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WYOMING COST OF LIVING FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER 2004

The **Economic Analysis Division** has completed the Wyoming Cost of Living Index (WCLI) for the fourth quarter of 2004. The WCLI is a summarization of price data collected in twenty-eight cities and towns throughout Wyoming over the period of January 5, 6, and 7, 2005. The price data collected are used to build a comparative index and to estimate inflation rates for Wyoming and the five regions of the State.

Twenty-eight communities across the State were included in the WCLI based on the following criteria. First, the largest city or town in each county was priced. In addition, prices were collected in any city or town with a population of more than 5,000 persons or where a city or town had at least 85% of that county's largest community's population. In counties where only one community was priced, those prices were used to represent the entire county. In counties where two communities were priced, a population based weighted average of the prices for the two communities was used for the entire county. Also, starting with the second quarter 2003 WCLI report, North Lincoln County (Afton) was added through legislative action and was included in the comparative index. Kemmerer is still priced and represents South Lincoln County. Beginning with the second quarter of 2004, North Lincoln was included in the inflation calculations.

The 140 items surveyed were aggregated into six categories, which were then weighted according to their overall importance in the average consumer's budget. These categories and their respective weight components include Housing (47.7%), Transportation (16.9%), Food (14.4%), Recreation & Personal Care (9.7%), Medical (6.1%), and Apparel (5.2%)¹. The Housing category, due to its relative importance in the average consumer's budget, carries the largest weight factor and is the most influential category in both the comparative index and the inflation rates.

COMPARATIVE INDEX

The comparative index is found in **Table I**. It compares each county's price level to the statewide average for the fourth quarter of 2004. All twenty-three counties are included in the comparative index. Movement in ranking from a previous survey does not indicate that the price level has increased or decreased in a particular county. Instead, this table reflects only the price level of each county, *at the time of data collection*, compared with the statewide average of 100.

Teton County was ranked as the most expensive location in Wyoming to live according to the fourth quarter 2004 WCLI results. "Driven by the highest housing costs in the State, Teton County has solidified its position at the top of the comparative index," said Justin Ballard, senior economist with the State Economic Analysis Division. "The **Housing** index value of 167 in Teton County indicates that the county's housing costs are 67% higher than the rest of the State, on average. This helped drive the

¹ Total may not add to 100.0 due to rounding.

overall cost of living in the county to a level that was 37% higher than the remainder of Wyoming.”

Counties that have been impacted by significant mineral development continue to rank as more expensive places to reside. “Mineral rich areas of the State such as Sublette and Campbell counties have ranked near the top of the comparative index for a number of years,” commented Ballard. “The consistently higher rankings for the two counties suggests that Wyoming’s current energy activity is sustainable rather than temporary, as seen in past boom and bust cycles.”

ANNUAL INFLATION RATES

Tables II and III show estimated Wyoming inflation rates. **Table II** shows estimated inflation rates for all categories, and the respective category weights. **Table III** shows the estimated annual **All Items** inflation rates for the five regions of the State, as well as statewide rates.

The Wyoming annual **All Items** inflation rate for the fourth quarter of 2003 through the fourth quarter of 2004 was 4.3%. The inflation rate represents the percent change in the price level of a standard basket of selected consumer items priced this quarter, compared with the price level of the same goods recorded one year ago.

The **All Items** inflation rate of 4.3% experienced in the fourth quarter of 2004 is a continuation of the higher cost of living increases recently seen in Wyoming. “All of the item categories recorded higher price levels as compared to a year ago,” observed Ballard. “The **Food, Housing, Transportation, and Medical** categories were the driving factors behind the overall inflation level with all of the categories recording inflation levels above 4.0%.”

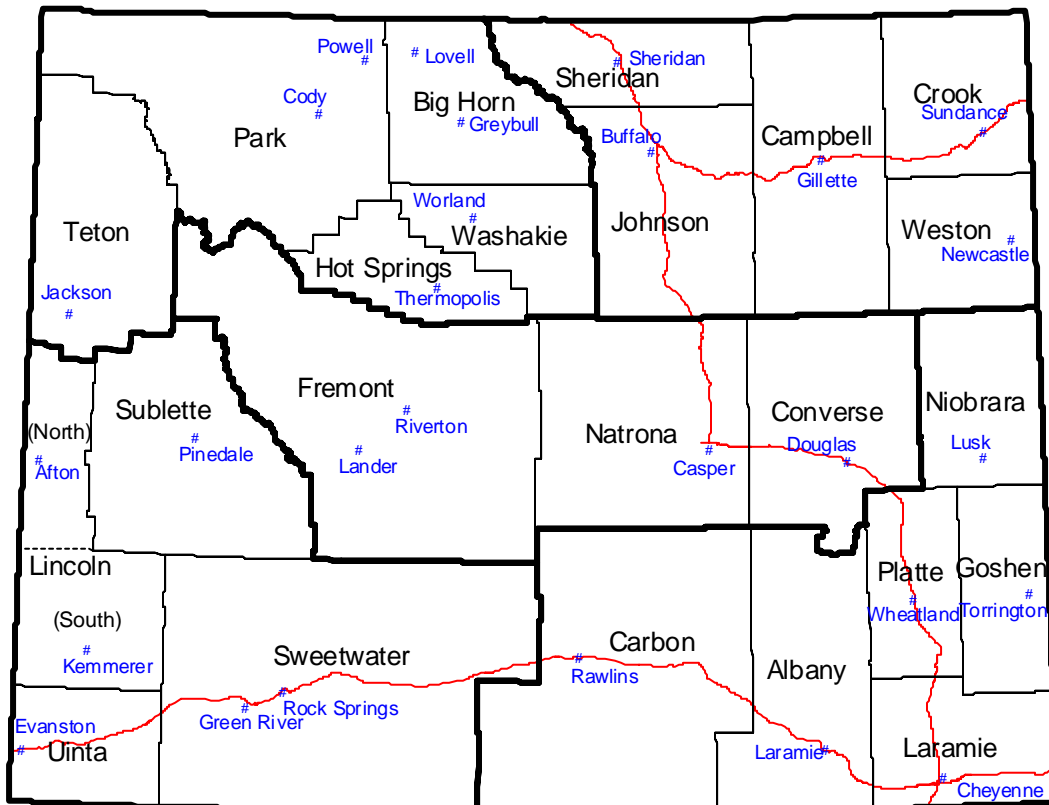
Not surprisingly, the **Transportation** category saw the highest price increase of 5.9% during the fourth quarter of 2004. “Highlighting the price changes in transportation related items were significant increases for both regular and premium unleaded gasoline,” said Ballard. “No area of the State was spared from rising gasoline prices with every region reporting a **Transportation** category inflation rate of at least 5.0%. With gasoline prices currently at high levels, it is expected that the **Transportation** inflation will remain a significant factor in the upcoming months.”

Within the **Food** category, Wyoming mirrored the rest of the nation with large decreases seen in the price of eggs during the fourth quarter of 2004. “This demonstrates that although Wyoming has unique characteristics when compared to the U.S., it still is impacted by national trends and economic conditions,” commented Ballard. “In contrast, because of local economic conditions in Wyoming, higher prices for **Housing** related items has driven inflation higher than the nation in recent years.”

The data were weighted by population to more accurately represent the price changes experienced by the majority of consumers in Wyoming. Nationally, the inflation rate from December 2003 to December 2004 was 3.3% (CPI-U), as reported by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. The WCLI is also available on the Division’s homepage at <http://eadiv.state.wy.us>. For additional information about the survey, or retrieving the information electronically, please contact the Division at (307) 777-7504 or email: ead@state.wy.us.

The Division wishes to extend its sincere appreciation to all of the businesses and individuals whose cooperation and assistance made this survey possible.

SURVEYED COMMUNITIES IN EACH COUNTY



Regional Composition for Inflation Estimate:

Southeast: Albany, Carbon, Goshen, Laramie, Niobrara, and Platte counties.

Southwest: Lincoln (North and South), Sublette, Sweetwater, and Uinta counties.

Central: Converse, Fremont, and Natrona counties.

Northeast: Campbell, Crook, Johnson, Sheridan, and Weston counties.

Northwest: Big Horn, Hot Springs, Park, Teton, and Washakie counties.

Note: Starting with the 2Q03 WCLI report, North Lincoln County (Afton) was included in the comparative index. Starting with the 2Q04 WCLI report, North Lincoln was included in the inflation numbers.

Table I
Wyoming Comparative Cost of Living Index - 4Q04
Prices as of January 5, 6, and 7, 2005 (Statewide Average = 100)

COUNTY	Index Number by Category:						Recreation & Personal Care
	All Items	Food	Housing	Apparel	Transportation	Medical	
Teton	137	108	167	126	105	113	111
Sublette	115	103	124	126	101	98	113
Campbell	105	102	110	97	101	100	100
Laramie	104	110	109	86	99	97	97
Sheridan	104	109	102	127	97	107	102
Albany	104	92	111	100	101	100	96
Johnson	101	108	97	135	101	102	98
N Lincoln	100	92	102	100	99	99	107
Sweetwater	99	96	100	90	100	106	95
Natrona	99	102	98	101	99	93	98
Park	97	101	92	108	100	104	102
Fremont	94	92	90	89	102	103	102
Carbon	94	100	87	94	100	103	100
Uinta	92	91	87	90	100	94	99
Converse	92	88	87	92	99	99	104
Niobrara	90	97	78	110	102	102	106
Platte	90	101	77	101	101	105	102
Hot Springs	90	104	76	119	101	98	99
S Lincoln	90	89	80	107	101	90	111
Washakie	87	93	74	105	101	104	105
Big Horn	87	92	73	117	99	99	104
Goshen	87	88	77	100	99	102	96
Crook	87	92	74	110	102	97	100
Weston	87	90	75	98	100	104	99

Starting with the 2Q03 Comparative Index, North Lincoln (Afton) was included.

Table II
Annual Inflation Rates by Category

QUARTER:	Inflation Rate by Category (Statewide Average):						Recreation & Personal Care
	All Items	Food	Housing	Apparel	Transportation	Medical	
WEIGHTS:	100.0	14.4	47.7	5.2	16.9	6.1	9.7
4Q98	2.2	2.8	2.6	4.0	-2.2	0.7	6.2
2Q99	2.6	3.7	3.2	1.1	0.7	3.0	2.3
4Q99	3.1	4.7	2.5	-0.2	4.5	3.4	3.1
2Q00	4.3	4.9	3.6	-1.2	7.9	5.2	3.3
4Q00	3.2	1.8	3.9	-0.4	2.9	4.0	3.9
2Q01	4.3	3.0	6.6	3.1	1.6	4.0	2.0
4Q01	3.5	5.0	4.5	1.8	-0.1	7.3	2.3
2Q02	2.5	1.9	3.1	0.5	-0.4	5.9	4.3
4Q02	3.7	3.3	3.1	4.5	4.7	6.0	3.9
2Q03	2.9	4.2	3.0	3.6	1.2	4.3	1.8
4Q03	3.6	5.1	5.7	2.2	-1.2	3.0	1.4
2Q04	4.9	5.2	6.3	1.8	4.8	5.0	-0.4
4Q04	4.3	4.2	4.8	0.4	5.9	5.5	0.4

Note: Item weights may not add to 100 due to rounding.

Note: The 2Q99 inflation calculations mark the first time the WCLI used all 23 counties to calculate the inflation rates.

Previously, only 15 counties were used. Starting with the 2Q04 report, the inflation numbers include North Lincoln.

Table III
Annual Inflation Rates by Region

QUARTER:	U.S. CPI*	Statewide All Items	Inflation Rate By Region (All Items):				
			Southeast	Southwest	Central	Northeast	Northwest
4Q98	1.6	2.2	2.7	2.8	1.4	2.0	2.4
2Q99	2.0	2.6	3.8	3.4	1.5	2.6	0.9
4Q99	2.7	3.1	3.6	2.6	2.8	3.4	3.0
2Q00	3.7	4.3	3.9	2.3	4.4	7.4	4.0
4Q00	3.4	3.2	2.8	2.6	3.4	6.9	3.8
2Q01	3.2	4.3	4.1	3.1	5.0	4.8	4.6
4Q01	1.6	3.5	4.9	2.3	2.9	4.0	2.6
2Q02	1.1	2.5	2.6	1.4	2.8	3.1	2.2
4Q02	2.4	3.7	3.0	2.5	5.1	5.1	2.7
2Q03	2.1	2.9	3.0	3.5	2.1	3.1	3.0
4Q03	1.9	3.6	4.1	4.3	2.6	3.4	3.9
2Q04	3.3	4.9	4.4	4.6	5.1	6.4	4.4
4Q04	3.3	4.3	4.0	4.8	4.8	4.3	3.3

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* 4th Quarter represents the December to December and 2nd Quarter represents the June to June percent change in the US CPI-U.

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Table IV
Wyoming Cost of Living Index - Annual Inflation Rates

Quarter	U.S. CPI	WCLI All Items	Inflation Rate by Category (All Items):						Rec & Pers Care	Inflation Rate by Region (All Items):				
			Food	Housing	Apparel	Trans	Medical	SE		SW	CEN	NE	NW	
3Q79	12.1	13.2	10.2	11.7	19.2	25.8	8.5	6.3	13.4	13.0	11.8	14.1	16.3	
4Q79	13.3	13.6	9.0	15.4	23.1	17.7	10.5	7.1	14.8	14.2	13.1	13.7	12.1	
1Q80	14.7	15.5	8.3	20.4	8.6	19.1	12.6	7.2	14.1	16.5	18.6	13.5	13.7	
2Q80	14.3	12.3	10.7	11.8	14.4	15.7	11.8	11.0	13.1	12.4	10.6	14.3	12.9	
3Q80	12.7	12.5	13.4	12.2	11.3	12.7	16.3	10.7	12.9	15.3	12.2	12.5	10.3	
4Q80	12.4	12.5	12.1	16.8	11.5	5.4	11.3	9.1	11.6	14.8	12.9	10.8	14.7	
1Q81	10.6	9.9	9.8	11.7	10.0	6.8	8.2	8.6	10.7	16.2	7.7	9.8	8.7	
2Q81	9.6	10.7	7.2	15.1	8.1	6.7	9.3	7.6	8.6	12.4	13.0	11.7	9.1	
3Q81	11.0	11.8	5.6	18.5	5.2	7.1	7.1	8.0	11.1	11.1	13.3	13.1	11.3	
4Q81	8.9	7.0	3.2	8.1	5.3	7.7	9.2	7.4	6.7	10.2	7.7	4.7	6.7	
1Q82	6.8	7.4	5.2	10.8	4.8	2.0	9.2	7.1	5.6	6.6	8.9	8.9	8.8	
2Q82	7.1	5.2	4.4	6.6	6.9	1.7	7.4	4.4	4.1	7.2	4.3	6.8	6.0	
3Q82	5.0	1.5	1.9	-2.0	10.6	1.6	9.5	5.7	0.1	3.2	0.0	3.0	4.8	
4Q82	3.9	1.6	1.8	-1.1	5.3	1.1	8.0	7.5	0.7	1.5	0.5	5.1	3.5	
1Q83	3.6	0.0	0.2	-4.7	5.2	3.6	7.0	6.5	0.7	1.7	-2.3	0.6	1.3	
2Q83	2.6	1.1	-1.4	-2.8	2.3	3.7	8.4	7.9	3.8	-0.9	-1.6	2.1	3.7	
3Q83	2.9	1.2	0.4	-1.1	-0.8	2.8	6.5	5.1	4.5	-0.6	-0.7	2.2	2.6	
4Q83	3.8	1.4	1.9	-1.5	5.6	2.7	7.4	2.4	4.4	-1.3	1.1	2.2	2.8	
1Q84	4.7	3.1	3.1	1.9	2.7	5.0	5.2	2.7	3.9	1.0	1.3	6.5	4.6	
2Q84	4.2	3.5	4.6	2.2	1.0	5.1	3.7	3.3	5.6	2.1	2.0	4.4	4.0	
3Q84	4.2	3.2	3.4	3.1	2.9	4.7	3.1	0.5	4.8	4.7	2.2	2.6	4.3	
4Q84	4.0	2.9	3.2	3.4	-1.8	3.0	3.9	2.6	3.4	2.9	1.4	4.0	4.3	
1Q85	3.7	2.6	3.3	1.6	1.9	3.3	4.8	2.4	3.3	2.3	1.8	3.2	2.8	
2Q85	3.7	0.8	-0.6	-0.7	0.9	3.1	5.0	1.3	1.9	2.7	0.4	-1.0	0.7	
3Q85	3.2	1.7	-1.2	1.3	0.7	3.6	5.8	2.4	1.4	3.5	1.3	1.1	2.0	
4Q85	3.8	1.8	0.4	0.7	3.9	3.3	5.4	2.0	2.7	3.6	1.0	1.0	1.3	
1Q86	2.3	-0.9	-2.1	-0.4	0.5	-5.0	5.9	2.7	-0.5	0.1	-1.9	-2.0	0.6	
2Q86	1.7	-0.4	2.0	-0.7	1.6	-6.1	6.4	2.9	0.9	0.7	-1.5	-2.2	0.4	
3Q86	1.8	0.1	3.9	-0.2	3.6	-6.8	5.5	3.0	1.8	0.5	-1.0	-0.7	-0.5	
4Q86	1.1	-1.5	1.5	-2.7	-0.6	-7.7	5.9	4.9	-0.2	-3.0	-1.9	-2.2	-1.4	
1Q87	3.0	-0.2	2.5	-2.8	2.7	-2.1	5.6	3.2	1.3	-2.4	0.1	-0.7	0.1	
2Q87	3.7	-0.3	1.8	-3.2	1.7	0.3	5.7	2.3	0.1	-2.0	0.2	0.2	-0.1	
3Q87	4.3	-0.2	0.0	-2.7	-0.2	2.8	4.0	1.5	1.4	-2.9	0.3	-0.8	1.1	
4Q87	4.4	0.4	0.3	-2.1	2.3	3.7	3.2	2.5	1.6	-0.9	-0.5	1.8	0.6	
1Q88	3.9	0.3	-0.6	-2.4	1.2	3.7	4.1	2.9	1.6	0.0	-0.6	1.8	0.0	
2Q88	3.9	1.8	-0.2	-1.3	3.3	8.1	5.0	3.4	4.3	0.1	0.4	3.1	2.5	
4Q88	4.4	0.5	3.4	-3.0	2.8	2.5	4.9	2.1	1.0	-0.6	1.9	0.2	1.5	
2Q89	5.2	3.7	6.0	2.0	2.3	6.3	4.2	3.3	3.7	4.4	3.4	3.8	4.6	
4Q89	4.6	4.4	6.0	2.6	1.0	8.2	5.8	4.0	5.0	4.2	3.4	5.1	5.9	
2Q90	4.7	3.7	5.5	3.3	4.5	1.2	6.0	4.6	3.5	3.8	3.3	3.0	6.7	
4Q90	6.2	5.1	5.8	4.9	4.7	4.2	6.2	5.9	4.5	6.0	5.2	4.0	7.0	
2Q91	4.7	4.1	3.8	4.0	1.8	3.6	6.3	5.5	3.5	5.4	4.1	4.2	4.3	
4Q91	3.0	2.8	-0.7	5.1	1.9	-1.7	6.5	5.2	2.3	2.7	3.6	3.0	3.8	
2Q92	3.1	3.2	-1.5	5.2	0.3	2.8	8.6	2.0	3.1	3.9	3.4	2.7	3.4	
4Q92	3.0	3.7	1.9	3.2	-1.8	7.8	5.5	3.7	5.5	2.8	3.4	2.8	3.4	
2Q93	3.0	3.3	2.7	3.5	-2.4	5.7	5.9	1.8	4.8	2.2	3.7	2.4	3.2	
4Q93	2.7	4.0	3.8	6.7	-0.5	0.8	7.8	-0.1	4.2	2.7	4.4	5.0	4.6	
2Q94	2.5	4.5	3.4	6.7	2.5	2.5	6.6	1.2	4.3	4.1	4.4	4.6	6.7	
4Q94	2.7	4.6	4.1	5.6	-0.1	5.4	7.9	1.8	3.9	3.4	5.6	6.7	6.4	
2Q95	3.0	4.7	3.1	5.4	4.7	5.2	4.4	3.8	1.1	3.6	5.7	5.0	4.4	
4Q95	2.5	3.0	2.8	1.7	12.0	1.7	4.1	4.5	2.1	3.9	3.8	1.4	4.4	
2Q96	2.8	4.7	7.2	3.4	9.1	4.3	7.1	3.5	5.1	5.3	3.8	5.7	4.2	
4Q96	3.3	4.8	9.3	2.4	7.0	7.0	4.1	2.9	5.2	4.0	5.0	4.2	4.9	
2Q97	2.3	2.8	4.9	2.1	2.8	2.4	3.3	2.8	3.6	2.8	3.1	1.0	2.6	
4Q97	1.7	2.9	4.5	2.5	-0.6	0.9	4.7	5.0	3.3	4.0	1.9	3.0	2.2	
2Q98	1.7	1.5	2.6	0.9	3.6	0.0	0.2	3.7	1.3	2.6	0.3	2.1	2.5	
4Q98	1.6	2.2	2.8	2.6	4.0	-2.2	0.7	6.2	2.7	2.8	1.4	2.0	2.4	
2Q99	2.0	2.6	3.7	3.2	1.1	0.7	3.0	2.3	3.8	3.4	1.5	2.6	0.9	
4Q99	2.7	3.1	4.7	2.5	-0.2	4.5	3.4	3.1	3.6	2.6	2.8	3.4	3.0	
2Q00	3.7	4.3	4.9	3.6	-1.2	7.9	5.2	3.3	3.9	2.3	4.4	7.4	4.0	
4Q00	3.4	3.2	1.8	3.9	-0.4	2.9	4.0	3.9	2.8	2.6	3.4	6.9	3.8	
2Q01	3.2	4.3	3.0	6.6	3.1	1.6	4.0	2.0	4.1	3.1	5.0	4.8	4.6	
4Q01	1.6	3.5	5.0	4.5	1.8	-0.1	7.3	2.3	4.9	2.3	2.9	4.0	2.6	
2Q02	1.1	2.5	1.9	3.1	0.5	-0.4	5.9	4.3	2.6	1.4	2.8	3.1	2.2	
4Q02	2.4	3.7	3.3	3.1	4.5	4.7	6.0	3.9	3.0	2.5	5.1	5.1	2.7	
2Q03	2.1	2.9	4.2	3.0	3.6	1.2	4.3	1.8	3.0	3.5	2.1	3.1	3.0	
4Q03	1.9	3.6	5.1	5.7	2.2	-1.2	3.0	1.4	4.1	4.3	2.6	3.4	3.9	
2Q04	3.3	4.9	5.2	6.3	1.8	4.8	5.0	-0.4	4.4	4.6	5.1	6.4	4.4	
4Q04	3.3	4.3	4.2	4.8	0.4	5.9	5.5	0.4	4.0	4.8	4.8	4.3	3.3	

**WYOMING COST OF LIVING INDEX - TABLE Vb
AVERAGE RENTAL RATES - 4Q04 & 4Q03**

County	APARTMENT (1)			MOBILE HOME LOT (2)			HOUSE (3)			MOBILE HOME (4)		
	4Q04	4Q03	Percent Change	4Q04	4Q03	Percent Change	4Q04	4Q03	Percent Change	4Q04	4Q03	Percent Change
Albany	\$594	\$533	11.5%	\$229	\$229	0.0%	\$849	\$809	4.9%	\$541	\$578	-6.3%
Big Horn	\$321	\$319	0.7%	\$118	\$114	3.5%	\$347	\$329	5.5%	\$319	\$304	4.9%
Campbell	\$554	\$563	-1.6%	\$232	\$228	1.5%	\$793	\$707	12.3%	\$629	\$590	6.5%
Carbon	\$439	\$394	11.7%	\$130	\$118	9.9%	\$522	\$487	7.2%	\$365	\$364	0.2%
Converse	\$392	\$385	1.7%	\$150	\$150	0.0%	\$530	\$488	8.6%	\$369	\$374	-1.4%
Crook	\$333	\$345	-3.5%	\$118	\$120	-2.1%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Fremont	\$433	\$404	7.1%	\$175	\$154	13.9%	\$538	\$548	-1.7%	\$437	\$404	8.4%
Goshen	\$346	\$338	2.3%	\$125	\$117	7.1%	\$442	\$414	6.7%	\$301	\$288	4.5%
Hot Springs	\$364	\$378	-3.7%	\$150	\$150	0.0%	\$385	\$404	-4.9%	\$363	NA	NA
Johnson	\$504	\$443	13.8%	\$146	\$208	-29.6%	\$607	\$606	0.1%	\$491	\$414	18.6%
Laramie	\$569	\$528	7.7%	\$227	\$224	1.3%	\$839	\$843	-0.5%	\$579	\$524	10.4%
South Lincoln	\$364	\$421	-13.6%	\$168	\$183	-8.2%	\$387	\$433	-10.8%	\$312	\$315	-1.0%
North Lincoln	\$463	\$446	3.9%	\$158	\$150	5.0%	\$707	\$625	13.1%	\$419	\$458	-8.7%
Natrona	\$436	\$412	5.9%	\$161	\$165	-2.3%	\$717	\$633	13.3%	\$502	\$442	13.4%
Niobrara	\$325	\$292	11.2%	NA	NA	NA	\$446	\$388	15.0%	NA	NA	NA
Park	\$431	\$413	4.4%	\$180	\$170	6.2%	\$615	\$558	10.2%	\$406	\$430	-5.5%
Platte	\$370	\$384	-3.7%	\$123	\$125	-2.0%	\$423	\$472	-10.5%	\$349	\$376	-7.1%
Sheridan	\$501	\$465	7.6%	\$273	\$273	0.0%	\$670	\$667	0.5%	\$513	\$502	2.2%
Sublette	\$765	\$611	25.1%	\$240	\$200	20.0%	\$888	\$794	11.9%	\$600	NA	NA
Sweetwater	\$469	\$412	13.9%	\$212	\$218	-2.9%	\$654	\$595	9.9%	\$546	\$457	19.3%
Teton	\$1,084	\$965	12.3%	\$307	\$367	-16.4%	\$1,397	\$1,422	-1.8%	\$657	\$629	4.5%
Uinta	\$395	\$390	1.2%	\$182	\$172	5.8%	\$555	\$531	4.4%	\$330	\$355	-6.9%
Washakie	\$333	\$339	-1.5%	\$175	\$155	12.9%	\$392	\$416	-5.8%	\$243	\$283	-14.3%
Weston	\$312	\$333	-6.3%	\$101	\$99	2.0%	\$416	\$380	9.4%	\$396	\$365	8.4%
Southeast	\$529	\$489	8.1%	\$202	\$199	1.7%	\$749	\$739	1.3%	\$511	\$490	4.4%
Southwest	\$462	\$426	8.3%	\$197	\$196	0.9%	\$622	\$579	7.4%	\$459	\$427	7.5%
Central	\$430	\$407	5.8%	\$164	\$160	2.7%	\$642	\$591	8.6%	\$468	\$423	10.6%
Northeast	\$497	\$487	2.2%	\$219	\$223	-1.9%	\$678	\$637	6.5%	\$533	\$503	5.9%
Northwest	\$575	\$536	7.1%	\$202	\$211	-4.4%	\$742	\$728	1.9%	\$438	\$440	-0.4%
Statewide Average	\$496	\$466	6.5%	\$195	\$195	0.2%	\$691	\$661	4.6%	\$487	\$460	5.8%

<p>Regions: Southeast: Albany, Carbon, Goshen, Laramie, Niobrara, Platte Southwest: North Lincoln, South Lincoln, Sublette, Sweetwater, Uinta Central: Converse, Fremont, Natrona Northeast: Campbell, Crook, Johnson, Sheridan, Weston Northwest: Big Horn, Hot Springs, Park, Teton, Washakie</p>	<p>(1) - Two-bedroom, unfurnished, excluding gas and electric. (2) - Single-wide, including water. (3) - Two or three-bedroom, single family, excluding gas and electric. (4) - This price reflects total monthly rental expense, including lot rent. Note: The regional averages are weighted by population within the region. (NA) - There were too few observations to report the data.</p>
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