominos Pizza***
- [AutoZone, Inc.](#)
- [Pizza Hut](#)
- Sonic Drive-In
- BMC - Building Materials and Construction Solution
- [Walmart](#)
- UPS***
- C & B Operations, LLC
- Grifols Shared Services North America, Inc
- USIC
- Lawrence Merchandising Services
- Walgreens***
- NTG Groups, LLC
- Applied Materials
- America First Credit Union
- Zollinger Construction
- BYU-Idaho
- Thompson Excavation & Asphalt, Inc.
- High Country Potato
- Western Fence, Inc.
- Panda Restaurant Group, Inc.
- Teton Turf and Tree Farms

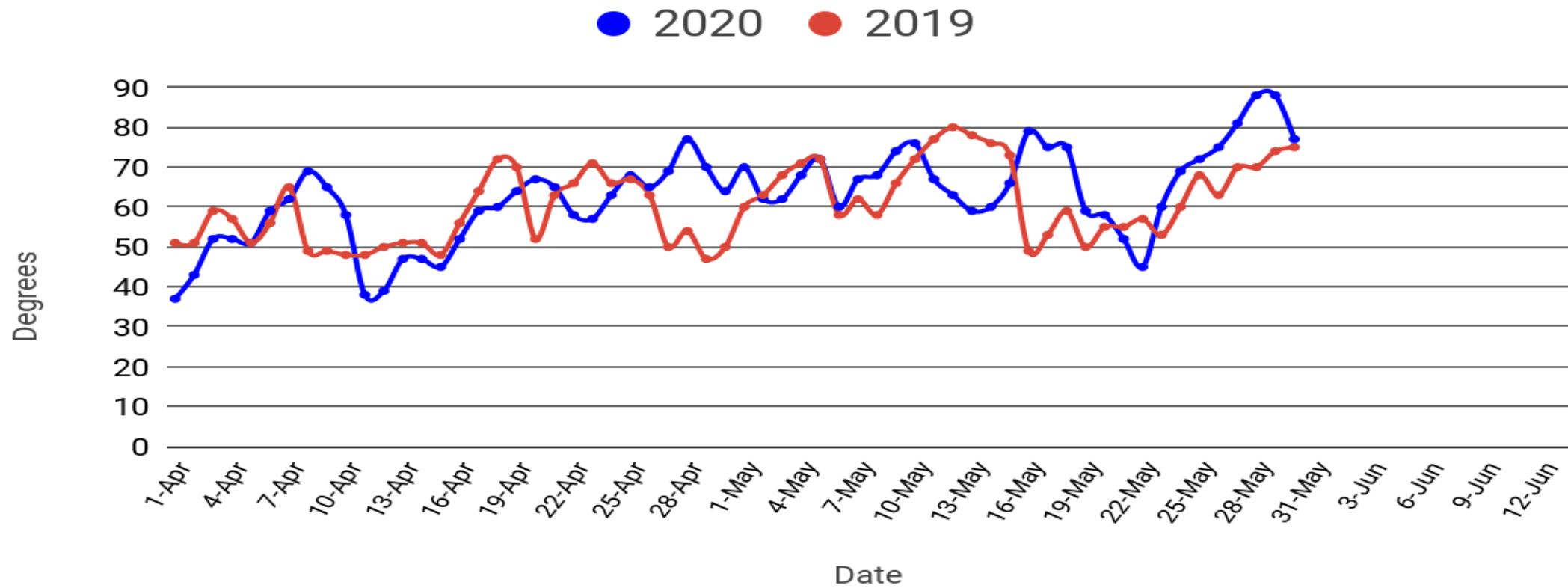


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