



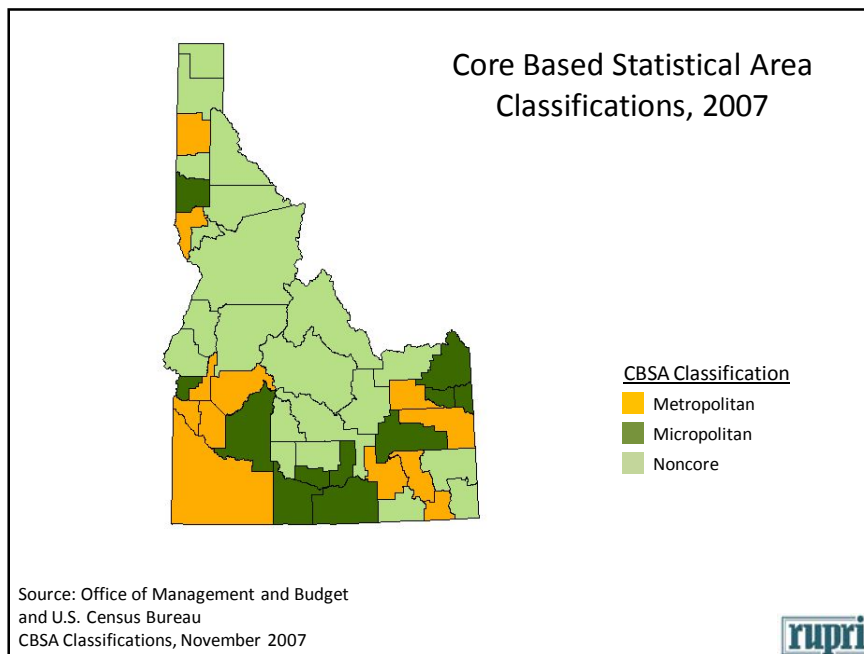
Idaho

Introduction

This profile report provides updated statistics and trends for Idaho. The most recent classifications of core based statistical areas, November 2007, are utilized throughout the report in comparisons of metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas. This report includes updated data on population trends and racial and ethnic composition of the population (2007), updated estimates of county poverty rates (2005), county unemployment rates (2007), and per capita income data (2006). The report also includes some new indicators of entrepreneurship, classifications of health professional shortage areas, and infant mortality rates.

Metro and Nonmetro Counties

Based on county Core Based Statistical Area classifications, there are 12 metropolitan counties in Idaho, 11 micropolitan counties, and 21 noncore counties. Based on population estimates for 2007, 65.4 percent of Idaho residents live in metropolitan areas, 21.4 percent live in micropolitan areas, and 13.2 percent live in noncore areas.



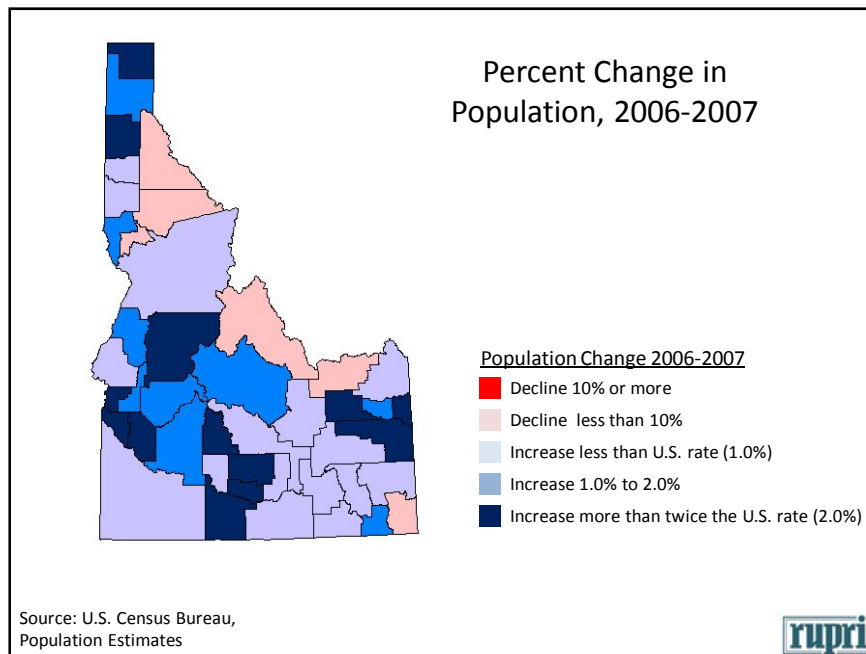
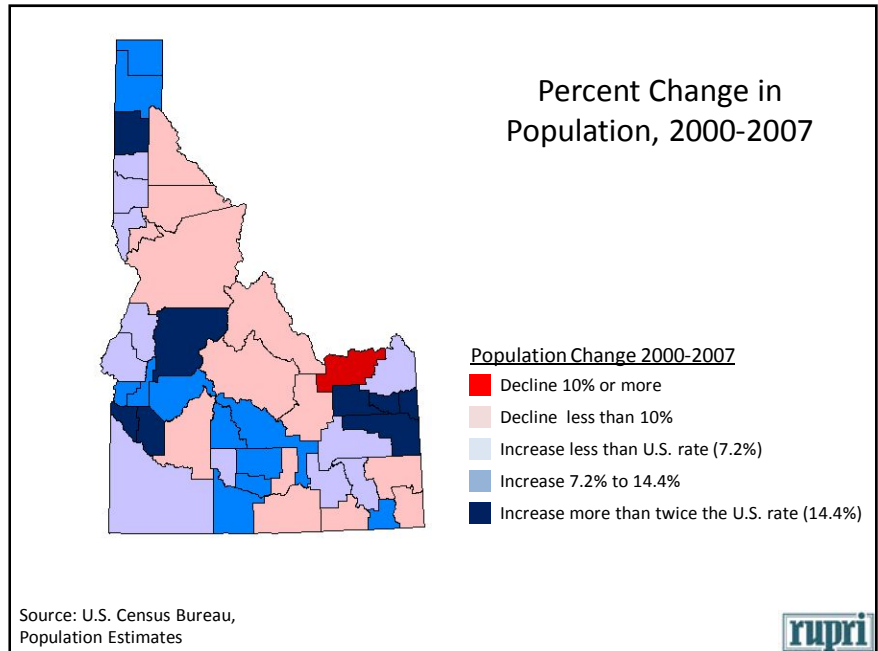
Population Change

Since the 2000 Census, population increased 7.2 percent in the U.S., and 15.9 percent in Idaho. Within Idaho, the fastest growth was in the metropolitan areas. From 2006 to 2007, the U.S. population grew by one percent, while the Idaho population increased by 2.4 percent. Again, the fastest growth was in Idaho's metropolitan areas.

From 2000 to 2007, 14 counties in Idaho lost population, all of them nonmetropolitan counties. From 2006 to 2007, 6 Idaho counties lost population, again all nonmetropolitan. The fastest growth during both time periods was in Teton County, part of the Jackson Wyoming-Idaho Micropolitan Area.

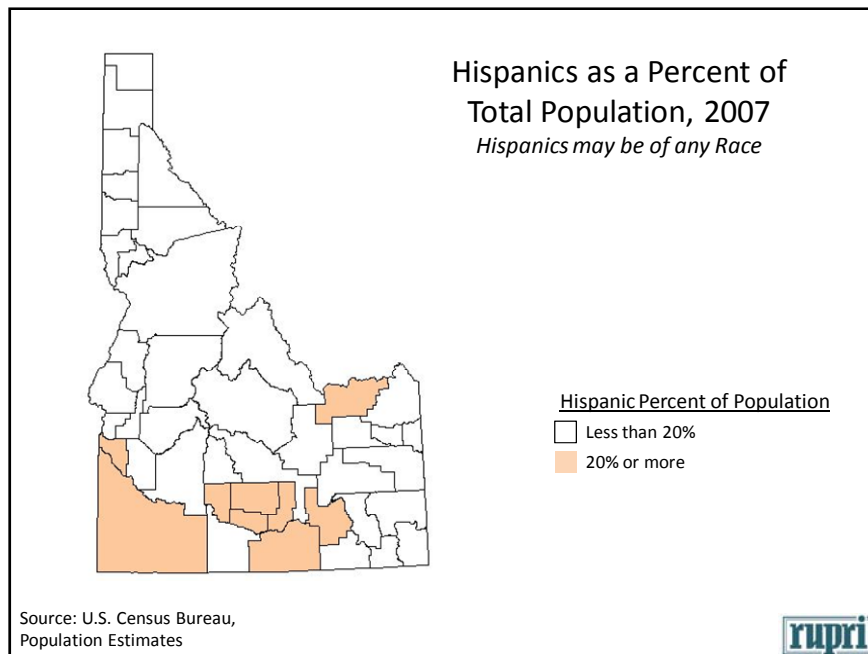
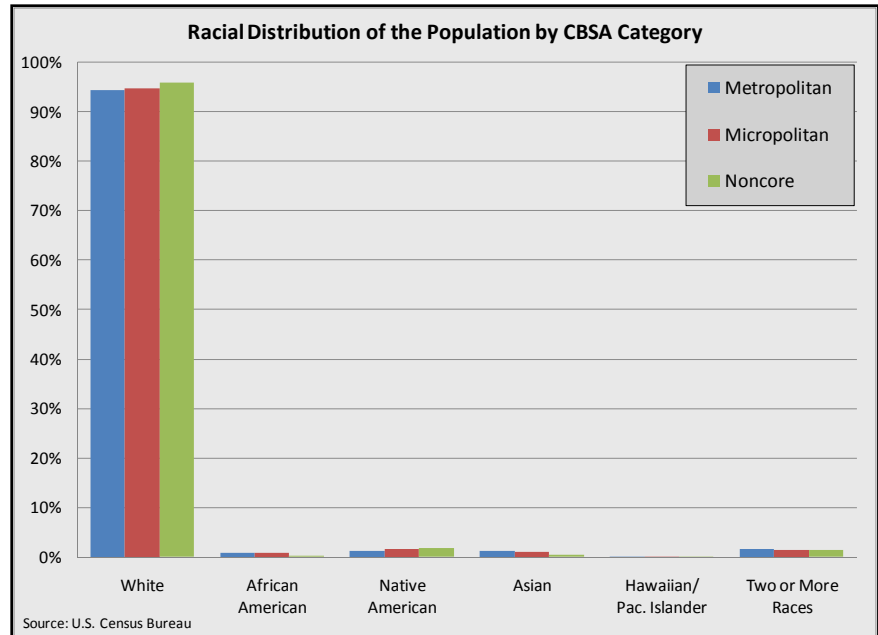
Percent Change in Population		
	2000-2007	2006-2007
U.S.	7.2%	1.0%
Idaho	15.9%	2.4%
Metropolitan	21.5%	3.0%
Micropolitan	8.7%	1.6%
Noncore	3.4%	0.9%

source: U.S. Census Bureau



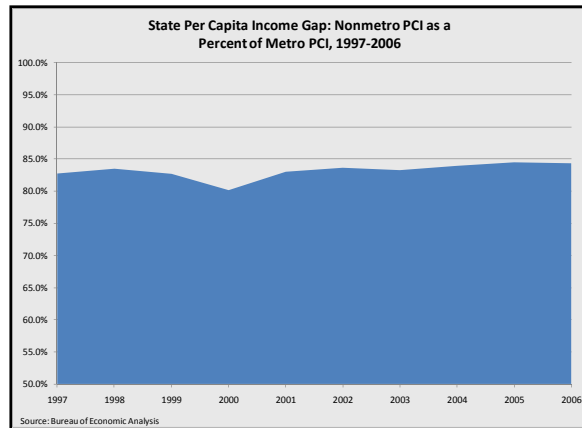
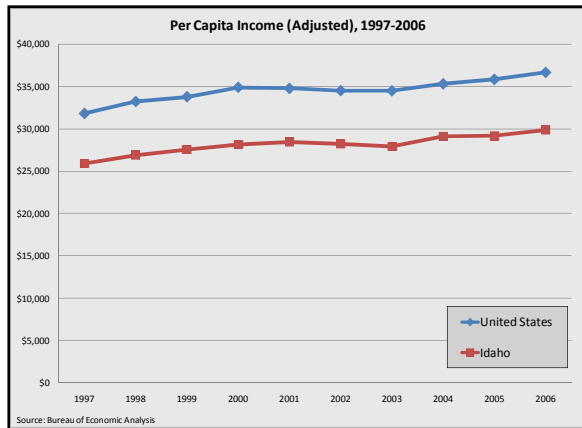
Racial and Ethnic Composition of the Population

The racial composition of the population is shown in the bar chart to the right. It is important to note that the population of any given race includes those of Hispanic ethnicity. Each racial category presented in the chart includes both Hispanics and non Hispanics of that race. The population of Idaho is 94.8 percent white, and is also 9.8 percent Hispanic. Several Idaho counties have a significant portion of Hispanic populations – those counties in which 20 percent or more of the population is Hispanic are shown in the map below.

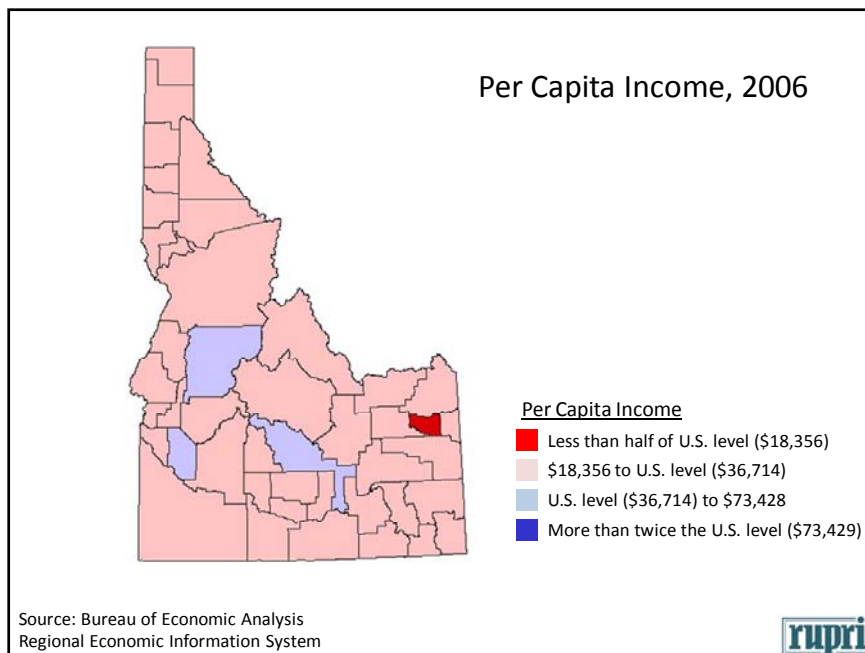


Per Capita Income

Per capita income in Idaho has followed a similar trend as the nation over the past 10 years, with Idaho's income lagging behind the U.S. income. In 2006 per capita income was \$36,714 in the U.S. and \$29,920 in Idaho. The per capita income gap in Idaho has also persisted over the past 10 years. In 2006, nonmetropolitan per capita income was 84.3 percent of metro per capita income in Idaho. The per capita income in nonmetro areas was about \$5,000 less than in metro areas (\$26,698 compared to \$31,655).

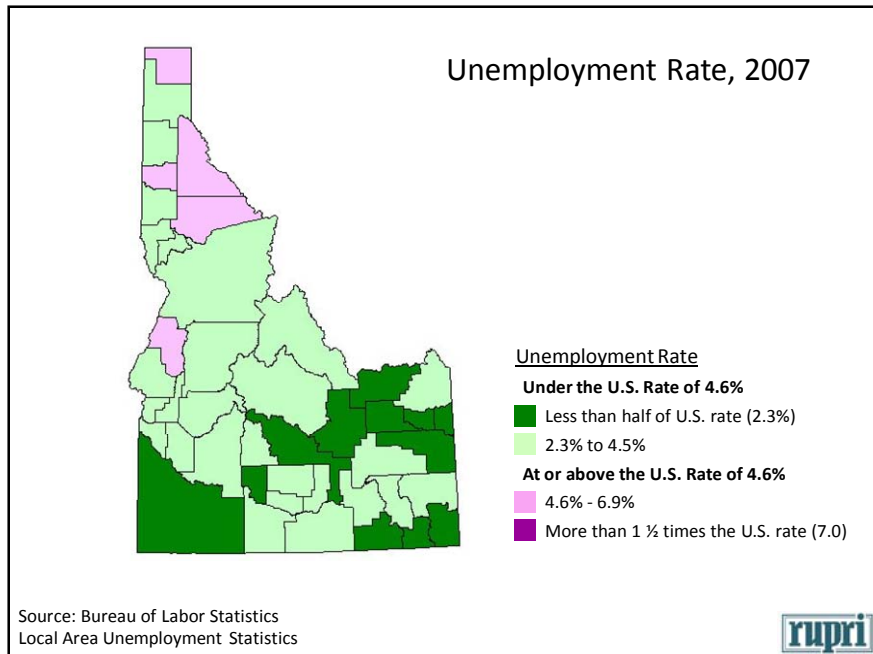


Within Idaho, per capita income ranged from \$15,166 in Madison County to \$59,939 in Blaine County. One Idaho county had per capita income less than half of the U.S. average, and only 3 counties had incomes over the U.S. average.



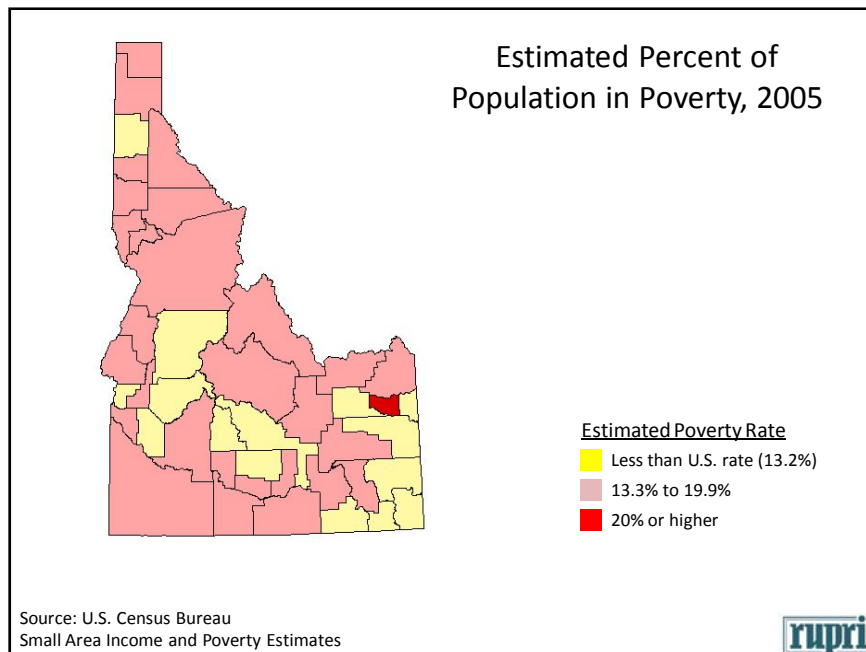
Unemployment

The 2007 unemployment rate was 4.6 percent in the U.S. and 2.7 percent in Idaho. Only 5 counties in Idaho had unemployment rates higher than the U.S. average. 12 counties in Idaho had unemployment rates less than half the U.S. average.



Poverty

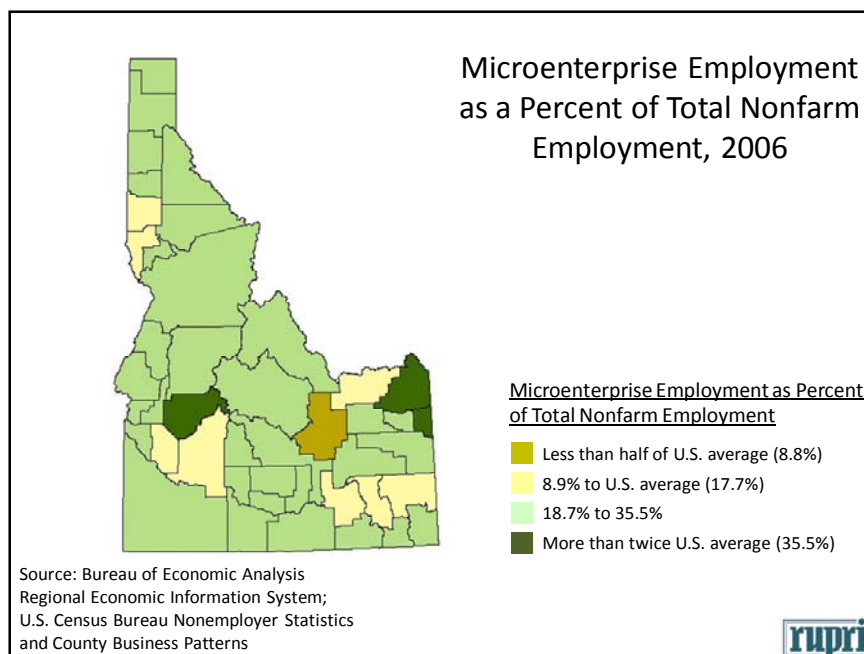
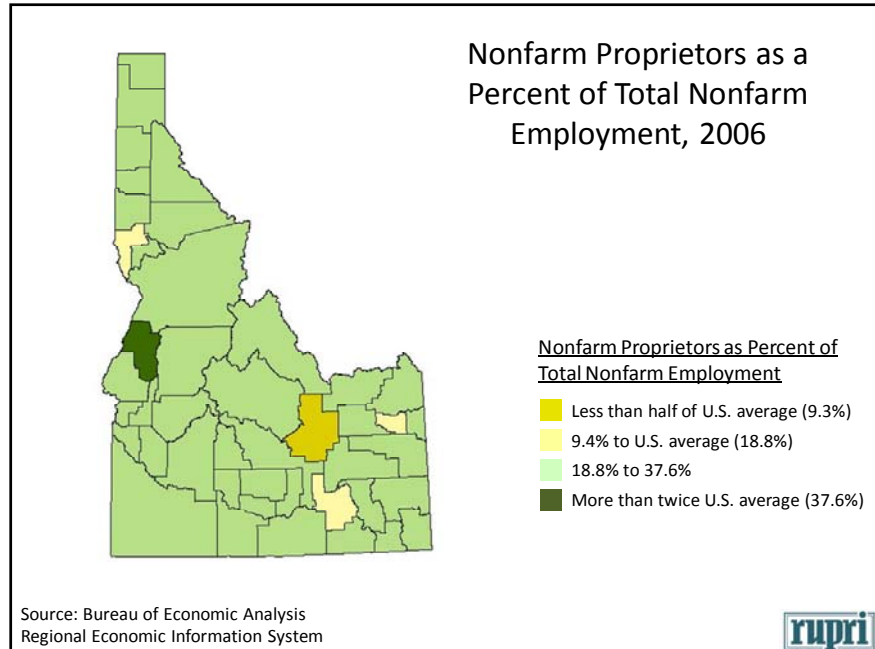
Poverty estimates for 2005 show that the poverty rate in the U.S. in 2005 was 13.3 percent, compared to 13.4 percent in Idaho. Within Idaho, poverty rates ranged from 7.1 in Blaine County to 29.9 in Madison County.



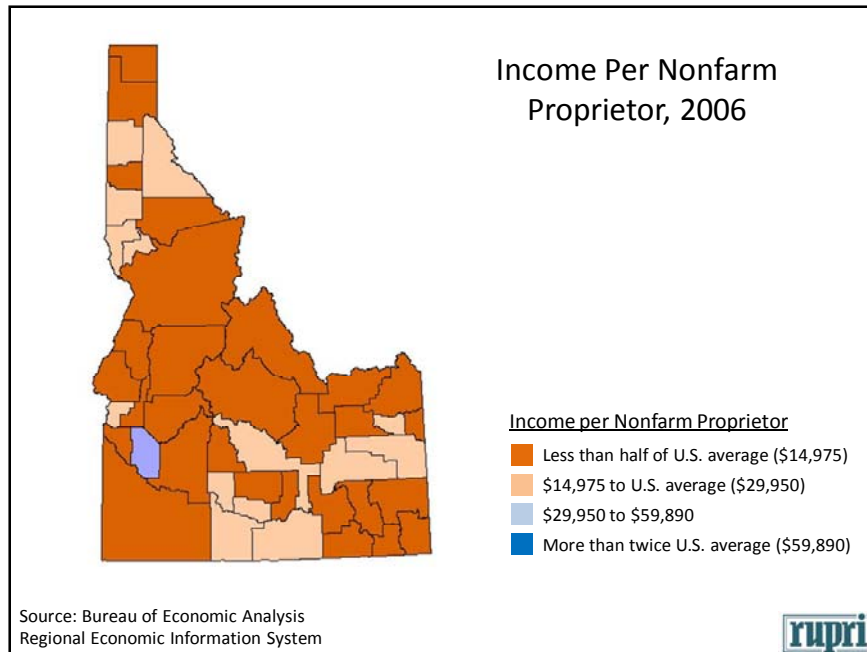
Entrepreneurship Indicators

Entrepreneurship plays a key role in the economic development of communities, but entrepreneurship is a difficult concept to measure. Four indicators of entrepreneurship are presented here: (1) nonfarm proprietors as a proportion of total nonfarm employment and (2) microenterprise employment (calculated as the number of self employed individuals plus the number of employees in establishments with less than 5 employees) as a proportion of total nonfarm employment; (3) income per nonfarm proprietor; and (4) nonfarm proprietors income as a proportion of county total personal income.

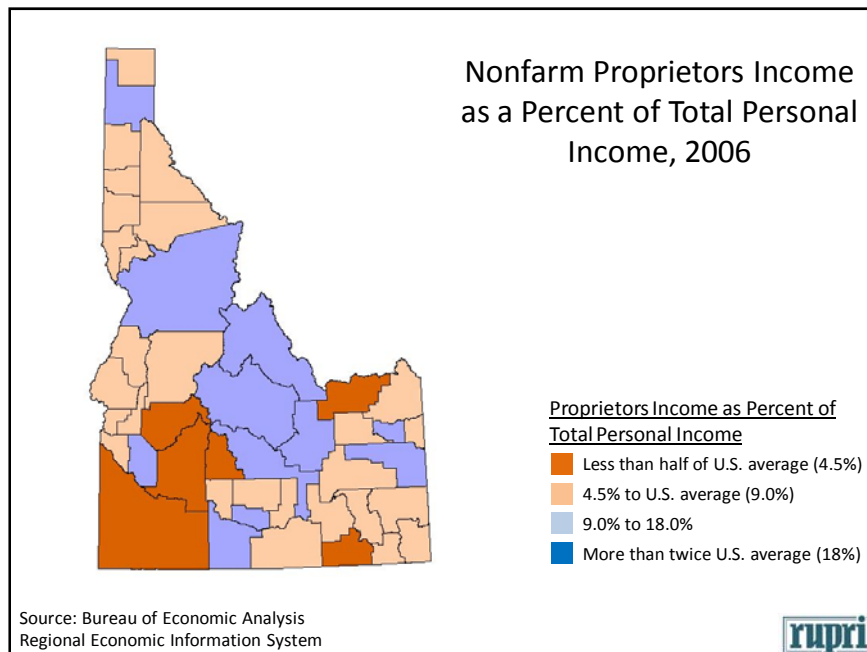
Nationally, nonfarm proprietor employment accounts for 18.8 percent of total nonfarm employment. In Idaho, this figure is 22.4 percent, and within Idaho, this figure ranges from 8.4 percent to 41.8 percent. Microenterprise employment represents 17.7 percent of U.S. nonfarm employment and 20 percent of Idaho nonfarm employment. Within Idaho, this ranges from 5.8 percent to 48.4 percent.



Average income per proprietor in the U.S was \$29,950, compared to \$22,673 in Idaho. Within Idaho, this ranged from \$5,589 per proprietor to \$41,283 per proprietor.



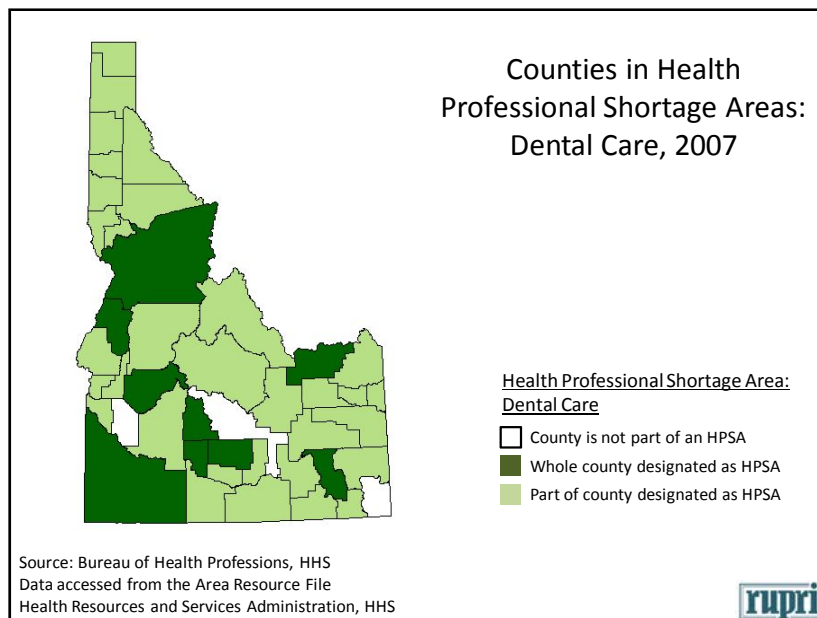
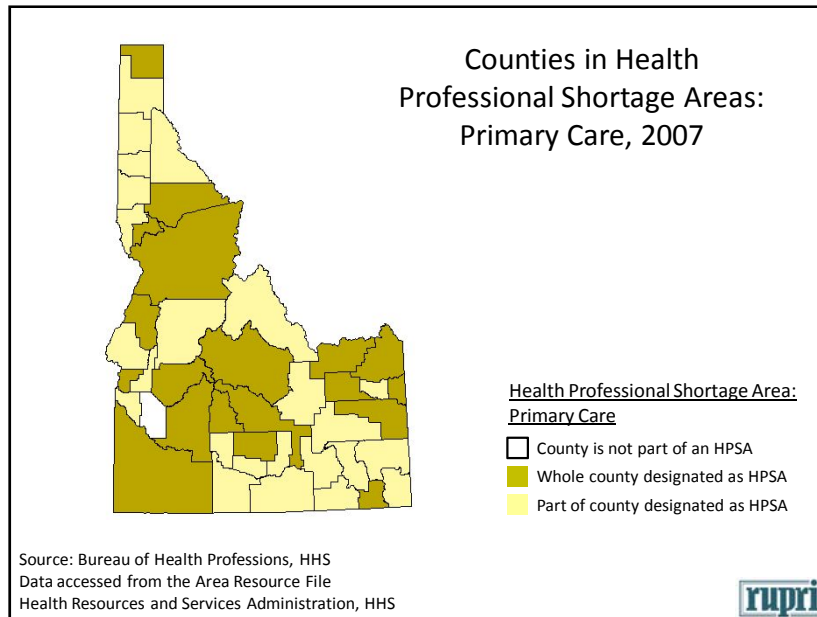
Nationally, nonfarm proprietors income accounted for 9 percent of total personal income. In Idaho, this figure was 10 percent, and ranged from 3.3 percent to 14.6 percent in Idaho counties.

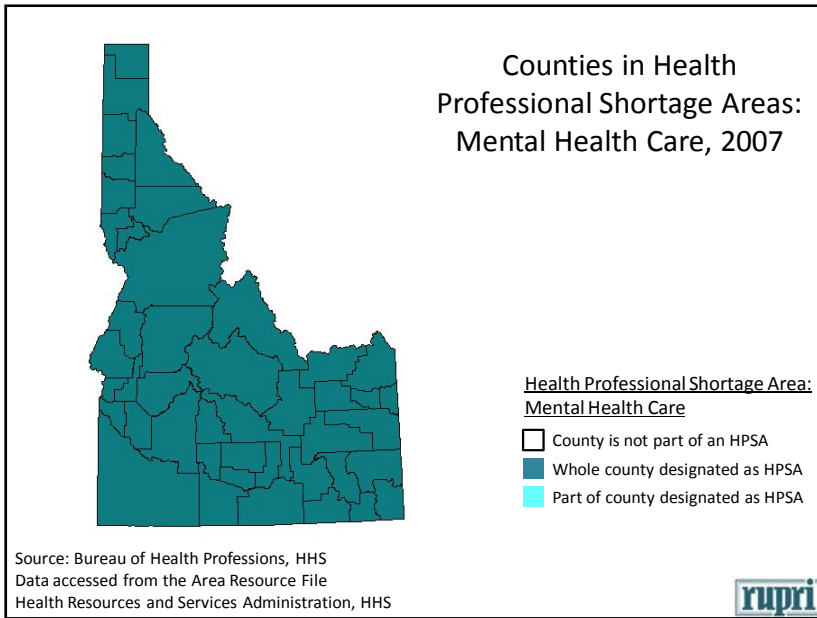


Health Professional Shortage Areas

Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs) are designated for primary medical care, dentists, and mental health professionals. The designations are made by the Bureau of Health Professions within the Department of Health and Human Services. The maps below present the status of counties as being whole or in part designated as part of an HPSA.

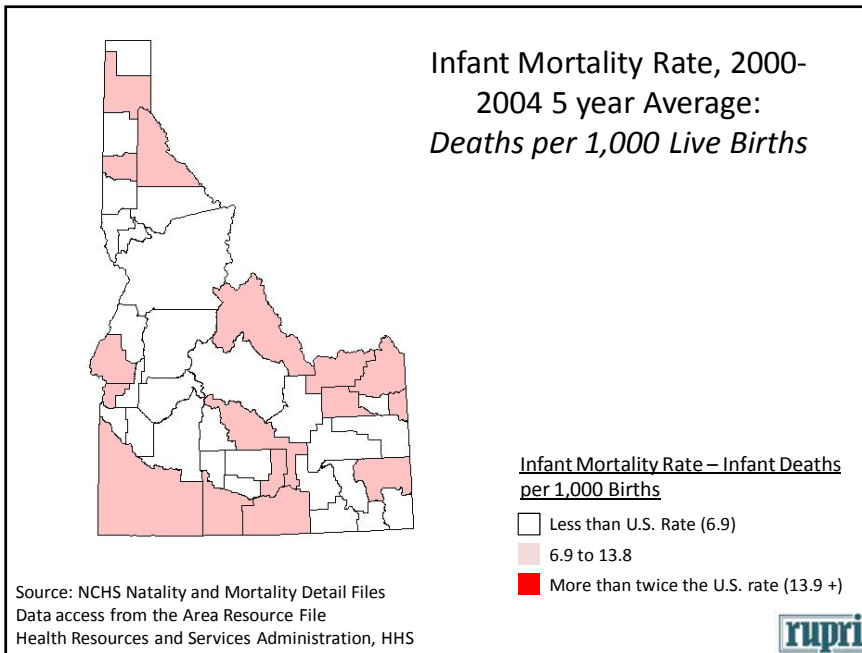
Within Idaho, 43 counties were either whole or in part designated as a primary care HPSA; 41 counties were designated whole or part of a dental care HPSA, and all 44 counties were designated as mental health care HPSAs.





Infant Mortality

The infant mortality rates are a 5 year average of infant deaths per 1,000 live births. The infant mortality rate is 6.9 for the U.S. and 6.5 for Idaho. 16 counties in Idaho had an infant mortality rate higher than the U.S. average.



Data Sources:

Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System

<http://www.bea.gov/beat/regional/reis/>

Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

<http://www.bls.gov/lau/home.htm>

**Department of Health and Human Services , Health Resources and Services Administration
Area Resource File**

<http://www.arfsys.com/>

U.S. Census Bureau

Population Estimates

<http://www.census.gov/popest/estimates.php>

Metropolitan and Micropolitan Area Classifications

<http://www.census.gov/population/www/estimates/metrodef.html>

Nonemployer Statistics

<http://www.census.gov/epcd/nonemployer/>

County Business Patterns

<http://www.census.gov/epcd/cbp/index.html>

Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates

<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/saipe/saipe.html>

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<http://ims2.missouri.edu/step1.AOI/Idaholist.asp>

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Step 1: In the first step, select your Idaho of interest or the whole U.S.



Step 2: Select the indicators you would like to see mapped. Included are over 500 data layers, including demographic and economic indicators, health and human services indicators, health and education facility locations, emergency preparedness, and many others. We are working constantly to keep these data sets as up to date as possible.

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