### INDUSTRY PROFILE

### **AGRICULTURE & FOOD PRODUCTS**





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# MANUFACTURING SALES TAX EXEMPTION

The sales tax burden is exempt on the sale or lease of machinery or sales of power or fuel used in the manufacturing process or processing of agriculture products.

#### INDUSTRY DIVERSITY

Wyoming is home to diverse businesses within the ag industry. From beef and lamb producers to local brewers and distillers, our rural communities help these businesses thrive. Innovative tech companies are cropping up across the state and working in close partnership with the University of Wyoming to prepare the future workforce.

#### MOUNTAIN MEADOW WOOL

Mountain Meadow Wool, based in Buffalo, WY, is the West's largest full-service mill. It supports local sheep ranchers, champions sustainability, and emphasizes traceability. Innovating with university partnerships and new dyeing capabilities, the family-owned mill processes 60,000 lbs of wool annually, reaching markets across 42 states and three overseas markets.

#### WYOMING TABLE

Wyoming Table is an online platform connecting in-state ranchers, farmers, distillers, brewers, and other producers with interested buyers (local, regional, national, and international) so they can purchase high-quality, locally-made food and beverages. Producers can get connected with buyers. Learn more at wytable.com.

#### **BIG LOST MEADERY**

Big Lost Meadery in Gillette, WY, crafts premium meads from local honey. Its meads are available in five states and shipped to 43 states as well as selling in Taiwan and expanding in Asia thanks to the Wyoming Business Council's Wyoming Pacific Trade Office. Big Lost showcases Wyoming's craft beverage potential and international market reach.





### THE BEST FRONTIER FOR BUSINESS

#### FEATURED BUSINESSES & PROGRAMS

#### PLENTY UNLIMITED INC.

Plenty is set to revolutionize indoor farming with the world's largest vertical farming research center, breaking ground in Laramie, WY, in 2025. Scheduled to open in summer 2026, the facility will expand crop innovation and research partnerships, pushing the boundaries of plant science and sustainable agriculture.

## PLENTY EXPANDS RESEARCH CENTER

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#### **VERTICAL HARVEST**

Started in Jackson, WY and with another farm opening in Maine in 2025, Vertical Harvest pioneers urban hydroponic farming, producing fresh, local food year-round. Their innovative vertical farms address food insecurity while creating customized employment for people with disabilities. Its threestory Wyoming greenhouse uses a 1/10 acre site to grow an annual amount of produce equivalent to 10 acres of traditional farming.

#### UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

UW offers a wide range of undergraduate and graduate degrees and majors through seven colleges and multiple interdisciplinary programs and departments. With colleges ranging from the College of Agriculture, Life Sciences and Natural Resources to the School of Energy Resources to the College of Business, there is a plethora of students, researchers, and professionals who are working closely with the CEA industry in the areas of innovation and research and development.

#### **SUPPORT & TRAINING**

In addition to the university, there are seven community colleges located across the state, all of which work closely with local businesses to create programming that aligns with the needs of agribusiness, farm and ranch management, and beef production.

#### **EXPORT ASSISTANCE**

The Wyoming Asia Pacific Trade Office (WAPTO), housed in the Taipei World Trade Center, connects producers in Wyoming to food buyers in the Asia Pacific Region. As a direct result, Wyoming beef, distilled spirits, beer, and cereal products have been purchased throughout Taiwan.

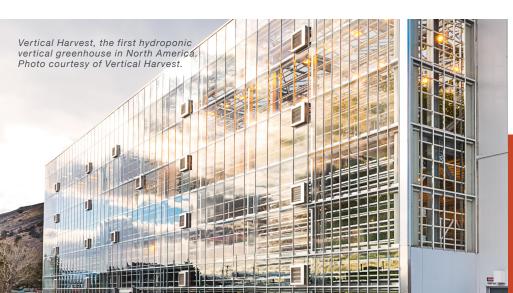
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Wyoming enjoys easy access to year-round recreation opportunities and wide open spaces. Here, the great outdoors and economic opportunity go hand-in-hand, making Wyoming home to a burgeoning agri-tourism industry.

#### TRAINING A SKILLED WORKFORCE

The Wyoming Department of Workforce Services assists employers through the Pre-Hire Grant Program, which is available to train potential employees for a new or expanding business to fit its specific skill set. Find out more by visiting wyomingworkforce.org.



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