Hispanic Population

- Owyhee County had 3,007 Hispanic residents in 2014.
- Hispanic residents made up 26.5% of the population in 2014, compared to 12.0% in Idaho.
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Age Structure

- 26.6% of Owyhee County’s population was under 18 in 2014, compared to 26.4% in Idaho and 23.1% in the US.
- In 2014, 57.1% of the population was 18 to 64 years old, compared to 59.3% in Idaho and 62.4% in the US.
- Owyhee County’s median age in 2014 was 38.4 years old, compared to 35.7 in Idaho and 37.7 in the US.

Sources:

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

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 2014, which means all dollar values are in terms of 2014 dollars. For more information, see http://www.bls.gov/cpi/home.htm
Educational Attainment

In Owyhee County on average between 2009-2013...

- 24.6% of the population 25 years and older had no high school diploma, compared to 11.2% in Idaho and 13.9% in the US.
- 8.2% had a bachelor’s degree or higher, compared to 25.0% in Idaho and 28.8% in the US.

Poverty

- Owyhee County’s overall poverty rate increased from 17.5% in 2007 when the recession began to 18.4% in 2013.
- Statewide, the overall poverty rate in 2013 was 15.6%, and the US rate was 15.8%.
- Owyhee County’s child poverty rate (for people under 18) increased from 26.2% in 2007 when the recession began to 26.4% in 2013.
- On average between 2009 and 2013, the poverty rate for people aged 65 and over was 15.7 percent.

Owyhee County Youth

- The teen birth rate in 2013 was 7 per 1,000, compared to 9 per 1,000 in Idaho and 12 per 1,000 in the US.
- On average between 2007 and 2011, teens who were not working, looking for work, and not in school made up 0.8% of all youth aged 16-19, compared to 5.4% in Idaho and 5.4% in the US.

Crime and Law Enforcement

In Owyhee County in 2013...

- The total number of crimes reported was 130 per 10,000 population, compared to 169 in Idaho and 389 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.

Population Change

- Owyhee Co. had 11,353 residents in 2014, 173 less than in 2010.
- Population decreased by 1.5 percent between 2010 and 2014, compared to an increase of 4.3 percent in the state.
- Owyhee County was the 27th fastest growing county out of Idaho’s 44 counties between 2010 and 2014.
- Since 1970, Owyhee County has gained 4,931 residents.

The net migration and natural change rates were below the state average between 2010 and 2014.

Employment

- The average annual unemployment rate in 2014 was 3.3%, compared to 4.8% for Idaho and 6.2% for the US. Owyhee County had the 43rd highest rate out of Idaho’s 44 counties.
- The largest number of jobs in 2013 were provided by farming, government, and retail trade.
- The number of jobs was 4,208 in 2013, compared to 4,076 in 2001—a 3.2% increase.

In 2013, the self-employment rate was 36.4%, compared to 25.7% for Idaho and 22.0% for the US.

The average wage per job in 2013 (adjusted for inflation) was $33,711, up from $27,196 a decade earlier. The average was $38,413 in Idaho and $50,823 in the US.

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