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Most Wyoming Cities and Towns Gained Population in 2021

CHEYENNE – Nearly two-thirds of larger cities and towns (over 2,000 people) in Wyoming added residents between July 1, 2020 and July 1, 2021, according to population estimates released by the U.S. Census Bureau. These estimates provide a look at how the population has changed in each of Wyoming’s incorporated communities since the 2020 Census.

For cities and towns with population over 2,000, Afton demonstrated the fastest annual growth rate (2.3%), followed by Buffalo (2.2%), and Lovell (2.0%). The state’s most populous city, Cheyenne, lost residents (-110). Four cities experienced population declines of at least 1.0 percent, led by Gillette’s decrease of 1.7 percent or 574 residents. Casper (-586), Rock Springs (-285), and Green River (-177) also lost many residents during the year.

As of July 1, 2021, 68.8 percent, or 398,373 people in Wyoming lived in incorporated places. Nearly half of the state’s residents lived in eleven cities and towns with population of more than 10,000. Wyoming’s total population grew 1,536 or 0.3% from 2020 to 2021; however, the combined population for the state’s 99 cities and towns decreased slightly during the same period. “The COVID-19 virus hit energy producing and serving areas especially hard because energy demand plummeted, and the rebound of the industry was painfully slow in early 2021,” according to Dr. Wenlin Liu, Chief Economist with State of Wyoming, Economic Analysis Division. “On the other hand, people chose to relocate to less populated and lower cost areas during the pandemic since work-from-home policies made it possible to live and work anywhere.”

July 2021 Population and Change (numerical & percent) from July 2020 for Large Cities and Towns (2,000 or more)

Table with 3 columns: Rank by Population Size, Rank by Population Change, Rank by Percent Change. Lists 30 cities and towns with their respective population, change, and percent change.

Wyoming Incorporated Place Population Estimates: April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2021

Place	April 1, 2020 Estimates Base	Population Estimate (as of July 1)		Chge, 7/1/20 to 7/1/21		Chge, 4/1/20 to 7/1/21	
		2020	2021	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Wyoming	576,851	577,267	578,803	1,536	0.3	1,952	0.3
Albany County	37,066	37,079	37,608	529	1.4	542	1.5
Laramie city	31,317	31,313	31,659	346	1.1	342	1.1
Rock River town	217	216	219	3	1.4	2	0.9
Balance of Albany County	5,532	5,550	5,730	180	3.2	198	3.6
Big Horn County	11,521	11,467	11,632	165	1.4	111	1.0
Basin town	1,225	1,219	1,231	12	1.0	6	0.5
Burlington town	317	319	334	15	4.7	17	5.4
Byron town	565	562	568	6	1.1	3	0.5
Cowley town	775	771	795	24	3.1	20	2.6
Deaver town	156	155	156	1	0.6	0	0.0
Frannie town (pt.)	119	119	120	1	0.8	1	0.8
Greybull town	1,669	1,660	1,680	20	1.2	11	0.7
Lovell town	2,237	2,227	2,271	44	2.0	34	1.5
Manderson town	89	88	89	1	1.1	0	0.0
Balance of Big Horn County	4,369	4,347	4,388	41	0.9	19	0.4
Campbell County	47,026	47,116	46,401	-715	-1.5	-625	-1.3
Gillette city	33,408	33,458	32,884	-574	-1.7	-524	-1.6
Wright town	1,647	1,649	1,619	-30	-1.8	-28	-1.7
Balance of Campbell County	11,971	12,009	11,898	-111	-0.9	-73	-0.6
Carbon County	14,537	14,499	14,649	150	1.0	112	0.8
Baggs town	403	402	406	4	1.0	3	0.7
Dixon town	74	74	77	3	4.1	3	4.1
Elk Mountain town	151	151	152	1	0.7	1	0.7
Encampment town	450	448	453	5	1.1	3	0.7
Hanna town	681	679	683	4	0.6	2	0.3
Medicine Bow town	242	241	245	4	1.7	3	1.2
Rawlins city	8,264	8,241	8,298	57	0.7	34	0.4
Riverside town	63	63	63	0	0.0	0	0.0
Saratoga town	1,693	1,689	1,727	38	2.2	34	2.0
Sinclair town	373	372	374	2	0.5	1	0.3
Balance of Carbon County	2,143	2,139	2,171	32	1.5	28	1.3
Converse County	13,751	13,724	13,672	-52	-0.4	-79	-0.6
Douglas city	6,374	6,366	6,351	-15	-0.2	-23	-0.4
Glenrock town	2,424	2,418	2,407	-11	-0.5	-17	-0.7
Lost Springs town	4	4	4	0	0.0	0	0.0
Rolling Hills town	426	425	422	-3	-0.7	-4	-0.9
Balance of Converse County	4,523	4,511	4,488	-23	-0.5	-35	-0.8
Crook County	7,181	7,178	7,315	137	1.9	134	1.9
Hulett town	311	311	318	7	2.3	7	2.3
Moorcroft town	950	949	965	16	1.7	15	1.6
Pine Haven town	496	499	512	13	2.6	16	3.2

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Sundance town	1,021	1,020	1,043	23	2.3	22	2.2
Balance of Crook County	4,403	4,399	4,477	78	1.8	74	1.7
Fremont County	39,234	39,177	39,336	159	0.4	102	0.3
Dubois town	910	910	919	9	1.0	9	1.0
Hudson town	438	438	439	1	0.2	1	0.2
Lander city	7,529	7,520	7,550	30	0.4	21	0.3
Pavillion town	226	225	226	1	0.4	0	0.0
Riverton city	10,567	10,551	10,587	36	0.3	20	0.2
Shoshoni town	475	474	491	17	3.6	16	3.4
Balance of Fremont County	19,089	19,059	19,124	65	0.3	35	0.2
Goshen County	12,498	12,503	12,537	34	0.3	39	0.3
Fort Laramie town	208	208	210	2	1.0	2	1.0
La Grange town	375	375	376	1	0.3	1	0.3
Lingle town	399	399	400	1	0.3	1	0.3
Torrington city	6,117	6,119	6,132	13	0.2	15	0.2
Yoder town	131	131	133	2	1.5	2	1.5
Balance of Goshen County	5,268	5,271	5,286	15	0.3	18	0.3
Hot Springs County	4,621	4,622	4,597	-25	-0.5	-24	-0.5
East Thermopolis town	228	228	226	-2	-0.9	-2	-0.9
Kirby town	75	75	75	0	0.0	0	0.0
Thermopolis town	2,720	2,721	2,706	-15	-0.6	-14	-0.5
Balance of Hot Springs County	1,598	1,598	1,590	-8	-0.5	-8	-0.5
Johnson County	8,447	8,459	8,623	164	1.9	176	2.1
Buffalo city	4,363	4,373	4,469	96	2.2	106	2.4
Kaycee town	251	251	264	13	5.2	13	5.2
Balance of Johnson County	3,833	3,835	3,890	55	1.4	57	1.5
Laramie County	100,512	100,690	100,863	173	0.2	351	0.3
Albin town	169	169	167	-2	-1.2	-2	-1.2
Burns town	352	355	372	17	4.8	20	5.7
Cheyenne city	65,096	65,161	65,051	-110	-0.2	-45	-0.1
Pine Bluffs town	1,167	1,166	1,156	-10	-0.9	-11	-0.9
Balance of Laramie County	33,728	33,839	34,117	278	0.8	389	1.2
Lincoln County	19,581	19,674	20,153	479	2.4	572	2.9
Afton town	2,157	2,164	2,213	49	2.3	56	2.6
Alpine town	1,224	1,228	1,262	34	2.8	38	3.1
Cokeville town	500	500	503	3	0.6	3	0.6
Diamondville town	521	522	526	4	0.8	5	1.0
Kemmerer city	2,401	2,404	2,422	18	0.7	21	0.9
La Barge town	399	399	401	2	0.5	2	0.5
Opal town	63	63	63	0	0.0	0	0.0
Star Valley Ranch town	1,871	1,881	1,967	86	4.6	96	5.1
Thayne town	384	386	391	5	1.3	7	1.8
Balance of Lincoln County	10,061	10,127	10,405	278	2.7	344	3.4
Natrona County	79,955	80,229	79,555	-674	-0.8	-400	-0.5
Bar Nunn town	2,975	2,994	2,978	-16	-0.5	3	0.1

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Casper city	59,072	59,242	58,656	-586	-1.0	-416	-0.7
Edgerton town	153	154	153	-1	-0.6	0	0.0
Evansville town	2,747	2,760	2,749	-11	-0.4	2	0.1
Midwest town	285	286	283	-3	-1.0	-2	-0.7
Mills town	4,179	4,203	4,221	18	0.4	42	1.0
Balance of Natrona County	10,544	10,590	10,515	-75	-0.7	-29	-0.3
Niobrara County	2,467	2,439	2,438	-1	0.0	-29	-1.2
Lusk town	1,514	1,498	1,497	-1	-0.1	-17	-1.1
Manville town	95	94	94	0	0.0	-1	-1.1
Van Tassell town	24	23	23	0	0.0	-1	-4.2
Balance of Niobrara County	834	824	824	0	0.0	-10	-1.2
Park County	29,624	29,656	30,108	452	1.5	484	1.6
Cody city	10,066	10,068	10,174	106	1.1	108	1.1
Frannie town (pt.)	22	22	22	0	0.0	0	0.0
Meeteetse town	314	313	314	1	0.3	0	0.0
Powell city	6,345	6,353	6,418	65	1.0	73	1.2
Balance of Park County	12,877	12,900	13,180	280	2.2	303	2.4
Platte County	8,605	8,623	8,699	76	0.9	94	1.1
Chugwater town	177	178	178	0	0.0	1	0.6
Glendo town	235	236	239	3	1.3	4	1.7
Guernsey town	1,128	1,129	1,138	9	0.8	10	0.9
Hartville town	65	65	67	2	3.1	2	3.1
Wheatland town	3,580	3,583	3,597	14	0.4	17	0.5
Balance of Platte County	3,420	3,432	3,480	48	1.4	60	1.8
Sheridan County	30,921	30,996	31,646	650	2.1	725	2.3
Clearmont town	114	114	119	5	4.4	5	4.4
Dayton town	811	813	828	15	1.8	17	2.1
Ranchester town	1,052	1,062	1,110	48	4.5	58	5.5
Sheridan city	18,798	18,821	19,095	274	1.5	297	1.6
Balance of Sheridan County	10,146	10,186	10,494	308	3.0	348	3.4
Sublette County	8,728	8,723	8,697	-26	-0.3	-31	-0.4
Big Piney town	378	377	373	-4	-1.1	-5	-1.3
Marbleton town	819	817	810	-7	-0.9	-9	-1.1
Pinedale town	2,274	2,272	2,262	-10	-0.4	-12	-0.5
Balance of Sublette County	5,257	5,257	5,252	-5	-0.1	-5	-0.1
Sweetwater County	42,272	42,158	41,614	-544	-1.3	-658	-1.6
Bairoil town	68	68	67	-1	-1.5	-1	-1.5
Granger town	96	95	94	-1	-1.1	-2	-2.1
Green River city	11,825	11,786	11,609	-177	-1.5	-216	-1.8
Rock Springs city	23,534	23,481	23,196	-285	-1.2	-338	-1.4
Superior town	186	185	182	-3	-1.6	-4	-2.2
Wamsutter town	204	203	200	-3	-1.5	-4	-2.0
Balance of Sweetwater County	6,359	6,340	6,266	-74	-1.2	-93	-1.5
Teton County	23,331	23,347	23,575	228	1.0	244	1.0
Jackson town	10,761	10,767	10,849	82	0.8	88	0.8

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Balance of Teton County	12,570	12,580	12,726	146	1.2	156	1.2
Uinta County	20,450	20,441	20,635	194	0.9	185	0.9
Bear River town	521	520	525	5	1.0	4	0.8
Evanston city	11,754	11,742	11,814	72	0.6	60	0.5
Lyman town	2,140	2,142	2,175	33	1.5	35	1.6
Mountain View town	1,283	1,281	1,287	6	0.5	4	0.3
Balance of Uinta County	4,752	4,756	4,834	78	1.6	82	1.7
Washakie County	7,685	7,658	7,705	47	0.6	20	0.3
Ten Sleep town	249	248	251	3	1.2	2	0.8
Worland city	4,774	4,757	4,787	30	0.6	13	0.3
Balance of Washakie County	2,662	2,653	2,667	14	0.5	5	0.2
Weston County	6,838	6,809	6,745	-64	-0.9	-93	-1.4
Newcastle city	3,245	3,232	3,204	-28	-0.9	-41	-1.3
Upton town	926	922	913	-9	-1.0	-13	-1.4
Balance of Weston County	2,667	2,655	2,628	-27	-1.0	-39	-1.5

Note: The estimates are based on the 2020 Census and reflect changes to the April 1, 2020 population due to geographic program revisions and the application of disclosure avoidance to protect confidentiality (DRB clearance number CBDRB-FY22-054). For population estimates methodology statements, see <http://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/popest/technical-documentation/methodology.html>. All geographic boundaries for the Vintage 2021 subcounty population estimates series are as of January 1, 2021. For updates on Legal Boundary Change/Annexation Data, see <https://www.census.gov/geographies/reference-files/time-series/geo/bas/annex.html>. Additional information on these localities can be found in the Geographic Boundary Change Notes (see <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/geography/technical-documentation/boundary-change-notes.html>).

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