

Labor Market of the Silver Valley



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The table below compares median wages in the Idaho Panhandle to wages in the United States from the U.S. Occupational Employment and Wage Survey conducted in 2008. “Median” means half of the people in that occupation were paid more and half were paid less.

| Median Hourly Wages | North Idaho | United States |
|--|--------------------|----------------------|
| <i>All Occupations</i> | \$13.63 | \$15.57 |
| Assemblers, Team | \$9.59 | \$12.32 |
| Bookkeepers & Accounting Clerks | \$13.56 | \$15.63 |
| Carpenters | \$15.20 | \$18.72 |
| Clerks, File | \$11.16 | \$11.44 |
| Clerks, General Office | \$10.77 | \$12.17 |
| Computer Support Specialists | \$17.35 | \$20.89 |
| Customer Service Representatives | \$11.93 | \$14.36 |
| Data Entry Keyers | \$12.53 | \$13.04 |
| Electricians | \$20.17 | \$22.32 |
| Forklift Operators | \$13.66 | \$14.78 |
| Helpers--Production Workers | \$10.60 | \$11.21 |
| Interviewers | \$13.11 | \$13.53 |
| Janitors | \$9.39 | \$10.31 |
| Laborers & Freight, Stock, & Material Movers | \$10.60 | \$11.87 |
| Machinists | \$15.92 | \$17.41 |
| Millwrights | \$18.54 | \$22.87 |
| Order Clerks | \$12.89 | \$13.46 |
| Packers & Packagers, Hand | \$8.15 | \$9.16 |
| Nurses, Registered | \$26.56 | \$30.03 |
| Receptionists & Information Clerks | \$10.30 | \$11.80 |
| Secretaries | \$11.61 | \$13.96 |
| Security Guards | \$10.47 | \$11.28 |
| Shipping & Receiving Clerks | \$11.63 | \$13.30 |
| Stock Clerks & Order Fillers | \$11.07 | \$11.13 |
| Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services | \$12.19 | \$13.27 |
| Welders, Cutters, Solderers, & Brazers | \$14.19 | \$16.13 |