

# Nampa population tops 100,000, according to COMPASS estimates

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Cars line the street in downtown Nampa on 12th Avenue Road near the Nampa Train Depot Friday afternoon.

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NAMPA — The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho estimates the city of Nampa has surpassed 100,000 people, according to a press release.

COMPASS board of directors accepted the 2019 population estimates for both Ada and Canyon counties during its board meeting April 15. The estimates show Nampa's current population at 102,030.

Nampa is only the third city in Idaho to reach this milestone. Meridian, with a current estimated population of 114,680, surpassed 100,000 last year. Boise's 2019 estimated population is 236,310, while the total population for Ada and Canyon counties combined is estimated at 712,200.

"The City of Nampa has nearly doubled in size since the 2000 Census," COMPASS principal planner and demographer Carl Miller said in a press release. "In 2000 — only 19 years ago — the City of Nampa had a population of just under 52,000."

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COMPASS updates its population estimates as of April 1 of each year using the most recent decennial Census count from 2010 as the base. Building from this, COMPASS updates the information using local building construction permits, revised household sizes and vacancy rates, and recent annexations. COMPASS will update its "baseline" data again following the 2020 Census.

"A complete count in the 2020 Census will be a key factor in ensuring our annual population estimates continue to be accurate, as well," Miller said in the press release. "COMPASS is already working with local agencies and organizations throughout the Treasure Valley, as well as the U.S. Census Bureau, to help ensure everyone is counted in 2020."

The 2019 population estimates can be found on the COMPASS website at [compassidaho.org](http://compassidaho.org). Follow the link under "Hot Topics."

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