

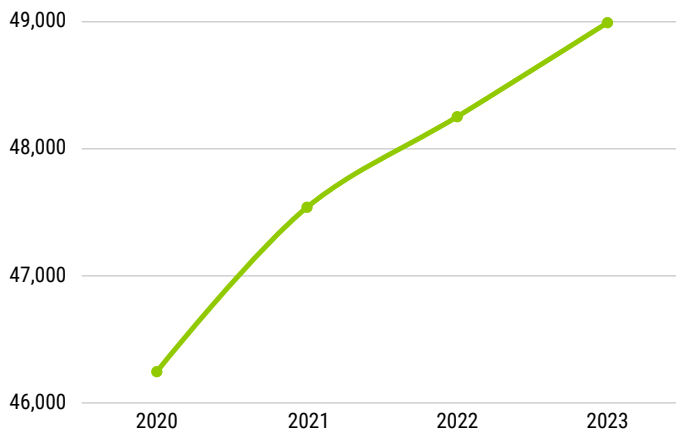
BINGHAM COUNTY

Population
48,993

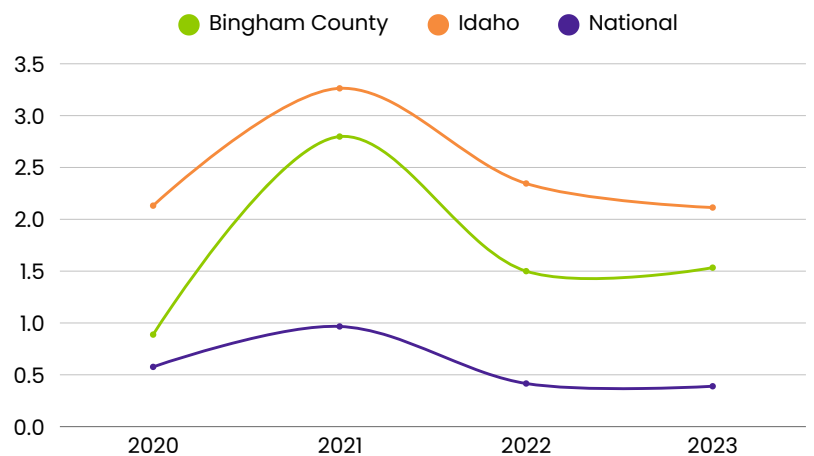


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POPULATION



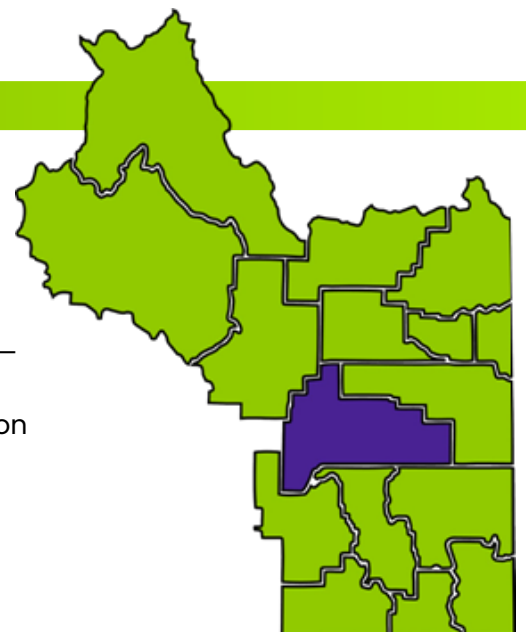
POPULATION PERCENTAGE CHANGE



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BINGHAM COUNTY: WELCOMING GROWTH

Bingham County's population grew from 46,246 in 2020 to 48,993 in 2023—an increase of nearly 6%. This steady upward trend reflects the county's strong community roots, robust agricultural industry, and strategic location within Southeast Idaho. With its blend of rural charm and economic opportunity, Bingham County continues to attract families, professionals, and businesses seeking a balanced lifestyle and room to grow.

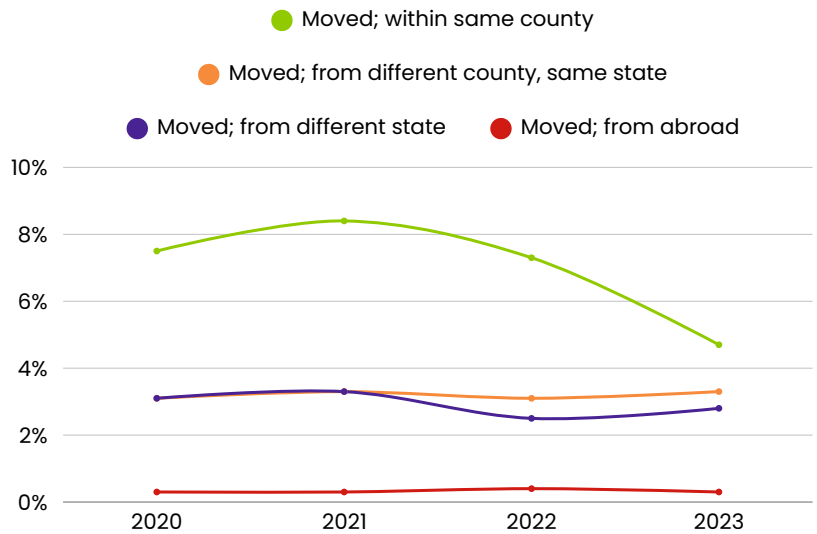


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GEOGRAPHIC MOBILITY IN BINGHAM COUNTY

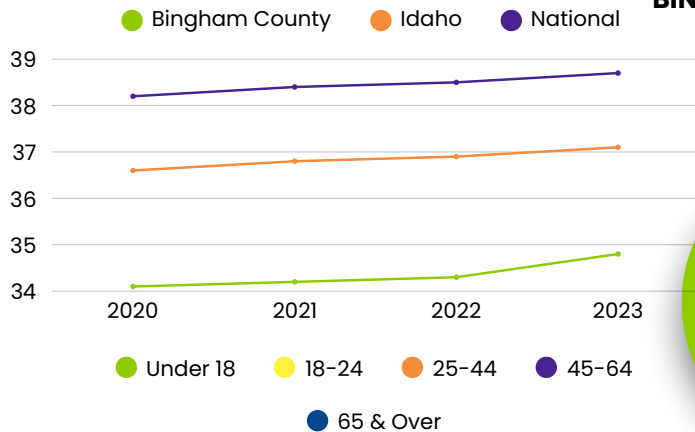
From 2020 to 2023, Bingham County saw the highest share of in-migration coming from within the county itself, signaling strong local retention and in-county mobility. While in-county moves peaked at 8.4% in 2021, they declined to 4.7% in 2023—suggesting greater residential stability. Meanwhile, the share of residents moving in from other counties in Idaho and from out of state remained steady, hovering around 3%. A small but consistent percentage also arrived from abroad. These patterns highlight Bingham County's role as a stable, attractive community where many residents choose to stay rooted while still drawing newcomers from beyond its borders.



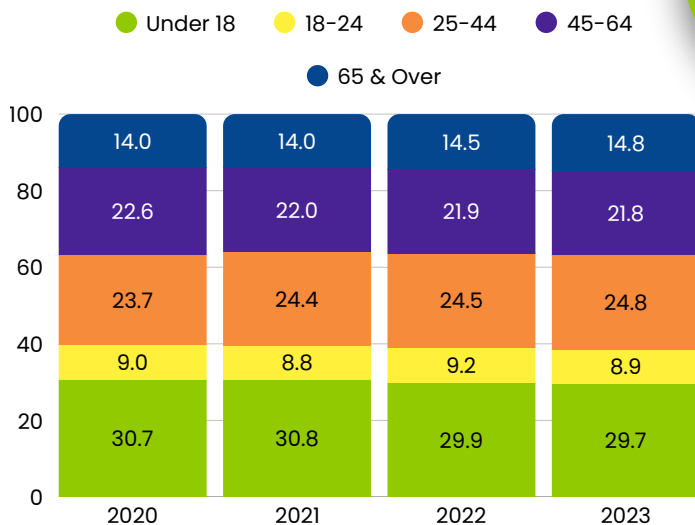
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MEDIAN AGE

BINGHAM COUNTY'S AGE TRENDS REFLECT STABILITY AND GROWTH



33.7%
are between 18
and 44 years old

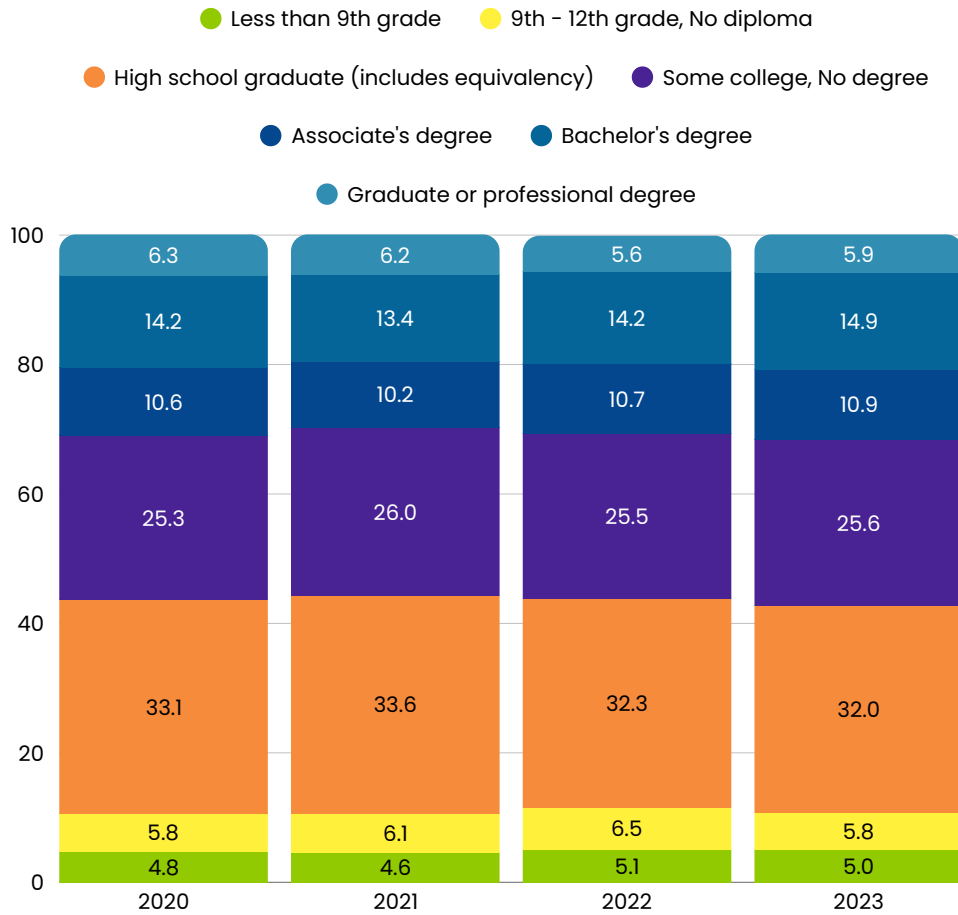


Bingham County's age distribution has remained steady from 2020 to 2023, reflecting a community with both strong family presence and a growing senior population. The share of residents under 18 has consistently hovered around 30%, suggesting that young families continue to make Bingham County home. Adults aged 25 to 44—the county's core working-age population—have gradually increased, rising from 23.7% in 2020 to 24.8% in 2023. Meanwhile, the 65 and older population has grown modestly from 14.0% to 14.8%, pointing to a slow but steady aging trend in line with broader regional patterns. This balance across age groups positions Bingham County as a family-friendly and economically active community with long-term appeal for residents of all life stages.

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EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT



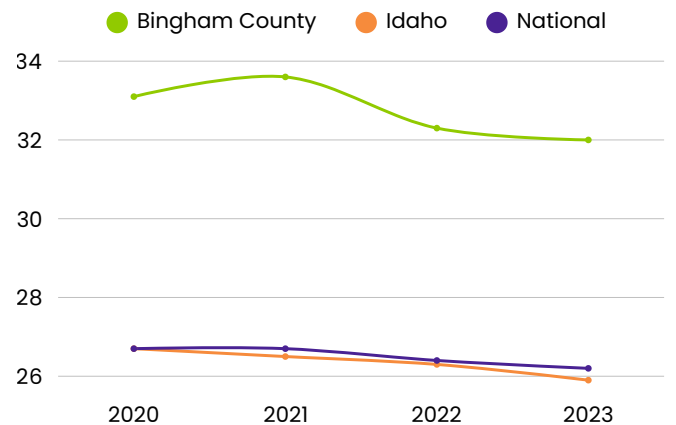
Among Bingham County residents age 25 and older, educational attainment has remained steady from 2020 to 2023. In 2023, 32.0% of adults had earned a high school diploma or equivalent, while 25.6% had completed some college without a degree. The share of residents with an associate's degree edged up to 10.9%, and those with a bachelor's degree rose to 14.9%—the highest rate in the past four years. Graduate or professional degrees held steady near 6%. Meanwhile, fewer than 6% of adults had less than a 9th-grade education or no diploma. These trends reflect a workforce grounded in secondary education, with gradual gains in postsecondary attainment.



U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce. "Educational Attainment." American Community Survey, ACS 5-Year Estimates Subject Tables, Table S1501, <https://data.census.gov/table/ACSST5Y2023.S1501?t=Educational+Attainment&g=050XX00US16011>. Accessed on 8 Jul 2025.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATES

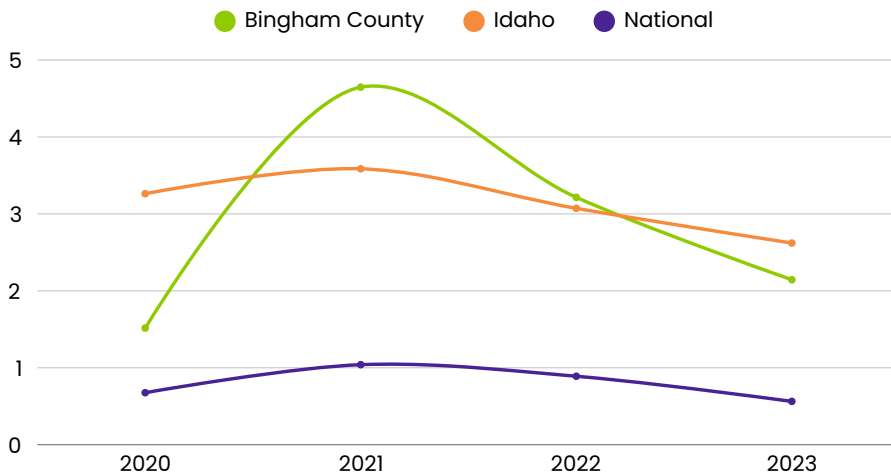
From 2020 to 2023, Bingham County consistently outpaced both the Idaho and national averages in the share of adults age 25 and older who are high school graduates. In 2023, 32.0% of the county's adult population held a high school diploma or equivalent, compared to 25.9% statewide and 26.2% nationally. While the county has seen a slight decline from its 2021 peak of 33.6%, the rate remains notably higher than state and national levels. This strong foundation in secondary education reflects the value placed on basic educational attainment in the region and underscores the importance of continued investment in postsecondary pathways and workforce training.



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JOB GROWTH



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From 2020 to 2023, Bingham County maintained steady job growth, consistently outperforming national averages and closely tracking with statewide trends. Job growth peaked at 4.6% in 2021, reflecting strong post-pandemic recovery, and remained positive through 2023 at 2.1%—well above the national rate of just 0.6%. While Idaho as a whole experienced slightly higher growth in some years, Bingham County's performance highlights a resilient local economy supported by diverse industries. This sustained momentum points to a stable labor market and continued opportunities for workforce expansion in the region.



KEY EMPLOYERS

Bingham County's largest employers span health care, food processing, manufacturing, education, and tribal government—reflecting a well-rounded and resilient local economy. The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes are the area's largest employer, providing 1,000–2,499 jobs across a range of services. In the private sector, Bingham Memorial Hospital and Basic American Foods each employ between 500 and 999 people, anchoring the county's health care and food manufacturing industries. Education also plays a major role in local employment, with the Blackfoot, Shelley, and Snake River School Districts each employing 250–499 individuals. Other significant employers include the Idaho Department of Health & Welfare, Premier Technology, Golden Valley Natural, and Wal-Mart—all contributing to the region's economic stability and job variety. Together, these employers support a strong labor force and provide opportunities across multiple skill levels and industries.

Top Employers	Local Government	Employment Range
Shoshone Bannock Tribes	Local Government	1000-2499
Bingham Memorial Hospital	Private	500-999
Basic American Foods	Private	500-999
Blackfoot School District	Local Government	250-499
Idaho Department of Health & Welfare	State Government	250-499
Shelley Joint School District	Local Government	250-499
Snake River School District	Local Government	250-499
Premier Technology	Private	250-499
Golden Valley Natural	Private	250-499
Wal-Mart	Private	250-499

"Bingham County, Idaho: Economic Profile." Idaho Department of Labor, Labor Market Information Section, June 2025, imi.idaho.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/BinghamProfile.pdf.

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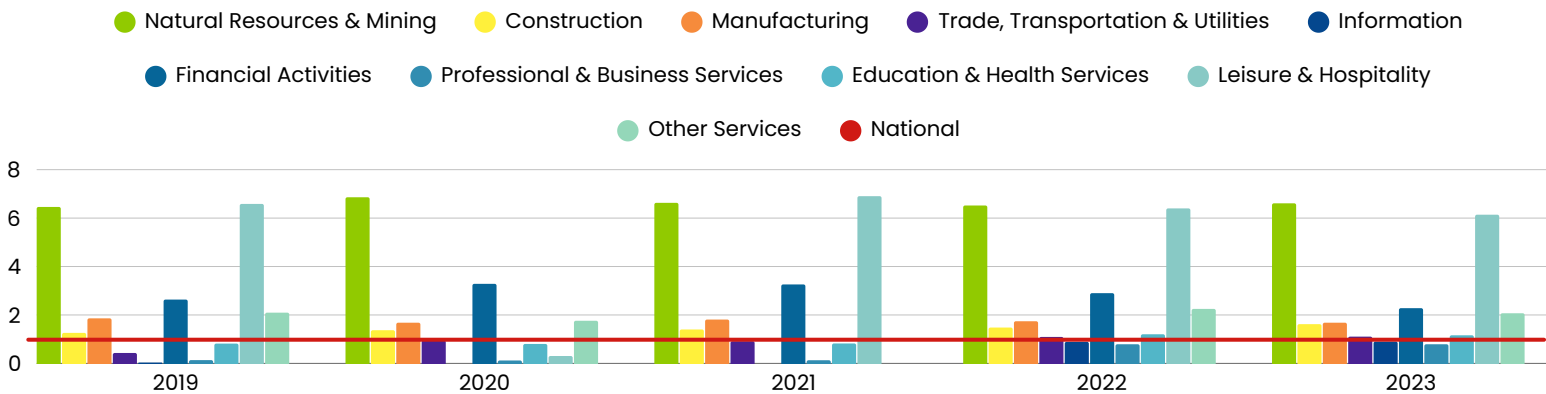
EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR

From 2020 to 2023, Education and Health Services remained Bingham County's largest employment sector, though its share declined from 23.7% to 20.4%. Manufacturing and Retail Trade both grew steadily, reaching 11.6% each by 2023, reflecting strong industrial and consumer activity. Construction also expanded to 9.2%, supported by ongoing development projects, while Agriculture and Mining decreased from 9.2% to 7.6%, indicating a gradual economic shift. Professional and Administrative Services declined to 8.4%, while Public Administration saw modest growth to 6.2%, highlighting an increased role for government services. Accommodation and Food Services edged up slightly to 7.0%, responding to regional demand. Smaller sectors such as Finance, Wholesale Trade, and Information remained below 5%, illustrating a diversifying economy with growing strength in industry, retail, services, and government roles.



U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce. "Selected Economic Characteristics." American Community Survey, ACS 5-Year Estimates Data Profiles, Table DP03, <https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDP5Y2023.DP03?t=Industry&g=050XX00US16011>. Accessed on 8 Jul 2025.

LOCATION QUOTIENT



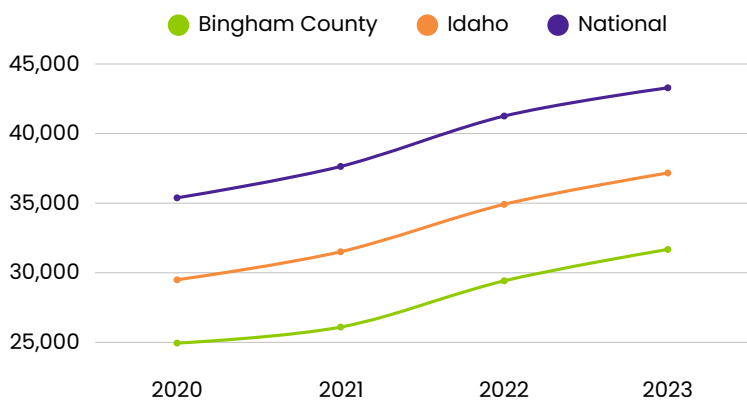
Location quotient compares a region's employment concentration in a given industry to the national average (set at 1.0). In Bingham County, Natural Resources & Mining shows exceptional specialization, with LQs above 6.5 each year from 2019 to 2023, indicating the sector is over six times more concentrated locally than nationally. Leisure & Hospitality also demonstrates strong regional presence, with LQs between 6.1 and 6.9. Manufacturing, Construction, and Financial Activities consistently remain above the national average, reflecting modest but sustained concentration in these sectors. For example, Construction rose from 1.26 in 2019 to 1.62 in 2023. In contrast, Information, Professional & Business Services, and Education & Health Services all remain below 1.0, signaling lower employment concentrations than the U.S. average. These patterns reflect a local economy grounded in natural resource extraction and service industries, with less emphasis on knowledge-based or white-collar sectors.

Bureau of Labor Statistics. QCEW Data Files – Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages. U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 2024, www.bls.gov/cew/downloadable-data-files.htm.

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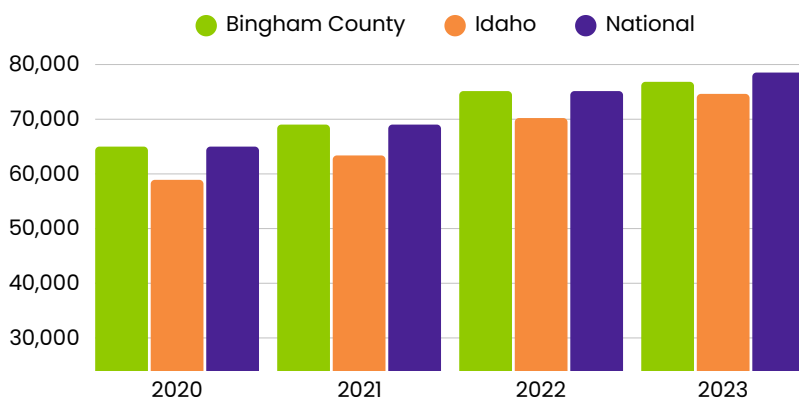
INCOME PER CAPITA



From 2020 to 2023, Bingham County's per capita income steadily increased from \$24,947 to \$31,676, marking a 27% growth over four years. Despite this improvement, income levels in Bingham consistently lagged behind both the Idaho average and the national average. In 2023, Bingham County's per capita income was roughly 15% below the state average of \$37,169 and nearly 27% below the national average of \$43,289. While the county is seeing positive growth, the persistent gap highlights ongoing challenges in local wage levels and economic competitiveness relative to broader benchmarks.

U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce. "Selected Economic Characteristics." American Community Survey, ACS 5-Year Estimates Data Profiles, Table DP03, https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDP5Y2023.DP03?t=Industry&g=010XX00US_040XX00US16_050XX00US16011. Accessed on 8 Jul 2025.

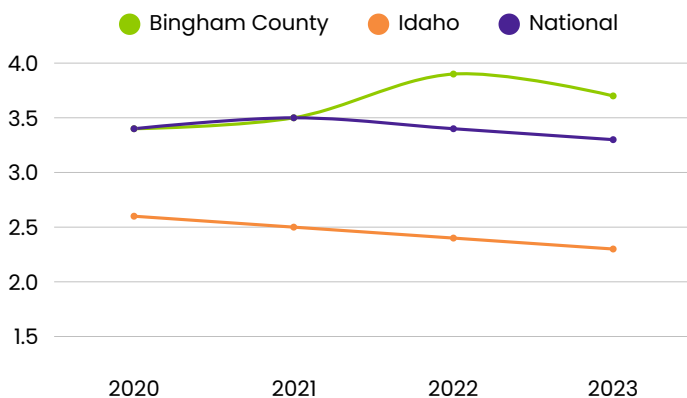
MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME



From 2020 to 2023, Bingham County's median household income rose from \$64,994 to \$76,842, a growth of nearly 18% over four years. For much of this period, Bingham County's median income exceeded the Idaho state median, though it remained slightly below the national median in 2023 (\$78,538). The narrowing gap between Bingham County and national income levels suggests positive economic momentum, with household earnings in the county closely tracking national trends and outpacing the state average in most years.

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UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



From 2020 to 2023, Bingham County maintained relatively low unemployment rates, averaging between 3.4% and 3.9%, even through a period of national and global economic uncertainty. While the county's unemployment rate remained slightly above both the Idaho average and the national rate in recent years, the differences were modest – reflecting a stable local labor market. These consistent figures point to a resilient workforce and suggest opportunities for continued growth, especially as regional industries such as manufacturing and natural resources remain strong employment anchors.

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COST OF LIVING

Household Size	Living Wage	Poverty Wage	Minimum Wage
1 Adult	\$21.20	\$7.52	\$7.25
1 Adult 1 Child	\$34.60	\$10.17	\$7.25
1 Adult 2 Child	\$41.72	\$12.81	\$7.25
1 Adult 3 Child	\$53.05	\$15.46	\$7.25
2 Adult (1 Work)	\$29.78	\$10.17	\$7.25
2 Adult (1 Work) 1 Child	\$36.21	\$12.81	\$7.25
2 Adult (1 Work) 2 Child	\$40.48	\$15.46	\$7.25
2 Adult (1 Work) 3 Child	\$46.56	\$18.10	\$7.25
2 Adult	\$14.89	\$5.08	\$7.25
2 Adult 1 Child	\$20.02	\$6.41	\$7.25
2 Adult 2 Child	\$23.91	\$7.73	\$7.25
2 Adult 3 Child	\$28.43	\$9.05	\$7.25

In Bingham County, the living wage — the hourly income needed to meet basic needs without public assistance — is \$21.20 for a single adult. For a single parent with one child, it increases to \$34.60, and for a single adult with three children, the required wage rises to \$53.05. Two-adult households generally face lower individual wage needs, but when only one adult is working and children are present, the required income rises sharply — up to \$46.56 per hour for a single-earner family with three children. In contrast, the minimum wage remains \$7.25, and poverty wages fall well below what's needed for basic living. This gap highlights the challenges many working families face and points to the need for continued focus on wages, childcare, and support services in the region.

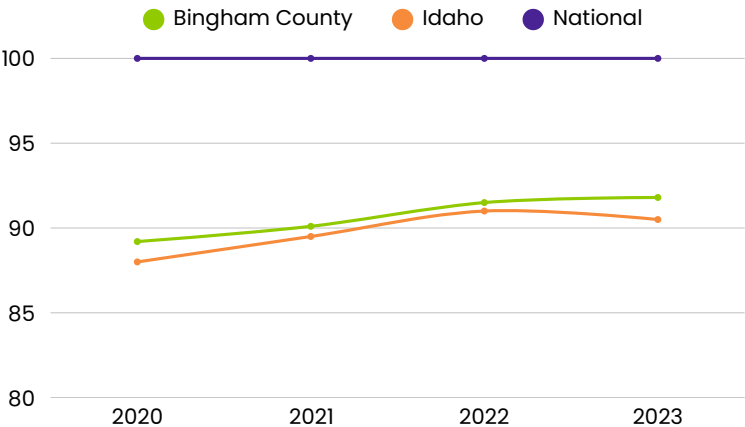
POVERTY

In 2023, approximately 11.0 percent of Bingham County residents were included in the population for whom poverty status is determined. This rate is slightly above the state average and close to the national level, pointing to the need for continued efforts in economic development and workforce training. Expanding access to housing, healthcare, and education can help reduce poverty and strengthen long-term economic stability for families across the county.

Glasmeier, Amy K. Living Wage Calculator: Bingham County, Idaho. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2024, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis. Regional Price Parities by State and Metro Area. U.S. Department of Commerce, <https://www.bea.gov/data/prices-inflation/regional-price-parities-state-and-metro-area>. Accessed 25 June 2025.. Accessed 9 July 2025.

U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce. "Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months." American Community Survey, ACS 5-Year Estimates Subject Tables, Table S1701, <https://data.census.gov/table/ACSST5Y2023.S1701?q=poverty&g=050XX00US16011>. Accessed on 9 Jul 2025.

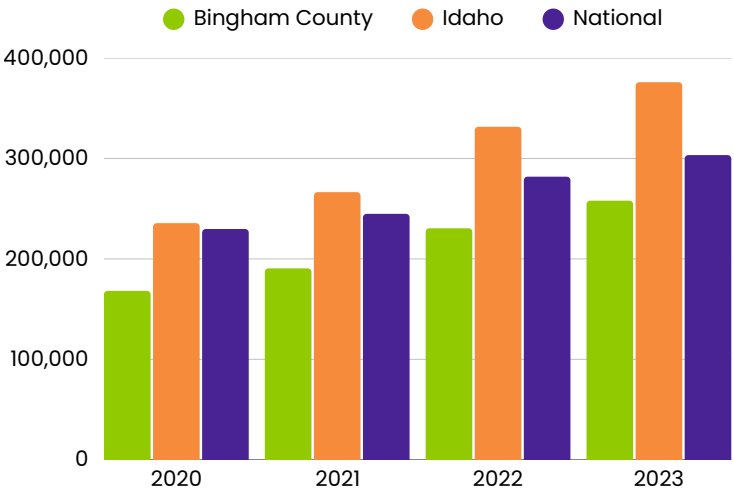
From 2020 to 2023, Bingham County's cost of living index consistently exceeded the Idaho state average but remained below the national average. Starting at 89.2 in 2020, the county's index gradually rose to 91.8 in 2023. Over the same period, Idaho's index increased from 88.0 to about 90.5, while the national average held steady at 100. This suggests that Bingham County has a slightly higher cost of living than the state overall but remains more affordable compared to the national level.



Idaho Department of Labor. Idaho Economic and Labor Market Information: Cost of Living and Regional Economic Data. 2023, <https://lmi.idaho.gov/>. Accessed 10 July 2025.

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MEDIAN HOME VALUE



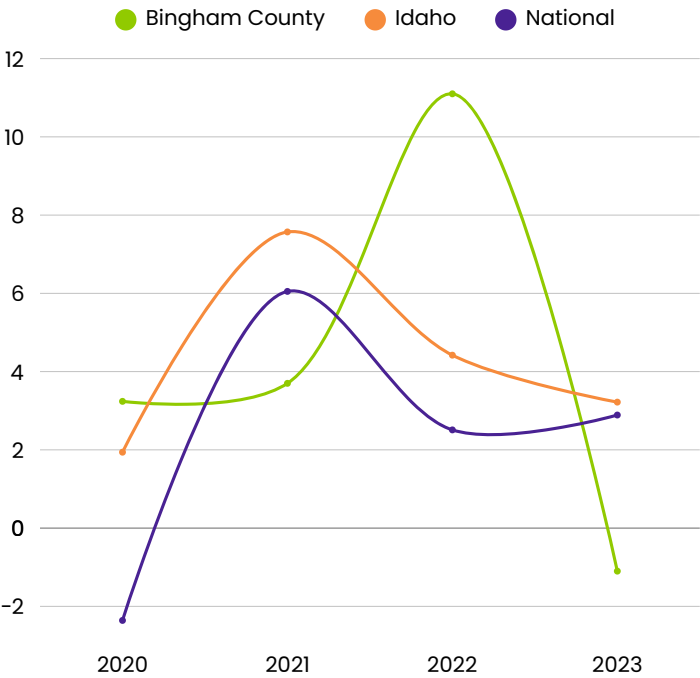
From 2020 to 2023, the median home value in Bingham County steadily increased from \$168,200 to \$258,000. While this growth reflects a strong local housing market, Bingham’s median home prices remained consistently below the Idaho state average, which rose from \$235,600 in 2020 to \$376,000 in 2023. Compared to the national median, Bingham County’s home values were also lower, highlighting its relative affordability in housing despite recent price increases.

U.S. Census Bureau. "MEDIAN VALUE (DOLLARS)." American Community Survey, ACS 5-Year Estimates Detailed Tables, Table B25077, <https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT5Y2020.B25077?t=Housing+Value+and+Purchase+Price&g=050XX00US16011>. Accessed on 10 Jul 2025.



Between 2020 and 2023, Bingham County’s GDP growth exhibited significant variability. The county started with a moderate 3% growth in 2020, slightly outpacing Idaho’s 2% growth, even as the national economy contracted by 2% during the same year—likely due to pandemic-related impacts. In 2021, economic activity picked up, with Bingham County growing at 4%, though still below Idaho’s robust 8% statewide growth.

The most remarkable growth occurred in 2022 when Bingham County’s GDP surged by 11%, well above Idaho’s 4% and the nation’s 3%, indicating strong local economic momentum possibly fueled by key industries or investments. However, in 2023, the county experienced a slight GDP decline of 1%, contrasting with steady growth of 3% in both Idaho and the U.S., which may reflect local economic adjustments or sector-specific challenges. Overall, Bingham County’s economy has shown resilience and occasional outperformance compared to broader trends, but also some vulnerability to shifts affecting local sectors.



U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis. Gross Domestic Product by County and Metropolitan Area, 2023. BEA 24-57, Dec. 2024, <https://www.bea.gov/sites/default/files/2024-12/lagdp1224.pdf>. Accessed 10 July 2025.