



Governor: Governor Mark Gordon, 33rd Governor
Assumed Office January 7, 2019

Admitted to Statehood - Date & Rank: July 10, 1890 • 44th State

State Capital: Cheyenne

Most Livable State - National Ranking¹: 8th in 2019 • 15th in 2018

Nicknames: Equality State • Big Wyoming • Cowboy State

1st National Park: Yellowstone • Established March 1, 1872

1st National Forest: Shoshone • Established March 3, 1891

1st National Monument: Devils Tower • Established September 24, 1906

Flower: Indian Paintbrush

Tree: Plains Cottonwood

Bird: Western Meadowlark

Fish: Cutthroat Trout

Mammal: Bison

Fossil: Knightia

Dinosaur: Triceratops

Reptile: Horned Toad

Butterfly: Sheridan's Green Hairstreak

Shrub: Wyoming Big Sagebrush

Items	Most Recent Period			Previous Period		% Change in Value
	Year	Value	Rank	Year	Value	
Demography						
Total Population ²	2018	577,737	50	2017	578,934	-0.2%
Total Male Population ²	2018	294,534	50	2017	295,328	-0.3%
Total Female Population ²	2018	283,203	50	2017	283,606	-0.1%
% of Population - Under 18 Years Old ²	2018	23.3%	14	2017	23.5%	-0.9%
% of Population - 65 Years & Older ²	2018	16.5%	24	2017	15.9%	4.1%
Median Age ²	2018	38.0	33	2017	37.7	0.8%
Population of Cheyenne - Capital ²	2018	63,957	-	2017	63,587	0.6%
Population per Square Mile ²	2018	6.0	49	2017	6.0	0.0%
% of Population - White Alone (Non-Hispanic) ²	2018	83.8%	9	2017	84.0%	-0.3%
% of Population - American Indian Alone ²	2018	2.7%	8	2017	2.7%	0.8%
% of Population - Hispanic or Latino ²	2018	10.1%	25	2017	10.0%	1.0%
Marriages per 1,000 Persons ³	2017	7.1	15	2016	7.1	0.0%
Divorces per 1,000 Persons ³	2017	4.0	3	2016	4.2	-4.8%
% of Households (HH) That Are Married Couple Families ⁴	2018	50.7%	6	2017	51.6%	-1.7%
% of HH Headed by Single Female (w/ own children <18 yrs.) ⁴	2018	5.2%	44	2017	5.8%	-10.3%

Note: Population data are July 1 estimates unless otherwise noted.

Weather & Geography						
Total Area (sq. miles) ²	2010	97,813	10	-	-	-
Water Area (sq. miles) ²	2010	720	37	-	-	-
Mean Elevation (ft) ⁵	2019	6,700	2	-	-	-
Highest Point (ft) - Gannett Peak ⁵	2019	13,804	5	-	-	-
Lowest Point (ft) - Belle Fourche River ⁵	2019	3,099	49*	-	-	-
Normal Mean Temperature (F) - 30 year average ⁶	2012	44.8	44	-	-	-
Annual Precipitation (inches-Cheyenne) - 30 year average ⁶	2010	15.94	-	2000	15.45	3.2%
Average Wind Speed (mph) ⁶	2012	10.1	13	-	-	-
% of Days That are Sunny ⁶	2012	66.0%	8	-	-	-
% of Land in Rural Areas ²	2010	99.8%	2	2000	99.8%	0.0%
% of Land Owned by the Federal Government ⁵	2019	47.5%	6	-	-	-
% of Land Owned by State Government ⁵	2019	6.2%	-	-	-	-

*Ranking is lowest to highest.

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Recreation & Tourism						
Land Ownership in Wyoming (sq. miles):						
- National Park Service ⁷	2018	3,744	5	2017	3,744	0.0%
- U.S. Forest Service ⁸	2018	14,400	10	2017	14,398	0.0%
- Bureau of Land Management ⁹	2017	27,341	4	2016	28,711	-4.8%
WY State Parks & Historic Sites Land (sq. miles) ¹⁰	2018	187	-	2017	187	-0.1%
Visitations to State Parks & Recreational Areas ^{10*}	2018	4,344,720	-	2017	4,208,098	3.2%
WY Lodging Sales (millions of dollars) ¹¹	FY18**	\$649.6	-	FY17	\$573.8	13.2%
Hunting and Fishing Licenses ¹²	2017	601,048	-	2016	607,497	-1.1%
Hunting and Fishing License Sales (millions of dollars) ¹²	2017	\$33.8	-	2016	\$32.3	4.7%
Number of National Forests & Grasslands ⁸	2018	10	-	2017	10	0.0%
Visitors to Grand Teton National Park (recreation visits) ¹³	2018	3,491,151	-	2017	3,317,000	5.3%
Visitors to Yellowstone National Park (recreation visits) ¹³	2018	4,115,000	-	2017	4,116,524	0.0%
Visitors to Devil's Tower National Monument (recreation visits) ¹³	2018	468,216	-	2017	499,031	-6.2%
Visitors to Fossil Butte National Monument (recreation visits) ¹³	2018	21,349	-	2017	21,978	-2.9%
Visitors to Fort Laramie National Historic Site (recreation visits) ¹³	2018	52,414	-	2017	61,513	-14.8%

*Includes day and overnight visitors.

**FY - State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30)

Crime & Law Enforcement

Crimes ¹⁴	2017	11,980	49	2016	12,835	-6.7%
Crimes per 100,000 Persons ¹⁴	2017	2,068	39	2016	2,192	-5.7%
Violent Crimes per 100,000 Persons ¹⁴	2017	237.5	41	2016	234.8	1.1%
- Murders per 100,000 Persons ¹⁴	2017	2.6	39	2016	3.4	-23.5%
- Rapes per 100,000 Persons ¹⁴	2017	45.4	20	2016	35.0	29.7%
- Robberies per 100,000 Persons ¹⁴	2017	13.1	49	2016	10.1	29.7%
- Aggravated Assaults per 100,000 Persons ¹⁴	2017	176.4	35	2016	195.7	-9.9%
Burglaries per 100,000 Persons ¹⁴	2017	275.0	42	2016	302.5	-9.1%
Larcenies & Thefts per 100,000 Persons ¹⁴	2017	1,421.0	36	2016	1,518.2	-6.4%
Motor Vehicle Thefts per 100,000 Persons ¹⁴	2017	134.5	42	2016	136.6	-1.5%
State Prisoner Imprisonment Rate per 100,000 Persons ¹⁵	2016	406	21	2015	413	-1.7%
Per Capita State/Local Gov't. Expenditures for Police Protect. (\$) ¹⁶	2016	\$414	5	2015	\$390	6.2%

Education

% of Population, 25 yrs. & older, completed high-school ⁴	2018	93.3%	4	2017	92.9%	0.4%
% of Population, 25 yrs. & older, with a Bachelor's Degree ⁴	2018	26.9%	43	2017	27.6%	-2.5%
ACT Average Composite Score (range 1-36) ¹⁷	2018	20	35	2017	20.2	-1.0%
Estimated Pupil-Teacher Ratio in Public Schools ¹⁸	2017	12.6	44	2016	12.4	1.6%
Estimated Average Salary of Public School Teachers (\$) ¹⁹	2018	\$58,578	14	2017	\$58,650	-0.1%
Average Teacher's Salary as % of Average Annual Pay for all WY Workers ¹⁸	2017	126.2%	2	2016	129.4%	-2.5%
Public High School Graduation Rate ²⁰	2017-18	81.7%	-	2016-17	80.2%	1.9%
Estimated Per Pupil Expenditures in Public Schools (\$) ¹⁹	2018	\$17,127	8	2017	\$17,052	0.4%
Number of Institutions of Higher Education ²¹	2017	10	48	2016	10	0.0%
Average Faculty Salary at Institutions of Higher Education ²¹	2017	\$73,368	35	2016	\$73,581	-0.3%
Per Capita State/Local Gov't. Expenditures for Higher Education ¹⁶	2016	\$1,537	2	2015	\$1,354	13.5%
Enrollment at the University of Wyoming (UW) ^{22***}	Fall 2018	12,462	-	Fall 2017	13,166	-5.3%
Average Student Age at UW (Laramie Campus) ^{22***}	Fall 2018	22.7	-	Fall 2017	22.9	-0.9%
4-Year Graduation Rate at UW ²²	2017	31.0%	-	2016	27.0%	14.8%
Bachelor's Degrees Granted at UW ²²	2017-18	2,127	-	2016-17	2,204	-3.5%

***End of semester

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Health & Social Welfare						
% of Persons Without Health Insurance Coverage ⁴	2018	10.5%	11	2017	12.3%	-14.6%
% of Private Sector Establishments that Offer Health Insurance ²³	2017	39.4%	44	2016	38.0%	3.7%
Physicians per 100,000 Persons ²⁴	2018	203	48	2017	197	3.0%
Registered Nurses per 100,000 Persons ²⁵	2017	848	35	2016	849	-0.1%
Community Hospitals per 100,000 Persons ²⁶	2016	3.9	6	2015	3.9	0.0%
% of Population Enrolled in Medicare ²⁷	2017	17.6%	33	2016	16.9%	4.1%
Live Births per 1,000 Persons ²⁸	2017	11.9	21	2016	12.6	-5.6%
Births to Teenage Mothers as a Percent of All Births ²⁹	2016	6.3%	12	2015	6.6%	-4.5%
Infant Deaths (under 1 year old) per 1,000 Live Births ²⁸	2016	5.0	39	2015	5.0	0.0%
Deaths per 100,000 Persons (age-adjusted rates) ²⁸	2016	720.9	29	2015	748.3	-3.7%
Suicides per 100,000 Persons (age-adjusted rates) ²⁸	2016	25.2	3	2015	28.0	-10.0%
Adult per Capita Alcohol Consumption (gallons) ³⁰	2016	3.0	15	2015	3.1	-3.2%
% of Adults Who Smoke ³	2017	18.7%	17	2016	19.0%	-1.6%
% of Adults Overweight or Obese ²⁹	2017	64.7%	37	2016	64.2%	0.8%
% of Population Below Poverty Level ⁴	2018	11.1%	35	2017	11.3%	-1.8%
% of Pop. Receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assist. Prog. Benefits ³¹	2018	5.1%	49	2017	5.7%	-10.5%
Per Capita St/Local Gov't. Expenditures - Public Welfare Programs ¹⁶	2016	\$1,443	41	2015	\$1,338	7.8%
Housing						
Residential Building Permits ²	2018	1,812	48	2017	1,926	-5.9%
Existing Home Sales, Single family homes ³²	2017	6,455	-	2016	5,825	10.8%
Median Housing Value of Owner-Occupied Housing Units (\$) ⁴	2018	\$230,500	25	2017	\$214,300	7.6%
Homeownership Rate ²	2018	71.1%	9	2017	70.4%	1.0%
Average Rent for 2-3 Bedroom House (\$) ³³	2Q19	\$1,105	-	2Q18	\$1,056	4.6%
Average Rent for 2 Bedroom Apartment (\$) ³³	2Q19	\$756	-	2Q18	\$727	4.0%
Average Rent for 2-3 Bedroom Mobile Home (\$) ³³	2Q19	\$734	-	2Q18	\$724	1.4%
Rental Vacancy Rate ²	2018	13.0%	3	2017	14.7%	-11.6%
Wyoming's Economy						
Median Household Income ⁴	2018	\$61,584	21	2017	\$60,434	1.9%
Per Capita Personal Income (current \$) ³⁴	2018	\$60,095	9	2017	\$57,384	4.7%
Per Capita Gross Domestic Product (\$) ³⁵	2017	\$65,701	11	2016	\$65,528	0.3%
Bankruptcy Filings ³⁶	2018	1,070	47	2017	989	8.2%
Personal Bankruptcies per 100,000 Persons ³⁶	2018	176	29	2017	166	6.0%
Retail and Food Services Taxable Sales (billions \$) ¹¹	FY18	\$6.59	-	FY17	\$5.95	10.8%
Wyoming Annual Inflation Rate ³³	2Q19	2.0%	-	2Q18	3.3%	-
Exports - Origin of Movement Series (billions \$) ³⁷	2018	\$1.356	49	2017	\$1.196	13.4%
Employment & Labor						
Average Annual Pay (\$) ³⁸	2018	\$48,062	33	2017	\$46,270	3.9%
State Minimum Wage Rate (\$ per hour) ³⁹	2019	\$7.25	30	2018	\$5.15	40.8%
Civilian Labor Force ⁴⁰	2018	289,574	50	2017	292,923	-1.1%
Employed ⁴⁰	2018	277,820	50	2017	280,689	-1.0%
Unemployed ⁴⁰	2018	11,754	48	2017	12,234	-3.9%
Unemployment Rate ^{38, 40}	2018	4.1%	31*	2017	4.2%	-2.4%
Total Non-farm Employment (jobs) ^{38, 40}	2018	285,500	50	2017	283,600	0.7%
% of Job in Mining ^{38, 40}	2018	7.2%	1	2017	6.9%	4.4%
% of Jobs in Government ^{38, 40}	2018	24.1%	2	2017	24.6%	-2.1%
% of Jobs in Construction ^{38, 40}	2018	7.1%	1	2017	6.9%	2.9%
% of Jobs in Manufacturing ^{38, 40}	2018	3.4%	48	2017	3.3%	3.6%
% of Jobs in Leisure & Hospitality ^{38, 40}	2018	12.6%	5	2017	12.9%	-2.0%
% of Jobs in Retail Trade ^{38, 40}	2018	10.3%	38	2017	10.5%	-1.7%
% of Jobs in Education and Health Services ^{38, 40}	2018	9.9%	50	2017	9.8%	1.1%
% of Jobs in Professional & Business Services ^{38, 40}	2018	6.5%	50	2017	6.4%	2.1%

*Ranking of unemployment rate is lowest rate to highest.

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Tax Environment						
Individual Income Tax Rate ^{32, 41}	2019	0.0%	50	2018	0.0%	0.0%
Corporate Income Tax Rate ^{32, 41}	2019	0.0%	48	2018	0.0%	0.0%
State Sales Tax Rate ^{32, 41}	2019	4.0%	44	2018	4.0%	0.0%
Gasoline Tax Rate (\$/gallon) ^{32, 41}	2019	\$0.24	34	2018	\$0.24	0.0%
Cigarette Tax Rate (\$/pack) ^{32, 41}	2019	\$0.60	43	2018	\$0.60	0.0%
State & Local Excise Collections Per Capita ^{2, 41}	FY16	\$371	46	FY15	\$382	-2.9%
Estimated Burden of Major Taxes for a 3-Person Family with Income of \$50,000 - Cheyenne ^{42*}	2017	\$2,537	50	2016	\$2,204	15.1%

*Compares the largest city in each state. Major taxes include state income, property, sales, and auto.

Mining, Energy, & the Environment						
Coal Production (millions of short tons) ⁴³	2018	304.2	1	2017	316.6	-3.9%
Natural Gas Production (billions of cubic feet) ^{44, 45}	2018	1,815	8	2017	1,800	0.8%
Crude Oil Production (millions of barrels) ^{44, 45}	2018	88.0	8	2017	75.7	16.2%
Trona Production (millions of short tons) ⁴³	2018	17.4	1	2017	17.7	-1.7%
Average Price Paid for WY Coal (\$/short ton) ³²	2018	\$12.56	-	2017	\$12.95	-3.0%
Average Price Paid for Natural Gas (\$/MCF) ³²	2018	\$2.96	-	2017	\$2.95	0.3%
Average Price Paid for Wyoming Oil (\$/barrel) ³²	2018	\$58.44	-	2017	\$46.77	25.0%
Average Price Paid for Trona (\$/short ton) ³²	2018	\$134.81	-	2017	\$132.74	1.6%
% of Electricity Generated Through Renewable Resources ⁴⁵	2017	11.8%	25	2016	11.5%	2.6%
Toxic Releases: Total Pollution Released (millions of pounds) ⁴⁶	2017	20.1	34	2016	18.3	9.8%

Transportation						
Per Capita Federal Highway Funds ⁴⁷	2018	\$467	2	2016	\$444	5.2%
Highway Fatality Rate per 100 Million Vehicle-Miles ⁴⁸	2016	1.20	25	2015	1.5	-20.5%
Fatalities in Alcohol-Related Crashes as % of Total ⁴⁸	2017	37.0%	11	2016	31.0%	19.4%
Per Capita Gasoline Used (gallons) ⁴⁹	2016	643	1	2015	629	2.2%
Safety Belt Usage Rate ⁴⁸	2015	84.8%	37	2016	80.5%	5.3%

Agriculture						
Number of Farms and Ranches ⁵⁰	2018	11,900	39	2017	11,900	0.0%
Average Farm Size (acres) ⁵⁰	2018	2,437	1	2017	2,437	0.0%
Cash Receipts from Commodities (millions \$) ⁵¹	2017	\$1,440.9	38	2016	\$1,387.8	3.8%
All Cattle & Calves (1,000) ⁵⁰	Jan-19	1,300	25	Jan-18	1,320	-1.5%
All Sheep & Lambs (1,000) ⁵⁰	Jan-19	350	4	Jan-18	345	1.4%
Wool Production (1,000 lbs.) ⁵⁰	2018	2,400	1	2017	2,350	2.1%
All Hogs & Pigs (1,000) ⁵⁰	Dec-18	88	28	Dec-17	90	-2.2%
Alfalfa Hay (1,000 tons) ⁵⁰	2018	1,593	15	2017	1,624	-1.9%
Barley (1,000 bushels) ⁵⁰	2018	5,000	6	2017	6,426	-22.2%
Sugar beets (1,000 tons) ⁵⁰	2018	946	8	2017	891	6.2%
Corn for Grain (1,000 bushels) ⁵⁰	2018	11,480	32	2017	9,765	17.6%
U.S. Agriculture Exports (millions \$) ⁵¹	2017	\$304.3	40	2016	\$288.8	5.4%

Government						
Per Capita State & Local Gov't Total Expenditures ¹⁶	2016	\$17,231	2	2015	\$16,351	5.4%
Per Capita Homeland Security Grants ⁵²	2018	\$6.89	2	2017	\$6.48	6.3%
National Guard Personnel ⁵³	2018	2,734	-	2017	2,735	0.0%
Veterans ⁵⁴	FY18**	46,927	49	FY17	47,220	-0.6%
Seats in U.S. House of Representatives ²	2019	1	44	2018	1	0.0%
State Legislators ⁵⁵	2018	90	43	2017	90	0.0%
Population per State Legislator ⁵⁶	2018	6,419	47	2017	6,437	-0.3%
% of Eligible Population Reported Voting ²	2016	63.5%	15	2014	39.1%	62.4%

**Federal Fiscal Year (FY) is Oct. 1 - Sept. 30

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