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Idaho's Population Continues to Shift to Urban Counties in 2016 -- Three Idaho Metro Areas Rank in Top 25 in Percentage Growth --

The steady shift of Idaho's population from smaller to larger counties continued between July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016, according to estimates released recently by the U.S. Census Bureau. Overall, Idaho's population grew 1.8 percent to 1,683,140.

Six urban counties – Ada, Canyon, Kootenai, Bonneville, Bannock and Twin Falls – accounted for 77 percent of the growth in the state's population and 65 percent of overall population.

Valley County had the highest percentage gain at 4.1 percent, which ranked 16th nationally. Eleven counties had a percent increase larger than the state's 1.8 percent gain. Two counties, Caribou and Bonner, increased at the same rate as the state. In all, 24 counties showed an increase in population ranging from 10,561 more people in Ada County to just seven more people each in Camas and Cassia counties

Six counties experienced a decrease in population. Clark County lost the most population for the year, dropping 1.4 percent.

Net migration – the difference between the number of people moving in and out of an area - accounted for 1.1 percent of the total population. More people moved into 33 counties than moved out, adding 19,678 people. Eleven counties experienced a decrease in net migration - more people left the county than moved in for an overall gain of nearly 19,000 people.

Sixteen counties were equal to or greater than the state's 1.1 percent net migration as a percent of the total population with a combined population of 1,059,589 with net migration of 17,575 people. These counties ranged in population from 3,900 in Adams County to 444,028 in Ada County. The percentage of population growth that was due inmigration was 91 percent

Births minus deaths – natural increase – is the other major component in population changes. Statewide there were 22,792 births between July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016, and 12,496 deaths resulting in a gain of 10,296 people. Ada County reported the largest number of births - 5,127 - and deaths - 2,831 - for a net gain of 2,296 people.

Camas County had the smallest number of births, numbering six, and Clark County had the fewest deaths at two. Camas County gained three people and Clark County gained nine. Three counties - Ada, Canyon and Bonneville - had a natural increase of more than 1,000. Seven counties experienced a loss – Idaho, Shoshone, Benewah, Boise, Bonner Lemhi and Clearwater counties.

The Census estimates reported three of Idaho’s six Metropolitan Statistics Areas ranked in the top 25 fastest growing by population in the county. The Coeur d’Alene metro area ranked 11th with a 2.6 percent increase. Boise City metro area ranked 19th with a 2.3 percent population increase.

Idaho 2016 Population Components By County

COUNTY	Population Estimate 2016	# Chg Pop 7/2015-7/2016	% Chg Pop 7/2015-7/2016	Births 7/1/15-6/30/16	Deaths 7/1/15-6/30/16	Net Migration 7/1/15-6/30/16	% of Net Migration To Population
Idaho	1,683,140	30,312	1.8%	22,792	12,496	18,869	1.1%
Ada County	444,028	10,561	2.4%	5,127	2,831	7,685	1.7%
Adams County	3,900	61	1.6%	29	18	50	1.3%
Bannock County	84,377	466	0.6%	1,263	653	-130	-0.2%
Bear Lake County	5,945	44	0.7%	78	53	22	0.4%
Benewah County	9,092	57	0.6%	108	116	61	0.7%
Bingham County	45,201	225	0.5%	695	345	-106	-0.2%
Blaine County	21,791	243	1.1%	212	104	135	0.6%
Boise County	7,124	112	1.6%	43	54	119	1.7%
Bonner County	42,536	740	1.8%	401	421	743	1.7%
Bonneville County	112,232	2,235	2.0%	1,918	802	1,047	0.9%
Boundary County	11,681	347	3.1%	145	120	327	2.8%
Butte County	2,501	0	0.0%	27	13	-15	-0.6%
Camas County	1,072	7	0.7%	6	3	1	0.1%
Canyon County	211,698	4,612	2.2%	3,237	1,433	2,639	1.2%
Caribou County	6,887	122	1.8%	81	60	102	1.5%
Cassia County	23,504	7	0.0%	358	189	-158	-0.7%
Clark County	860	-12	-1.4%	11	2	-23	-2.7%
Clearwater County	8,497	18	0.2%	57	102	54	0.6%
Custer County	4,096	9	0.2%	35	33	8	0.2%
Elmore County	26,018	228	0.9%	449	179	-41	-0.2%
Franklin County	13,406	373	2.9%	183	81	264	2.0%
Fremont County	12,943	130	1.0%	187	105	36	0.3%
Gem County	17,184	277	1.6%	201	189	282	1.6%
Gooding County	15,185	-8	-0.1%	204	110	-93	-0.6%
Idaho County	16,156	-104	-0.6%	163	168	-99	-0.6%
Jefferson County	27,839	686	2.5%	454	152	394	1.4%

Jerome County	22,994	278	1.2%	389	148	20	0.1%
Kootenai County	154,311	3,947	2.6%	1,834	1,354	3,169	2.1%
Latah County	39,196	473	1.2%	453	213	227	0.6%
Lemhi County	7,723	-29	-0.4%	77	102	4	0.1%
Lewis County	3,853	62	1.6%	39	28	54	1.4%
Lincoln County	5,271	-38	-0.7%	72	37	-72	-1.4%
Madison County	39,048	956	2.5%	1,107	122	-24	-0.1%
Minidoka County	20,616	229	1.1%	327	163	70	0.3%
Nez Perce County	40,369	223	0.6%	477	470	246	0.6%
Oneida County	4,343	54	1.3%	49	36	44	1.0%
Owyhee County	11,389	84	0.7%	145	89	32	0.3%
Payette County	23,026	189	0.8%	306	208	82	0.4%
Power County	7,654	34	0.4%	140	57	-48	-0.6%
Shoshone County	12,452	-3	0.0%	157	162	14	0.1%
Teton County	10,960	392	3.7%	154	37	266	2.4%
Twin Falls County	83,514	1,407	1.7%	1,201	757	936	1.1%
Valley County	10,496	413	4.1%	90	81	389	3.7%
Washington County	10,172	205	2.1%	103	96	156	1.5%

**Idaho 2016 Population Components
By Metropolitan Statistical Area**

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Boise City, ID	691,423	15,646	2.3%	8,753	4,596	10,757	1.6%
Coeur d'Alene, ID	154,311	3,947	2.6%	1,834	1,354	3,169	2.1%
Idaho Falls, ID	142,572	2,921	2.1%	2,399	967	1,426	1.0%
Lewiston, ID-WA	62,675	440	0.7%	724	720	460	0.7%
Logan, UT-ID	136,159	3,066	2.3%	2,578	587	1,052	0.8%
Pocatello, ID	84,377	466	0.6%	1,263	653	-130	-0.2%

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