

IDAHO

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Idaho is a constituent state located in the Pacific Northwest region of the Western United States. Idaho is nicknamed *The Gem State*, due to the numerous unique minerals that have been discovered throughout the state. The Star Garnet is the state gem. Idaho is one of only two sites in the world – the other being India – where the star garnet can be found, making this kind extremely remarkable.

It shares borders with the U.S. states of Montana and Wyoming to the east, Utah, and Nevada to the south, Oregon and Washington to the west, and the Canadian province of British Columbia to the north.

Boise is the capital and largest city in Idaho with more than 200,000 residents.

Idaho's agricultural industry produces a variety of products, but the state is quite famous for its potato production, which accounts for around one-third of the national supply. The fun fact is that Idaho is home to the world's largest potato chip, which is on display at Idaho Potato Museum. This Big Pringles Potato Chip is exhibited in a display case and is one of the best assets of Idaho's museum. It is dedicated to honoring the history of potatoes as the state's most important vegetable crop.

With an area of 216,443 sq mi (216,443 km), it ranks 14th among the fifty U.S. states in terms of the total area. The population of the state, as recorded in the United States Census 2020 is 1,839,106. It is the seventh least densely populated and the thirteenth least populous.

Before European colonization, Idaho has been inhabited by native peoples for at least 10,000 years. Idaho was formerly part of Oregon territory, which was claimed by Spain first, then by Russia, Great Britain, and the United States. Idaho was considered part of the Oregon Country, a disputed area between the United States and the British Empire. The Oregon Treaty of 1846 officially established Idaho as a U.S. territory, but a separate Idaho Territory was not established until 1863. Instead, the state was divided between the Oregon Territory and the Washington Territory from 1853 to 1859. Idaho was admitted to the Union as the 43rd state on July 3, 1890.

Idaho is where the first television was invented. The Farnsworth TV & Pioneer Museum is known as the "Birthplace of Television."

In 1989, Idaho declared the Square Dance to be the official state dance. The state fruit is Wild huckleberry, whereas the state fish is Cutthroat trout.

Idaho expanded its agriculture and industries, and also promoted its natural environment in the late 20th century. Manufacturing, forestry, mining, agricultural, and tourist sectors all contribute significantly to the state's economy. The state attracts more than 20 million tourists each year because of its variety of magnificent mountains, lakes, rivers, and outdoor attractions.

Idaho's state flower is *Syringa*, and the state bird is the Mountain bluebird.

"Here We Have Idaho" is the state's official song, whereas the state motto is "Esto Perpetua" from the

Latin meaning "Be Eternal".

The official language of Idaho is English.

