MACRO Report: Review of Wyoming's Economy



Economic Indicators Update as of September 30, 2023

The MACRO Report is a quarterly publication comprised of charts focusing on employment, energy, state revenues, and other indicators that provide an overview of Wyoming's economy.



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Summary: Strong labor market and oil prices are high points for Wyoming's economy to begin the fiscal year. Housing market continues to slow down amidst prolonged high mortgage and lending rates.

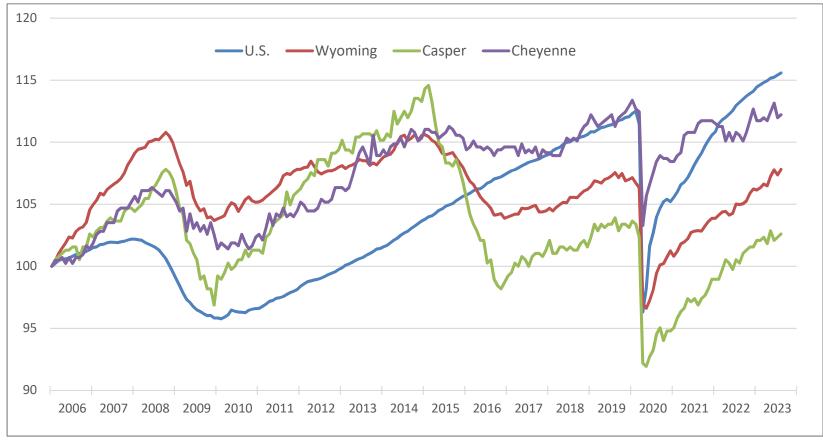
- Positives:
 - 1. Oil Prices reach almost \$90/barrel in September, above \$70/barrel for the 25th consecutive month.
 - 2. The statewide August unemployment rate is below 3%, the lowest it's been since 2008.
 - 3. Statewide employment in August is at its highest level since 2015.
- Negatives:
 - 1. Oil and gas jobs are still recovering slowly from the pandemic.
 - Through the first eight months of 2023, single family housing permits are down 40.1% compared to last year.
 - 3. Natural gas prices in September at the national benchmark (Henry Hub) have been around \$2.50/MMBtu for the past eight months, resulting in declines in production and mineral tax revenues.

Employment: Low Unemployment Rate and Year-Over-Year Employment Increases Lead the Way for Strong Labor Market.

- Statewide employment in August 2023 increased by 7,700 jobs (+2.7%) compared to August last year.
- The mining sector increased year-over-year by 600 jobs (+3.6%). The construction sector saw the largest increase, up 2,700 jobs (+13.0%).
- The Casper MSA and Cheyenne MSA both experienced an increase in jobs year-over-year in August, up 1,000 and 800, respectively.
- The statewide unemployment rate for August was 2.9%, lower than the nationwide unemployment rate of 3.8%.

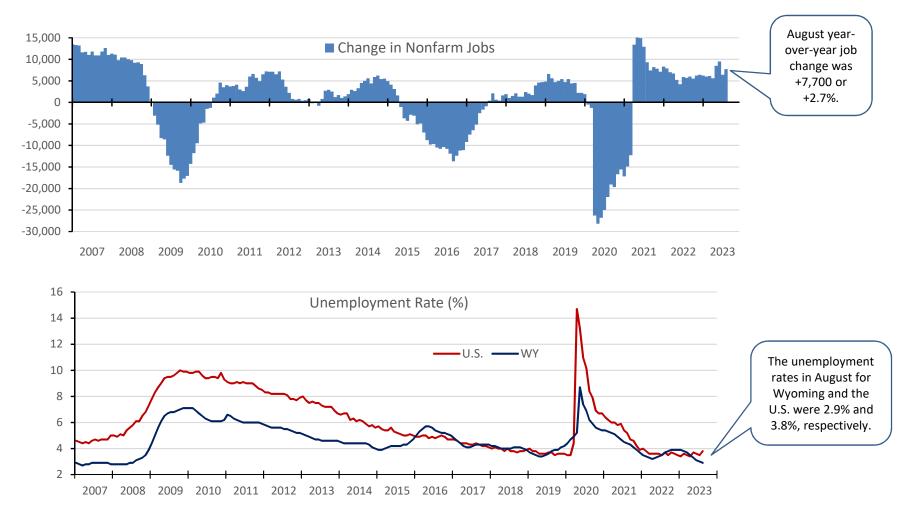
Nonfarm Employment Index: United States, Wyoming, Casper (MSA), and Cheyenne (MSA) Through August 2023 – Seasonally Adjusted

Index: Jan 2006=100



Note: MSA stands for Metropolitan Statistical Area. The Casper MSA covers all of Natrona County, while the Cheyenne MSA covers all of Laramie County. Source: U.S Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Annual Change in Nonfarm Jobs for Wyoming and Unemployment Rates for the U.S. and Wyoming – Seasonally Adjusted

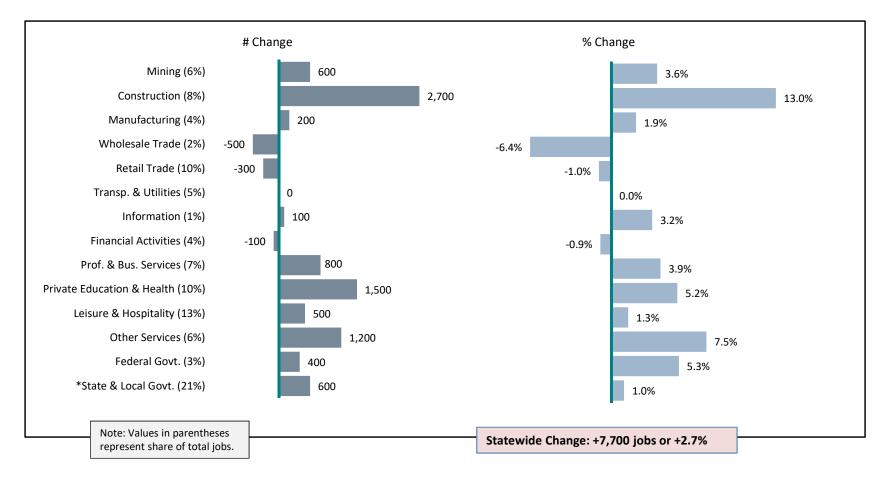


Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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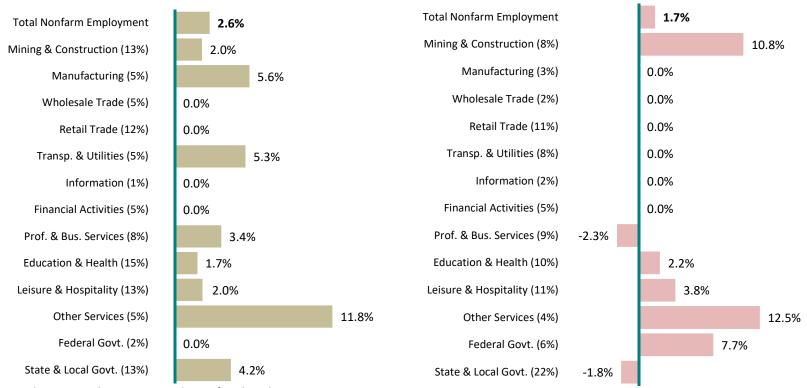
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Wyoming Nonfarm Employment Change By Industry: August 2023 Year-over-Year: Seasonally Adjusted



Note: The State & Local Government sector includes jobs affiliated with public K-12 & higher education and public hospitals. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Casper (MSA) & Cheyenne (MSA) Nonfarm Employment Change: August 2023 — Year-over-Year: Not Seasonally Adjusted



Chevenne (+800 jobs YoY)

Note: Values in parentheses represent shares of total employment.

Casper (+1,000 jobs YoY)

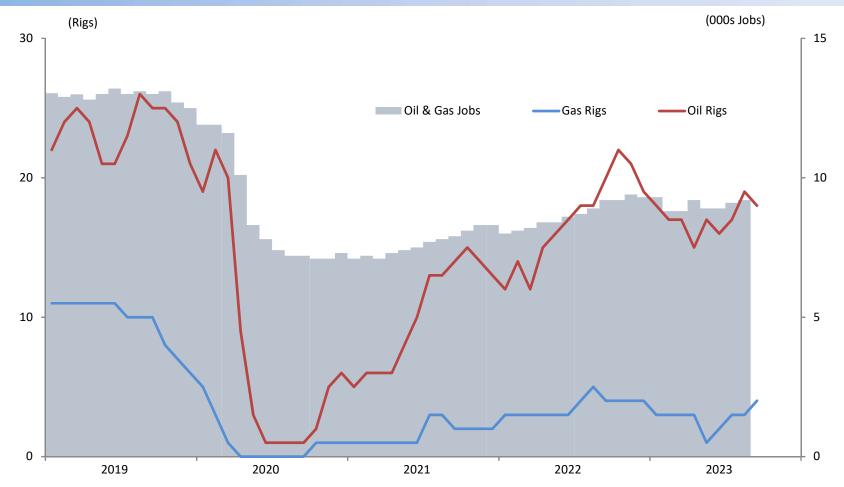
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Energy: Natural Gas Prices Stay Low, Around \$2.50/MMBtu. Oil Prices and Production Increase.

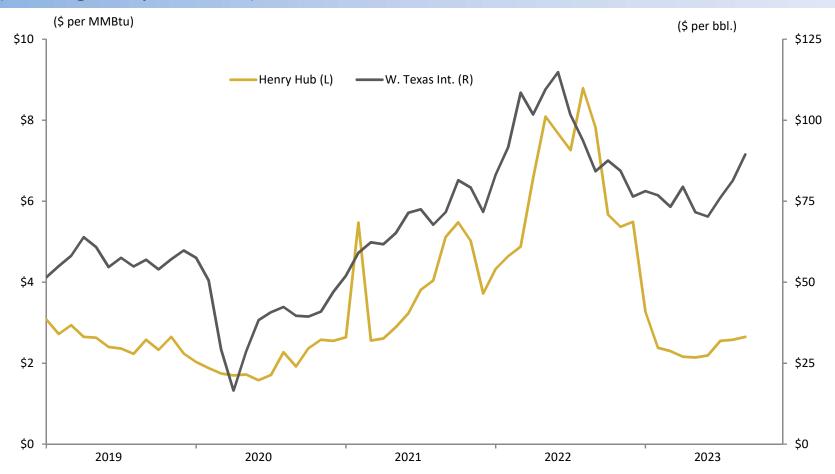
- Oil & gas jobs were at 9,200 in August 2023, 300 more (+3.4%) than August last year.
- Oil & gas rig counts were 18 and 4, respectively, in September 2023. There were 20 oil rigs and 4 gas rigs in September last year.
- The price of Henry Hub natural gas averaged \$2.65/MMBtu for the month of September, \$5.17 lower than September last year. The price of West Texas Intermediate (WTI) oil averaged \$89.43/barrel in September, \$5.17 more than September 2022.
- July 2023 calendar YTD natural gas production was down 3.4% compared to last year. Oil production YTD in July increased by 6.0% while coal production saw a decline of 3.2%.

Wyoming Oil & Gas Jobs (through August) and Rig Counts (through September)



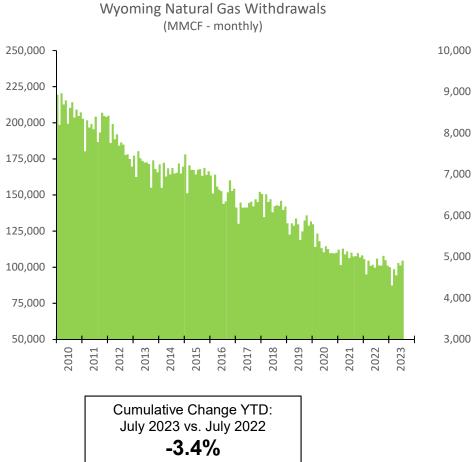
Sources: WY Oil & Gas Conservation Commission; U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Henry Hub Natural Gas Prices and WTI Crude Oil Prices (through September)

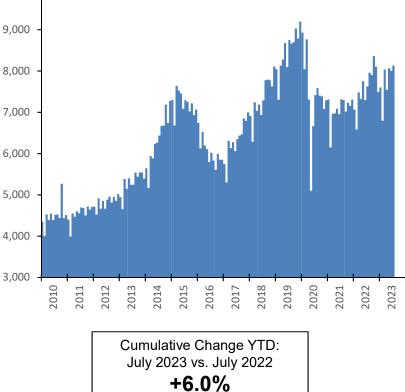


Sources: Natural Gas Intelligence; U.S. Energy Information Administration.

Wyoming Natural Gas and Oil Production (through July 2023)

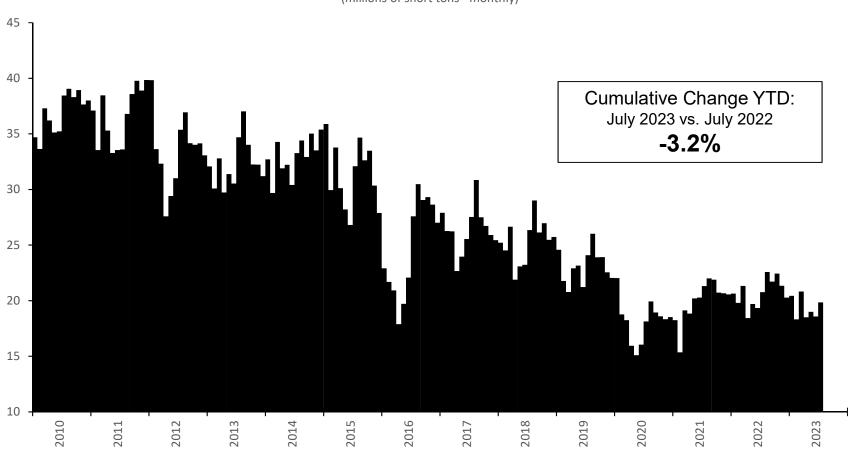


Wyoming Oil Production (thousands of bbls. - monthly)



Source: U.S Energy Information Administration.

Wyoming Coal Production (through July 2023)



Wyoming Coal Production (millions of short tons - monthly)

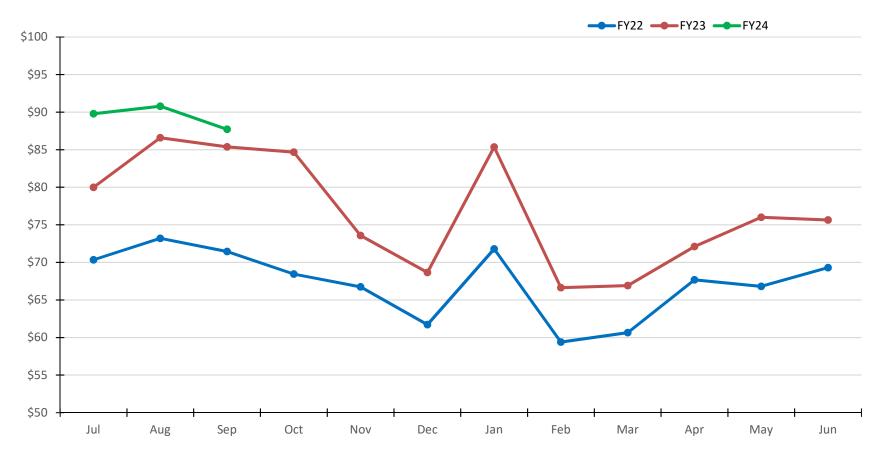
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State Revenues:

Sales & Use Tax Collections are Solid to Begin the Fiscal Year; Severance Tax Collections Slow Amongst Low Natural Gas Prices.

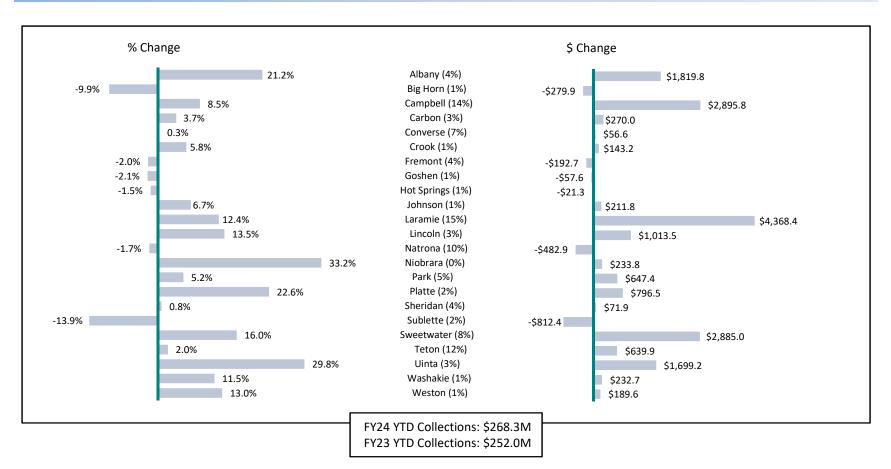
- Statewide sales and use (S&U) tax collections through the first three months of fiscal year 2024 (July-September) increased by \$16.3 million (+6.5%) compared to fiscal year 2023.
- Niobrara and Uinta counties each experienced an increase in sales & use tax collections of around 30% through the first three months of fiscal year 2024. Sublette County has declined the most to begin the fiscal year, down 13.9% compared to last fiscal year.
- Compared to fiscal year 2023, sales and use tax collections from the mining sector increased by \$2.0 million (+7.0%) through the first three months of fiscal year 2024.
- Severance tax collections in each of the first three months of fiscal year
 2024 were lower than a year ago.

Wyoming 4% Statewide Sales and Use Tax Collections (In Millions of Dollars)



Note: Includes both the state and local shares of the state-wide 4% sales and use tax collections. Source: Wyoming Department of Revenue.

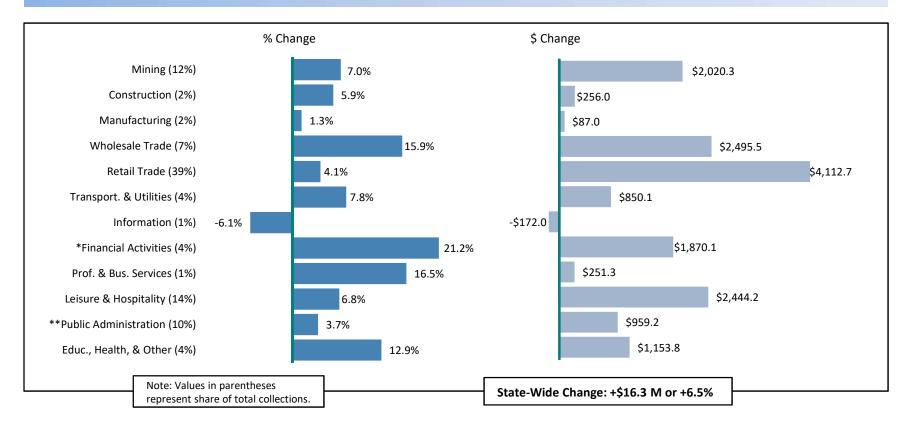
Wyoming 4% Sales and Use Tax Collections by County Change in Percent and Dollars (Thousands) Fiscal Year-To-Date 2024 vs. Fiscal Year-To-Date 2023: July-September



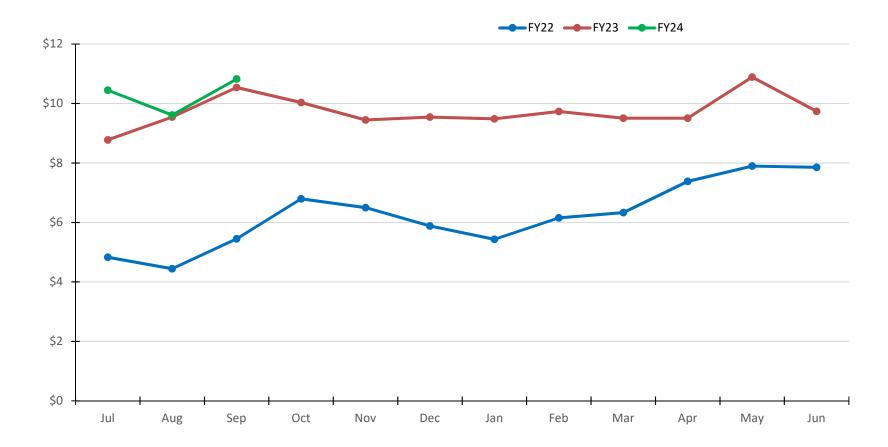
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Wyoming 4% Sales and Use Tax Collections by Industry Change in Percent and Dollars (Thousands)

Fiscal Year-To-Date 2024 vs. Fiscal Year-To-Date 2023: July-September

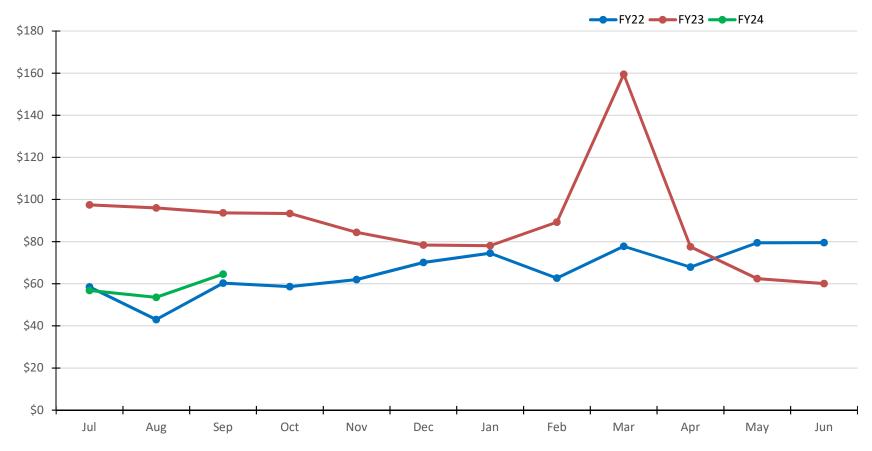


*Tax collections are mostly from automotive, machinery, and equipment leasing & rental. **Reflects tax collections from automobile purchases. Source: Wyoming Department of Revenue. Wyoming 4% Statewide Sales and Use Tax Collections: Mining Sector (In Millions of Dollars)



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Wyoming Statewide Severance Tax Collections (In Millions of Dollars)

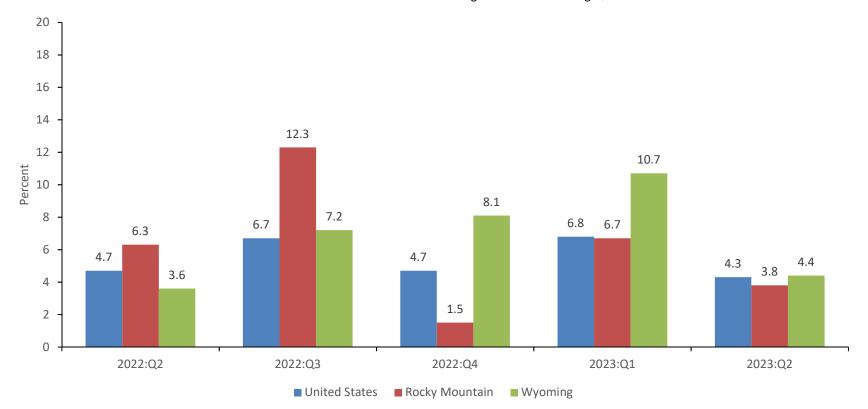


Note: Includes severance tax collections on all minerals in Wyoming. Source: Wyoming Department of Revenue.

Other Indicators for the State: Personal Income, House Price Appreciation, and Building Permits

- Q2 2023 personal income increased by 4.4% at an annualized rate from Q1 2023. The nationwide personal income increased by 4.3% over this time period.
- Wyoming's house prices in Q2 2023 saw annual growth of 3.4%, lower than the U.S. (4.5%).
- The Cheyenne MSA house prices saw annual growth of 2.4% in Q2 2023, while the Casper MSA saw annual growth of 1.5%.
- Statewide single family units permitted decreased year-to-date through the end of August 2023 by 613 (-40.1%) compared to 2022. Multi-family units permitted through August 2023 decreased by 394 (-75.9%) compared to 2022.

Quarterly Personal Income Wyoming, Rocky Mountain Region, & United States



Personal Income – Annualized Percent Change from the Preceding Quarter

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Home Price Appreciation FHFA All-Transaction Index – Not Seasonally Adjusted

U.S. 7.2% U.S. 4.5% **Mountain Division -0.3% 9.1% **Mountain Division Wyoming 3.4% Wyoming 5.3% -0.4% Colorado Colorado 9.1% Nebraska 6.5% Nebraska 6.7% Utah -2.4% Utah 9.2% Casper MSA 1.5% Casper MSA 3.9% Cheyenne MSA 2.4% Cheyenne MSA 6.3% % Change % Change

Home Prices: *CAGR Q2 2013 – Q2 2023

Note: All-Transactions Index includes purchase and mortgage refinance.

Home Prices: Q2 2022 - Q2 2023

*CAGR stands for compound annual growth rate, which is the average annual growth rate over a time period.

**Mountain Division includes Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico.

Source: Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA).

Residential Building Permits Statewide Units: Year-to-Date – August

Units Permitted State-Wide



Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

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