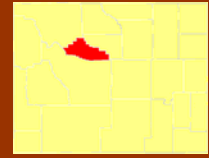


# Hot Springs County, Wyoming

## County Profile



**2005 Population:** 4,598  
**Land Area:** 2,004 sq. mi.  
**Persons per sq. mi.:** 2.3  
**County Seat:** Thermopolis  
**(pop. 2,953)**

Source: <http://eadiv.state.wy.us/pop/SUB-04EST.htm>, July 2004

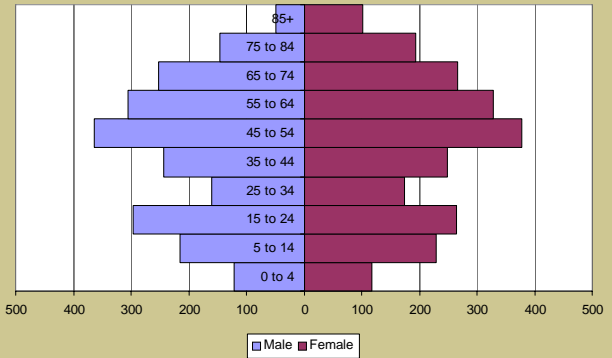
### Population Distribution

Age	2005 estimate	2010 projected
<19	980	870
20-34	599	685
35-54	1,235	945
55-74	1,154	1,127
75+	491	458
Median Age	47.2	48.0

Source: Decision Data Resources & Applied Geographics Solutions



### 2005 Distribution by Age by Sex



Source: Decision Data Resources & Applied Geographics Solutions

### Cost of Living Index

<b>Overall</b>	<b>90</b>
Food	107
Housing	75
Apparel	119
Transportation	101
Medical	107
Recreation & Personal Care	98

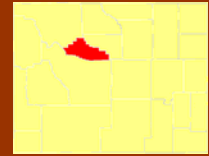
Source: State of Wyoming Economic Analysis Division  
<http://eadiv.state.wy/wcli/NewRelease.Q04.pdf>  
 Prices as of January 4, 5, 6, 2006

### Household Income

	2005 estimate	2010 projected
Average Household Income	\$40,810	\$43,195
Average Price of Single-Family Home (2004)		\$85,615

Source: A Profile of Wyoming Demographics, Economics and Housing – December 31, 2005 ([www.wyomingcda.com](http://www.wyomingcda.com))

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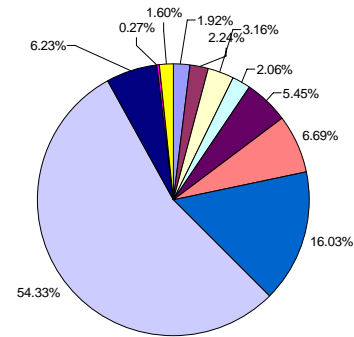
## County Profile

### Employment by Industry

Agriculture, Forestry & Fishing	42	1.92%
Construction	49	2.24%
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	69	3.16%
Manufacturing	45	2.06%
Mining	119	5.45%
Public Administration	146	6.69%
Retail Trade	350	16.03%
Services	1,186	54.33%
Transportation & Communication	136	6.23%
Unclassified	6	0.27%
Wholesale Trade	35	1.60%

**Total Employment** 2,183 100.00%

Source: Decision Data Resources & Applied Geographics Solutions. 2005

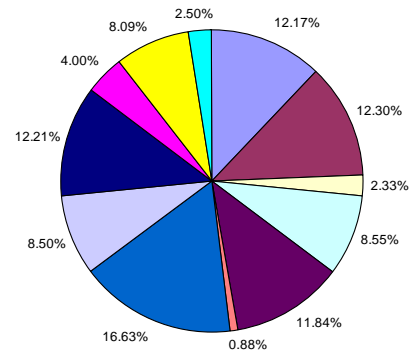


### Employment by Occupation

Executive, Administrative & Mgmt	292	12.17%
Professional	295	12.30%
Technician & Related Support	56	2.33%
Sales	205	8.55%
Administrative Support	284	11.84%
Private Household	21	0.88%
Service	399	16.63%
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	204	8.50%
Precision Service	293	12.21%
Machine operator	96	4.00%
Transportation & Material Moving	194	8.09%
Laborer	60	2.50%

**Total employment** 2,399 100.00%

Source: [www.bizSitesDATA.com](http://www.bizSitesDATA.com), 2002



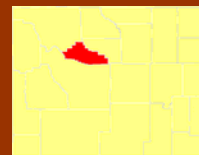
### Unemployment

Labor Force	2,399
Employed	2,275
Unemployed	101
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	<b>4.2%</b>

Source: <http://doe.state.wy.us/LMI> (May 2006)

# Hot Springs County, Wyoming

## County Profile



### Median Salaries

#### Unskilled

Crate/Packer II	\$19,592
Light Assembler II	\$19,907
Material Handler II	\$20,931
Packer/Packager, Hand	\$17,080

#### Semi-Skilled

Crushing, Grinding, and Mixing Machine Operation	\$19,481
Heavy Assembler II	\$24,883
Machine Tool Cutting Operator/Tender	\$20,934
Punch Press Operator	\$23,302

#### Skilled

Assembly Supervisor	\$44,138
Machinist II	\$30,755
Intermediate Tool & Die Maker	\$35,359
Welder II	\$29,144

#### Technical

Electric/Electronics Technician II	\$31,595
Electrician I	\$28,149
PC Maintenance Technician II	\$36,894
Telecommunications Technician II	\$37,885

#### Information Technology

Database Administrator	\$61,802
Mainframe Programmer II	\$44,404
Programmer I	\$37,168
Webmaster	\$48,911

#### Clerical

Account Representative	\$20,698
Customer Service Representative II	\$26,205
Receptionist	\$19,715
Telemarketer	\$21,984

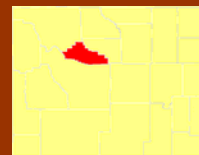
#### Professional

Employment Manager	\$59,933
Materials Manager	\$58,350
Payroll Administrator	\$34,227
Production Control Manager	\$56,544

Source: [www.salary.com](http://www.salary.com)

# Hot Springs County, Wyoming

## County Profile



### Major Employers

	Company	Employees	Product/Service
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Source:

### Education

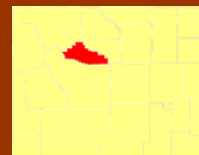
<b>Hot Springs Co. School District Enrollment (2005)</b>	<b>634</b>
<b>Average Student Teacher Ratio (2004)</b>	<b>11.41:1</b>
<b>Graduation Rate (2004)</b>	<b>76.31%</b>
<b>Expenditures per Average Daily Membership (2004)</b>	<b>\$10,197</b>

Source: Wyoming Department of Education

### Higher Education Facilities (2005)

Facility	Enrollment
Central Wyoming College – Riverton, WY ( <a href="http://www.cwc.edu">www.cwc.edu</a> )	1,637
University of Wyoming – Laramie, WY ( <a href="http://www.uwyo.edu">www.uwyo.edu</a> )	9,811

Source: Wyoming Community College Commission, University of Wyoming



### Telecommunications

#### DirectAirNet, LLC

110 Carter Ranch Road  
Thermopolis, WY 82443  
Phone: 307.864.3775  
Fax: 307.864.5762

Website: [www.directairnet.com](http://www.directairnet.com)

Services offered: High speed broadband internet access, e-Commerce/Web/Domain Hosting Service

#### RT Connect

130 South Ninth Street  
Worland, WY 82401  
Phone: 307.347.7275  
Fax: 307.347.6366

Website: [www.rtcom.net](http://www.rtcom.net)

Services offered: (Thermopolis, East Thermopolis, Kirby) High Speed Internet with DSL

#### All West Communications

50 West 100 North  
Kamas, UT 84036  
Phone: 866.255.9388  
Fax: 435.783.4928

Website: [www.allwest.net](http://www.allwest.net)

Services offered: (Thermopolis, East Thermopolis, Kirby) Web Hosting, Phone, Dial-up, DSL, Broadband

#### Contact Communications

937 West Main Street  
Riverton, WY 82501  
Phone: 307.856.0980  
Fax: 307.856.1499

Website: [www.contactcom.net](http://www.contactcom.net)

Services offered: (Thermopolis, East Thermopolis, Kirby) 56 & 64 Data Connections, Frame Relay, ISP, Network Security, PBX, Web Hosting

#### Visionary

P.O. Box 2799  
Gillette, WY 82717  
Phone: 888.682.1884  
Fax: 307.682.2519

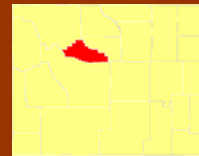
Website: [www.vcn.com](http://www.vcn.com)

Services offered: ADSL, Web Design, Web Hosting

Source: Wyoming Interactive Business Center, Wyoming Business Council

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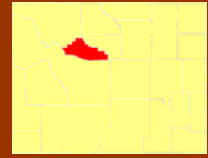
## County Profile



### Power Cost

<b>Weighted Average Cost per KWh of Power</b>		<b>2001</b>		
Cents per kWh of industrial power		3.24		
Cents per kWh of commercial power		5.19		
Cents per kWh of residential power		6.51		
	<b>Industrial</b>	<b>Commercial</b>	<b>Residential</b>	
<b>High Plains Power, Inc</b> 504 Fremont Thermopolis, WY 82443 307.864.3157	3.54	6.19	7.21	
<b>PacifiCorp</b> 825 NE Multnomah Portland, OR 97232 888.221.7070	3.24	5.19	6.44	

Source: [www.bizSitesDATA.com](http://www.bizSitesDATA.com)



### Transportation

#### Airports

##### **Worland Municipal (WRL)**

3 miles south of Worland

Commercial Service: Great Lakes (United Express)

Daily flights to: Denver, Riverton

Runway: 7,004 x 100 feet, asphalt

Fixed Base Operators: Sky Aviation

##### **Hot Springs County (THP)**

0.5 miles north of Thermopolis

Runway: 4,800 x 100 feet, asphalt

Fixed Base Operators: G & W Aviation

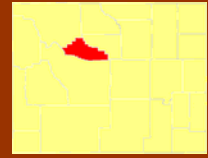
#### Highways

County center to nearest Interstate 25 = 89.60 miles

U.S. Highway 120

#### Railroad

Burlington Northern Santa Fe

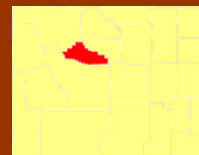


### Workforce Training

- Wyoming Department of Workforce Services offers employers up to \$4,000 per employee for training.  
<http://wyomingworkforce.org/how/wdftp.aspx>
- Quick Start  
Wyoming is the first state approved to license the State of Georgia's Quick Start program. The Wyoming Business Council and the Wyoming Community Colleges are partnering to provide training in:
  - Customer Service
  - Manufacturing
  - Warehousing and Distribution<http://www.wyomingbusiness.org>

### State Incentives

- No corporate state income tax.
- No personal state income tax.
- Community Development Block Grants administered by Wyoming Business Council. ([www.wyomingbusiness.org](http://www.wyomingbusiness.org))
  - Provides grants to local governments for community and economic development projects.
  - Provides convertible loans to grants based on job creation.
- Partnership Challenge Loan Program administered by Wyoming Business Council.
  - Provides low interest loans to community development organizations.
  - Provides gap financing for projects with the Wyoming Business Council participating with a commercial lender.
- Industrial Development Revenue Bonds. Cities and counties may issue tax-exempt bonds to provide financing for manufacturing.



### Taxes

- No corporate state income tax.
- No personal state income tax.
- No inventory tax.
- Hot Springs County has a 5% sales and use tax (statewide base of 4% plus 1% capital facilities tax).  
*Source: Wyoming Department of Revenue, Excise Division (April 2006)*
- Unemployment Insurance – taxable base rate of \$17,100. Tax rates by industry grouping – WY Dept. of Employment.  
(<http://wydoe.state.wy.us/doe.asp?ID=831>)
- Workers' Compensation– rates vary by occupation and can be found at <http://wydoe.state.wy.us/doe.asp?ID=803>
- Property taxes. Average tax rate in Fremont County is 7.8700%  
*Source: Wyoming Department of Revenue, Ad Valorem Division (September 2004)*

#### **Tax computation:**

Fair Market Value of Property \* Level of Assessment (9.5% for Residential and Commercial Property) \* Tax Rate

**Example:** Tax on a commercial facility valued at \$1,000,000 is as follows:  $\$1,000,000 \times 0.095 = \$95,000 \times 0.078700 = \$7,476$ .

State assesses agricultural lands at 9.5% of agricultural value, residential and commercial at 9.5% and Industrial at 11.5% of fair market value.