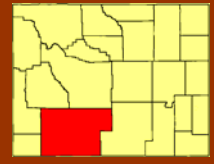


# Sweetwater County, Wyoming

## County Profile



**2007 Population:** 38,763  
**Land Area:** 10,425 sq. mi.  
**Persons per sq. mi.:** 3.72  
**County Seat:** Green River  
 (pop. 12,072)

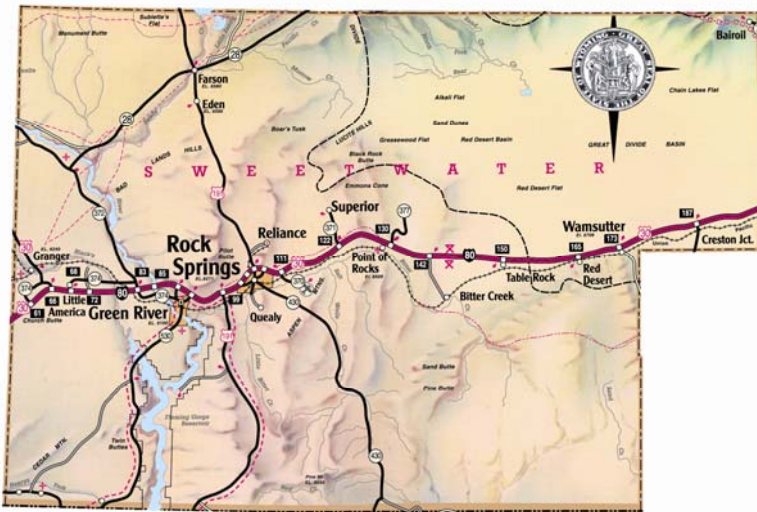
Source: Wyoming Economic Analysis Division, July 2007

## Population Distribution

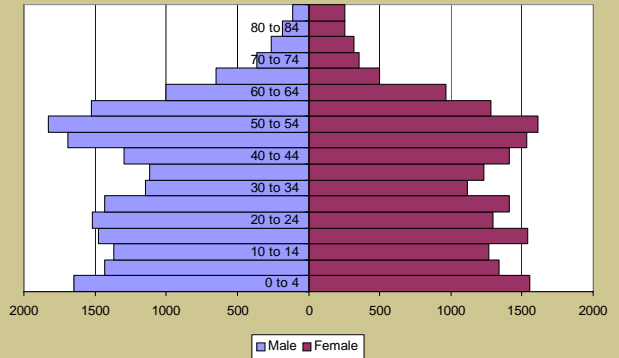
Age	2007 estimate
<19	11,624
20-34	7,929
35-54	11,713
55-74	6,653
75+	1,386

Median Age 35.2

Source: US Census Bureau



## 2007 Distribution by Age by Sex



Source: US Census Bureau

## Cost of Living Index

<b>Overall</b>	<b>109</b>
Food	97
Housing	120
Apparel	94
Transportation	102
Medical	101
Recreation & Personal Care	98

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

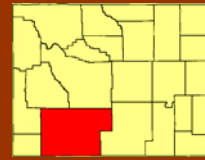
## Household Income

	2006 estimate
Per Capita Personal Income	\$43,463
Average Price of Single-Family Home (2006)	\$195,981














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

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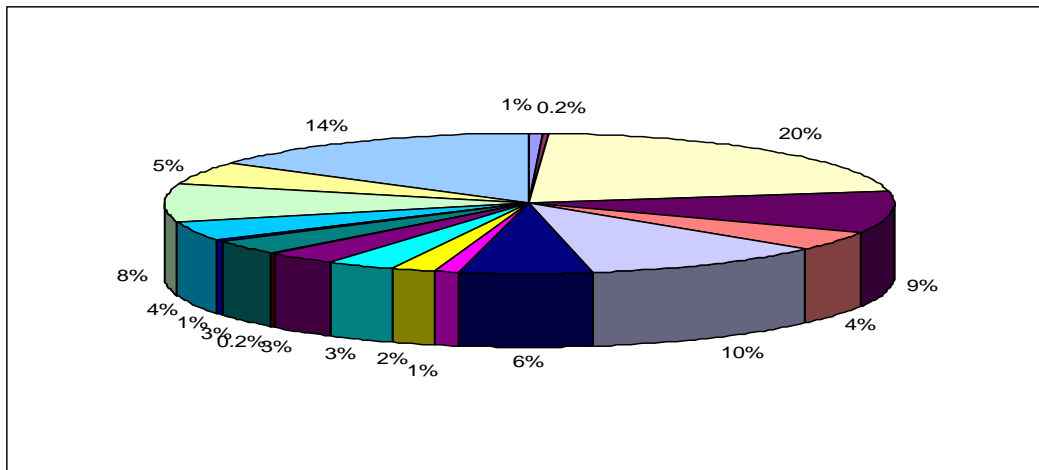
### Employment by Industry

<b>Total employment</b>		<b>29,811</b>	
	Farm employment	192	1%
	Forestry, fishing, related activities, and other 3/	59	0.2%
	Mining	6,051	20%
	Utilities	#	
	Construction	2,695	9%
	Manufacturing	1,275	4%
	Wholesale trade	#	
	Retail Trade	3,064	10%
	Transportation and warehousing	1,680	6%
	Information	254	1%
	Finance and insurance	608	2%
	Real estate and rental and leasing	874	3%
	Professional and technical services	824	3%
	Management of companies and enterprises	73	0.2%
	Administrative and waste services	922	3%
	Educational services	155	1%
	Health care and social assistance	1,286	4%
	Arts, entertainment, and recreation	#	
	Accommodation and food services	2,417	8%
	Other services, except public administration	1,542	5%
	Government and government enterprises	4,282	14%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

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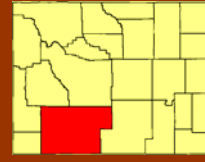
### Unemployment

Labor Force	24,196
Employed	23,608
Unemployed	588
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	<b>2.4%</b>

Source: Wyoming Labor Market Information, June 2008

# Sweetwater County, Wyoming

## County Profile



### Median Salaries

#### Unskilled

Crater/Packer II	\$22,009
Light Assembler II	\$22,364
Material Handler II	\$23,513
Packer/Packager, Hand	\$19,185

#### Semi-Skilled

Crushing, Grinding, and Mixing Machine Operation	\$21,881
Heavy Assembler II	\$27,955
Machine Tool Cutting Operator/Tender	\$23,513
Punch Press Operator	\$26,178

#### Skilled

Assembly Supervisor	\$49,581
Machinist II	\$34,550
Intermediate Tool & Die Maker	\$39,722
Welder II	\$32,743

#### Technical

Electric/Electronics Technician II	\$35,494
Electrician I	\$31,627
PC Maintenance Technician II	\$41,461
Telecommunications Technician II	\$42,566

#### Information Technology

Database Administrator	\$69,446
Mainframe Programmer II	\$49,897
Programmer I	\$41,764
Webmaster	\$54,962

#### Clerical

Account Representative	\$23,253
Customer Service Representative II	\$29,440
Receptionist	\$22,147
Telemarketer	\$24,693

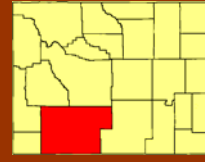
#### Professional

Employment Manager	\$67,331
Materials Manager	\$65,552
Payroll Administrator	\$38,454
Production Control Manager	\$63,524

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

# Sweetwater County, Wyoming

## County Profile



### Major Employers

	Company	Employees	Product/Service
1.	FMC Wyoming Corp	844	Chemicals & Mining
2.	Halliburton	755	Oil Company
3.	Sweetwater Co. School #1	720	Education
4.	General Chemical	531	Chemicals & Mining
5.	Solvay Minerals	428	Chemicals & Mining
5.	OCI	428	Chemicals & Mining
6.	Pacific Corp	393	Electricity Provider
7.	Memorial Hospital	372	Healthcare
8.	Schlumberger	335	Oil Field Services
9.	Bridger Coal	319	Coal Mining
10.	Sweetwater Co. School #2	290	Education

Source: Wyoming Business Council, Southwest Regional Director

### Education (2006-2007)

Sweetwater County School District Enrollment	6,964
Average Student Teacher Ratio	14.87:1
Graduation Rate	75.40%
Expenditures per Average Daily Membership	\$14,632

Source: Wyoming Department of Education

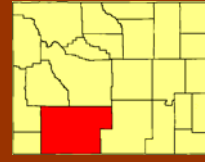
### Higher Education Facilities (2007)

Facility	Enrollment
Western Wyoming Comm. College - Rock Springs, WY ( <a href="http://www.wwcc.cc.wy.us">www.wwcc.cc.wy.us</a> )	3,967
University of Wyoming - Laramie, WY ( <a href="http://www.uwyo.edu">www.uwyo.edu</a> )	13,223

Source: Wyoming Community College Commission, University of Wyoming

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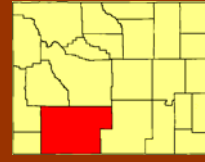
### Telecommunications

<b>Net Wright LLC</b> P.O. Box 1747 Riverton, WY 82501 Phone: (307) 857-5800 Fax: (307) 857-1053 Website: <a href="http://www.netwright.net">www.netwright.net</a>	<b>Service area:</b> Rock Springs (Main), Green River <b>Internet Service:</b> ATM DS3 (45 MB), ATM IMA (3 to 12 MB), ATM T1, T1 Frame Relay
<b>Qwest Communications</b> 103 North Durbin, Room #1 Casper, WY 82601 Phone: (307) 234-1107 Fax: (307) 235-2618 Website: <a href="http://www.qwest.com">www.qwest.com</a>	<b>Service area:</b> Rock Springs, Green River, Bairoil, Granger, Superior, Wamsutter <b>Telephone Service:</b> Local and Long Distance <b>Internet Service:</b> 56 & 64 Data Connections, ATM, Centrex, Frame Relay Digital Switched Services, ISDN-BRI, PBX, T-1 <b>Web Management:</b> Web Hosting
<b>Sweetwater Cable TV</b> 602 Broadway Rock Springs, WY 82901 Phone: (307) 362-3773 Fax: (307) 382-2781 Website: <a href="http://www.sweetwaterhsa.com">www.sweetwaterhsa.com</a>	<b>Service area:</b> Rock Springs, Green River <b>Internet Service:</b> Coaxial Broadband (500 kbps)
<b>Visionary</b> P.O. Box 2799 Gillette, WY 82717 Phone: (888) 682-1884 Fax: (307) 682-2519 Website: <a href="http://www.vcn.com">www.vcn.com</a>	<b>Service area:</b> Rock Springs, Green River <b>Internet Service:</b> DSL, T-1 <b>Web Management:</b> Web Hosting

Source: Wyoming Interactive Business Center, Wyoming Business Council

# Sweetwater County, Wyoming

## County Profile



### Power Cost (cents/KWh)

	Industrial	Commercial	Residential
<b>Bridger Valley REA</b> 40014 Business Loop 80 Lyman, WY 82937 (307) 786-2800	\$0.0502	\$0.0737	\$0.0837
<b>Rocky Mountain Power</b> 825 NE Multnomah Portland, OR 97232 (888) 221-7070	\$0.0381	\$0.0595	\$0.0688

Source: Wyoming Public Service Commission, 2004

### Transportation

#### Airports

##### Rock Springs-Sweetwater County (RKS)

7 miles east of Rock Springs

Commercial Service: Great Lakes (United Express/Frontier)

Daily flights to: Denver

Fixed Base Operators: Franklin Aviation

Runways: 10,000 x 150 ft., asphalt

5,223 x 75 ft., asphalt

#### Highways

Interstate 80

U.S. Highway 30

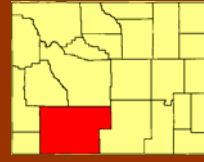
U.S. Highway 191

#### Railroad

Union Pacific

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### Workforce Training

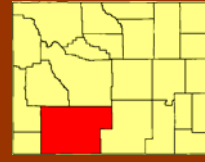
- Wyoming Department of Workforce Services offers employers up to \$4,000 per employee for training.  
<http://wyomingworkforce.org/how/wdftp.aspx>
- Quick Start  
Wyoming is the first state approved to license the State of Georgia's Quick Start program. The Wyoming Business Council and the Wyoming Community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

# Sweetwater County, Wyoming

## County Profile



### Taxes

- No corporate state income tax.
- No personal state income tax.
- No inventory tax.
- Sweetwater County has a 6% sales and use tax (statewide base of 4% plus 1% optional county tax plus 1% capital facilities).  
*Source: Wyoming Department of Revenue, Excise Division (April 2008)*
- Unemployment Insurance - taxable base rate of \$20,100. Tax rates by industry grouping - WY Dept. of Employment.  
(<http://wydoe.state.wy.us/>)
- Workers' Compensation- rates vary by occupation and can be found at <http://wydoe.state.wy.us/>
- Property taxes. Average tax rate in Sweetwater County is 7.0555%  
*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:  $\$1,000,000 \times 0.095 = \$95,000 \times 0.070555 = \$6,703$ .

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.