

August 2010 Employment Data

Month over Month Employment

Unemployment

- Wyoming's unemployment rate rose in August from 6.7% to 6.8%.
- The U.S. unemployment rate increased in August from 9.5% to 9.6%.

Total Employment

- Total employment decreased by 400 jobs in August, which is consistent with normal seasonal patterns.

Employment by Industry

- The month over month increases were in:
 - Construction (1,000 jobs, 4.3%)
 - Natural Resources & Mining (200 jobs, 0.8%)
 - Transportation & Utilities (200 jobs, 1.4%)
 - Education & Health Services (100 jobs, 0.4%)
 - Wholesale Trade (100 jobs, 1.1%)
 - Government fell by 600 jobs, a decline of 0.9%
 - Leisure & Hospitality fell by 500 jobs, a decline of 1.3%
 - Professional & Business Services fell by 300 jobs, a decline of 1.6%
 - Retail Trade fell by 300 jobs, a decline of 1.0%
 - Other Services fell by 200 jobs, a decline of 1.8%
 - Financial Activities fell by 100 jobs, a decline of 0.9%
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Year over Year Employment

Total Employment

- **Since August 2009, total employment in Wyoming has grown by 1,400 jobs or 0.5%. The U.S. has increased by 278,000 jobs over the same period.**
- **Wyoming's annual employment growth of 0.5% (August 2010 over August 2009) rose from #24 to #19 in August.**
- Other Mountain states posted growth/decline in August as follows:
 - Utah +1.2%
 - Arizona - 0.1%
 - Idaho - 0.2%
 - Montana - 0.8%
 - Colorado - 1.2%
 - New Mexico - 1.2%
 - Nevada - 1.8%

Employment by Industry

- Year over year increases by industry include:
 - Natural Resources & Mining (2,000 jobs, 8.2%)
 - Government (1,100 jobs, 1.7%)
 - Education & Health Services (500 jobs, 2.0%)
 - Wholesale Trade (500 jobs, 5.8%)
 - Transportation & Utilities (300 jobs, 2.1%)
 - Manufacturing (300 jobs, 3.3%)
 - Professional & Business Services (200 jobs, 1.1%)
 - Leisure & Hospitality (200 jobs, 0.5%)

- Employment has fallen in six industries since August 2009
 - Construction (-1,600 jobs, -6.2%)
 - Retail Trade (-900 jobs, -2.9%)
 - Other Services (-700 jobs, -5.9%)
 - Financial Activities (-400 jobs, -3.5%)
 - Information (-100 jobs, -2.5%)

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

Wyoming Total Employment (Jan 2000 - August 2010)

