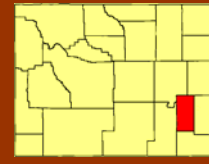


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2007 Population: 8,396
Land Area: 2,085 sq. mi.
Persons per sq. mi.: 4.03
County Seat: Wheatland
 (pop. 3,349)

Source: Wyoming Economic Analysis Division, July 2007



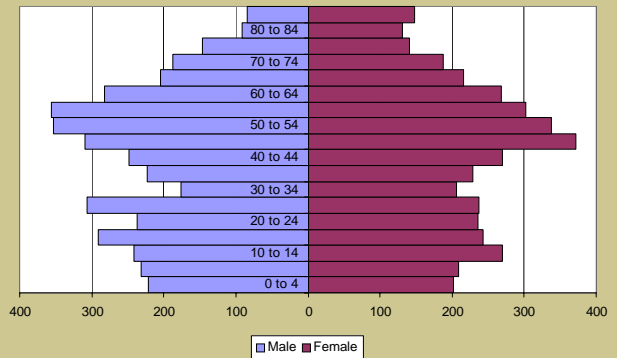
Population Distribution

Age	2007 estimate
<19	1,909
20-34	1,398
35-54	2,341
55-74	2,005
75+	743

Median Age 44.3

Source: US Census Bureau

2007 Distribution by Age by Sex



Source: US Census Bureau

Cost of Living Index

Overall	85
Food	98
Housing	72
Apparel	87
Transportation	100
Medical	102
Recreation & Personal Care	98

Source: State of Wyoming Economic Analysis Division
Prices as of January 9, 10 and 11, 2008

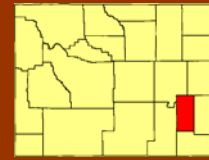
Household Income

	2006 estimate
Per Capita Personal Income	\$31,458
Average Price of Single-Family Home (2006)	\$115,617

Source: US Bureau of Economic Analysis
A Profile of Wyoming Demographics, Economics and Housing - August 28, 2007 (www.wyomingcda.com)

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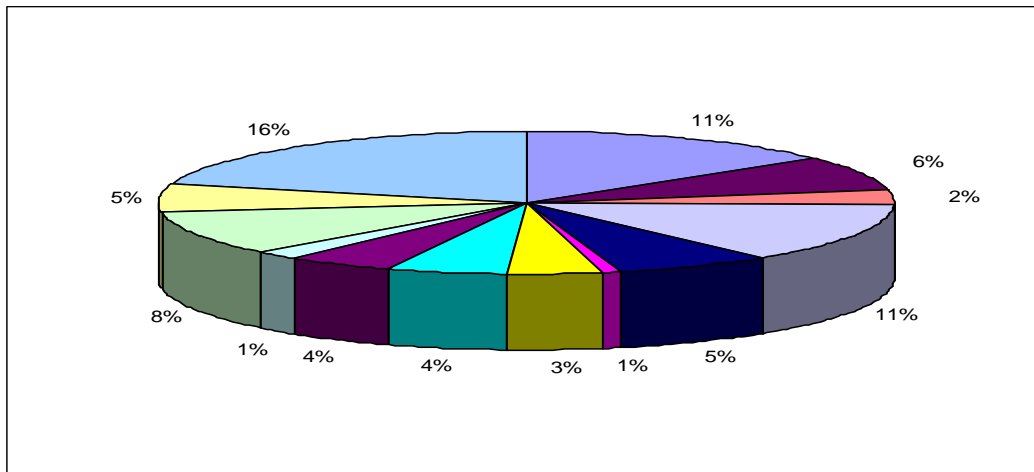
Employment by Industry

Total employment		5,703	
Farm employment	619	11%	
Forestry, fishing, related activities, and other 3/	#		
Mining	#		
Utilities	#		
Construction	361	6%	
Manufacturing	135	2%	
Wholesale trade	#		
Retail Trade	603	11%	
Transportation and warehousing	301	5%	
Information	44	1%	
Finance and insurance	180	3%	
Real estate and rental and leasing	231	4%	
Professional and technical services	210	4%	
Management of companies and enterprises	#		
Administrative and waste services	#		
Educational services	#		
Health care and social assistance	#		
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	84	1%	
Accommodation and food services	441	8%	
Other services, except public administration	277	5%	
Government and government enterprises	923	16%	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Not shown to avoid disclosure of confidential information, but the estimates for this item are included in the totals.

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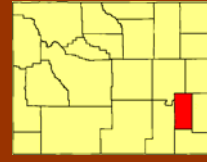
Unemployment

Labor Force	4,035
Employed	3,872
Unemployed	163
Unemployment Rate	4.0%

Source: Wyoming Labor Market Information, June 2008

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Median Salaries

Unskilled

Crater/Packer II	\$16,352
Light Assembler II	\$17,326
Material Handler II	\$18,745
Packer/Packager, Hand	\$15,308

Semi-Skilled

Crushing, Grinding, and Mixing Machine Operation	\$17,535
Heavy Assembler II	\$19,670
Machine Tool Cutting Operator/Tender	\$18,843
Punch Press Operator	\$21,338

Skilled

Assembly Supervisor	\$36,643
Machinist II	\$27,461
Intermediate Tool & Die Maker	\$30,586
Welder II	\$25,590

Technical

Electric/Electronics Technician II	\$28,462
Electrician I	\$23,178
PC Maintenance Technician II	\$31,431
Telecommunications Technician II	\$34,479

Information Technology

Database Administrator	\$53,000
Mainframe Programmer II	\$41,903
Programmer I	\$32,660
Webmaster	\$41,637

Clerical

Account Representative	\$18,517
Customer Service Representative II	\$22,233
Receptionist	\$17,030
Telemarketer	\$19,799

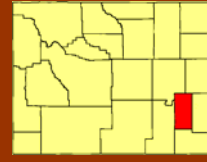
Professional

Employment Manager	\$49,699
Materials Manager	\$48,813
Payroll Administrator	\$34,641
Production Control Manager	\$46,025

Source: www.salary.com, 2005

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Major Employers

	Company	Employees	Product/Service
1.	Basin Electric Power Corp.	319	Coal Power Plant
2.	Platte County School Dist. #1	300	Education
3.	Platte County Memorial Hospital & Nursing Home	148	Health Care
4.	Platte County	100	Government Services
5.	BH, Inc	51	Laboratory Equipment Manufacturer
6.	Town of Wheatland	45	Government Services
7.	Wheatland Fire Equipment	38	Distribution of fire and emergency equipment.

Source: Wheatland Area Development Corporation

Education (2006-2007)

Platte County School District Enrollment	1,414
Average Student Teacher Ratio	9.44:1
Graduation Rate	86.9%
Expenditures per Average Daily Membership	12,864

Source: Wyoming Department of Education

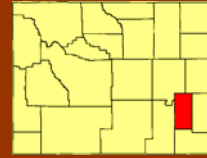
Higher Education Facilities (2007)

Facility	Enrollment
Eastern Wyoming Community College -Torrington (www.ewc.wy.edu)	1,435
Laramie County Community College - Cheyenne (www.lccc.cc.wy.us)	5,051
University of Wyoming - Laramie (www.uwyo.edu)	13,223

Source: Wyoming Community College Commission, University of Wyoming

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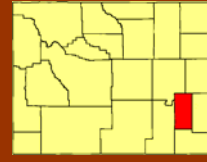


Telecommunications

Chugwater Telephone P. O. Box 223 Chugwater, WY 82210 Phone: (307) 422-3535 Fax: (307) 422-3244	Service area: Chugwater Telephone Service: Local and Long Distance
Net Wright LLC P. O. Box 1747 Riverton, WY 82501 Phone: (307) 857-5800 Fax: (307) 857-1053 Website: www.netwright.net	Service area: Wheatland Internet Service: ATM DS3 (45MB), ATM IMA (3 to 12 MB), ATM T-1, T-1 Frame Relay
Qwest Communications 103 North Durbin, Room 1 Casper, WY 82601 Phone: (307) 234-1107 Fax: (307) 235-2618 Website: www.qwest.com	Service area: Wheatland, Glendo, Guernsey, Hartville Telephone Service: Local and Long Distance, Private Line Internet Service: 56 & 64 Data Connections, ATM, Centrex, Digital Switched Services, DSL, Frame Relay, ISDN-BRI, PBX, Redundancy, T-1 Web Management: Web Hosting
Visionary P.O. Box 2799 Gillette, WY 82717 Phone: (888) 682-1884 Fax: (307) 682-2519 Website: www.vcn.com	Service area: Wheatland, Chugwater Internet Service: T-1, DSL Web Management: Web Hosting

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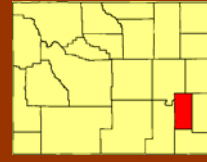
Power Cost (cents/KWh)

	Industrial	Commercial	Residential
Guernsey, Town of (2000) 81 West Whalen P. O. Box 667 Guernsey, WY 82214 (307) 836-2335	\$0.0429	\$0.0601	\$0.0607
Niobrara Electric Coop. 3951 U. S. Highway 20 P. O. Box 697 Lusk, WY 82225 (307) 334-3221	\$0.0761	\$0.0727	\$0.0982
Rocky Mountain Power 825 NE Multnomah Portland, OR 97232 (888) 221-7070	\$0.0381	\$0.0595	\$0.0688
Wheatland REA, Inc. 2154 South Road Wheatland, WY 82201 (800) 344-3351	\$0.0451	\$0.0845	\$0.1058
Wyrulec Company 500 Main Street Lingle, WY 82223 (307) 837-2225	\$0.0490	\$0.0852	\$0.0976

Source: Wyoming Public Service Commission, 2004

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Transportation

Airports

Laramie Regional (LAR)

3 miles west of Laramie

Commercial Service: Great Lakes (United Express)

Daily flights to: Denver

Runways: 7,700 x 150 ft., asphalt
6,300 x 100 ft., asphalt

Fixed Base Operators: Cowboy Aviation

Guernsey Municipal (7V6)

East edge of Guernsey

Runway: 5,500 x 75 ft., asphalt

Fixed Base Operators: Wyoming Aviation

Phifer Airfield (EAN)

East edge of Wheatland

Runway: 5,900 x 70 ft., asphalt

Fixed Base Operators: Wright Flying Service

Highways

Interstate 25

U. S. Highway 26

State 270

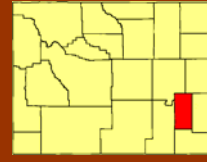
Railroad

Guernsey Rail Spur for commercial use

Burlington Northern Santa Fe

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Workforce Training

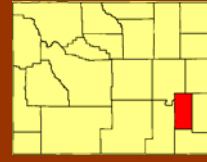
- Wyoming Department of Workforce Services offers employers up to \$4,000 per employee for training.
<http://wyomingworkforce.org/how/wdftp.aspx>
- Quick Start
Wyoming is the first state approved to license the State of Georgia's Quick Start program. The Wyoming Business Council and the Wyoming Community 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)
 - 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.

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Taxes

- No corporate state income tax.
- No personal state income tax.
- No inventory tax.
- Platte County has a 5% sales and use tax (4% state base tax and a 1% general purpose county tax.)
Source: Wyoming Department of Revenue, Excise Division (April 2006)
- Unemployment Insurance - taxable base rate of \$21,100. Tax rates by industry grouping - WY Dept. of Employment.
(<http://wydoe.state.wy.us/doe.asp?ID=876>)
- Workers' Compensation- rates vary by occupation and can be found at <http://159.238.91.226/etd/Rates/2008-Rates.xls>
- Property taxes. Average tax rate in Platte County is 7.2376%
Source: Wyoming Department of Revenue, Ad Valorem Division (2007)

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: $\$1,000,000 \times 0.095 = \$95,000 \times 0.072376 = \$6,875$

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.