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## Drug Policy Information Clearinghouse

## Boise, Idaho

### Profile of Drug Indicators

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## **Boise, Idaho**

The following profile contains information on demographics, political figures, programs, crime, drug use, drug trafficking, and enforcement statistics.

### **Demographics<sup>1</sup>**

- Population (2002 American Community Survey): 453,523
- Race/Ethnicity (2002 American Community Survey): 89.36% white; 0.35% black/African American; 0.71% American Indian/Alaska Native; 0.18% Asian; 1.47% Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander; 2.68% two or more races; 0.91% some other race; 9.59% Hispanic/Latino (of any race)
- The city of Boise is located in Ada County.

### **Politics**

- Mayor: David H. Bieter<sup>2</sup>
- City Council: Jerome Mapp (President); Maryanne Jordan (Pro Tem); Vernon Bisterfeldt; Elaine Clegg; David Eberle; Alan Shealy<sup>3</sup>
- Chief of Police: Donald G. Pierce<sup>4</sup>
- Ada County Sheriff: Vaughn Killeen<sup>5</sup>

### **Programs/Initiatives**

- Boise Area Narcotics and Drug Interdiction Task force (BANDIT)<sup>6</sup>  
BANDIT is a multi-jurisdictional task force that investigates gambling, prostitution and illegal drug use.

### **Federal Funding**

- Drug-Free Communities Support Program<sup>7</sup>  
Since 1999, there have been no funds for the Drug-Free Communities Support Program awarded to Boise.
- Executive Office for Weed and Seed<sup>8</sup>  
Boise has not been designated as a Weed and Seed site.
- FY 2002 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Discretionary Funds received in Boise:<sup>9</sup>
  - Center for Mental Health Services: \$1,124,372
  - Center for Substance Abuse Prevention: \$0
  - Center for Substance Abuse Treatment: \$897,272
- FY 2002-2003 Office of Justice Programs Drug Court Discretionary Grant recipients in Boise:
  - FY 2002: \$495,225 to the Ada County Juvenile Court Services for drug court implementation.<sup>10</sup>
  - FY 2003: no grantees.<sup>11</sup>
- There were no Boise recipients of the FY 2003 funding available from the Department of Justice's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) to fight methamphetamine.<sup>12</sup>

- There were no funding awards in Boise for the FY 2001 Housing and Urban Development Drug Elimination Grants.<sup>13</sup>
- FY 2002 Office of Justice Programs and Community Oriented Policing Services grant amounts received in Boise:<sup>14</sup>
  - Communities (discretionary): 1 award valued at \$170,000
  - Counter-Terrorism (discretionary): 2 awards valued at \$4,266,000
  - Juvenile Justice:
    - discretionary: 2 awards valued at \$119,976
    - formula: 5 awards valued at \$2,992,500
  - Law Enforcement:
    - discretionary: 6 awards valued at \$2,779,564
    - formula: 4 awards valued at \$976,868
  - Substance Abuse (discretionary): 1 award valued at \$495,255
  - Victims (formula): 2 awards valued at \$2,457,000

### Crime and Drug-Related Crime

- During 2000, there were 62 robbery offenses reported to law enforcement in Boise.<sup>15</sup> This number increased during 2001 to 78.<sup>16</sup> During 2002, robbery offenses increased to 84 in Boise.<sup>17</sup> According to preliminary 2003 data, there were 30 robbery offenses in Boise from January to June 2003.<sup>18</sup>

Number of Offenses Known to Police, Selected Offenses, Boise, 2000-June 2003

Offense Type	Full Year 2000	Full Year 2001	Full Year 2002	Jan-June 2003
Murder and non-negligent manslaughter	1	2	6	2
Forcible rape	68	84	92	55
Robbery	62	78	84	30
Aggravated assault	522	471	497	232
Burglary	1,349	1,347	1,318	646
Larceny-theft	5,946	6,163	6,209	3,001
Motor-vehicle theft	387	585	542	208
Arson	66	68	78	48
Crime index total	8,335	8,730	8,748	N/A

- During 2002, there were 1,761 total drug violations in Boise, compared to 2,243 during 1997.<sup>19</sup>

Number of Total Drug Violations, Boise, 1996-2002

1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
1,984	2,243	1,755	1,782	1,811	1,755	1,761

- During 2002, there were 727 drug possession violations for paraphernalia in Boise.<sup>20</sup>

Number of Drug Possession Violations, Boise, 1996-2002

Drug Type	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Hallucinogen	32	38	16	21	8	8	15
Heroin	21	16	23	22	9	16	6
Opium	2	1	2	1	3	2	1
Cocaine	36	19	26	17	13	20	17
Marijuana	689	721	569	572	542	497	558
Amphetamine	258	409	287	275	297	321	287
Barbiturates	2	4	0	1	0	0	0
Other	31	40	38	45	42	38	48
Paraphernalia	876	929	726	736	771	749	727

- During 2002, there were 41 drug-selling violations for amphetamine in Boise.<sup>21</sup>

Number of Drug Selling Violations, Boise, 1996-2002

Drug Type	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Hallucinogen	0	1	3	2	0	6	3
Heroin	0	0	4	4	2	8	0
Cocaine	4	11	4	13	9	2	0
Marijuana	2	15	4	18	41	24	21
Amphetamine	12	22	11	16	50	28	41
Barbiturates	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	4	4

- During 2002, there were 14 drug producing violations for marijuana in Boise.<sup>22</sup>

Number of Drug Producing/Manufacturing Violations, Boise, 1996-2002

Drug Type	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Hallucinogen	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Marijuana	13	13	16	11	9	8	14
Amphetamine	3	4	23	28	15	11	10

**Drugs**

- Synthetic drugs including 2C-B, DET (a drug that imitates a psychotic state for psychological/medical experiments), SMeo DIPT, a.k.a. "Foxy" and "Foxy Methoxy" have appeared in the Boise rave scene.<sup>23</sup>

**Juveniles**

- During 2001, there were 744 larceny theft juvenile arrests in Boise compared to 1,177 during 1996.<sup>24</sup>

Number of Juvenile Arrests, Selected Offenses, Boise, 1996-2001

Offense Type	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Murder	0	1	0	0	0	0
Rape	1	0	4	0	1	1
Robbery	3	9	7	4	5	1
Aggravated assault	70	68	47	49	66	33
Burglary	99	114	80	50	61	66
Larceny theft	1,177	1,015	735	659	770	744
Vehicle theft	40	43	19	31	28	31
Arson	29	22	17	7	12	22
Total	1,419	1,272	909	800	943	898

**Enforcement**

- As of October 2002, there were 326 law enforcement employees in Boise (262 officers and 64 civilians).<sup>25</sup>

**Trafficking and Seizures**

- During 2001, there were 22 methamphetamine laboratories seized in Ada County.<sup>26</sup>

**Courts**

- Drug Courts<sup>27</sup>  
As of November 2003, there were 2 drug courts that had been in existence for over 2 years in Boise. There were no other drugs courts recently implemented or being planned in Boise.

**Treatment**

- Boise Demand Treatment<sup>28</sup>  
The Boise Demand Treatment works to develop a universal intake process for the city’s social service system. This would include screening and referral for alcohol and drugs and participation with the State’s regional substance abuse authority.
- Boise City Outpatient Methamphetamine Clinic<sup>29</sup>  
The Boise outpatient methamphetamine clinic is a 16-week intensive outpatient program for adults and their families, followed by a 36-week aftercare program based on the Matrix Model.

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