Wyoming Employment and Payroll: Construction Sector Leads Job Growth in Third Quarter 2023

The Research & Planning section of the Wyoming Department of Workforce Services reported today that from third quarter 2022 to third quarter 2023, total employment in the state rose by 6,212 jobs (2.2%) and total payroll increased by \$186.4 million (4.7%).

In third quarter 2023, the largest job growth occurred in construction, which added 1,307 jobs (5.8%). Within construction, especially strong growth was observed in power & communication system construction (including the construction of wind farms). Other sectors which exhibited solid growth included leisure & hospitality (1,225 jobs, or 2.9%), professional & business services (957 jobs, or 4.4%), local government (including public schools, colleges, & hospitals; 648 jobs, or 1.5%), and mining (including oil & gas; 613 jobs, or 3.7%). More modest growth occurred in federal government (337 jobs, or 4.2%), health care & social assistance (316 jobs, or 1.2%), and transportation & warehousing (274 jobs, or 2.7%). Employment fell in retail trade (-95 jobs, or -0.3%) and financial activities (-94 jobs, or -0.8%).

Teton County added 1,236 jobs (4.9%) and its total payroll rose by \$24.3 million (5.8%). Accommodation & food services added more than 700 jobs and smaller job gains were seen in construction; local government; administrative & waste services; and arts, entertainment, & recreation.

Natrona County gained 1,088 jobs (2.8%) and its total payroll increased by \$31.0 million (5.7%). Large job gains were seen in transportation & warehousing, construction, health care & social assistance, mining (including oil & gas), manufacturing, and professional & technical services.

Laramie County's employment increased by 1,024 jobs (2.2%) and its total payroll grew by \$49.4 million (7.4%). Growth was seen in many sectors, including local government, mining (including oil & gas), construction, accommodation & food services, federal government, health care & social assistance, and other services. Employment fell in retail trade.

Sweetwater County added 529 jobs (2.6%) and its total payroll increased by \$14.2 million (4.3%). The largest job growth occurred in mining (including oil & gas), which added more than 200 jobs. Growth was also seen in local gov-

Table: Wyoming Covered Employment, Total Wages, & Average Weekly Wages by County, Third Quarter 2022 & 2023												
	Average Monthly Employment				Total Wages (\$)				Average Weekly Wage			
	Third Quarter		Change		Third Quarter		Change		Third Quarter		Change	
County	2023	2022	N	%	2023	2022	\$	%	2023	2022	\$	%
Total Statewide	285,409	279,197	6,212	2.2	\$4,123,938,566	\$3,937,517,372	\$186,421,194	4.7	\$1,111	\$1,085	\$27	2.5
Albany	16,622	16,619	3	0.0	\$216,738,073	\$204,036,672	\$12,701,401	6.2	\$1,003	\$944	\$59	6.2
Big Horn	4,202	4,151	51	1.2	\$51,622,016	\$49,308,970	\$2,313,046	4.7	\$945	\$914	\$31	3.4
Campbell	24,780	24,270	510	2.1	\$404,730,209	\$393,952,085	\$10,778,124	2.7	\$1,256	\$1,249	\$8	0.6
Carbon	6,733	6,758	-25	-0.4	\$93,278,061	\$89,921,883	\$3,356,178	3.7	\$1,066	\$1,024	\$42	4.1
Converse	6,163	6,205	-42	-0.7	\$90,785,186	\$92,771,796	-\$1,986,610	-2.1	\$1,133	\$1,150	-\$17	-1.5
Crook	2,697	2,635	62	2.4	\$37,255,051	\$36,673,452	\$581,599	1.6	\$1,062	\$1,070	-\$8	-0.7
Fremont	15,734	15,401	333	2.2	\$196,088,378	\$180,779,292	\$15,309,086	8.5	\$959	\$903	\$56	6.2
Goshen	4,051	4,104	-54	-1.3	\$46,150,864	\$44,143,703	\$2,007,161	4.5	\$876	\$827	\$49	5.9
Hot Springs	2,025	2,008	18	0.9	\$22,813,652	\$22,655,706	\$157,946	0.7	\$866	\$868	-\$2	-0.2
Johnson	3,508	3,409	99	2.9	\$38,264,820	\$36,611,264	\$1,653,556	4.5	\$839	\$826	\$13	1.6
Laramie	47,802	46,778	1,024	2.2	\$719,842,484	\$670,429,985	\$49,412,499	7.4	\$1,158	\$1,102	\$56	5.1
Lincoln	7,087	7,052	35	0.5	\$102,739,905	\$100,392,368	\$2,347,537	2.3	\$1,115	\$1,095	\$20	1.8
Natrona	39,871	38,783	1,088	2.8	\$579,319,614	\$548,294,163	\$31,025,451	5.7	\$1,118	\$1,087	\$30	2.8
Niobrara	791	812	-21	-2.6	\$8,084,565	\$8,110,017	-\$25,452	-0.3	\$787	\$768	\$18	2.4
Park	15,514	15,063	451	3.0	\$181,478,863	\$179,251,971	\$2,226,892	1.2	\$900	\$915	-\$16	-1.7
Platte	3,278	3,352	-74	-2.2	\$41,061,589	\$41,636,565	-\$574,976	-1.4	\$964	\$955	\$8	0.8
Sheridan	14,379	14,182	197	1.4	\$189,839,312	\$188,382,229	\$1,457,083	0.8	\$1,016	\$1,022	-\$6	-0.6
Sublette	4,010	3,831	179	4.7	\$60,328,864	\$56,232,671	\$4,096,193	7.3	\$1,157	\$1,129	\$28	2.5
Sweetwater	21,085	20,555	529	2.6	\$346,496,465	\$332,293,637	\$14,202,828	4.3	\$1,264	\$1,244	\$21	1.7
Teton	26,658	25,423	1,236	4.9	\$443,051,500	\$418,762,685	\$24,288,815	5.8	\$1,278	\$1,267	\$11	0.9
Uinta	8,170	8,197	-28	-0.3	\$97,575,746	\$99,002,309	-\$1,426,563	-1.4	\$919	\$929	-\$10	-1.1
Washakie	3,633	3,565	68	1.9	\$43,716,900	\$42,649,805	\$1,067,095	2.5	\$926	\$920	\$5	0.6
Weston	2,403	2,350	53	2.3	\$28,970,454	\$28,444,571	\$525,883	1.8	\$927	\$931	-\$4	-0.4
$Non classified ^{a} \\$	4,215	3,694	521	14.1	\$83,705,995	\$72,779,573	\$10,926,422	15.0	\$1,528	\$1,516	\$12	0.8

^aThe employer may be located statewide or in more than one county. Extract Date: January 2024

ernment, manufacturing, and retail trade.

Campbell County added 510 jobs (2.1%) and its total payroll rose by \$10.8 million (2.7%). Mining (including oil & gas) gained more than 200 jobs and smaller gains were seen in health care & social assistance, construction, and local government.

Park County's employment grew by 451 jobs (3.0%) and its total payroll increased by \$2.2 million (1.2%). Accommodation & food services added more than 200 jobs and growth was also seen in retail trade and professional & technical services.

Fremont County added 333 jobs (2.2%) and its total payroll increased by \$15.3 million (8.5%). Growth was seen in local government, mining (including oil & gas), construction, and professional & technical services.

Platte County's employment fell by 74 jobs (-2.2%) and its total payroll decreased by \$574,976 (-1.4%). Modest job losses occurred in construction, state government, retail trade, and mining.

Visit our website at https://doe.state.wy.us/LMI/23Q3 QCEW/toc.htm for detailed tables for each county.

Employment and wages data for fourth quarter 2023 are scheduled to be published on May 3, 2024.

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