

## The City of Ammon

The City of Ammon has its own unique sense of community. Even as the City sustains solid growth rates, the citizens continue to value the quality of life associated with a less-urbanized lifestyle. It is the intent of the City that elected officials and staff be accessible to all of its citizens. Interested parties are welcome at public meetings and citizen input is important.

The City of Ammon is fiscally conservative. Objectives are accomplished through City planning and budgeting as well as the use of volunteers. Many good things are accomplished through the volunteer efforts of citizens, church groups, civic groups, and scout projects. Ammon has a highly rated fire department. Because of these efforts and the diligence of government leaders, Ammon maintains a low property tax rate relative to other cities within the state.

The City supports youth and families. The City and groups within the City sponsor T-ball, swimming, indoor soccer, little league programs and other activities for youth. Walking paths are found around Ammon Town Center, Peterson Park, Eagle Point Park and McCowin Park with proposed additions to other parks. It is the intent of City officials to work with local school officials to ensure that educational facilities and infrastructure are available as the local school population grows.

As of September 30, 2012, the City of Ammon has one Mayor, six Council Members, 30 full-time employees, and 27 paid call firefighters.

Foreign born persons, percent, 2007-2011

People QuickFacts	Ammon	Idaho
Population, 2011 estimate	14,019	1,584,985
Population, 2010 (April 1) estimates base	13,816	1,567,582
Population, percent change, April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2011	1.5%	1.1%
Population, 2010	13,816	1,567,582
Persons under 5 years, percent, 2010	10.6%	7.8%
Persons under 18 years, percent, 2010	36.3%	27.4%
Persons 65 years and over, percent, 2010	9.8%	12.4%
Female persons, percent, 2010	51.1%	49.9%
White persons, percent, 2010 (a)	94.1%	89.1%
Black persons, percent, 2010 (a)	0.5%	0.6%
American Indian and Alaska Native persons, percent, 2010 (a)	0.5%	1.4%
Asian persons, percent, 2010 (a)	0.8%	1.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, percent, 2010 (a)	0.1%	0.1%
Persons reporting two or more races, percent, 2010	1.8%	2.5%
Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin, percent, 2010 (b)	6.4%	11.2%
White persons not Hispanic, percent, 2010	90.6%	84.0%
Living in same house 1 year & over, percent, 2007-2011	82.8%	82.0%

## Statistics about Ammon, Idaho

Taken from the US Census Bureau

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Language other than English spoken at home, percent age 5+, 2007-2011	6.8%	10.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	94.8%	88.5%
Bachelor's degree or higher, percent of persons age 25+, 2007-2011	30.2%	24.6%
Veterans, 2007-2011	891	127,438
Mean travel time to work (minutes), workers age 16+, 2007-2011	22.2	20

Homeownership rate, 2007-2011	78.4%	70.6%
Housing units in multi-unit structures, percent, 2007-2011	16.0%	15.1%
Median value of owner-occupied housing units, 2007-2011	\$173,900	\$171,300
Households, 2007-2011	4,202	575,497
Persons per household, 2007-2011	3.08	2.64
Per capita money income in the past 12 months (2011 dollars), 2007-2011	\$20,733	\$22,788
Median household income, 2007-2011	\$55,617	\$46,890
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2007-2011	10.6%	14.3%

Business QuickFacts	Ammon	Idaho
Total number of firms, 2007	1,088	151,671
Black-owned firms, percent, 2007	F	0.2%
American Indian- and Alaska Native-owned firms, percent, 2007	F	0.9%
Asian-owned firms, percent, 2007	F	0.8%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander-owned firms, percent, 2007	F	S
Hispanic-owned firms, percent, 2007	F	2.6%
Women-owned firms, percent, 2007	28.4%	23.5%

Manufacturers shipments, 2007 (\$1000)	NA	18,010,976
Merchant wholesaler sales, 2007 (\$1000)	12,674	14,286,715
Retail sales, 2007 (\$1000)	246,713	20,526,631
Retail sales per capita, 2007	\$19,214	\$13,691
Accommodation and food services sales, 2007 (\$1000)	25,923	2,415,951

Geography QuickFacts	Ammon	Idaho
Land area in square miles, 2010	7.26	82,643.12
Persons per square mile, 2010	1,903.6	19
FIPS Code	1990	16
Counties	Bonneville County	

(a) Includes persons reporting only one race.

(b) Hispanics may be of any race, so also are included in applicable race categories.

FN: Footnote on this item for this area in place of data

NA: Not available

D: Suppressed to avoid disclosure of confidential information

X: Not applicable

S: Suppressed; does not meet publication standards

Z: Value greater than zero but less than half unit of measure shown

F: Fewer than 100 firms



Source U.S. Census Bureau: State and County QuickFacts. Data derived from Population Estimates, American Community Survey, Census of Population and Housing, County Business Patterns, Economic Census, Survey of Business Owners, Building Permits, Consolidated Federal Funds Report, Census of Governments Last Revised: Tuesday, 04-Dec-2012 14:44:54 EST

http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/16/1601990.html

## Additional Information About Ammon, Idaho

There are 4,720.45 acres of land within the corporate limits of the City of Ammon. Of this total 2,825.70 acres or 59.86 percent of the land is developed, leaving the remaining 1,894.75 acres or 40.14 percent available for development. Which results in a current estimated gross population density of 4.96 persons per acre (14,019 residents / 2,825 developed acres).

Schools – There are eleven (11) elementary schools within the city limits of Ammon, seven (7) of which are operated by School District 93 and four (4) charter schools. There is one (1) middle school, Sandcreek Middle School which opened in 1989. There is one (1) high school, Hillcrest High School which opened in 1992. Both of these schools are operated by School District 93.

City Hall – The Ammon city building is located at 2135 South Ammon Road and was completed in 1995. The city parks building is located at 3270 Molen. The public works and technology are located at 3451 Ard Drive.

Fire Department – The Fire Department has undergone significant changes in recent years. What was once a true volunteer organization, relying on the commitment of a score of dedicated men and women for fire protection, is now a professional department with a combination of full time firefighters and paid-call firefighters.

In 2000 the Fire Department moved into the current station at 2137 South Ammon Road, which houses the administrative offices and seven bays for response vehicles. In 2008, a remodel on the station was completed that added living quarters, a dedicated training room and various upgrades enabling it to be prepared for future growth.

Police – Police protection is furnished through the Bonneville County Sheriff's Department. This service is upgraded by contract with the department to provide additional service to the City above what would normally be provided for county residents. This contract adds additional coverage on a daily basis to the City and provides the services that the Sheriff's Department has to offer for major crime scenes. The City also employees a full time enforcement officer. The enforcement officer is in charge of code enforcement and animal control.

Library – The City of Ammon is part of the Bonneville County Library District, which entitles all residents the use of the Idaho Falls library.

Water – The City is presently served by the City of Ammon water system, which includes ten (10) wells, and by the Falls Water Company. In early 2011 the City Water Department completed and occupied a new water maintenance building located at 3451 Ard Drive.

Sewer – Two (2) sewer districts provide service to the City. The Iona-Bonneville Sewer District has jurisdiction over certain portions of the City while the rest of the City is connected to the Ammon City Sewer System. Residents served under the jurisdiction of the City of Ammon are served by the



Eastern Idaho Regional Waste Water Authority (EIRWWA). The treatment plant was built in a cooperative effort between the City of Ammon, the City of Shelley, Bonneville County and Bingham County. The City connected to the treatment facility on December 5, 2011. Ammon has approximately 51 miles of sewer collection lines, 1,148 manholes, six sewer lift stations, and three miles of force mains.

Sanitation – The City provides garbage collection to residences and businesses. There are 4,370 cans and 185 dumpsters used to service the City.

Electricity, Gas, Telephone, Television and Internet – Electrical power is furnished to the City by Rocky Mountain Power, natural gas is supplied by Intermountain Gas Company, and land line based telephone service is available along with internet and cellular base services.

Fiber – In December of 2008 a resolution establishing broadband service as an essential service for City residents was adopted. With the adoption of that resolution the City has systematically moved forward with the construction of a fiber optic system which provides broadband access to meet the needs of:

- A. City Departments
- B. Public Safety Organizations
- C. Other Publicly Owned and Operated Facilities
- D. Community Anchor Institutions
- E. Businesses
- F. Residents

The City of Ammon has eight (8) existing parks that cover a total of approximately 55 acres:

McCowin Park, the largest, is approximately 18-½ acres in size and contains a swimming pool, three (3) tennis courts, one (1) basketball court, three (3) junior baseball fields (which are also used for football), two (2) junior and one (1) large soccer fields, assorted playground equipment, two (2) picnic shelters with tables, one (1) small shelter, an approximate <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile walking path, with four (4) small shade mini-shelters and a nine (9) station disc golf course.

Lions Park is approximately one (1) acre in size and contains a baseball field, a picnic shelter with tables and some children's play equipment.

Falcon Park is approximately 1-1/2 acres of open grass with trees and limited children's play equipment.

Peterson Park is approximately nine (9) acres and was designed with grassy play hills. It contains two (2) little league baseball fields, which are also designed as multi-purpose fields for football and soccer. It has a restroom, one (1) 25' X 50' shelter with water and power and one (1) small size shelter, ADA accessible playground equipment, picnic tables, and a six (6) station disc golf course. There is also a walking trail in Peterson Park totaling approximately one-half mile.

Tiebreaker Park is approximately 1 acre and contains one small shelter, and limited playground equipment. Adjacent to Tiebreaker Park is approximately four (4) acres of undeveloped land that has been donated to the City to expand the park. This land will most likely be developed along with future development of the surrounding undeveloped areas adjacent to the Tiebreaker subdivision.

Eagle Homestead Park is ten (10) acres, and is ADA accessible. It contains two (2) 24' X 34' shelters with picnic tables and one (1) 25' X 50' shelter with water, power and picnic tables, three (3) mini



shelters along the 5/8 mile walking path and rest rooms. There is a baseball field, ADA accessible tot playground as well as two additional ADA accessible playground areas, volleyball and Bocce courts, and a small soccer field.

Woodland Hills Park is approximately 13 acres of grassy area landscaped heavily with trees. In 2012 a nine (9) pin disc golf course was added. Additional park amenities are scheduled for future development.

Target Park is an approximately one (1) acre green space that includes a short walking path including two (2) benches that continues north behind the Ammon Town Center to 17<sup>th</sup> Street and includes a bridge over Sand Creek connecting to the Hillsdale subdivision.

Building – The value of any City is realized in the quality and safety of its buildings, homes, and businesses. The City of Ammon's Building Department realizes this and has high standards that building contractors and building owners are required to comply with. Some of these standards include fire and life safety, accessibility, structural stability, comfort and energy efficiency. The City adopts and enforces the latest model codes required by the State of Idaho. Our City has also been a leader in energy efficiency by being one of the first in the State to require heat load calculations and duct design for homes and businesses. We also require air balance testing to certify that homes and businesses are efficient and comfortable. You may not realize the value and effort for safety, comfort, and efficiency that has gone into the homes and business buildings within our City, but you can know that they are there.