

Wyoming Unemployment Unchanged at 3.3% in May 2025

The Research & Planning section of the Wyoming Department of Workforce Services reported today that the state’s seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was unchanged from April to May at 3.3%. Wyoming’s unemployment rate was slightly higher than its May 2024 level of 3.1%, but much lower than the current U.S. unemployment rate of 4.2%.

From April to May, most county unemployment rates rose slightly. It is somewhat unusual for county unemployment rates to increase in May. The largest increases occurred in Niobrara (up from 3.0% to 3.6%), Converse (up from 2.7% to 3.1%), Goshen (up from 2.8% to 3.2%), Johnson (up from 2.2% to 2.6%), and Weston (up from 2.7% to 3.1%) counties. Park County’s unemployment rate fell from 3.2% to 3.1%, and unemployment rates remained unchanged in Washakie (3.3%), Fremont (3.6%), Carbon (3.5%), and Big Horn (3.9%) counties.

From May 2024 to May 2025, nearly all county unemployment rates increased. The largest increases were reported in Niobrara (up from 2.7% to 3.6%), Platte (up from 3.1% to 3.8%), Hot Springs (up from 2.6% to 3.2%), and Washakie (up from 2.7% to 3.3%) counties. Johnson County’s unemployment rate fell from 2.7% to 2.6%.

In May, the lowest unemployment rates were found in Johnson, Crook, and Albany counties, each at 2.6%. The highest unemployment rates were reported in Big Horn County at 3.9%, Platte County at 3.8%, Fremont County at 3.6%, and Niobrara County at 3.6%.

Current Employment Statistics (CES) estimates show that total nonfarm employment in Wyoming (not seasonally adjusted and measured by place of work) rose from 295,600 in May 2024 to 297,900 in May 2025, an increase of 2,300 jobs (0.8%).

June unemployment data will be published on July 22, 2025.

Civilian Labor Force, Employment, and Unemployment--by place of residence

County	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployed Number			Unemployment Rate		
	May 2025 (p)	Apr 2025 (b)	May 2024 (b)	May 2025 (p)	Apr 2025 (b)	May 2024 (b)	May 2025 (p)	Apr 2025 (b)	May 2024 (b)	May 2025 (p)	Apr 2025 (b)	May 2024 (b)
Albany	22,584	22,972	22,326	21,988	22,435	21,774	596	537	552	2.6	2.3	2.5
Big Horn	5,027	4,968	5,295	4,833	4,773	5,113	194	195	182	3.9	3.9	3.4
Campbell	23,623	23,914	24,371	22,906	23,215	23,693	717	699	678	3.0	2.9	2.8
Carbon	6,122	5,945	6,530	5,906	5,738	6,317	216	207	213	3.5	3.5	3.3
Converse	6,479	6,494	6,710	6,277	6,318	6,518	202	176	192	3.1	2.7	2.9
Crook	4,029	3,888	4,195	3,926	3,793	4,103	103	95	92	2.6	2.4	2.2
Fremont	17,601	17,570	18,014	16,968	16,931	17,433	633	639	581	3.6	3.6	3.2
Goshen	5,507	5,481	5,759	5,331	5,325	5,603	176	156	156	3.2	2.8	2.7
Hot Springs	2,281	2,261	2,383	2,207	2,191	2,320	74	70	63	3.2	3.1	2.6
Johnson	4,438	4,258	4,703	4,323	4,166	4,578	115	92	125	2.6	2.2	2.7
Laramie	47,747	48,267	48,143	46,204	46,865	46,635	1,543	1,402	1,508	3.2	2.9	3.1
Lincoln	10,543	10,352	10,791	10,245	10,078	10,512	298	274	279	2.8	2.6	2.6
Natrona	40,793	41,350	41,396	39,481	40,130	40,189	1,312	1,220	1,207	3.2	3.0	2.9
Niobrara	905	881	948	872	855	922	33	26	26	3.6	3.0	2.7
Park	15,053	14,056	15,532	14,582	13,603	15,088	471	453	444	3.1	3.2	2.9
Platte	3,512	3,489	3,619	3,377	3,363	3,508	135	126	111	3.8	3.6	3.1
Sheridan	15,728	15,716	15,928	15,228	15,267	15,477	500	449	451	3.2	2.9	2.8
Sublette	4,409	4,289	4,453	4,277	4,166	4,332	132	123	121	3.0	2.9	2.7
Sweetwater	19,762	20,061	20,209	19,072	19,377	19,583	690	684	626	3.5	3.4	3.1
Teton	15,636	15,283	15,762	15,166	14,834	15,335	470	449	427	3.0	2.9	2.7
Uinta	10,090	10,027	10,199	9,737	9,708	9,898	353	319	301	3.5	3.2	3.0
Washakie	3,888	3,864	4,015	3,760	3,738	3,905	128	126	110	3.3	3.3	2.7
Weston	3,224	3,203	3,277	3,123	3,116	3,188	101	87	89	3.1	2.7	2.7
Statewide	288,981	288,589	294,557	279,790	279,985	286,025	9,191	8,604	8,532	3.2	3.0	2.9
Statewide Seasonally Adjusted.....										3.3	3.3	3.1
U.S.....										4.0	3.9	3.7
U.S. Seasonally Adjusted.....										4.2	4.2	4.0

(p) Preliminary, (r) Revised, (b) Benchmarked.

Data are not seasonally adjusted except where otherwise specified.

Labor Force = Employment + Unemployed Number

Unemployment Rate = Unemployed Number/Labor Force

Wyoming Seasonally Adjusted Statewide Labor Force Estimates

	May-25	April-25	May-24	Change		Change	
				Month		Year	
				absolute	percent	absolute	percent
Total Civilian Labor Force	293,023	294,224	296,358	-1,201	-0.4%	-3,335	-1.1%
Employed	283,458	284,502	287,250	-1,044	-0.4%	-3,792	-1.3%
Unemployed	9,565	9,722	9,108	-157	-1.6%	457	5.0%
Unemployment Rate	3.3	3.3	3.1				

Definitions:

Employed	All persons who, during the reference week, did any work at all as paid employees, worked in their own business, profession, or on their own farm, or worked 15 hours or more as unpaid workers in a family business.
Unemployed	All persons who had no employment during the reference week, were available for work, and had made specific efforts to find employment sometime during the 4-week period ending with the reference week.
Labor Force	All persons who meet the criteria given above as either employed or unemployed.
Unemployment Rate	The number of unemployed as a percent of the labor force.
Seasonal Adjustment	A statistical procedure to remove the impact of normal regularly recurring events (such as weather, major holidays, and the opening and closing of schools) from economic time series to better understand changes in economic conditions from month to month.

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