

# COUNTY GOVERNMENT





The county seals project was a project of the Idaho Centennial Commission. Each county was invited to submit its own design for a seal, and they were placed on the light posts in downtown Boise.

## COUNTIES

The primary unit of local government in Idaho is the county. Counties are political subdivisions of the state and serve as an administrative arm of state government in providing services required by state law, such as law enforcement, welfare, and road maintenance. In addition, counties have, in recent years, tended to take on functions of a quasi-municipal character providing urban services such as planning and zoning, water supply and sewage disposal — functions that have traditionally been provided by incorporated cities.

The organization of county government is uniform throughout the state's forty-four counties; however, this uniformity may change due to a 1994 constitutional amendment that allows for optional forms of county government. The legislature has developed enabling legislation that provides for the optional forms that are available to Idaho's counties. Citizens in the counties have the opportunity to decide whether they want to continue with the current form of government or change to another form.

For further information on Idaho counties, contact the Idaho Association of Counties, 700 W. Washington, Box 1623 Boise, ID 83701; Phone: (208)345-9126; FAX: (208)345-0379; Website: [www.idcounties.org](http://www.idcounties.org)

## CITIES

Cities are voluntarily organized and may be incorporated under the general laws of the state by the people living within their boundaries. Cities are not primarily an administrative arm of state government but are local units which, for the most part, perform functions that are exclusively local.

Since 1967, all incorporated places in the state are designated simply as "cities" with no further classification. The constitution authorizes the legislature to enact general laws that apply to all cities in the state. There are 200 incorporated cities in Idaho ranging in population from 185,787 in Boise to 10 at Warm River in Fremont County.

Three Idaho cities, Boise, Lewiston, and Bellevue were granted charters from the territorial legislature rather than incorporate under the general laws of the state which govern all other cities. Boise, in 1961, and Lewiston, in 1969, abandoned their charters and joined Idaho's other cities under the general law governing municipal corporations. Bellevue, located in Blaine County, remains the only city in the state with a territorial charter. The town does not operate under the State Municipal Code, and the state legislature must approve any changes to the charter including annexations.

Most Idaho cities operate under a mayor-council form of government, but all cities have the option to adopt a council-manager plan (where a professionally trained city manager administers the day-to-day needs) if they so desire. Only three cities, Lewiston, Twin Falls and McCall, utilize the council-manager form. On June 26, 1985, residents of the city of Pocatello voted to change to a mayor-council form after nearly thirty-five years under a council-manager system.

An extensive list of city officials may be obtained from the Association of Idaho Cities, 3100 S. Vista Ave, Ste 310, Boise ID 83705; Phone: (208) 344-8594; Fax: (208) 344-8677; Website: <http://www.idahocities.org/>

## TAXING DISTRICTS

Other local units of government in Idaho include school districts, numerous road districts, cemetery districts, fire protection districts, irrigation districts, junior college districts and other single-purpose taxing units. All of these units have limited taxing powers but are required to certify their requirements to the county commissioners who must include these needs in the collections made by county tax collectors.

## COUNTY OFFICIALS

- The County Clerk, Assessor, Prosecuting Attorney, Treasurer, Coroner and Sheriff are elected for four year terms.
- County Commissioners are elected for terms of two and four years with their terms being staggered.
- \*Denotes chairman of the county commission.

### ADA COUNTY

Established December 22, 1864 with its county seat at Boise. Named for Ada Riggs, the first white child born in the area and the daughter of H.C. Riggs, one of the founders of Boise and a member of the Idaho Territorial Legislature. Boise became the capital of Idaho in 1865.



County Seat: Boise

Address: 200 West Front

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.adaweb.net](http://www.adaweb.net)

Population: 334,727

Area: 1,060 square miles

Commissioners meet Monday through Friday

Assessor	Robert McQuade (R)	(208) 287-7200
Clerk	J. David Navarro (R)	(208) 287-6888
Commissioner District 1	Paul Woods (D)	(208) 631-2200
Commissioner District 2	Rick Yzaguirre (R)	(208) 287-7000
Commissioner District 3	*Fred Tilman (R)	(208) 287-7000
Coroner	Erwin Sonnenberg (R)	(208) 287-5556
Prosecuting Attorney	Greg Bower (R)	(208) 287-7700
Sheriff	Gary Raney (R)	(208) 577-3303
Treasurer	Cecil Ingram (R)	(208) 287-6801

### ADAMS COUNTY

Established March 3, 1911 with its county seat at Council. Named for John Adams, the second President of the United States. The Council valley was a meeting place for the Nez Perce and Shoshoni Indian tribes.



County Seat: Council

Address: 201 Industrial Ave

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Commissioners meet on 2nd, 3rd & 4th Mondays

Website: [www.co.adams.id.us](http://www.co.adams.id.us)

Population: 3,591

Area: 1,370 square miles

Assessor	Karen Hatfield (D)	(208) 253-4271
Clerk	Sherry Ward (R)	(208) 253-4561
Commissioner District 1	Joe Holmes (R)	(208) 253-4561
Commissioner District 2	Michael Paradis (R)	(208) 253-4458
Commissioner District 3	*William "Bill" Brown (R)	(208) 347-2290
Coroner	Susan Warner (R)	(208) 253-4242
Prosecuting Attorney	Myron Gabbert (R)	(208) 253-6896
Sheriff	Richard Green (R)	(208) 253-4228
Treasurer	Connie Kesler (R)	(208) 253-4263

## BANNOCK COUNTY

Established March 6, 1893 from part of Bingham County, with its county seat at Pocatello. Named for the Bannack Indians, the first inhabitants of the area, whose name was spelled Bannock by early settlers.

County Seat: Pocatello

Address: 624 E. Center

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.co.bannock.id.us](http://www.co.bannock.id.us)

Population: 78,155  
Area: 1,148 square miles  
Commissioners meet Monday  
through Friday



Assessor	Jo Lynn Anderson(D)	(208) 236-7260
Clerk	Dale Hatch (D)	(208) 236-7342
Commissioner District 1	Lin Whitworth (D)	(208) 236-7211
Commissioner District 2	Steve Hadley (R)	(208) 236-7211
Commissioner District 3	*Larry Ghan (D)	(208) 236-7211
Coroner	Kim Quick (D)	(208) 243-1328
Prosecuting Attorney	Mark Hiedeman (D)	(208) 236-7280
Sheriff	Lorin Nielsen (D)	(208) 236-7116
Treasurer	Radene Barker (D)	(208) 236-7220

## BEAR LAKE COUNTY

Established January 5, 1875 with its county seat at Paris. Named for Bear Lake, which lies half in Idaho and half in Utah. In 1863 the first permanent settlement was at Paris, established by forty Mormon families who came in wagons, in ox carts and on foot over very difficult terrain from Cache Valley, Utah.

County Seat: Paris

Address: 7 East Center Street

Business Hours: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.bearlakecounty.info](http://www.bearlakecounty.info)

Population: 6,176  
Area: 1,050 square miles  
Commissioners meet on 2nd Monday



Assessor	Lynn Lewis (R)	(208) 945-2155
Clerk	Kerry Haddock (R)	(208) 945-2212
Commissioner District 1	Montain Kunz (R)	(208) 847-1625
Commissioner District 2	Dwight Cochran (R)	(208) 847-0606
Commissioner District 3	*Vaughn Rasmussen (R)	(208) 847-3053
Coroner	Leonard Matthews (R)	(208) 847-0451
Prosecuting Attorney	Ardee Helm (R)	(208) 847-0805
Sheriff	Brent Bunn (R)	(208) 945-2121
Treasurer	Rodney Wallentine (D)	(208) 945-2130

## BENEWAH COUNTY

Established January 23, 1915, with its county seat at St. Maries, by an act of the state legislature from the southern part of Kootenai County. Named for a Coeur d'Alene Indian chief. Some settlement began after the completion of the Mullan Road in 1860, but most settlers came to the area after the discovery of gold near St. Maries in 1880.

County Seat: St. Maries

Address: 701 College Ave.

Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Population: 9,218  
Area: 787 square miles  
Commissioners meet 2nd & 4th Monday



Assessor	Teresa Jeffrey (D)	(208) 245-2821
Clerk	J. Michelle Reynolds (D)	(208) 245-3212
Commissioner District 1	*Jack Buell (D)	(208) 245-3274
Commissioner District 2	Terry Doupe (D)	(208) 245-2234
Commissioner District 3	N.L. "Bud" McCall (D)	(208) 245-2234

Coroner  
 Prosecuting Attorney  
 Sheriff  
 Treasurer

Ronald Hodge (D)  
 Douglas Payne (D)  
 Robert Kirts (D)  
 Sara Renner (D)

(208) 245-2611  
 (208) 245-2564  
 (208) 245-2555  
 (208) 245-2421

## BINGHAM COUNTY

Established January 13, 1885, with its county seat at Blackfoot, from the east and north parts of Oneida County. Named by Territorial Governor William M. Bunn for his friend Henry Harrison Bingham, Pennsylvania Congressman. Fremont County was carved out of Bingham in 1893, Bonneville in 1911, Power in 1913, and Butte in 1917.

County Seat: Blackfoot  
 Address: 501 N. Maple Street  
 Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm  
 Website: [www.co.bingham.id.us](http://www.co.bingham.id.us)

Population: 43,739

Area: 2,183 square miles

Commissioners meet Monday through Friday



Assessor  
 Clerk  
 Commissioner District 1  
 Commissioner District 2  
 Commissioner District 3

Ronald Simmons (R)  
 Sara Staub (R)  
 Cleone Jolley (R)  
 \*Wayne Brower (R)  
 Errol Covington (R)  
 Kyle Lindsay (R)  
 J. Scott Andrew (R)  
 David Johnson  
 Janice Lawes (R)

(208) 782-3016  
 (208) 782-3160  
 (208) 782-3010  
 (208) 785-3011  
 (208) 782-3012  
 (208) 782-3153  
 (208) 782-3101  
 (208) 785-4440  
 (208) 782-3090

## BLAINE COUNTY

Established March 5, 1895 with Hailey as the county seat. Named for James G. Blaine, U.S. Secretary of State (1889-1892) under President Benjamin Harrison. The area was first explored in 1818 by Donald MacKenzie.

County Seat: Hailey  
 Address: 206 1st Avenue South  
 Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm  
 Website: [www.co.blaine.id.us](http://www.co.blaine.id.us)

Population: 21,116

Area: 2,655 square miles

Commissioners meet Tuesday and Thursday



Assessor  
 Clerk  
 Commissioner District 1  
 Commissioner District 2  
 Commissioner District 3  
 Coroner  
 Prosecuting Attorney  
 Sheriff  
 Treasurer

Valdi Pace (D)  
 JoLynn Drage (D)  
 Lawrence "Larry" Schoen (D)  
 \*Tom Bowman (D)  
 Sarah Michael (D)  
 Russell Mikel (R)  
 Jim Thomas (D)  
 J. Walt Femling (R)  
 Vicki Dick (R)

(208) 788-5535  
 (208) 788-5506  
 (208) 788-5500  
 (208) 788-5500  
 (208) 788-5500  
 (208) 578-1000  
 (208) 788-5545  
 (208) 788-5550  
 (208) 788-5530

## BOISE COUNTY

Established February 4, 1864 with its county seat at Idaho City. Named for the Boise River, which was named by French-Canadian explorers and trappers for the great variety of trees growing along its banks. The Boise Basin, in which Idaho City lies, was one of the richest gold mining districts in the nation after the discovery of gold in 1862. At its peak in the 1860s and 1870s Idaho City was for a time the largest city in the Northwest, it was this great influx of people that led to the establishment of the Idaho Territory.



County Seat: Idaho City

Address: 420 Main Street

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.co.boise.id.us](http://www.co.boise.id.us)

Population: 7,535

Area: 1,908 square miles

Commissioners meet 1st Tuesday, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Mondays

Assessor	Brent Adamson(D)	(208) 392-4415
Clerk	Constance "Conni" Swearingen(R)	(208) 392-4431
Commissioner District 1	Terry C. Day (R)	(208) 392-4431
Commissioner District 2	*Fred Lawson (R)	(208) 392-6636
Commissioner District 3	Linda Zimmer (R)	(208) 392-6636
Coroner	Pamela Garlock (R)	(208) 392-4411
Prosecuting Attorney	Timothy Flemming (R)	(208) 365-2106
Sheriff	Drew Bodie (R)	(208) 392-4411
Treasurer	Barbara Balding (R)	(208) 392-4441

## BONNER COUNTY

Established February 21, 1907 with its county seat at Sandpoint. It was named for Edwin L. Bonner, who in 1864 established a ferry on the Kootenai River where the town of Bonners Ferry is located. The ferry became an important site in emigrant travel between Walla Walla to the placer and quartz mines in British Columbia.

County Seat: Sandpoint

Address: 215 South First Avenue

Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.co.bonner.id.us](http://www.co.bonner.id.us)

Population: 40,908

Area: 1,737 square miles

Commissioners meet Monday through Friday

Assessor	Jerry Clemons (R)	(208) 265-1440
Clerk	Marie Scott (D)	(208) 265-1432
Commissioner District 1	Todd Crossett (D)	(208) 265-1438
Commissioner District 2	Joseph Young (R)	(208) 265-1438
Commissioner District 3	*Lewis Rich (R)	(208) 265-1438
Coroner	Kathryn Rose (R)	(208) 265-5274
Prosecuting Attorney	Philip Robinson (R)	(208) 263-6714
Sheriff	Elaine Savage (R)	(208) 263-8417
Treasurer	Cheryl Piehl (R)	(208) 265-1433



## BONNEVILLE COUNTY

Established February 7, 1911 by the state legislature from the north and east parts of Bingham County. Named for Capt. B.L.E. Bonneville, of the U.S. Army, who explored throughout the Snake River area in the 1830s. A settlement developed at the site of the Eagle Rock ferry on the Snake River in 1864, this settlement was to be known as Idaho Falls after 1891.

County Seat: Idaho Falls

Address: 605 N. Capital Avenue

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.co.bonneville.id.us](http://www.co.bonneville.id.us)

Population: 91,856

Area: 1,897 square miles

Commissioners meet Monday through Friday



Assessor	Blake Mueller (R)	(208) 529-1350
Clerk	Ronald Longmore (R)	(208) 529-1350
Commissioner District 1	*Roger Christensen (R)	(208) 529-1350
Commissioner District 2	Dave Radford (R)	(208) 529-1350
Commissioner District 3	Lee Staker (R)	(208) 529-1350
Coroner	Jonathan Walker (R)	(208) 390-8797
Prosecuting Attorney	Dane Watkins, Jr. (R)	(208) 529-1350
Sheriff	Byron Stommel (R)	(208) 529-1350
Treasurer	Mark Hansen (R)	(208) 529-1350

## BOUNDARY COUNTY

Established January 23, 1915 with its county seat at Bonners Ferry. It was so named because it borders Canada on the north, Washington on the west, and Montana on the east as well as Bonner County on the south.

County Seat: Bonners Ferry

Address: 6452 Kootenai Street

Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Population: 10,619

Area: 1,277 square miles

Commissioners meet on Monday and Tuesday



Website: [www.boundarycountyid.org](http://www.boundarycountyid.org)

Assessor	David Ryals (R)	(208) 267-3301
Clerk	Glenda Poston (R)	(208) 267-2242
Commissioner District 1	*Ron Smith (R)	(208) 267-7723
Commissioner District 2	Walt Kirby (R)	(208) 267-7723
Commissioner District 3	Dan Dinning (R)	(208) 267-7723
Coroner	Mick Mellett (D)	(208) 267-2146
Prosecuting Attorney	Jack Douglas (R)	(208) 267-7545
Sheriff	Greg Sprungl (R)	(208) 267-3151
Treasurer	Jennifer "Jenny" Fessler (R)	(208) 267-3291

## BUTTE COUNTY

Established February 6, 1917 with its county seat at Arco. It was named for the buttes that rise from the Snake River plain and served as landmarks to trappers and pioneers who traveled through the area. The first white men in the region were thought to be Donald MacKenzie and his Northwest Fur Company trappers in 1818.

County Seat: Arco

Address: 248 W. Grand Ave.

Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Population: 2,838

Area: 2,237 square miles

Commissioners meet on 2nd and 4th Mondays



Assessor	Laurie Gamett (R)	(208) 527-8288
Clerk	Trilby McAfee (R)	(208) 527-3021
Commissioner District 1	*Seth Beal (R)	(208) 527-3137
Commissioner District 2	John Traughber (R)	(208) 527-8226
Commissioner District 3	Mark Stauffer (R)	(208) 527-3229
Coroner	Chris Merrill (I)	(208) 527-3730
Prosecuting Attorney	Steve Stephens (R)	(208) 527-3458
Sheriff	Wes Collins (R)	(208) 527-8553
Treasurer	Lori Beck (R)	(208) 527-3047



## CAMAS COUNTY

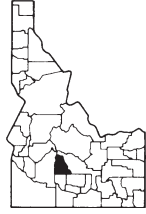
Established February 6, 1917 with its county seat at Fairfield. Named for the lily-like plant found in this area with an edible bulb used as a staple food by Indians and as hog fodder by settlers.

County Seat: Fairfield

Address: 501 Soldier Road

Business Hours: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Population: 1,050  
Area: 1,077 square miles  
Commissioners meet on 2nd  
Monday and 4th Tuesday



Assessor	Lynn McGuire (R)	(208) 764-2370
Clerk	Ford "Rollie" Bennett (R)	(208) 764-2242
Commissioner District 1	*William Davis (R)	(208) 764-2386
Commissioner District 2	Ronald Chapman (R)	(208) 764-2223
Commissioner District 3	Kenneth Backstrom (R)	(208) 764-2613
Coroner	Darla Boggs (R)	(208) 764-2653
Prosecuting Attorney	Calvin Campbell (R)	(208) 764-2251
Sheriff	David Sanders (R)	(208) 764-2809
Treasurer	Gayle Bachtell (R)	(208) 764-2126

## CANYON COUNTY

Established on March 7, 1891 with its county seat at Caldwell. Current sources attribute the name to the canyon of the Boise River near Caldwell. However, both John Rees and Vardis Fisher believed it named for the Snake River Canyon, which forms a natural boundary for the county. The Hudson's Bay Company established Fort Boise in 1834 near what is now Parma, but abandoned it in 1855. Emigrants traveled through Canyon County on the Oregon Trail.

County Seat: Caldwell

Address: 1115 Albany

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.canyoncounty.org](http://www.canyoncounty.org)

Population: 164,596

Area: 603 square miles

Commissioners meet Monday through Friday



Assessor	Gene Kuehn (R)	(208) 454-7431
Clerk	William "Bill" Hurst (R)	(208) 454-7556
Commissioner District 1	Steven Rule (R)	(208) 454-7507
Commissioner District 2	*Matt Beebe (R)	(208) 454-7507
Commissioner District 3	David Ferdinand (R)	(208) 454-7507
Coroner	Vicki DeGeus-Morris (R)	(208) 454-7523
Prosecuting Attorney	David Young (R)	(208) 454-7391
Sheriff	Chris Smith (R)	(208) 454-7510
Treasurer	Tracie Lloyd (R)	(208) 454-7354

## CARIBOU COUNTY

Established February 11, 1919 with its county seat at Soda Springs, the last county in Idaho to be created. Named for the Caribou Mountains, which in turn are named for Cariboo Fairchild, who had taken part in the gold rush in the Cariboo region of British Columbia in 1860. He discovered gold in this region two years later. This area was on the routes of the earliest explorers, fur trappers and Oregon Trail emigrants. Thousands of emigrants passed through the present site of Soda Springs, so named for the many effervescent natural springs in the area.

County Seat: Soda Springs

Address: 159 S. Main

Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Population: 7,131

Area: 1,799 square miles

Commissioners meet on 2nd & 4th Mondays



Assessor	Preston Phelps (R)	(208) 547-4749
Clerk	Veda Mascarenas (R)	(208) 547-4324
Commissioner District 1	Douglas Hogan (R)	(208) 547-4583
Commissioner District 2	Earl Somesen (R)	(208) 547-2292
Commissioner District 3	Lloyd Rasmussen (R)	(208) 547-4324
Coroner	F. Duayne Sims (R)	(208) 547-3742
Prosecuting Attorney	S. Criss James (R)	(208) 547-1930
Sheriff	Raymond VanVleet (D)	(208) 547-2561
Treasurer	Diane Crawford (R)	(208) 547-3726

## CASSIA COUNTY

Established February 20, 1879 with its county seat at Albion. The county boundaries were later reduced in 1913 by the creation of Twin Falls and Power counties. The county seat was changed to Burley on November 5, 1918. Named for Cassia Creek, which was named for one of two words: cajeaux, peasant French for raft; or James John Cazier, member of the LDS Church and of the Mormon Battalion, later a colorful captain of an emigrant train, whose name was corrupted to Cassia. Locally it is also believed that the name is derived from the name of a plant.



County Seat: Burley  
 Address: 1459 Overland Avenue  
 Business Hours: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm  
 Website: www.cassiacyoung.org

Population: 21,393  
 Area: 2,577 square miles  
 Commissioners meet every Monday

Assessor	Martell Holland (R)	(208) 878-3540
Clerk	Larry Mickelsen (R)	(208) 878-5231
Commissioner District 1	Paul Christensen (R)	(208) 678-2399
Commissioner District 2	Clay Handy (R)	(208) 878-7302
Commissioner District 3	*Dennis Crane (R)	(208) 878-7302
Coroner	Paul Young (R)	(208) 678-1455
Prosecuting Attorney	Alfred Barrus (R)	(208) 878-0419
Sheriff	James Higans (R)	(208) 878-1107
Treasurer	Gayle Erikson (R)	(208) 878-7202

## CLARK COUNTY

Established February 1, 1919 with its county seat at Dubois. Named for Sam K. Clark, early settler on Medicine Lodge Creek who became the first state senator from Clark County. The city of Dubois was named for U.S. Senator Fred Dubois, a prominent Idaho political figure in early history.



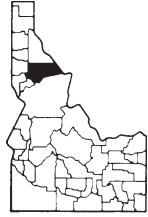
County Seat: Dubois  
 Address: 224 W Main Street  
 Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Population: 943  
 Area: 1,764 square miles  
 Commissioners meet on 2nd Monday

Assessor	Carrie May (R)	(208) 374-5404
Clerk	Lisa Black (R)	(208) 374-5304
Commissioner District 1	Michael Leonardson (R)	(208) 662-5400
Commissioner District 2	*Greg Shenton (R)	(208) 374-5274
Commissioner District 3	Allyn May (R)	(208) 374-5433
Coroner	Orvin Jorgensen (R)	(208) 374-5304
Prosecuting Attorney	Craig Simpson (R)	(208) 523-2000
Sheriff	Craig King (R)	(208) 374-5403
Treasurer	Velvet Killian (R)	(208) 374-5455

## CLEARWATER COUNTY

Established in February 27, 1911 with its county seat at Orofino. Named for the Clearwater River whose name was translated from the Nez Perce term Koos-Koos-Kai-Kai, describing clear water. In 1805, Lewis and Clark followed an old Indian trail between the north and middle forks of the Clearwater River and met the Nez Perce near the present site of Weippe. Gold was first discovered by E.D. Pierce in 1860 and Pierce City, the oldest mining town in Idaho came into existence.



County Seat: Orofino

Address: 150 Michigan Avenue

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.clearwatercounty.org](http://www.clearwatercounty.org)

Population: 8,373

Area: 2,488 square miles

Commissioners meet on Mondays

Assessor

Clerk

Commissioner District 1

Commissioner District 2

Commissioner District 3

Coroner

Prosecuting Attorney

Sheriff

Treasurer

Mellisa Stewart (D)

Robin Christensen (D)

\*Don Ebert (D)

Stan Leach (R)

John Allen (D)

Thomas Atkinson, Jr., R.N.(R)

Clayne Tyler (D)

Alan Hengen (R)

Jeannie Johnson (D)

(208) 476-7042

(208) 476-5615

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(208) 476-3615

(208) 476-3376

(208) 476-5611

(208) 476-4521

(208) 476-5213

## CUSTER COUNTY

Established January 8, 1881 with its county seat at Challis. Named for the General Custer Mine, which was named in honor of General George Custer who died at the Battle of Little Bighorn. Its history begins with fur traders and pathfinders as early as 1824; later in the 1860s and 1870s prospectors and miners came. It contains portions of the Sawtooth, Salmon River, White Cloud, Pioneer, Lost River, and White Knob mountains and contains the highest peaks in the state.



County Seat: Challis

Address: 801 Main Street

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.co.custer.id.us](http://www.co.custer.id.us)

Population: 4,077

Area: 4,938 square miles

Commissioners meet on 2nd and 4th Mondays

Assessor

Clerk

Commissioner District 1

Commissioner District 2

Commissioner District 3

Coroner

Prosecuting Attorney

Sheriff

Treasurer

Christine "Chris" James (R)

Barbara Breedlove (R)

Wayne Butts (R)

Cliff Hansen (R)

\*Lin Hintze (D)

Vicki Armbruster (R)

Curt Thomsen (R)

Timothy Eikens (R)

Sandra James (R)

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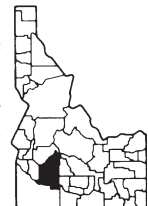
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(208) 879-2330

## ELMORE COUNTY

Established February 7, 1889 with its county seat at Rocky Bar. Named for the Ida Elmore Mines, the area's greatest silver and gold producer of the 1860s. The Oregon Trail crossed the Snake River at Three Island Crossing near Glenns Ferry. A station on the Overland Stage route, originally named Rattlesnake, was moved to the railroad line and became Mountain Home. On February 4, 1891 the county seat was moved to Mountain Home.



County Seat: Mountain Home  
 Address: 150 South 4th East  
 Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm  
 Website: [www.elmorecounty.org](http://www.elmorecounty.org)

Population: 28,632  
 Area: 3,103 square miles  
 Commissioners meet on Mondays

Assessor	Jo Gridley (D)	(208) 587-2126
Clerk	Marsa Grimmett (R)	(208) 587-2130
Commissioner District 1	Arlie Shaw (R)	(208) 587-7485
Commissioner District 2	*Larry Rose (R)	(208) 366-2226
Commissioner District 3	Connie Crusier (D)	(208) 587-4630
Coroner	Jerry Rost (R)	(208) 587-6981
Prosecuting Attorney	Kristina Schindele (R)	(208) 587-2144
Sheriff	Rick Layher (R)	(208) 587-2121
Treasurer	Rose Plympton (D)	(208) 587-2138

## FRANKLIN COUNTY

Established January 30, 1913 with its county seat at Preston. Named for the first settler in Idaho, Franklin, which in turn was named for Franklin Richards, an apostle of the Mormon church. The settlement began in Franklin county in 1860 with thirteen families.

County Seat: Preston  
 Address: 39 W. Oneida  
 Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Population: 12,371  
 Area: 667 square miles

Commissioners meet on 2nd & 4th  
 Mondays



Assessor	Richard Umbel (D)	(208) 852-1091
Clerk	Elliott Larsen (R)	(208) 852-1090
Commissioner District 1	*Richard Westerberg (R)	(208) 852-1090
Commissioner District 2	Dal Von "Mick" Atkinson (R)	(208) 852-1090
Commissioner District 3	Dirk Bowles (R)	(208) 221-1398
Coroner	Douglas Webb (R)	(208) 852-0533
Prosecuting Attorney	R. Todd Garbett (R)	(208) 852-9119
Sheriff	Don Beckstead (R)	(208) 852-1234
Treasurer	Jeanette McKay (R)	(208) 852-1095

## FREMONT COUNTY

Established March 4, 1893 with its county seat at St. Anthony. Named for John C. Fremont, an explorer known as the "Pathfinder" who passed through the area in 1843. The first settlement in the county was Egin Bench in 1879.

County Seat: St. Anthony  
 Address: 151 West 1st North  
 Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Population: 12,242  
 Area: 1,894 square miles

Commissioners meet on 2nd & 4th  
 Mondays



Website: [www.co.fremont.id.us](http://www.co.fremont.id.us)

Assessor	Kathy Thompson (R)	(208) 624-7984
Clerk	Abbie Mace (R)	(208) 624-7332
Commissioner District 1	Ronald "Skip" Hurt (R)	(208) 624-4271
Commissioner District 2	*Donald Trupp (R)	(208) 458-4219
Commissioner District 3	Paul Romrell (R)	(208) 624-4271
Coroner	Dennis Birch (R)	(208) 390-2273
Prosecuting Attorney	Karl Lewies (R)	(208) 624-4418
Sheriff	Ralph Davis (R)	(208) 624-4482
Treasurer	Patricia McCoy (D)	(208) 624-3361

## GEM COUNTY

Established March 19, 1915 with its county seat at Emmett. Named for the state nickname, "Gem State." Fur trappers were in the area as early as 1818 and Alexander Ross explored Squaw Creek in 1824. Prospectors and miners moved through the county in 1862 in route to the gold rush in the Boise Basin, and by the next year irrigation began along the Payette River.

County Seat: Emmett

Address: 415 E. Main Street

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.co.gem.id.us](http://www.co.gem.id.us)

Population: 16,276

Area: 564 square miles

Commissioners meet on Mondays and Tuesdays



Assessor

Clerk

Commissioner District 1

Commissioner District 2

Commissioner District 3

Coroner

Prosecuting Attorney

Sheriff

Treasurer

Greg Himes (R)

Shelly Gannon (R)

\*Sharon Church-Pratt (R)

Lan Smith (R)

Michele Sherrer (R)

John Buck (R)

Timothy Fleming (R)

Clint Short (R)

Connie Goins (R)

(208) 365-2982

(208) 365-4561

(208) 365-4561

(208) 447-2018

(208) 477-2017

(208) 365-4491

(208) 365-2106

(208) 365-3521

(208) 365-3272

## GOODING COUNTY

Established January 28, 1913 with its county seat at Gooding. Named for Frank R. Gooding, pioneer sheep rancher, early mayor of the city of Gooding, later Idaho governor and U.S. Senator. Mountain men and fur traders trapped the Malad River extensively in the early 1800s. Settlers came to the rich agricultural lands of the Hagerman Valley in the 1860s.

County Seat: Gooding

Address: 624 Main Street

Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Assessor

Clerk

Commissioner District 1

Commissioner District 2

Commissioner District 3

Coroner

Prosecuting Attorney

Sheriff

Treasurer

Population: 14,461

Area: 733 square miles

Commissioners meet 2nd and 4th Mondays

Patty Bauscher (R)

Denise Gill (R)

Helen Edwards (R)

\*Tom Faulkner (R)

Terrell Williams (R)

Gary Loder (R)

Calvin Campbell (R)

Shaun Gough (R)

Christine "Tine" Wines (R)

(208) 934-5666

(208) 934-4841

(208) 934-4022

(208) 934-4841

(208) 934-4841

(208) 934-4406

(208) 934-4493

(208) 934-4421

(208) 934-5673



## IDAHO COUNTY

Established February 4, 1864 by the First Idaho Territorial Legislature with its county seat at Florence. In 1861 it had been established as the third county of the Washington Territory. Named for the steamer *Idaho* that was launched June 9, 1860 on the Columbia River and served miners during the gold rush in north Idaho. In 1875 Mount Idaho was named the county seat, in 1902 the county seat was moved to Grangeville following a 10-year struggle between Grangeville and Mount Idaho.

County Seat: Grangeville

Address: 320 W. Main

Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.idahocounty.org](http://www.idahocounty.org)

Population: 15,697

Area: 8,503 square miles

Commissioners meet on Mondays



Assessor	James Zehner (R)	(208) 983-2742
Clerk	Rose Gehring (R)	(208) 983-2751
Commissioner District 1	Skip Brandt (R)	(208) 983-2751
Commissioner District 2	*Randy Doman (D)	(208) 983-2441
Commissioner District 3	Jim Rehder (D)	(208) 983-2751
Coroner	Steven Frei (R)	(208) 983-9957
Prosecuting Attorney	Kirk MacGregor (R)	(208) 983-0166
Sheriff	Larry Dasenbrock (R)	(208) 983-1100
Treasurer	Sharon Cox (D)	(208) 983-2801

## JEFFERSON COUNTY

Established February 18, 1913 with its county seat at Rigby. Named for Thomas Jefferson, third president of the United States. The first settlers were Mormons who constructed irrigation systems.

County Seat: Rigby

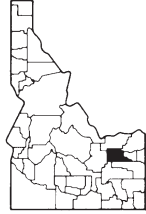
Address: 134 N. Clark

Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Population: 21,580

Area: 1,106 square miles

Commissioners meet 2nd & 4th Mondays



Website: [www.co.jefferson.id.us](http://www.co.jefferson.id.us)

Assessor	Joyce Briggs (R)	(208) 745-9215
Clerk	Christine Boulter (R)	(208) 745-7756
Commissioner District 1	*Brett Olaveson (R)	(208) 745-8544
Commissioner District 2	R. Tad Hegsted (R)	(208) 754-9373
Commissioner District 3	Ron Baxter (R)	(208) 663-4635
Coroner	LaVar Summers (R)	(208) 663-4630
Prosecuting Attorney	Robin Dunn (R)	(208) 745-9202
Sheriff	Blair Olsen (R)	(208) 745-9210
Treasurer	DeAnn Madsen (R)	(208) 745-9219

## JEROME COUNTY

Established February 8, 1919 with its county seat at Jerome. Three sources for the name are commonly given: Jerome Hill, one of the developers of North Side Irrigation Project; his grandson, Jerome Kuhn, Jr.; or his son-in-law, Jerome Kuhn. All were important to the growth of the county.

County Seat: Jerome

Address: 300 N. Lincoln

Business Hours: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.jeromecounty.org](http://www.jeromecounty.org)

Population: 19,638

Area: 605 square miles

Commissioners meet on Mondays



Assessor	Rick Haberman (R)	(208) 644-2740
Clerk	Michelle Emerson (R)	(208) 644-2714
Commissioner District 1	Diana Obenauer (R)	(208) 644-2714
Commissioner District 2	*Charles Howell (R)	(208) 644-2700
Commissioner District 3	Joseph Davidson (R)	(208) 644-2703
Coroner	Gerald "Jerry" Ostler (R)	(208) 324-2566
Prosecuting Attorney	J.O. "Jon" Nicholson III (R)	(208) 644-2630
Sheriff	Jim Weaver (R)	(208) 644-2770
Treasurer	Mary Childers (R)	(208) 644-2720

## KOOTENAI COUNTY

Established December 22, 1864 by the Second Territorial Legislature with Seneaqueuten, a trading post below Lake Pend Oreille, as the county seat. Rathdrum replaced Seneaqueuten as county seat in 1881 and Coeur d'Alene replaced Rathdrum in 1908. Named for the Kutenai Indians who inhabited the area when the white man arrived. The word is derived from the Kutenai word meaning "water people."



County Seat: Coeur d'Alene

Population: 127,668

Address: 451 Government Way

Area: 1,310 square miles

Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Commissioners meet Monday through Friday

Website: [www.kcgov.us](http://www.kcgov.us)

Assessor	Michael McDowell (R)	(208) 446-1500
Clerk	Daniel English (D)	(208) 446-1650
Commissioner District 1	Todd Tondee (R)	(208) 446-1600
Commissioner District 2	*Elmer "Rick" Currie (R)	(208) 446-1600
Commissioner District 3	Rich Piazza (R)	(208) 446-1600
Coroner	Robert West, M.D. (R)	(208) 446-2199
Prosecuting Attorney	Bill Douglas (R)	(208) 446-1800
Sheriff	Rocky Watson (R)	(208) 446-1300
Treasurer	Tom Malzahn (R)	(208) 446-1005

## LATAH COUNTY

Established May 14, 1888 with its county seat at Moscow. This area was first formed as Lah-Toh County in 1864 with Coeur d'Alene as the county seat, in 1867 the name Lah-Toh was dropped when the area was placed in Nez Perce County. In 1888 the U.S. Congress created the county as we know it, the 16th Idaho county and the only Idaho county to be created by Congress. Named for Latah Creek, which drains the northwest corner. The name is NezPerce and means "the place of pine trees and pestle," because the Indians found stones here suitable for pulverizing camas roots and shade under the pine trees in which to work.



County Seat: Moscow

Population: 34,714

Address: 522 South Adams

Area: 1,077 square miles

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Commissioners meet on Mondays & Wednesdays

Website: [www.latah.id.us](http://www.latah.id.us)

Assessor	Patrick Vaughan (D)	(208) 883-5710
Clerk	Susan Peterson (R)	(208) 883-2249
Commissioner District 1	Jennifer Barrett (D)	(208) 883-2272
Commissioner District 2	Tom Stroschein (D)	(208) 883-2275
Commissioner District 3	*John "Jack" Nelson (R)	(208) 883-2271
Coroner	Cathy Mabbutt (D)	(208) 882-8637
Prosecuting Attorney	Bill Thompson (D)	(208) 883-2246
Sheriff	Wayne Rausch (R)	(208) 882-2216
Treasurer	Leslie Proctor (R)	(208) 883-2296

## LEMHI COUNTY

Established January 9, 1869 with its county seat at Salmon. Named for Fort Lemhi, the L.D.S. Salmon River Mission, which was named for King Lemhi in the Book of Mormon. Lewis and Clark were the first white men in this area.

County Seat: Salmon

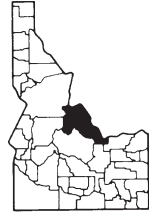
Address: 206 Courthouse Dr.

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Population: 7,806

Area: 4,571 square miles

Commissioners meet on 2nd and  
4th Mondays



Website: [www.lemhicountyidaho.org](http://www.lemhicountyidaho.org)

Assessor

Clerk

Commissioner District 1

Commissioner District 2

Commissioner District 3

Coroner

Prosecuting Attorney

Sheriff

Treasurer

R.J. Smith (R)

Terri Morton (R)

Robert Cope (I)

\*Richard Snyder (R)

Brett Barsalou (R)

Mike Mitchell (R)

P. Bruce Withers (R)

Sam Slavin (R)

Mary Ann Heiser (R)

(208) 756-3116

(208) 756-2815

(208) 756-2124

(208) 768-2714

(208) 756-2567

(208) 765-3203

(208) 756-2009

(208) 756-8980

(208) 756-2816

## LEWIS COUNTY

Established March 3, 1911 with its county seat at Nezperce. Named for Meriwether Lewis of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. The Nez Perce Indians made this area their home and knew no whites until the Lewis and Clark expedition, the expedition spent a month in the Clearwater River Valley near the town of Kamiah on its return from the Pacific Coast in May 1806.

County Seat: Nezperce

Address: 510 Oak Street

Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.lewiscountyid.org](http://www.lewiscountyid.org)

Population: 3,750

Area: 480 square miles

Commissioners meet each Monday



Assessor

Clerk

Commissioner District 1

Commissioner District 2

Commissioner District 3

Coroner

Prosecuting Attorney

Sheriff

Treasurer

Leslie Snyder (D)

Cathy Larson (D)

\*Charles Doty (D)

Carroll Keith (R)

Don Davis (R)

C. Robert Pratt (D)

Kimron Torgerson (I)

Phil Steen (R)

Pauline Malone (D)

(208) 937-2261

(208) 937-2661

(208) 935-0049

(208) 937-2620

(208) 937-2661

(208) 937-2447

(208) 937-2271

(208) 937-2447

(208) 937-2341

## LINCOLN COUNTY

Established March 18, 1895 with its county seat at Shoshone. Lincoln was much larger originally, in 1913 Gooding and Minidoka took about half the original Lincoln County, after the creation of Jerome in 1919, Lincoln was left with only 1,206 square miles. Named for President Abraham Lincoln, the sixteenth president of the United States, under whose administration the Idaho Territory was established.

County Seat: Shoshone

Address: 111 West B Street

Business Hours: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Assessor

Clerk

Population: 4,044

Area: 1,206 square miles

Commissioners meet on 2nd & 4th Mondays

Linda Jones (R)

Liz Kime (R)

(208) 886-2161

(208) 886-7641





Commissioner District 1	Jay Loesche (R)	(208) 308-0013
Commissioner District 2	Lawrence Calkins (R)	(208) 886-7641
Commissioner District 3	*Jerry Nance (R)	(208) 886-7641
Coroner	Keith Davis, M.D. (R)	(208) 886-2224
Prosecuting Attorney	E. Scott Paul (R)	(208) 886-2454
Sheriff	Kent McBride (R)	(208) 886-2250
Treasurer	Cathy Gilbert (R)	(208) 886-7681

## MADISON COUNTY

Established February 18, 1913 with its county seat at Rexburg. Named for President James Madison, the fourth president of the United States. First settlers in the county were Mormon families from Utah, who built the first irrigation system.

County Seat: Rexburg

Address: 134 E Main Street

Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Population: 30,975

Area: 473 square miles

Commissioners meet on 2nd & 4th

Mondays

Website: [www.co.madison.id.us](http://www.co.madison.id.us)

Assessor	Brent Saurey (R)	(208) 356-3071
Clerk	Marilyn Rasmussen (R)	(208) 359-6200
Commissioner District 1	Kimber Ricks (R)	(208) 356-8824
Commissioner District 2	*Ralph Robison (R)	(208) 390-3110
Commissioner District 3	Robert Hansen (R)	(208) 356-0271
Coroner	Rick Davis (R)	(208) 356-1253
Prosecuting Attorney	Sid Brown (R)	(208) 356-7768
Sheriff	Roy Klingler (R)	(208) 356-5426
Treasurer	Sherry Arnold (R)	(208) 359-6232



## MINIDOKA COUNTY

Established January 28, 1913 with its county seat at Rupert. Named directly for the first settlement, Minidoka, a railroad siding. The name is Indian, but the exact meaning is in dispute. Some believe that Minidoka means “well, spring” but there was not a source of water such as a well or spring until 1946. Others say the word is Shoshoni and means “broad expanse,” because the broadest portion of the Snake River Plain lies here.

County Seat: Rupert

Address: 715 G Street

Business Hours: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Website: [www.minidoka.id.us](http://www.minidoka.id.us)

Population: 19,014

Area: 762 square miles

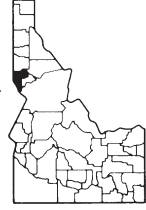
Commissioners meet on first four Mondays

Assessor	Max Vaughn (R)	(208) 436-7181
Clerk	Duane Smith (R)	(208) 436-9511
Commissioner District 1	Robert Moore (R)	(208) 678-2258
Commissioner District 2	*Daniel Stapelman (R)	(208) 438-5894
Commissioner District 3	Lynn Hunsaker (R)	(208) 431-1974
Coroner	Joel Heward (R)	(208) 436-9381
Prosecuting Attorney	Jason Walker (R)	(208) 436-7187
Sheriff	Kevin Halverson (R)	(208) 434-2320
Treasurer	Laura Twiss (R)	(208) 436-7188



## NEZ PERCE COUNTY

Established February 4, 1864 by the Idaho Territorial Legislature with its county seat at Lewiston. Named for the Nez Perce Indians who occupied the area before the white man. Previously established by the Territorial Legislature of Washington in 1861. This was one of the four original Idaho counties in 1863 from which all 44 have been carved. The present boundaries of Nez Perce County were set in 1911. Lewis and Clark were the first white men in the area in 1805. Lewiston served as the territorial capital for twenty-two months before the capital was moved to Boise.



County Seat: Lewiston

Population: 37,931

Address: 1230 Main Street

Area: 855 square miles

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Commissioners meet Monday through Friday

Website: [www.co.nezperce.id.us](http://www.co.nezperce.id.us)

Assessor

Daniel Anderson (D) (208) 799-3010

Clerk

Patty Weeks (D) (208) 799-3020

Commissioner District 1

J.R. VanTassel (D) (208) 799-3090

Commissioner District 2

\*Ronald Wittman (D) (208) 799-1109

Commissioner District 3

Douglas Zenner (R) (208) 799-3090

Coroner

Gary Gilliam (D) (208) 799-3074

Prosecuting Attorney

Daniel Spickler (R) (208) 799-3073

Sheriff

Jim Dorion (D) (208) 799-3131

Treasurer

Barbara Fry (D) (208) 799-3030

## ONEIDA COUNTY

Established January 22, 1864 with its county seat at Soda Springs. In 1866 it was moved to Malad City, because of its growth and its location on the stagecoach line and freight road between Corinne, Utah, and the mines in Butte, Montana. Named for Lake Oneida, New York, the area from which most of the early settlers had emigrated.



County Seat: Malad

Population: 4,209

Address: 10 Court Street

Area: 1,202 square miles

Business Hours: 9:00 to 5:00 pm

Commissioners meet on 2nd Monday and 4th Tuesday

Website: [www.co.oneida.id.us](http://www.co.oneida.id.us)

Assessor

Dixie Hubbard (R) (208) 766-4116

Clerk

Shirlee Blaisdell (D) (208) 766-4116

Commissioner District 1

Gerald Goodenough (D) (208) 766-4116

Commissioner District 2

\*Dallan Nalder (R) (208) 698-3532

Commissioner District 3

Joe Daniels (D) (208) 766-4545

Coroner

Spence Horsley (R) (208) 766-4330

Prosecuting Attorney

Dustin Smith (R) (208) 766-2201

Sheriff

Jeffery Semrad (R) (208) 766-2251

Treasurer

Dianne Pett (R) (208) 766-2962

## OWYHEE COUNTY

Established December 31, 1863 with its county seat at Ruby City. This was the first county to be established by the first Territorial Legislature. In 1867 the county seat was moved to Silver City and in 1934 to Murphy. Named for the river, mountains and mining area explored by Hawaiian fur trappers in 1819-1820. Hawaii and Owyhee are different spellings of the same word. Gold was discovered on Jordan Creek in 1863, and millions of dollars of gold and silver were taken from the Silver City region until the industry declined in the early 1900s.



County Seat: Murphy  
 Address: HC 79, Mile Marker 29.5 Hwy 78  
 Business Hours: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm  
 Website: [www.owyheecounty.net](http://www.owyheecounty.net)

Population: 11,703  
 Area: 7,666 square miles  
 Commissioners meet on 1st & 4th Mondays

Assessor	Brett Endicott (R)	(208) 495-9866
Clerk	Charlotte Sherburn (R)	(208) 495-2421
Commissioner District 1	Jerry Hoagland (R)	(208) 495-2421
Commissioner District 2	Harold Tolmie (R)	(208) 495-2421
Commissioner District 3	*Richard "Dick" Freund (R)	(208) 495-2172
Coroner	Harvey Grimme (R)	(208) 896-4647
Prosecuting Attorney	Matthew Faulks (R)	(208) 495-1153
Sheriff	Gary Aman (R)	(208) 495-1154
Treasurer	Brenda Richards (R)	(208) 495-1158

## PAYETTE COUNTY

Established February 28, 1917 with its county seat at Payette. Named for the Payette River which was named for Francois Payette, a Canadian fur trapper and explorer with the North West Company, who came to this county in 1818. He was the first white man in the area and brought the first cattle. Boomerang, which was named for the log boom on the Payette river, was constructed as a railroad camp in 1883 and later changed its name to Payette.



County Seat: Payette  
 Address: 1130 3rd Avenue North  
 Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm  
 Website: [www.payettecounty.org](http://www.payettecounty.org)

Population: 22,197  
 Area: 403 square miles  
 Commissioners meet on Mondays

Assessor	Robert MacKenzie (R)	(208) 642-6012
Clerk	Betty Dressen (R)	(208) 642-6000
Commissioner District 1	*Rudy Endrikat (R)	(208) 642-3910
Commissioner District 2	Marc Shigeta (R)	(208) 278-3770
Commissioner District 3	Larry Church (R)	(208) 452-3985
Coroner	Keith Schuller (R)	(208) 452-3377
Prosecuting Attorney	Brian Lee (R)	(208) 642-6096
Sheriff	Charles "Chad" Huff (R)	(208) 642-6006
Treasurer	Donna Peterson (R)	(208) 642-6004

## POWER COUNTY

Established on January 30, 1913 with its county seat at American Falls. Named for the American Falls Power Plant. American Falls was the first settlement in the county and was a frequent camping place on the Oregon Trail. It became a railroad station when the Oregon Short Line was built across southern Idaho.



County Seat: American Falls  
 Address: 543 Bannock Avenue  
 Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Population: 7,753  
 Area: 1,442 square miles  
 Commissioners meet on 2nd & 4th Mondays

Assessor	Douglas Glascock (D)	(208) 226-7616
Clerk	Christine Steinlicht (D)	(208) 226-7611
Commissioner District 1	Ronald Funk (R)	(208) 226-5900
Commissioner District 2	Vicki Meadows (D)	(208) 226-2041
Commissioner District 3	*Ken Estep (R)	(208) 226-7610
Coroner	Mark Rose (R)	(208) 226-2147

Prosecuting Attorney	Paul Laggis (D)	(208) 226-1230
Sheriff	Jim "J.J." Jeffries (D)	(208) 226-2311
Treasurer	Bobbie Mauch (R)	(208) 226-7614

## SHOSHONE COUNTY

Established February 4, 1864 with its county seat at Pierce. In 1885 the county seat was moved to Murray, in 1890 to Osburn, and finally to Wallace in 1893. The first organized unit of government within Idaho boundaries, created and named for the Shoshoni Indians in 1858 by the Washington Territorial Legislature as part of Washington, effective in 1861.



County Seat: Wallace	Population: 13,157
Address: 700 Bank Street	Area: 2,640 square miles
Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm	Commissioners meet Monday through Wednesday
Assessor	Jerry White (D) (208) 752-1202
Clerk	Peggy DeLange-White (D) (208) 752-1264
Commissioner District 1	Vince Rinaldi (D) (208) 752-3331
Commissioner District 2	*Sherry Krulitz (D) (208) 752-3331
Commissioner District 3	Jon Cantamessa (D) (208) 752-3331
Coroner	Lonny Duce (D) (208) 786-5121
Prosecuting Attorney	Michael Peacock (D) (208) 752-1106
Sheriff	Chuck Reynolds (D) (208) 556-1114
Treasurer	Ellen Sauer (D) (208) 752-1261

## TETON COUNTY

Established January 26, 1915, with its county seat at Driggs. It was named for the adjacent Teton mountains and valley. The valley was formerly known as Pierre's Hole where Indians held their councils and trappers met for their rendezvous.



County Seat: Driggs	Population: 7,756
Address: 89 North Main	Area: 450 square miles
Business Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm	Commissioners meet on 2nd & 4th Mondays

Website: [www.tetoncounty.com](http://www.tetoncounty.com)

Assessor	Bonnie Beard (D)	(208) 354-3507
Clerk	Mary Lou Hansen (D)	(208) 354-2905
Commissioner District 1	Alice Stevenson (D)	(208) 354-8775
Commissioner District 2	Mark Trupp (R)	(208) 354-8358
Commissioner District 3	*Larry Young (D)	(208) 354-8775
Coroner	Tim Melcher (R)	(208) 709-7426
Prosecuting Attorney	Bart Birch (R)	(208) 354-0115
Sheriff	Kim Cooke (R)	(208) 354-2323
Treasurer	Bonnie Hatch (D)	(208) 354-2254

## TWIN FALLS COUNTY

Established February 21, 1907 with its county seat at Twin Falls. Named for the nearby waterfalls on the Snake River. A station line was established at Rock Creek in 1864 for the Ben Holladay Stage Line. The Twin Falls South Side project brought water to thousands of acres of arid land in 1904 and became one of the most successful of the Carey Act irrigation projects.



County Seat: Twin Falls	Population: 69,419
Address: 425 Shoshone St. N.	Area: 1,957 square miles

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm  
Website: [www.twinfallscounty.org](http://www.twinfallscounty.org)

Commissioners meet Monday through Friday

Assessor	Gerald Bowden (R)	(208) 736-4010
Clerk	Kristina Glascock (R)	(208) 736-4004
Commissioner District 1	Terry Kramer (R)	(208) 736-4068
Commissioner District 2	Tom Mikesell (R)	(208) 736-4068
Commissioner District 3	George Urie (R)	(208) 736-4068
Coroner	Dennis Chambers (R)	(208) 539-3166
Prosecuting Attorney	Grant Loebs (R)	(208) 736-4020
Sheriff	Wayne Tousley (I)	(208) 736-4177
Treasurer	Debbie Kauffman (R)	(208) 736-4008

## VALLEY COUNTY

Established February 26, 1917 with its county seat at Cascade. Named for the outstanding topographical feature of the area, Long Valley. Fur trappers were the first white men in the area but permanent settlement did not take place until the 1880s when livestock ranchers moved into Long Valley.

County Seat: Cascade

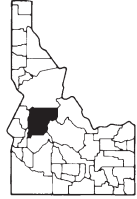
Population: 8,832

Address: 219 N. Main Street

Area: 3,733 square miles

Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Commissioners meet on 1st, 2nd &  
4th Mondays



Assessor	Karen Campbell (R)	(208) 382-7126
Clerk	Archie Banbury (R)	(208) 382-7101
Commissioner District 1	Gerald "Jerry" Winkle (R)	(208) 382-7100
Commissioner District 2	Gordon Cruickshank (R)	(208) 634-2686
Commissioner District 3	Frank Eld (D)	(208) 325-5000
Coroner	Marvin Heikkila (R)	(208) 634-2220
Prosecuting Attorney	Matthew Williams (R)	(208) 382-7121
Sheriff	Patti Bolen (R)	(208) 382-7150
Treasurer	Glenna Young (R)	(208) 382-7110

## WASHINGTON COUNTY

Established February 20, 1879 with its county seat at Weiser. Named for George Washington, the first president of the United States. Donald MacKenzie was one of the first white men in the area in 1811. Settlers came in the 1860s after gold was discovered in the area.

County Seat: Weiser

Population: 10,098

Business Hours: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Area: 1,474 square miles

Address: 256 E. Court

Commissioners meet on Mondays

Website: [www.co.washington.id.us](http://www.co.washington.id.us)



Assessor	George Plischke (R)	(208) 414-2000
Clerk	Sharon Widner (R)	(208) 414-2789
Commissioner District 1	*Diana Thomas (R)	(208) 414-2789
Commissioner District 2	Rick Michael (R)	(208) 414-2092
Commissioner District 3	Roy Mink (R)	(208) 414-2789
Coroner	Robert Thomason (R)	(208) 414-1234
Prosecuting Attorney	Charles Kroll (R)	(208) 414-1652
Sheriff	Marvin Williams (R)	(208) 414-2121
Treasurer	Ann Frei (R)	(208) 414-0324

