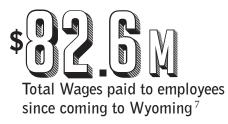# What Data Centers Mean to Wyoming

Data Centers are good for Wyoming as they bring high capital investment, high wage technology jobs, low fiscal impact on local and state government services and diversify the economy. Additionally, hundreds of construction workers are employed during the development of a data center. It is a growing industry for Wyoming as at least **seven** new centers are currently considering Wyoming.

How does Wyoming rank in attracting & retaining data centers?

Mature Companies: 2nd (behind Nebraska)
New Companies: 10th

Sixteen states offer investment tax credits, 15 offer property tax abatements, 14 offer withholding tax credits and 13 offer job creation credits. Elimination of the Data Center Sales and Use Tax Exemption would further reduce Wyoming's tax competitiveness for data centers.[1]

7 Data Centers in Cheyenne LEADS business parks [2]

280 Primary jobs at those data centers today [4]

$82.6M Total Wages paid to employees since coming to Wyoming [7]

$49M Property taxes paid since opening [9]

$100M **Annual** contribution to Wyoming Gross Domestic Product [3]

Over $2.4B Capital investment since opening [6]

148 Additional jobs in support occupations, not including construction employment [5]

Over $20M Sales Taxes paid on power [8]

31 Other states offer data center Sales & Use Tax Exemptions
5 States charge no sales tax

AVERAGE DATA CENTER WAGES: [10]

Operations Engineer: Average - $161,782

Technician: Average - $80,509

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