

# Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

An Agency of the Idaho State Board of Education

*Annual Report  
2009*



**Our Vision:**

**Your success at work means our work is a success.**

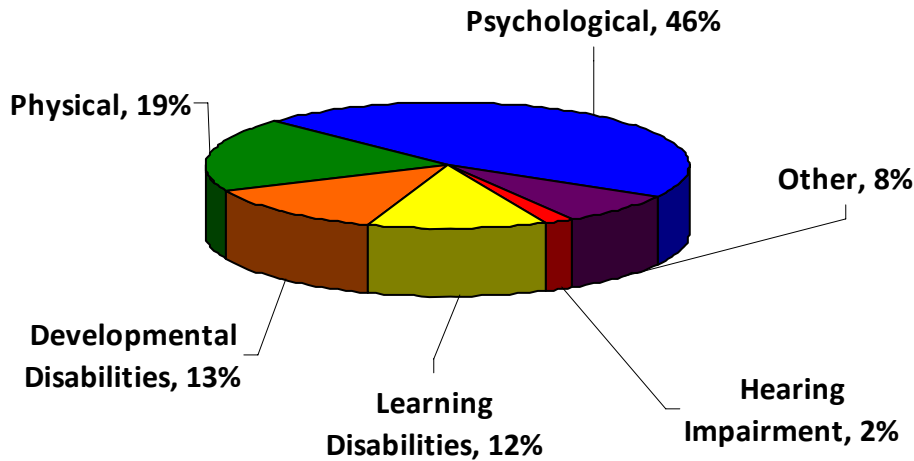
**Our Mission:**

**Preparing individuals with disabilities for employment and  
community enrichment.**

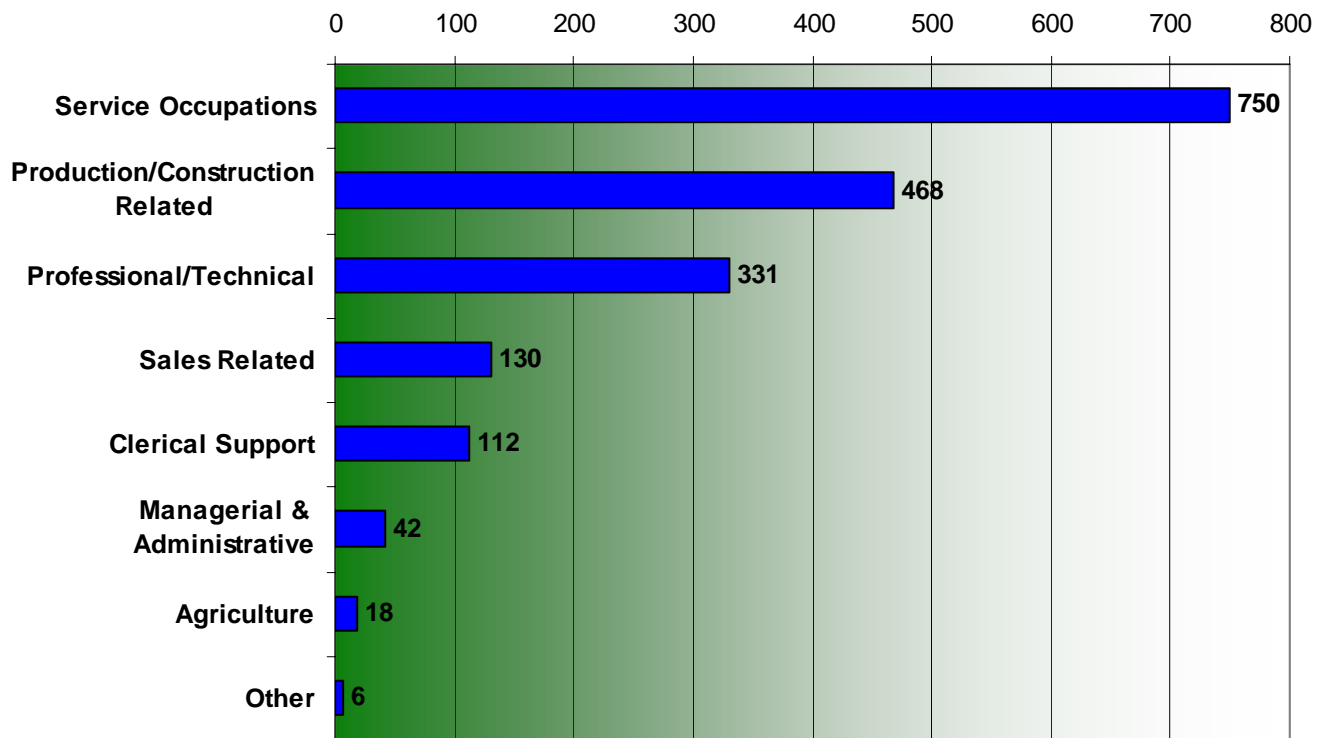
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The Primary goal of Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) is employment. VR provides individualized vocational counseling and guidance as well as other services to assist Idahoans with disabilities to make informed choices concerning their careers in order to become successfully employed.

### Disabilities of the 1,857 Individuals Who Went to Work



### Occupations of the 1,857 Individuals Who Went to Work



### Idahoans Who Were Served by Vocational Rehabilitation

2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
13,191	12,874	12,612	13,136	13,631

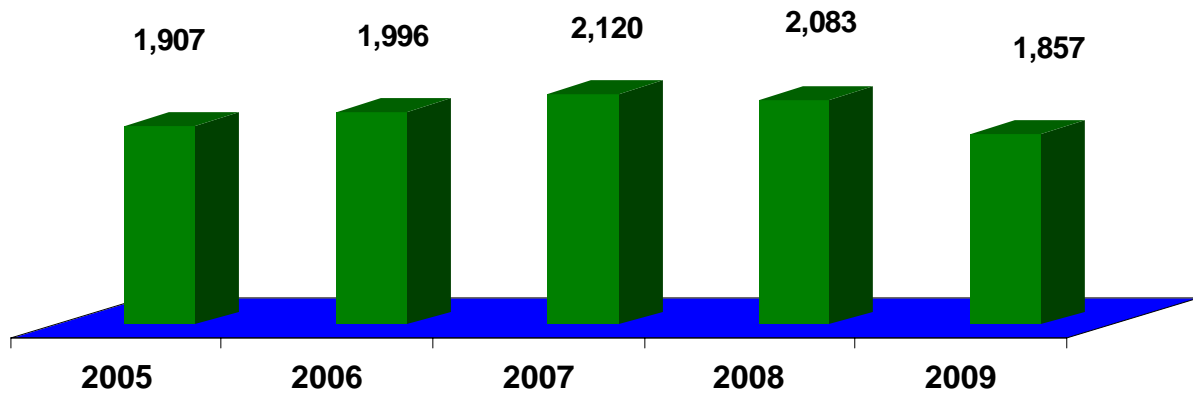
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## Who is Eligible?

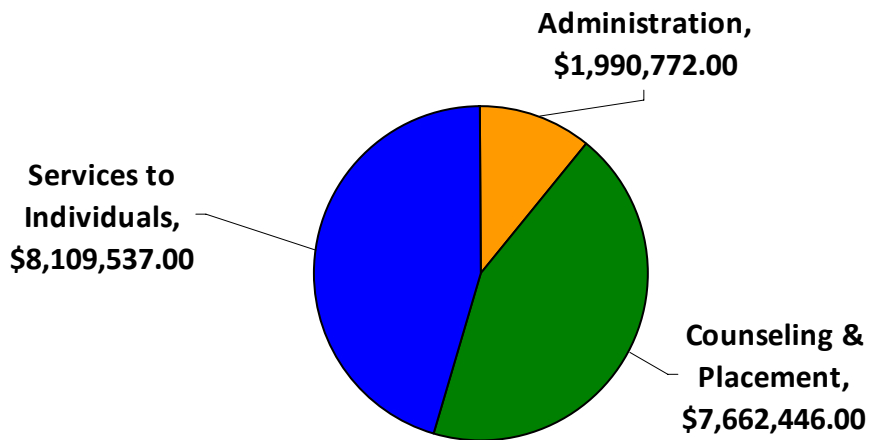
Eligibility for VR services is based upon the following components:

1. A physical or mental impairment that results in a substantial barrier to employment.
2. A determination that VR services are required to prepare for, retain, or regain employment.
3. Verification of the ability to benefit in terms of employment outcome.

## Idahoans Who Joined the Workforce after Rehabilitation Services



## Utilization of Client Service Dollars



## Economic Impact after Rehabilitation Services

Average Client Weekly Earnings	At Time of Referral	At Time of Closure	% of Increase
Rehabilitated	83.48	328.25	293%
Rehabilitated with Significant Disabilities	82.47	326.78	296%

For every \$1 spent on Vocational Rehabilitation services, \$3.26 is returned to the economy through increased taxes on earnings and reduced public assistance payments to individuals rehabilitated.

# 2009 Rehabilitations of the Year

Through VR assistance, a significant number of individuals with disabilities join the workforce yearly. An individual selected annually from each region is honored. With vocational rehabilitation assistance, these individuals have overcome numerous obstacles and disability related barriers to achieve employment. Congratulations to all successful clients!



**Gina LaPolla**  
Banker  
Region 1 - Coeur d'Alene



**Robert Bruce**  
Recycling  
Region 2 - Lewiston



**Amanda Caughell**  
Cook/Cashier  
Region 3 - Treasure Valley



**Humberto Pulido**  
Cook  
Region 4- Twin Falls



**Sherry Johnson**  
Housekeeping  
Region 5- Pocatello



**Theresa Gardener**  
Teacher  
Region 6 - Idaho Falls



**Vicki Ramsey**  
Dietary Aid  
Region 7 - Caldwell



**Gary "Blue" Becker**  
Park Ranger  
Region 8 - Boise



**Nannette Wilson**  
Cashier  
Region 9 - Treasure Valley