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Population, Income, Food Insecurity, Education, and Employment

Population

	Rural *	Urban *	Total
Year			
1980	329,052	140,505	469,557
1990	319,220	134,368	453,588
2000	345,642	148,140	493,782
2010	396,438	167,188	563,626
2011	399,112	169,046	568,158

More information on Wyoming population

- [County-level Population Data](#)
- [Rural Population and Migration Briefing Room](#)
- Contact [John Cromartie](#), 202-694-5421.

Income

	Rural *	Urban *	Total
Per-capita income (2010 dollars)			
2009	43,571	45,975	44,283
2010	44,310	46,504	44,961
Percent change	1.7	1.2	1.5
Earnings per job (2010 dollars)			
2009	44,006	47,940	45,170
2010	45,303	49,140	46,442
Percent change	2.9	2.5	2.8

Poverty rate (percent)

	Rural *	Urban *	Total
1979	8.3	6.9	7.9
1989	12.2	11.0	11.9
1999	11.9	10.3	11.4
2010 (latest model-based estimates)	11.4	11.2	11.4

More information on Wyoming poverty rates

- [County-level Poverty Data](#)
- [Rural Income, Poverty, and Welfare Briefing Room](#)
- See important notes about [decennial and model-based intercensal poverty estimates](#)
- Contact [Tracey Farrigan](#), 202-694-5489

Household-level Food Insecurity and Very Low Food Security

	2002-04 Avg.	2005-07 Avg.	2008-10 Avg.
Percent of households			
Food insecure	11.0	9.9	11.6
Very low food security	4.2	3.3	4.3
More information on Food Insecurity			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Security in the United States Briefing Room • Definitions of Food Insecurity and Very Low Food Security • Comparisons of prevalence rates of food insecurity between States must take account of the margins of error, which are sizeable for many States. Margins of error are published along with State prevalence rates in each year's <i>Household Food Security in the United States</i> report. • Contact Alisha Coleman-Jensen, 202-694-5456. 			

Education (Persons 25 and older)			
	Rural *	Urban *	Total
Percent not completing high school			
1980 (Census)	23.6	18.7	22.1
1990 (Census)	17.7	15.3	17.0
2000 (Census)	12.5	11.3	12.1
2006-2010 (ACS)	8.8	8.2	8.7
Percent completing high school only			
1980 (Census)	40.0	39.8	40.0
1990 (Census)	34.5	29.9	33.2
2000 (Census)	32.1	28.3	31.0
2006-2010 (ACS)	31.7	30.2	31.3
Percent completing some college			
1980 (Census)	19.9	22.8	20.8
1990 (Census)	29.8	34.2	31.1
2000 (Census)	33.4	38.5	35.0
2006-2010 (ACS)	35.2	39.6	36.5
Percent completing college			
1980 (Census)	16.5	18.7	17.2
1990 (Census)	18.0	20.5	18.8
2000 (Census)	21.9	21.9	21.9
2006-2010 (ACS)	24.2	22.0	23.6
More information on Wyoming education			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County-level Education Data • Rural Labor and Education Briefing Room • Contact Alexander Marré, 202-694-5338 			

Employment			
	Rural *	Urban *	Total
Total number of jobs			
2009	273,482	114,963	388,445
2010	271,205	114,516	385,721
Percent employment change			
2008-2009	-1.9	-1.9	-1.9
2009-2010	-0.0	0.5	0.1
2010-2011	0.9	2.9	1.5
Unemployment rate (percent)			
2010	6.8	7.4	7.0
2011	5.8	6.3	6.0
More information on Wyoming unemployment rates			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County-level Unemployment and Median Household Income Data • Rural Labor and Education Briefing Room • Contact Lorin Kusmin, 202-694-5429 			

Federal Funds, FY 2010			
	Rural *	Urban *	Total
Federal funding, dollars per person			
All Federal funds	8,982	11,974	9,870
Federal funding by purpose (function codes)			
Agriculture and natural resources	177	71	146
Community resources	1,988	2,630	2,179

Defense and space	367	2,224	919
Human resources	210	158	195
Income security	4,458	5,464	4,757
National functions	1,781	1,428	1,676
Federal funding by type of payments (object codes)			
Grants	1,119	1,185	1,138
Direct loans	214	52	166
Guaranteed/insured loans	1,858	2,547	2,063
Retirement/disability payments	2,698	3,385	2,902
Other direct payments to individuals	1,214	1,257	1,227
Direct payments, not to individuals	124	75	110
Procurement contracts	983	1,069	1,009
Salaries and wages	771	2,405	1,257

Total does not include Statewide funds undistributed at the county level.

More information on Federal Funds

- [Program Function and Object Code Definitions](#)
- [Federal Funds and Development Policy Briefing Room](#)
- [Federal Funds Data](#)
- Contact [Richard Reeder](#), 202-694-5360

* The terms rural and urban here refer to data for nonmetro and metro areas, a county-level classification defined by the Office of Management and Budget. We use the June 2003 version of nonmetro and metro areas because it reflects conditions at the beginning of the decade. See [Measuring Rurality: What is Rural?](#) for a discussion of differences between metro-nonmetro categories and the Census Bureau's rural-urban classification.

More information on socioeconomic conditions

- [Rural Emphasis Page](#)
- Contact [Tim Parker](#), 202-694-5435.

Organic Agriculture

	2006	2007	2008
Number of certified operations	35	37	42
Crops (acres)	60,223	39,444	56,979
Pasture & rangeland (acres)	33,425	423,543	603,096
Total acres	93,648	462,987	660,076

More information on organic agriculture

- [Organic Production Data](#)
- [Organic Agriculture Briefing Room](#)
- Contact [Catherine Greene](#), 202-694-5541.

Farm Characteristics

1997, 2002 and 2007 Census of Agriculture

	1997	2002	2007
Approximate total land area (acres)	62,146,919	62,144,253	62,130,538
Total farmland (acres)	34,302,475	34,402,726	30,169,526
Percent of total land area	55.2	55.4	48.6
Cropland (acres)	3,033,875	2,989,804	2,576,017
Percent of total farmland	8.8	8.7	8.5
Percent in pasture	24.3	30.3	16.3
Percent irrigated	39.4	32.1	39.8
Harvested Cropland (acres)	1,801,314	1,298,709	1,536,240
Woodland (acres)	755,364	722,570	395,806
Percent of total farmland	2.2	2.1	1.3
Percent in pasture	90.6	81.8	88.0

Pastureland (acres)	30,193,268	30,247,024	27,012,269
Percent of total farmland	88.0	87.9	89.5
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. (acres)	319,968	443,328	185,434
Percent of total farmland	0.9	1.3	0.6
Conservation practices			
Farmland in conservation or wetlands reserve programs (acres)	237,390	255,741	281,307
Average farm size (acres)	3,633	3,651	2,726
Farms by size (percent)			
1 to 99 acres	25.3	31.0	33.8
100 to 499 acres	25.0	24.4	27.9
500 to 999 acres	11.6	10.2	10.0
1000 to 1,999 acres	10.3	8.7	7.8
2,000 or more acres	27.8	25.6	20.5
Farms by sales (percent)			
Less than \$9,999	38.6	46.8	52.3
\$10,000 to \$49,999	28.9	23.5	19.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12.4	10.6	8.8
\$100,000 to \$499,999	17.2	16.0	15.6
More than \$500,000	2.8	3.2	3.6
Tenure of farmers			
Full owner (farms)	4,878	5,560	7,124
Percent of total	51.7	59.0	64.4
Part owner (farms)	3,410	3,082	3,276
Percent of total	36.1	32.7	29.6
Tenant owner (farms)	1,155	780	669
Percent of total	12.2	8.3	6.0
Farm organization			
Individuals/family, sole proprietorship (farms)	7,349	7,566	8,784
Percent of total	77.8	80.3	79.4
Family-held corporations (farms)	877	680	932
Percent of total	9.3	7.2	8.4
Partnerships (farms)	972	928	1,024
Percent of total	10.3	9.8	9.3
Non-family corporations (farms)	60	66	87
Percent of total	0.6	0.7	0.8
Others - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. (farms)	185	182	242
Percent of total	2.0	1.9	2.2
Characteristics of principal farm operators			
Average operator age (years)	54.3	54.1	57.1
Percent with farming as their primary occupation	59.6	61.1	49.2
Men	8,503	7,890	9,465
Women	940	1,532	1,604
More information on farm characteristics			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Census of Agriculture • Contact NASS Customer Service, 1-800-727-9540. 			

Farm Financial Indicators

Farm income and value added data		
	2009	2010
Number of farms	11,000	11,000
	Thousands \$	
Final crop output	283,326	283,031
+ Final animal output	719,029	870,961
+ Services and forestry	261,987	219,854
= Final agricultural sector output	1,264,342	1,373,846
- Intermediate consumption outlays	823,503	834,204
+ Net government transactions	-32,945	-25,713
= Gross value added	407,893	513,929
- Capital consumption	166,254	169,592
= Net value added	241,639	344,337
- Factor payments	227,347	217,994
Employee compensation (total hired labor)	129,479	117,028
Net rent received by nonoperator landlords	11,067	18,420
Real estate and nonreal estate interest	86,801	82,546
= Net farm income	14,293	126,343
More information on farm income		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farm Income Data • Farm Income and Costs Briefing Room • Contact Ted Covey, 202-694-5344. 		

Top Commodities, Exports, and Counties

Top 5 agriculture commodities, 2010			
	Value of receipts thousand \$	Percent of state total farm receipts	Percent of US value
1. Cattle and calves	732,883	62.5	1.4
2. Hay	122,520	10.5	2.3
3. Hogs	71,070	6.1	0.4
4. Sugar beets	44,252	3.8	2.7
5. Sheep and lambs	34,604	3.0	6.5
All commodities	1,172,012		0.4

More information on Wyoming's top agriculture commodities

- [Leading commodities by cash receipts in Excel.](#)
- [Other cash receipts data.](#)
- Contact [Ted Covey](#), 202-694-5344.

Top 5 agriculture exports, estimates, FY 2010		
	Rank among states	Value million \$
1. Feeds and fodders	20	63.1
2. Seeds	18	17.2
3. Feed grains and products	35	14.3
4. Wheat and products	42	12.3
5. Live animals and meat	34	9.8
Total export value	42	128.3

More information on agricultural exports

- [State Export Data](#)
- [Agricultural Trade Briefing Room](#)
- Contact [Nora Brooks](#), 202-694-5211.

Top 5 counties in agricultural sales 2007

	Percent of state total receipts	Thousands \$
1. Goshen County	13.6	157,512
2. Laramie County	10.7	124,094
3. Platte County	8.4	97,071
4. Fremont County	7.5	86,701
5. Park County	7.1	81,775
State total		1,157,535

More information on agricultural sales

- [Census of Agriculture](#)
- Contact [NASS Customer Service](#), 1-800-727-9540.

Data Sources

- Local Area Unemployment Statistics, county data, [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#).
- Current Population Survey, [Food Security Supplements](#), 2002-2010, Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce.
- Regional Economic Information System, April 2012, [Bureau of Economic Analysis](#), U.S. Department of Commerce.
- 1980, 1990, 2000, 2010 Census of Population, [Census Bureau](#), U.S. Department of Commerce.
- 2006-2010 [American Community Survey](#), Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce.
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- Organic data, [USDA, Economic Research Service](#), based on information from USDA-accredited State and private organic certifiers.
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- [Foreign Agricultural Trade of the United States \(FATUS\)](#), Economic Research Service, USDA.
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