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Continued Claims Down for Second Consecutive Month

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The total number of continued Unemployment Insurance (UI) weeks claimed in Wyoming (see Definitions, page 9) decreased from prior-year levels for the second consecutive month in March 2026. Previously continued claims increased from prior-year levels from May 2024 to January 2026 (see Figure 2, page 4). The decreases in continued weeks claimed could indicate that individuals exhausted their UI benefits, or were able to find new employment.

Initial Claims

There were 1,538 initial claims in March 2026, up 102 (or 7.1%) from March 2025. Initial claims increased over the month (see Figure 1), primarily due to more claims

UI Claims Online

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in leisure & hospitality as the winter ski season ended. Leisure & hospitality also had the largest over-the-year increase in initial claims (59, or 19.5%), while over-the-year decreases were seen in transportation, warehousing, & utilities (-34, or -32.4%) and federal government (-14, or -31.8%), among others (see Table 1, page 5, and Figure 3, page 6).

At the county level, over-the-year increases were seen in Teton (42, or 79.2%), Park (25, or 43.1%), and

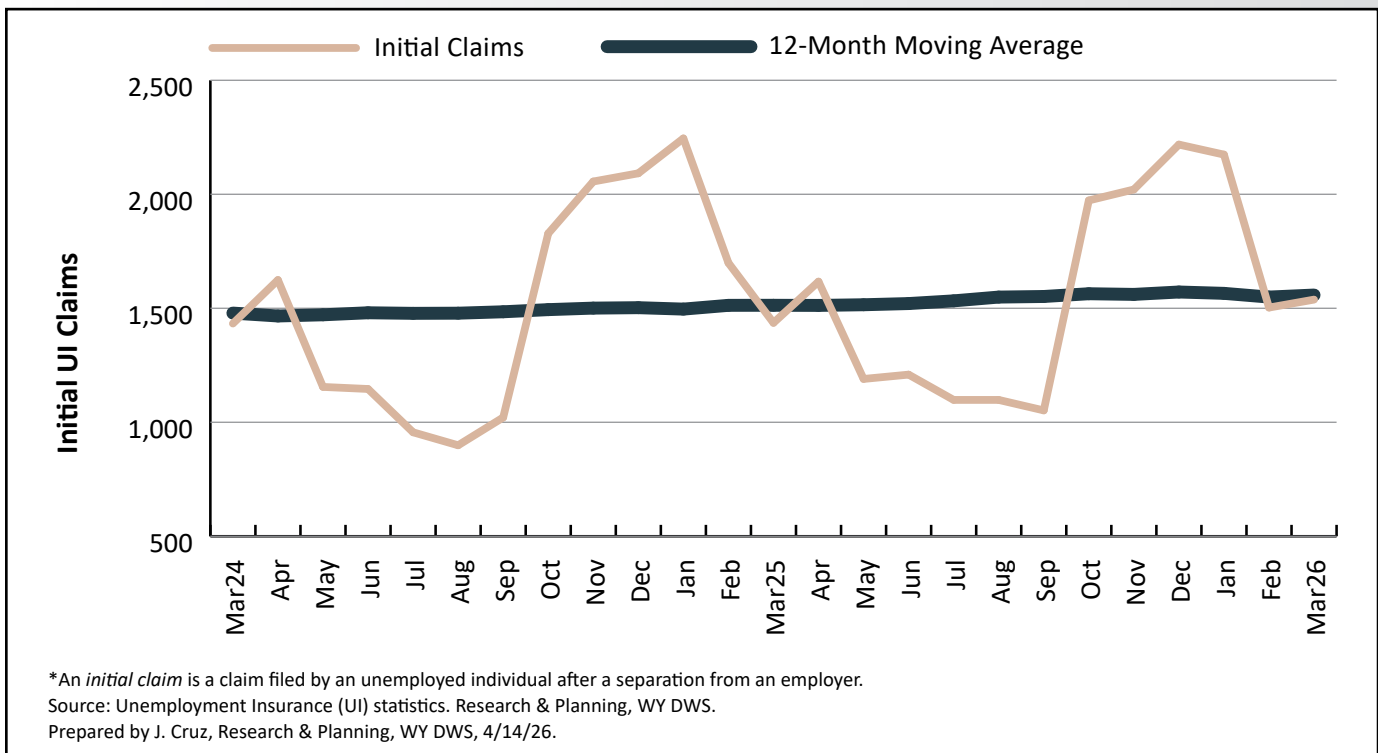


Figure 1: Total Number of Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims for Wyoming, March 2024 to March 2026

Sweetwater (18, or 19.4%). Initial claims in all other counties remained essentially flat, increasing by no more than 13 and decreasing by no more than 11 (see Figure 4, page 6, and Table 3, page 9). There were 311 initial claims filed by out-of-state individuals, more than any Wyoming county.

Continued Claims

The total number of continued weeks claimed decreased from 12,849 in March 2025 to 12,634 in March 2026 (-215, or -1.7%). The number of unique claimants decreased from 4,349 to 4,288 (-61, or -1.4%). Relatively large over-the-year decreases in continued claims were seen in natural resources & mining (-257, or -26.0%) and federal government (-200, or -39.8%; see Table 2, page 7, and Figure

5, page 8). Leisure & hospitality had the largest over-the-year increase in continued claims (232, or 16.6%).

Continued claims decreased by 1,500 (-10.6%) over the month, reflecting regular seasonal trends. Substantial over-the-month decreases were seen in continued claims in construction (-869, or -17.6%) and professional & business services (-282, or -14.6%).

Continued claims in Campbell County fell by one-third (-361, or -32.1%) over the year (see Figure 6, page 8, and Table 4, page 9). Sweetwater County had the largest over-the-year increase in continued claims (156, or 17.8%). Out-of-state claimants accounted for 2,190 continued weeks claimed, noticeably more than any Wyoming county.

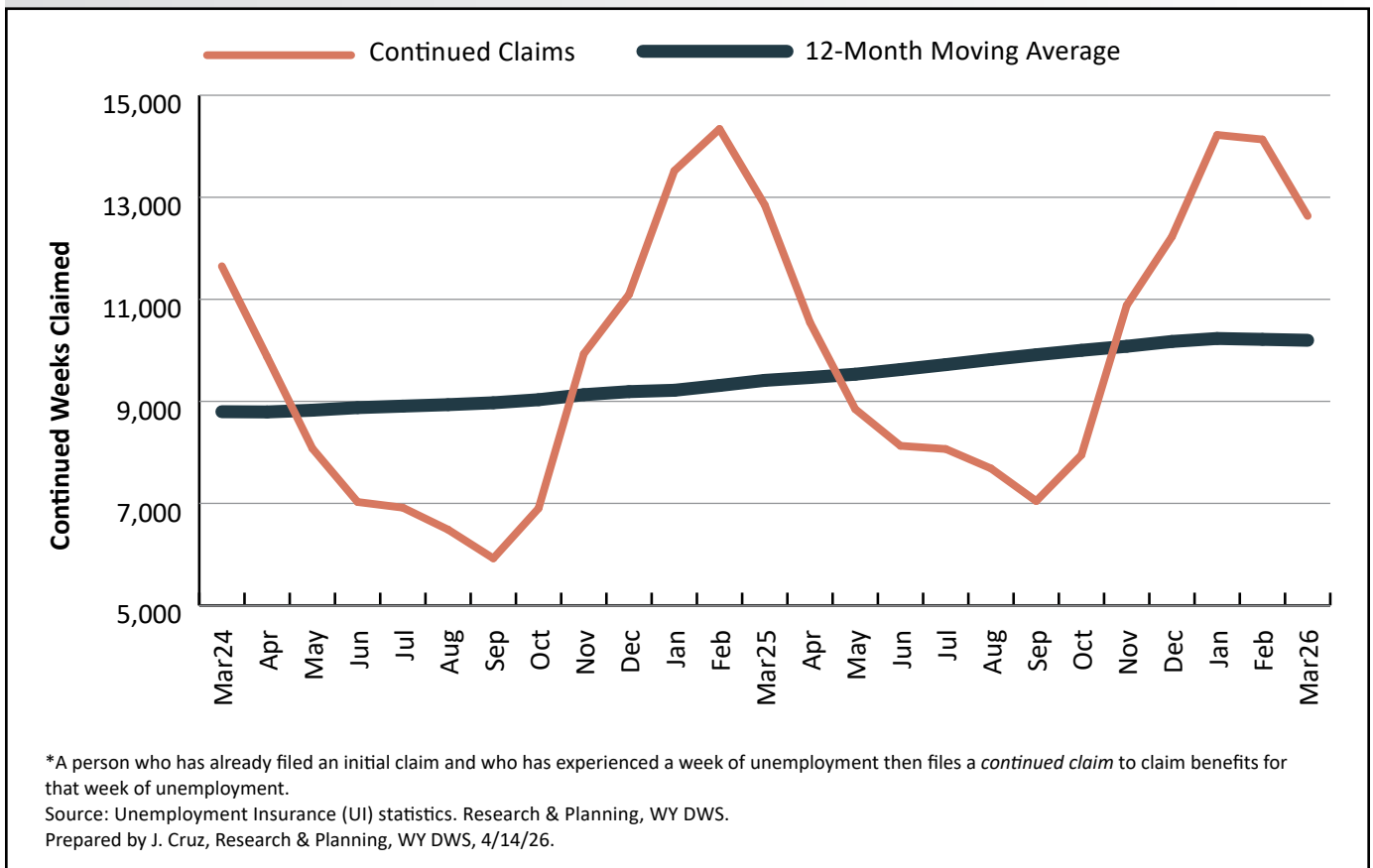


Figure 2: Total Number of Unemployment Insurance Continued Weeks Claimed for Wyoming, March 2024 to March 2026

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

Industry	Initial Claims Filed			Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	Mar 2025	N	%	N	%
Total Claims Filed	1,538	1,503	1,436	35	2.3	102	7.1
Goods-Producing	510	688	480	-178	-25.9	30	6.3
Natural Resources & Mining (11, 21)	92	93	81	-1	-1.1	11	13.6
Mining (21)	82	86	74	-4	-4.7	8	10.8
Construction (23)	326	527	316	-201	-38.1	10	3.2
Manufacturing (31-33)	92	68	83	24	35.3	9	10.8
Service-Providing	907	684	840	223	32.6	67	8.0
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities (22, 42, 44-45, 48-49)	228	215	256	13	6.0	-28	-10.9
Wholesale Trade (42)	41	29	38	12	41.4	3	7.9
Retail Trade (44-45)	115	107	112	8	7.5	3	2.7
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities (22, 44-49)	71	79	105	-8	-10.1	-34	-32.4
Information (51)	15	7	10	8	114.3	5	50.0
Financial Activities (52-53)	31	44	35	-13	-29.5	-4	-11.4
Professional & Business Services (54-56)	137	160	127	-23	-14.4	10	7.9
Education & Health Services (61-62)	98	76	89	22	28.9	9	10.1
Leisure & Hospitality (71-72)	362	145	303	217	149.7	59	19.5
Other Services, except Public Admin. (81)	33	34	16	-1	-2.9	17	106.3
Government	99	109	102	-10	-9.2	-3	-2.9
Federal Government	30	33	44	-3	-9.1	-14	-31.8
State Government	11	12	9	-1	-8.3	2	22.2
Local Government	57	62	48	-5	-8.1	9	18.8
Local Education	18	17	10	1	5.9	8	80.0
Unclassified	20	21	12	-1	-4.8	8	66.7
Laramie County							
Total Claims Filed	204	261	192	-57	-21.8	12	6.3
Goods-Producing	79	120	68	-41	-34.2	11	16.2
Construction	70	106	61	-36	-34.0	9	14.8
Service-Providing	103	117	109	-14	-12.0	-6	-5.5
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	33	36	34	-3	-8.3	-1	-2.9
Financial Activities (52, 53)	7	8	12	-1	-12.5	-5	-41.7
Professional & Business Services (54 - 56)	25	29	23	-4	-13.8	2	8.7
Educational & Health Services (61-62)	11	17	16	-6	-35.3	-5	-31.3
Leisure & Hospitality (71-72)	9	18	12	-9	-50.0	-3	-25.0
Government	17	17	11	0	0.0	6	54.5
Natrona County							
Total Claims Filed	194	250	189	-56	-22.4	5	2.6
Goods-Producing	71	115	77	-44	-38.3	-6	-7.8
Construction	48	92	58	-44	-47.8	-10	-17.2
Service-Providing	116	125	106	-9	-7.2	10	9.4
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	43	38	53	5	13.2	-10	-18.9
Financial Activities (52, 53)	8	11	7	-3	-27.3	1	14.3
Professional & Business Services (54 - 56)	16	22	14	-6	-27.3	2	14.3
Educational & Health Services (61-62)	28	19	15	9	47.4	13	86.7
Leisure & Hospitality (71-72)	12	17	14	-5	-29.4	-2	-14.3
Government	4	6	5	-2	-33.3	-1	-20.0

N/D = Not discloseable due to confidentiality.

Source: Unemployment Insurance claims database.

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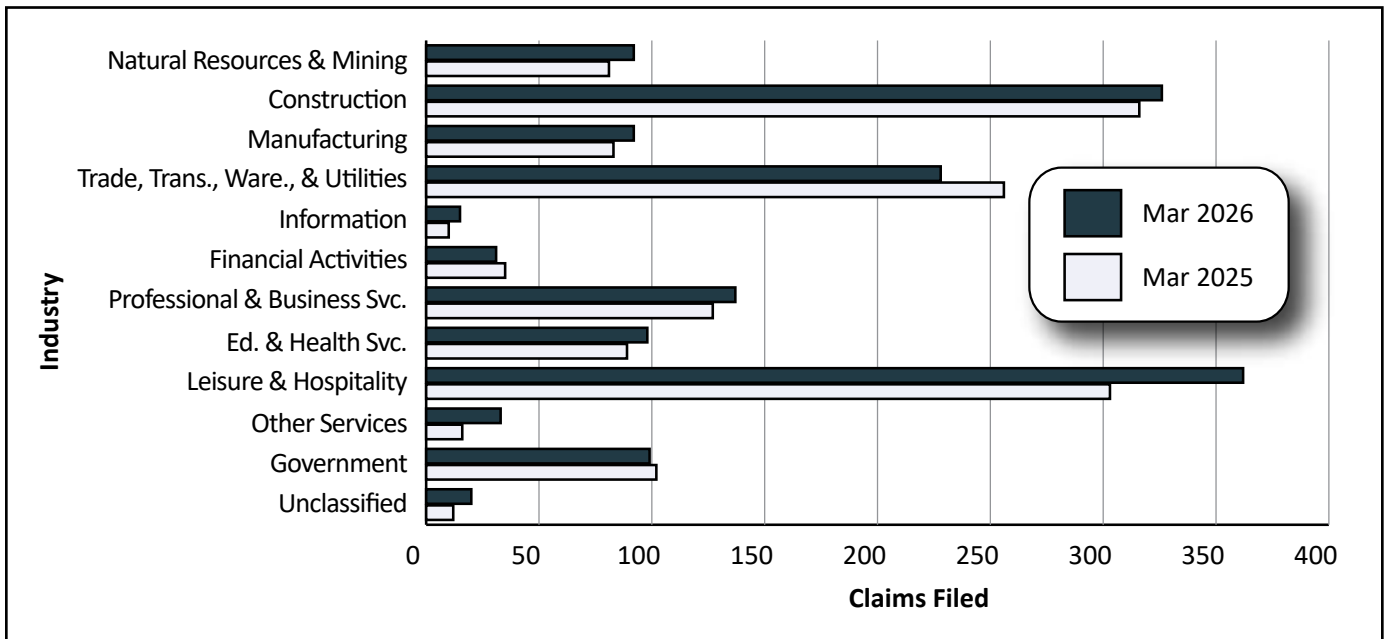


Figure 3: Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims by Major Industry in Wyoming, March 2025 and March 2026

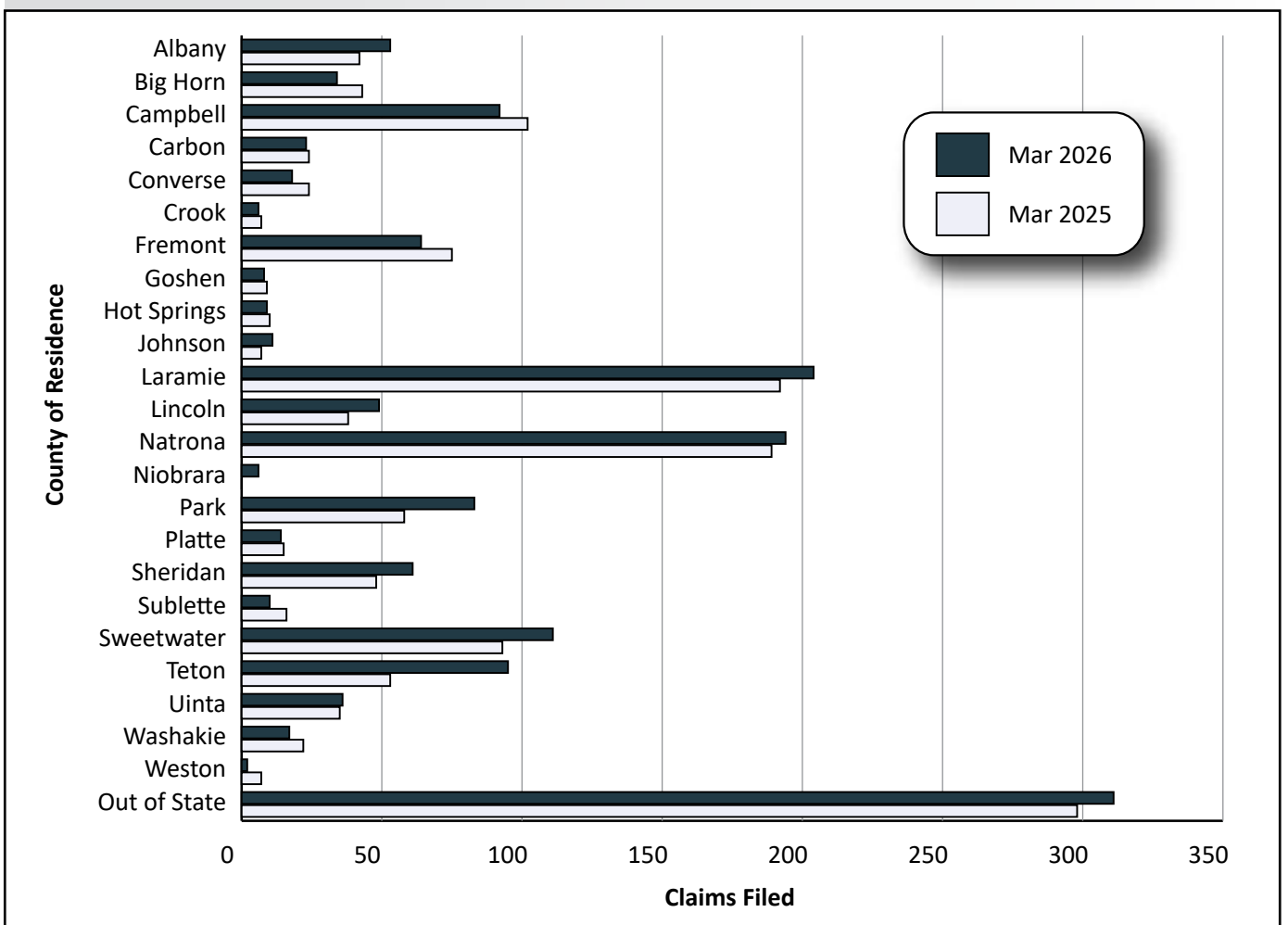


Figure 4: Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims by County of Residence, March 2025 and March 2026

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

Industry	Continued Weeks Claimed			Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	Mar 2025	N	%	N	%
Total Continued Weeks Claimed	12,634	14,134	12,849	-1,500	-10.6	-215	-1.7
Total Unique Claimants	4,288	4,516	4,349	-228	-5.0	-61	-1.4
Goods-Producing	5,372	6,306	5,691	-934	-14.8	-319	-5.6
Natural Resources & Mining (11, 21)	730	760	987	-30	-3.9	-257	-26.0
Mining (21)	658	667	889	-9	-1.3	-231	-26.0
Oil & Gas Extraction (211)	51	57	40	-6	-10.5	11	27.5
Construction (23)	4,082	4,951	4,131	-869	-17.6	-49	-1.2
Manufacturing (31-33)	559	594	572	-35	-5.9	-13	-2.3
Service-Providing	6,292	6,773	6,113	-481	-7.1	179	2.9
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities (22, 42, 44-45, 48-49)	1,650	1,873	1,682	-223	-11.9	-32	-1.9
Wholesale Trade (42)	302	327	291	-25	-7.6	11	3.8
Retail Trade (44-45)	729	830	766	-101	-12.2	-37	-4.8
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities (22, 44-49)	619	715	624	-96	-13.4	-5	-0.8
Information (51)	95	88	116	7	8.0	-21	-18.1
Financial Activities (52-53)	313	352	298	-39	-11.1	15	5.0
Professional & Business Services (54-56)	1,644	1,926	1,686	-282	-14.6	-42	-2.5
Education & Health Services (61-62)	709	701	742	8	1.1	-33	-4.4
Leisure & Hospitality (71-72)	1,626	1,554	1,394	72	4.6	232	16.6
Other Services, except Public Admin. (81)	252	274	192	-22	-8.0	60	31.3
Government	829	897	898	-68	-7.6	-69	-7.7
Federal Government	303	371	503	-68	-18.3	-200	-39.8
State Government	102	113	75	-11	-9.7	27	36.0
Local Government	423	412	319	11	2.7	104	32.6
Local Education	87	70	49	17	24.3	38	77.6
Unclassified	140	156	145	-16	-10.3	-5	-3.4
Laramie County							
Total Claims Filed	1,825	1,979	1,779	-154	-7.8	46	2.6
Total Unique Claimants	619	660	621	-41	-6.2	-2	-0.3
Goods-Producing	804	951	748	-147	-15.5	56	7.5
Construction	753	893	674	-140	-15.7	79	11.7
Service-Providing	887	911	904	-24	-2.6	-17	-1.9
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	243	248	266	-5	-2.0	-23	-8.6
Financial Activities (52, 53)	64	87	72	-23	-26.4	-8	-11.1
Professional & Business Services (54 - 56)	211	225	207	-14	-6.2	4	1.9
Educational & Health Services (61 - 62)	184	164	169	20	12.2	15	8.9
Leisure & Hospitality (71 - 72)	128	122	120	6	4.9	8	6.7
Government	96	81	86	15	18.5	10	11.6
Unclassified	36	35	40	1	2.9	-4	-10.0
Natrona County							
Total Claims Filed	1,655	1,956	1,715	-301	-15.4	-60	-3.5
Total Unique Claimants	570	644	575	-74	-11.5	-5	-0.9
Goods-Producing	760	937	755	-177	-18.9	5	0.7
Construction	522	687	558	-165	-24.0	-36	-6.5
Service-Providing	832	943	916	-111	-11.8	-84	-9.2
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities (22,42,44-45,48-49)	230	284	335	-54	-19.0	-105	-31.3
Financial Activities (52, 53)	57	44	64	13	29.5	-7	-10.9
Professional & Business Services (54 - 56)	210	258	243	-48	-18.6	-33	-13.6
Educational & Health Services (61 - 62)	140	155	100	-15	-9.7	40	40.0
Leisure & Hospitality (71 - 72)	106	125	128	-19	-15.2	-22	-17.2
Government	46	55	37	-9	-16.4	9	24.3
Unclassified	15	19	5	-4	-21.1	10	200.0

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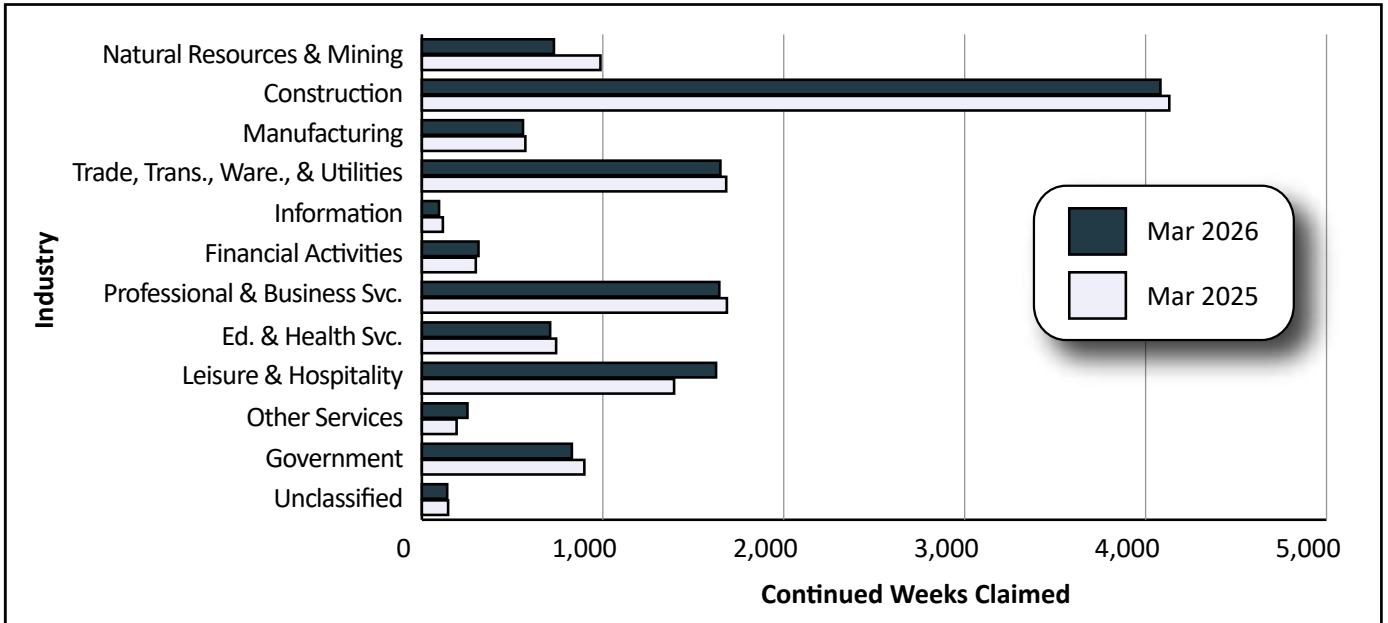


Figure 5: Continued Unemployment Insurance Claims by Major Industry in Wyoming, March 2025 and March 2026

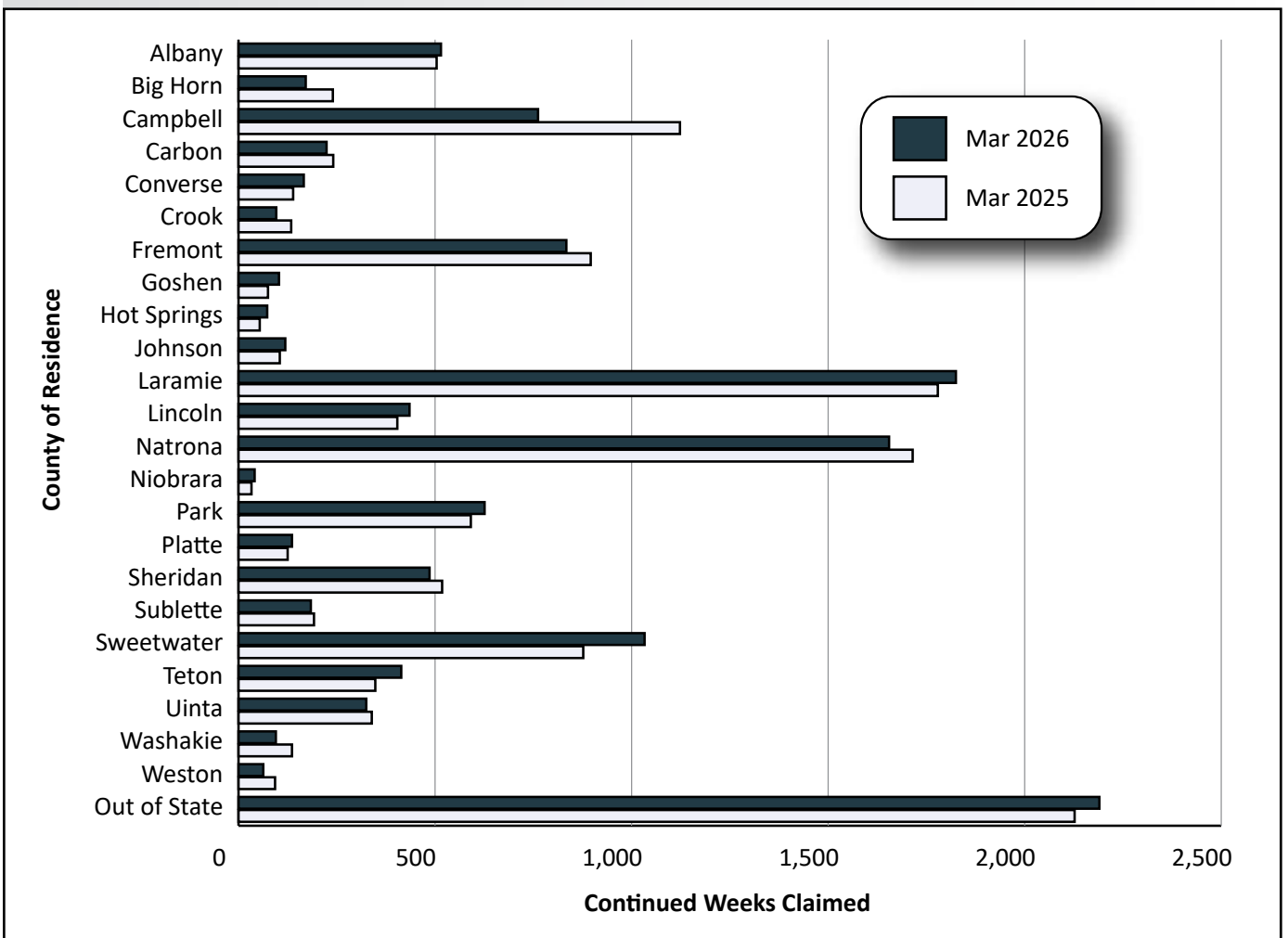


Figure 6: Continued Unemployment Insurance Claims by County of Residence in Wyoming, March 2025 and March 2026

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

County	Mar 2026	Mar 2025	Change	
			N	%
Albany	53	42	11	26.2
Big Horn	34	43	-9	-20.9
Campbell	92	102	-10	-9.8
Carbon	23	24	-1	-4.2
Converse	18	24	-6	-25.0
Crook	6	7	-1	-14.3
Fremont	64	75	-11	-14.7
Goshen	8	9	-1	-11.1
Hot Springs	9	10	-1	-10.0
Johnson	11	7	4	57.1
Laramie	204	192	12	6.3
Lincoln	49	38	11	28.9
Natrona	194	189	5	2.6
Niobrara	N/D	0	N/D	N/D
Park	83	58	25	43.1
Platte	14	15	-1	-6.7
Sheridan	61	48	13	27.1
Sublette	10	16	-6	-37.5
Sweetwater	111	93	18	19.4
Teton	95	53	42	79.2
Uinta	36	35	1	2.9
Washakie	17	22	-5	-22.7
Weston	N/D	7	N/D	N/D
Unknown	14	16	-2	-12.5
Out of State	311	298	13	4.4
Total	1,538	1,436	102	7.1

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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^a Unemployment Statistics: Continued Claims by County of Residence, March 2025 and March 2026

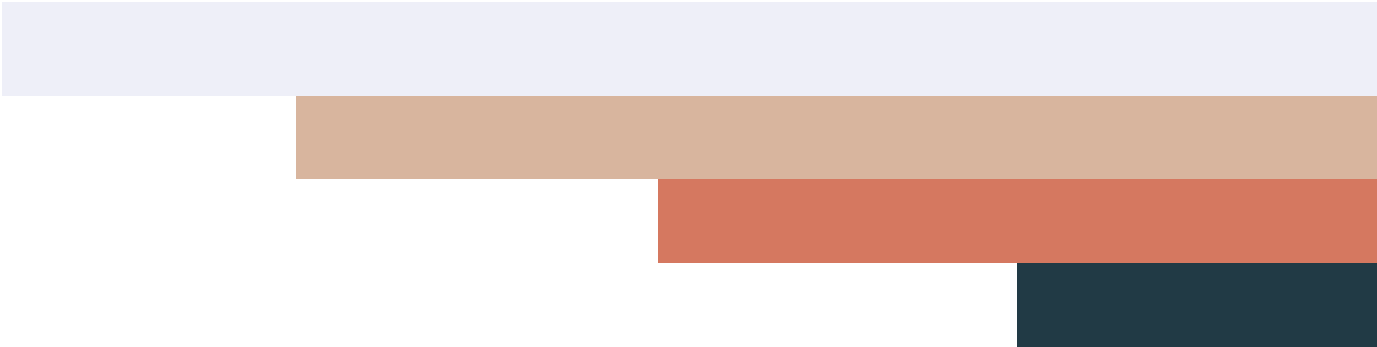
County	Mar 2026	Mar 2025	Change	
			N	%
Albany	515	504	11	2.2
Big Horn	171	240	-69	-28.8
Campbell	762	1,123	-361	-32.1
Carbon	224	241	-17	-7.1
Converse	166	139	27	19.4
Crook	96	134	-38	-28.4
Fremont	834	896	-62	-6.9
Goshen	103	75	28	37.3
Hot Springs	73	54	19	35.2
Johnson	119	105	14	13.3
Laramie	1,825	1,779	46	2.6
Lincoln	435	404	31	7.7
Natrona	1,655	1,715	-60	-3.5
Niobrara	41	33	8	24.2
Park	626	591	35	5.9
Platte	136	125	11	8.8
Sheridan	486	518	-32	-6.2
Sublette	184	192	-8	-4.2
Sweetwater	1,033	877	156	17.8
Teton	414	348	66	19.0
Uinta	325	339	-14	-4.1
Washakie	95	136	-41	-30.1
Weston	63	93	-30	-32.3
Unknown	54	49	5	10.2
Out of State	2,190	2,127	63	3.0
Normalized Total^a	12,634	12,849	-215	-1.7

^aAn 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.

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

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