Hispanic Population

- Bear Lake County had 248 Hispanic residents in 2016.

Income

- The county’s per capita income in 2016 (adjusted for inflation) was $37,400, compared to the state average of $40,311 and the national average of $50,295.
- Per capita income increased by 33.3% from 2006 to 2016, compared to an increase of 5.7% in Idaho and 8.4% in the US.
- The median household income (adjusted for inflation) was $46,852 in 2016 compared to $52,747 in Idaho and $58,844 in the US.

Median household income (adjusted for inflation, see notes)
Bear Lake, Idaho and the U.S., 1979-2016

Age Structure

- 26.8% of Bear Lake County’s population was under 18 in 2016, in contrast to 26.0% in Idaho and 22.8% in the US.
- In 2016, 52.7% of the population was 18 to 64 years old, compared to 58.9% in Idaho and 62.0% in the US.
- Bear Lake County’s median age in 2016 was 39.5 compared to 36.2 in Idaho and 37.9 in the US.

COUNTY HIGHLIGHTS

- Bear Lake County’s total population in 2016 was 5,945.
- The 2016 self-employment rate was 43.2%, compared to 25.6% for Idaho and 22.6% for the US.
- In 2016, the median household income was $46,852.
- Bear Lake County’s average annual unemployment rate was 4.6% in 2016.
- The crime rate was lower than both the state and national rate.

Note: The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of inflation. Using the CPI to put dollar values in “real” terms makes it easier to see “inflation-free” change over time. Our base year is 2017, which means all dollar values are in terms of 2017 dollars. For more information, see https://www.bls.gov/cpi/home.htm

Sources:
Please see the Indicators Idaho website (indicatorsidaho.org) for data sources and additional information about your county.

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Educational Attainment
In Bear Lake County on average between 2012-2016...
- 6.4% of the population 25 years and older had no high school diploma, compared to 10.0% in Idaho and 13.0% in the US.
- 19.5% had a bachelor’s degree or higher, compared to 26.2% in Idaho and 30.3% in the US.

Poverty
- Bear Lake County’s overall poverty rate increased from 11.1% in 2007 when the recession began to 13.9% in 2016.
- Statewide, the overall poverty rate in 2016 was 13.8% and the US rate was 14.0%.
- Bear Lake County’s child poverty rate (for people under 18) increased from 15.1% in 2007 when the recession began to 18.9% in 2016.
- On average between 2012 and 2016, the poverty rate for people 65 and over was 7.5 percent.

Bear Lake County Youth
- The teen birth rate in 2015 was NA per 1,000, compared to 9 per 1,000 in Idaho and 10 per 1,000 in the US.
- On average between 2012 and 2016, teens who were not working, looking for work, and not in school made up 11.8% of all youth aged 16-19, compared to 7.6% in Idaho and 7.3% in the US.

Crime and Law Enforcement
In Bear Lake County in 2015...
- The total number of crimes reported was 161 per 10,000 population, compared to 196 in Idaho and 287 in the US.
- The number of sworn police officers per 1,000 population was 1.7, compared to 1.7 in Idaho and 2.0 in the US.