Wyoming Employment and Payroll: Solid Job Growth in Second Quarter 2023

The Research & Planning section of the Wyoming Department of Workforce Services reported today that from second quarter 2022 to second quarter 2023, total employment in the state rose by 6,814 jobs (2.5%) and total payroll increased by \$266.8 million (7.2%).

In second quarter 2023, the largest job growth occurred in professional & business services (1,249 jobs, or 6.0%), local government (including public schools, colleges & hospitals; 1,105 jobs, or 2.5%), mining (including oil & gas; 916 jobs, or 5.7%), leisure & hospitality (729 jobs, or 1.9%), and construction (693 jobs, or 3.2%). Sizeable job gains were also seen in health care & social assistance (529 jobs, or 2.1%), transportation & warehousing (339 jobs, or 3.5%), federal government (302 jobs, or 3.9%), wholesale trade (272 jobs, or 3.5%), and manufacturing (269 jobs, or 2.7%). Retail trade employment fell by 322 jobs, or 1.1%. Employment rose in 19 counties and fell in four counties.

Natrona County added 1,477 jobs (3.9%) and its total payroll rose by \$44.6 million (8.7%). Transportation & warehousing gained more than 300 jobs and smaller job gains were seen in mining (including oil & gas), health care & social assistance, manufacturing, professional & technical services, and real estate & rental & leasing. Employment fell by more than 150 jobs in retail trade.

Laramie County gained 1,096 jobs (2.4%) and its total payroll increased by \$41.8 million (6.7%). Mining (including oil & gas) added approximately 250 jobs and strong growth also occurred in local government (including educational services), professional & technical services, administrative & waste services, and other services. Job losses were seen in retail trade, finance & insurance, and transportation & warehousing.

Employment in Teton County rose by 935 jobs (4.3%) and its total payroll increased by \$43.1 million (11.3%). Accommodation & food services added more than 350 jobs while growth also was seen in construction, administrative & waste services, and transportation & warehousing.

Campbell County added 880 jobs (3.6%) and its total payroll rose by \$24.9 million (6.6%). Large job growth was

County	Average Monthly Employment				Total Wages (\$)				Average Weekly Wage			
	Second Quarter		Change		Second Quarter		Change		Second Quarter		Change	
	2023	2022	N	%	2023	2022	\$	%	2023	2022	\$	%
Total Statewide	279,992	273,178	6,814	2.5	\$3,990,203,809	\$3,723,371,844	\$266,831,965	7.2	\$1,096	\$1,048	\$48	4.6
Albany	16,648	16,557	91	0.6	\$205,197,805	\$196,196,606	\$9,001,199	4.6	\$948	\$912	\$37	4.0
Big Horn	4,125	4,149	-24	-0.6	\$53,206,191	\$49,144,843	\$4,061,348	8.3	\$992	\$911	\$81	8.9
Campbell	25,120	24,240	880	3.6	\$399,956,867	\$375,036,997	\$24,919,870	6.6	\$1,225	\$1,190	\$35	2.9
Carbon	6,614	6,795	-181	-2.7	\$88,833,364	\$90,641,419	-\$1,808,055	-2.0	\$1,033	\$1,026	\$7	0.7
Converse	6,173	6,108	65	1.1	\$95,118,457	\$93,993,284	\$1,125,173	1.2	\$1,185	\$1,184	\$2	0.1
Crook	2,683	2,663	20	0.8	\$35,230,413	\$33,890,773	\$1,339,640	4.0	\$1,010	\$979	\$31	3.2
Fremont	15,786	15,443	343	2.2	\$188,792,160	\$177,935,997	\$10,856,163	6.1	\$920	\$886	\$34	3.8
Goshen	4,171	4,143	28	0.7	\$45,993,191	\$44,959,608	\$1,033,583	2.3	\$848	\$835	\$13	1.6
Hot Springs	2,044	2,010	33	1.7	\$22,609,032	\$21,481,902	\$1,127,130	5.2	\$851	\$822	\$29	3.5
Johnson	3,464	3,327	136	4.1	\$39,864,357	\$35,742,715	\$4,121,642	11.5	\$885	\$826	\$59	7.1
Laramie	47,442	46,346	1,096	2.4	\$665,330,476	\$623,548,843	\$41,781,633	6.7	\$1,079	\$1,035	\$44	4.2
Lincoln	7,135	7,119	16	0.2	\$105,165,117	\$94,511,570	\$10,653,547	11.3	\$1,134	\$1,021	\$113	11.0
Natrona	39,620	38,143	1,477	3.9	\$555,258,506	\$510,674,413	\$44,584,093	8.7	\$1,078	\$1,030	\$48	4.7
Niobrara	837	867	-30	-3.5	\$9,264,329	\$9,478,890	-\$214,561	-2.3	\$852	\$841	\$11	1.3
Park	14,684	14,279	405	2.8	\$170,187,224	\$157,400,467	\$12,786,757	8.1	\$892	\$848	\$44	5.1
Platte	3,342	3,506	-165	-4.7	\$41,853,508	\$45,058,185	-\$3,204,677	-7.1	\$963	\$989	-\$25	-2.5
Sheridan	14,247	13,889	357	2.6	\$188,883,923	\$176,009,462	\$12,874,461	7.3	\$1,020	\$975	\$45	4.6
Sublette	3,827	3,712	115	3.1	\$59,862,917	\$52,824,785	\$7,038,132	13.3	\$1,203	\$1,095	\$109	9.9
Sweetwater	20,949	20,402	546	2.7	\$345,502,658	\$322,090,483	\$23,412,175	7.3	\$1,269	\$1,214	\$54	4.5
Teton	22,752	21,817	935	4.3	\$423,145,817	\$380,077,023	\$43,068,794	11.3	\$1,431	\$1,340	\$91	6.8
Uinta	8,354	8,012	341	4.3	\$100,135,187	\$90,591,440	\$9,543,747	10.5	\$922	\$870	\$52	6.0
Washakie	3,591	3,522	69	1.9	\$42,973,396	\$41,552,081	\$1,421,315	3.4	\$921	\$908	\$13	1.4
Weston	2,427	2,392	35	1.4	\$29,597,693	\$28,889,164	\$708,529	2.5	\$938	\$929	\$9	1.0
Nonclassified ^a	3,958	3,734	224	6.0	\$78,241,221	\$71,640,894	\$6,600,327	9.2	\$1,521	\$1,476	\$45	3.0

^aThe employer may be located statewide or in more than one county. Extract Date: October 2023

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seen in mining (including oil & gas), local government, health care & social assistance, wholesale trade, and other services.

Employment in Sweetwater County rose by 546 jobs (2.7%) and its total payroll grew by \$23.4 million (7.3%). Mining (including oil & gas) added nearly 200 jobs and smaller job gains were seen in local government (including educational services), manufacturing, retail trade, and construction.

Carbon County lost 181 jobs (-2.7%) and its total payroll fell by \$1.8 million (-2.0%). Job losses were seen in a number of sectors, such as mining (including oil & gas), accommodation & food services, and administrative & waste services.

Employment in Platte County fell by 165 jobs (-4.7%) and its total payroll decreased by \$3.2 million (-7.1%). Modest job losses occurred in construction, state government, accommodation & food services, and local government.

Visit our website at https://doe.state.wy.us/LMI/23Q2_QCEW/toc.htm for detailed tables for each county.

Employment and wages data for third quarter 2023 are scheduled to be published on February 2, 2024.

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