

Eastern Idaho COVID-19 Economic Report | June 15, 2020

RBDC Weekly COVID-19 Economic Report

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



New This Week

- New unemployment claims went up in Bonneville, Jefferson, Madison and Blaine Counties. Continued unemployment claims continued to drop this week.
- Madison County had the lowest percentage of unemployment in the state during April. Blaine County had the highest.
- Residents of Rigby think that the economic situation in Rigby will improve a lot, while residents of Idaho Falls believe it will remain stable.
- Beauty salons in Eastern Idaho have seen a significant increase of clients compared to before the Stay at Home Order.
- Arrests and Criminal activity significantly dropped at the beginning of the Stay at Home order in March, and have continued to stay lower than normal.

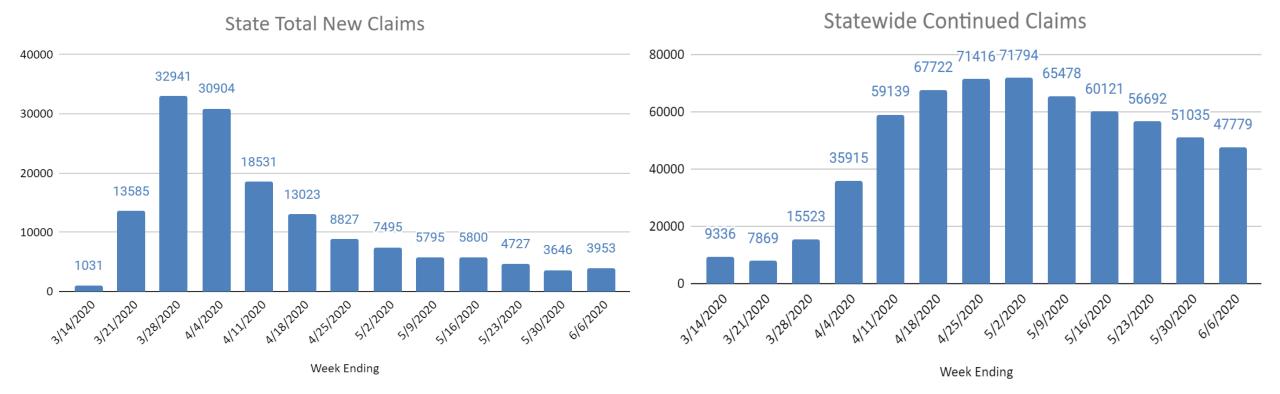
Weekly Initial Unemployment Claims

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.

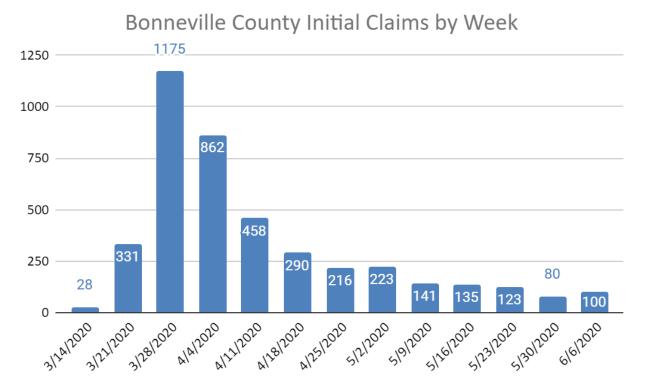


Weekly Unemployment Claims

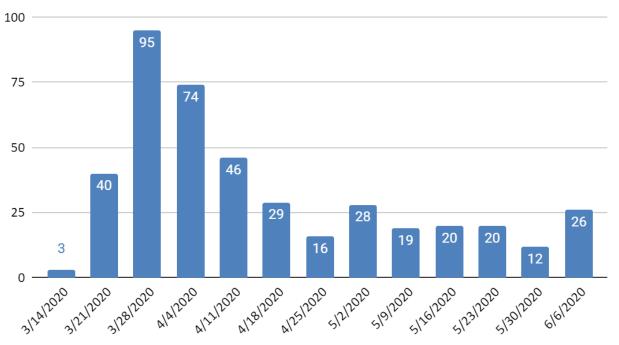




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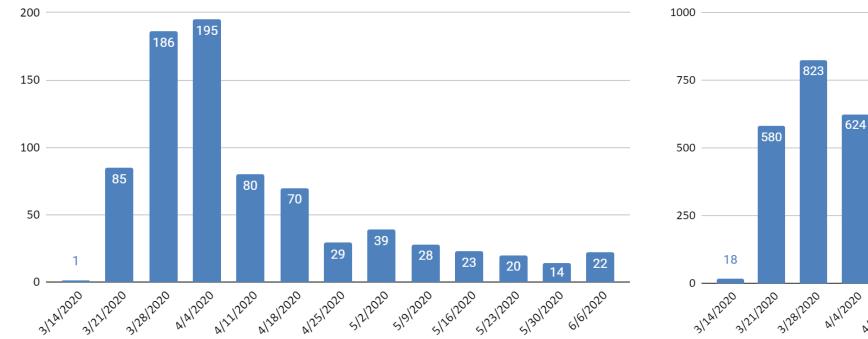
Jefferson County Initial Claims by Week



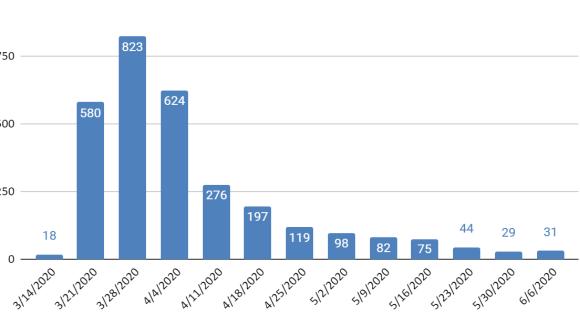


Weekly Initial Unemployment Claims

Madison County Initial Claims by Week



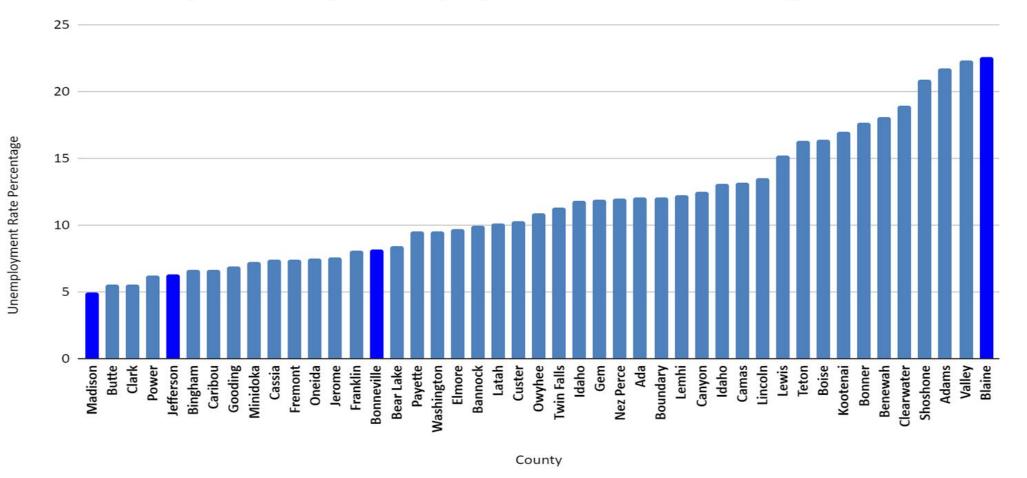
Blaine County Initial Claims by Week





April Monthly County Comparison

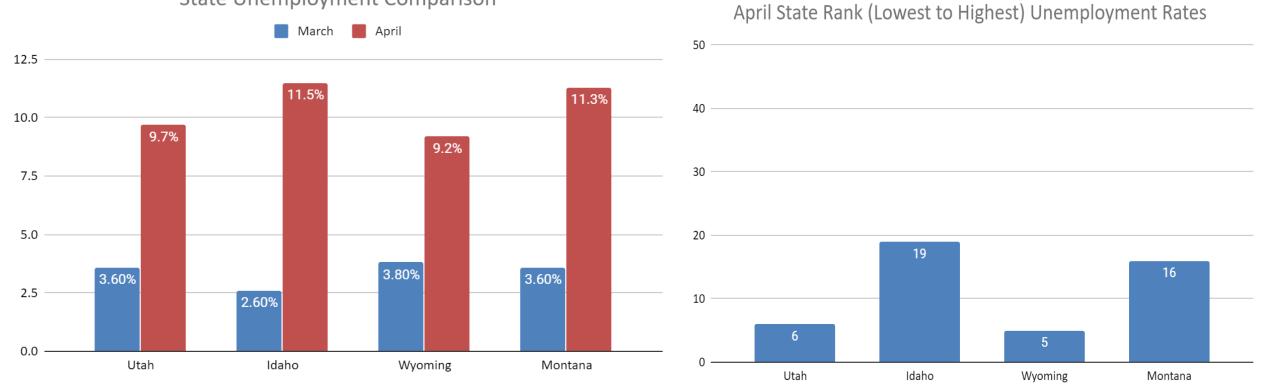
April County Unemployment Rate Percentages





State Comparison

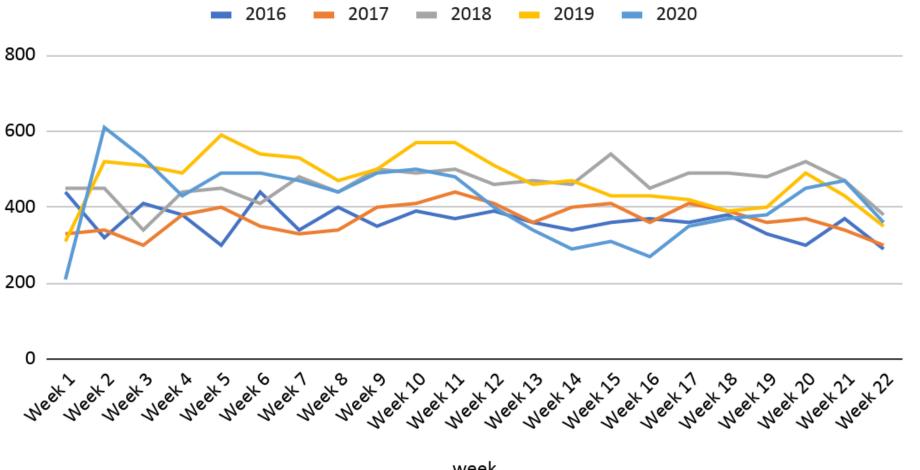
State Unemployment Comparison





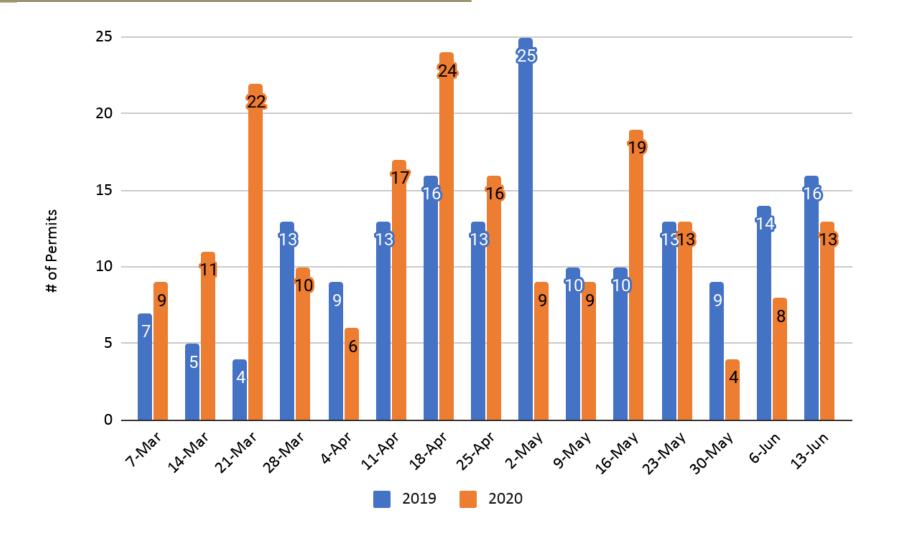
Business Formation Statistics (BFS Applications)

Business Applications for the State



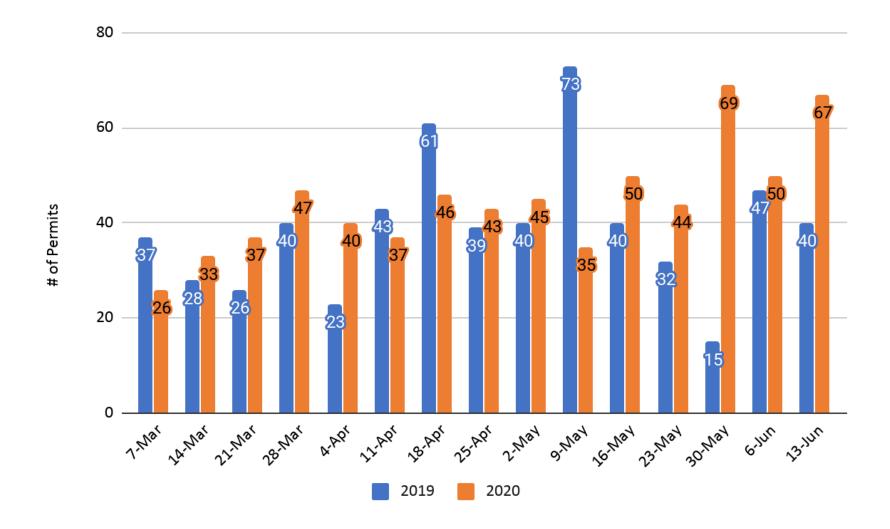
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Building Permits – Madison County





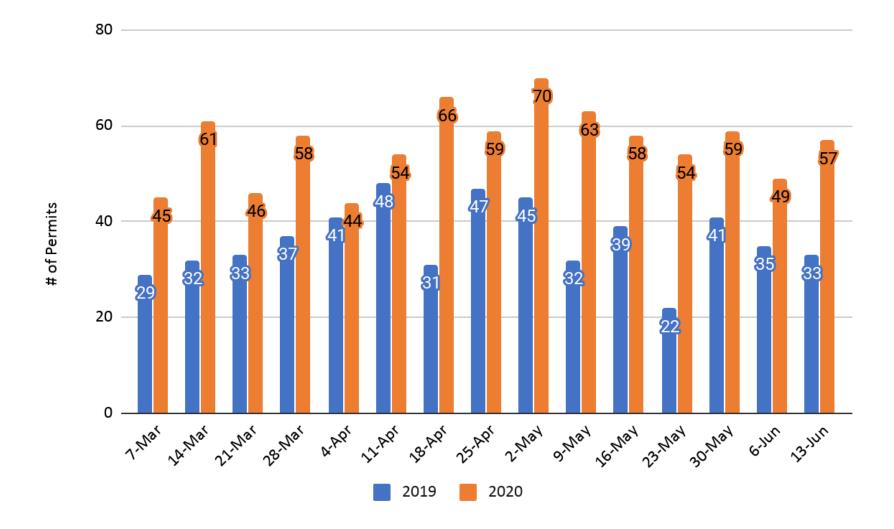
Building Permits – Bonneville County





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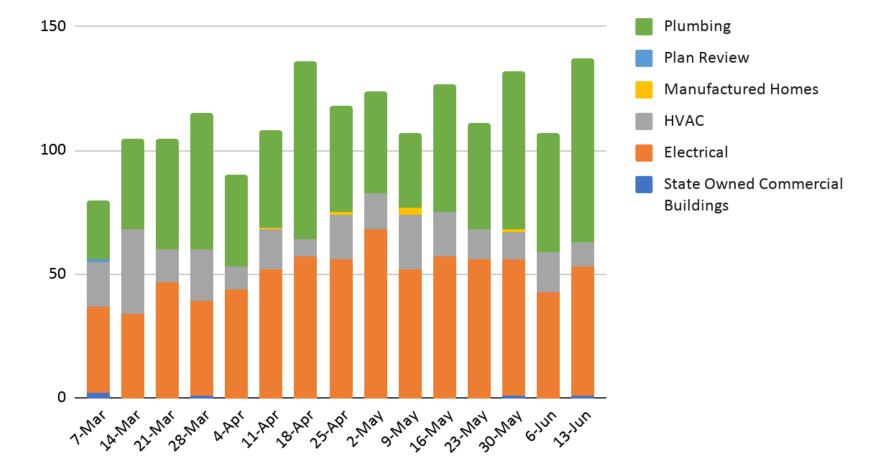
Building Permits – Jefferson County





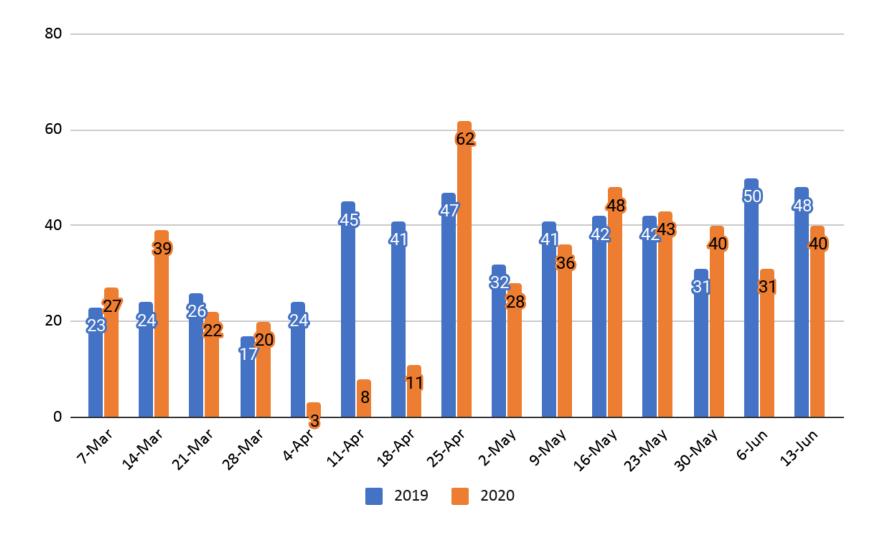
Building Permits – Bonneville, Jefferson, & Madison Counties

2020 Total Permit by Type





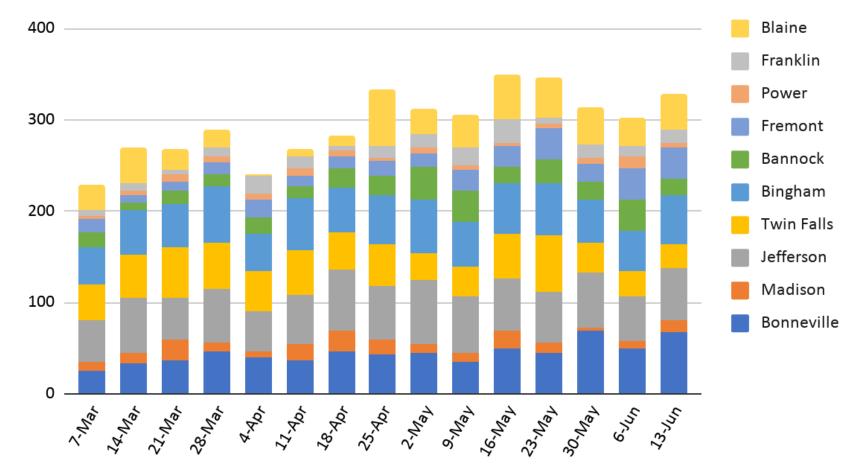
Building Permits – Blaine County





Building Permits – Eastern Idaho Counties

2020 Building Permits



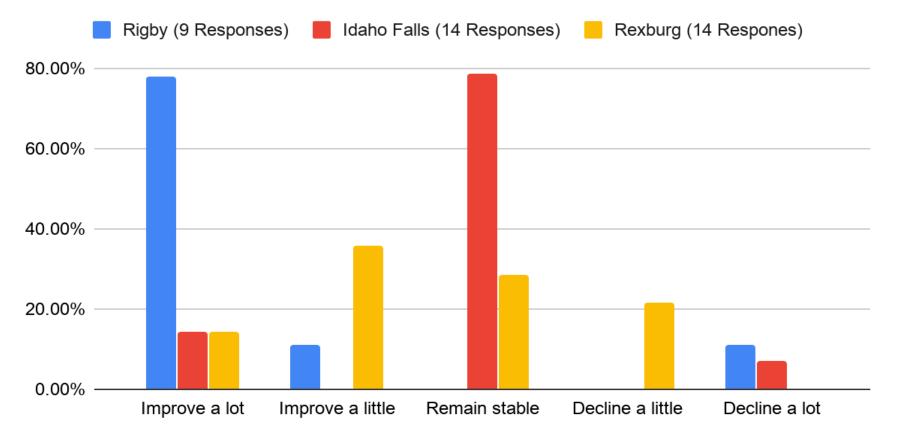


Social Media Polls

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.

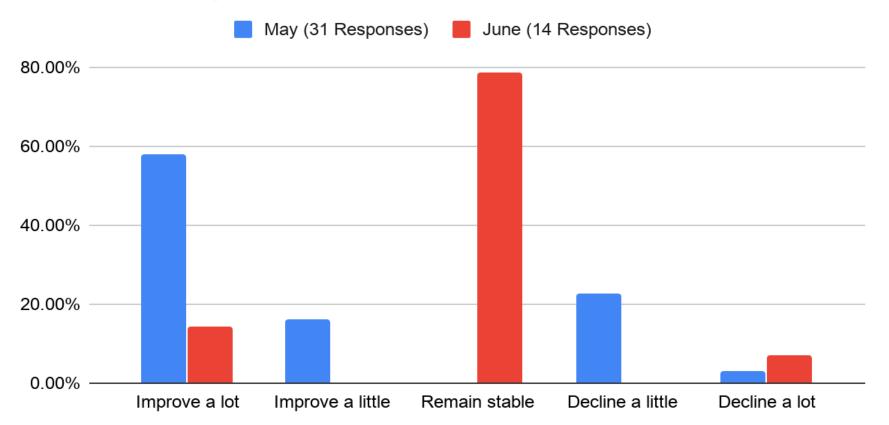


How do you expect the general economic situation to develop over the next 12 months? It will...



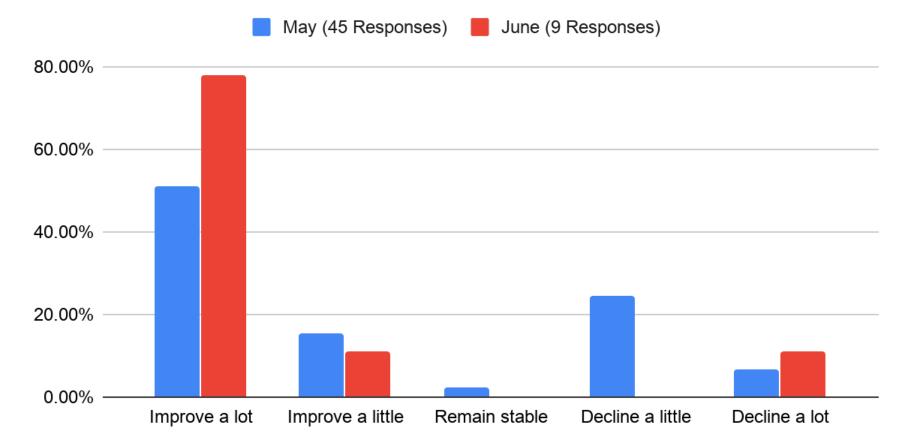


How do you expect the general economic situation in Idaho Falls to develop over the next 12 months? It will...



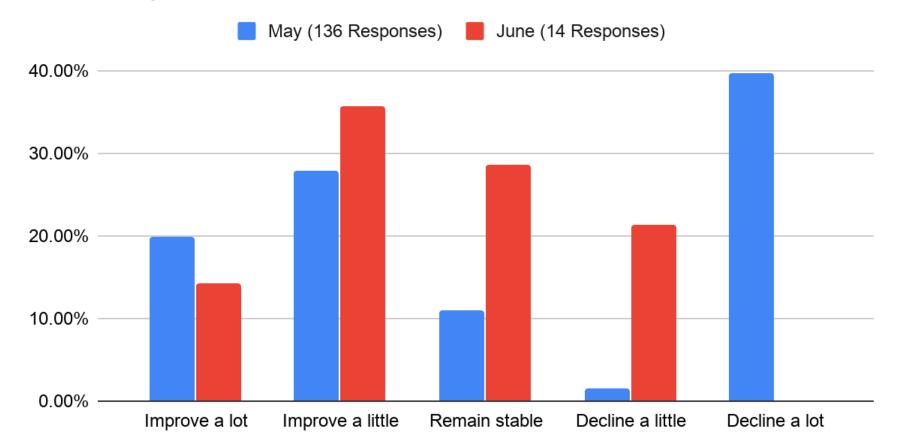


How do you expect the general economic situation in Rigby to develop over the next 12 months? It will...





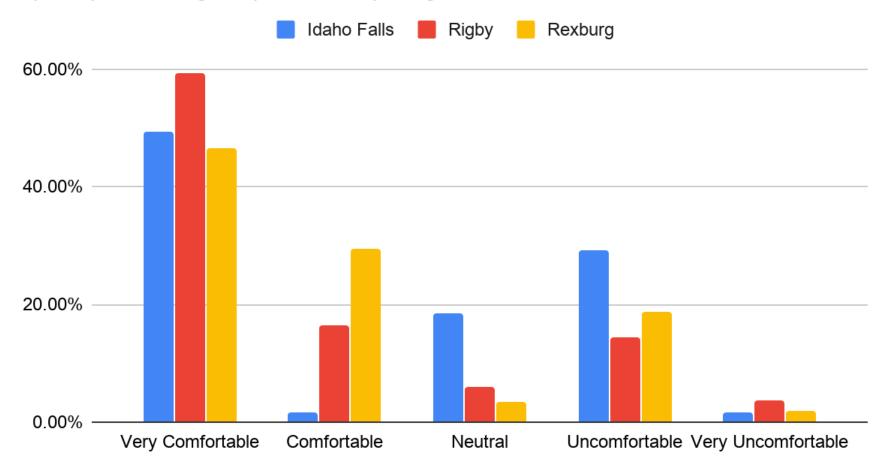
How do you expect the general economic situation in Rexburg to develop over the next 12 months? It will...





Social Media Comfort Levels

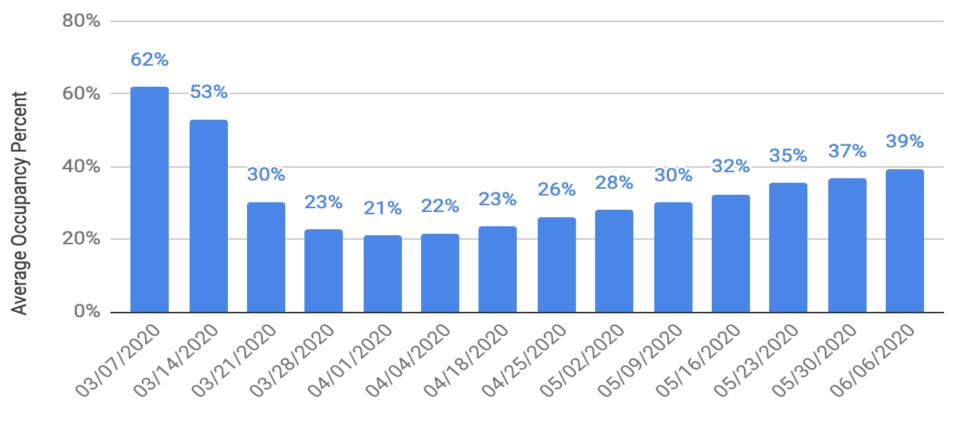
How comfortable do you feel going to the now reopened swimming pools / water parks / splash pads, during this phase of reopening Idaho?





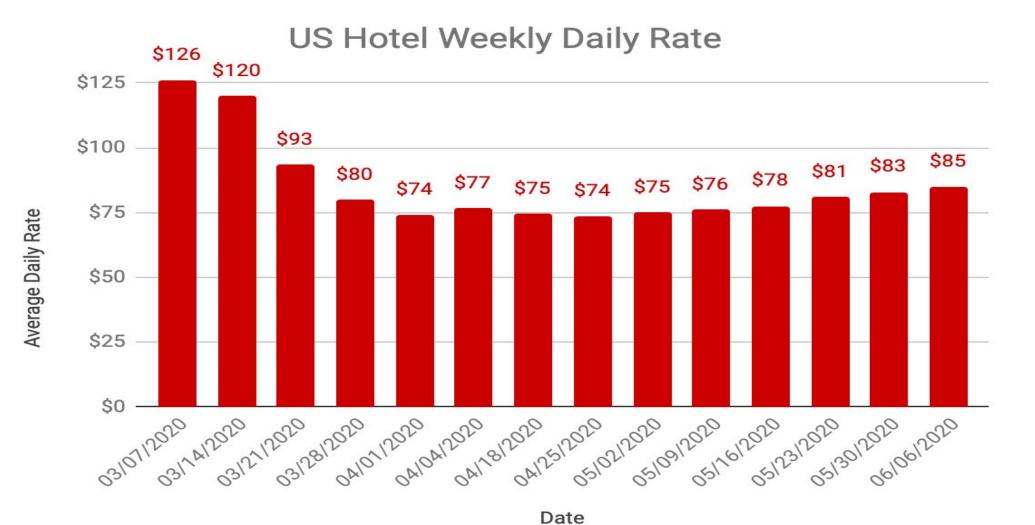
US Hotel Weekly Data

US Hotel Weekly Occupancy Data



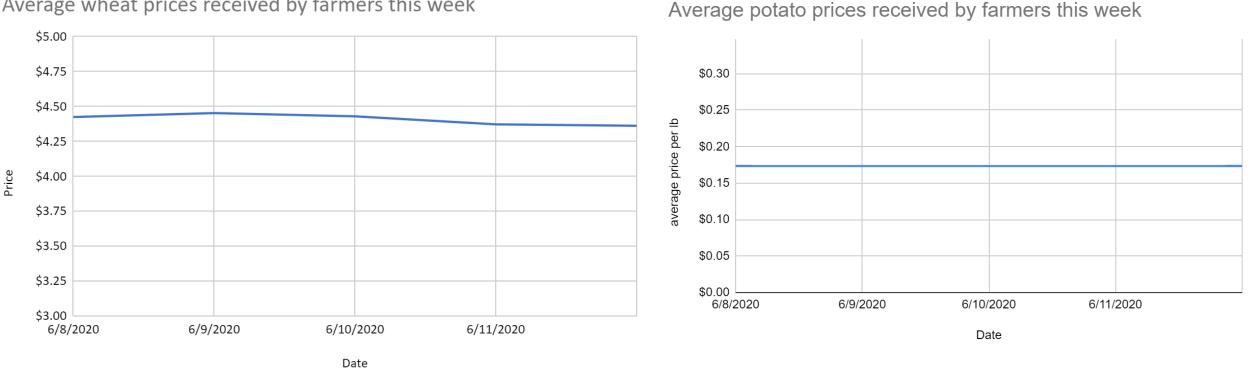


US Hotel Weekly Data



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Agricultural Weekly Prices



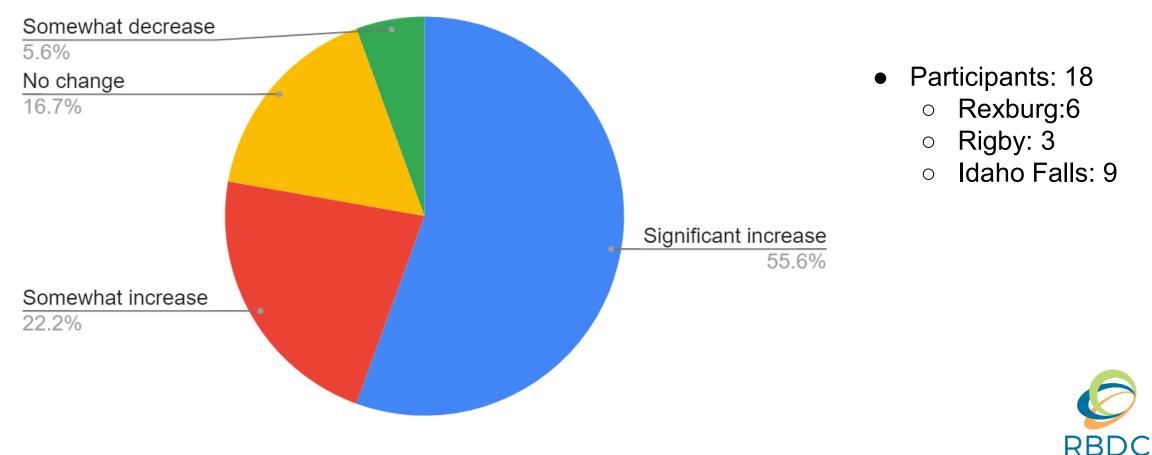
Average wheat prices received by farmers this week

- Wheat Prices went down by 1.4% this week •
- Potato Prices remained stable throughout the week •

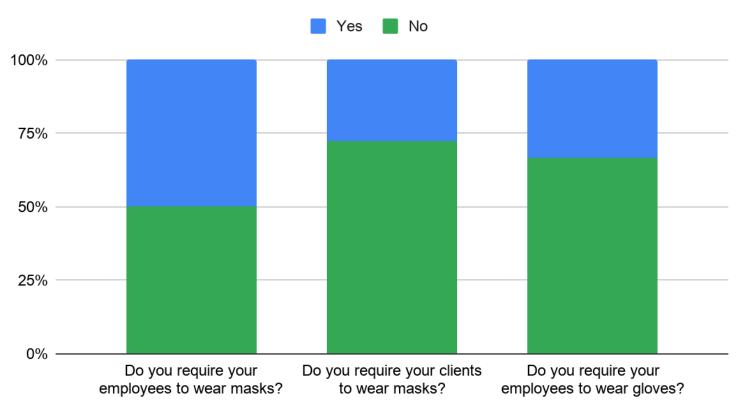
Wheat prices from Idaho Farm Bureau Federation Potato Prices from USDA-Department of Agriculture



Upon reopening, have you had an influx of customers compared to before the stay at home order?



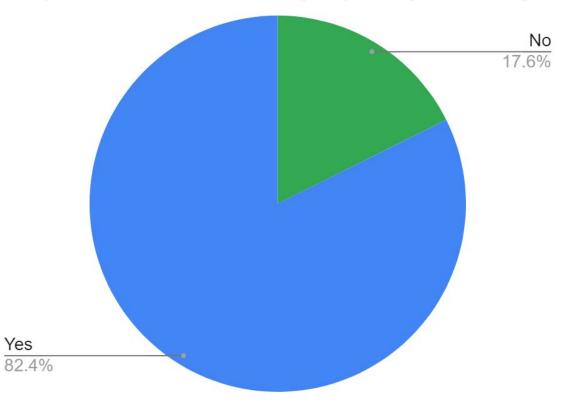
Due to the COVID-19 outbreak...



- Salons that do not require their employees to wear masks ask each client if they would like them to wear them. If they say yes they will wear a mask
- Employees that are required to wear gloves, change their gloves between every client



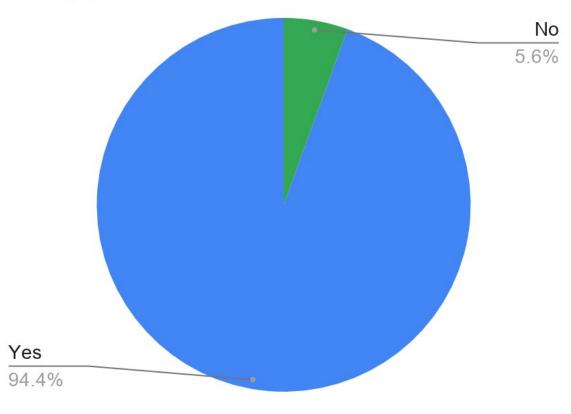
Do you limit the amount of people in your facility?



- Salons who are limiting the amount of people in their facility have implemented one or more of the following changes:
 - Asks clients to wait outside until their appointment has started (30%)
 - Clients are one station apart (17%)
 - Clients are not allowed to bring others into the facility to wait (33%)
 - Changes to the waiting area (78%)



Have you implemented new sanitation or safety practices?

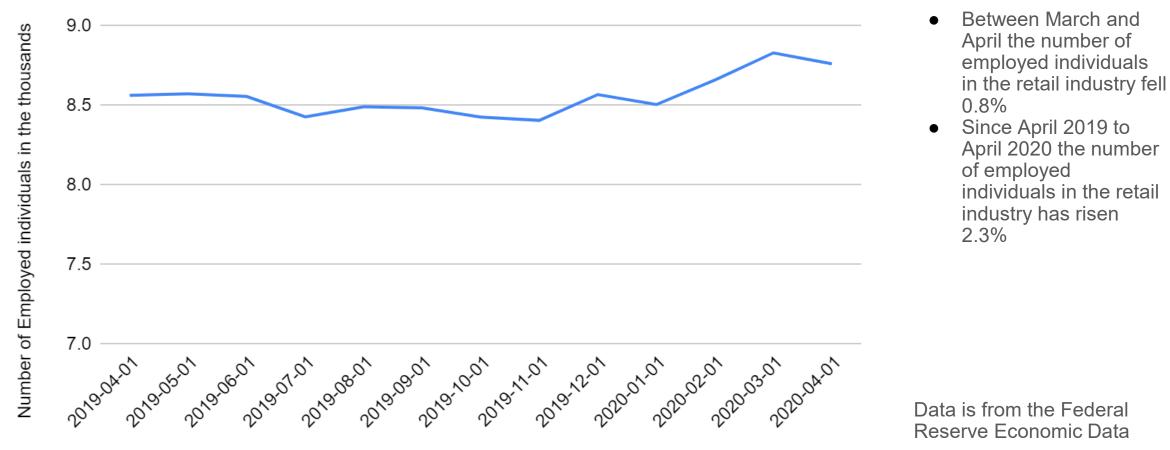


- All beauty salons, except for one, have implemented additional sanitation and safety practices in one or more of the following ways
 - Cleaning commonly touch services every 30-60 mins (50%)
 - Taking temperatures of every client and employee that comes in (11%)
 - Employees take COVID-19 test and must pass to work (6%)
 - Increase frequency of normally practiced sanitation practices (94%)



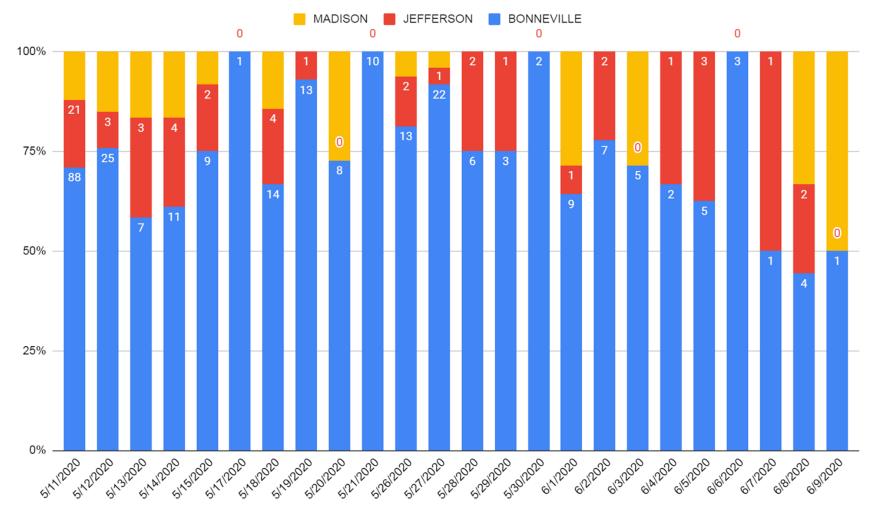
Retail Industry Employment

All Employees: Retail Trade in Idaho Falls



Small Business Grants

Small Business Grants for BONNEVILLE, JEFFERSON and MADISON

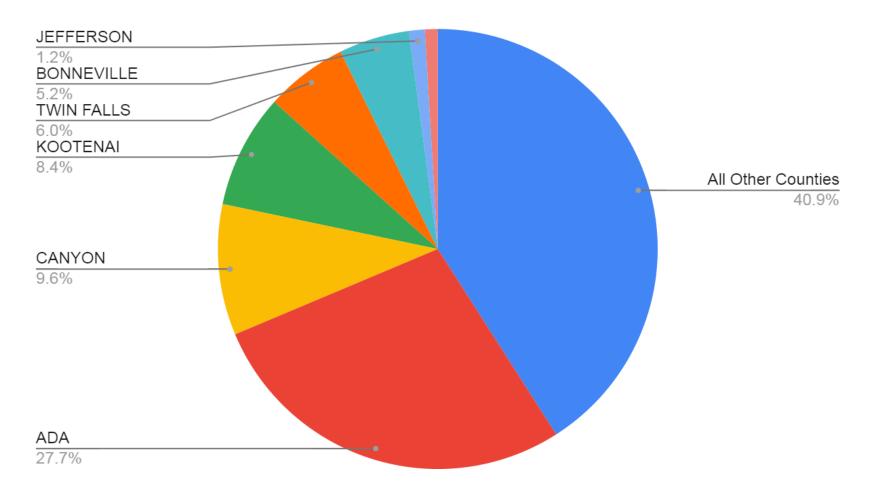




Distribution of Grants by County

Distribution of Grants per County

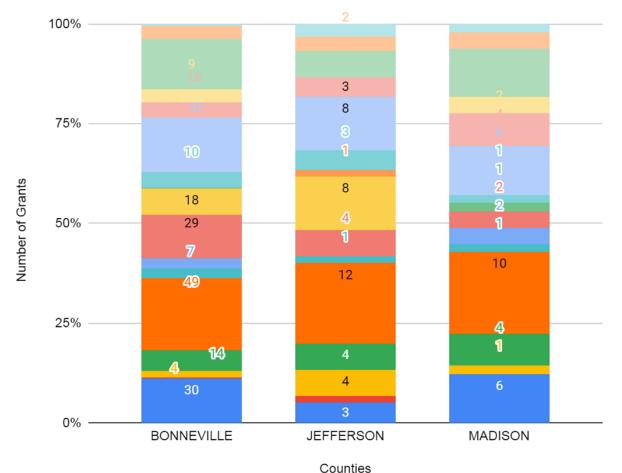
Total Grants 5,175





Distribution of Grants per Industry

Small Business Grants by Industry Type for the Month of May

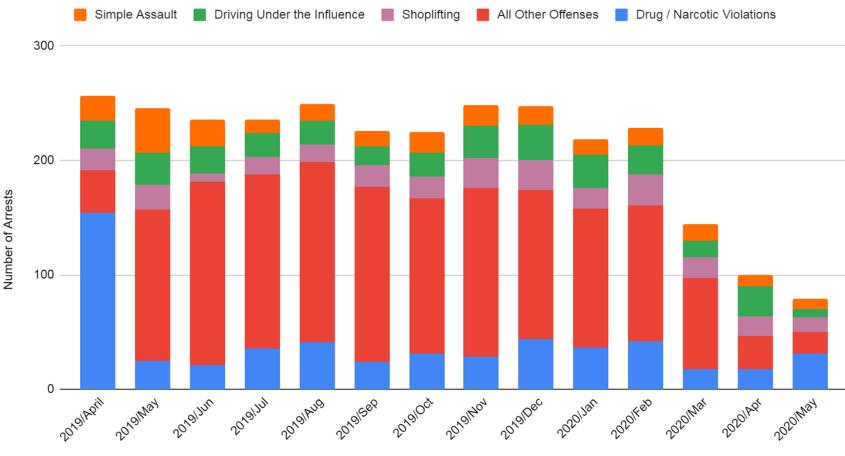






Bonneville Criminal Activity and Arrests

Arrests for the Top 5 Offenses in Bonneville County (As of the end of May)



In addition to these crimes, May also saw an increase in arrests for Property Damage (8 arrests), Drug Equipment (16 arrests), and Runaway (7 arrests).



Bonneville Criminal Activity and Arrests

County Monthly Tracker # Of Incidents			
Month	2019	2020	% Change of Crime
Jan	298	273	-8%
Feb	267	297	11%
Mar	363	206	-43%
Apr	313	140	-55%
May	322	133	-59%

Compared to the population of 119,062 it is approximately 9 arrests per 1000 people in the first five months of 2020.

Compared to 2019, there was approximately 13 arrests per 1000 people in the first five months.

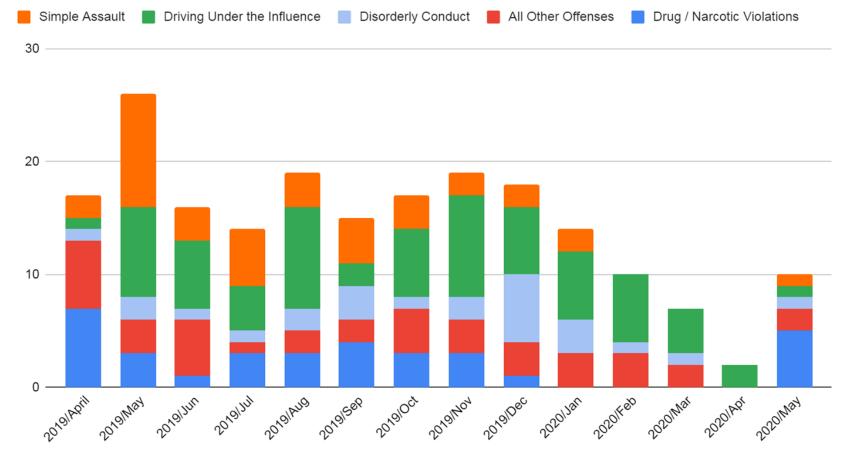
Which is a -32.89% decrease in the number of arrests.



Jefferson Criminal Activity and Arrests

Number of Arrests

Arrests for the Top 5 Offenses in Jefferson County (As of the end of May)



In addition to these crimes, May also saw an increase in arrests for Burglary (1 arrest) and Liquor Law Violations (1 arrest), and Trespassing (1 arrest).



Jefferson Criminal Activity and Arrests

County Monthly Tracker # Of Incidents

Month	2019	2020	% Change		
Jan	37	15	-59%		
Feb	21	10	-52%		
Mar	24	7	-71%		
Apr	24	3	-88%		
May	33	12	-64%		

Compared to the population of 29,871 it is approximately 2 arrests per 1000 people in the first five months of 2020.

Compared to 2019, there was approximately 5 arrests per 1000 people in the first five months.

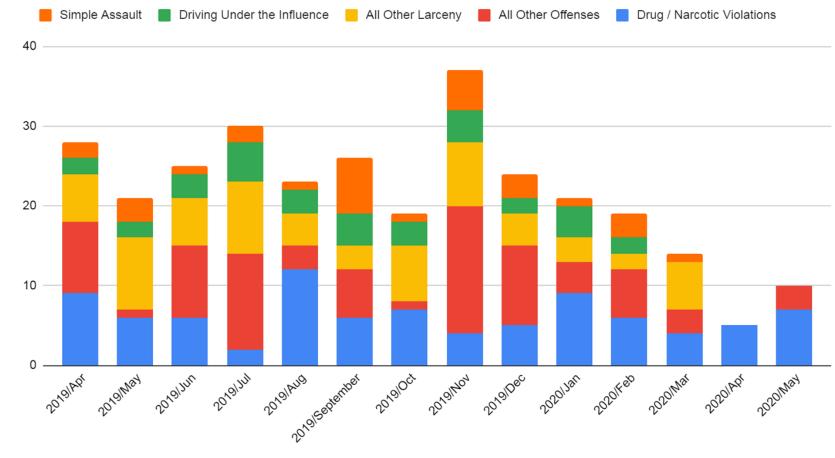
Which is a -66.19% decrease in the number of arrests.



Madison Criminal Activity and Arrests

Number of Arrests

Arrests for the Top 5 Offenses in Madison County (As of the end of April)



In addition to these crimes, May also saw an increase in arrests for Aggravated Assault (2 arrests), Burglary (2 arrests), theft from a building (2 arrests), Vandalism (2 arrests).



Madison Criminal Activity and Arrests

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%		
Мау	26	19	-27%		

Compared to the population of 39,907 it is approximately 3 arrests per 1000 people in the first five months of 2020.

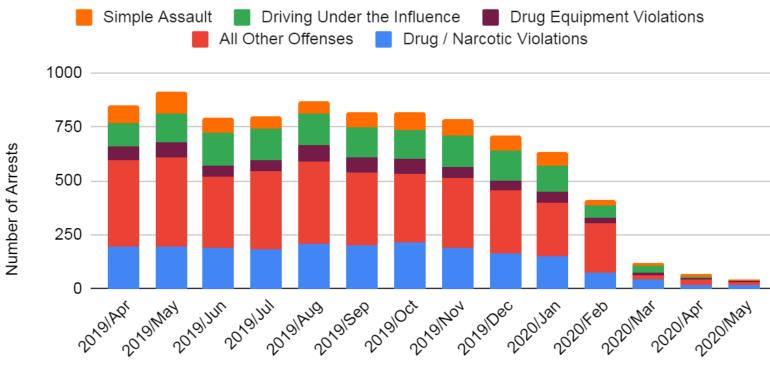
Compared to 2019, there was approximately 5 arrests per 1000 people in the first five months.

Which is a -44.68% decrease in the number of arrests.



Ada County Crime Rates

Arrests for the Top 5 Offenses in Ada County (As of the end of May)



In addition to these crimes, May also saw an increase in arrests for Aggravated Assault (2 arrests), Damage to Property (2 arrests), and Trespass of Real Property (25 arrests).



Ada County Crime Rates

County Monthly Tracker # Of Incidents				
2019 20		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%	
May	1,224	50	-96%	

Compared to the population of 481, 587 it is approximately 12 arrests per 1000 people in the first five months of 2020.

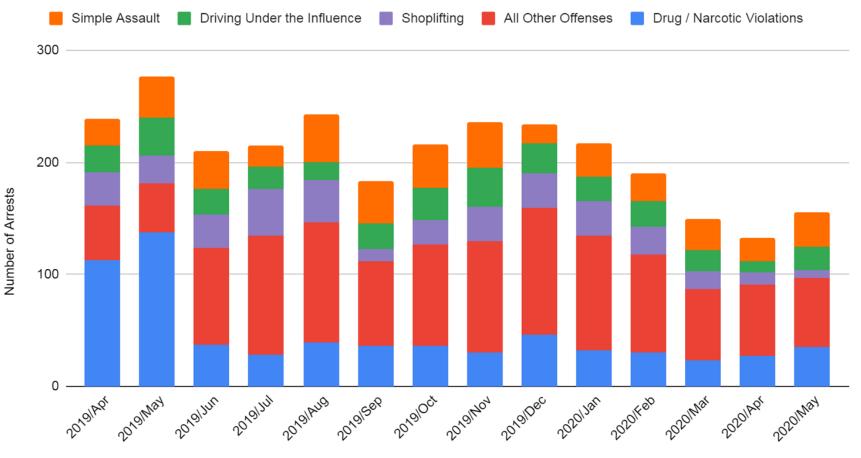
Compared to 2019, there was approximately 4 arrests per 1000 people in the first five months.

Which is a -70.48% decrease in the number of arrests.



Bannock County

Arrests for the Top 5 Offenses for Bannock County (As of the end of May)



In addition to these crimes, May also saw an increase in activity from Aggravated assault (4 arrests), Liquor Law Violations (5 arrests), Drunkenness (8 arrests), and Loitering/Curfew (7 arrests).



Bannock County

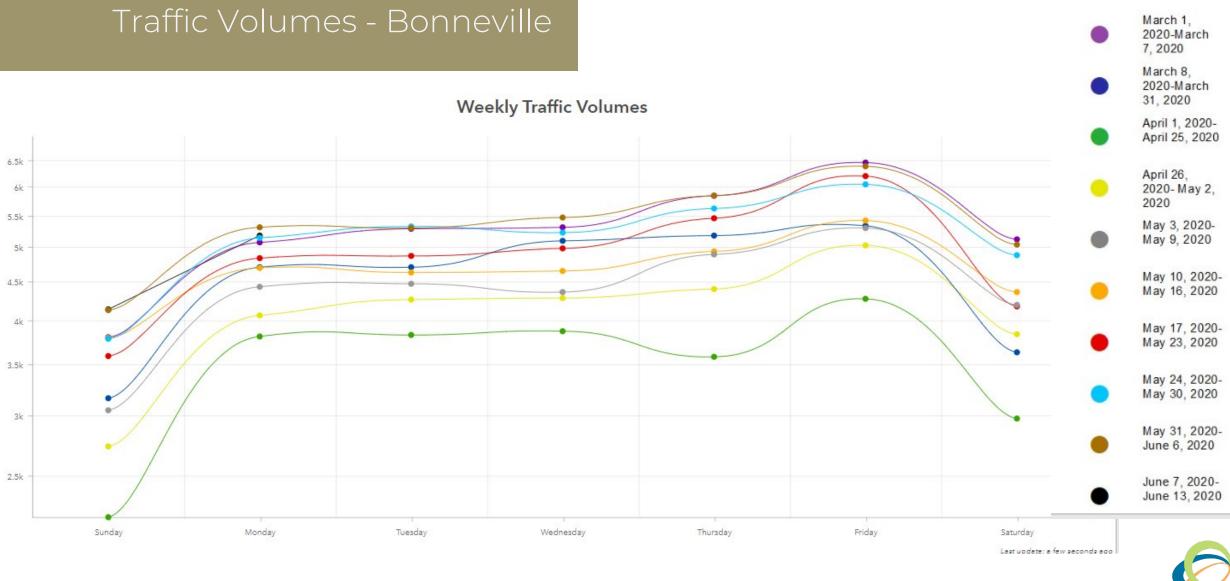
County Monthly Tracker # Of Incidents				
Month	2019	2020	% Change of Crime	
Jan	337	325	-3.56%	
Feb	336	266	-20.83%	
Mar	311	226	-27.33%	
Apr	336	194	-42.26%	
May	399	217	-45.61%	

Compared to the population of 87,808 it is approximately 14 arrests per 1000 people in the first five months of 2020.

Compared to 2019, there was approximately 20 arrests per 1000 people in the first five months.

Which is a -28.56% decrease in the number of arrests.

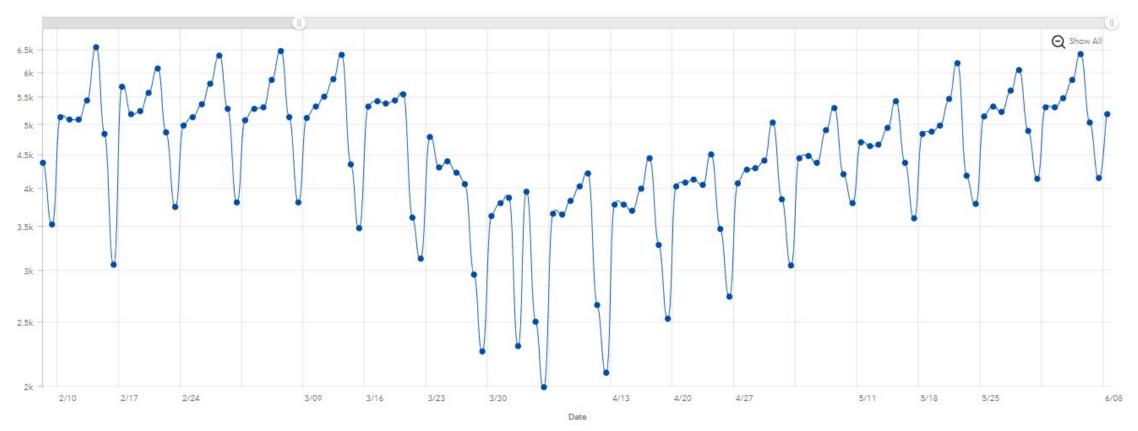






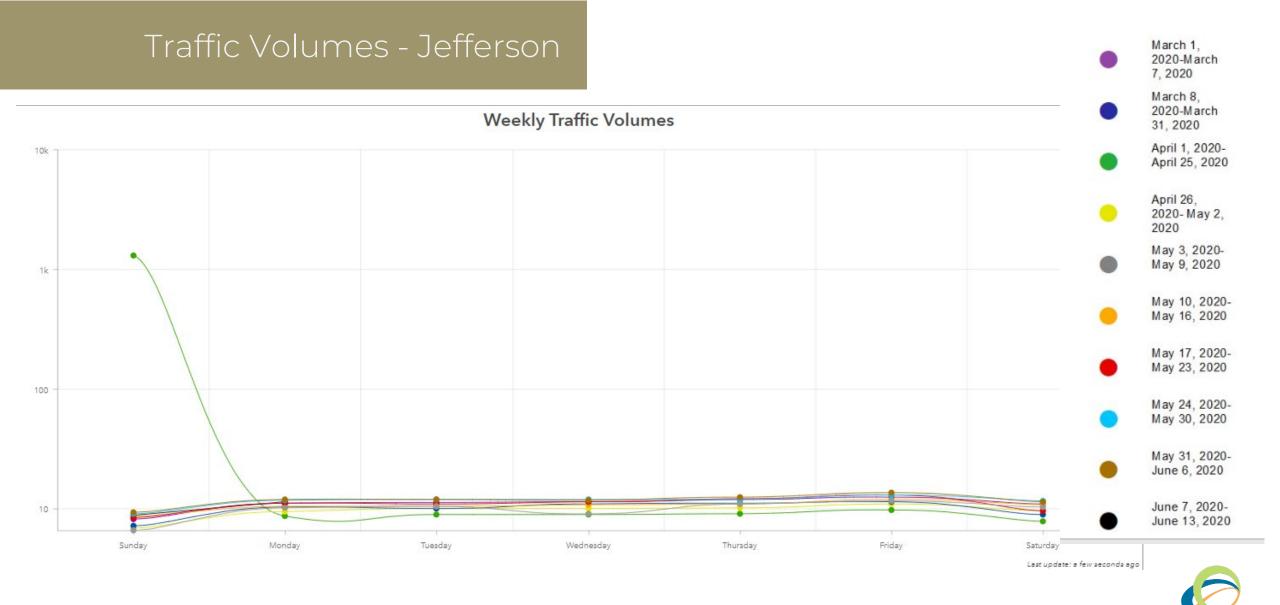
Traffic Volumes - Bonneville

Average Daily Traffic Volumes for 2020



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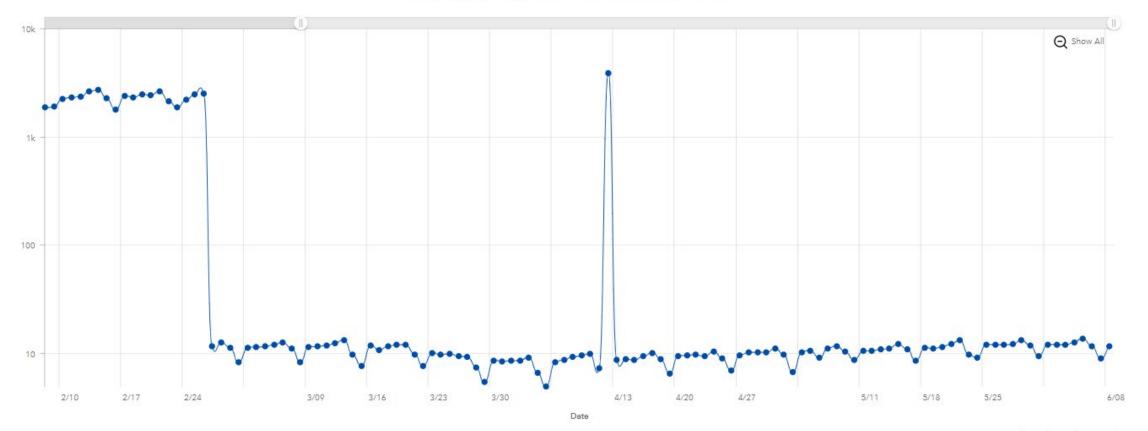




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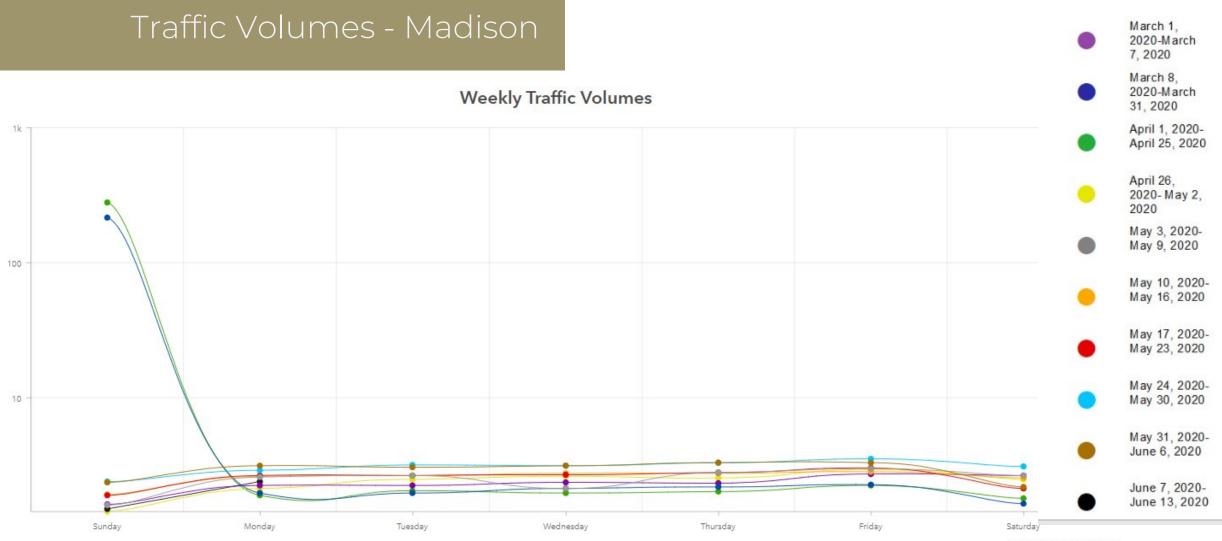
Traffic Volumes - Jefferson

Average Daily Traffic Volumes for 2020



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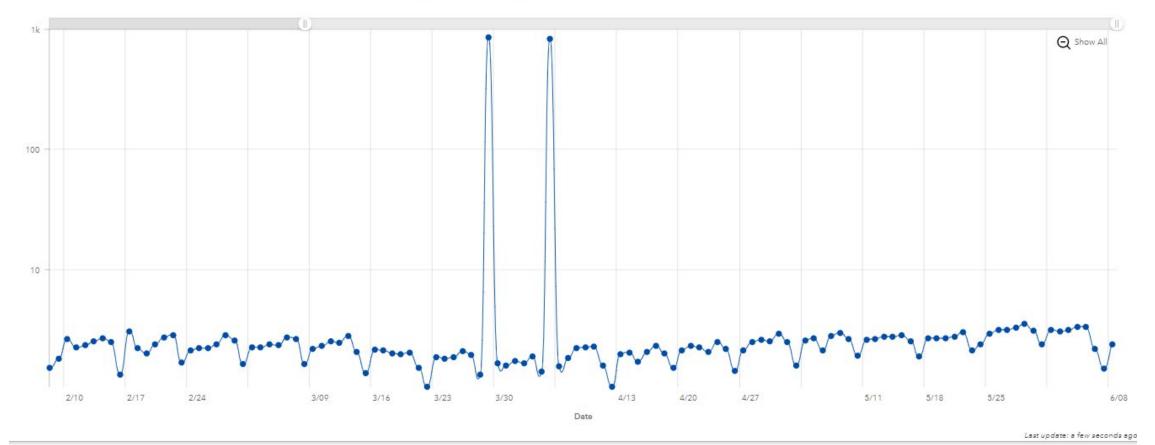


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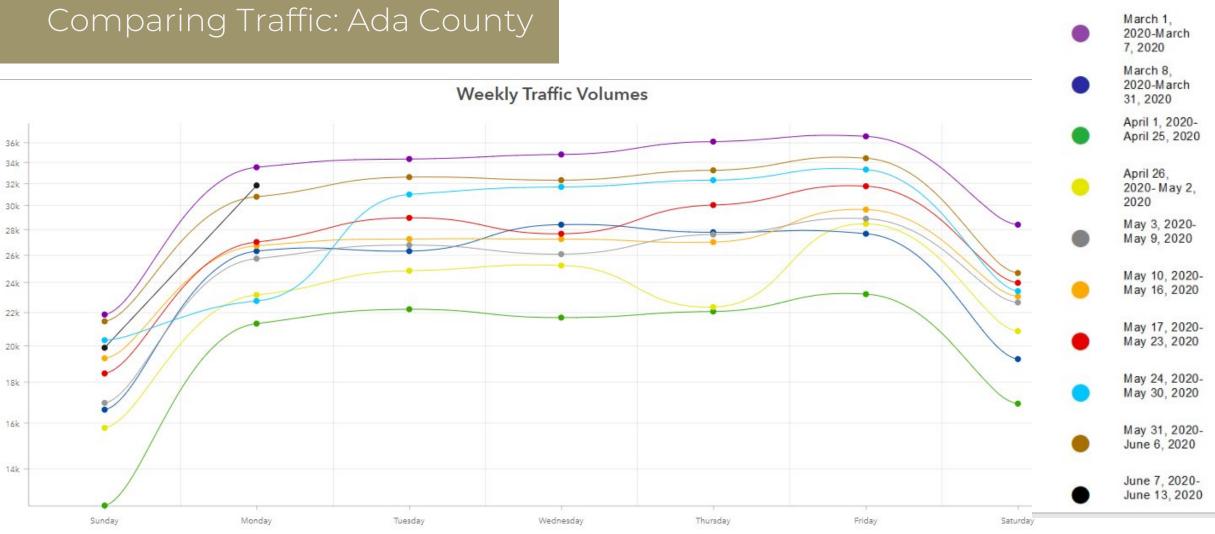


Traffic Volumes - Madison

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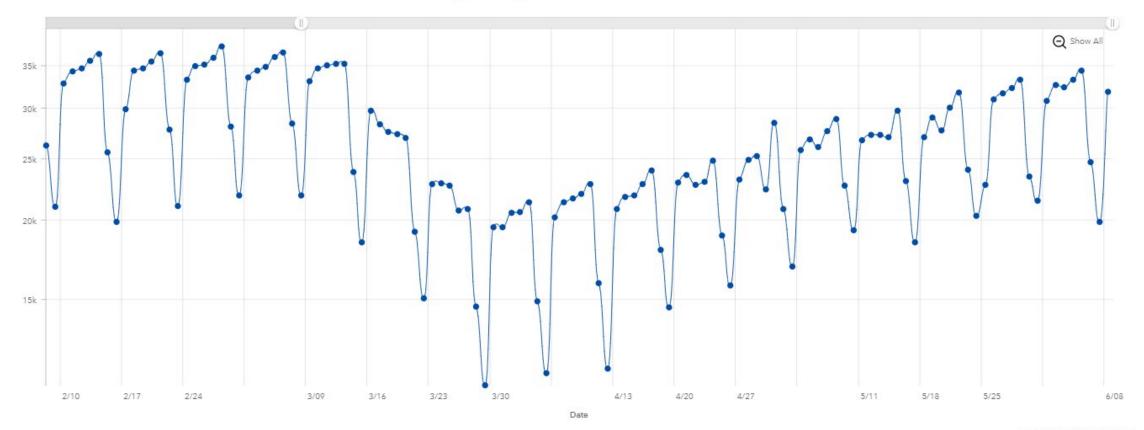


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Comparing Traffic: Ada County

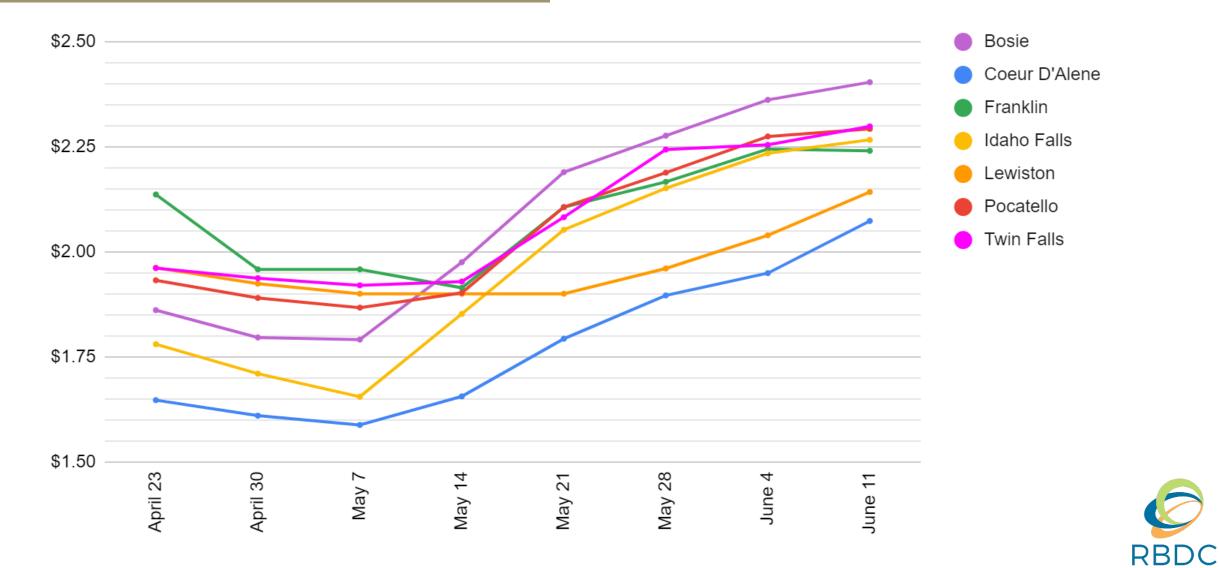
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Idaho Metro Gasoline Prices

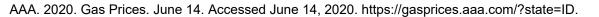


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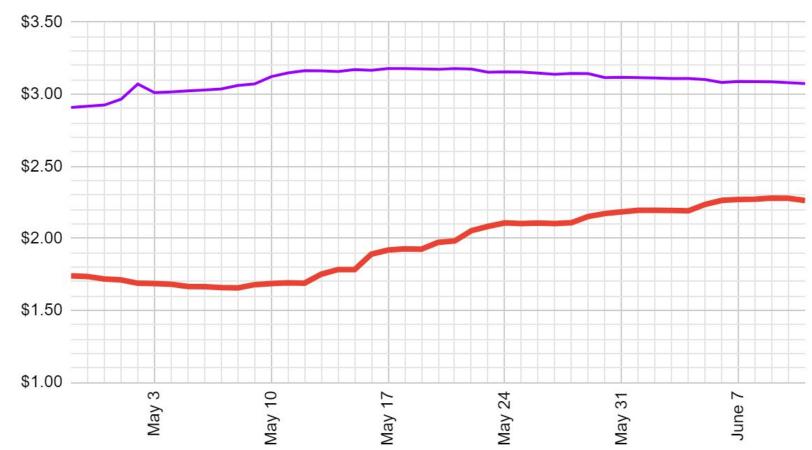
Idaho Falls Gasoline Prices

- Regular - Premium - Diesel





Idaho Falls Gasoline Prices



— 2019 **—** 2020

Idaho Falls' average regular gasoline prices with previous year comparison.



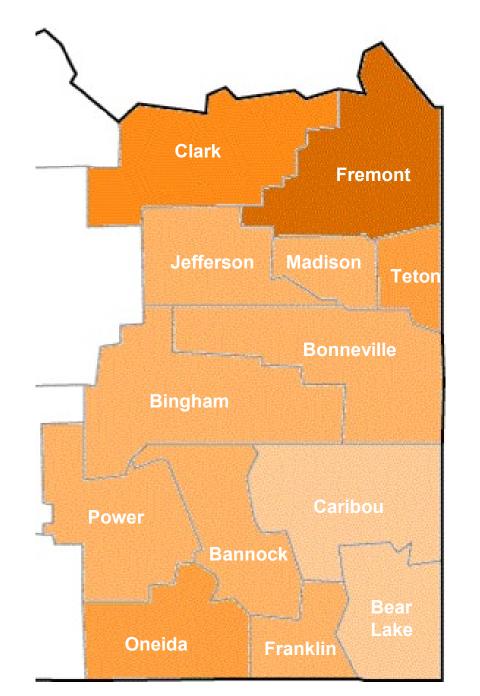
Idaho Counties Gasoline Prices

Average Regular Gasoline Price

 \$1.90 - \$1.99
\$2.00 - \$2.09
\$2.10 - \$2.19
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\$2.30 - \$2.39
\$2.40 - \$2.49
\$2.50 - \$2.59

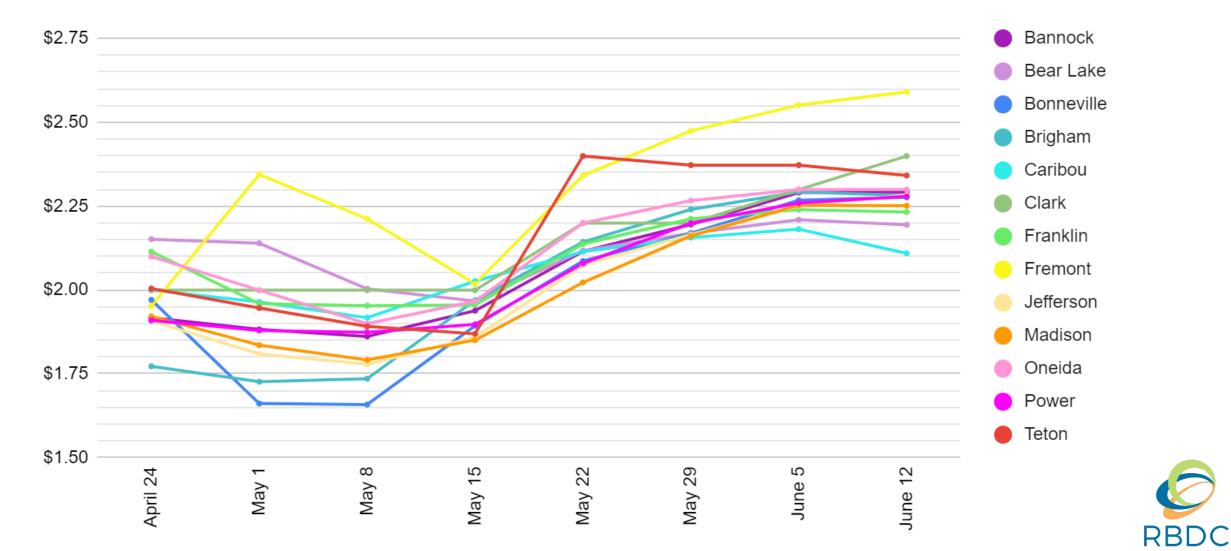
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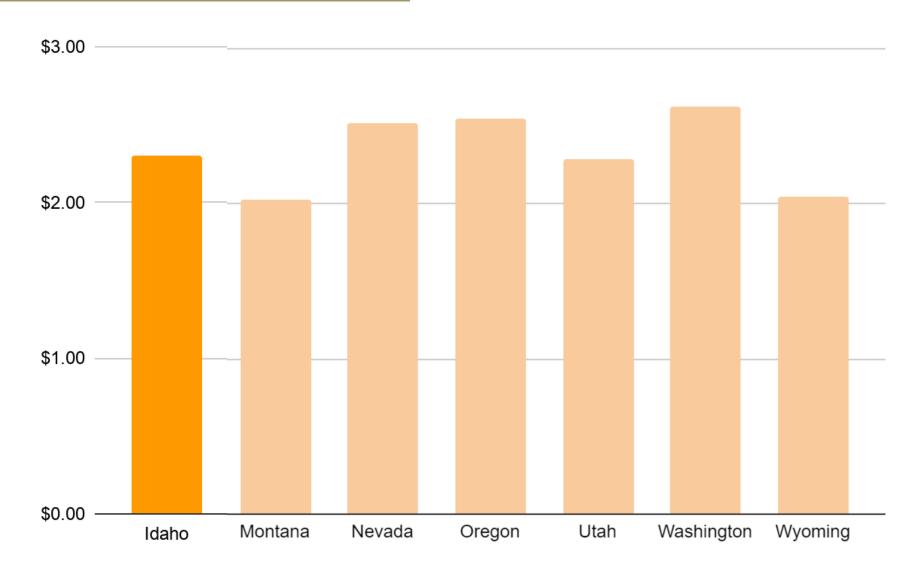


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State Gasoline Price Comparison



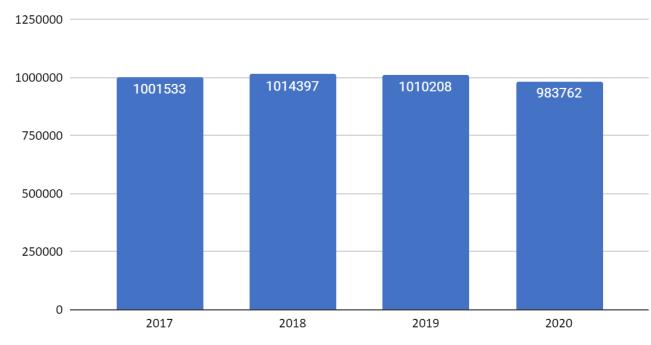


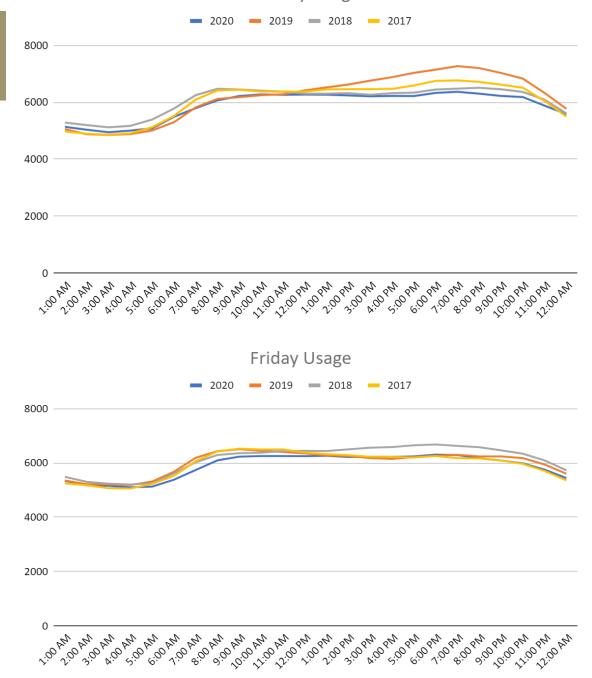
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Monday Usage

Electricity Demand- Bonneville Power Administration

Bonneville Power Administration Weekly Electricity Demand (MWh) June 5 - June 11

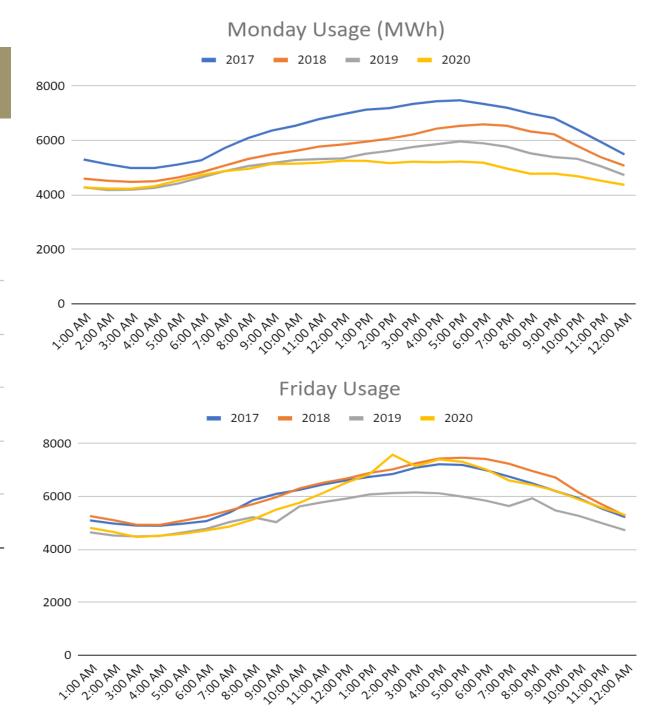




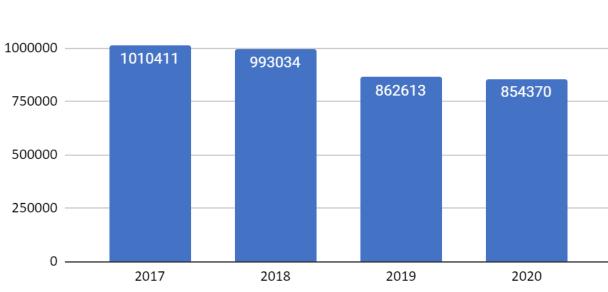


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Electricity Demand- PacifiCorp East



PacifiCorp East Weekly Demand (MWh) June 5- June 11

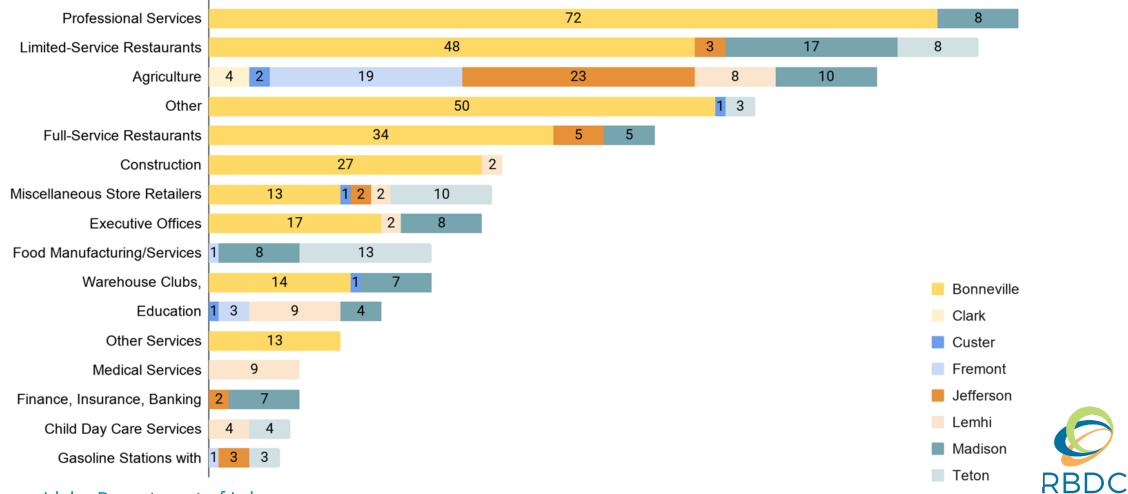




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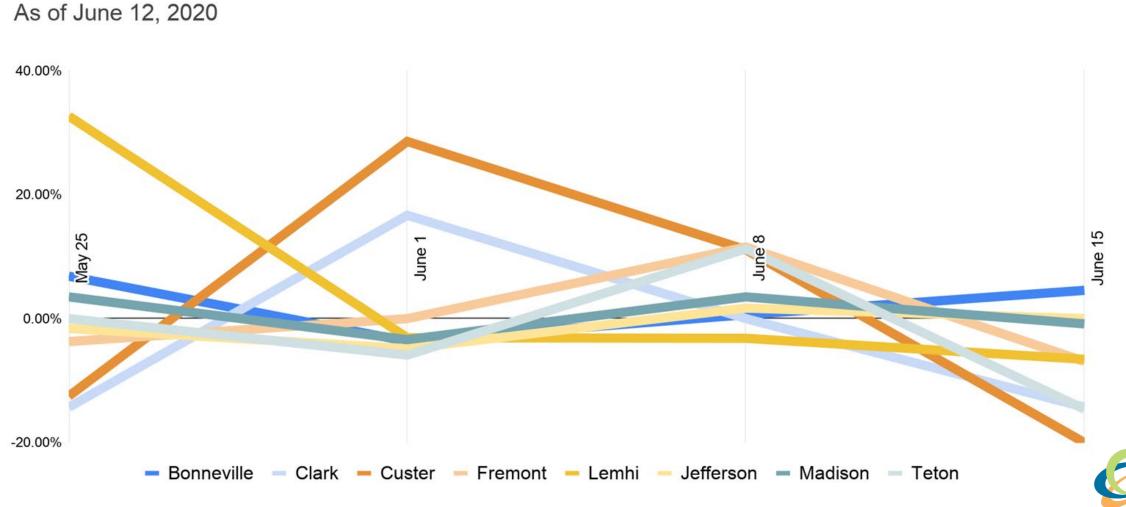
Job Openings Industry Overview

As of June 12, 2020



Source: Idaho Department of Labor

Job Openings Weekly Change by County

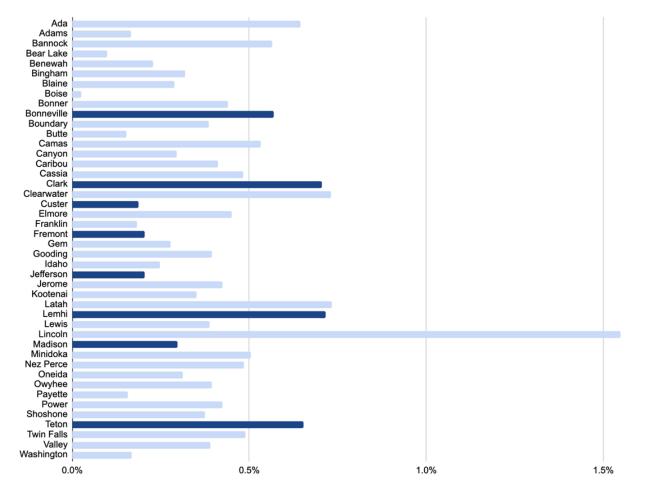


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Source: Idaho Department of Labor

Idaho Job Openings as a Percentage of Population

As of June 12, 2020



Eastern Idaho counties account for 12.74% of the total Idaho population and 8.69% of job openings.

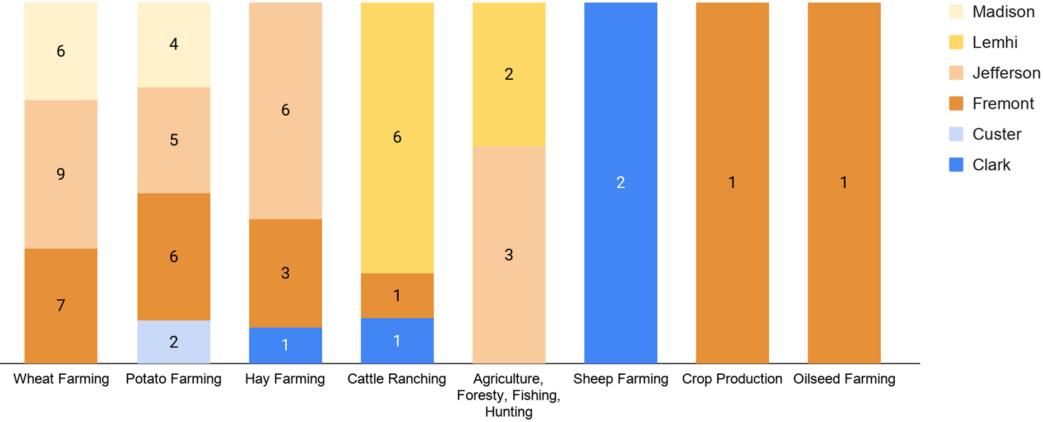
Source: Idaho Department of Labor and World Population Review

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Eastern Idaho Agricultural Job Openings by County

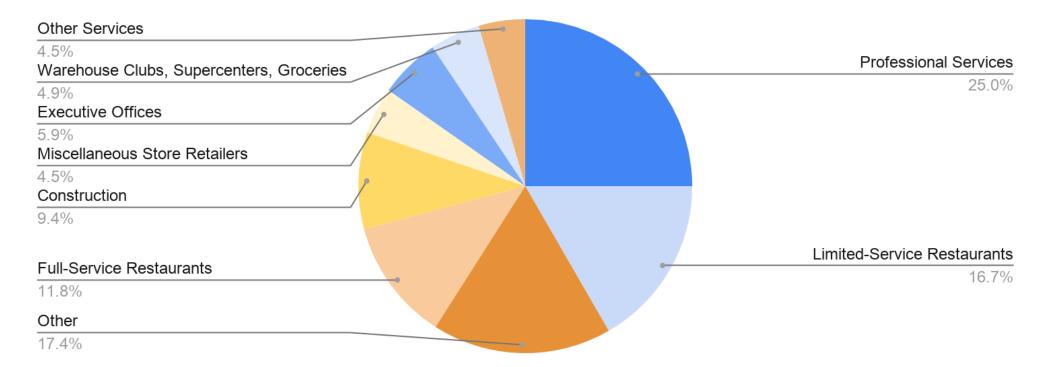
As of June 12, 2020





Job Openings - Bonneville County

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Job Openings - Bonneville County

Latest Job Openings by Employer:

- Idaho National Laboratory
- HCA, Hospital Corporation of America
- Rotech Healthcare Inc
- Advance Auto Parts
- The Gap, Inc.
- GoWireless
- Aaron's Inc
- Easter Seals Goodwill Northern Rocky Mountain
- Information Management Group, Inc.
- **Rush Enterprises**
- **Melaleuca**
- Altitude Development Group
- Target***
- Department of Energy
- **BHI Energy**
- Cabela's
- Ferguson Enterprises, LLC.
- **Encompass Home Health*****
- Jacobs
- Maverik
- Papa John's International
- Cargill

- Sonic Drive-In
- WinCo Foods
- Staples
- GNC
- Hibu Inc.
- Sportsman's Warehouse
- **Kelly Services**
- **LKQ** Corporation
- System One Services .
- Walgreens
- **Camping World**
- McDonald's .
- **AdvancedHomeServices**
- Medtronic
- UnitedHealth Group .
- **Good Samaritan Society** .
- Duane Reade .
- LifeCare
- Signature Service .
- Fresenius Medical Care North America
- O'Reilly Automotive Stores, Inc
- **CDM Smith** .
- Caleres, Inc.
- Petco
- HukariAscendent. Inc.

- Healthy Care Solutions
- Knife River Corp Mountain West Division
- Stinker Stores
- Brady's
- Prestige Care, Inc.
- Parcel Express
- H&K Contractors Inc.
- **Granite Construction Incorporated**
- **Bonneville County**
- Mister Concrete
- The UPS Store 2271
- North Wind Infrastructure and Technology
- North Wind Group
- **Enercon Services**
- Progression

***COVID-19 Essential Job

Companies listed in blue have 6 or more job offerings



Source: Idaho Department of Labor

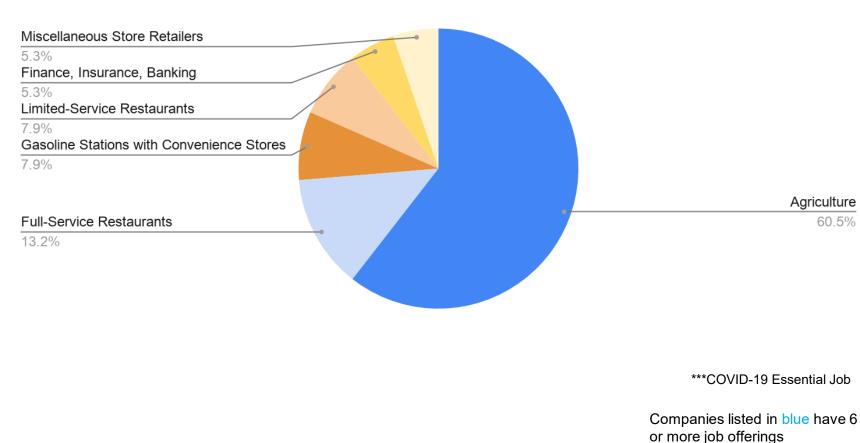


Job Openings - Bonneville County

Older	Job Openings:		Peak Security		Insuractive	· Wood River Media
		•	Love's Travel Stops & Country	•	Engineering System Solutions	 Elwood Staffing Services
-	Dominos Pizza***		Stores***		Hayden Beverage Company	 Concrete Construction Supply***
-	Olive Garden	•	University of Utah		Invenergy Services Inc.	 TMC Contractors***
-	Starbucks Coffee Company	•	Unitek Learning, Inc.		ManTech	· Edward D. Jones
	Pizza Hut		Citizen Schools	•	ABF Freight System, Inc***	 T and T Lawn Service***
	Buffalo Wild Wings	•	Anheuser Busch		Massage Envy	 Allegheny Science and Technology
-	Sparklight	•	Swift		Eastern Idaho Community Action	· Rich Broadcasting
	Kforce		Panera Bread		Partnership	· American Staffing, Inc.
	Realogy Holdings Corporation		Ross Stores, Inc.		Brady's	· Beehive Rehabilitation and
	Western States Equipment Company		Waste Connections, Inc		Community Council of Idaho	Counseling***
	U-Haul		USIC		DB Reed Farm, Inc.	· Idaho Crop Improvement Association
	DownEast Outfitters		Bank of America		Sherwin Williams	Western Transport Inc.
	Avenue5 Residential, LLC		Techflow Inc		Novitex	USDA APHIS PPQ PCN Program
	Elior North America		UPS***		Idaho Youth Ranch	Burns Concrete, Inc.
	HealthTrust Workforce Solutions	•	C & B Operations, LLC		Human Dynamics & Diagnostics	 Tri State Roofing
	Walmart		BMC - Building Materials and		Monticello Montessori Charter School	· Cable One
-	Crossmark		Construction Solution		David Steed Company	
-	Home Depot***	•	Arby's		State Trailer Supply	***COVID-19 Essential Job
	Curtiss-Wright Corporation	•	Delta Fire Systems, Inc.		Panda Restaurant Group, Inc.	
	AutoZone, Inc.	•	Advantage Solutions		RS&I Inc.	Companies listed in blue have 6
	Pilot Flying J		TJX		A&R Fabrication	or more job offerings
-	NTG Groups, LLC	•	HEBCO		Iteris, Inc	er mere jes enemige
-	Grifols Shared Services North America,	•	Barnes & Noble College Booksellers		North Wind Construction Services LLC	Source: Idaho Department of
	Inc	•	Schneider		PAE Aviation and Technical Services	Labor
-	Docutech	•	Idaho Division of Human Resources		LLC	Labor
-	Delta Defense LLC	•	Fred Meyer	•	KM Service Company LLC	
	Air Methods	•	ServiceMaster Family of Brands	•	Ormond Builders, Inc.	
	Lowe's	•	Wells Fargo		Snow Eagle Brewing and Grill	
	BP Americas, Inc.	•	Albertsons	•	Basic American Foods	RBDC
	Washington Federal	•	East Idaho Credit Union	•	Big City Insulation of Idaho Inc	

Job Openings - Jefferson County

As of June 12, 2020



Latest Job Openings by Employer:

- · Maverik
- AdvancedHomeServices
- AAA All About Asphalt Paving

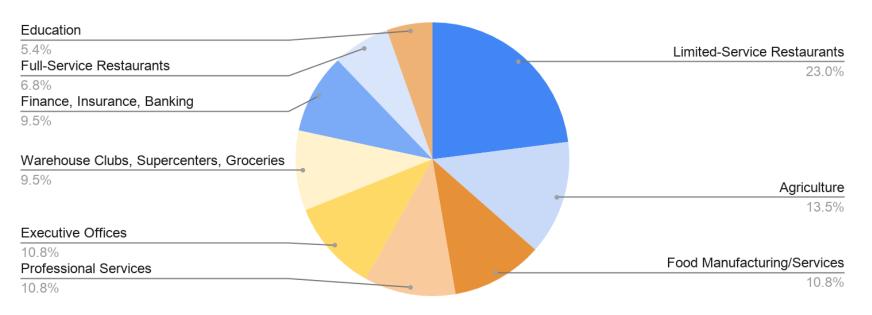
Older Job Openings:

- · O'Reilly Automotive Stores, Inc
- Dominos Pizza***
- · Pizza Hut
- Idaho Division of Human Resources
- · DL Evans Bank
- Stickler Construction LLC
- Mickelsen Farms
- · Runaway Inc
- · Justin Price Farms, LLC



Job Openings - Madison County

As of June 12, 2020



Latest Job Openings by Employer:

- Progrexion
- **Basic American Foods**
- Melaleuca
- **Encompass Home Health**
- Sonic Drive-In
- Kelly Services
- Papa John's International
- Advance Auto Parts
- East Idaho Credit Union
- Eastern Idaho Community Action Partnership
- **Beehive FCU**
- **Zollinger Construction**
- **BYU-Idaho**
- Idaho Falls C & B Operations LLC

Older Job Openings:

- McDonald's
- Dominos Pizza***
- Walmart
- AutoZone, Inc.
- BMC Building Materials and Construction Solution
- University of Utah
- Grifols Shared Services North America. Inc
- USIC
- UPS***
- O'Reilly Automotive Stores, Inc
- NTG Groups, LLC
- Maverik
- Pizza Hut .
- GoWireless
- Floyd Wilcox & Sons Inc
- Panda Restaurant Group, Inc.
- Amet. Inc. .

***COVID-19 Essential Job

Companies listed in blue have 5

or more job offerings

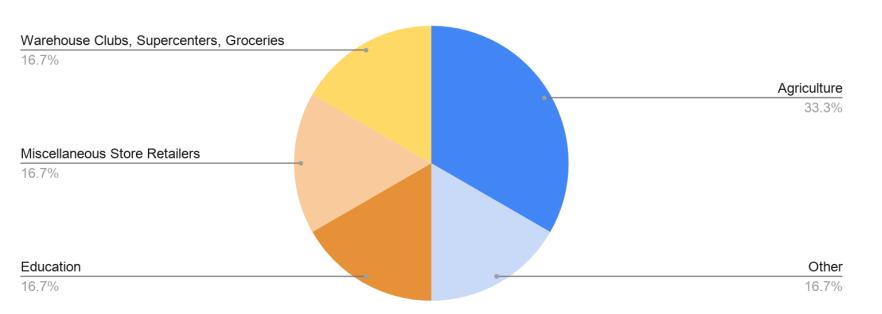
- Thompson Excavation & Asphalt, Inc.
- **High Country Potato**
- Western Fence, Inc.
- Teton Turf and Tree Farms



Source: Idaho Department of Labor

Job Openings - Custer County

As of June 12, 2020



Job Openings by Employer:

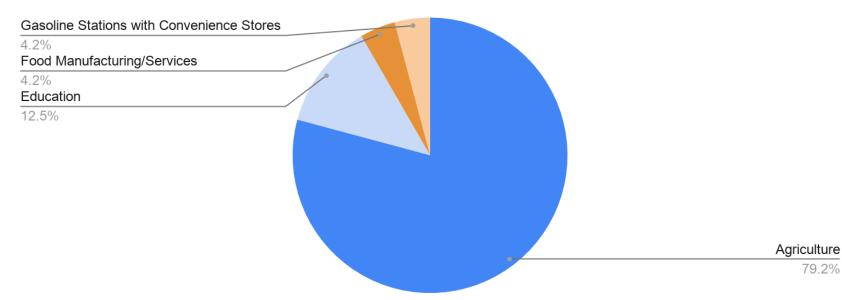
- · Village Square
- Idaho Division of Human Resources
- · Salmon River Vision
- Bridge St. Inc.

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Job Openings - Fremont County

As of June 12, 2020



Latest Job Openings by Employer: · Maverik

Older Job Openings:

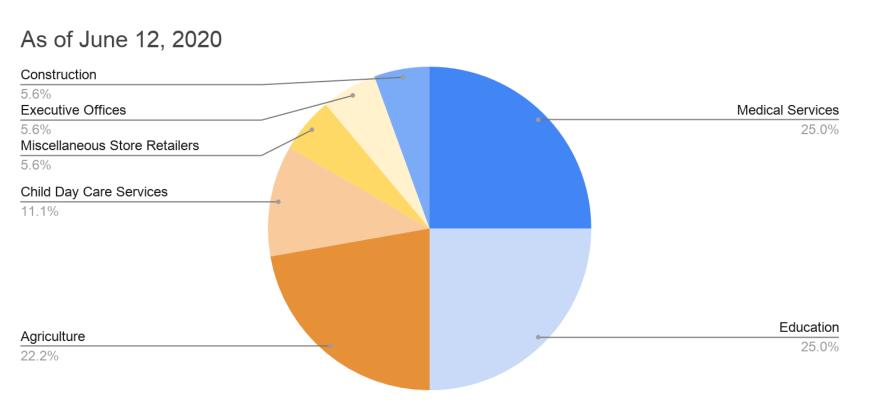
- Idaho Division of Human Resources
- Davis Machine
- Gould Farms

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Job Openings - Lemhi County



Latest Job Openings by Employer:

- Air Methods Corporation***
- · Recorder Herald
- The Savage Grill

Older Job Openings:

- · O'Reilly Automotive Stores, Inc
- Schneider
- · UPS***
- Murdoch's Ranch & Home Supply
- Salmon River Vision
- Thomas Custom Fencing, Inc.
- Steele Memorial Medical Center***
- Pete's Custom Meats, Inc.
- Tracy Construction, LLC
- · Salmon Super 8
- · Rise & Shine Espresso
- · Richard L Jordan
- Dusty Mule Bar & Grill
- Salmon Public Schools District #291
- Computer Zen

***COVID-19 Essential Job

Companies listed in blue have 6

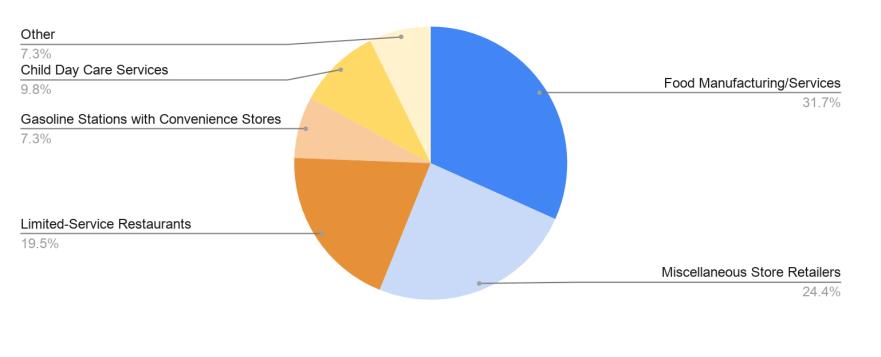
or more job offerings

- Mountain Harvest Community Market
- · Verdell Olson Ranch
- · Discounts Unlimited
- Salmon River Quick Stop/Red Dog Diner
- · Ray's Heating, Plumbing, and Electric
- Discovery Rehabilitation & Living
- Youth Employment Program
- RBDC

Source: Idaho Department of Labor

Job Openings - Teton County

As of June 12, 2020



Source: Idaho Department of Labor

Latest Job Openings by Employer:

- Forest Service
- Benchmark
- · Aramark
- · O'Reilly Automotive Stores, linc
- Kelly Services
- · Majestic Mountain Iron, Inc

Older Job Openings:

- Dominos Pizza
- Starbucks Coffee Company
- · Serco
- · Idaho Division of Human Resources
- L&R Distributors
- · Maverik
- · Wells Fargo
- · VCA***
- Staples
- · TJX
- · UPS***
- · Central Wyoming College
- Advantage Solutions
- Albertsons***
- · Lawrence merchandising Services
- · USIC

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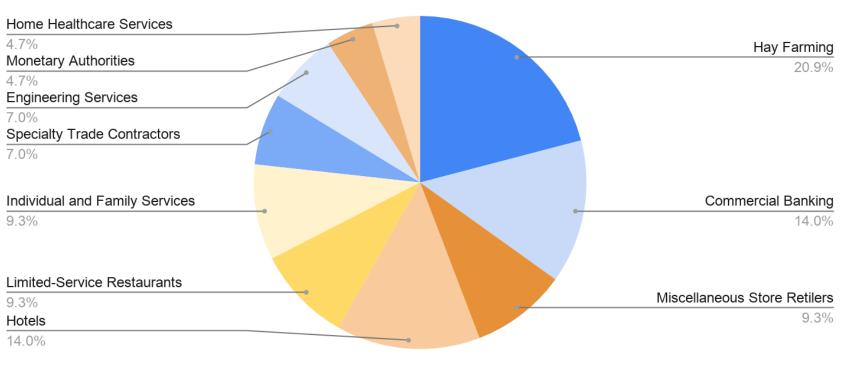
or more job offerings

- Vail Resorts
- HUB International
- · Structures, Inc.
- · Waste Connections, Inc
- · McDonald's
- · Western States Equipment Company
- · Tradesmen International, Inc.
- · Marriott
- State of Wyoming
- Stinker Stores
- MD Nursery & Landscaping Inc***
- Trail Creek Nursery, LLC***



Job Openings - Blaine County

As of June 12, 2020



***COVID-19 Essential Job

Companies listed in blue have 6 or more job offerings

Latest Job Openings by Employer:

- Sun Valley Company
- · St. Luke's Health System
- Advantage Solutions
- · Albertsons
- Staker & Parson Companies
- Progressive Nursing

Older Job Openings:

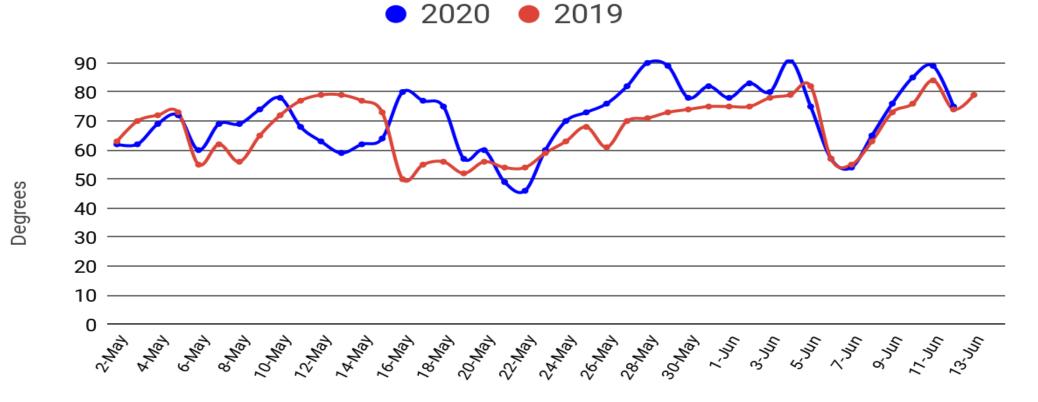
- · McDonald's
- Natural Grocers
- · Glacier Bancorp***
- · Power Engineers
- St. Luke's Health System
- · GoWireless
- · Earth Elements Design Center
- · Bank of the West***
- · Saltzer Health***
- · Hayden Beverage Company
- · Dominos***
- · Elior North America
- · Ferguson Enterprises, Inc.
- · lululemon athletica
- · O'Reilly Automotive Stores, Inc
- · Wells Fargo
- · Lawrence Merchandising Services
- · UPS***
- · Stinker Stores
- · All Seasons Landscaping
- DL Evans Bank
- · Idaho First Bank
- Pioneer Federal Credit Union



Source: Idaho Department of Labor

Idaho Falls Weather

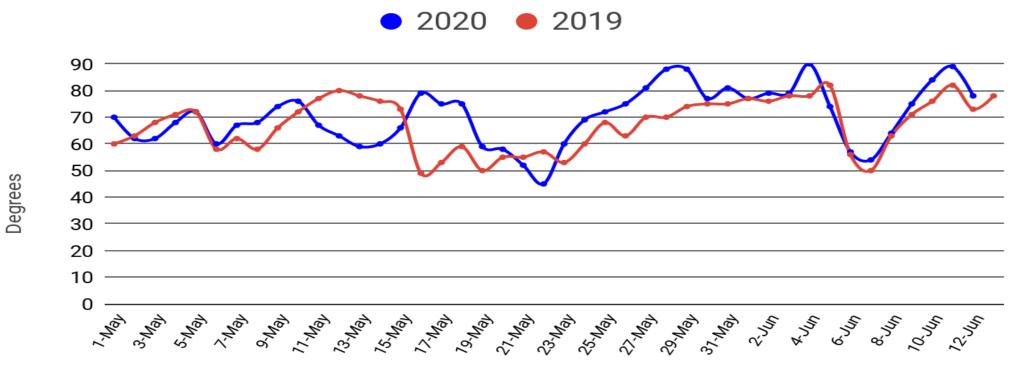
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