# Idaho Auto Trends: New and Used Vehicle Market 

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## U.S. Annual Sales Rate

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Available inventory of popular-selling models and an aging fleet of cars and trucks on the road today are key factors why new vehicle sales will continue to improve in 2012. Edmunds.com forecasts when the final tally is completed, total 2011 car sales will stand at a 14-percent increase. That would put the Seasonally Adjusted Annual
Rate (SAAR) of car sales at 13.6 million vehicles, the highest since the Cash for Clunkers-incentivized in August 2009.


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Idaho's dealers maintain a multi-BILLION dollar retail industry.

- Average sales per dealership.
\$20.2 million
- Total sales of all new-vehicle dealerships in Idaho. . $\$ 2.18$ billion
- Dealership sales as \% of total retail sales in the state....................14.1\%
- Estimated number of new-vehicle dealerships............................... 108

Dealers provide thousands of well-paying jobs in Idaho.

- Total number of new-vehicle dealership employees in Idaho.......................... 4634
- Average number of employees per dealership................................................. 44
- Average annual earnings of new-vehicle dealership employees......................\$43,706
- Dealership payroll as \% of total state retail payroll..........................................11.7\%
- Annual payroll of new-vehicle dealerships...................................................... $\$ 176$ million
- Average annual payroll per new-vehicle dealership......................................... $\$ 1.63$ million

Dealers generate hundreds of millions of dollars of tax revenue for state and local government through:

- Sales Tax Revenue
- Corporate Tax Revenue
- Payroll Tax Revenue


## Idaho's Top Financing Sources, November 2011

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| Lienholder | Contracts | Total ( x \$10K) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WELLS FARGO AUTO FIN | 595 | 1072 | Auto Lenders Speeding Past Mortgage |
| IDAHO CENTRAL CREDIT | 546 | 1249 | Woes |
| TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT | 291 | 688 |  |
| WESTMARK CREDIT UNIO | 275 | 582 |  |
| BANK OF AMERICA NA | 271 | 769 | Auto lenders are pursuing an unlikely |
| FORD MOTOR CREDIT CO | 265 | 920 | growth market: people who have fallen |
| JP MORGAN CHASE | 188 | 398 | behind on their mortgages. This trend also |
| ALLY BANK | 147 | 457 | behind on their mortgages. This trend also |
| POTLATCH \#1 FED CR U | 136 | 209 | has helped financed auto sales, which |
| TD AUTO FINANCE LLC | 122 | 286 | were up more than 18\% from a year |
| CAPITAL EDUCATORS FE | 100 | 155 |  |
| RELIABLE CREDIT ASSO | 92 | 74 | earlier, partly because of increased |
| BANK OF THE WEST | 80 | 216 | availability of credit. Lenders have |
| WESTLAKE FINANCIALS | 77 | 65 | willing to work with |
| CAPITAL ONE AUTO FIN | 77 | 139 | become more willing to work with dealers |
| HONDA LEASE TRUST | 76 | 138 | in structuring loan terms and to listen to |
| PIoNEER FEDERAL CRED | 67 | 84 | borrowers' stories. |
| NUMERICA CREDIT UNIO | 65 | 121 |  |
| ICON CREDIT UNION | 61 | 93 |  |
| EAST IDAHO CR UN | 57 | 116 |  |

## Hot Pockets of Idaho Used Vehicle Market

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## Used vehicle sales increased in 2011 despite higher used vehicle sales price.



## County Scoreboard

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## Each of the State's Ten Largest County Markets Move Higher

|  | MTD | MTD 2010 | MTD \% Change 10-11 | YTD | YTD 2010 | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { YTD \% Change } \\ 10-11 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ada | 631 | 487 | 30\% | 8122 | 5487 | 48\% |
| Bannock | 147 | 111 | 32\% | 1871 | 1758 | 6\% |
| Bingham | 53 | 18 | 194\% | 389 | 254 | 53\% |
| Bonner | 30 | 25 | 20\% | 237 | 209 | 13\% |
| Bonneville | 205 | 136 | 51\% | 2355 | 1945 | 21\% |
| Canyon | 375 | 266 | 41\% | 4815 | 3392 | 42\% |
| Elmore | 53 | 40 | 32\% | 617 | 407 | 52\% |
| Kootenai | 210 | 214 | -2\% | 2610 | 2161 | 21\% |
| Nez Perce | 79 | 65 | 22\% | 1126 | 811 | 39\% |
| Twin Falls | 191 | 100 | 91\% | 1670 | 1323 | 26\% |

## Top 3 Factors Why New Car Sales Will Increase in 2012

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## AS THE IDAHO ECONOMY CONTINUES TO IMPROVE THIS YEAR MORE NEW CARS AND LIGHT TRUCKS WILL BE PURCHASED OR LEASED IN 2012.

Three key factors for the increase:
(1) Aging vehicles,
(2) Affordable credit, and
(3) Aggressive incentives.

A key factor that will drive new-vehicle sales in 2012 is pent-up demand in the marketplace caused by more consumers shopping out of necessity to replace their aging vehicles. With the age of cars and trucks on the road today at nearly 11 years, consumers can no longer delay making a purchase of a new or newer vehicle.

Another factor that is likely to result in higher auto sales this year is the availability of affordable credit from competing lending sources for auto loans.

Interest rates on new car loans will remain historically low in 2012, due in part to policy decisions by the Federal Reserve Board to keep rates low. As a result, affordable credit will be widely available in 2012 with more automaker finance companies offering low-interest and interest-free loans for up to 60 months.

A decline in gasoline prices will also result in car buyers considering a wider range of vehicles in different segments.

Lower vehicle costs for car buyers through manufacturer incentives and rebates combined with low interest rates will support stronger sales in 2012. And higher prices on used vehicles mean higher trade-in prices when shopping for a new car or truck.

## Idaho Market Likely to Improve

New \& Used Retail Light Vehicle Titles \% change from
Year Registrations previous year

2010<br>107,213<br>2011<br>130,115<br>2012<br>148,331

21\%
14\%

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New \& Used Retail Light Vehicles \% change from
Year Sales Tax previous year

2010
\$ 98,241,314
2011
\$114,561,722
17\%
2012
\$130,600,363
14\%

