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## Initial and Continued Claims Continue to Decline

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The total number of initial Unemployment Insurance (UI) claims in Wyoming has decreased from prior-year levels during each month since September 2016. The number of continued weeks claimed has decreased from prior-year levels during each month since November 2016.

### Initial Claims

There were 1,953 initial UI claims in November 2018, compared to 2,747 in November 2017 (-794, or -28.9%).

Initial claims decreased over the year in all industry sectors, with the largest decreases found in leisure & hospitality (-217, or -37.9%).

At the county level, the largest decreases were seen in Natrona (-140, or -35.4%) and Teton (-127, or -51.0%)

counties. The number of initial claims by out-of-state residents declined by 185, or -31.5%. Over-the-year increases were seen in Big Horn (11, or 27.8%), Carbon (7, or 19.3%), Washakie (6, or 25.0%), and Hot Springs (1, or 5.8%) counties.

### Continued Claims

There were 3,343 unique claimants with continued claims, down from 3,528 in November 2017 (-185, or -5.2%). Continued weeks claimed decreased from 13,675 to 10,599 (-3,076, or -22.5%).

Most industry sectors experienced an over-the-year decrease in continued weeks claimed, with the exception of information (49, or 53.3%).

Sublette County was the only county with an increase in continued weeks claimed (27, or 29.8%).

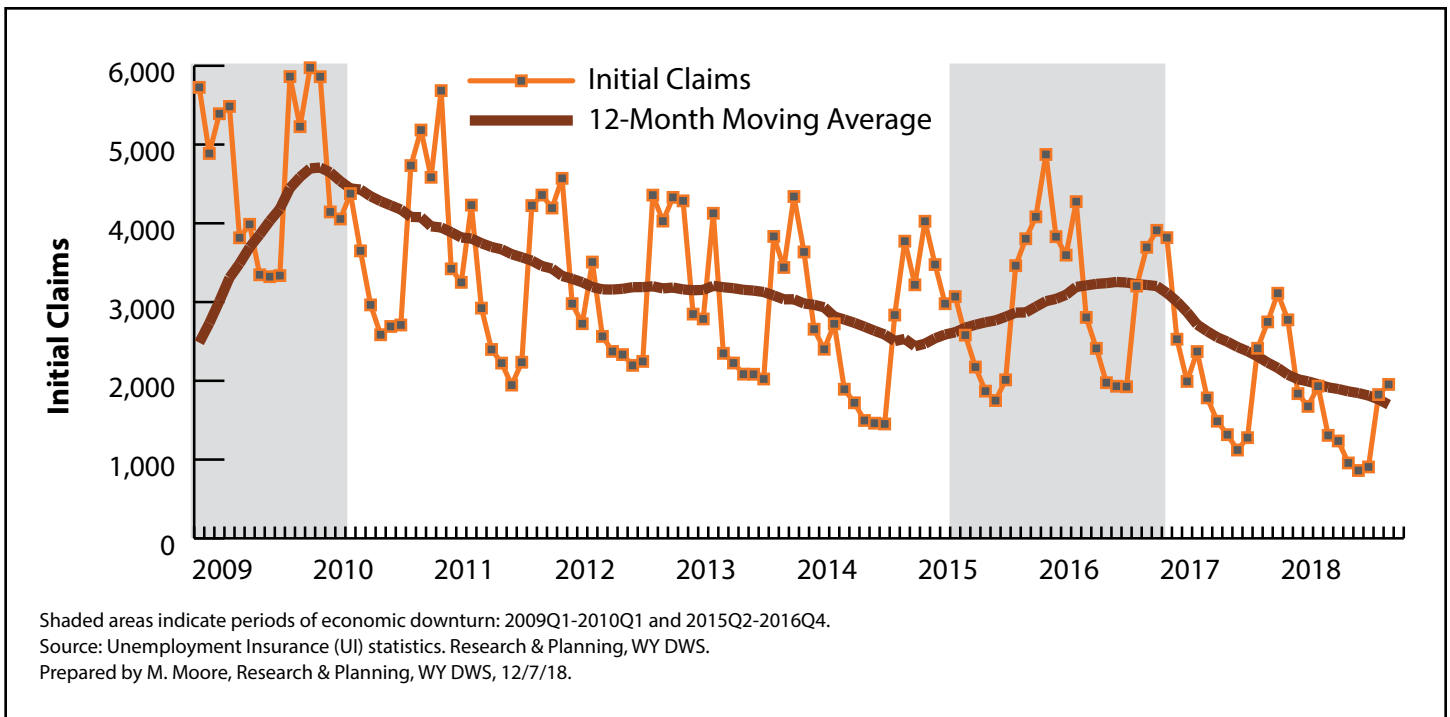
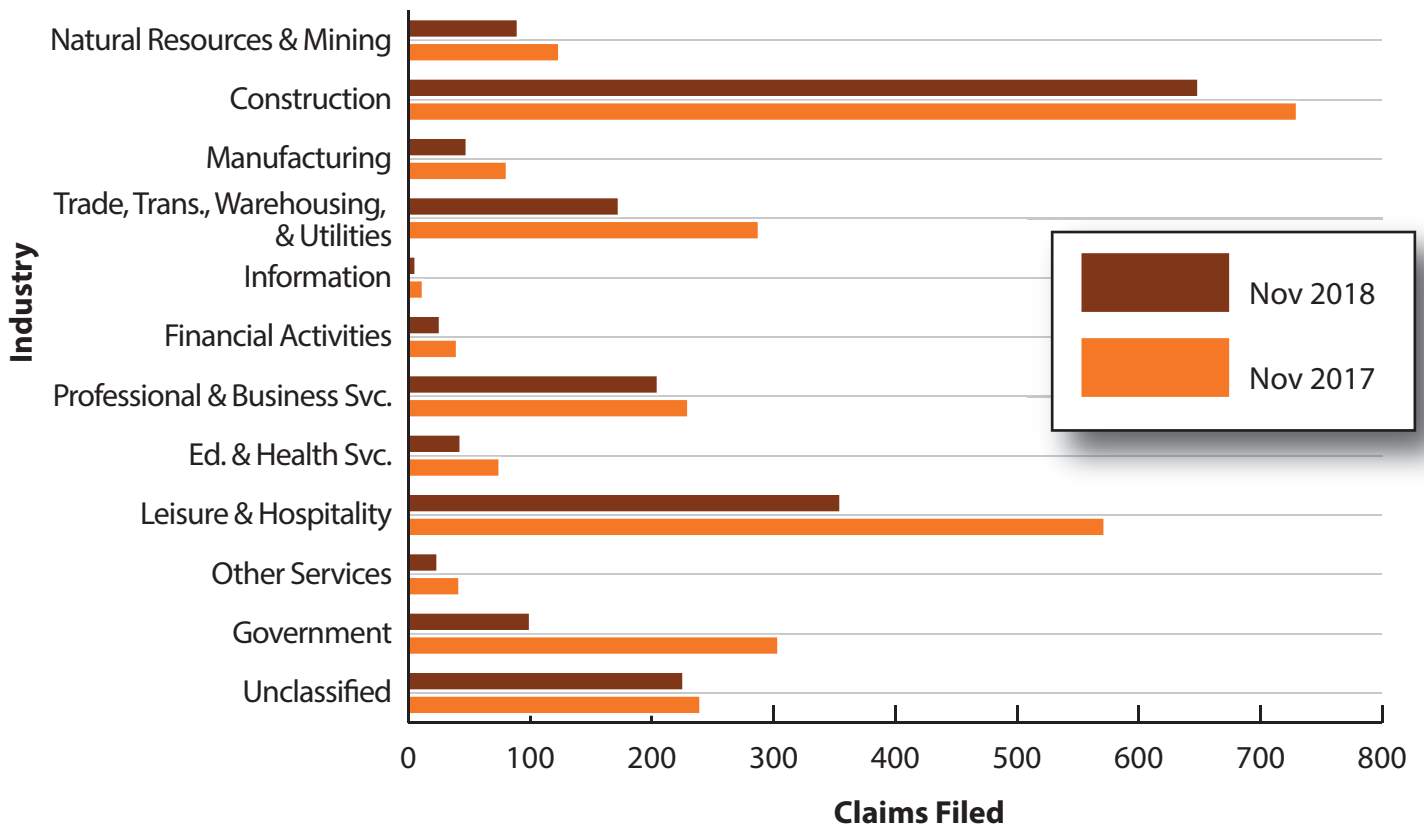


Figure 1: Total Number of New Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims for Wyoming by Year and Month, January 2009 to November 2018

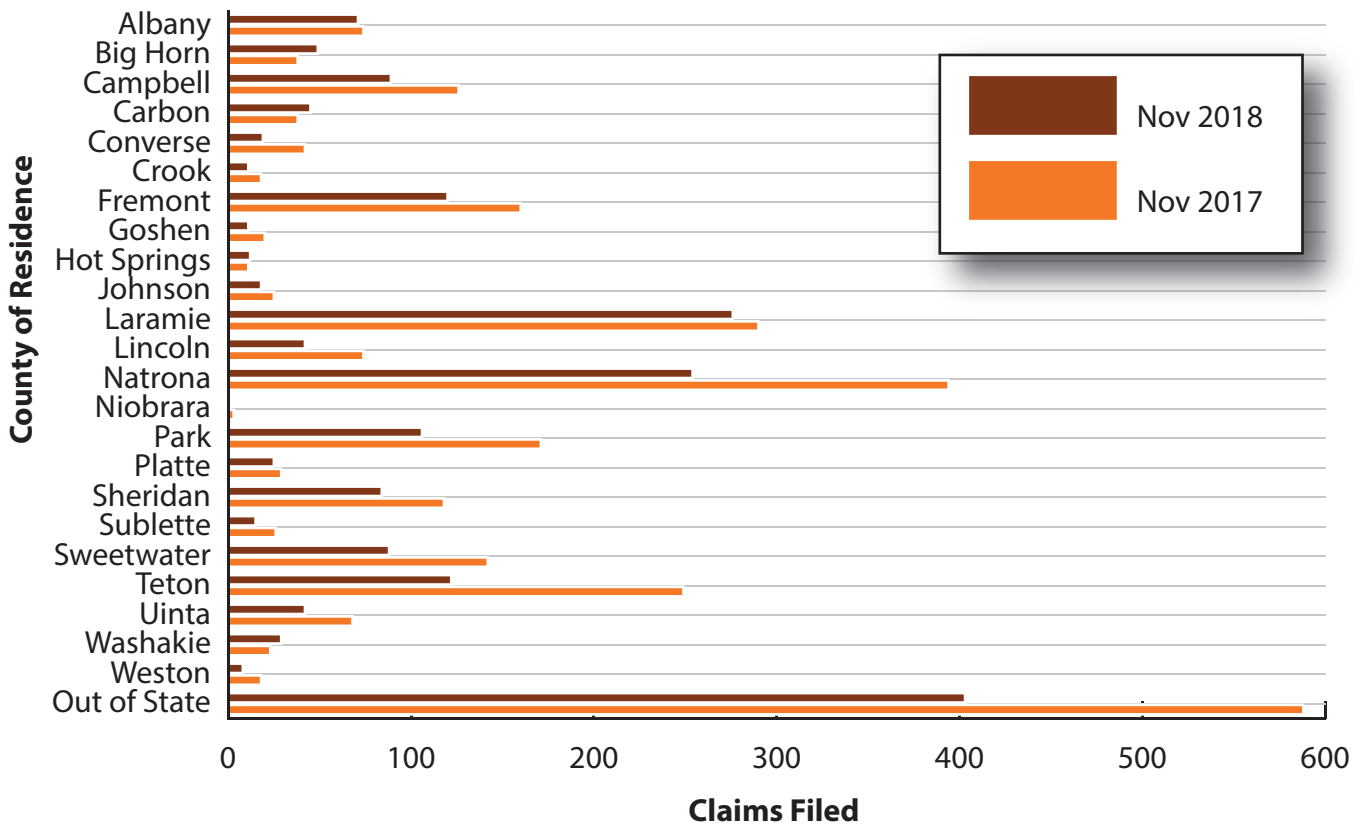
## Initial Claims Tables

	Claims Filed			Percent Change Claims Filed		Difference
	Nov-18	Oct-18	Nov-17	Nov-18 Oct-18	Nov-18 Nov-17	Nov-18 Nov-17
<b><u>Wyoming Statewide</u></b>						
<b>Total Claims Filed</b>	<b>1,953</b>	<b>1,824</b>	<b>2,747</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>-28.9</b>	<b>-794</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>789</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>936</b>	<b>72.3</b>	<b>-15.7</b>	<b>-147</b>
Natural Resources and Mining (11,21)	90	86	124	4.7	-27.4	-34
Mining (21)	60	71	88	-15.5	-31.8	-28
Oil & Gas Extraction (211)	7	3	6	133.3	16.7	1
Construction (23)	649	330	730	96.7	-11.1	-81
Manufacturing (31 - 33)	48	40	81	20.0	-40.7	-33
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>1,149</b>	<b>1,266</b>	<b>-27.2</b>	<b>-33.9</b>	<b>-429</b>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	173	196	288	-11.7	-39.9	-115
Wholesale Trade (42)	20	30	44	-33.3	-54.5	-24
Retail Trade (44 - 45)	94	85	163	10.6	-42.3	-69
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities (22,48 - 49)	59	81	81	-27.2	-27.2	-22
Information (51)	6	9	12	-33.3	-50.0	-6
Financial Activities (52, 53)	26	21	40	23.8	-35.0	-14
Professional and Business Services (54 - 56)	205	149	230	37.6	-10.9	-25
Educational and Health Services (61 - 62)	43	64	75	-32.8	-42.7	-32
Leisure and Hospitality (71 - 72)	355	672	572	-47.2	-37.9	-217
Other Services, except Public Admin. (81)	24	30	42	-20.0	-42.9	-18
<b>Government</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>-67.1</b>	<b>-204</b>
Federal Government	40	15	214	166.7	-81.3	-174
State Government	5	10	12	-50.0	-58.3	-7
Local Government	55	58	77	-5.2	-28.6	-22
Local Education	12	17	13	-29.4	-7.7	-1
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>72.5</b>	<b>-5.8</b>	<b>-14</b>
<b><u>Laramie County (Place of Residence)</u></b>						
<b>Total Claims Filed</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>43.0</b>	<b>-4.8</b>	<b>-14</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>115.9</b>	<b>22.1</b>	<b>27</b>
Construction	139	57	115	143.9	20.9	24
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>-15.9</b>	<b>-35.3</b>	<b>-49</b>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	21	27	52	-22.2	-59.6	-31
Financial Activities (52, 53)	2	3	9	-33.3	-77.8	-7
Professional and Business Services (54 - 56)	37	45	30	-17.8	23.3	7
Educational and Health Services (61 - 62)	8	6	15	33.3	-46.7	-7
Leisure and Hospitality (71 - 72)	14	16	19	-12.5	-26.3	-5
<b>Government</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-28.6</b>	<b>-66.7</b>	<b>-10</b>
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>233.3</b>	<b>150.0</b>	<b>18</b>
<b><u>Natrona County (Place of Residence)</u></b>						
<b>Total Claims Filed</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>25.7</b>	<b>-35.5</b>	<b>-140</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>29.3</b>	<b>-41.7</b>	<b>-85</b>
Construction	102	70	155	45.7	-34.2	-53
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>22.1</b>	<b>-32.6</b>	<b>-56</b>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	37	32	51	15.6	-27.5	-14
Financial Activities (52, 53)	3	7	6	-57.1	-50.0	-3
Professional and Business Services (54 - 56)	35	13	49	169.2	-28.6	-14
Educational and Health Services (61 - 62)	11	13	15	-15.4	-26.7	-4
Leisure and Hospitality (71 - 72)	26	22	40	18.2	-35.0	-14
<b>Government</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-16.7</b>	<b>-16.7</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>1</b>

## Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims by Major Industry, November 2018



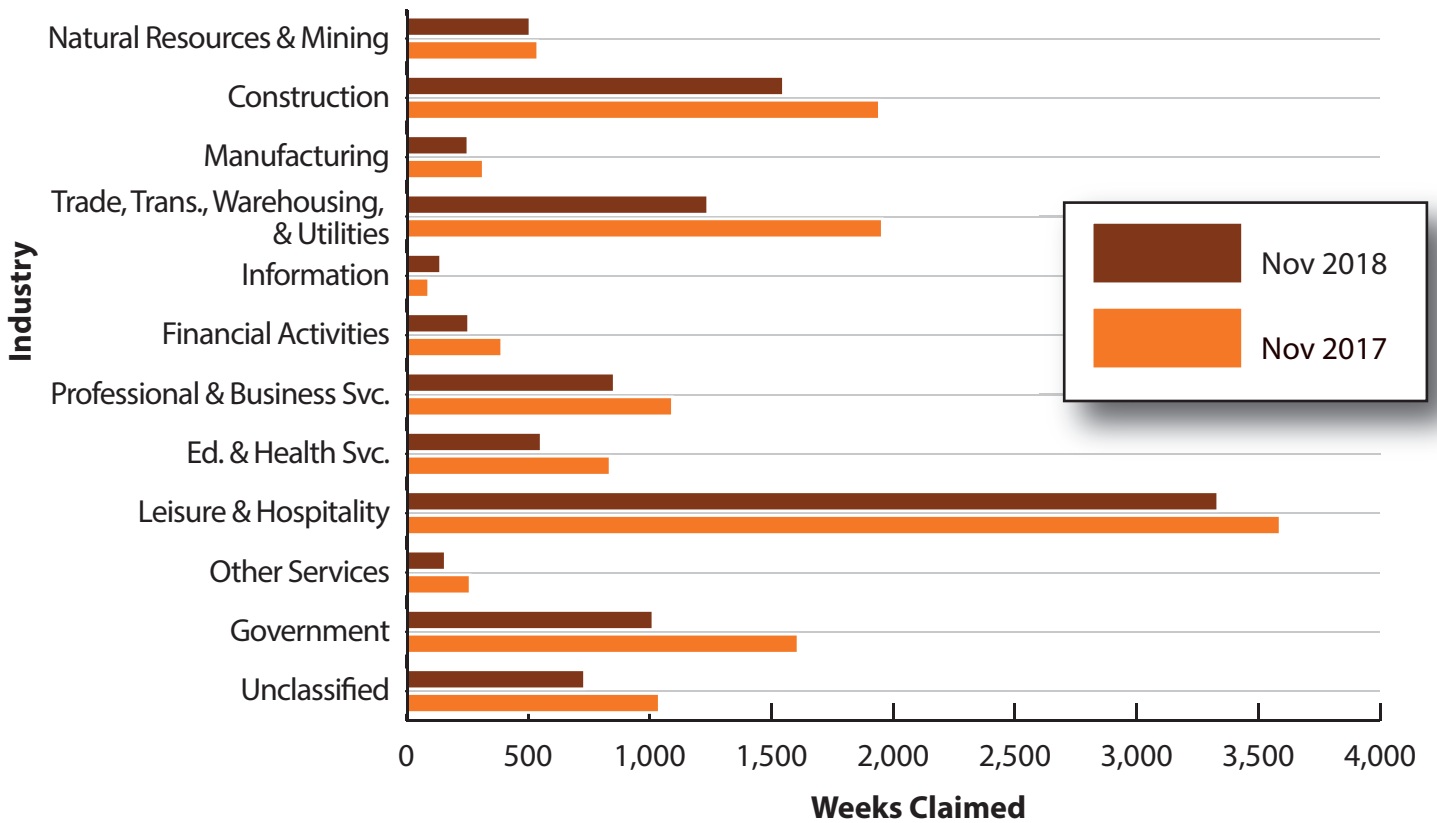
## Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims by County of Residence, November 2018



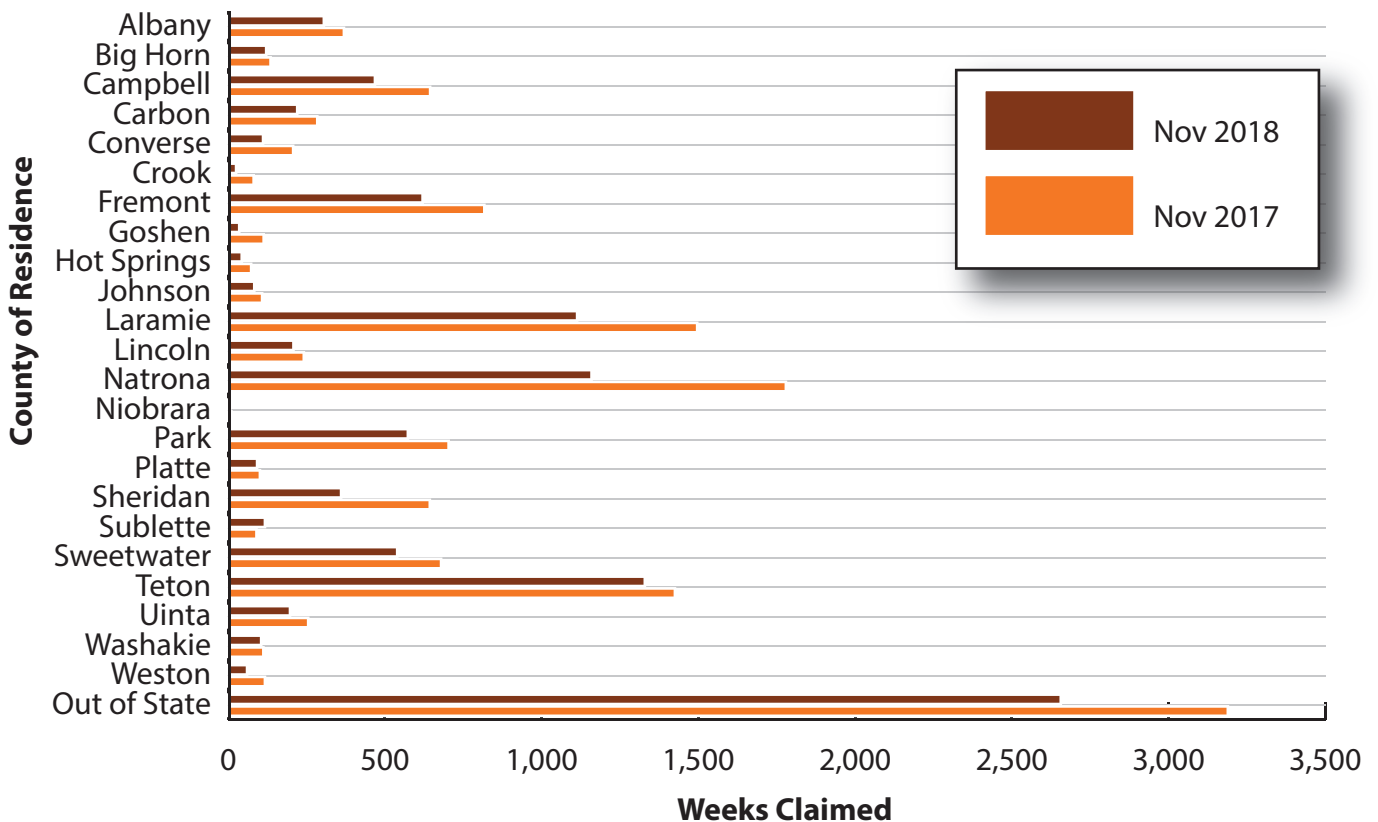
## Continued Weeks Claimed Tables

	Claims Filed			Percent Change Claims		Difference
	Nov-18	Oct-18	Nov-17	Nov-18 Oct-18	Nov-18 Nov-17	Nov-18 Nov-17
<b><u>Wyoming Statewide</u></b>						
<b>Total Continued Weeks Claimed</b>	<b>10,599</b>	<b>6,932</b>	<b>13,675</b>	<b>52.9</b>	<b>-22.5</b>	<b>-3,076</b>
<b>Total Unique Claimants</b>	<b>3,343</b>	<b>2,054</b>	<b>3,528</b>	<b>62.8</b>	<b>-5.2</b>	<b>-185</b>
<b>Benefit Exhaustions</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>99.5</b>	<b>72.1</b>	<b>158</b>
<b>Benefit Exhaustion Rates</b>	<b>11.3%</b>	<b>9.2%</b>	<b>6.2%</b>	<b>2.1%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>2,311</b>	<b>1,564</b>	<b>2,799</b>	<b>47.8</b>	<b>-17.4</b>	<b>-488</b>
Natural Resources and Mining (11,21)	508	397	540	28.0	-5.9	-32
Mining (21)	401	337	432	19.0	-7.2	-31
Oil & Gas Extraction (211)	59	42	69	40.5	-14.5	-10
Construction (23)	1,549	980	1,943	58.1	-20.3	-394
Manufacturing (31 - 33)	253	186	316	36.0	-19.9	-63
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>6,542</b>	<b>4,201</b>	<b>8,226</b>	<b>55.7</b>	<b>-20.5</b>	<b>-1,684</b>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	1,238	1,071	1,955	15.6	-36.7	-717
Wholesale Trade (42)	197	192	268	2.6	-26.5	-71
Retail Trade (44 - 45)	612	575	1,182	6.4	-48.2	-570
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities (22,48 - 49)	429	304	505	41.1	-15.0	-76
Information (51)	141	147	92	-4.1	53.3	49
Financial Activities (52, 53)	256	260	392	-1.5	-34.7	-136
Professional and Business Services (54 - 56)	854	617	1,093	38.4	-21.9	-239
Educational and Health Services (61 - 62)	554	597	837	-7.2	-33.8	-283
Leisure and Hospitality (71 - 72)	3,333	1,317	3,589	153.1	-7.1	-256
Other Services, except Public Admin. (81)	160	186	262	-14.0	-38.9	-102
<b>Government</b>	<b>1,013</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>1,609</b>	<b>54.2</b>	<b>-37.0</b>	<b>-596</b>
Federal Government	449	145	723	209.7	-37.9	-274
State Government	88	110	195	-20.0	-54.9	-107
Local Government	475	400	690	18.8	-31.2	-215
Local Education	158	124	198	27.4	-20.2	-40
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>1,039</b>	<b>44.1</b>	<b>-29.5</b>	<b>-307</b>
<b><u>Laramie County (Place of Residence)</u></b>						
<b>Total Continued Weeks Claimed</b>	<b>1,112</b>	<b>919</b>	<b>1,496</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>-25.7</b>	<b>-384</b>
<b>Total Unique Claimants</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>41.1</b>	<b>-2.6</b>	<b>-10</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>116.3</b>	<b>-11.0</b>	<b>-41</b>
Construction	286	121	309	136.4	-7.4	-23
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>911</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>-27.0</b>	<b>-246</b>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	175	206	262	-15.0	-33.2	-87
Financial Activities (52, 53)	58	41	99	41.5	-41.4	-41
Professional and Business Services (54 - 56)	181	174	227	4.0	-20.3	-46
Educational and Health Services (61 - 62)	87	98	164	-11.2	-47.0	-77
Leisure and Hospitality (71 - 72)	84	61	99	37.7	-15.2	-15
<b>Government</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>-15.3</b>	<b>-62.1</b>	<b>-100</b>
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>63.6</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>3</b>
<b><u>Natrona County (Place of Residence)</u></b>						
<b>Total Continued Weeks Claimed</b>	<b>1,159</b>	<b>1,036</b>	<b>1,778</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>-34.8</b>	<b>-619</b>
<b>Total Unique Claimants</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>26.5</b>	<b>-20.9</b>	<b>-101</b>
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>-40.0</b>	<b>-208</b>
Construction	220	174	381	26.4	-42.3	-161
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>-29.6</b>	<b>-327</b>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	234	202	421	15.8	-44.4	-187
Financial Activities (52, 53)	63	66	68	-4.5	-7.4	-5
Professional and Business Services (54 - 56)	100	74	174	35.1	-42.5	-74
Educational and Health Services (61 - 62)	137	168	209	-18.5	-34.4	-72
Leisure and Hospitality (71 - 72)	219	143	208	53.1	5.3	11
<b>Government</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>-79.0</b>	<b>-79</b>
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>31.4</b>	<b>-9.8</b>	<b>-5</b>

## Continued Unemployment Insurance Claims by Major Industry, November 2018



## Continued Unemployment Insurance Claims by County of Residence, November 2018



**Wyoming Normalized<sup>a</sup> Unemployment Statistics: Continued Claims by County of Residence, November 2018**

County	Nov 18	Nov 17	Over-the-Year Change	
			N	%
Albany	305	369	-64	-17.3
Big Horn	121	135	-14	-10.3
Campbell	468	644	-177	-27.4
Carbon	220	284	-64	-22.6
Converse	111	207	-95	-46.1
Crook	25	81	-57	-69.4
Fremont	620	817	-196	-24.0
Goshen	35	113	-79	-69.5
Hot Springs	43	73	-29	-40.5
Johnson	83	108	-25	-23.0
Laramie	1,113	1,496	-384	-25.6
Lincoln	208	241	-33	-13.7
Natrona	1,159	1,779	-619	-34.8
Niobrara	6	10	-3	-31.8
Park	573	703	-131	-18.6
Platte	92	101	-9	-9.2
Sheridan	360	643	-282	-43.9
Sublette	117	90	27	29.8
Sweetwater	539	679	-140	-20.6
Teton	1,329	1,425	-95	-6.7
Uinta	197	255	-58	-22.9
Washakie	105	112	-7	-6.0
Weston	60	117	-57	-49.1
Unknown	53	3	50	1666.7
Out of State	2,656	3,189	-533	-16.7
<b>Normalized Total<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>10,600</b>	<b>13,675</b>	<b>-3,075</b>	<b>-22.5</b>
<b>Real Total<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>9,792</b>	<b>15,791</b>	<b>-5,999</b>	<b>-38.0</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.

N/D = Not discloseable due to confidentiality.

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

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