



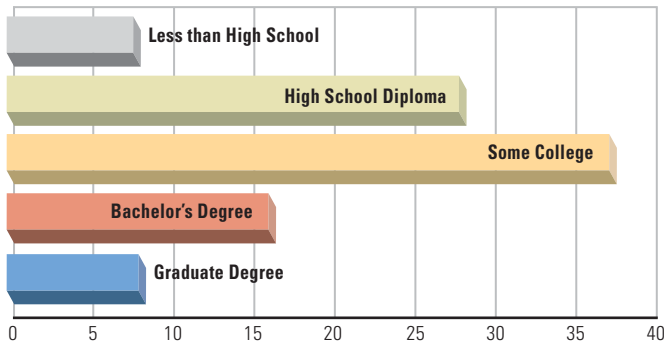
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“Last year Wyoming received a credit rating upgrade to triple A, the highest available, principally because of our conservative forecasting and budgeting. This is a rating our state has rightly earned and continues to merit.” — Gov. Matt Mead, Nov. 30, 2012, submitting his 2013-2014 supplemental budget

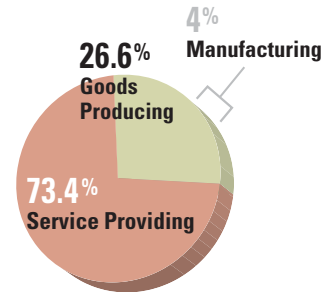
Governor: Matt Mead (R) wyomingbusiness.org
Population 2011: 568,158 Population growth forecast 2012-2017: 5.59% Median household income: \$54,509

Work Force Education by Percentage



Private Sector Employment

295,100 jobs



Mature firm tax index rank: **1**

New firm tax index rank: **9**

Manufacturing Capex
2011 (46): **\$291,347**

Manufacturing Capex
on buildings and other
structures (43): **\$53,077**

Avg. industrial retail electricity
price (cents/kwh): **6.04**

Avg. annual pay in mfg.: **\$62,835**

Median age: **36.8**

Right-to-work state? **YES**

Legislative Update

- On Nov. 30, Gov. Mead submitted his 2014 budget proposal that calls for reducing ongoing spending by more than \$60 million a year and eliminating 86 vacant positions.
- On Sept. 21, Gov. Mead announced his support for the Stop the War on Coal Act in Congress. “Recent federal rules and regulations targeting the coal industry are unreasonable and unachievable. The coal industry must

be profitable to advance new technologies. Researchers and industry need certainty before they invest time and money developing innovations in carbon capture, storage and use. I appreciate the House Republicans and the Wyoming Congressional Delegation’s recognition of coal’s importance to our nation,” Mead said.