

BLAINE COUNTY PERFORMANCE COMPARISONS



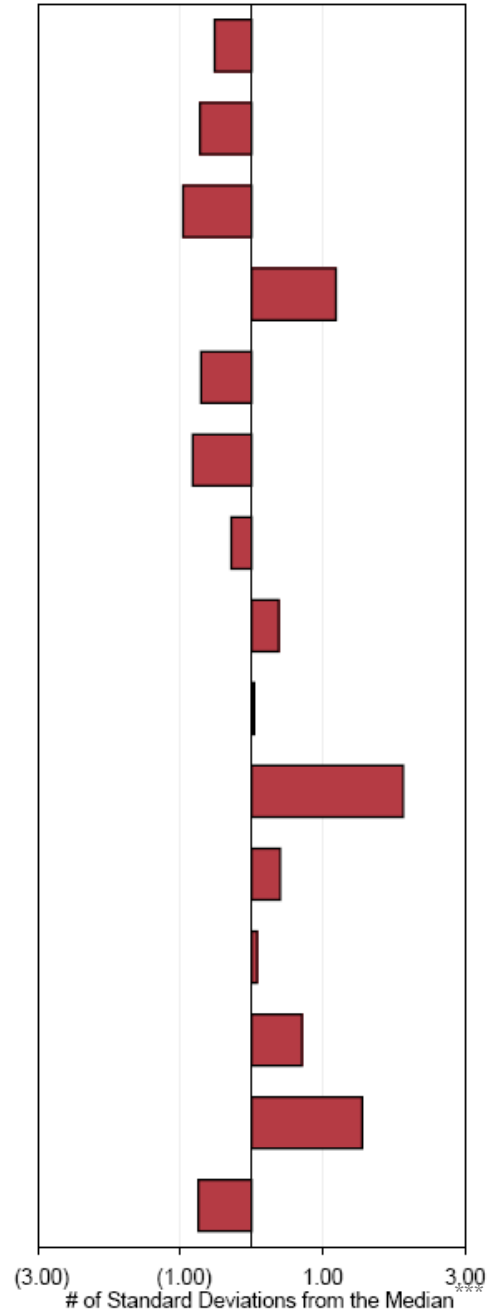
This profile provides a comparison of demographic, economic and social data of Blaine county with all the counties in the United States. The information provided was obtained from Headwaters Economics and compiled by MSU Extension.

Benchmark = Median of all Counties in U.S.***

Compared to benchmark area, the county has:

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	Blaine County	US Median
Population Growth (Annualized rate, 1970-2005)	0.0%	0.6%
Employment Growth (Annualized rate, 1970-2005)	0.3%	1.4%
Personal Income Growth (Adjusted for Inflation, Annualized rate, 1970-2005)	0.8%	2.2%
Non-labor Income Share of Total in 2005	46.8%	37.1%
Median Age*	34.4	37.3
Per Capita Income (2005)	\$ 20,893	\$ 26,371
Average Earnings Per Job (2005)	\$ 27,744	\$ 30,269
Education Rate* (% of population 25 and over who have a college degree)	17.4%	14.5%
Education Rate* (% of population 25 and over who have less than a high school diploma)	21.3%	21.0%
Employment Specialization*	732	155
Rich-Poor Ratio* (for each household that made over \$100K, how many households made less than \$30K)	15.4	8.7
Housing Affordability (100 or above means that the median family can afford the median house)*	191	186
Change in Housing Affordability* (% Change in index from 1990 to 2000) Positive means the area is getting more affordable.	23.6%	10.3%
Government share of Total employment	26%	15%
Unemployment Rate in 2006**	3.2%	4.7%



All data are from REIS except * are from 2000 US Census and ** is from Bureau of Labor Statistics.

***The standard deviation is a measure of the standard distance from the mean. The greater the standard deviation, the greater the range (difference between the highest and lowest values) of values.