

## Wyoming Employment and Payroll: Job Growth in First Quarter 2022

From first quarter 2021 to first quarter 2022, Wyoming added 6,990 jobs (2.7%) and total payroll rose by \$450.6 million (14.3%). Despite the recent job growth, employment has not fully returned to pre-pandemic levels. Total employment in first quarter 2022 was down approximately 6,500 jobs from first quarter 2020.

In first quarter 2022, the largest growth occurred in leisure & hospitality (2,721 jobs, or 8.5%), mining (including oil & gas; 1,322 jobs, or 9.3%), retail trade (944 jobs, or 3.3%), professional & business services (884 jobs, or 4.8%), and construction (689 jobs, or 3.8%). Those job gains were partially offset by job losses in state government (-317 jobs, or -2.6%), health care & social assistance (-249 jobs, or -1.0%), local government (-114 jobs, or -0.3%), and federal government (-114 jobs, or -1.6%). Job gains were seen in 16 of Wyoming's 23 counties.

Teton County added 1,445 jobs (7.3%) and its total payroll rose by \$100.1 million (31.0%). Leisure & hospitality grew by more than 700 jobs and smaller job gains were seen in construction, professional & technical services, real estate & rental & leasing, retail trade, administrative & waste services, and educational services.

Natrona County gained 1,380 jobs (3.9%) and its total payroll increased by \$63.4 million (15.0%). The largest job gains occurred in leisure & hospitality (more than 450 jobs), mining (including oil & gas; approximately 200 jobs), and construction (approximately 200 jobs). Employment also rose in manufacturing, wholesale trade, real estate & rental & leasing, professional & technical services, and retail trade. Job losses were seen in transportation & warehousing and health care & social assistance.

Employment in Campbell County rose by 934 jobs (4.2%) and its total payroll increased by \$47.9 million (15.3%). Growth was seen in mining (including oil & gas), leisure & hospitality, administrative & waste services, construction, and health care & social assistance. Employment fell in local government and transportation & warehousing.

Albany County grew by 750 jobs (4.8%) and its total payroll rose by \$13.9 million (8.3%). Leisure & hospitality added nearly 300 jobs and smaller job gains were seen in retail trade and professional & business services.

Table: Wyoming Covered Employment, Total Wages, & Average Weekly Wages by County, First Quarter 2021 & 2022

County	Average Monthly Employment				Total Wages (\$)				Average Weekly Wage			
	First Quarter		Change		First Quarter		Change		First Quarter		Change	
	2022	2021	N	%	2022	2021	\$	%	2022	2021	\$	%
<b>Total Statewide</b>	<b>262,447</b>	<b>255,457</b>	<b>6,990</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>\$3,612,691,528</b>	<b>\$3,162,090,611</b>	<b>\$450,600,917</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>\$1,059</b>	<b>\$952</b>	<b>\$107</b>	<b>11.2</b>
Albany	16,306	15,557	750	4.8	\$180,147,109	\$166,278,825	\$13,868,284	8.3	\$850	\$822	\$28	3.4
Big Horn	3,899	3,977	-78	-2.0	\$42,285,985	\$39,621,416	\$2,664,569	6.7	\$834	\$766	\$68	8.9
Campbell	23,318	22,384	934	4.2	\$361,823,368	\$313,943,600	\$47,879,768	15.3	\$1,194	\$1,079	\$115	10.6
Carbon	6,132	6,423	-292	-4.5	\$117,576,676	\$88,544,204	\$29,032,472	32.8	\$1,475	\$1,060	\$415	39.1
Converse	5,982	5,581	400	7.2	\$83,997,884	\$71,403,959	\$12,593,925	17.6	\$1,080	\$984	\$96	9.8
Crook	2,424	2,302	122	5.3	\$28,267,207	\$25,721,371	\$2,545,836	9.9	\$897	\$859	\$38	4.4
Fremont	14,838	14,495	342	2.4	\$169,515,283	\$156,563,207	\$12,952,076	8.3	\$879	\$831	\$48	5.8
Goshen	3,981	4,013	-32	-0.8	\$40,833,905	\$39,222,356	\$1,611,549	4.1	\$789	\$752	\$37	4.9
Hot Springs	1,894	1,850	44	2.4	\$19,646,730	\$17,887,320	\$1,759,410	9.8	\$798	\$744	\$54	7.3
Johnson	3,078	3,004	74	2.5	\$31,998,827	\$30,838,187	\$1,160,640	3.8	\$800	\$790	\$10	1.3
Laramie	45,780	45,098	682	1.5	\$614,048,511	\$547,290,978	\$66,757,533	12.2	\$1,032	\$934	\$98	10.5
Lincoln	6,647	6,569	79	1.2	\$90,269,254	\$84,965,949	\$5,303,305	6.2	\$1,045	\$995	\$50	5.0
Natrona	36,806	35,425	1,380	3.9	\$485,129,339	\$421,697,229	\$63,432,110	15.0	\$1,014	\$916	\$98	10.7
Niobrara	838	847	-9	-1.1	\$8,704,471	\$7,865,369	\$839,102	10.7	\$799	\$714	\$85	11.9
Park	12,535	12,370	165	1.3	\$141,865,672	\$134,708,380	\$7,157,292	5.3	\$871	\$838	\$33	3.9
Platte	3,284	3,310	-25	-0.8	\$37,165,826	\$35,421,523	\$1,744,303	4.9	\$870	\$823	\$47	5.7
Sheridan	13,297	12,973	325	2.5	\$160,535,224	\$145,041,986	\$15,493,238	10.7	\$929	\$860	\$69	8.0
Sublette	3,555	3,442	113	3.3	\$53,148,103	\$48,767,283	\$4,380,820	9.0	\$1,150	\$1,090	\$60	5.5
Sweetwater	19,491	19,495	-4	0.0	\$297,466,458	\$271,194,870	\$26,271,588	9.7	\$1,174	\$1,070	\$104	9.7
Teton	21,215	19,771	1,445	7.3	\$422,459,940	\$322,398,896	\$100,061,044	31.0	\$1,532	\$1,254	\$277	22.1
Uinta	7,739	7,717	21	0.3	\$84,557,188	\$79,302,414	\$5,254,774	6.6	\$841	\$790	\$50	6.3
Washakie	3,385	3,435	-51	-1.5	\$38,815,276	\$37,292,052	\$1,523,224	4.1	\$882	\$835	\$47	5.6
Weston	2,254	2,252	2	0.1	\$25,436,639	\$23,089,774	\$2,346,865	10.2	\$868	\$789	\$79	10.1
Nonclassified <sup>a</sup>	3,770	3,167	603	19.0	\$76,996,653	\$53,029,463	\$23,967,190	45.2	\$1,571	\$1,288	\$283	22.0

<sup>a</sup>The employer may be located statewide or in more than one county. Extract Date: July 2022

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Employment in Laramie County rose by 682 jobs (1.5%) and its total payroll grew by \$66.8 million (12.2%). The largest job growth occurred in leisure & hospitality (nearly 500 jobs). Substantial growth was also seen in retail trade, local government, professional & technical services, construction, and wholesale trade.

Converse County added 400 jobs (7.2%) and its total payroll grew by \$12.6 million (17.6%). Mining (including oil & gas) added approximately 200 jobs and growth was also seen in transportation & warehousing, leisure & hospitality, retail trade, manufacturing, and administrative & waste services.

Employment in Fremont County rose by 342 jobs (2.4%) and its total payroll increased by \$13.0 million (8.3%). The largest job gains occurred in local government, leisure & hospitality, manufacturing, and retail trade. Employment fell in health care & social assistance, state government, and federal government.

Carbon County lost 292 jobs (-4.5%) but its total payroll rose by \$29.0 million (32.8%). Large job losses occurred in construction, and smaller job losses were seen in state government, health care & social assistance, federal government, and real estate & rental & leasing.

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Employment and wages data for second quarter 2022 are scheduled to be published on November 4, 2022.

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