

Bringing Idaho to the World,  
and the World to Idaho.

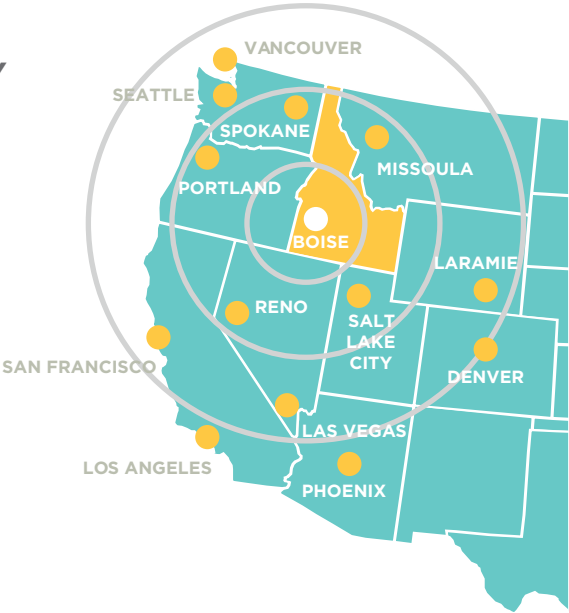




## WELCOME

Being friendly is one of Idaho's best qualities. And being business-friendly—well, we top the charts for that, too. These days, Idaho just can't seem to stay off "best places" lists. When you combine top-notch tech talent, premier research universities and a dynamic workforce, you can't help but come out on top. Idaho connects innovative enterprises, access to key local and international markets, a strong and motivated workforce and some of the lowest overall business costs in the United States. Idaho wants to be your partner in the world economy.

# BOISE VALLEY RADIAL MAP



## MILEAGE TABLE

<b>BOISE TO:</b>	
Denver, CO	.835
Laramie, WY	.680
Las Vegas, NV	.626
Los Angeles, CA	.853
Missoula, MT	.390
Phoenix, AZ	.736
Portland, OR	.432
Reno, NV	.421
Salt Lake City, UT	.345
San Francisco, CA	.651
Seattle, WA	.497
Spokane, WA	.415
Vancouver, B.C.	.659

# INVEST IN IDAHO

Over **70 million** U.S. customers are within an 800 mile radius of Boise, Idaho, as well as 12 major metropolitan areas in the U.S. and Canada. Quick flights offer easy access to their markets. In Idaho, our economy is one of the strongest in the nation, thanks to a combination of low taxes, a balanced budget with no state debt and a commonsense regulatory environment. When choosing to partner with an Idaho company, locate or expand your business in Idaho, or even invest in Idaho, the Idaho Department of Commerce is your single

point of contact, bringing everything together that you need to make informed decisions. We'll help you gather and analyze data for partnerships, key site selections, customization of comprehensive incentive packages and also connect you with local, state and federal stakeholders. Our staff can also coordinate site visits and meetings with business leaders. So contact us today to find out how easy it is to start working with Idaho!

<http://commerce.idaho.gov/foreign-direct-investment>





## TRANSPORTATION

Idaho's comprehensive transportation system moves our commodities across the nation and around the world. Idaho's proximity to air, rail, road and ocean systems provides easy access to U.S. and global markets alike.

### AIR

The Boise International Airport has **6** mainline and regional airlines providing service through the airport. Additionally, there are almost **50** motor freight trucking companies, **7** charter services, **30** air freight and package express companies and several air courier services monthly. The U.S. Customs and Border Protection Service maintains an office at the airport.

### ROAD

- **5** interstates
- **20** U.S. highways
- **30** state highways

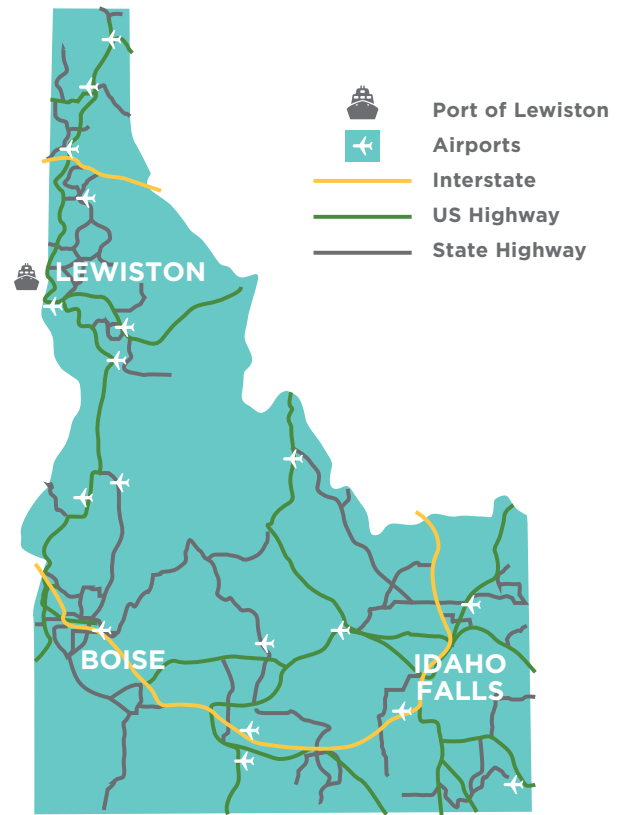
### RAIL

- **1500** miles of rail: Union Pacific and BNSF Railway
- moving **100** million metric tons of freight a year

### RIVER

The Port of Lewiston is the most inland sea port on the West Coast. **Four-hundred and sixty-five miles** inland, the Port of Lewiston's cranes, warehouses and storage facilities also provide access to river barge transportation - one of the most cost-effective distribution channels to the west coast.

## Idaho's Freight Network Highway, Air + Water





## BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

Idaho's economy is powered by a balanced mix of traditional and emerging industries. This dynamic blend brings about stability, collaboration and innovation.

### AEROSPACE

Idaho's vast airspace and technological capabilities make Idaho uniquely positioned to play a significant role in the research, development, production and testing of aviation-related products:

- Aircraft Design, Production & Service
- Aeronautic Equipment & Component Parts
- R&D Through Universities
- Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS, UAV)

### AGRICULTURE & AGRICULTURE EQUIPMENT

For more than 100 years, Idaho has made a name for itself as an agricultural state with abundant natural resources leading to Idaho agricultural equipment companies having decades of experience manufacturing innovative and technologically-advanced products which are leaders in markets around the world for:

- Agricultural Chemicals & Fertilizers
- Agricultural Machinery & Equipment

- Commodity, Livestock & Utility Trailers
- Dairy Equipment & Products
- Equine Products
- Harvest Storage Systems
- Pet Products & Services
- Planting, Harvesting & Treatment Equipment
- R&D Through Universities
- Wine, Beer & Spirits

### ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS

Idaho's pristine environment has fostered a community of environmental firms that produce cutting-edge technology, solve complex environmental problems and manufacture cost-competitive tools for site assessment, remediation, monitoring and sustainable development for:

- Air Emission Control
- Alternative & Renewable Energy
- Energy Solutions
- Engineering & Consulting Services
- Green Technologies
- Soil Sampling & Erosion Control
- Water Treatment & Monitoring



## FOOD PRODUCTION & PROCESSING

Idaho is the top ranked state in key food industry occupations at over three times the national concentration. The expertise of our workforce will help your business grow and Idaho's colleges and universities provide valuable skills, knowledge and resources by working directly with businesses to set up tailored training and coursework programs.

- There are **350** food manufacturers in Idaho.
- Idaho produces over **185** different agriculture products and processed goods including dairy, potatoes, meat, frozen fruits/vegetables and specialty foods.
- Nearly **6 million** acres of land are devoted to crop production in Idaho, over 11% of the state's total area.
- Idaho ranks first in the nation for number of food machine operators, food producers and food batchmakers in relation to population.

## HEALTH & BEAUTY

Idaho's health and beauty sector is an emerging area of growth that includes a vast array of companies that have been built from the ground up to fulfill specific health



needs. For example, Idaho's entrepreneurs are developing beauty products that feature natural ingredients to give people with sensitive skin enhanced options. From lotions and body scrubs to vitamins, dietary supplements and prosthetic devices, Idaho's manufacturers have developed world-class products:

- Consumer Goods
- Cosmetics
- Medical Equipment & Products
- Personal Care Products

## MINING & CONSTRUCTION

Mining has had a large impact on Idaho's economy, landscape, and politics since the 1800's and Idaho remains a strong exporter of precious metals, semi-precious metals and gems in addition to using its decades of experience to provide the equipment, expertise and innovations needed to service the mining and construction industries around the world:

- Development, Engineering & Construction
- Environmental Reclamation & Recovery
- Material Handling Equipment
- R&D Through Universities
- Support Equipment
- Vehicle & Safety Equipment



## OUTDOOR RECREATION

Idaho provides abundant recreational opportunities and stunning natural beauty for our outdoor recreational businesses to develop, produce and field test their products right outside their backdoor:

- Arms & Ammunition
- Boating
- Cycling
- Fishing
- Powersports
- Outdoor Gear & Products
- Snow Sports
- Sports Equipment

## TECHNOLOGY

Idaho's technology industry is recognized nationally and internationally for its firms, research universities and the Idaho National Laboratory which are pushing technology boundaries, launching start-ups and fueling further growth and discovery in this rapidly growing industry:

- Consulting & Services
- Cybersecurity
- Mobile/Wireless Technologies
- R&D Through Universities
- Semiconductors
- Software & IT
- Telecommunications
- Technical Devices

## WOOD & BUILDING PRODUCTS

Known for its pristine mountains and heavily wooded forests, it's no wonder Idaho leads in wood and building products:

- Dimensional Lumber
- Engineered Wood Products
- Glued Laminated Beams & Decking
- Log Homes
- Panelized Building Systems
- Prefabricated Buildings
- R&D Through Universities
- Softwood Veneer
- Wood Frame Construction





## TRAVEL, RECREATION & QUALITY OF LIFE

Located in the Pacific Northwest, Idaho is a land of many contrasts. From rugged, forested mountains to open plains and high desert, Idaho has many unique characteristics. Hell's Canyon is deeper than the Grand Canyon, Shoshone Falls is higher than Niagara Falls and the Bruneau Sand Dunes are taller than Death Valley's dunes. Idaho offers unspoiled nature, Native American and Western culture and many outdoor activities including whitewater rafting, guest ranch experiences, wildlife viewing, mountain biking, golf and fishing. Winter sports are abundant with blue skies, sunshine and deep powder at a variety of destination resorts. Wherever you choose to explore in this magnificent state, you will find spectacular scenery, fun things to do and friendly, helpful people. Come enjoy Idaho — a place that's unhurried, unspoiled and unassuming.

- Over **3,000** miles of whitewater for rafting and kayaking
- More than **12,000** miles of single track trails and over **30,000** miles of dirt and two-track roads for bicycling, hiking and powersport activities
- World-class ski resorts offering year-round recreation
- World-class fly fishing in rivers, blue ribbon streams, lakes and reservoirs
- Most acres of wilderness in the continental U.S.
- **30** Scenic Byways to travel around this beautiful state

For more information go to [www.visitidaho.org](http://www.visitidaho.org)



## EDUCATION

Idaho's colleges and universities offer state-of-the-art engineering and environmental science courses, quality business and computer science degrees, as well as English as a second language and intensive English programs. Our institutions are committed to providing excellent educational experiences in a variety of subject areas, and focus on building and maintaining an educated and skilled workforce to meet the needs of industry.

<http://studyidaho.us>



## NOTABLE IDAHO BUSINESSES



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