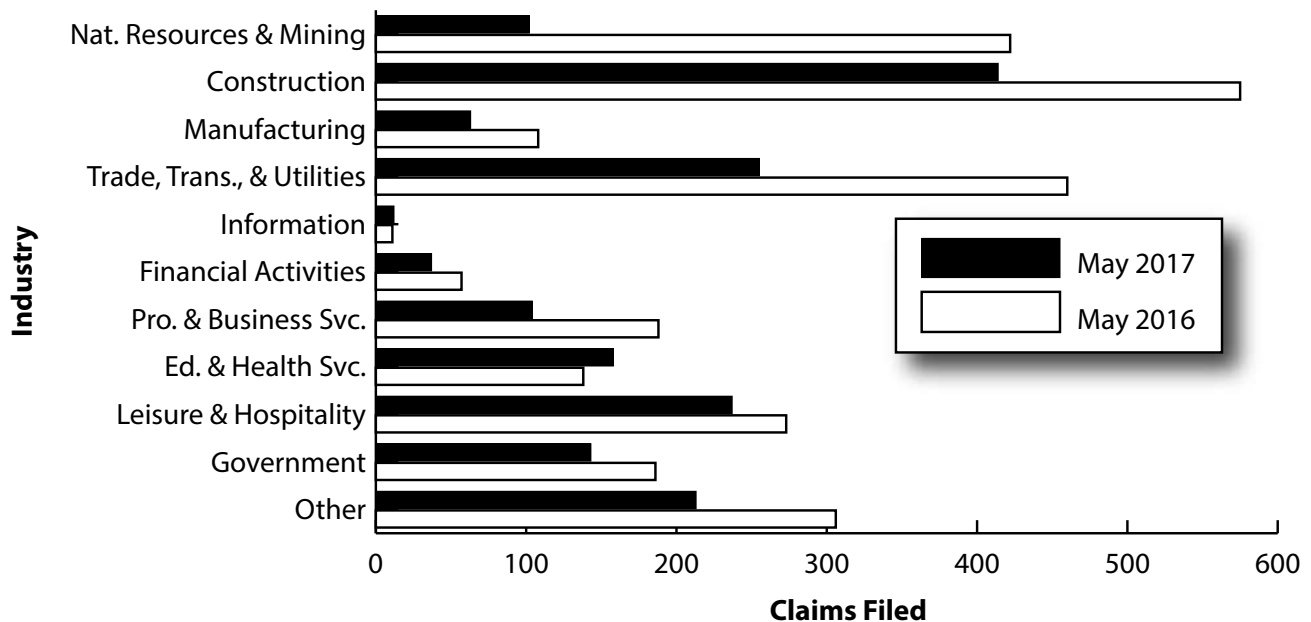


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# Wyoming Unemployment Insurance Claims Information, May 2017: Unique Continued Claimants Decrease by 59.2% from May 2016

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## Initial Claims

From May 2016 to May 2017, initial claims decreased by 36.4% (-1,021 claims). All industries demonstrated a decrease in initial claims, with the exception of educational & health services (an increase of 20 claims, or 14.5%) and information, which remained unchanged.

Initial claims decreased considerably in natural resources & mining (-320 claims, or -75.8%). Construction also experienced a substantial decrease (-161 claims, or -28.0%).

## Continued Claims

Over the year, the number of unique claimants with continued claims decreased by 59.2% (-5,809 claimants). The number of workers who exhausted their benefits decreased by approximately 42.1% (-253

claimants). The total number of weeks claimed decreased by 54.3% (-18,052 weeks).

All counties and all industries experienced a decrease in total weeks claimed. Natrona (-3,783 weeks, or -62.2%) and Campbell (-3,629 weeks, or -74.3%) counties experienced the largest decreases in continued weeks claimed.

As shown in Figure 1, Wyoming's most recent economic downturn began in second quarter 2015 (2015Q2). Preliminary data indicate that the downturn continued through at least 2017Q1. Figure 1 shows that the total number of continued weeks claimed was much lower throughout the current downturn than the previous downturn, which lasted from 2009Q1 to 2010Q1.

These factors may indicate that workers with continued unemployment claims are having less difficulty finding employment in Wyoming or another state.

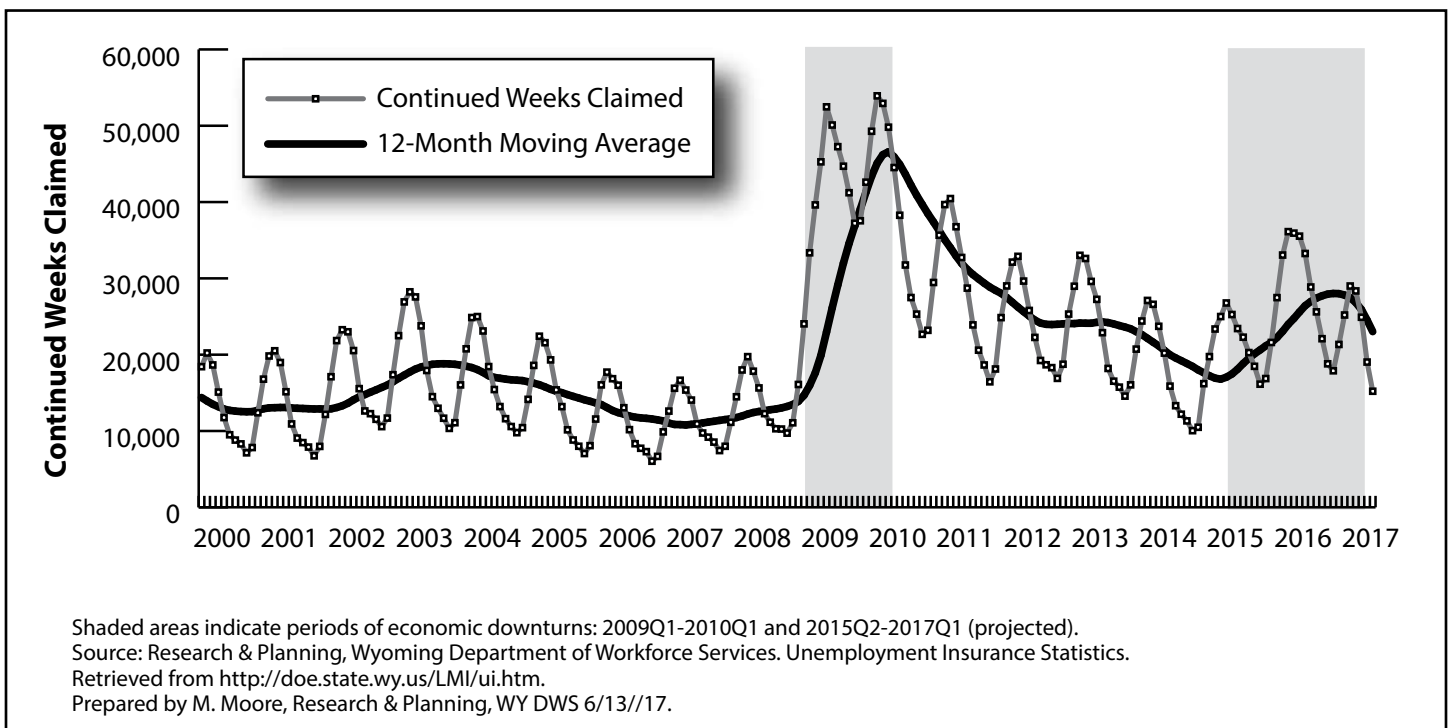
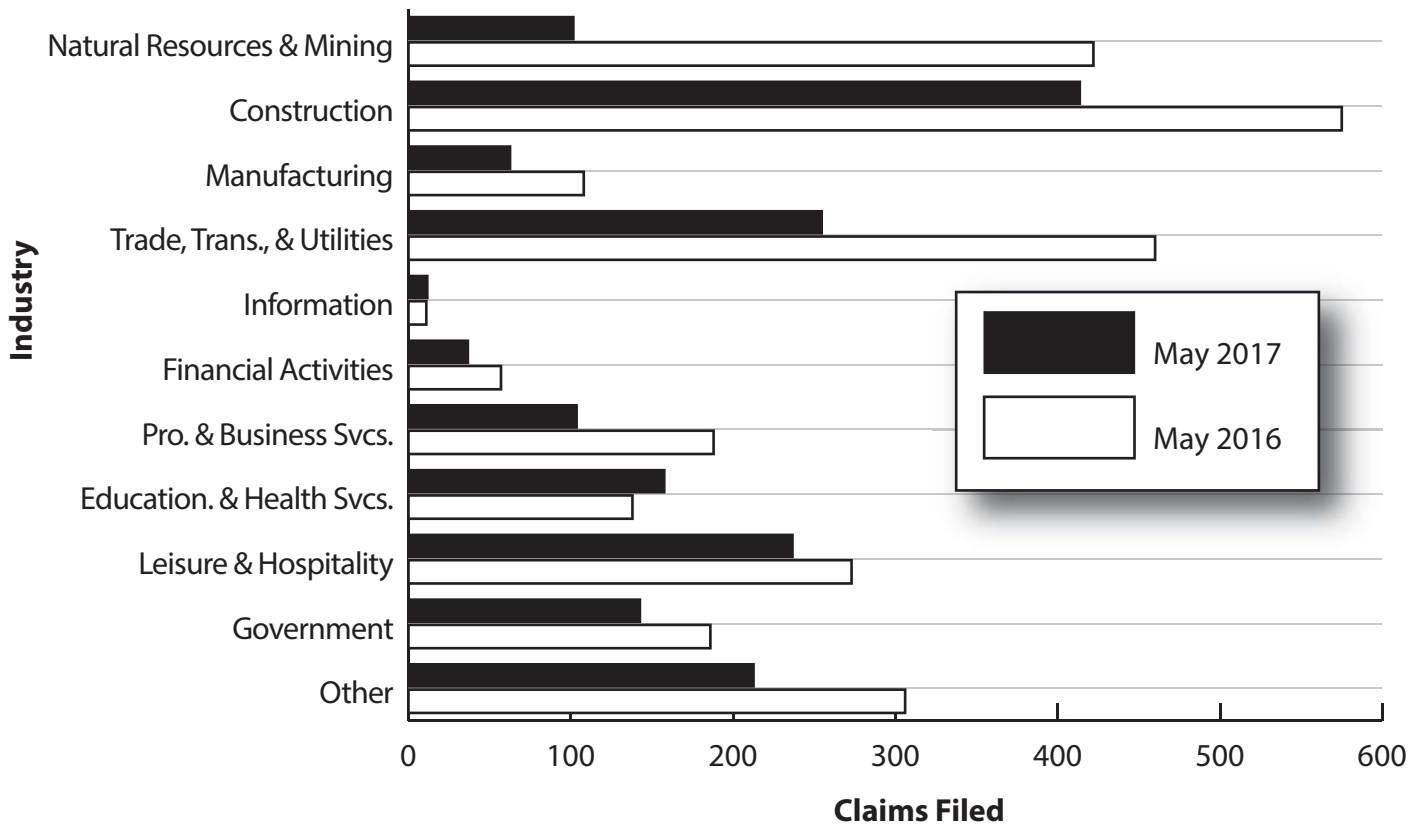


Figure 1: Total Number of Unemployment Insurance Continued Weeks Claimed in Wyoming, January 2008 to May 2017

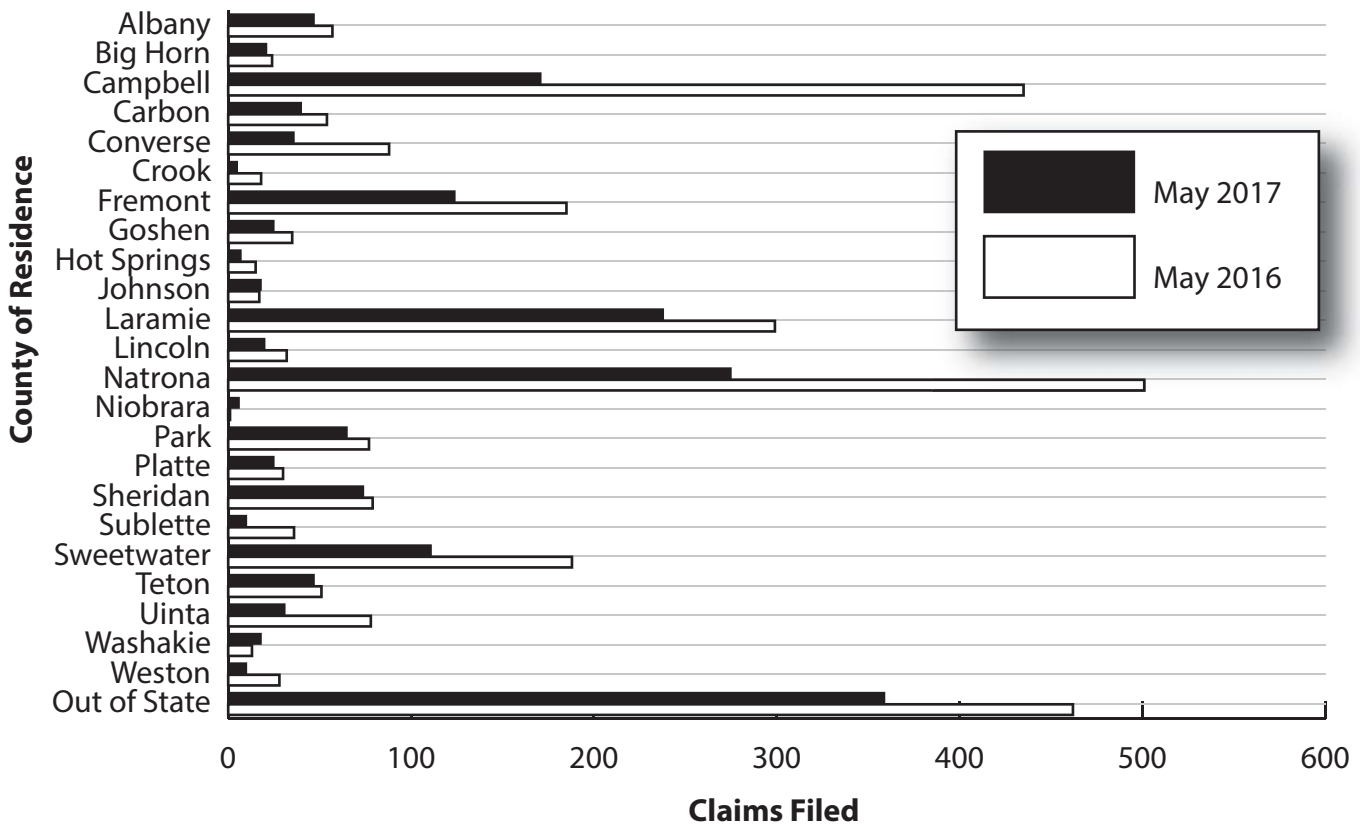
## Initial Claims Tables

	Claims Filed			Percent Change Claims Filed		Difference
	May-17	Apr-17	May-16	May-17 Apr-17	May-17 May-16	May-17 May-16
<b><u>Wyoming Statewide</u></b>						
<b>Total Claims Filed</b>	<b>1,783</b>	<b>2,371</b>	<b>2,804</b>	<b>-24.8</b>	<b>-36.4</b>	<b>-1,021</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>1,107</b>	<b>-9.4</b>	<b>-47.5</b>	<b>-526</b>
Natural Resources and Mining (11,21)	102	131	422	-22.1	-75.8	-320
Mining (21)	87	122	403	-28.7	-78.4	-316
Oil & Gas Extraction (211)	13	11	30	18.2	-56.7	-17
Construction (23)	414	440	575	-5.9	-28.0	-161
Manufacturing (31 - 33)	63	69	108	-8.7	-41.7	-45
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>1,369</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>-38.3</b>	<b>-29.9</b>	<b>-360</b>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	255	375	460	-32.0	-44.6	-205
Wholesale Trade (42)	33	40	146	-17.5	-77.4	-113
Retail Trade (44 - 45)	120	162	147	-25.9	-18.4	-27
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities (22,48 - 49)	102	173	167	-41.0	-38.9	-65
Information (51)	12	18	11	-33.3	9.1	1
Financial Activities (52, 53)	37	45	57	-17.8	-35.1	-20
Professional and Business Services (54 - 56)	104	144	188	-27.8	-44.7	-84
Educational and Health Services (61 - 62)	158	93	138	69.9	14.5	20
Leisure and Hospitality (71 - 72)	237	652	273	-63.7	-13.2	-36
Other Services, except Public Admin. (81)	35	37	72	-5.4	-51.4	-37
<b>Government</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>-23.1</b>	<b>-43</b>
Federal Government	23	45	31	-48.9	-25.8	-8
State Government	12	11	24	9.1	-50.0	-12
Local Government	108	75	129	44.0	-16.3	-21
Local Education	28	6	28	366.7	0.0	0
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>-6.2</b>	<b>-30.4</b>	<b>-93</b>
<b><u>Laramie County (Place of Residence)</u></b>						
<b>Total Claims Filed</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>-20.1</b>	<b>-60</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>-29.4</b>	<b>-32</b>
Construction	67	61	81	9.8	-17.3	-14
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>-9.7</b>	<b>-17.1</b>	<b>-27</b>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	41	56	41	-26.8	0.0	0
Financial Activities (52, 53)	9	9	2	0.0	350.0	7
Professional and Business Services (54 - 56)	18	25	32	-28.0	-43.8	-14
Educational and Health Services (61 - 62)	29	20	36	45.0	-19.4	-7
Leisure and Hospitality (71 - 72)	20	19	28	5.3	-28.6	-8
<b>Government</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>88.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>-14.3</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b><u>Natrona County (Place of Residence)</u></b>						
<b>Total Claims Filed</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>-19.1</b>	<b>-45.1</b>	<b>-226</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>-33.1</b>	<b>-55.1</b>	<b>-114</b>
Construction	76	101	110	-24.8	-30.9	-34
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>-10.8</b>	<b>-41.1</b>	<b>-115</b>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	46	63	119	-27.0	-61.3	-73
Financial Activities (52, 53)	8	6	13	33.3	-38.5	-5
Professional and Business Services (54 - 56)	21	27	34	-22.2	-38.2	-13
Educational and Health Services (61 - 62)	41	27	41	51.9	0.0	0
Leisure and Hospitality (71 - 72)	33	48	45	-31.3	-26.7	-12
<b>Government</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>28.6</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-25.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims by Major Industry, May 2017



## Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims by County of Residence, May 2017

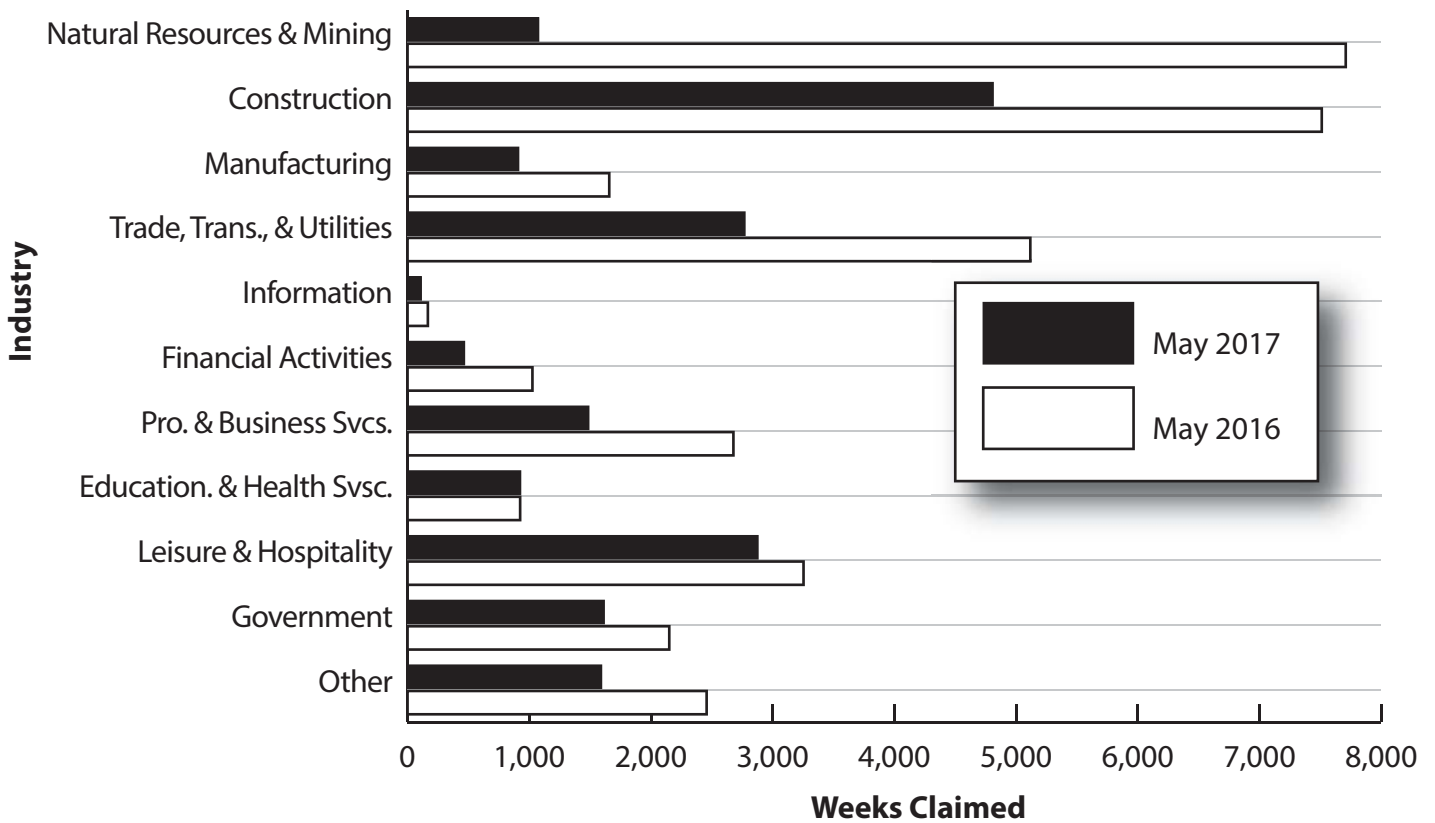


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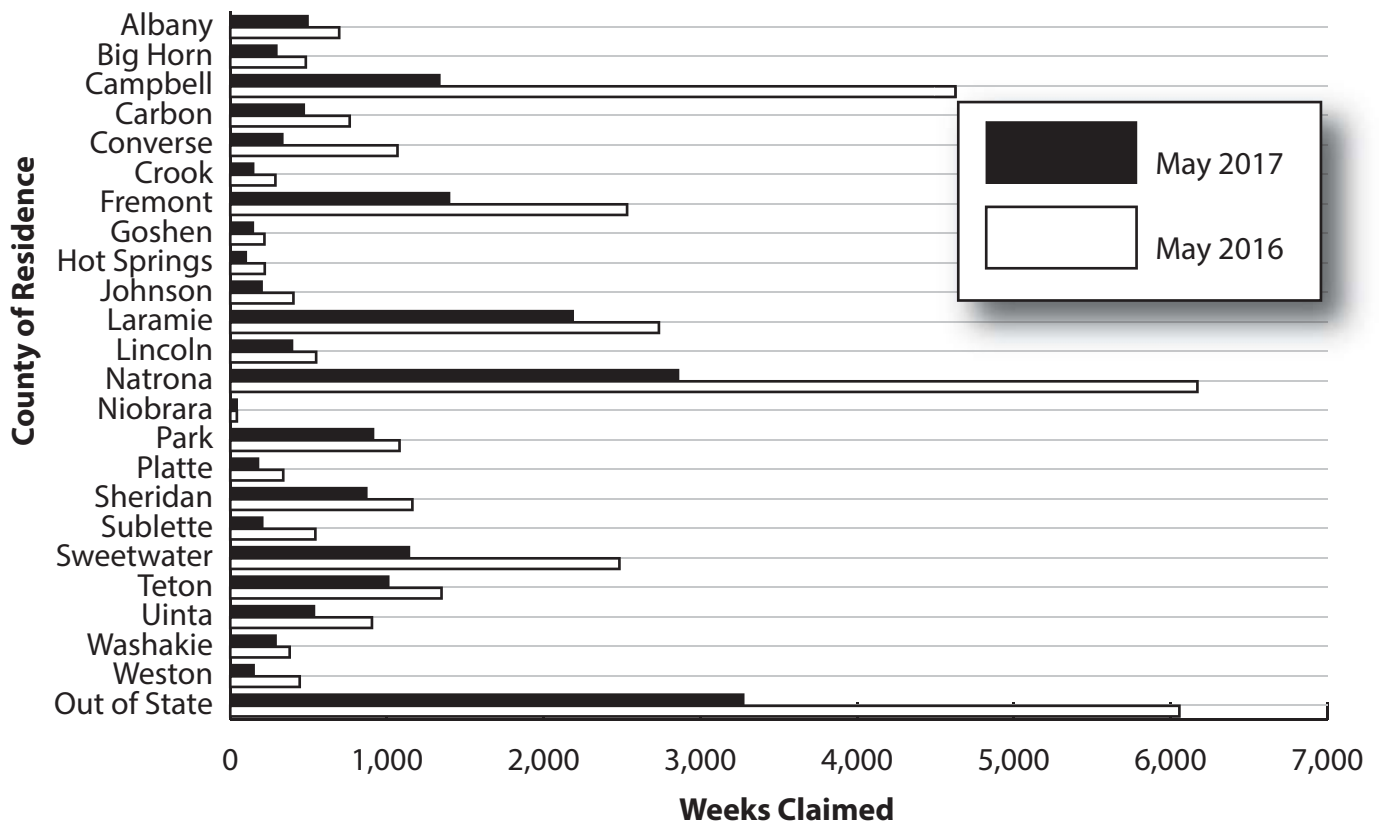
## Continued Weeks Claimed Tables

	Claims Filed			Percent Change Claims		Difference
	May-17	Apr-17	May-16	May-17 Apr-17	May-17 May-16	May-17 May-16
<b><u>Wyoming Statewide</u></b>						
<b>Total Continued Weeks Claimed</b>	<b>15,207</b>	<b>19,032</b>	<b>33,259</b>	<b>-20.1</b>	<b>-54.3</b>	<b>-18,052</b>
<b>Total Unique Claimants</b>	<b>4,006</b>	<b>5,918</b>	<b>9,815</b>	<b>-32.3</b>	<b>-59.2</b>	<b>-5,809</b>
<b>Benefit Exhaustions</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>-35.4</b>	<b>-42.1</b>	<b>-253</b>
<b>Benefit Exhaustion Rates</b>	<b>8.7%</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>-0.4%</b>	<b>2.6%</b>	
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>4,451</b>	<b>6,803</b>	<b>15,463</b>	<b>-34.6</b>	<b>-71.2</b>	<b>-11,012</b>
Natural Resources and Mining (11,21)	799	1,077	8,030	-25.8	-90.0	-7,231
Mining (21)	695	950	7,891	-26.8	-91.2	-7,196
Oil & Gas Extraction (211)	159	187	680	-15.0	-76.6	-521
Construction (23)	2,946	4,811	5,808	-38.8	-49.3	-2,862
Manufacturing (31 - 33)	704	913	1,623	-22.9	-56.6	-919
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>8,136</b>	<b>9,018</b>	<b>13,609</b>	<b>-9.8</b>	<b>-40.2</b>	<b>-5,473</b>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	2,532	2,772	5,210	-8.7	-51.4	-2,678
Wholesale Trade (42)	397	423	1,562	-6.1	-74.6	-1,165
Retail Trade (44 - 45)	1,266	1,476	1,409	-14.2	-10.1	-143
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities (22,48 - 49)	869	873	2,239	-0.5	-61.2	-1,370
Information (51)	123	113	166	8.8	-25.9	-43
Financial Activities (52, 53)	398	468	1,035	-15.0	-61.5	-637
Professional and Business Services (54 - 56)	1,175	1,489	2,456	-21.1	-52.2	-1,281
Educational and Health Services (61 - 62)	940	929	946	1.2	-0.6	-6
Leisure and Hospitality (71 - 72)	2,621	2,879	2,941	-9.0	-10.9	-320
Other Services, except Public Admin. (81)	340	361	847	-5.8	-59.9	-507
<b>Government</b>	<b>1,206</b>	<b>1,616</b>	<b>1,803</b>	<b>-25.4</b>	<b>-33.1</b>	<b>-597</b>
Federal Government	361	683	484	-47.1	-25.4	-123
State Government	119	164	214	-27.4	-44.4	-95
Local Government	725	768	1,104	-5.6	-34.3	-379
Local Education	100	136	161	-26.5	-37.9	-61
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>1,413</b>	<b>1,594</b>	<b>2,383</b>	<b>-11.4</b>	<b>-40.7</b>	<b>-970</b>
<b><u>Laramie County (Place of Residence)</u></b>						
Construction						
<b>Total Continued Weeks Claimed</b>	<b>1,783</b>	<b>2,188</b>	<b>2,340</b>	<b>-18.5</b>	<b>-23.8</b>	<b>-557</b>
<b>Total Unique Claimants</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>671</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>-31.9</b>	<b>-36.8</b>	<b>-266</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>773</b>	<b>-42.3</b>	<b>-47.3</b>	<b>-366</b>
Construction	346	624	479	-44.6	-27.8	-133
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>1,186</b>	<b>1,276</b>	<b>1,187</b>	<b>-7.1</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>-1</b>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	441	487	442	-9.4	-0.2	-1
Financial Activities (52, 53)	107	133	83	-19.5	28.9	24
Professional and Business Services (54 - 56)	249	298	248	-16.4	0.4	1
Educational and Health Services (61 - 62)	189	201	156	-6.0	21.2	33
Leisure and Hospitality (71 - 72)	118	102	124	15.7	-4.8	-6
<b>Government</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>-5.2</b>	<b>-58.7</b>	<b>-155</b>
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>-13.3</b>	<b>-31.6</b>	<b>-36</b>
<b><u>Natrona County (Place of Residence)</u></b>						
<b>Total Continued Weeks Claimed</b>	<b>2,294</b>	<b>2,861</b>	<b>6,078</b>	<b>-19.8</b>	<b>-62.3</b>	<b>-3,784</b>
<b>Total Unique Claimants</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>878</b>	<b>1,798</b>	<b>-31.4</b>	<b>-66.5</b>	<b>-1,196</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>1,176</b>	<b>3,005</b>	<b>-33.0</b>	<b>-73.8</b>	<b>-2,217</b>
Construction	544	847	1,076	-35.8	-49.4	-532
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>1,362</b>	<b>1,507</b>	<b>2,854</b>	<b>-9.6</b>	<b>-52.3</b>	<b>-1,492</b>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	468	528	1,362	-11.4	-65.6	-894
Financial Activities (52, 53)	63	86	283	-26.7	-77.7	-220
Professional and Business Services (54 - 56)	202	264	431	-23.5	-53.1	-229
Educational and Health Services (61 - 62)	231	200	254	15.5	-9.1	-23
Leisure and Hospitality (71 - 72)	320	323	242	-0.9	32.2	78
<b>Government</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>-15.9</b>	<b>-17.8</b>	<b>-16</b>
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>-20.7</b>	<b>-45.7</b>	<b>-58</b>

## Continued Unemployment Insurance Claims by Major Industry, May 2017



## Continued Unemployment Insurance Claims by County of Residence, May 2017



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**Wyoming Normalized<sup>a</sup> Unemployment Statistics: Continued Claims by County of Residence, May 2017**

County	May 2017	May 2016	Over-the-Year Change	
			N	%
Albany	360	483	-123	-25.4
Big Horn	255	385	-131	-33.9
Campbell	1,256	4,884	-3,629	-74.3
Carbon	359	626	-267	-42.7
Converse	267	1,119	-853	-76.2
Crook	114	299	-184	-61.7
Fremont	1,075	2,375	-1,300	-54.7
Goshen	136	214	-78	-36.6
Hot Springs	77	178	-100	-56.6
Johnson	139	322	-183	-56.9
Laramie	1,783	2,340	-557	-23.8
Lincoln	265	416	-151	-36.3
Natrona	2,295	6,078	-3,783	-62.2
Niobrara	23	44	-22	-49.3
Park	640	752	-112	-14.9
Platte	144	283	-139	-49.1
Sheridan	624	971	-347	-35.8
Sublette	121	412	-291	-70.6
Sweetwater	820	2,367	-1,547	-65.4
Teton	1,238	1,546	-308	-19.9
Uinta	377	878	-501	-57.1
Washakie	235	265	-31	-11.5
Weston	116	515	-399	-77.5
Out of State	2,492	5,500	-3,008	-54.7
<b>Normalized Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>15,207</b>	<b>33,259</b>	<b>-18,052</b>	<b>-54.3</b>
<b>Real Total<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>17,561</b>	<b>30,725</b>	<b>-13,164</b>	<b>-42.8</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.

<sup>b</sup>Raw claims data that have not been multiplied by the normalization factor.

All totals are subject to rounding error and may not add to the sum of their respective components.

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