

Mini-Cassia Community Profile



Mini-Cassia’s modern day story starts in the late 1840’s when the area became an important junction for numerous pioneer routes, including the Oregon and California trails. By the late 1870’s, settlements were under way in the Mini-Cassia towns of Albion, Oakley and Malta.

The boom started in the early 1900’s when dams were built at Minidoka, Milner and Oakley and an extensive canal system was developed.

Settlers flocked to the area. Land was cleared, crops were grown and towns were created. The desert was transformed.

Archeological evidence suggests that Paleo-Indians, no doubt drawn by water and game, were the first human dwellers in the area some 15,000 years ago. They survived by hunting now extinct forms of elephant, camel and bison.

Native Americans-Shoshoni, Pauite and Bannock tribes-migrated through the area, catching fish in the rivers and streams and hunting on the plains and in the mountains.

Population

Minidoka County	20,174
Acequia	144
Heyburn	2,899
Minidoka.....	129
Paul	998
Rupert	5,645
Balance of Minidoka	10,117
 Cassia County	 21,416
Albion	262
Burley	9,316
Declo	338
Malta	177
Oakley	668
Balance of Cassia	10,897

Cassia County Income/Payroll (2004)*

Per capita income, 2004.....	\$21,720
Medium household income, 2004	\$35,023
Average wage, 2005	\$24,279
Unemployment rate, 2006.....	4.6
Number of jobs created, 2006	379
Annual growth rate of employment, 2006	3.6%
Number of business establishments, 2006	730; 5.1%

* Idaho Commerce & Labor

Minidoka County Income/Payroll (2004)*

Per capita income, 2004.....	\$19,441
Medium household income, 2004	\$33,739
Average wage, 2005	24,259
Unemployment rate, 2006.....	5.8
Number of jobs created, 2006	281
Annual growth rate of employment, 2006	3.1%
Number of business establishments, 2006	495; 2.9%

* Idaho Commerce & Labor

Largest Employers

	Employees
Cassia County (2007)	
Cassia County.....	100 - 200
Parke View Care & Rehab Center	100 - 200
Boise Cascade LLC	100 - 200
AG Express Inc	100 - 200
Cassia Regional Medical Center.....	200 - 500
Wal-Mart Associates Inc	200 - 500
Cassia County Joint School District #151	500 - 1,000
McCain Foods Inc	500 - 1,000
Minidoka County (2007)	
Burley Inn Inc	100 - 200
Minidoka County	100 - 200
Amalgamated Sugar Company LLC	200 - 500
Minidoka Memorial County Hospital	200 - 500
Minidoka County Joint School District #331	500 - 1,000

Housing

Cassia County

Homes built between 1970 and 1979.....	1,905
Homes built between 1980 and 2000.....	1,872
Housing Units	7,862
Median value of owner-occupied housing	\$83,100
Median rent.....	\$403

Minidoka County

Homes built between 1970 and 1979.....	2,056
Homes built between 1980 and 2000.....	1,490
Housing Units	7,498
Median value of owner-occupied housing	\$74,600
Median rent.....	\$394

Recreational/Entertainment Facilities

City Parks	14
Golf Courses	3

Hiking Trails.....	10
State Parks	
Lake Walcott.....	11 miles
National Forests	
Sawtooth.....	71 miles
National parks, monuments, and recreation areas	
Craters of the Moon.....	120 miles
Sawtooth National Recreation Area.....	137 miles
City of Rocks.....	53 miles
Downhill Ski Areas	
Pomerelle.....	41 miles
Bowling Alleys.....	1
Movie Theatres (Screens).....	6
Swimming/Pools.....	5
Museums.....	4
Health Clubs.....	3

Attractions & Events

Mini-Cassia Spring/Fall Craft Fair, Rupert.....	April, Sept
Wildflower Weekend, Almo www.nps.gov/ciro	May
Heritage Days, Burley.....	June
Skandi Dag, Scandinavian Festival, Burley www.skandidag.com	1st weekend June
Vikingman, ½ Ironman Triathlon, Burley www.vikingman.org	1st weekend June
Motor-Cross Racing, Minidoka Fairgrounds.....	Summer months
Oakley Historic Home Tours, Oakley.....	June
City of Rocks Birding Expedition, Almo www.nps.gov/ciro	June
Regatta Golf Scramble.....	Wednesday before Idaho Regatta
Idaho Regatta, Burley www.idahoregatta.com	(Last full weekend in June
Rupert 4th of July Celebration, Rupert Town Square www.rupert-idaho.com	1 st week of July
Declo Days, Declo.....	2nd Sat. July
Wake the Snake Wakeboard Competition, Burley.....	July
Mini-Cassia River Festival, Heyburn.....	July
Pioneer Days, Oakley.....	around 24th weekend in July
Idaho International Dance & Music Festival, Burley.....	last week of July
Idaho Spudman Triathlon.....	last Sat. July
Minidoka County Fair, Rupert.....	1st week Aug
Cassia County Fair, Burley.....	3rd week Aug
Caring & Sharing Christmas Tree Festival.....	Friday after Thanksgiving
Cassia Healthcare Christmas Tree Festival.....	1st weekend of Dec
Rupert Square Christmas Lighting www.rupert-idaho.com	end of November

Meeting and Lodging Facilities

	Public	Private
Meeting facilities.....	4	6
Meeting rooms.....	4	6
Seating capacity of largest room.....	50	450
Lodging/Accommodations.....	17	
Best Western Burley Inn	Lamplighter Motel	The Outpost
Best Western Zion Park Inn	Marsh Creek Inn	Tops Motel
Budget Motel	Parish Motel	Uptown Motel
East Park Motel	Powers Motel	Country Village RV
Evergreen Motel	Starlite Motel & Taxi	Village of Trees Travel Stop
Fairfield Inn	Sunset Manor	Heyburn RV Park
Flamingo Lodge	Super 8	

Health Care Facilities

Hospitals.....	2
Ambulance service.....	yes
Clinics.....	3
Physicians (MD & DO).....	24
Dentists (DDS).....	16

Educational Facilities

Cassia County School District

Students Enrolled.....	5,033
Pupil/teacher ratio.....	22 to 1

Minidoka County School District

Students Enrolled.....	4,069
Pupil/teacher ratio.....	22 to 1

Private Schools, 2002

Cassia County.....	1
Minidoka County.....	1

College of Southern Idaho (June 1, 2005-May 31, 2006)

(Outreach center available in Burley)

Miles.....	45
Associate of Arts.....	339
Associate of Applied Sciences.....	165
Associate of Engineering.....	10
Associate of Sciences.....	126
Certificate of Completion.....	36
Post-Secondary Vocational Certificate.....	8
Technical Certificate.....	137
Total.....	821

Financial Services

Banks and savings institutions (branches).....	21
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Other Services

Beauty Salons.....	42
Childcare Facilities.....	13
Grocery 11.....	
Insurance Agents.....	29
Service Stations.....	14

Transportation

Air

Cassia County

- Navigational equipment: PAPI-RWY 08
- 5,201 foot runway
- located in Burley
- No charter services

Magic Valley Regional Airport

- Navigational equipment: LOM, VOR, ILS, REIL 7, MALSR 25
- 8,703 foot runway
- 57 miles from Jerome
- No charter services
- 2 passenger carriers with 5 scheduled flights per day
- 4 freight carriers with 8 scheduled flights per day

Bus

Burley Greyhound Depot

Railroad

Eastern Idaho Railroad

Trucking

- Freight carrier service
- Overnight express mail & parcel service

Government

Mayor – Council

Planning & Zoning commission.....city and county

Industrial Plan Approval..... yes

Business License Required no

Building Codes..... yes

Taxes

Property Taxes Burley 1. %*

Property Taxes Rupert 1.38%*

*2007 Minidoka and Cassia County Assessor

Municipal Services

Fire Protection

City of Burley

- 911 emergency protection
- ISO Rating- 3
- Professional Firefighters-36
- Paid Call staff-10
- Equipment: 4 engines, 100-foot ladder, 1 command vehicle
- State Regional Haz-Mat Regional Response Team
- Station 1
- International Fire Code

City of Rupert

- 911 Emergency protection
- ISO Rating - 4
- Professional Firefighters - 25
- Paid Staff - 1
- Equipment: 2 engines; 2 pumpers, 1 55-foot ladder/pumper; 1 aerial
- State Regional Haz-Mat Regional Response team
- Station - 1
- International Fire Code

City of Heyburn

- 911 emergency protection
- ISO Rating: 4
- Professional Firefighters – 16
- Paid Staff – 1
- Equipment: 2 engines, 1 tanker, 1 brush truck
- State regional Haz-Mat Regional Response Team
- Stations: 1
- International Fire Code

West End

- 911 emergency protection
- ISO Rating: 4
- Professional Firefighters – 18
- Paid Staff – 1
- Equipment: 2 engines, 2 brush trucks, 1 command truck, 1 pumper tender
- State regional Haz-Mat Regional Response Team

- Stations: 1
- International Fire Code

Police Protection

City of Burley

(City of Burley and Cassia County Police Dept. are one agency)

City of Rupert:

- 16 full time officers; 20 law enforcement vehicles; 3 administrative officers; 3 detectives; 1 school resource officer; 2 animal patrol officers; 5 reserve officers.

City of Heyburn:

- 6 full time officers; 6 patrol cars; 1 administrative officer; 1 detective; 1 DARE officer; 1 community resource officer; 4 reserve officers

Cassia County:

- 911 Emergency protection
- 26 full-time officers; 20 patrol cars; 2 administrative officers; 5 detectives; 0 animal patrol officers; 1 school officers; 1DARE officer; 9 reserve officers

Group A Crime Rate per 100,000 population*.....6680.9

Offense Total* 1,466

% change from 2004* -16.1

*ISP Agency 2005 Crime Report

Minidoka County:

- 911 Emergency Protection
- 15 full-time officers; 15 patrol cars; 4 administrative officers; 3 detectives; 1 animal patrol officers; 1 school officers; 20 reserve officers

Group A Crime Rate per 100,000 population*.....3017.8

Offense Total* 345

% change from 2004* -19.4

*ISP Agency 2005 Crime Report

Library System

Public Libraries 3

Communications

Local radio broadcast available..... 4 miles

Television broadcast station..... 47 miles

Cable/ CATV satellite 4 miles

Local daily newspaper 2

Local weekly newspaper..... 2

Telephone

-Electronic Analog Switching, Universal One-Party Service, Digital Switching

Area Churches

Cassia County

Apostolic 2

Baptist 6

Catholic 1

Christian 4

Episcopal 1

Jehovah Witness 1

LDS 21

Lutheran 1

Methodist 2

New Life 2

Non-denominational 12

Pentecostal	1
Presbyterian.....	1
Seventh Day Adventist.....	1

Minidoka County

Assembly of God	3
Baptist.....	2
Catholic.....	1
Christian.....	1
Episcopal.....	1
LDS	4
Lutheran.....	1
Methodist.....	1
New Life	1
Non-denominational	3
Pentecostal	2

Restaurants

A & W Restaurant	Charlie’s Café	Nelson's Café and & Pilot's Lounge
AC Drive In	China City Restaurant	Papa Kelsey's
Aguila Con El Taco	China First	Perkins
Aguila Con El Taco	China First	Pizza Hut
Al’s Frostop	Conner's Café	Pizza Hut
Alaska’s Best	Dairy Queen	Playa Azul
Almo Creek Outpost	Doc's Pizza?	Polo's Café
Angela’s Mexican Food	Drift Inn	Puder's Pizza
Arby’s	Edith's Café	Sage Mountain Grill
Arizzio’s Pizza	Garibaldi	Schoolhouse Grill
Asian Buffet	Guadalajara	Shon Hing
Becky Ann Café	J B's Big Boy Family Restaurants	Subway
Burger King	Jack in the Box	Subway
Burger’s Etc	Jake's Over the Top	Subway
Burger’s Etc	Little Caesars	Taco Bandido
Canton Chinese	Main Street Burger	Teriyaki Hut
Carl’s Jr.	McDonalds	The Wayside
Cathy’s Kitchen	Morey's Steakhouse	Wendy's
Cattle Country Steakhouse	Nancy's Café	Wild Flour
Chadwick Grille		

Cassia County

Fast Foods.....	7
Mexican.....	2
American	15
Chinese	6

Minidoka County

Fast Foods.....	9
Mexican.....	5
American	14
Chinese	0

Social Clubs/Organizations

American Heart Association	Burley Music Club	Disabled American Veterans (DAV)
American Legion (Post 17)	Cassia Regional Volunteer Program	DivorceCare Support Group
Big River REACT	Civil Air Patrol	Does-Burley
Burley Area Merchants Association (BAMA)	Crime Stoppers	Domestic Violence Task Force
Burley Institute of Religion	Democratic Central Committee	Elk's Lodge #2106

Friends of the Library
 Idaho Migrant Council
 Idaho Youth Ranch Thrift stores
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 Kiwanas-Burley
 Kiwanas-Rupert
 Lions- Heyburn
 Lions-Burley
 Lions-Rupert
 March of Dimes
 Masonic Lodge-Burley &
 Rupert
 Masonic Lodge-Paul
 Min-Cassia Service Providers
 Mini-Cassia Christmas Council
 Mini-Cassia Women's Shelter
 Minidoka County Historical
 Society
 Minidoka Memorial Hospital
 Auxiliary
 Mt. Harrison Quilters
 Oakley Valley Arts Council

Odd Fellows
 Oregon Trail Muzzleloaders
 Port of Hope
 Post Polio Support Group
 Rebecca's
 Rebekah Ruth Lodge 107
 Red Cross Bloodmobile-Rupert
 Republican Central Committee
 (Cassia)
 Republican Central Committee
 (Minidoka)
 River Reelers Square Dancing
 Rotary- Burley
 Rotary- Rupert
 Rupert Business and
 Professional Women
 Rupert Order of Eastern Star
 (Ch 39)
 Sage Lions-Burley
 Senior Health Insurance Benefit
 Advisory (SHIBA)
 Silver Sage Girl Scouts

Snake River Flats
 Sons in Retirement (SIRS)
 Soroptimists- Burley
 Soroptimists International-
 Minico
 South Central Community
 Action Agency
 Southern Idaho Racing
 Association
 Syringa Club- Rupert
 TOPS (Take Off Pounds
 Sensibly)
 United Way of Magic Valley
 Veteran Service Office
 Veterans of Foreign Wars
 (VFW)-Burley
 Veterans of Foreign Wars
 (VFW)-Rupert
 Weight Watchers
 Welcome Service of Burley

Emergency and Helpful Phone Numbers

City

Acequia

City Clerk.....208-436-4344
 Mayor.....208-436-6775

Albion

City Hall.....208-673-5352
 Fire Department.....208-862-3364
 Post Office208-673-9770

Burley

Animal Control.....208-878-2258
 City Hall.....208-878-2224
 Fire Department.....208-878-7371
 Gem Memorial Cemetery.....208-878-9219
 Golf Course208-878-9807
 Pleasantview Cemetery208-878-5139
 Post Office208-678-2541
 Recreation & Parks Dept.....208-878-2256
 Sanitation Dept.....208-878-2256
 Sewer Department208-878-8525
 Swimming pool208-878-2164
 Water Department.....208-878-2103

Declo

City Hall.....208-654-2124
 Declo Fire Department.....
 Post Office208-645-2523

Heyburn

City Hall.....208-678-8158
 Heyburn Fire Department.....208-679-8250
 Post Office208-679-3424

Malta

Malta Fire Department.....208-645-2506

<u>Minidoka</u>	
City Hall.....	208-531-4101
<u>Oakley</u>	
City Hall.....	208-862-3313
Fire Protection District.....	208-862-4911
Oakley Fire Department.....	208-862-3364
Post Office	208-862-3852
<u>Paul</u>	
City Hall.....	208-438-4101
Post Office	208-438-2222
West End Fire Department.....	208-438-4511
<u>Raft River</u>	
Raft River Fire Department.....	208-645-2506
<u>Rupert</u>	
Animal Control.....	208-438-2200
City Hall.....	208-436-9600
Post Office	208-436-3446
Rupert Fire Department	208-436-9600
Sewer Department	208-434-2432
Water Department.....	208-434-2435
County	
<u>Cassia</u>	
Assessor	208-878-3549
Courthouse	208-878-9503
Fairgrounds	208-678-9150
Licensing Bureau.....	208-878-3549
School District.....	208-878-6600
Sheriff.....	208-878-2251
<u>Minidoka</u>	
Assessor	208-436-7181
Courthouse	208-434-7438
Fairgrounds	208-436-9748
Irrigation District.....	208-436-3188
Licensing Bureau.....	208-436-7181
School District.....	208-436-4727
Senior Center.....	208-436-9107
Sheriff.....	208-434-2320
Electric	
Albion City Electric.....	208-673-6690
Burley City Electric	208-878-2538
East End Electric	208-436-9357
Heyburn City Electric.....	208-679-8158
Idaho Power	800-488-6151
Raft River Electric Co-Op.....	208-645-2211
Riverside Electric	208-436-3855
Rupert City United Electric Co-Op.....	208-436-9600
.....	208-679-2222
Hospitals	
Ambulatory Surgery Center of Burley LLC.....	208-677-8888
Cassia Regional Emergency Room.....	208-677-6560
Cassia Regional Medical Center	208-677-4444
Minidoka Memorial Hospital	208-436-0481
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center	208-737-2000

Law enforcement

Emergencies 911
Cassia County Sheriff208-878-2251
Minidoka County Sheriff208-434-2320
Heyburn Police208-679-4545
Rupert Police208-434-2330
Idaho State Police208-736-3060

Museums

Albion Museum208-673-6288
Cassia County Historical Museum208-678-7172
Oakley Museum208-862-7890
Minidoka Co. Historical Society Museum208-436-0336
National Pioneer Hall of Fame208-678-1026

Other

A&B Irrigation District208-436-3152
Golden Heritage Senior Center208-878-8646
Intermountain Gas208-733-7178
Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce208-679-4793

Poison Control Centers

Poison Mini-Cassia Search & Rescue208-678-8400

Public Libraries

Burley Public Library208-878-7708
DeMary Memorial208-436-3874
Oakley Free Library208-862-3434

Search & Rescue Units

Mini-Cassia Search & Rescue208-678-8400
Raft River Rescue Unit208-349-5500

Schools

Elementary

Albion208-673-6653
Almo208-824-5526
Declo208-654-2391
Dworshak208-878-6615
Mountain View Elementary208-878-6608
Oakley208-862-3203
Raft River208-645-2561
Acequia208-436-6985
Big Valley208-436-9707
Heyburn208-679-3121
Memorial208-436-4240
Paul208-438-2211

Junior High

Burley Junior High208-878-6613
Declo Junior High208-654-9960
Oakley Junior High208-862-3328
Raft River Junior High208-645-2220
White Pine Intermediate208-678-6632
East Minico208-436-3175
West Minico208-438-5018

High School

Burley High.....	208-878-6606
Declo High.....	208-654-2030
Raft River High.....	208-645-2220
Oakley High.....	208-832-3328
Minico High.....	208-436-4721