

Wyoming Employment and Payroll: Job Growth in Third Quarter 2022

From third quarter 2021 to third quarter 2022, Wyoming added 5,955 jobs (2.2%) and total payroll rose by \$396.7 million (11.3%). Despite the recent job growth, employment has not fully returned to pre-pandemic levels. Total employment in third quarter 2022 was down approximately 6,500 jobs from third quarter 2019.

In third quarter 2022, the largest job growth occurred in mining (including oil & gas; 1,574 jobs, or 10.5%), leisure & hospitality (1,232 jobs, or 3.0%), professional & business services (838 jobs, or 4.1%), retail trade (721 jobs, or 2.4%), and local government (including public schools, colleges, & hospitals; 584 jobs, or 1.4%). Job losses were seen in state government (-283 jobs, or -2.3%), construction (-212 jobs, or -0.9%), and agriculture (-70 jobs, or -2.3%). Employment rose in 17 of Wyoming's 23 counties.

Teton County added 1,581 jobs (6.6%) and its total payroll rose by \$37.5 million (9.9%). Leisure & hospitality gained nearly 800 jobs, and smaller job gains were seen in construction, retail trade, local government, professional & business services, and financial activities.

Natrona County gained 1,437 jobs (3.9%) and its total payroll increased by \$70.4 million (14.8%). Robust job gains occurred in mining (including oil & gas; 485 jobs). Notable increases were also seen in wholesale trade, financial activities, manufacturing, professional & business services, and transportation & warehousing.

Employment in Campbell County rose by 1,292 jobs (5.6%) and its total payroll rose by \$59.2 million (17.7%). Mining (including oil & gas) added more than 650 jobs. Solid job growth also occurred in wholesale trade, construction, professional & business services, health care & social assistance, leisure & hospitality, and retail trade.

Sweetwater County added 672 jobs (3.4%) and its total payroll grew by \$39.5 million (13.6%). Employment in the construction sector increased by more than 450 jobs and smaller job gains were seen in manufacturing, retail trade, and transportation & warehousing.

Table: Wyoming Covered Employment, Total Wages, & Average Weekly Wages by County, Third Quarter 2021 & 2022

County	Average Monthly Employment				Total Wages (\$)				Average Weekly Wage			
	Third Quarter		Change		Third Quarter		Change		Third Quarter		Change	
	2022	2021	N	%	2022	2021	\$	%	2022	2021	\$	%
Total Statewide	278,175	272,220	5,955	2.2	\$3,916,333,783	\$3,519,641,238	\$396,692,545	11.3	\$1,083	\$995	\$88	8.9
Albany	16,535	16,192	342	2.1	\$201,951,962	\$185,462,433	\$16,489,529	8.9	\$940	\$881	\$58	6.6
Big Horn	4,134	4,200	-66	-1.6	\$48,982,496	\$45,410,951	\$3,571,545	7.9	\$911	\$832	\$80	9.6
Campbell	24,177	22,885	1,292	5.6	\$393,163,458	\$333,991,559	\$59,171,899	17.7	\$1,251	\$1,123	\$128	11.4
Carbon	6,763	7,390	-627	-8.5	\$89,837,333	\$94,104,833	-\$4,267,500	-4.5	\$1,022	\$980	\$42	4.3
Converse	6,183	5,875	308	5.2	\$92,381,781	\$83,394,648	\$8,987,133	10.8	\$1,149	\$1,092	\$57	5.3
Crook	2,628	2,547	81	3.2	\$36,111,139	\$30,601,293	\$5,509,846	18.0	\$1,057	\$924	\$133	14.4
Fremont	15,361	15,201	160	1.1	\$180,198,503	\$165,499,954	\$14,698,549	8.9	\$902	\$838	\$65	7.7
Goshen	4,084	4,054	30	0.7	\$44,050,536	\$41,571,363	\$2,479,173	6.0	\$830	\$789	\$41	5.2
Hot Springs	2,005	1,922	83	4.3	\$22,572,170	\$20,161,474	\$2,410,696	12.0	\$866	\$807	\$59	7.3
Johnson	3,375	3,307	68	2.0	\$36,351,504	\$33,342,076	\$3,009,428	9.0	\$829	\$775	\$53	6.8
Laramie	46,599	47,040	-442	-0.9	\$667,935,856	\$628,955,437	\$38,980,419	6.2	\$1,103	\$1,029	\$74	7.2
Lincoln	7,019	6,850	170	2.5	\$99,488,580	\$88,994,807	\$10,493,773	11.8	\$1,090	\$999	\$91	9.1
Natrona	38,678	37,241	1,437	3.9	\$545,287,861	\$474,904,103	\$70,383,758	14.8	\$1,084	\$981	\$104	10.6
Niobrara	809	838	-29	-3.5	\$8,146,415	\$8,163,935	-\$17,520	-0.2	\$775	\$750	\$25	3.4
Park	14,997	14,885	112	0.8	\$178,804,468	\$159,069,956	\$19,734,512	12.4	\$917	\$822	\$95	11.6
Platte	3,352	3,338	14	0.4	\$41,732,548	\$38,046,161	\$3,686,387	9.7	\$958	\$877	\$81	9.2
Sheridan	14,119	13,737	382	2.8	\$185,940,353	\$163,818,123	\$22,122,230	13.5	\$1,013	\$917	\$96	10.4
Sublette	3,810	3,831	-21	-0.6	\$55,873,555	\$49,426,863	\$6,446,692	13.0	\$1,128	\$992	\$136	13.7
Sweetwater	20,413	19,741	672	3.4	\$329,363,954	\$289,885,132	\$39,478,822	13.6	\$1,241	\$1,130	\$112	9.9
Teton	25,454	23,872	1,581	6.6	\$415,449,570	\$377,941,915	\$37,507,655	9.9	\$1,256	\$1,218	\$38	3.1
Uinta	8,152	7,858	295	3.7	\$98,511,829	\$83,212,896	\$15,298,933	18.4	\$930	\$815	\$115	14.1
Washakie	3,536	3,592	-56	-1.6	\$42,610,789	\$41,269,033	\$1,341,756	3.3	\$927	\$884	\$43	4.9
Weston	2,327	2,284	43	1.9	\$28,364,767	\$24,240,719	\$4,124,048	17.0	\$938	\$816	\$121	14.9
Nonclassified ^a	3,666	3,540	127	3.6	\$73,222,356	\$58,171,574	\$15,050,782	25.9	\$1,536	\$1,264	\$272	21.5

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

Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, developed through a cooperative program between Research & Planning and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Sheridan County added 382 jobs (2.8%) and its total payroll grew by \$22.1 million (13.5%). Employment rose in construction, professional & business services, local government, manufacturing, and financial activities.

Employment in Albany County rose by 342 jobs (2.1%) and its total payroll increased by \$16.5 million (8.9%). Modest job gains were seen in many sectors, including health care & social assistance, private educational services, retail trade, leisure & hospitality, transportation & warehousing, and financial activities.

Carbon County lost 627 jobs (-8.5%) and its total payroll fell by \$4.3 million (-4.5%). The construction sector accounted for a large part of the overall job losses. Employment also decreased in federal, state, and local government.

Employment in Laramie County fell by 442 jobs (-0.9%), but its total payroll grew by \$39.0 million (6.2%). Large job losses in construction and transportation & warehousing more than offset job gains in wholesale trade, retail trade, manufacturing, and professional & business services.

Visit our website at https://doe.state.wy.us/LMI/22Q3_QCEW/toc.htm for detailed tables for each county.

Employment and wages data for fourth quarter 2022 are scheduled to be published on May 5, 2023.

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