# Recent Population Trends in Idaho: 1990 to 1996 

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## Introduction

As of 1996, Idaho's population stood just short of 1.2 million people, up from about one million people in 1990. All but one county in Idaho has increased in population since 1990. This bulletin outlines and discusses the nature of that population change, describes its components, and examines the regional distribution of population growth. First, this study presents historical trends from 1920 to 1990. Second, the study examines the components of change since 1990. These include rates of natural increase, net migration, and the proportion of the population that is 65 years and older.

## Historical Trends

## 1920 to 1990

An historical perspective on Idaho population gives us some context for understanding recent population changes. County populations across the state from 1920 to 1990 are presented in Table 1. Population declined-sometimes dramatically-for many counties in Idaho during the 1920s. To examine this trend more closely, Appendix Table 2 displays the total percent population change for each decade. From 1940 to 1970, ten counties lost population and fourteen gained population for three consecutive decades.

Clearly, these patterns changed in the 1970s. Figure 1 maps the total percent change in population for Idaho counties from 1970 to 1980. All Idaho counties gained population except Clearwater and Shoshone. More importantly, population in all other counties grew quite fast: even with Clearwater and Shoshone included, county populations grew 28 percent on average from 1970 to 1980. The two

Figure 1. Annual rate of population growth, 1970 to 1980.

fastest growing counties, Blaine and Boise, grew in excess of 70 percent. The 1970s established a familiar pattern: high growth counties were Bonner and Kootenai in the north; Ada, Boise, Valley, and Blaine in the south. Table 3 shows the annual rates of growth for Idaho counties. High growth counties grew over 4 percent annually, while six counties grew in excess of 3 percent annually. Slower

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growth occurred in the central mountains and parts of the southern region. Overall, 1970 to 1980 was a decade of widespread population growth.

From 1980 to 1990, however, growth patterns changed considerably. Appendix Table 2 and Figure 2 indicate that population growth for many Idaho counties either slowed significantly or reversed altogether. For example, Blaine County's population expanded over 71 percent from 1970 to 1980, but slowed to 38 percent from 1980 to 1990. Growth rates during the 1980s were much lower than the 1970s. Bear Lake County illustrates this trend. Its total population increased by almost 20 percent during the 1970 s, but fell by 12 percent during the 1980s. Across the state, 18 counties lost population from 1980 to 1990.

Figure 2 indicates that growth during the 1980s continued in Kootenai and all counties north of it; in the Treasure Valley area, including Boise County; and in Blaine and Custer counties. Custer County drew in-migrants to develop and work at a molybdenum mine near Challis. Population growth focused in the historic high-growth areas to a greater degree than occurred during the 1970s. The rate of growth in the fastest growing counties was still only half of the 1970s rate. Appendix Table 3 indicates

Figure 2. Total percent population change, 1980 to 1990.

that only Blaine County grew at more than 2 percent annually.

## Were the 1970s Unusual?

Rowe (1988) argued that population growth in Idaho during the 1970s followed two general trends. First, western states in general experienced rapid population growth during this period. Idaho's total population increased by 32 percent during this decade-a fourfold increase over growth in the 1960s.

The second trend is the general dispersal of metropolitan populations during the 1970s. The so-called "turnaround" was a national trend, and constituted a temporary reversal of the historical migration of rural people to urban centers. Thus, Rowe (1987:4) documents the greatest growth within 60 miles of urban trade centers like Boise, Coeur d' Alene, Idaho Falls, Caldwell, Pocatello, and Twin Falls. Appendix Table 3 and Figure 2 indicate that rural counties adjacent to trade-center counties grew faster during the 1970s than those not adjacent to trade-centers. For example, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, and Owyhee counties grew at higher annual rates than, for example, Adams and Washington counties.

These trends reversed during the 1980s. Total population growth over this decade slowed for all counties except Custer. Many counties lost population. As mentioned in Rowe, much of this slowdown can be attributed to recession in the early 1980s and the corresponding fallout for natural resource industries. A similar situation held throughout the decade. Economic fluctuations brought change to employment and income patterns, and induced in-or-out migration. The growth rate of the 1970s are unprecedented in the history of Idaho. The geographic distribution of population growth since the 1970s remain constant. The growth "hotspots" of the 1970s have continued as growth centers since then. This trend continued into the 1990s.

## Recent Trend Versus 1990 to 1996

Population growth returned to many states in the West during the 1990s. Table 4 indicates that United States grew 6.4 percent from 1990 to 1996, while the Mountain region, which includes Idaho, grew 17.5 percent. Even when combined with the slower growing Pacific region, the West grew 10 percent overall since 1990. This trend appears to be slowing. Annual growth in the West peaked in 1991-1992 (Appendix Table 5).

Appendix Table 6 provides population change for western states. Nevada grew more than 31 percent from 1990 to 1996. This rapid growth far exceeds that of any other state in the West. Idaho ranks third in overall growth at 17.5 percent, behind Arizona. These inter-mountain western states grew at rates far exceeding national growth. The U.S. population grew at an annual rate of about 1 percent since 1990 (Appendix Table 7). In the intermountain West, however, all states except Wyoming grew at greater annual rates.

The growth throughout the Inter-mountain West is mirrored in Idaho. Appendix Table 8 displays U.S. Census Bureau Idaho county population estimates for the years 1990 to 1996, ranked by total percent change. Over the last seven years, population growth within the state has once again become widespread. With the arguable exceptions of Madison and Shoshone, all Idaho counties are experiencing population growth.

Thirteen counties grew faster than the state as a whole, with Teton County increasing its population by almost 50 percent in seven years. Thirteen counties grew faster than less than 10 percent over the same time period, and one declined. The geography of population change over the last seven years is following a familiar historical pattern. Figure 3 indicates that Kootenai, Ada and Boise counties continue to lead the state in population growth, much like the 1970s and 1980s. Counties that grew more than 20 percent since 1990 are the same counties that displayed high growth in the past. The exception is Teton County, which is growing at more than twice the rate of the 1970s. Appendix Table 9 presents annual growth rates for county populations since 1990. Only Teton County grew at a rate greater than its 1970s rate. In addition, growth rates for most counties peaked between 1992 and 1995.

There are economic and social explanations for these regional growth patterns. In northern Idaho a combination of economic spillover from Spokane and increased retirement migration pushed population growth. The burgeoning economy in the greater Boise metropolitan area contributed to its growth. The high amenity values of Boise, Valley, and Blaine counties provided significant pull for inmigrants. On the low growth end of the spectrum, seven counties grew at rates of 1 percent or less over this period. Madison and Shoshone counties essentially displayed no population growth. These slower growing counties are clustered in the southeastern and central regions of the state.

Figure 3. Total percent population change, 1990 to 1996.


Growth and change from 1990 to 1996 occurred in the same historical "hot spots" as that of the 1970 s and 1980s. Similar to the 1980s, change in the 1990s has consolidated into a few areas that have spillover effects on surrounding counties. Over the last 25 years, Kootenai and Bonner counties in the north, Ada, Canyon, Boise, and Valley counties in western Idaho, Blaine County in central Idaho, and now Teton County in eastern Idaho have become the primary centers of both urban and rural population growth. Relative to other counties, they are persistently the fastest growing counties in Idaho. To better understand this growth pattern, the demographic components of change in Idaho since 1990 are discussed below.

## Components of Change: 1990 to 1996

Population change has two components: natural increase and net migration. Natural increase is the excess of births over deaths. If 100 deaths occur at the same time as 150 births, the natural increase is 50 . Subtracting natural increase from overall population change yields net migration. Hence, if the population of a county increases by 200 people total, and the natural increase is 50 , the
net migration must account for the remaining 150 new people. Hence, population can change in only two ways: births and deaths, or in- and outmigration.

## Natural Increase and Net Migration in Idaho Counties

We see in Appendix Table 10 that Idaho's population increased by 17.5 percent between 1990 and 1996. Note that natural increase over the same period accounted for only 5.5 percent of that total; the remaining 12 percent is because of net migration. Appendix Table 10 and Figure 4 display estimated rates of natural population increase for Idaho counties over the period of 1990 and 1996. In Appendix Table 10, natural increase ranges from net loss in Camas County to 10.2 percent increase in Clark County. Figure 4 indicates that rates of natural increase are, in general, higher in southern Idaho than in northern Idaho.

To adequately interpret natural increase, we also need to examine total population change. This is presented in the last column of Appendix Table 10. In counties with rates of natural increase above 4 percent, total population change ranges from a

Figure 4. Percent population change from natural increase, 1990 to 1996.

loss up to 49 percent. The contribution of natural increase to that overall change varies widely. In Teton County, natural increase is 8.7 percent but is dwarfed by in-migration that pushed total growth to 49 percent. On the other hand, in Clark, Madison, and Fremont counties, out migration was higher than natural increase. Even though births were greatly exceeding deaths in these counties, people move out at an even higher rate. Notice that the proportion of total change from natural increase varies widely. By definition, when natural increase is a small part of the total change, then net migration into the county is higher.

Appendix Table 11 and Figure 5 indicate which counties experience the highest levels of net migration. Teton, Boise, Kootenai, Valley and Bonner counties have experienced levels of migration above 25 percent since 1990. Boise and Valley counties annual migration rates peaked over the 1992 to 1993 period. Custer County displays a migration pattern that follows the boom and bust cycles of the mining industry. When the molybdenum mine slowed its employment through 1992, and then closed in 1993, we see that out-migration increased. When the mine reopened, along with an

Figure 5. Percent population change from net migration, 1990 to 1996.

additional gold mine, in-migration increased again, peaking at 7.2 percent by 1995. Across the state, however, the general pattern is that heavy inmigration (more than 20 percent) occurred in the far northern counties, and in the general Treasure Valley and Magic Valley areas of Idaho.

Natural increase and migration have different implications for a county or the state. High levels of natural increase can indicate greater birth rates and an expanding population of children. High natural increase and high in-migration indicates that families are having children and that families, retirees, and individuals are also moving into an area. Age is an important factor in identifying the nature of local population change.

## Aging

Is Idaho graying? To examine this question Appendix Table 12 displays the population and total percent change in Idaho counties of people 65 years old, or older. Clark, Camas, Franklin, and Jerome counties are losing people from this age group. Six counties display growth of 20 percent or more since 1990 for this group. The regional distribution of growth is summarized in Figure 6. The

Figure 6. Change in proportion of population 65 years or older, 1990 to 1996.

counties that are growing the fastest are also increasing their elderly populations the fastest, with the exception of Boundary County. Are elderly populations growing faster than the general population?

To answer this question, the proportion of the total population that is 65 years or older is presented in Appendix Table 13. If this proportion is increasing then a county is "graying" and if it is decreasing then the population over 65 years is not driving the overall population change in that county. Figure 7 maps the change in this proportion from 1990 to 1996. Overall, the older population is declining slightly as a percentage of the overall population since 1990. For the state as a whole, the proportion of the population over 65 years of age fell about .06 percent even though the absolute number of people in that category increase by 11 percent. In the five counties with the highest rates of in-migration, Teton, Boise, Kootenai, Valley, and Bonner, the proportion of the population over 65 years of age declined slightly since 1990. Bonneville and Madison counties show the largest growth in elderly populations, but Madison County still experienced out migration and actually lost population

Figure 7. Change in total population 65 years and older, 1990 to 1996.

from 1990 to 1996. In general, the population in Idaho over the age of 65 is stable, but its proportion of the total population is declining slightly. Unfortunately, data are unavailable for other age groups. This prevents further analysis of the changes in age structure caused by recent population changes. We can note, however, that even though this age group is getting larger, the remainder of the population is growing at the same or a faster rate.

## Summary

- Widespread population growth returned to Idaho during the 1990's, but growth was not as rapid as during the 1970s.
- Historic growth "hot spots" continue to lead population change across the state.
Kootenai, Bonner, Ada, Canyon, Boise, Valley, and Blaine counties have experienced Idaho's highest relative rates of growth over the last 25 years, and continue to do so. Teton County is the fastest growing county in the state since 1990; its population increased almost $50 \%$ between 1990 and 1996.
- Rates of growth have slowed since 1994 for most counties.
- In-migration continues to push population change in Idaho. This often occurs in addition to relatively high rates of natural population increase.
- The number of people aged 65 years and older continues to increase, but the propor-tion of the population represented by this group remains fairly constant in most counties.


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## Appendix

Table 1: Idaho Population, 1920 to 1990 by County.

| COUNTY | 1920 | 1930 | 1940 | 1950 | 1960 | 1970 | 1980 | 1990 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| STATE | 431,681 | 445,031 | 524,873 | 588,637 | 667,191 | 713,015 | 944,127 | 1,006,734 |
| Ada | 35,213 | 37,925 | 50,401 | 70,649 | 93,460 | 112,230 | 173,125 | 205,775 |
| Adams | 2,966 | 2,867 | 3,407 | 3,347 | 2,978 | 2,877 | 3,347 | 3,254 |
| Bannock | 27,532 | 31,266 | 34,759 | 41,745 | 49,342 | 52,200 | 65,421 | 66,026 |
| Bear Lake | 8,783 | 7,872 | 7,911 | 6,834 | 7,148 | 5,801 | 6,931 | 6,084 |
| Benewah | 6,977 | 6,371 | 7,332 | 6,173 | 6,036 | 6,230 | 8,292 | 7,937 |
| Bingham | 18,310 | 18,561 | 21,044 | 23,271 | 28,218 | 29,167 | 36,489 | 37,583 |
| Blaine | 4,473 | 3,768 | 5,295 | 5,384 | 4,598 | 5,749 | 9,841 | 13,552 |
| Boise | 1,822 | 1,847 | 2,333 | 1,776 | 1,646 | 1,763 | 2,999 | 3,509 |
| Bonner | 12,957 | 13,152 | 15,667 | 14,853 | 15,587 | 15,560 | 24,163 | 26,622 |
| Bonneville | 17,501 | 19,664 | 25,697 | 30,210 | 46,906 | 52,457 | 65,980 | 72,207 |
| Boundary | 4,474 | 4,555 | 5,987 | 5,908 | 5,809 | 5,484 | 7,289 | 8,332 |
| Butte | 2,940 | 1,934 | 1,877 | 2,722 | 3,498 | 2,925 | 3,342 | 2,918 |
| Camas | 1,730 | 1,411 | 1,360 | 1,079 | 917 | 728 | 818 | 727 |
| Canyon | 26,932 | 30,930 | 40,987 | 53,597 | 57,662 | 61,288 | 83,756 | 90,076 |
| Caribou | 2,191 | 2,121 | 2,284 | 5,576 | 5,976 | 6,534 | 8,695 | 6,963 |
| Cassia | 15,659 | 13,116 | 14,430 | 14,629 | 16,121 | 17,017 | 19,427 | 19,532 |
| Clark | 1,886 | 1,122 | 1,005 | 918 | 915 | 741 | 798 | 762 |
| Clearwater | 4,933 | 6,599 | 8,243 | 8,217 | 8,548 | 10,871 | 10,390 | 8,505 |
| Custer | 3,550 | 3,162 | 3,549 | 3,318 | 2,996 | 2,967 | 3,385 | 4,133 |
| Elmore | 5,087 | 4,491 | 5,518 | 6,687 | 16,719 | 17,479 | 21,565 | 21,205 |
| Franklin | 8,650 | 9,379 | 10,229 | 9,867 | 8,457 | 7,373 | 8,895 | 9,232 |
| Fremont | 10,380 | 9,924 | 10,304 | 9,351 | 8,679 | 8,710 | 10,813 | 10,937 |
| Gem | 6,427 | 7,419 | 9,544 | 8,730 | 9,127 | 9,387 | 11,972 | 11,844 |
| Gooding | 7,548 | 7,580 | 9,257 | 11,101 | 9,544 | 8,645 | 11,874 | 11,633 |
| Idaho | 11,749 | 10,107 | 12,691 | 11,423 | 13,542 | 12,891 | 14,769 | 13,768 |
| Jefferson | 9,441 | 9,171 | 10,762 | 10,495 | 11,672 | 11,740 | 15,304 | 16,543 |
| Jerome | 5,729 | 8,358 | 9,900 | 12,080 | 11,712 | 10,253 | 14,840 | 15,138 |
| Kootenai | 17,878 | 19,469 | 22,283 | 24,947 | 29,556 | 35,332 | 59,770 | 69,795 |
| Latah | 18,092 | 17,798 | 18,804 | 20,971 | 21,170 | 24,898 | 28,749 | 30,617 |
| Lemhi | 5,164 | 4,643 | 6,521 | 6,278 | 5,816 | 5,566 | 7,460 | 6,899 |
| Lewis | 5,851 | 5,238 | 4,666 | 4,208 | 4,423 | 3,867 | 4,118 | 3,516 |
| Lincoln | 3,446 | 3,242 | 4,230 | 4,256 | 3,686 | 3,057 | 3,436 | 3,308 |
| Madison | 9,167 | 8,316 | 9,186 | 9,156 | 9,417 | 13,452 | 19,480 | 23,674 |
| Minidoka | 9,035 | 8,403 | 9,870 | 9,785 | 14,394 | 15,731 | 19,718 | 19,361 |
| Nez Perce | 15,253 | 17,591 | 18,873 | 22,658 | 27,066 | 30,376 | 33,220 | 33,754 |
| Oneida | 6,723 | 5,870 | 5,417 | 4,387 | 3,603 | 2,864 | 3,258 | 3,492 |
| Owyhee | 4,694 | 4,103 | 5,652 | 6,307 | 6,375 | 6,422 | 8,272 | 8,392 |
| Payette | 7,021 | 7,318 | 9,511 | 11,921 | 12,363 | 12,401 | 15,825 | 16,434 |
| Power | 5,105 | 4,457 | 3,965 | 3,988 | 4,111 | 4,864 | 6,844 | 7,086 |
| Shoshone | 14,250 | 19,060 | 21,230 | 22,806 | 20,876 | 19,718 | 19,226 | 13,931 |
| Teton | 3,921 | 3,573 | 3,601 | 3,204 | 2,639 | 2,351 | 2,897 | 3,439 |
| Twin Falls | 28,293 | 29,828 | 36,403 | 40,979 | 41,842 | 41,807 | 52,927 | 53,580 |
| Valley | 2,524 | 3,488 | 4,035 | 4,270 | 3,663 | 3,609 | 5,604 | 6,109 |
| Washington | 9,424 | 7,962 | 8,853 | 8,576 | 8,378 | 7,633 | 8,803 | 8,550 |

Table 2: Idaho Population Total Percentage Change, 1920 to 1990 by County.

| COUNTY | 1920-30 | 1930-40 | 1940-50 | 1950-60 | 1960-70 | 1970-80 | 1980-90 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| STATE | 3.1\% | 17.9\% | 12.1\% | 13.3\% | 6.9\% | 32.4\% | 6.6\% |
| Ada | 7.7\% | 32.9\% | 40.2\% | 32.3\% | 20.1\% | 54.3\% | 18.9\% |
| Adams | -3.3\% | 18.8\% | -1.8\% | -11.0\% | -3.4\% | 16.3\% | -2.8\% |
| Bannock | 13.6\% | 11.2\% | 20.1\% | 18.2\% | 5.8\% | 25.3\% | 0.9\% |
| Bear Lake | -10.4\% | 0.5\% | -13.6\% | 4.6\% | -18.8\% | 19.5\% | -12.2\% |
| Benewah | -8.7\% | 15.1\% | -15.8\% | -2.2\% | 3.2\% | 33.1\% | -4.3\% |
| Bingham | 1.4\% | 13.4\% | 10.6\% | 21.3\% | 3.4\% | 25.1\% | 3.0\% |
| Blaine | -15.8\% | 40.5\% | 1.7\% | -14.6\% | 25.0\% | 71.2\% | 37.7\% |
| Boise | 1.4\% | 26.3\% | -23.9\% | -7.3\% | 7.1\% | 70.1\% | 17.0\% |
| Bonner | 1.5\% | 19.1\% | -5.2\% | 4.9\% | -0.2\% | 55.3\% | 10.2\% |
| Bonneville | 12.4\% | 30.7\% | 17.6\% | 55.3\% | 11.8\% | 25.8\% | 9.4\% |
| Boundary | 1.8\% | 31.4\% | -1.3\% | -1.7\% | -5.6\% | 2.9\% | 14.3\% |
| Butte | -34.2\% | -2.9\% | 45.0\% | 28.5\% | -16.4\% | 14.3\% | -12.7\% |
| Camas | -18.4\% | -3.6\% | -20.7\% | -15.0\% | -20.6\% | 12.4\% | -11.1\% |
| Canyon | 14.8\% | 32.5\% | 30.8\% | 7.6\% | 6.3\% | 36.7\% | 7.5\% |
| Caribou | -3.2\% | 7.7\% | 144.1\% | 7.2\% | 9.3\% | 33.1\% | -19.9\% |
| Cassia | -16.2\% | 10.0\% | 1.4\% | 10.2\% | 5.6\% | 14.2\% | 0.5\% |
| Clark | -40.5\% | -10.4\% | -8.7\% | -0.3\% | -19.0\% | 7.7\% | -4.5\% |
| Clearwater | 33.8\% | 24.9\% | -0.3\% | 4.0\% | 27.2\% | -4.4\% | -18.1\% |
| Custer | -10.9\% | 12.2\% | -6.5\% | -9.7\% | -1.0\% | 14.1\% | 22.1\% |
| Elmore | -11.7\% | 22.9\% | 21.2\% | 150.0\% | 4.5\% | 23.4\% | -1.7\% |
| Franklin | 8.4\% | 9.1\% | -3.5\% | -14.3\% | -12.8\% | 20.6\% | 3.8\% |
| Fremont | -4.4\% | 3.8\% | -9.2\% | -7.2\% | 0.4\% | 24.1\% | 1.1\% |
| Gem | 15.4\% | 28.6\% | -8.5\% | 4.5\% | 2.8\% | 27.5\% | -1.1\% |
| Gooding | 0.4\% | 22.1\% | 19.9\% | -14.0\% | -9.4\% | 37.4\% | -2.0\% |
| Idaho | -14.0\% | 25.6\% | -10.0\% | 18.6\% | -4.8\% | 14.6\% | -6.8\% |
| Jefferson | -2.9\% | 17.3\% | -2.5\% | 11.2\% | 0.6\% | 30.4\% | 8.1\% |
| Jerome | 45.9\% | 18.4\% | 22.0\% | -3.0\% | -12.5\% | 44.7\% | 2.0\% |
| Kootenai | 8.9\% | 14.5\% | 12.0\% | 18.5\% | 19.5\% | 69.2\% | 16.8\% |
| Latah | -1.6\% | 5.7\% | 11.5\% | 0.9\% | 17.6\% | 15.5\% | 6.5\% |
| Lemhi | -10.1\% | 40.4\% | -3.7\% | -7.4\% | -4.3\% | 34.0\% | -7.5\% |
| Lewis | -10.5\% | -10.9\% | -9.8\% | 5.1\% | -12.6\% | 6.5\% | -14.6\% |
| Lincoln | -5.9\% | 30.5\% | 0.6\% | -13.4\% | -17.1\% | 12.4\% | -3.7\% |
| Madison | -9.3\% | 10.5\% | -0.3\% | 2.9\% | 42.8\% | 44.8\% | 21.5\% |
| Minidoka | -7.0\% | 17.5\% | -0.9\% | 47.1\% | 9.3\% | 25.3\% | -1.8\% |
| Nez Perce | 15.3\% | 7.3\% | 20.1\% | 19.5\% | 12.2\% | 9.4\% | 1.6\% |
| Oneida | -12.7\% | -7.7\% | -19.0\% | -17.9\% | -20.5\% | 13.8\% | 7.2\% |
| Owyhee | -12.6\% | 37.8\% | 11.6\% | 1.1\% | 0.7\% | 28.8\% | 1.5\% |
| Payette | 4.2\% | 30.0\% | 25.3\% | 3.7\% | 0.3\% | 27.6\% | 3.8\% |
| Power | -12.7\% | -11.0\% | 0.6\% | 3.1\% | 18.3\% | 40.7\% | 3.5\% |
| Shoshone | 33.8\% | 11.4\% | 7.4\% | -8.5\% | -5.5\% | -2.5\% | -27.5\% |
| Teton | -8.9\% | 0.8\% | -11.0\% | -17.6\% | -10.9\% | 23.2\% | 18.7\% |
| Twin Falls | 5.4\% | 22.0\% | 12.6\% | 2.1\% | -0.1\% | 26.6\% | 1.2\% |
| Valley | 38.2\% | 15.7\% | 5.8\% | -14.2\% | -1.5\% | 55.3\% | 9.0\% |
| Washington | -15.5\% | 11.2\% | -3.1\% | -2.3\% | -8.9\% | 15.3\% | -2.9\% |

Table 3: Idaho Population Annual Percent Growth, 1920 to 1990 by County ${ }^{1}$.

| COUNTY | 1920-30 | 1930-40 | 1940-50 | 1950-60 | 1960-70 | 1970-80 | 1980-90 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| STATE | 0.3\% | 1.7\% | 1.2\% | 1.3\% | 0.7\% | 2.8\% | 0.6\% |
| Ada | 0.7\% | 2.9\% | 3.4\% | 2.8\% | 1.8\% | 4.4\% | 1.7\% |
| Adams | -0.3\% | 1.7\% | -0.2\% | -1.2\% | -0.3\% | 1.5\% | -0.3\% |
| Bannock | 1.3\% | 1.1\% | 1.8\% | 1.7\% | 0.6\% | 2.3\% | 0.1\% |
| Bear Lake | -1.1\% | 0.0\% | -1.5\% | 0.5\% | -2.1\% | 1.8\% | -1.3\% |
| Benewah | -0.9\% | 1.4\% | -1.7\% | -0.2\% | 0.3\% | 2.9\% | -0.4\% |
| Bingham | 0.1\% | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 1.9\% | 0.3\% | 2.3\% | 0.3\% |
| Blaine | -1.7\% | 3.5\% | 0.2\% | -1.6\% | 2.3\% | 5.5\% | 3.3\% |
| Boise | 0.1\% | 2.4\% | -2.7\% | -0.8\% | 0.7\% | 5.5\% | 1.6\% |
| Bonner | 0.1\% | 1.8\% | -0.5\% | 0.5\% | 0.0\% | 4.5\% | 1.0\% |
| Bonneville | 1.2\% | 2.7\% | 1.6\% | 4.5\% | 1.1\% | 2.3\% | 0.9\% |
| Boundary | 0.2\% | 2.8\% | -0.1\% | -0.2\% | -0.6\% | 2.9\% | 1.3\% |
| Butte | -4.1\% | -0.3\% | 3.8\% | 2.5\% | -1.8\% | 1.3\% | -1.3\% |
| Camas | -2.0\% | -0.4\% | -2.3\% | -1.6\% | -2.3\% | 1.2\% | -1.2\% |
| Canyon | 1.4\% | 2.9\% | 2.7\% | 0.7\% | 0.6\% | 3.2\% | 0.7\% |
| Caribou | -0.3\% | 0.7\% | 9.3\% | 0.7\% | 0.9\% | 2.9\% | -2.2\% |
| Cassia | -1.8\% | 1.0\% | 0.1\% | 1.0\% | 0.5\% | 1.3\% | 0.1\% |
| Clark | -5.1\% | -1.1\% | -0.9\% | 0.0\% | -2.1\% | 0.7\% | -0.5\% |
| Clearwater | 3.0\% | 2.2\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% | 2.4\% | -0.5\% | -2.0\% |
| Custer | -1.2\% | 1.2\% | -0.7\% | -1.0\% | -0.1\% | 1.3\% | 2.0\% |
| Elmore | -1.2\% | 2.1\% | 1.9\% | 9.6\% | 0.4\% | 2.1\% | -0.2\% |
| Franklin | 0.8\% | 0.9\% | -0.4\% | -1.5\% | -1.4\% | 1.9\% | 0.4\% |
| Fremont | -0.4\% | 0.4\% | -1.0\% | -0.7\% | 0.0\% | 2.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Gem | 1.4\% | 2.6\% | -0.9\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 2.5\% | -0.1\% |
| Gooding | 0.0\% | 2.0\% | 1.8\% | -1.5\% | -1.0\% | 3.2\% | -0.2\% |
| Idaho | -1.5\% | 2.3\% | -1.0\% | 1.7\% | -0.5\% | 1.4\% | -0.7\% |
| Jefferson | -0.3\% | 1.6\% | -0.3\% | 1.1\% | 0.1\% | 2.7\% | 0.8\% |
| Jerome | 3.8\% | 1.7\% | 2.0\% | -0.3\% | -1.3\% | 3.8\% | 0.2\% |
| Kootenai | 0.9\% | 1.4\% | 1.1\% | 1.7\% | 1.8\% | 5.4\% | 1.6\% |
| Latah | -0.2\% | 0.6\% | 1.1\% | 0.1\% | 1.6\% | 1.4\% | 0.6\% |
| Lemhi | -1.1\% | 3.5\% | -0.4\% | -0.8\% | -0.4\% | 3.0\% | -0.8\% |
| Lewis | -1.1\% | -1.1\% | -1.0\% | 0.5\% | -1.3\% | 0.6\% | -1.6\% |
| Lincoln | -0.6\% | 2.7\% | 0.1\% | -1.4\% | -1.9\% | 1.2\% | -0.4\% |
| Madison | -1.0\% | 1.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.3\% | 3.6\% | 3.8\% | 2.0\% |
| Minidoka | -0.7\% | 1.6\% | -0.1\% | 3.9\% | 0.9\% | 2.3\% | -0.2\% |
| Nez Perce | 1.4\% | 0.7\% | 1.8\% | 1.8\% | 1.2\% | 0.9\% | 0.2\% |
| Oneida | -1.3\% | -0.8\% | -2.1\% | -1.9\% | -2.3\% | 1.3\% | 0.7\% |
| Owyhee | -1.3\% | 3.3\% | 1.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 2.6\% | 0.1\% |
| Payette | 0.4\% | 2.7\% | 2.3\% | 0.4\% | 0.0\% | 2.5\% | 0.4\% |
| Power | -1.3\% | -1.2\% | 0.1\% | 0.3\% | 1.7\% | 3.5\% | 0.3\% |
| Shoshone | 3.0\% | 1.1\% | 0.7\% | -0.9\% | -0.6\% | -0.3\% | -3.2\% |
| Teton | -0.9\% | 0.1\% | -1.2\% | -1.9\% | -1.1\% | 2.1\% | 1.7\% |
| Twin Falls | 0.5\% | 2.0\% | 1.2\% | 0.2\% | 0.0\% | 2.4\% | 0.1\% |
| Valley | 3.3\% | 1.5\% | 0.6\% | -1.5\% | -0.1\% | 4.5\% | 0.9\% |
| Washington | -1.7\% | 1.1\% | -0.3\% | -0.2\% | -0.9\% | 1.4\% | -0.3\% |

${ }^{1}$ Annual change is measured by calculating a discrete growth function: $\sqrt[n]{y_{2} / y_{1}}$ where $N=\#$ of years, $Y 1, Y_{2}$ $=$ Year 1 and Year 2, and $r=$ the discrete rate of growth. This allows the rates to reflect the compounding of populations, therefore produces lower annual rates than an average of total change across the decade.

Table 4: U.S. Census Regions Population Change, 1990 to 1996, Ranked by Percent Growth.

|  | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { \%Change } \\ 1990 \text { to } \\ 1996 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United States | 249397990 | 252106453 | 255011287 | 257795138 | 260372174 | 262889634 | 265283783 | 6.4\% |
| Mountain | 13717026 | 14025205 | 14388307 | 14799545 | 15255812 | 15749871 | 16117831 | 17.5\% |
| West | 53044241 | 54058621 | 55131271 | 56029163 | 56837136 | 57693669 | 58523469 | 10.3\% |
| West South Central | 26765157 | 27147282 | 27574263 | 28015755 | 28456805 | 28899083 | 29289535 | 9.4\% |
| South Atlantic | 43757667 | 44444010 | 45096552 | 45732755 | 46396778 | 47013137 | 47615690 | 8.8\% |
| South | 85731504 | 86934253 | 88186418 | 89457099 | 90737719 | 91958208 | 93097801 | 8.6\% |
| Pacific | 39327215 | 40033416 | 40742964 | 41229618 | 41581324 | 41943798 | 42405638 | 7.8\% |
| East South Central | 15208680 | 15342961 | 15515603 | 15708589 | 15884136 | 16045988 | 16192576 | 6.5\% |
| West North Central | 17688385 | 17796866 | 17934038 | 18082038 | 18219260 | 18350859 | 18468429 | 4.4\% |
| Midwest | 59764954 | 60159553 | 60596567 | 61016324 | 61371021 | 61732266 | 62082428 | 3.9\% |
| East North Central | 42076569 | 42362687 | 42662529 | 42934286 | 43151761 | 43381407 | 43613999 | 3.7\% |
| Mid-Atlantic | 37637712 | 37749813 | 37899334 | 38063004 | 38161089 | 38200380 | 38228819 | 1.6\% |
| Northeast | 50857291 | 50954026 | 51097031 | 51292552 | 51426298 | 51505491 | 51580085 | 1.4\% |
| New England | 13219579 | 13204213 | 13197697 | 13229548 | 13265209 | 13305111 | 13351266 | 1.0\% |

## Key:

| Mountain: | Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Pacific: | Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon, Washington. |
| West: | Mountain and Pacific combined. |

Table 5: U.S. Census Regions Annual Percent Population Change, 1990 to 1996.

|  | $\mathbf{1 9 9 0 - 9 1}$ | $1991-92$ | $1992-93$ | $1993-94$ | $1.994-95$ | 1995-96 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United States | $1.1 \%$ | $1.2 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ |
| Mountain | $2.2 \%$ | $2.6 \%$ | $2.9 \%$ | $3.1 \%$ | $3.2 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ |
| West | $1.9 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ |
| West South Central | $1.4 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ |
| South Atlantic | $1.6 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ |
| South | $1.4 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ | $1.2 \%$ |
| Pacific | $1.8 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ | $1.2 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ |
| East South Central | $0.9 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $1.2 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ |
| West North Central | $0.6 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ |
| Midwest | $0.7 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ |
| East North Central | $0.7 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ |
| Mid-Atiantic | $0.3 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ | $0.1 \%$ | $0.1 \%$ |
| Northeast | $0.2 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.1 \%$ |
| New England | $0.1 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ |

Key:
Mountain: $\quad$ Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming.
Pacific:
Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon, Washington.
West:

Table 6: Population Growth in Mountain and Selected Pacific States, Ranked by Percent Change 1990 to 1996.

| State | Rank | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | \%Change |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Nevada | 1 | 1218702 | 1285597 | 1333901 | 1386258 | 1464064 | 1533478 | 1603163 | $31.5 \%$ |
| Arizona | 2 | 3679370 | 3749569 | 3841125 | 3952954 | 4091615 | 4305016 | 4428068 | $20.3 \%$ |
| Idaho | 3 | 1011904 | 1039079 | 1066893 | 1101831 | 1136433 | 1166112 | 1189251 | $17.5 \%$ |
| Colorado | 4 | 3304004 | 3369199 | 3464116 | 3567727 | 3662684 | 3747560 | 3822676 | $15.7 \%$ |
| Utah | 5 | 1729784 | 1767139 | 1811673 | 1860807 | 1909521 | 1958313 | 2000494 | $15.6 \%$ |
| Washington | 7 | 4901289 | 5017825 | 5147414 | 5259858 | 5350985 | 5447720 | 5532939 | $12.9 \%$ |
| New Mexico | 8 | 1520039 | 1548421 | 1583360 | 1619130 | 1659202 | 1689849 | 1713407 | $12.7 \%$ |
| Oregon | 10 | 2858757 | 2920895 | 2977590 | 3039879 | 3094349 | 3148855 | 3203735 | $12.1 \%$ |
| Montana | 13 | 799826 | 808230 | 823287 | 841188 | 856519 | 870351 | 879372 | $9.9 \%$ |
| California | 18 | 29901421 | 30395718 | 30882985 | 31172212 | 31361934 | 31565480 | 31878234 | $6.6 \%$ |
| Wyoming | 21 | 453397 | 457971 | 463952 | 469650 | 475774 | 479192 | 481400 | $6.2 \%$ |

Table 7: Annual Population Growth in Mountain and Selected Pacific States, 1990 to 1996.

| State | $1990-91$ | $1991-92$ | $1992-93$ | $1993-94$ | $1994-95$ | $1995-96$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Nevada | $5.5 \%$ | $3.8 \%$ | $3.9 \%$ | $5.6 \%$ | $4.7 \%$ | $4.5 \%$ |
| Arizona | $1.9 \%$ | $2.4 \%$ | $2.9 \%$ | $3.5 \%$ | $5.2 \%$ | $2.9 \%$ |
| Idaho | $2.7 \%$ | $2.7 \%$ | $3.3 \%$ | $3.1 \%$ | $2.6 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ |
| Colorado | $2.0 \%$ | $2.8 \%$ | $3.0 \%$ | $2.7 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ |
| Utah | $2.2 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ | $2.7 \%$ | $2.6 \%$ | $2.6 \%$ | $2.2 \%$ |
| Washington | $2.4 \%$ | $2.6 \%$ | $2.2 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ |
| New Mexico | $1.9 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ |
| Oregon | $2.2 \%$ | $1.9 \%$ | $2.1 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ |
| Montana | $1.1 \%$ | $1.9 \%$ | $2.2 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ |
| California | $1.7 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ |
| Hawaii | $1.5 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ |
| Wyoming | $1.0 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ | $1.2 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ |

Table 8: Idaho Census Population Estimates by County, 1990 to 1996, Ranked by Largest Total Percent Growth. ${ }^{2}$

| COUNTY | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | Total Change 1990-96 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| STATE | 1011904 | 1039079 | 1066893 | 1101831 | 1136433 | 1166112 | 1189251 | 17.5\% |
| Teton | 3460 | 3611 | 3915 | 4103 | 4424 | 4855 | 5168 | 49.4\% |
| Boise | 3552 | 3717 | 3974 | 4281 | 4466 | 4669 | 4864 | 36.9\% |
| Kootenai | 70411 | 73822 | 77343 | 82299 | 87491 | 91918 | 95535 | 35.7\% |
| Valley | 6150 | 6544 | 6898 | 7352 | 7623 | 7848 | 7988 | 29.9\% |
| Bonner | 26759 | 27934 | 28930 | 30278 | 31873 | 33055 | 33976 | 27.0\% |
| Ada | 207505 | 215863 | 223603 | 233993 | 243720 | 252251 | 260057 | 25.3\% |
| Canyon | 90639 | 93826 | 96740 | 100710 | 104894 | 109123 | 112530 | 24.2\% |
| Blaine | 13767 | 14339 | 14856 | 15334 | 16031 | 16528 | 16975 | 23.3\% |
| Payette | 16446 | 16977 | 17582 | 18171 | 19000 | 19559 | 19957 | 21.3\% |
| Adams | 3265 | 3343 | 3527 | 3689 | 3832 | 3850 | 3891 | 19.2\% |
| Owyhee | 8421 | 8552 | 8678 | 8960 | 9208 | 9675 | 10012 | 18.9\% |
| Gem | 11940 | 12287 | 12643 | 13178 | 13547 | 13871 | 14129 | 18.3\% |
| Boundary | 8352 | 8397 | 8658 | 9016 | 9276 | 9631 | 9823 | 17.6\% |
| Lemhi | 6927 | 7063 | 7110 | 7210 | 7467 | 8035 | 8098 | 16.9\% |
| Camas | 737 | 755 | 755 | 752 | 783 | 831 | 860 | 16.7\% |
| Power | 7073 | 7241 | 7485 | 7659 | 8025 | 8129 | 8234 | 16.4\% |
| Washington | 8595 | 8718 | 8852 | 9130 | 9279 | 9606 | 9836 | 14.4\% |
| Gooding | 11664 | 11903 | 12129 | 12449 | 12665 | 12908 | 13335 | 14.3\% |
| Jerome | 15220 | 15533 | 15788 | 16277 | 16593 | 16975 | 17339 | 13.9\% |
| Jefferson | 16615 | 16981 | 17497 | 17935 | 18429 | 18664 | 18903 | 13.8\% |
| Lewis | 3520 | 3576 | 3609 | 3757 | 3867 | 3969 | 4002 | 13.7\% |
| Franklin | 9263 | 9454 | 9534 | 9829 | 10119 | 10255 | 10515 | 13.5\% |
| Benewah | 7943 | 8016 | 8088 | 8283 | 8570 | 8813 | 8982 | 13.1\% |
| Lincoln | 3345 | 3376 | 3436 | 3513 | 3573 | 3716 | 3777 | 12.9\% |
| Elmore | 21232 | 20723 | 20595 | 22332 | 22711 | 23547 | 23894 | 12.5\% |
| Twin Falls | 53797 | 55018 | 56079 | 57008 | 58558 | 59383 | 60403 | 12.3\% |
| Bannock | 66236 | 67020 | 68551 | 69834 | 72043 | 73082 | 73608 | 11.1\% |
| Clearwater | 8494 | 8565 | 8688 | 8778 | 9076 | 9201 | 9373 | 10.3\% |
| Oneida | 3511 | 3475 | 3498 | 3527 | 3634 | 3821 | 3871 | 10.3\% |
| Bingham | 37621 | 38459 | 39688 | 40451 | 40950 | 41022 | 41366 | 10.0\% |
| Bonneville | 72603 | 75049 | 77197 | 78387 | 79230 | 79608 | 79670 | 9.7\% |
| Cassia | 19607 | 19784 | 20222 | 20516 | 20844 | 21187 | 21482 | 9.6\% |
| Clark | 758 | 772 | 820 | 816 | 841 | 834 | 830 | 9.5\% |
| Nez Perce | 33842 | 34462 | 35092 | 35696 | 36246 | 36490 | 36670 | 8.4\% |
| Latah | 30654 | 31209 | 31285 | 31758 | 32502 | 32877 | 33173 | 8.2\% |
| Idaho | 13818 | 13897 | 14167 | 14345 | 14599 | 14860 | 14924 | 8.0\% |
| Bear Lake | 6088 | 6121 | 6290 | 6376 | 6401 | 6573 | 6534 | 7.3\% |
| Butte | 2916 | 2872 | 2959 | 3021 | 3097 | 3088 | 3126 | 7.2\% |
| Minidoka | 19385 | 19714 | 20109 | 20352 | 20606 | 20848 | 20756 | 7.1\% |
| Caribou | 6959 | 7087 | 7129 | 7263 | 7244 | 7319 | 7398 | 6.3\% |
| Fremont | 10943 | 11192 | 11274 | 11642 | 11596 | 11610 | 11594 | 5.9\% |
| Custer | 4155 | 4194 | 4042 | 3836 | 3951 | 4255 | 4311 | 3.8\% |
| Shoshone | 13964 | 14065 | 13609 | 13830 | 13898 | 14063 | 14024 | 0.4\% |
| Madison | 23752 | 23573 | 23969 | 23905 | 23651 | 23710 | 23458 | -1.2\% |

[^0]Table 9: Idaho Population Annual Percentage Change by County, 1990 to 1996, Ranked by Largest Annual Growth Rate. ${ }^{3}$

| COUNTY | 1990-91 | 1991-92 | 1992-93 | 1993-94 | 1994-95 | ${ }_{1995-96}$ | Annual Growth 1990-1996 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| STATE | 2.7\% | 2.68\% | 3.3\% | 3.1\% | 2.6\% | 2.0\% | 2.3\% |
| Teton | 4.4\% | 8.4\% | 4.8\% | 7.8\% | 9.7\% | 6.4\% | 5.9\% |
| Boise | 4.6\% | 6.9\% | 7.7\% | 4.3\% | 4.5\% | 4.2\% | 4.6\% |
| Kootenai | 4.8\% | 4.8\% | 6.4\% | 6.3\% | 5.1\% | 3.9\% | 4.5\% |
| Valley | 6.4\% | 5.4\% | 6.6\% | 3.7\% | 3.0\% | 1.8\% | 3.8\% |
| Bonner | 4.4\% | 3.6\% | 4.7\% | 5.3\% | 3.7\% | 2.8\% | 3.5\% |
| Ada | 4.0\% | 3.6\% | 4.6\% | 4.2\% | 3.5\% | 3.1\% | 3.3\% |
| Canyon | 3.5\% | 3.1\% | 4.1\% | 4.2\% | 4.0\% | 3.1\% | 3.1\% |
| Blaine | 4.2\% | 3.6\% | 3.2\% | 4.5\% | 3.1\% | 2.7\% | 3.0\% |
| Payette | 3.2\% | 3.6\% | 3.4\% | 4.6\% | 2.9\% | 2.0\% | 2.8\% |
| Adams | 2.4\% | 5.5\% | 4.6\% | 3.9\% | 0.5\% | 1.1\% | 2.5\% |
| Owyhee | 1.6\% | 1.5\% | 3.2\% | 2.8\% | 5.1\% | 3.5\% | 2.5\% |
| Gem | 2.9\% | 2.9\% | 4.2\% | 2.8\% | 2.4\% | 1.9\% | 2.4\% |
| Boundary | 0.5\% | 3.1\% | 4.1\% | 2.9\% | 3.8\% | 2.0\% | 2.3\% |
| Lemhi | 2.0\% | 0.7\% | 1.4\% | 3.6\% | 7.6\% | 0.8\% | 2.3\% |
| Camas | 2.4\% | 0.0\% | -0.4\% | 4.1\% | 6.1\% | 3.5\% | 2.2\% |
| Power | 2.4\% | 3.4\% | 2.3\% | 4.8\% | 1.3\% | 1.3\% | 2.2\% |
| Gooding | 2.0\% | 1.9\% | 2.6\% | 1.7\% | 1.9\% | 3.3\% | 1.9\% |
| Jefferson | 2.2\% | 3.0\% | 2.5\% | 2.8\% | 1.3\% | 1.3\% | 1.9\% |
| Jerome | 2.1\% | 1.6\% | 3.1\% | 1.9\% | 2.3\% | 2.1\% | 1.9\% |
| Lewis | 1.6\% | 0.9\% | 4.1\% | 2.9\% | 2.6\% | 0.8\% | 1.9\% |
| Washington | 1.4\% | 1.5\% | 3.1\% | 1.6\% | 3.5\% | 2.4\% | 1.9\% |
| Benewah | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 2.4\% | 3.5\% | 2.8\% | 1.9\% | 1.8\% |
| Franklin | 2.1\% | 0.8\% | 3.1\% | 3.0\% | 1.3\% | 2.5\% | 1.8\% |
| Lincoin | 0.9\% | 1.8\% | 2.2\% | 1.7\% | 4.0\% | 1.6\% | 1.8\% |
| Elmore | -2.4\% | -0.6\% | 8.4\% | 1.7\% | 3.7\% | 1.5\% | 1.7\% |
| Twin Falls | 2.3\% | 1.9\% | 1.7\% | 2.7\% | 1.4\% | 1.7\% | 1.7\% |
| Bannock | 1.2\% | 2.3\% | 1.9\% | 3.2\% | 1.4\% | 0.7\% | 1.5\% |
| Bingham | 2.2\% | 3.2\% | 1.9\% | 1.2\% | 0.2\% | 0.8\% | 1.4\% |
| Clearwater | 0.8\% | 1.4\% | 1.0\% | 3.4\% | 1.4\% | 1.9\% | 1.4\% |
| Oneida | -1.0\% | 0.7\% | 0.8\% | 3.0\% | 5.1\% | 1.3\% | 1.4\% |
| Bonneville | 3.4\% | 2.9\% | 1.5\% | 1.1\% | 0.5\% | 0.1\% | 1.3\% |
| Cassia | 0.9\% | 2.2\% | 1.5\% | 1.6\% | 1.6\% | 1.4\% | 1.3\% |
| Clark | 1.8\% | 6.2\% | -0.5\% | 3.1\% | -0.8\% | -0.5\% | - 1.3\% |
| Nez Perce | 1.8\% | 1.8\% | 1.7\% | 1.5\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | - 1.2\% |
| Idaho | 0.6\% | 1.9\% | 1.3\% | 1.8\% | 1.8\% | 0.4\% | - 1.1\% |
| Latah | 1.8\% | 0.2\% | 1.5\% | 2.3\% | 1.2\% | 0.9\% | -1.1\% |
| Bear Lake | 0.5\% | 2.8\% | 1.4\% | 0.4\% | 2.7\% | -0.6\% | -1.0\% |
| Butte | -1.5\% | 3.0\% | 2.1\% | 2.5\% | -0.3\% | 1.2\% | -1.0\% |
| Minidoka | 1.7\% | 2.0\% | 1.2\% | 1.2\% | 1.2\% | -0.4\% | - 1.0\% |
| Caribou | 1.8\% | 0.6\% | 1.9\% | -0.3\% | 1.0\% | 1.1\% | - 0.9\% |
| Fremont | 2.3\% | 0.7\% | 3.3\% | -0.4\% | 0.1\% | -0.1\% | - 0.8\% |
| Custer | 0.9\% | -3.6\% | -5.1\% | 3.0\% | 7.7\% | 1.3\% | - 0.5\% |
| Shoshone | 0.7\% | -3.2\% | 1.6\% | 0.5\% | 1.2\% | -0.3\% | - 0.1\% |
| Madison | -0.8\% | 1.7\% | -0.3\% | -1.1\% | 0.2\% | -1.1\% | -0.2\% |

[^1]Table 10: Idaho Counties Ranked by Total Percentage Natural Increase, 1990 to 1996.

| COUNTY | 1990-91 | 1991-92 | 1992-93 | 1993-94 | 1994-95 | 1995-96 | Total Natural Increase 1990-96 | Total Population Change $1990-96$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| STATE | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 0.8\% | 0.8\% | 0.8\% | 5.5\% | 17.5\% |
| Clark | 1.5\% | 1.6\% | 1.2\% | 2.1\% | 1.2\% | 2.0\% | 10.2\% | 9.5\% |
| Elmore | 1.7\% | 1.4\% | 1.7\% | 1.6\% | 1.6\% | 1.6\% | 9.7\% | 12.5\% |
| Madison | 1.5\% | 1.4\% | 1.7\% | 1.4\% | 1.5\% | 1.4\% | 8.9\% | -1.2\% |
| Teton | 1.2\% | 1.0\% | 1.4\% | 1.4\% | 1.2\% | 1.2\% | 8.7\% | 49.4\% |
| Jefferson | 1.5\% | 1.5\% | 1.5\% | 1.1\% | 1.2\% | 1.2\% | 8.5\% | 13.8\% |
| Bonneville | 1.3\% | 1.3\% | 1.2\% | 1.2\% | 1.1\% | 1.2\% | 7.9\% | 9.7\% |
| Cassia | 1.2\% | 1.4\% | 1.1\% | 1.4\% | 1.2\% | 1.4\% | 7.9\% | 9.6\% |
| Bannock | 1.1\% | 1.1\% | 1.1\% | 1.1\% | 1.1\% | 1.1\% | 7.0\% | 11.1\% |
| Bingham | 1.1\% | 1.2\% | 1.2\% | 1.1\% | 1.0\% | 1.1\% | 7.0\% | 10.0\% |
| Blaine | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 1.1\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 6.9\% | 23.3\% |
| Minidoka | 1.1\% | 1.2\% | 1.1\% | 1.1\% | 1.0\% | 1.1\% | 6.8\% | 7.1\% |
| Fremont | 1.2\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 1.1\% | 1.0\% | 6.6\% | 5.9\% |
| Canyon | 1.1\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 6.3\% | 24.2\% |
| Franklin | 1.0\% | 1.1\% | 1.4\% | 0.9\% | 0.8\% | 0.9\% | 6.3\% | 13.5\% |
| Owyhee | 1.1\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 6.2\% | 18.9\% |
| Ada | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 6.1\% | 25.3\% |
| Power | 0.9\% | 0.8\% | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 5.6\% | 16.4\% |
| Jerome | 0.8\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 0.7\% | 0.7\% | 0.7\% | 5.1\% | 13.9\% |
| Caribou | 1.2\% | 0.6\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.8\% | 0.7\% | 5.0\% | 6.3\% |
| Payette | 0.7\% | 0.8\% | 0.7\% | 0.7\% | 0.7\% | 0.7\% | 4.8\% | 21.3\% |
| Latah | 0.9\% | 0.6\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.7\% | 0.7\% | 4.6\% | 8.2\% |
| Butte | 0.2\% | 0.5\% | 0.4\% | 1.1\% | 1.0\% | 1.1\% | 4.4\% | 7.2\% |
| Kootenai | 0.7\% | 0.6\% | 0.6\% | 0.7\% | 0.6\% | 0.6\% | 4.3\% | 35.7\% |
| Boise | 0.7\% | 0.6\% | 0.7\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.6\% | 4.0\% | 36.9\% |
| Boundary | 0.6\% | 0.7\% | 0.6\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.7\% | 3.9\% | 17.6\% |
| Bear Lake | 0.8\% | 0.5\% | 0.6\% | 0.6\% | 0.6\% | 0.6\% | 3.7\% | 7.3\% |
| Twin Falls | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.6\% | 0.5\% | 0.5\% | 0.5\% | 3.7\% | 12.3\% |
| Adams | 0.8\% | 0.3\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.5\% | 3.4\% | 19.2\% |
| Benewah | 0.8\% | 0.4\% | 0.4\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.6\% | 3.4\% | 13.1\% |
| Valley | 0.7\% | 0.6\% | 0.5\% | 0.4\% | 0.4\% | 0.4\% | 3.3\% | 29.9\% |
| Bonner | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.3\% | 2.3\% | 27.0\% |
| Gooding | 0.3\% | 0.4\% | 0.6\% | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | 2.3\% | 14.3\% |
| Lincoln | 0.6\% | -0.1\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.6\% | 0.2\% | 2.2\% | 12.9\% |
| Custer | 0.6\% | 0.5\% | 0.4\% | 0.1\% | 0.4\% | 0.1\% | 2.0\% | 3.8\% |
| Nez Perce | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% | 0.3\% | 2.0\% | 8.4\% |
| Idaho | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% | 1.6\% | 8.0\% |
| Lemhi | 0.6\% | 0.3\% | 0.0\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | 1.6\% | 16.9\% |
| Gem | 0.3\% | 0.4\% | 0.4\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 1.5\% | 18.3\% |
| Oneida | 0.5\% | 0.1\% | 0.5\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | 1.2\% | 10.3\% |
| Lewis | 0.3\% | 0.1\% | 0.8\% | -0.1\% | 0.1\% | -0.1\% | 1.0\% | 13.7\% |
| Clearwater | 0.4\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | 0.0\% | -0.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.9\% | 10.3\% |
| Washington | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | -0.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% | 14.4\% |
| Shoshone | -0.2\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.3\% | 0.4\% |
| Camas | 0.3\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | -0.5\% | 0.0\% | -0.5\% | -0.8\% | 16.7\% |

Table 11: Idaho Counties Ranked by Total Percentage Net Migration, 1990 to 1996.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total Net |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Populaion |  |
|  | $1990-91$ | $1991-92$ | $1992-93$ | $1993-94$ | $1994-95$ | $1995-96$ | Migration | Change

Table 12: Idaho Population 65 Years \& Older, 1990 to 1996, Ranked by Total Percent Change.

| COUNTY | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | Total Change 1990-96 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| STATE | 121605 | 124024 | 126537 | 128905 | 131085 | 133150 | 135014 | 11.0\% |
| Blaine | 906 | 953 | 1033 | 1055 | 1092 | 1128 | 1162 | 28.3\% |
| Valley | 785 | 826 | 860 | 903 | 954 | 973 | 990 | 26.1\% |
| Kootenai | 9426 | 9753 | 10140 | 10451 | 10847 | 11178 | 11488 | 21.9\% |
| Boise | 384 | 388 | 426 | 460 | 449 | 458 | 465 | 21.1\% |
| Boundary | 1036 | 1069 | 1116 | 1135 | 1139 | 1193 | 1245 | 20.2\% |
| Bonneville | 6500 | 6702 | 6934 | 7161 | 7399 | 7601 | 7794 | 19.9\% |
| Adams | 474 | 488 | 501 | 523 | 528 | 541 | 554 | 16.9\% |
| Bonner | 3824 | 3954 | 4051 | 4156 | 4271 | 4354 | 4429 | 15.8\% |
| Elmore | 1613 | 1675 | 1696 | 1715 | 1771 | 1817 | 1861 | 15.4\% |
| Ada | 21550 | 22140 | 22718 | 23275 | 23818 | 24312 | 24767 | 14.9\% |
| Jefferson | 1602 | 1638 | 1704 | 1746 | 1771 | 1793 | 1814 | 13.2\% |
| Lewis | 605 | 621 | 617 | 604 | 615 | 649 | 681 | 12.6\% |
| Madison | 1371 | 1409 | 1403 | 1421 | 1435 | 1488 | 1539 | 12.3\% |
| Bannock | 6710 | 6839 | 6969 | 7055 | 7189 | 7349 | 7496 | 11.7\% |
| Lincoln | 489 | 501 | 495 | 513 | 525 | 535 | 545 | 11.5\% |
| Nez Perce | 5468 | 5617 | 5711 | 5840 | 5901 | 5995 | 6080 | 11.2\% |
| Fremont | 1240 | 1278 | 1301 | 1312 | 1364 | 1371 | 1375 | 10.9\% |
| Teton | 376 | 383 | 377 | 385 | 396 | 406 | 417 | 10.9\% |
| Caribou | 832 | 856 | 861 | 852 | 869 | 895 | 921 | 10.7\% |
| Minidoka | 2418 | 2493 | 2530 | 2591 | 2613 | 2639 | 2663 | 10.1\% |
| Power | 729 | 737 | 752 | 755 | 767 | 781 | 795 | 9.1\% |
| Bingham | 3756 | 3777 | 3873 | 3968 | 3998 | 4050 | 4094 | 9.0\% |
| Canyon | 12385 | 12614 | 12855 | 12986 | 13201 | 13342 | 13458 | 8.7\% |
| Owyhee | 1077 | 1096 | 1087 | 1121 | 1103 | 1130 | 1156 | 7.3\% |
| Gem | 2123 | 2151 | 2181 | 2228 | 2264 | 2257 | 2248 | 5.9\% |
| Idaho | 2142 | 2146 | 2170 | 2178 | 2216 | 2244 | 2268 | 5.9\% |
| Cassia | 2432 | 2423 | 2426 | 2458 | 2465 | 2518 | 2568 | 5.6\% |
| Oneida | 613 | 613 | 617 | 622 | 615 | 631 | 646 | 5.4\% |
| Benewah | 1034 | 1040 | 1032 | 1042 | 1078 | 1083 | 1087 | 5.1\% |
| Clearwater | 1274 | 1267 | 1317 | 1312 | 1337 | 1339 | 1337 | 4.9\% |
| Lemhi | 1203 | 1227 | 1269 | 1272 | 1277 | 1269 | 1260 | 4.7\% |
| Bear Lake | 904 | 926 | 934 | 956 | 934 | 940 | 945 | 4.5\% |
| Washington | 1695 | 1702 | 1696 | 1702 | 1705 | 1735 | 1762 | 4.0\% |
| Custer | 502 | 520 | 536 | 566 | 575 | 548 | 521 | 3.8\% |
| Twin Falls | 8215 | 8262 | 8347 | 8410 | 8421 | 8464 | 8496 | 3.4\% |
| Shoshone | 2327 | 2390 | 2406 | 2419 | 2424 | 2415 | 2403 | 3.3\% |
| Gooding | 2000 | 1961 | 1981 | 2040 | 2044 | 2053 | 2058 | 2.9\% |
| Latah | 2974 | 2996 | 2989 | 3009 | 2972 | 3008 | 3041 | 2.3\% |
| Payette | 2650 | 2643 | 2663 | 2719 | 2742 | 2727 | 2708 | 2.2\% |
| Butte | 367 | 364 | 362 | 354 | 371 | 371 | 371 | 1.1\% |
| Jerome | 2111 | 2109 | 2125 | 2148 | 2133 | 2110 | 2085 | -1.2\% |
| Franklin | 1293 | 1291 | 1299 | 1306 | 1317 | 1289 | 1259 | -2.6\% |
| Camas | 98 | 96 | 94 | 99 | 97 | 92 | 87 | -11.2\% |
| Clark | 92 | 90 | 83 | 82 | 83 | 79 | 75 | -18.5\% |

Table 13: Idaho Percentage of Population 65 Years \& Older, 1990 to 1996, Ranked by Percent Change.

| COUNTY | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Difference } \\ 1990-96 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| STATE | 12.0\% | 11.9\% | 11.9\% | 11.7\% | 11.5\% | 11.4\% | 11.4\% | -0.7\% |
| Bonneville | 9.0\% | 8.9\% | 9.0\% | 9.1\% | 9.3\% | 9.5\% | 9.8\% | 0.8\% |
| Madison | 5.8\% | 6.0\% | 5.9\% | 5.9\% | 6.1\% | 6.3\% | 6.6\% | 0.8\% |
| Caribou | 12.0\% | 12.1\% | 12.1\% | 11.7\% | 12.0\% | 12.2\% | 12.4\% | 0.5\% |
| Fremont | 11.3\% | 11.4\% | 11.5\% | 11.3\% | 11.8\% | 11.8\% | 11.9\% | 0.5\% |
| Shoshone | 16.7\% | 17.0\% | 17.7\% | 17.5\% | 17.4\% | 17.2\% | 17.1\% | 0.5\% |
| Minidoka | 12.5\% | 12.6\% | 12.6\% | 12.7\% | 12.7\% | 12.7\% | 12.8\% | 0.4\% |
| Nez Perce | 16.2\% | 16.3\% | 16.3\% | 16.4\% | 16.3\% | 16.4\% | 16.6\% | 0.4\% |
| Blaine | 6.6\% | 6.6\% | 7.0\% | 6.9\% | 6.8\% | 6.8\% | 6.8\% | 0.3\% |
| Boundary | 12.4\% | 12.7\% | 12.9\% | 12.6\% | 12.3\% | 12.4\% | 12.7\% | 0.3\% |
| Elmore | 7.6\% | 8.1\% | 8.2\% | 7.7\% | 7.8\% | 7.7\% | 7.8\% | 0.2\% |
| Bannock | 10.1\% | 10.2\% | 10.2\% | 10.1\% | 10.0\% | 10.1\% | 10.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Custer | 12.1\% | 12.4\% | 13.3\% | 14.8\% | 14.6\% | 12.9\% | 12.1\% | 0.0\% |
| Jefferson | 9.6\% | 9.6\% | 9.7\% | 9.7\% | 9.6\% | 9.6\% | 9.6\% | 0.0\% |
| Bingham | 10.0\% | 9.8\% | 9.8\% | 9.8\% | 9.8\% | 9.9\% | 9.9\% | -0.1\% |
| Lewis | 17.2\% | 17.4\% | 17.1\% | 16.1\% | 15.9\% | 16.4\% | 17.0\% | -0.2\% |
| Lincoin | 14.6\% | 14.8\% | 14.4\% | 14.6\% | 14.7\% | 14.4\% | 14.4\% | -0.2\% |
| Adams | 14.5\% | 14.6\% | 14.2\% | 14.2\% | 13.8\% | 14.1\% | 14.2\% | -0.3\% |
| Idaho | 15.5\% | 15.4\% | 15.3\% | 15.2\% | 15.2\% | 15.1\% | 15.2\% | -0.3\% |
| Bear Lake | 14.8\% | 15.1\% | 14.8\% | 15.0\% | 14.6\% | 14.3\% | 14.5\% | -0.4\% |
| Cassia | 12.4\% | 12.2\% | 12.0\% | 12.0\% | 11.8\% | 11.9\% | 12.0\% | -0.4\% |
| Valley | 12.8\% | 12.6\% | 12.5\% | 12.3\% | 12.5\% | 12.4\% | 12.4\% | -0.4\% |
| Latah | 9.7\% | 9.6\% | 9.6\% | 9.5\% | 9.1\% | 9.1\% | 9.2\% | -0.5\% |
| Butte | 12.6\% | 12.7\% | 12.2\% | 11.7\% | 12.0\% | 12.0\% | 11.9\% | -0.7\% |
| Clearwater | 15.0\% | 14.8\% | 15.2\% | 14.9\% | 14.7\% | 14.6\% | 14.3\% | -0.7\% |
| Power | 10.3\% | 10.2\% | 10.0\% | 9.9\% | 9.6\% | 9.6\% | 9.7\% | -0.7\% |
| Oneida | 17.5\% | 17.6\% | 17.6\% | 17.6\% | 16.9\% | 16.5\% | 16.7\% | -0.8\% |
| Ada | 10.4\% | 10.3\% | 10.2\% | 9.9\% | 9.8\% | 9.6\% | 9.5\% | -0.9\% |
| Benewah | 13.0\% | 13.0\% | 12.8\% | 12.6\% | 12.6\% | 12.3\% | 12.1\% | -0.9\% |
| Owyhee | 12.8\% | 12.8\% | 12.5\% | 12.5\% | 12.0\% | 11.7\% | 11.5\% | -1.2\% |
| Twin Falls | 15.3\% | 15.0\% | 14.9\% | 14.8\% | 14.4\% | 14.3\% | 14.1\% | -1.2\% |
| Boise | 10.8\% | 10.4\% | 10.7\% | 10.7\% | 10.1\% | 9.8\% | 9.6\% | -1.3\% |
| Bonner | 14.3\% | 14.2\% | 14.0\% | 13.7\% | 13.4\% | 13.2\% | 13.0\% | -1.3\% |
| Kootenai | 13.4\% | 13.2\% | 13.1\% | 12.7\% | 12.4\% | 12.2\% | 12.0\% | -1.4\% |
| Canyon | 13.7\% | 13.4\% | 13.3\% | 12.9\% | 12.6\% | 12.2\% | 12.0\% | -1.7\% |
| Gooding | 17.1\% | 16.5\% | 16.3\% | 16.4\% | 16.1\% | 15.9\% | 15.4\% | -1.7\% |
| Jerome | 13.9\% | 13.6\% | 13.5\% | 13.2\% | 12.9\% | 12.4\% | 12.0\% | -1.8\% |
| Lemhi | 17.4\% | 17.4\% | 17.8\% | 17.6\% | 17.1\% | 15.8\% | 15.6\% | -1.8\% |
| Washington | 19.7\% | 19.5\% | 19.2\% | 18.6\% | 18.4\% | 18.1\% | 17.9\% | -1.8\% |
| Gem | 17.8\% | 17.5\% | 17.3\% | 16.9\% | 16.7\% | 16.3\% | 15.9\% | -1.9\% |
| Franklin | 14.0\% | 13.7\% | 13.6\% | 13.3\% | 13.0\% | 12.6\% | 12.0\% | -2.0\% |
| Payette | 16.1\% | 15.6\% | 15.1\% | 15.0\% | 14.4\% | 13.9\% | 13.6\% | -2.5\% |
| Teton | 10.9\% | 10.6\% | 9.6\% | 9.4\% | 9.0\% | 8.4\% | 8.1\% | -2.8\% |
| Clark | 12.1\% | 11.7\% | 10.1\% | 10.0\% | 9.9\% | 9.5\% | 9.0\% | -3.1\% |
| Camas | 13.3\% | 12.7\% | 12.5\% | 13.2\% | 12.4\% | 11.1\% | 10.1\% | -3.2\% |

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[^0]:    ${ }^{2}$ The estimates are for July 1 of each year. Therefore the 1990 estimate reflects July 1,1990 population and is slightly different than the 1990 census estimate taken earlier that year.

[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ Discrete rate of change (See Note 2)

