

September 2011 Employment Data

Month over Month Employment

Unemployment

- **Wyoming's unemployment rate remained unchanged in September at 5.8%.**
- The U.S. unemployment rate remained unchanged in September at 9.1%.

Total Employment

- Total employment increased by 2,000 jobs in September.

Employment by Industry

- The month over month increases were in:
 - Government (7,300 jobs, 10.3%)
 - Natural Resources & Mining (500 jobs, 1.8%)
 - Construction (400 jobs, 1.6%)
 - Education & Health Services (100 jobs, 0.4%)
- Leisure & Hospitality fell by 3,700 jobs, a decline of 9.5%
- Professional & Business Services fell by 1,200 jobs, a decline of 6.1%
- Retail Trade fell by 500 jobs, a decline of 1.7%
- Transportation & Utilities fell by 400 jobs, a decline of 2.7%
- Financial Activities fell by 200 jobs, a decline of 1.8%
- Wholesale Trade fell by 100 jobs, a decline of 1.1%
- Other Services fell by 100 jobs, a decline of 0.9%
- Manufacturing fell by 100 jobs, a decline of 1.1%

Year over Year Employment

- **In September, Wyoming outperformed the national economy (% change).**

Total Employment

- **Since September 2010, total employment in Wyoming has grown by 8,600 jobs or 3.0%. The U.S. has increased by 1,462,000 jobs over the same period.**
- **Wyoming's annual employment growth of 3.0% (September 2011 over September 2010) remained unchanged at #2 in September.**
- Other Mountain states posted growth/decline in September as follows:
 - Utah +2.8%
 - Arizona +2.2%
 - Montana +1.6%
 - Idaho +1.0%
 - Colorado +1.0%
 - Nevada +0.6%
 - New Mexico +0.2%

Employment by Industry

- Year over year increases by industry include:
 - Government (4,900 jobs, 6.7%)
 - Natural Resources & Mining (3,000 jobs, 11.7%)
 - Construction (800 jobs, 3.2%)
 - Professional & Business Services (700 jobs, 3.9%)
 - Education & Health Services (200 jobs, 0.8%)
 - Transportation & Utilities (200 jobs, 1.4%)
 - Manufacturing (100 jobs, 1.1%)
 -  The U.S. has experienced a 1.7% increase in jobs since September 2010.
 - Wholesale Trade (100 jobs, 1.2%)

- Employment has fallen in three industries since September 2010
 - Leisure & Hospitality (-800 jobs, -2.2%)
 - Retail Trade (-500 jobs, -1.7%)
 - Other Services (-100 jobs, -0.9%)

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

Wyoming Total Employment (Jan. 2001 - Sept. 2011)

