

# GUN & AMMUNITION INDUSTRY IN IDAHO



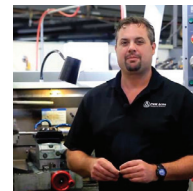
# Business. Booming.

Firearms are a part of Idaho's heritage and they remain an important part of our lives to this day, apparent by the flourishing firearms and ammunitions manufacturing businesses that call Idaho home.

- **50% growth** of firearms and ammunition manufacturing over the last 10 years.
- Home to the **largest producer** of .22 and .223 caliber ammunition in the nation.
- Over **two dozen** manufacturers of custom arms, aftermarket parts and specialized ammunition.

## SOME OF THE GUN AND AMMUNITION COMPANIES THAT CALL IDAHO HOME:

- Ammo-Load Worldwide | Lewiston
- ATK | Lewiston
- Eberlestock | Boise
- GEMTECH | Boise and Eagle
- Integrity Ballistics | Boise
- Primary Weapons Systems | Boise
- PNW Arms | Potlatch
- SRM Arms/GSA Direct | Meridian
- Tactical Innovations | Bonners Ferry
- Tactical Solutions | Boise



Idaho offered us an opportunity to relocate somewhere where we could be in a more comfortable environment. In Idaho, they understand that what we're doing is of vital importance to our national interest, and citizens take that to heart.

—Fred Newcome  
VP of Sales, PNW Arms

Ammunition manufacturer that recently relocated to Potlatch, Idaho



RUNNING AT THE SPEED OF BUSINESS.



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In Idaho, we know what 'business friendly' means. We cherish and defend freedom, and we protect the Second Amendment. Those principles are in the very fiber of who we are, and we welcome the opportunity to show you our great state and be a partner in your future success.

—Idaho Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter

### WATCH YOUR BUSINESS PROFITS INCREASE IN IDAHO

- In Idaho, we balance our budget, invest in growth, we have no hidden debt, and our taxes are going down.
- 2nd lowest business costs in the West.
- As of 2013, 90% of Idaho's businesses are exempt from paying personal property taxes.
- Sales tax exemption on production equipment, materials and supplies for manufacturing.
- Idaho's average workforce costs are 84% below the national average as Idaho's cost of living is 91% of the national average and the lowest in the west.
- 2nd lowest energy costs in the nation.
- Health insurance costs among the lowest in the nation.

### WE VIGOROUSLY PROTECT THE RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS

- Recognized as a gun-friendly state by the National Rifle Association.
- Among the least restrictive gun laws in the nation.
- Idaho's Constitution forbids the imposture of licensure, registration or special taxation on the ownership or possession of firearms or ammunition. (Idaho Constitution Article I § 11)
- Idaho restricts lawsuits against firearms or ammunition manufacturers relating to the design, manufacture, marketing or sale of firearms or ammunition to the public. (Idaho Code § 5-247)
- Idaho limits product liability for defectiveness of firearms or ammunition. (Idaho Code § 6-1410)



**A+**

Overall small business friendliness.  
**from Thumbtack**

**#1**

National ranking for ease of licensing regulations  
**by Governing Magazine**

**#1**

National ranking for ease of starting a business  
**by Governing Magazine**

**#3**

National ranking for regulatory friendliness  
**by Governing Magazine**

### MANUFACTURER BENEFITS

The Business Advantage package of incentives are for qualified investments of over \$500K employing 10 or more employees at \$40,000 annual salary with each additional employee making an average of \$15.50 per hour.

**3.75% credit on all tangible personal property**

**25% rebate on sales tax for new facility construction materials**

**2.5% tax credit on investment in new plants and buildings**

**Up to 100% property tax exemption up to five years**