

April 2011 Employment Data

Month over Month Employment

Unemployment

- Wyoming's unemployment rate fell in April from 6.2% to 6.0%.
- The U.S. unemployment rate increased in April from 8.8% to 9.0%.

Total Employment

- Total employment increased by 1,800 jobs in April.

Employment by Industry

- The month over month increases were in:
 - Construction (1,200 jobs, 5.8%)
 - Professional & Business Services (1,000 jobs, 6.0%)
 - Natural Resources & Mining (500 jobs, 1.9%)
 - Financial Activities (300 jobs, 2.8%)
 - Education & Health Services (200 jobs, 0.8%)
 - Wholesale Trade (100 jobs, 1.2%)
 - Other Services (100 jobs, 0.9%)
- Leisure & Hospitality fell by 1,200 jobs, a decline of 4.0%
- Government fell by 200 jobs, a decline of 0.3%
- Transportation & Utilities fell by 100 jobs, a decline of 0.7%
- Manufacturing fell by 100 jobs, a decline of 1.1%

Year over Year Employment

Total Employment

- Since April 2010, total employment in Wyoming has grown by 2,600 jobs or 0.9%. The U.S. has increased by 1,390,000 jobs over the same period.
- Wyoming's annual employment growth of 0.9% (April 2011 over April 2010) rose from #26 to #21 in April.
- Other Mountain states posted growth/decline in April as follows:
 - Utah +1.6%
 - Montana +0.6%
 - Idaho +0.5%
 - Arizona +0.4%
 - Colorado +0.2%
 - Nevada - 0.1%
 - New Mexico - 0.3%

Mountain states include: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming

Employment by Industry

- Year over year increases by industry include:
 - Natural Resources & Mining (2,500 jobs, 10.4%)
 - Professional & Business Services (800 jobs, 4.8%)
 - Transportation & Utilities (700 jobs, 5.3%)
 - Government (400 jobs, 0.5%)
 - Education & Health Services (300 jobs, 1.1%)
 - Financial Activities (200 jobs, 1.9%)
 - Construction (200 jobs, 0.9%)
 - Manufacturing (200 jobs, 2.4%)
 - ✚ The U.S. has experienced a 1.9% increase in jobs since April 2010.
 - Wholesale Trade (100 jobs, 1.2%)

- Employment has fallen in three industries since April 2010
 - Retail Trade (-1,400 jobs, -4.8%)
 - Leisure & Hospitality (-900 jobs, -3.1%)
 - Other Services (-500 jobs, -4.3%)

Sources: Wyoming Department of Labor, Research & Planning
U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Wyoming Total Employment (Jan 2001 - Apr 2011)

