

## Wyoming Employment and Payroll: Job Growth Continues in First Quarter 2024

The Research & Planning section of the Wyoming Department of Workforce Services reported today that from first quarter 2023 to first quarter 2024, total employment in the state rose by 3,429 jobs (1.3%) and total payroll increased by \$163.8 million (4.1%). Employment rose in 16 counties and fell in seven counties. Total payroll increased in 20 counties and decreased in three counties.

Laramie County added 834 jobs (1.8%) and its total payroll expanded by \$49.4 million (7.4%). Job gains were seen in construction, health care & social assistance, local government, state government, and federal government. These job gains were partially offset by job losses in finance & insurance; manufacturing; transportation & warehousing; arts, entertainment & recreation; and information.

Natrona County gained 462 jobs (1.2%) and its total payroll grew by \$33.4 million (6.0%). Employment rose in construction; health care & social assistance; local government; arts, entertainment & recreation; state government; and manufacturing, while employment fell in transportation & warehousing.

Employment in Sheridan County rose by 335 jobs (2.5%) and its total payroll increased by \$18.3 million (10.2%). Sizeable job gains occurred in construction, health care & social assistance, and local government. Employment fell in accommodation & food services.

Sweetwater County added 260 jobs (1.3%) and its total payroll rose by \$388,865 (0.1%). The largest job gains were seen in local government, mining (including oil & gas), wholesale trade, and health care & social assistance. Job losses were noted in construction and accommodation & food services.

Teton County gained 260 jobs (1.2%), but its total payroll fell by \$7.6 million (-1.6%). Employment rose in construction, local government, and administrative & waste services, but fell in finance & insurance, transportation & warehousing, and information. The decrease in total payroll was largely the result of significant bonuses paid in management of companies & enterprises and finance & insurance in first quarter 2023, but not

Table: Wyoming Covered Employment, Total Wages, & Average Weekly Wages by County, First Quarter 2023 & 2024

County	Average Monthly Employment				Total Wages (\$)				Average Weekly Wage			
	First Quarter		Change		First Quarter		Change		First Quarter		Change	
	2024	2023	N	%	2024	2023	\$	%	2024	2023	\$	%
<b>Total Statewide</b>	<b>273,209</b>	<b>269,780</b>	<b>3,429</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>\$4,181,143,734</b>	<b>\$4,017,310,098</b>	<b>\$163,833,636</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>\$1,177</b>	<b>\$1,145</b>	<b>\$32</b>	<b>2.8</b>
Albany	16,710	16,495	216	1.3	\$213,906,172	\$205,060,225	\$8,845,947	4.3	\$985	\$956	\$28	3.0
Big Horn	3,992	3,850	142	3.7	\$50,406,923	\$46,311,526	\$4,095,397	8.8	\$971	\$925	\$46	5.0
Campbell	24,788	24,585	203	0.8	\$421,519,394	\$424,307,375	-\$2,787,981	-0.7	\$1,308	\$1,328	-\$20	-1.5
Carbon	6,033	6,001	32	0.5	\$86,822,487	\$82,435,130	\$4,387,357	5.3	\$1,107	\$1,057	\$50	4.8
Converse	6,222	6,084	138	2.3	\$103,641,165	\$93,645,840	\$9,995,325	10.7	\$1,281	\$1,184	\$97	8.2
Crook	2,548	2,439	109	4.5	\$35,559,952	\$32,438,245	\$3,121,707	9.6	\$1,074	\$1,023	\$51	4.9
Fremont	15,187	15,080	107	0.7	\$187,796,205	\$180,150,547	\$7,645,658	4.2	\$951	\$919	\$32	3.5
Goshen	4,051	4,114	-63	-1.5	\$46,558,726	\$45,122,937	\$1,435,789	3.2	\$884	\$844	\$40	4.8
Hot Springs	1,874	1,946	-72	-3.7	\$21,139,823	\$21,569,483	-\$429,660	-2.0	\$868	\$852	\$15	1.8
Johnson	3,188	3,211	-23	-0.7	\$37,491,890	\$35,405,148	\$2,086,742	5.9	\$905	\$848	\$56	6.7
Laramie	47,402	46,568	834	1.8	\$716,554,105	\$667,142,338	\$49,411,767	7.4	\$1,163	\$1,102	\$61	5.5
Lincoln	6,979	6,802	177	2.6	\$105,307,867	\$98,947,098	\$6,360,769	6.4	\$1,161	\$1,119	\$42	3.7
Natrona	38,978	38,516	462	1.2	\$587,208,101	\$553,842,574	\$33,365,527	6.0	\$1,159	\$1,106	\$53	4.8
Niobrara	802	807	-5	-0.6	\$8,316,513	\$8,156,172	\$160,341	2.0	\$798	\$778	\$20	2.6
Park	12,938	12,889	49	0.4	\$170,469,171	\$167,708,612	\$2,760,559	1.6	\$1,014	\$1,001	\$13	1.3
Platte	3,268	3,272	-5	-0.1	\$44,214,854	\$41,608,096	\$2,606,758	6.3	\$1,041	\$978	\$63	6.4
Sheridan	13,975	13,640	335	2.5	\$198,340,040	\$180,022,703	\$18,317,337	10.2	\$1,092	\$1,015	\$77	7.5
Sublette	3,660	3,595	65	1.8	\$61,448,147	\$60,247,000	\$1,201,147	2.0	\$1,291	\$1,289	\$2	0.2
Sweetwater	20,533	20,273	260	1.3	\$352,288,164	\$351,899,299	\$388,865	0.1	\$1,320	\$1,335	-\$15	-1.2
Teton	22,417	22,157	260	1.2	\$473,408,530	\$481,040,045	-\$7,631,515	-1.6	\$1,625	\$1,670	-\$46	-2.7
Uinta	8,059	8,143	-84	-1.0	\$99,107,235	\$97,408,425	\$1,698,810	1.7	\$946	\$920	\$26	2.8
Washakie	3,496	3,498	-2	-0.1	\$43,113,737	\$40,833,403	\$2,280,334	5.6	\$949	\$898	\$51	5.6
Weston	2,364	2,353	11	0.5	\$32,745,865	\$30,240,051	\$2,505,814	8.3	\$1,066	\$989	\$77	7.8
Nonclassified <sup>a</sup>	3,746	3,463	284	8.2	\$83,778,668	\$71,767,826	\$12,010,842	16.7	\$1,720	\$1,594	\$126	7.9

<sup>a</sup>The employer may be located statewide or in more than one county. Extract Date: July 2024

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repeated in first quarter 2024.

Employment in Albany County increased by 216 jobs (1.3%) and its total payroll rose by \$8.8 million (4.3%). Growth was seen in state government, construction, and professional & technical services. Employment fell in accommodation & food services, administrative & waste services, and retail trade.

Campbell County added 203 jobs (0.8%), but its total payroll fell by \$2.8 million (-0.7%). Job gains were seen in local government, construction, health care & social assistance, retail trade, and accommodation & food services. Job losses occurred in mining (including oil & gas), management of companies & enterprises, and wholesale trade.

Uinta County lost 84 jobs (-1.0%), but its total payroll rose by \$1.7 million (1.7%). The largest job losses occurred in accommodation & food services, construction, local government, and information. Employment rose in state government, transportation & warehousing, and wholesale trade.

Visit our website at [https://doe.state.wy.us/LMI/24Q1\\_QCEW/toc.htm](https://doe.state.wy.us/LMI/24Q1_QCEW/toc.htm) for detailed tables for each county.

Employment and wages data for second quarter 2024 are scheduled to be published on November 8, 2024.

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