

January 2010 Employment Data

Month over Month Employment

Unemployment

- Wyoming's unemployment rate rose in January from 7.5% to 7.6%.
- The U.S. unemployment rate decreased in January from 10.0% to 9.7%.

Total Employment

- Total employment decreased by 6,500 jobs in January, which is consistent with normal seasonal patterns.

Employment by Industry

- The month over month increases were in:
 - Natural Resources & Mining (100 jobs, 0.4%)
 - Government fell by 2,500 jobs, a decline of 3.4%
 - Retail Trade fell by 1,300 jobs, a decline of 4.2%
 - Construction fell by 1,100 jobs, a decline of 5.2%
 - Professional & Business Services fell by 500 jobs, a decline of 3.0%
 - Leisure & Hospitality fell by 400 jobs, a decline of 1.4%
 - Transportation & Utilities fell by 300 jobs, a decline of 2.1%
 - Other Services fell by 200 jobs, a decline of 1.8%
 - Educational & Health Services fell by 100 jobs, a decline of 0.4%
 - Financial Activities fell by 100 jobs, a decline of 0.9%
 - Manufacturing fell by 100 jobs, a decline of 1.1%
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Year over Year Employment

Total Employment

- Since January 2009, total employment in Wyoming has fallen by 14,400 jobs or -5.0%. The U.S. has decreased by 3,943,000 jobs or -3.0% over the same period.
- Wyoming's annual employment decline of -5.0% (January 2010 over January 2009) rose from #50 to #48 in January.
- Other Mountain states posted growth/decline in January as follows:
 - Utah - 2.6%
 - Montana - 2.6%
 - New Mexico - 3.3%
 - Idaho - 3.5%
 - Colorado - 4.4%
 - Arizona - 5.1%
 - Nevada - 6.2%

Employment by Industry

- Year over year increases by industry include:
 - Education & Health Services (400 jobs, 1.6%)
 - Government (600 jobs, 0.9%)

- Employment has fallen in nine industries since January 2008
 - Natural Resources & Mining (-4,700 jobs, -16.1%)
 - Construction (-2,800 jobs, -12.3%)
 - Leisure & Hospitality (-1,900, -6.1%)
 - Professional & Business Services (-1,400 jobs, -8.1%)
 - Other Services (-1,300 jobs, -10.7%)
 - Retail Trade (-1,200 jobs, -3.9%)
 - Transportation & Utilities (-700 jobs, -4.9%)
 - Manufacturing (-500 jobs, -5.2%)
 - Financial Activities (-400 jobs, -3.5%)
 - Wholesale Trade (-400 jobs, -4.4%)
 - 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 - Jan 2010)

