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Personal Income Grew In 2010 in Nearly All Idaho Counties

The very early stages of Idaho's economic recovery from the recession were felt in nearly every county as personal income rose by an average of 4 percent in 2010 after falling over 5 percent in 2009.

Thirty-seven of Idaho's 44 counties posted personal income gains in 2010 in stark contrast to just five in 2009, according to new estimates from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Most counties continued to lose jobs in 2010 although the average annual wage in all but nine rose as employers began restoring hours cut during the recession and rewarding employees they kept on for handling a heavier workload.

Overall, however, business profits rose more than wages, jumping 13 percent statewide compared to a 2.1 percent rise in worker paychecks. Worker wages outperformed business profits in only eight counties - Butte, Camas, Caribou, Custer, Fremont, Latah, Minidoka and Power - and in the case of Camas, Caribou and Power, wages merely declined less than business profits.

Six counties had an average annual wage higher than the state average of \$35,819 in 2010 - Butte, where scientists and engineers work at the Idaho National Laboratory; Ada, the state's population and business center; Caribou, rich in agriculture and elemental phosphorus; Clark with major agricultural operations; Elmore, which includes Mountain Home Air Force Base; and Blaine, home of the Sun Valley resort and significant agricultural operations.

2010 County Personal Income						
	Total Income (in thousands)	Percent Change	Average Wage	Percent Change	Jobs	Percent Change
State	\$50,113,859	4.0%	\$35,819	2.1%	645,477	-1.2%
Ada	\$15,234,336	4.0%	\$41,548	2.7%	204,059	-0.8%
Adams	\$109,907	3.9%	\$29,390	2.6%	1,101	0.5%
Bannock	\$2,373,455	3.9%	\$32,596	3.4%	33,998	-2.4%
Bear Lake	\$172,914	3.5%	\$27,379	4.7%	1,870	-2.9%
Benewah	\$288,439	5.8%	\$32,984	3.4%	3,664	1.2%
Bingham	\$1,202,971	3.8%	\$31,648	0.5%	15,588	-0.8%
Blaine	\$1,362,883	3.2%	\$36,518	1.9%	12,697	-5.5%
Boise	\$252,860	4.2%	\$25,353	5.5%	1,636	-2.9%
Bonner	\$1,248,396	1.7%	\$31,451	0.0%	13,955	-3.5%
Bonneville	\$3,626,901	4.4%	\$33,481	2.2%	45,436	-0.4%
Boundary	\$286,878	6.8%	\$31,114	-1.1%	3,636	-2.5%
Butte	\$93,345	-1.7%	\$78,424	1.2%	8,867	3.6%
Camas	\$38,477	-6.6%	\$31,438	-2.6%	418	-1.2%
Canyon	\$4,304,033	2.9%	\$31,734	-0.1%	53,857	0.1%

Caribou	\$215,346	-0.7%	\$43,986	3.0%	3,290	-4.8%
Cassia	\$725,209	7.0%	\$30,870	0.8%	10,328	0.3%
Clark	\$38,931	2.6%	\$38,965	8.1%	550	-7.3%
Clearwater	\$259,361	3.8%	\$31,912	4.4%	3,033	-1.9%
Custer	\$142,056	-1.6%	\$35,359	7.0%	1,779	0.3%
Elmore	\$909,665	2.8%	\$38,476	1.7%	10,908	-3.1%
Franklin	\$328,887	-0.2%	\$25,140	-2.1%	3,318	-1.3%
Fremont	\$315,344	1.2%	\$30,014	1.5%	3,100	-1.0%
Gem	\$462,481	4.9%	\$28,023	3.9%	3,424	0.9%
Gooding	\$574,337	24.1%	\$32,521	-3.5%	6,088	-0.4%
Idaho	\$448,601	6.6%	\$31,521	4.5%	4,553	0.5%
Jefferson	\$687,919	6.1%	\$26,884	0.3%	6,270	0.4%
Jerome	\$656,184	7.4%	\$33,206	0.1%	8,699	-1.8%
Kootenai	\$4,464,926	3.3%	\$33,071	2.2%	54,827	-1.5%
Latah	\$1,143,047	2.4%	\$29,920	2.8%	15,304	-2.8%
Lemhi	\$244,032	5.0%	\$27,997	3.3%	2,756	-0.4%
Lewis	\$158,821	10.7%	\$26,028	3.8%	1,597	2.2%
Lincoln	\$144,394	8.6%	\$31,456	-3.0%	1,565	-3.6%
Madison	\$701,302	3.7%	\$28,029	1.4%	13,486	-1.9%
Minidoka	\$569,845	0.7%	\$31,621	0.5%	6,789	-1.0%
Nez Perce	\$1,407,349	5.3%	\$35,799	3.7%	21,298	-0.7%
Oneida	\$114,703	4.4%	\$24,940	0.7%	1,135	-0.6%
Owyhee	\$331,667	6.0%	\$30,359	-0.4%	2,639	0.7%
Payette	\$607,090	5.0%	\$31,877	1.5%	6,304	0.4%
Power	\$193,144	-3.7%	\$34,516	1.3%	3,381	-2.8%
Shoshone	\$405,196	6.4%	\$35,214	8.3%	4,647	-3.3%
Teton	\$250,724	-2.5%	\$31,219	-2.7%	2,818	-6.3%
Twin Falls	\$2,407,503	4.9%	\$30,402	1.1%	33,994	-1.7%
Valley	\$336,225	3.0%	\$30,487	2.5%	3,841	-4.5%
Washington	\$273,775	2.8%	\$27,545	1.5%	2,974	-2.5%

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

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