



## Quick Facts

Governor - State Capital	Governor Jim Geringer - Cheyenne
Most Livable State - National Ranking	20th in 2000 - 10th in 1999 - 20th in 1998
Nicknames	Equality State - Big Wyoming - Cowboy State
State Dinosaur & State Fossil	Triceratops & Knightia
State Flower & State Tree	Indian Paintbrush & Plains Cottonwood
State Bird & State Fish	Western Meadowlark & Cutthroat Trout
State Mammal & State Gemstone	Bison & Jade
1st National Park	Yellowstone - established March 1, 1872
1st National Monument	Devil's Tower - established September 24, 1906
Admitted to Statehood - Date & Ranking	July 10, 1890 - 44th State

Items	Most Recent Period			Previous Period		% Change in Value
	Year	Value	Rank	Year	Value	
<b>Demography</b>						
Total Population	2000	493,782	50	1999	479,602	3.0%
Total Male Population	1999	240,943	50	1998	241,205	-0.1%
Total Female Population	1999	238,659	50	1998	238,840	-0.1%
% of Population - Under 18 Years Old	1999	28.6%	14	1998	26.9%	6.2%
% of Population - 18 to 64 Years Old	1999	60.2%	21	1998	61.6%	-2.3%
% of Population - 65 Years & Older	1999	11.3%	38	1998	11.5%	-2.2%
Population of Cheyenne - Capital	1998	53,640	-	1997	53,451	0.4%
Population per Square Mile	2000	5.04	49	1998	4.90	3.0%
Number of Counties	2001	23	39	2000	23	0.0%
Most Populated County - Laramie County	1999	78,877	-	1998	78,583	0.4%
Least Populated County - Niobrara County	1999	2,684	-	1998	2,700	-0.6%
Median Age	1999	36.1	18-21	1998	35.7	1.1%
Marriages per 1,000 Persons	1998	9.7	11	1997	10.2	-4.9%
Divorces per 1,000 Persons	1998	5.9	6	1997	6.2	-4.8%
% of Eligible Population Reported Voting	1998	49.4%	4	1996	59.4%	-16.8%
<b>Weather &amp; Geography</b>						
Total Area (sq. miles)	2001	97,914	9	-	-	NA
Water Area (sq. miles)	2001	714	35	-	-	NA
Mean Elevation (ft)	2001	6,700	2	-	-	NA
Highest Point (ft) - Gannett Peak	2001	13,804	5	-	-	NA
Lowest Point (ft) - Belle Fourche River	2001	3,125	49	-	-	NA
Normal Mean Temperature (f)	2000	45.6	41	-	-	NA
Average Annual Precipitation (in)	1998	14.5	-	-	-	NA
Average Wind Speed (mph)	2000	12.9	1	-	-	NA
% of Days That are Sunny	2000	64.0%	9	-	-	NA
% of Land in Rural Areas	1999	91.7%	9	1998	91.7%	0.0%
% of Land Owned by the Federal Gov't.	1999	49.5%	5	1998	49.5%	0.0%
% of Land Owned by State Gov't.	1999	5.7%	-	1998	5.7%	0.0%
<b>Recreation &amp; Tourism</b>						
Land Ownership in Wyoming (mil. acres):						
- National Park Service	2000	2.4	-	-	-	NA
- U.S. Forest Service	2000	9.2	-	-	-	NA
- Bureau of Land Management	2000	17.4	-	-	-	NA
Wyoming State Parks Acreage (land & water)	2000	114,571	-	-	-	NA
Visitations to Grand Teton N.P.	1999	2,680,025	-	1998	2,757,060	-2.8%
Visitations to Yellowstone N.P.	1999	3,131,381	-	1998	3,085,583	1.5%
Visitations to Devil's Tower N.M.	1999	397,481	-	1998	402,965	-1.4%
Visitations to State Parks	1999	1,931,287	-	1998	1,948,386	-0.9%
# of Downhill Ski Areas	2000	10	-	-	-	NA
Miles of Snowmobile Trails	2000	2,000+	-	-	-	NA
# of National Forests	2000	9	-	-	-	NA



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<b>Tax Environment</b>						
Individual State Income Tax Rate	2001	0.0%	42-50	2000	0.0%	0.0%
Corporate Income Tax Rate	2001	0.0%	47-50	2000	0.0%	0.0%
State Sales Tax Rate	2001	4.0%	36	2000	4.0%	0.0%
Gasoline Tax Rate (cents/gallon)	2001	14.0	44	2000	14.0	0.0%
Cigarette Tax Rate (cents/pack)	2001	12.0	46	2000	12.0	0.0%
Tax Freedom Day - Wyoming	2000	May 14	2	1999	May 12	NA
Tax Freedom Day - U.S.	2000	May 3	-	1999	May 3	NA
State/Local Taxes as % of Income	2000	9.3%	44	1999	7.3%	27.4%
Federal Taxes as % of Income	2000	27.7%	1	1999	28.6%	-3.1%
<b>Wyoming Economy</b>						
The Digital Economy:						
- Online Population (% of adults online)	1998	36.0%	10	-	-	NA
- Technology in Schools (weighted measure)	1998	2.75	10	-	-	NA
- Digital Government (weighted measure)	1998	69.8	11	-	-	NA
- ".com" Domains per Firm	1999	0.15	39	-	-	NA
Per Capita Gross State Product (\$)	1998	\$36,517	4	1997	\$37,018	-1.4%
Per Capita Personal Income (\$)	1999	\$26,396	34	1998	\$24,927	5.9%
Wyoming Annual Inflation Rate	2Q00	4.3%	-	2Q99	2.6%	65.4%
New Wyoming Profit Corporations	3Q00	390	-	3Q99	546	-28.6%
New Non-Wy Profit Corporations	3Q00	310	-	3Q99	365	-15.1%
Bank Deposits (bil. \$)	3Q00	\$5.5	-	3Q99	\$6.0	-8.3%
Exports - Origin of Movement Series (mil. \$)	1999	\$497.2	49	1998	\$543.8	-8.6%
<b>Agriculture &amp; Mining</b>						
Average # of Acres per Farm/Ranch	1999	3,761	1	1998	3,761	0.0%
Cash Receipts from Commodities (mil.\$)	1998	\$850.3	38	1997	\$876.3	-3.0%
Beef Cows (1,000)	1999	824	15	1998	804	2.5%
All Sheep & Lambs (1,000)	1999	660	3	1998	710	-7.0%
Wool Production (1,000 lbs.)	1999	4,930	2	1998	5,540	-11.0%
Alfalfa Hay (1,000 tons)	1999	1,782	18	1998	1,560	14.2%
Barley (1,000 bu.)	1999	7,310	8	1998	7,310	0.0%
Sugarbeets (1,000 tons)	1999	1,205	9	1998	1,087	10.9%
Coal Production (mil. short tons)	1999	336.5	1	1998	314.9	6.9%
Natural Gas Production (bil. cubic feet)	1999	1,130.9	5	1998	1,072.6	5.4%
Oil Production (mil. barrels)	1999	61.4	6	1998	65.7	-6.5%
Trona Production (mil. short tons)	1999	17.8	1	1998	18.6	-4.3%
<b>Education</b>						
% of Pop. (25+) with High School Degree	1998	90.0%	3	1996	90.2%	-0.2%
% of Pop. (25+) with Bachelor's Degree	1998	19.8%	43	1996	24.2%	-18.2%
Education Freedom Index (composite score)	2000	1.76	40	-	-	NA
ACT Average Composite Score	1999	21.4	20	1998	21.4	0.0%
SAT Average Composite Score	1999	1,097	19	1998	1,094	0.3%
% of Students in Private Schools	1997	2.6%	49	1995	2.2%	18.2%
Pupil-Teacher Ratio in Public Schools	1999	14.2	43	1998	14.5	-2.1%
Average Salary of Teachers (\$)	1998	\$32,022	42	1997	\$31,721	0.9%
Public High School Graduation Rate	1999	76.1%	16	1998	78.2%	-2.7%
High School Drop Out Rate	1997	6.2%	8	1996	5.7%	8.8%
Expenditures Per Pupil in Public Schools (\$)	1999	\$7,097	11	1998	\$5,911	20.1%
Enrollment at the University of Wyoming	May 00	11,540	-	May 99	11,467	0.6%
Average Student Age at U.W.	May 99	27.1	-	May 98	27.1	0.0%
4-Year Graduation Rate at U.W.	1995	21.5%	-	1994	20.1%	7.0%
Average Faculty Salary at U.W. (\$ - all ranks)	1999	\$48,499	-	1998	\$47,097	3.0%
Bachelor's Degrees Granted at U.W.	1999-00	1,797	-	1998-99	1,784	0.7%

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<b>Crime &amp; Law Enforcement</b>						
Crimes	1998	20,068	48	1997	20,068	0.0%
Crimes per 100,000 Persons	1998	3,808	33	1997	4,181	-8.9%
Violent Crimes per 100,000 Persons	1998	248	43	1997	255	-2.7%
Murders per 100,000 Persons	1998	4.8	26	1997	3.5	37.1%
Rapes per 100,000 Persons	1998	27.7	36	1997	28.5	-2.8%
Robberies per 100,000 Persons	1998	16.2	48	1997	17.7	-8.5%
Aggravated Assaults per 100,000 Persons	1998	199	37	1997	205	-2.9%
Burglaries per 100,000 Persons	1998	561	45	1997	625	-10.2%
Larcenies & Thefts per 100,000 Persons	1998	2,861	22	1997	3,166	-9.6%
Motor Vehicle Thefts per 100,000 Persons	1997	139	47	1997	135	3.0%
Full-Time Sworn Officers per 10,000 Persons	1996	29	5	1992	26	11.5%
Per Capita S/L Gov't. Exp. for Police Prot. (\$)	1996	\$162.00	17	1995	\$149.39	8.4%
<b>Employment &amp; Labor</b>						
Average Annual Pay (\$)	1998	\$24,747	45	1997	\$23,378	5.9%
State Minimum Wage Rates (\$ per hour)	2000	\$1.60	43	1999	\$1.60	0.0%
Civilian Labor Force	Nov. 00	264,227	50	Nov. 99	261,873	0.9%
Employed	Nov. 00	254,835	50	Nov. 99	250,844	1.6%
Unemployed	Nov. 00	9,392	50	Nov. 99	11,029	-14.8%
Unemployment Rates (seasonally adj.)	Nov. 00	3.8%	34	Nov. 99	4.5%	-15.6%
% of Employees in Service Industries	1999	22.5%	50	1998	22.1%	1.8%
% of Employees in Mining	1999	6.8%	1	1998	7.7%	-11.5%
% of Employees in Construction	1999	7.2%	3	1998	6.9%	4.3%
% of Employees in Manufacturing	1999	4.9%	47	1998	4.8%	2.1%
<b>Health &amp; Social Welfare</b>						
% of Persons not Covered by Health Insur.	1998	16.9%	18	1997	15.5%	9.0%
Nonfederal Physicians per 100,000 Persons	1998	196	45	1997	192	2.1%
Dentists per 100,000 Persons	1997	49	26	1996	49	0.0%
Community Hospitals per 100,000 Persons	1998	5.2	4	1997	5.2	0.0%
Live Births per 1,000 Persons	1998	13.2	38	1997	13.4	-1.5%
% of Births to Teenage Mothers	1998	16.2%	7	1997	14.1%	14.9%
Infant Deaths per 1,000 Live Births	1997	5.8	44	1996	6.0	-3.3%
Deaths per 100,000 Persons	1998	802	39	1997	780	2.8%
Suicides per 100,000 Persons	1997	18.5	4	1996	16.1	14.9%
Reported AIDS cases per 100,000 Persons	1999	3.1	43	1998	1.0	210.0%
% of Adults Who Smoke	1998	22.8%	27	1997	24.0%	-5.0%
% of Persons in Poverty	1998	12.0%	24	1997	12.5%	-4.0%
% of Persons Enrolled in Medicare	1998	13.0%	38	1997	13.1%	-0.8%
% of Persons Receiving Food Stamps	1999	4.9%	39	1998	4.8%	2.1%
Per Capita S/L Gov't. Exp. for Welfare (\$)	1996	\$534	43	1995	\$534	0.0%
<b>Housing</b>						
Residential Building Permits	Oct. 00	113	50	Oct. 99	114	-0.9%
Avg. Rent for 2-3 Bedroom House (\$)	2Q00	\$545	-	2Q99	\$520	4.8%
Avg. Rent for 2 Bedroom Apartment (\$)	2Q00	\$384	-	2Q99	\$376	2.1%
Avg. Rent for 2-3 Bedroom Mobile Home (\$)	2Q00	\$401	-	2Q99	\$400	0.3%
% of Households Occupied by Owner	1999	69.8%	29	1998	70.0%	-0.3%
Rental Vacancy Rate	1999	10.3%	12	1998	9.8%	5.1%

Sources: U.S. Bureau of the Census; U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis; Morgan Quitno Corporation; Wyoming State Geological Survey; Wyoming Dept. of Agriculture; Wyoming Dept. of Employment; Wyoming Dept. of Admin. & Info. - Economic Analysis Division; Fed. of Tax Admin.; Tax Foundation; University of Wyoming; Progressive Policy Inst.; Manhattan Inst.; Mass. Inst. of Social & Economic Research.

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