Hispanic Population

Elmore County had 4,261 Hispanic residents in 2016.

In 2016, Hispanic residents made up 16.4% of the population, compared to 12.3% in Idaho and 17.8% in the US.

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

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Income

The county’s per capita income in 2016 (adjusted for inflation) was $36,495, compared to the state average of $40,311 and the national average of $50,295.

Per capita income increased by 8.1% from 2006 to 2016, compared to an increase of 5.7% in Idaho and an increase of 8.4% in the US.

The median household income (adjusted for inflation) was $45,962 in 2016 compared to $52,747 in Idaho and $58,844 in the US.

Age Structure

25.5% of Elmore County’s population was under 18 in 2016, in contrast to 26.0% in Idaho and 22.8% in the US.

In 2016, 61.7% of the population was 18 to 64 years old, compared to 58.9% in Idaho and 62.0% in the US.

Elmore County’s median age in 2016 was 32.0 compared to 36.2 in Idaho and 37.9 in the US.

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

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Elmore County had 26,018 residents in 2016, 1,020 less than 2010.

Population decreased by 3.8 percent between 2010 and 2016, compared to an increase of 7.4 percent in Idaho as a whole.

Elmore County was the 40th fastest growing county out of Idaho’s 44 counties between 2010 and 2016.

Since 1970, Elmore County has gained 8,539 residents.

Elmore County had a migration rate below & natural change rate that was above the state average between 2010 and 2016.

Educational Attainment

In Elmore County on average between 2012-2016...

- 13.7% of the population 25 years and older had no high school diploma, compared to 10.0% in Idaho and 13.0% in the US.
- 16.6% had a bachelor’s degree or higher, compared to 26.2% in Idaho and 30.3% in the US.

Poverty

- Elmore County’s overall poverty rate increased from 12.0% 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%.
- Elmore County’s child poverty rate (for people under 18) increased from 16.1% in 2007 when the recession began to 20.6% in 2016.
- On average between 2012 and 2016, the poverty rate for people 65 and over was 11.8 percent.

Elmore County Youth

- The teen birth rate in 2015 was 12 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 13.6% of all youth aged 16-19, compared to 7.6% in Idaho and 7.3% in the US.

Crime and Law Enforcement

In Elmore County in 2015...

- The total number of crimes reported was 112 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 1.9, compared to 1.7 in Idaho and 2.0 in the US.

Employment

- The average annual unemployment rate in 2016 was 5.2%, compared to 4.2% for Idaho and 4.9% for the US. Elmore County ranked 21st—from highest to lowest—out of Idaho’s 44 counties.
- The largest number of jobs in 2016 were provided by government, retail trade, and farming.
- The number of jobs was 12,859 in 2016, compared to 8,627 in 1969—a 49% increase.

Employment by Industry

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In 2016, the self-employment rate was 19.5%, compared to 25.8% for Idaho and 22.6% for the US.

The average wage per job in 2016 (adjusted for inflation) was $33,122, up slightly from $31,080 a decade earlier. The average was $40,476 in Idaho and $54,753 in the US.

Social Trends