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The Clean Energy Economy Idaho

Idaho has a small but fast-growing piece of America's clean energy economy. The state's number of jobs in the clean energy economy more than doubled between 1998 and 2007, growing at a much faster rate than total jobs. The state has more wind power potential than Oregon and Washington combined, according to the U.S. Department of Energy, and the state university is considering a wind technologies degree program to support that potential industry.¹ Additionally, Idaho attracted nearly \$28 million in clean technology venture capital in the past three years, all of which has been invested in the Clean Energy category.

BY THE NUMBERS, THE CLEAN ENERGY ECONOMY:

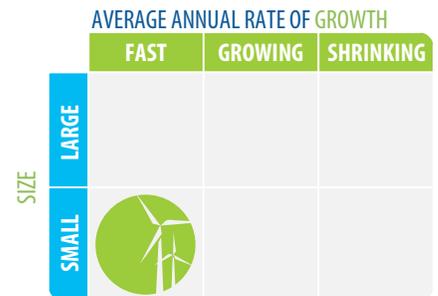
Jobs (2007): **4,517**

Businesses (2007): **428**

Venture Capital Funds (2006-2008)*: **\$27,890,265**

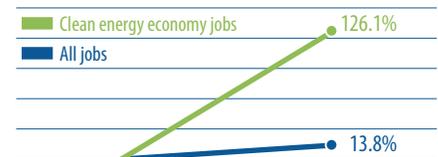
Patents (1999-2008): **73**

STATUS OF CLEAN ENERGY ECONOMY



Average yearly rate of growth between 1998 and 2007

10-YEAR GROWTH



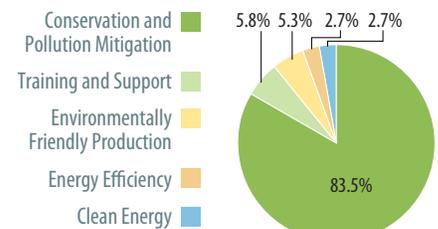
Relative rate of growth between 1998 and 2007

EXAMPLES OF COMPANIES:**

Telemetric, Boise (Energy Efficiency): designs and distributes wireless monitoring and control devices to electric utilities

U.S. Geothermal, Boise (Clean Energy): designs and manages geothermal power generation facilities

JOB CATEGORIES***



Share of jobs in the clean energy economy by category

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NOTES: *Values reported in 2008 dollars. **Information current as of May 8, 2009. This report is intended for educational and informational purposes. References to specific products, services, companies and policy makers have been included solely to advance these purposes and do not constitute an endorsement, sponsorship or recommendation by The Pew Charitable Trusts. ***These numbers may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding. ****Financial incentives include residential, commercial and industrial loan financing, rebate programs and tax incentives.

SOURCES: Jobs and establishment data from The Pew Charitable Trusts, 2009; based on the National Establishment Time Series Database; analysis by Pew Center on the States and Collaborative Economics. [1] Reid Wright, "Plugging In," *The University of Idaho Argonaut*, May 4, 2009, <http://www.uiargonaut.com/content/view/8078/48/> (accessed May 5, 2009).

CLEAN ENERGY POLICIES

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Renewable Portfolio Standards	<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy Efficiency Resource Standards	<input type="checkbox"/>
Regional Cap and Trade Program	<input type="checkbox"/>