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## Continued Claims Increase 10% Since 2024

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The number of initial and continued Unemployment Insurance (UI) claims in Wyoming (see Definitions, page 9) increased over the year in April 2026. Initial claims have changed very little over the past few years (see Figure 1) but continued claims have steadily increased (see Figure 2, page 4). From April 2024 to April 2026, continued claims increased about 10%.

### Initial Claims

There were 1,654 initial claims in April 2026, up from 1,617 in April 2025 (37, or 2.3%). There were also 116 more claims filed compared to last month, likely due to the end of the ski and winter tourism seasons and other regular seasonal patterns in Wyoming. The industries with the largest

**UI Claims Online**

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numbers of initial claims included leisure & hospitality (519); construction (340); trade, transportation, & utilities (242); and professional & business services (115; see Table 1, page 5, and Figure 3, page 6). Construction had the largest over-the-year increase in initial claims (45 more, or 15.3%), followed by leisure & hospitality (28, or 5.7%) and trade, transportation, & utilities (26, or 12.0%). Over-the-year decreases were seen in professional & business services, natural resources & mining, government, and manufacturing.

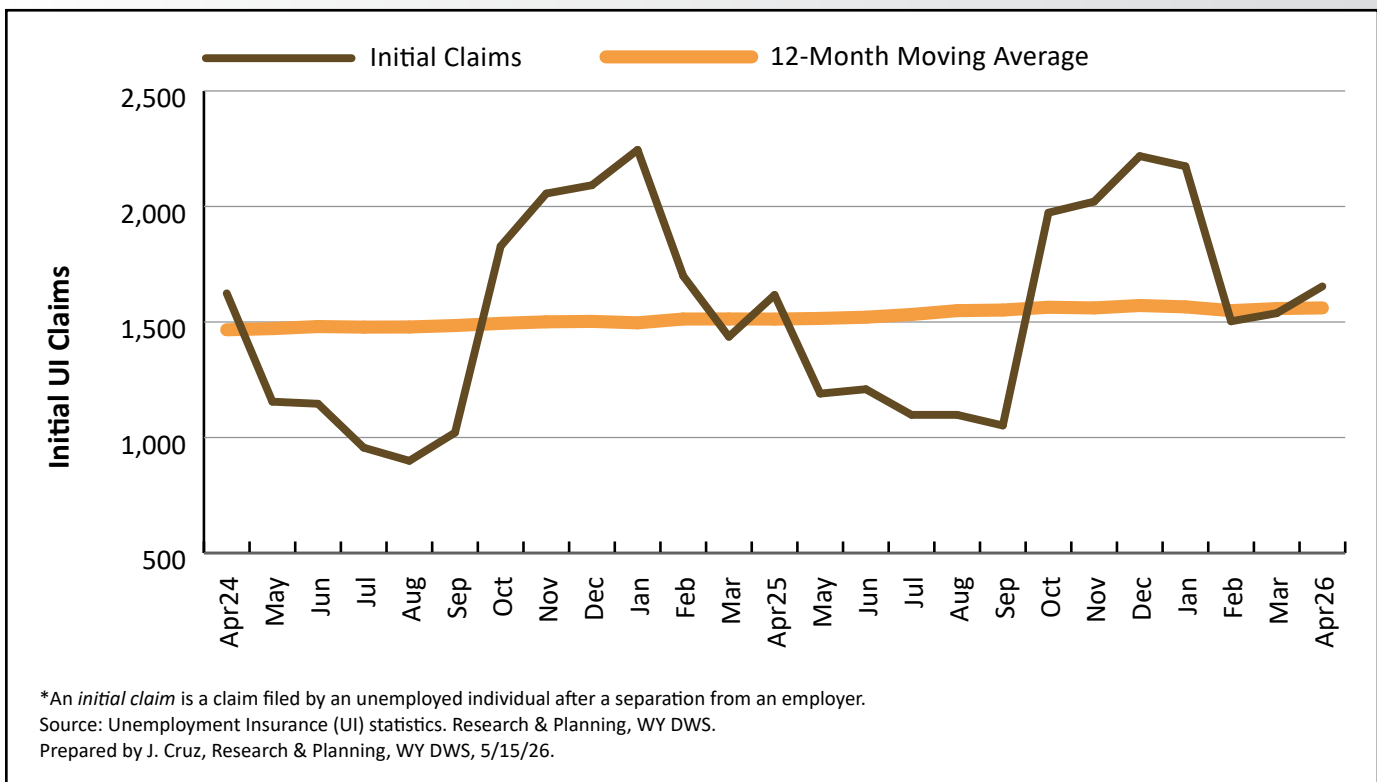


Figure 1: Total Number of Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims for Wyoming, April 2024 to April 2026

Teton County had the largest number of initial claims with 318, followed by Laramie (229), Natrona (181), and Sweetwater (110) counties. In addition, there were 255 initial claims from out-of-state claimants (see Figure 4, page 6, and Table 3, page 9).

**Continued Claims**

The total number of continued weeks claimed increased from 10,547 in April 2025 to 10,825 in April 2026 (278, or 2.6%). The total number of continued weeks claimed decreased by 1,809 (-14.3%) over the month. The total number of unique claimants decreased by 47 (-1.4%) over the year and 882 (-20.6%) over the month.

The industries with the most continued weeks claimed included construction

(2,398); leisure & hospitality (2,229); trade, transportation, & utilities (1,505); and professional & business services (1,116; see Table 2, page 7, and Figure 5, page 8). Leisure & hospitality increased the most over the year, with 305 more claims, (15.9%) while trade, transportation, & utilities decreased the most (-84, or -5.3%).

Laramie County had the largest number of continued claims with 1,474, followed by Natrona (1,205), Teton (942), and Sweetwater (891) counties. There were 1,910 continued claims from out-of-state individuals. Notable over-the-year increases were seen in Sweetwater (161, or 22.1%), Teton (134, or 16.6%), and Laramie (124, or 9.2%) counties (see Figure 6, page 8, and Table 4, page 9). The greatest over-the-year decrease was seen in Campbell County (-162, or -19.8%).

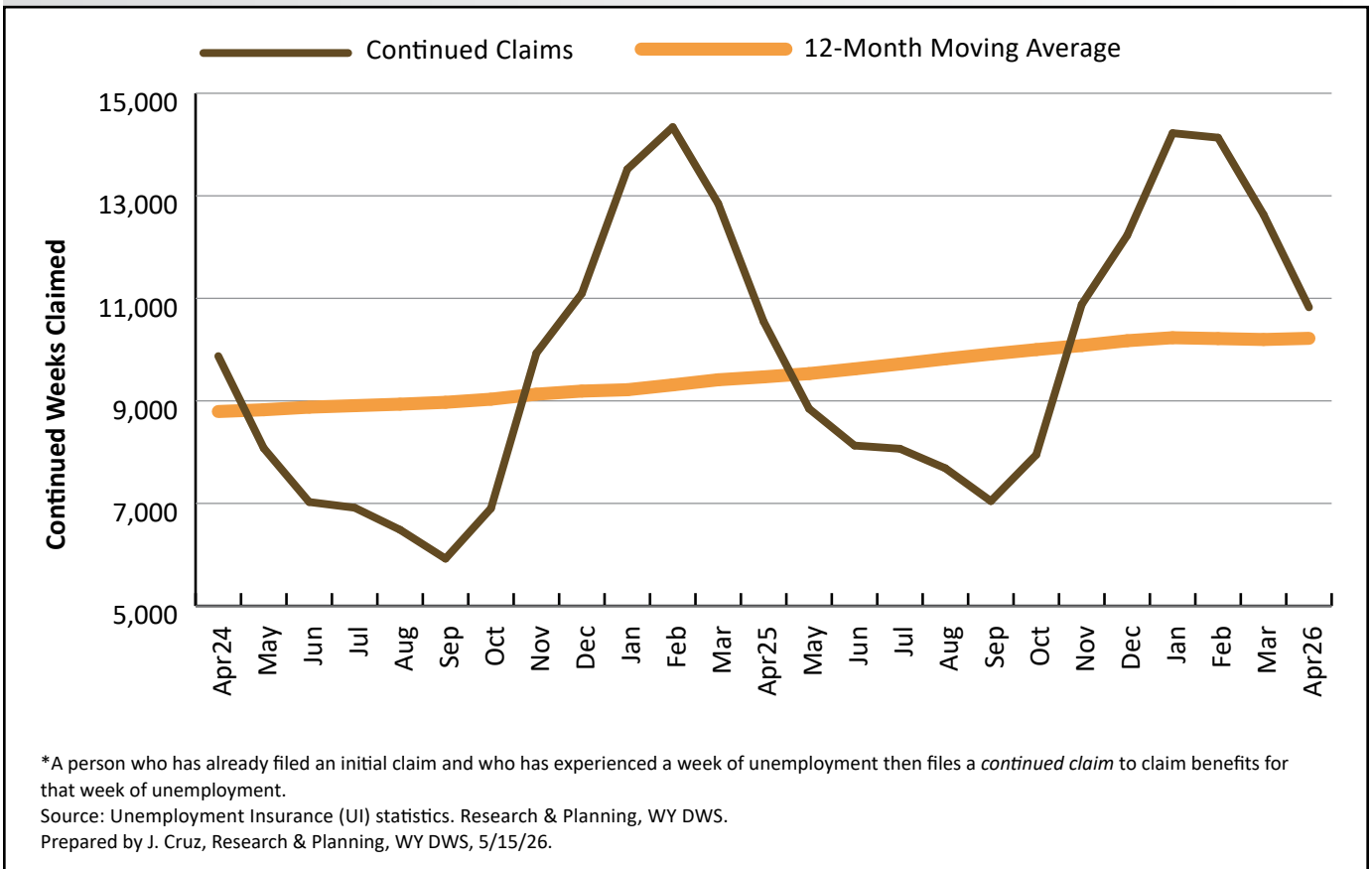


Figure 2: Total Number of Unemployment Insurance Continued Weeks Claimed for Wyoming, April 2024 to April 2026

Table 1: Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims in Wyoming, April 2026

Industry	Initial Claims Filed			Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
	Apr 2026	Mar 2026	Apr 2025	N	%	N	%
<b>Total Claims Filed</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>1,538</b>	<b>1,617</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>2.3</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.2</b>
Natural Resources & Mining (11, 21)	90	92	119	-2	-2.2	-29	-24.4
Mining (21)	79	82	112	-3	-3.7	-33	-29.5
Construction (23)	340	326	295	14	4.3	45	15.3
Manufacturing (31-33)	72	92	88	-20	-21.7	-16	-18.2
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>1,065</b>	<b>908</b>	<b>1,020</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>4.4</b>
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities (22, 42, 44-45, 48-49)	242	228	216	14	6.1	26	12.0
Wholesale Trade (42)	25	41	32	-16	-39.0	-7	-21.9
Retail Trade (44-45)	107	115	105	-8	-7.0	2	1.9
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities (22, 44-49)	109	71	78	38	53.5	31	39.7
Information (51)	13	15	12	-2	-13.3	1	8.3
Financial Activities (52-53)	47	31	39	16	51.6	8	20.5
Professional & Business Services (54-56)	115	138	144	-23	-16.7	-29	-20.1
Education & Health Services (61-62)	92	98	80	-6	-6.1	12	15.0
Leisure & Hospitality (71-72)	519	362	491	157	43.4	28	5.7
Other Services, except Public Admin. (81)	33	33	35	0	0.0	-2	-5.7
<b>Government</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>-41</b>	<b>-41.4</b>	<b>-19</b>	<b>-24.7</b>
Federal Government	13	30	19	-17	-56.7	-6	-31.6
State Government	6	11	11	-5	-45.5	-5	-45.5
Local Government	38	57	46	-19	-33.3	-8	-17.4
Local Education	11	18	7	-7	-38.9	4	57.1
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>42.1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>68.8</b>
<b>Laramie County</b>							
<b>Total Claims Filed</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>7.5</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>26.6</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>63.9</b>
Construction	90	70	52	20	28.6	38	73.1
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>-23</b>	<b>-16.7</b>
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	37	33	39	4	12.1	-2	-5.1
Financial Activities (52, 53)	12	7	9	5	71.4	3	33.3
Professional & Business Services (54 - 56)	25	25	43	0	0.0	-18	-41.9
Educational & Health Services (61-62)	15	11	19	4	36.4	-4	-21.1
Leisure & Hospitality (71-72)	13	9	19	4	44.4	-6	-31.6
<b>Government</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-47.1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12.5</b>
<b>Natrona County</b>							
<b>Total Claims Filed</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>-6.7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3.4</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>-4.9</b>
Construction	56	48	56	8	16.7	0	0.0
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>-18</b>	<b>-15.5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10.1</b>
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	45	43	42	2	4.7	3	7.1
Financial Activities (52, 53)	6	8	2	-2	-25.0	4	200.0
Professional & Business Services (54 - 56)	13	16	15	-3	-18.8	-2	-13.3
Educational & Health Services (61-62)	13	28	12	-15	-53.6	1	8.3
Leisure & Hospitality (71-72)	15	12	11	3	25.0	4	36.4
<b>Government</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-25.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

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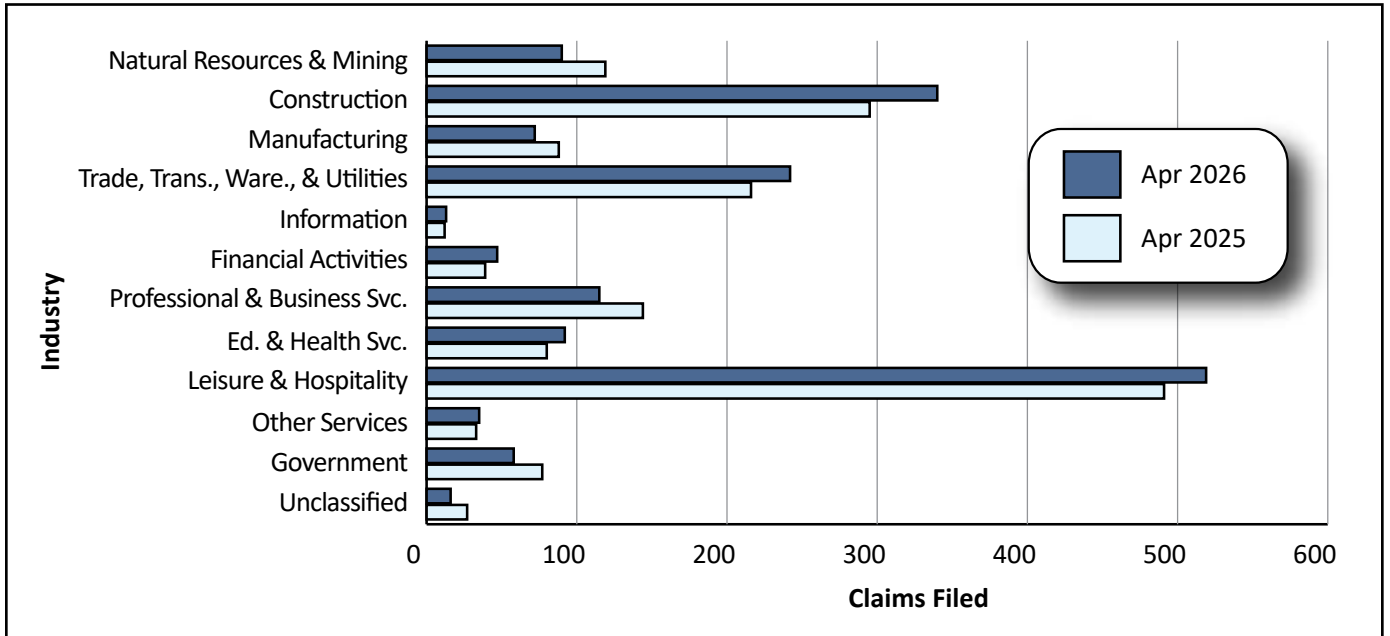


Figure 3: Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims by Major Industry in Wyoming, April 2025 and April 2026

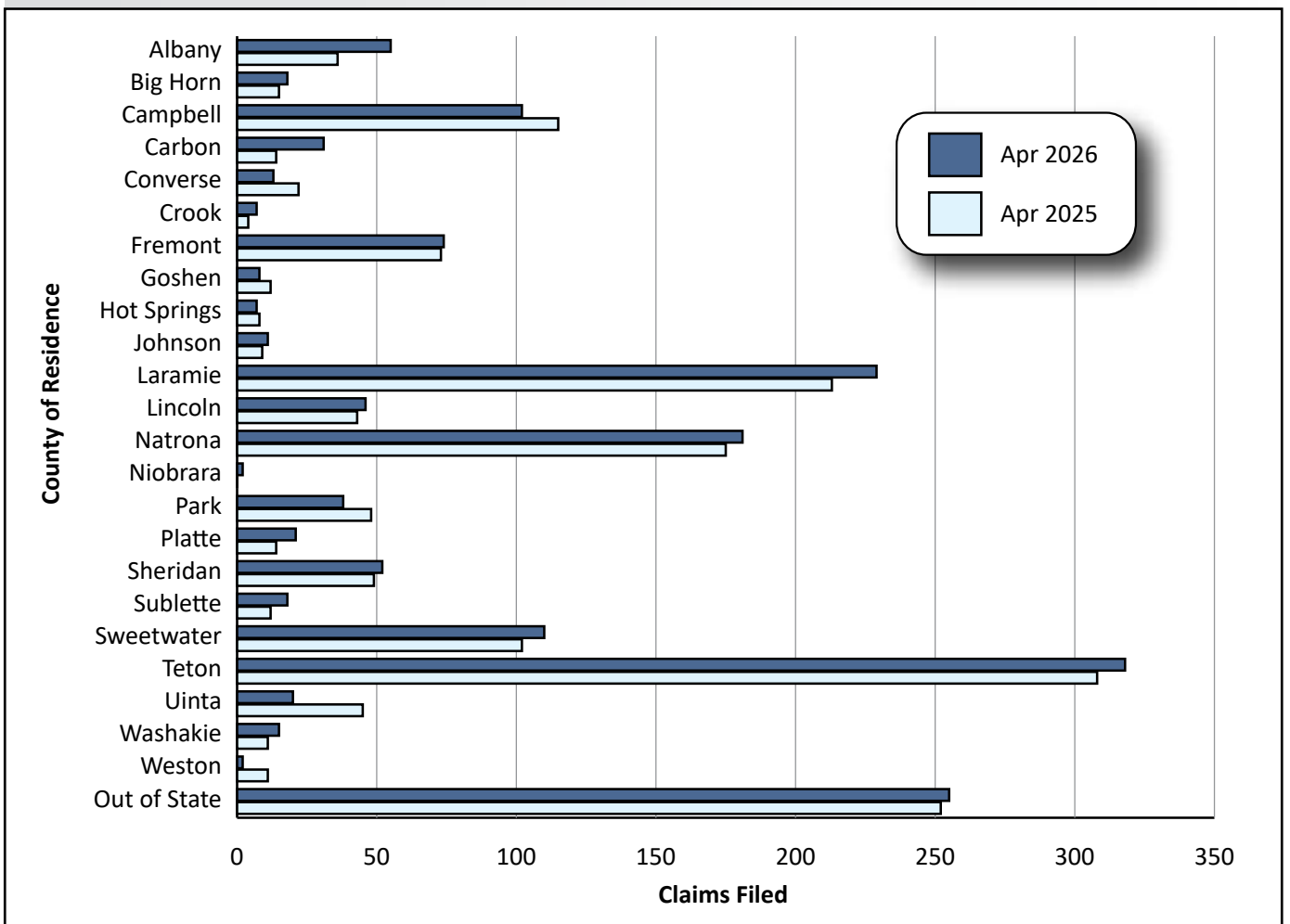


Figure 4: Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims by County of Residence, April 2025 and April 2026

Table 2: Unemployment Insurance Continued Weeks Claimed in Wyoming, April 2026

Industry	Continued Weeks Claimed			Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
	Apr 2026	Mar 2026	Apr 2025	N	%	N	%
<b>Total Continued Weeks Claimed</b>	<b>10,825</b>	<b>12,634</b>	<b>10,547</b>	<b>-1,809</b>	<b>-14.3</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>2.6</b>
Total Unique Claimants	3,406	4,288	3,453	-882	-20.6	-47	-1.4
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>3,692</b>	<b>5,373</b>	<b>3,787</b>	<b>-1,681</b>	<b>-31.3</b>	<b>-95</b>	<b>-2.5</b>
Natural Resources & Mining (11, 21)	722	730	774	-8	-1.1	-52	-6.7
Mining (21)	655	658	707	-3	-0.5	-52	-7.4
Oil & Gas Extraction (211)	44	51	38	-7	-13.7	6	15.8
Construction (23)	2,398	4,087	2,466	-1,689	-41.3	-68	-2.8
Manufacturing (31-33)	571	555	546	16	2.9	25	4.6
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>6,299</b>	<b>6,292</b>	<b>5,965</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>5.6</b>
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities (22, 42, 44-45, 48-49)	1,505	1,642	1,589	-137	-8.3	-84	-5.3
Wholesale Trade (42)	269	302	264	-33	-10.9	5	1.9
Retail Trade (44-45)	645	720	786	-75	-10.4	-141	-17.9
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities (22, 44-49)	591	619	537	-28	-4.5	54	10.1
Information (51)	114	95	119	19	20.0	-5	-4.2
Financial Activities (52-53)	314	312	269	2	0.6	45	16.7
Professional & Business Services (54-56)	1,116	1,645	1,186	-529	-32.2	-70	-5.9
Education & Health Services (61-62)	783	709	692	74	10.4	91	13.2
Leisure & Hospitality (71-72)	2,229	1,635	1,924	594	36.3	305	15.9
Other Services, except Public Admin. (81)	235	252	184	-17	-6.7	51	27.7
<b>Government</b>	<b>721</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>-108</b>	<b>-13.0</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>5.3</b>
Federal Government	213	303	303	-90	-29.7	-90	-29.7
State Government	88	102	61	-14	-13.7	27	44.3
Local Government	420	423	320	-3	-0.7	100	31.3
Local Education	108	87	61	21	24.1	47	77.0
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>-19.4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2.8</b>
<b>Laramie County</b>							
<b>Total Claims Filed</b>	<b>1,474</b>	<b>1,825</b>	<b>1,350</b>	<b>-351</b>	<b>-19.2</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>9.2</b>
Total Unique Claimants	461	619	446	-158	-25.5	15	3.4
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>805</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>-317</b>	<b>-39.4</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>24.8</b>
Construction	433	754	331	-321	-42.6	102	30.8
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>886</b>	<b>869</b>	<b>-39</b>	<b>-4.4</b>	<b>-22</b>	<b>-2.5</b>
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	229	239	264	-10	-4.2	-35	-13.3
Financial Activities (52, 53)	77	63	81	14	22.2	-4	-4.9
Professional & Business Services (54 - 56)	192	211	221	-19	-9.0	-29	-13.1
Educational & Health Services (61 - 62)	167	184	148	-17	-9.2	19	12.8
Leisure & Hospitality (71 - 72)	116	133	88	-17	-12.8	28	31.8
<b>Government</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>87.9</b>
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-22.2</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-9.7</b>
<b>Natrona County</b>							
<b>Total Claims Filed</b>	<b>1,205</b>	<b>1,655</b>	<b>1,284</b>	<b>-450</b>	<b>-27.2</b>	<b>-79</b>	<b>-6.2</b>
Total Unique Claimants	390	570	409	-180	-31.6	-19	-4.6
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>760</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>-286</b>	<b>-37.6</b>	<b>-33</b>	<b>-6.5</b>
Construction	269	522	302	-253	-48.5	-33	-10.9
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>832</b>	<b>751</b>	<b>-129</b>	<b>-15.5</b>	<b>-48</b>	<b>-6.4</b>
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	204	230	340	-26	-11.3	-136	-40.0
Financial Activities (52, 53)	46	57	48	-11	-19.3	-2	-4.2
Professional & Business Services (54 - 56)	137	210	129	-73	-34.8	8	6.2
Educational & Health Services (61 - 62)	155	140	94	15	10.7	61	64.9
Leisure & Hospitality (71 - 72)	86	106	102	-20	-18.9	-16	-15.7
<b>Government</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>-45.7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>19.0</b>
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>-80.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

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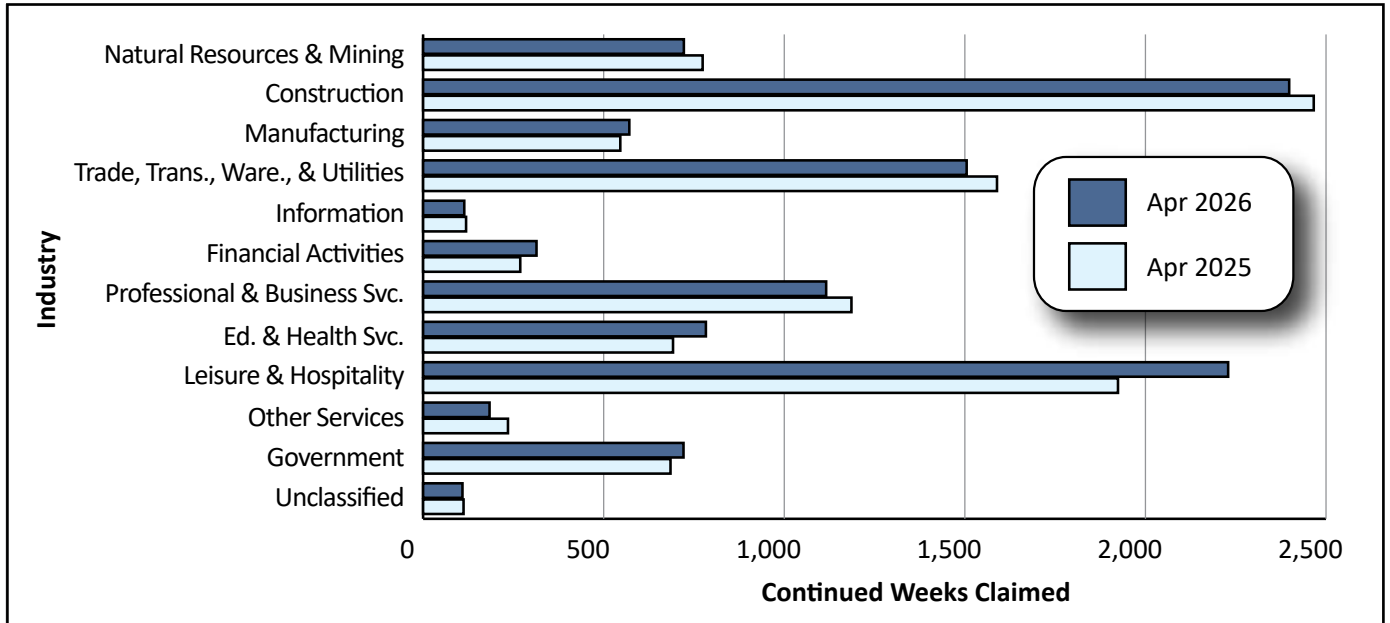


Figure 5: Continued Unemployment Insurance Claims by Major Industry in Wyoming, April 2025 and April 2026

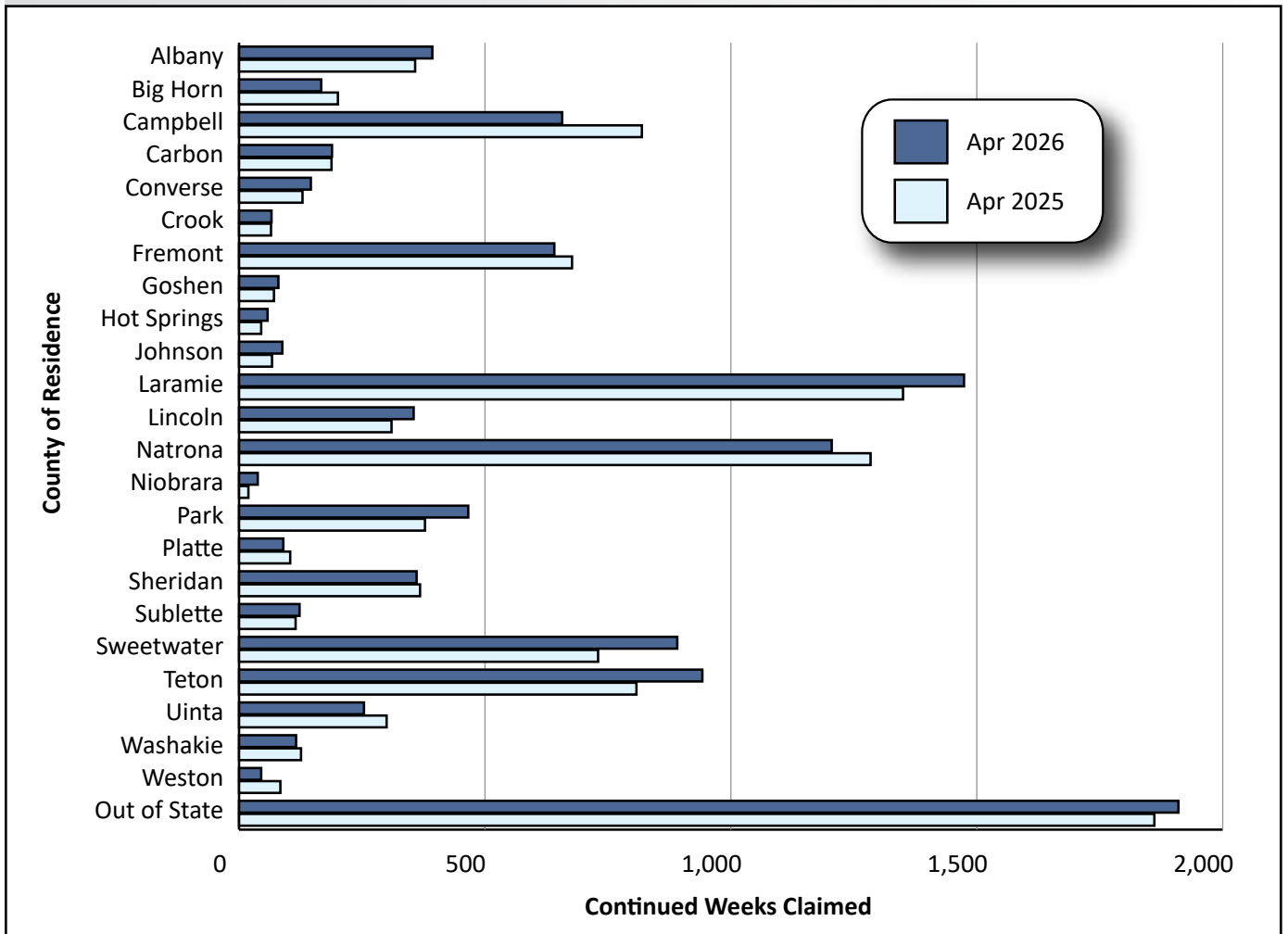


Figure 6: Continued Unemployment Insurance Claims by County of Residence in Wyoming, April 2025 and April 2026

**Table 3: Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims for Wyoming by County of Residence, April 2025 and April 2026**

County	April 2026	April 2025	Change	
			N	%
Albany	55	36	19	52.8
Big Horn	18	15	3	20.0
Campbell	102	115	-13	-11.3
Carbon	31	14	17	121.4
Converse	13	22	-9	-40.9
Crook	7	4	3	75.0
Fremont	74	73	1	1.4
Goshen	8	12	-4	-33.3
Hot Springs	7	8	-1	-12.5
Johnson	11	9	2	22.2
Laramie	229	213	16	7.5
Lincoln	46	43	3	7.0
Natrona	181	175	6	3.4
Niobrara	N/D	0	N/D	N/D
Park	38	48	-10	-20.8
Platte	21	14	7	50.0
Sheridan	52	49	3	6.1
Sublette	18	12	6	50.0
Sweetwater	110	102	8	7.8
Teton	318	308	10	3.2
Uinta	20	45	-25	-55.6
Washakie	15	11	4	36.4
Weston	N/D	11	N/D	N/D
Unknown	7	14	-7	-50.0
Out of State	255	252	3	1.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>1,617</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>2.3</b>

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**Box: Definitions**

**Initial Claim:** An initial claim is filed by an unemployed individual after a separation from an employer. The claim requests a determination of basic eligibility for the Unemployment Insurance benefits.

**Continued Weeks Claimed:** The number of weeks of UI benefits claimed during the reference period. An unemployed individual who has already filed an initial claim and who has experienced a week of unemployment and then filed a continued claim to claim benefits for that week of unemployment.

**Table 4: Wyoming Normalized<sup>a</sup> Unemployment Statistics: Continued Claims by County of Residence, April 2025 and April 2026**

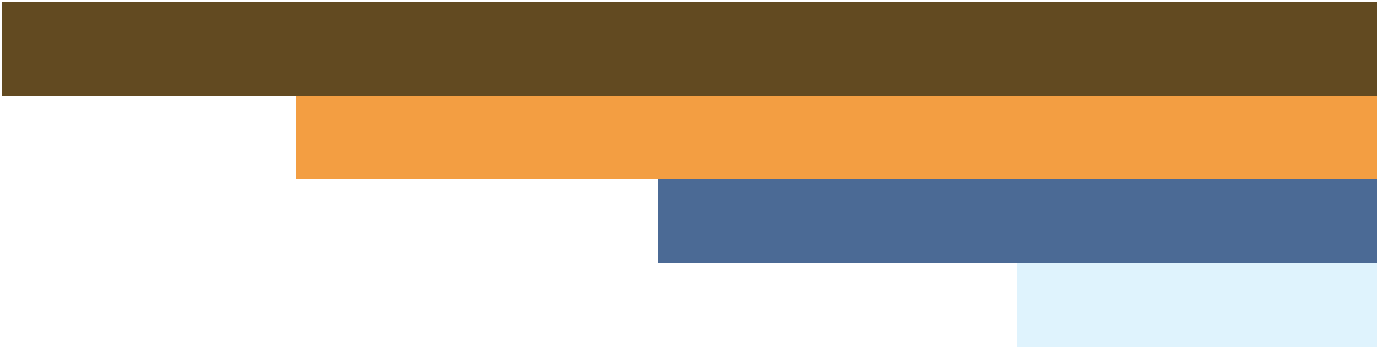
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			N	%
Albany	393	358	35	9.8
Big Horn	167	201	-34	-16.9
Campbell	657	819	-162	-19.8
Carbon	189	188	1	0.5
Converse	146	129	17	13.2
Crook	66	65	1	1.5
Fremont	641	677	-36	-5.3
Goshen	80	71	9	12.7
Hot Springs	58	45	13	28.9
Johnson	88	67	21	31.3
Laramie	1,474	1,350	124	9.2
Lincoln	355	310	45	14.5
Natrona	1,205	1,284	-79	-6.2
Niobrara	38	19	19	100.0
Park	466	378	88	23.3
Platte	90	104	-14	-13.5
Sheridan	361	368	-7	-1.9
Sublette	123	115	8	7.0
Sweetwater	891	730	161	22.1
Teton	942	808	134	16.6
Uinta	254	300	-46	-15.3
Washakie	116	126	-10	-7.9
Weston	45	84	-39	-46.4
Unknown	58	77	-19	-24.7
Out of State	1,910	1,861	49	2.6
<b>Normalized Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>10,825</b>	<b>10,547</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>2.6</b>

<sup>a</sup>An average month is considered 4.33 weeks. If a month has four weeks, the normalization factor is 1.0825. If the month has five weeks, the normalization factor is 0.866. The number of raw claims is multiplied by the normalization factor to achieve the normalized claims counts.

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