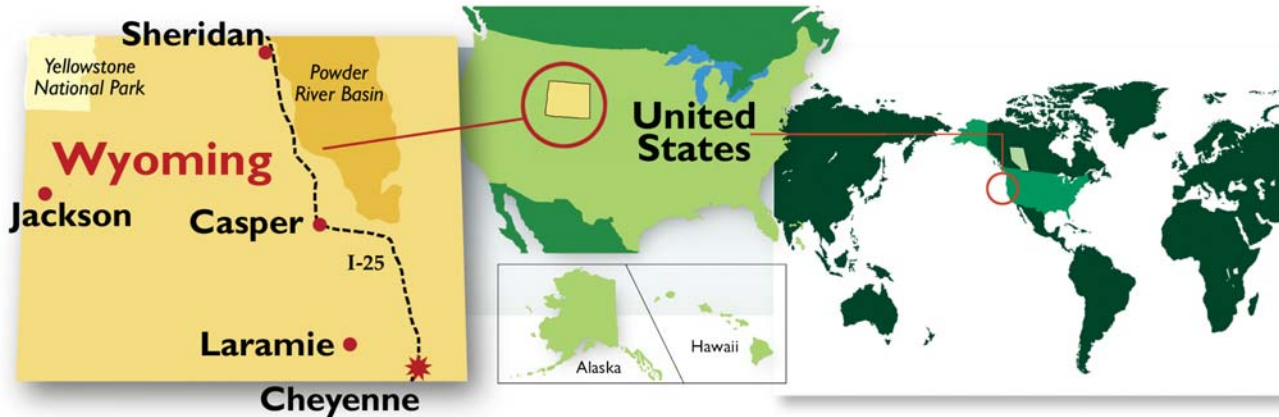


WYOMING - ALBERTA RELATIONS



PROFILE

Capital: Cheyenne

Population: 509,294 (2005 Estimate)

Language: English

Government: Bicameral state government

Head of Government: Governor Dave Freudenthal (D)
Term Expires: 2006

Currency: US dollar
CDN\$1 = 0.89 US (August 2006)

GSP: US\$20.6 billion (2005)

Per Capita Income: US\$36,778 (2005)

Key Industry Sectors: Agriculture, mining, construction, tourism, and chemicals.

Unemployment: 3.2% (July 2006)

Main Cities:

▪ Cheyenne:	55,731
▪ Casper:	51,738
▪ Laramie:	26,058
▪ Gillette:	22,658
▪ Rock Springs:	18,772

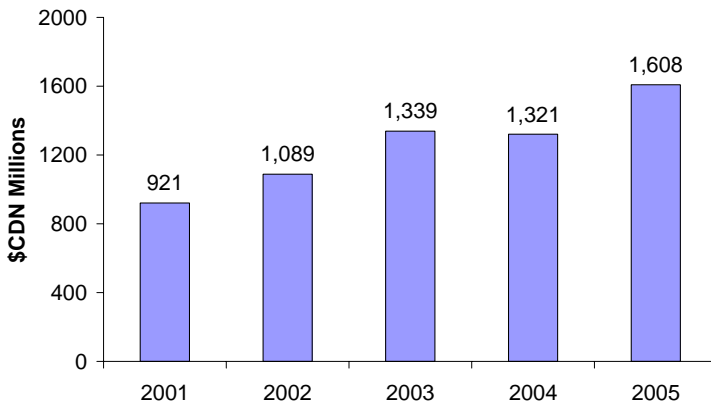
DID YOU KNOW?

- The federal government owns 50% of Wyoming's land, much of it in national parks, forests, or preserves.
- Wyoming is home to Yellowstone National Park, the largest and oldest national park in the U.S..
- The Powder River Basin is underlain with vast amounts of coal that produce methane-natural gas or "coal bed methane". It is said that the area has the potential of becoming the largest natural gas operation in North America.
- Wyoming has the smallest population of any state in the U.S.

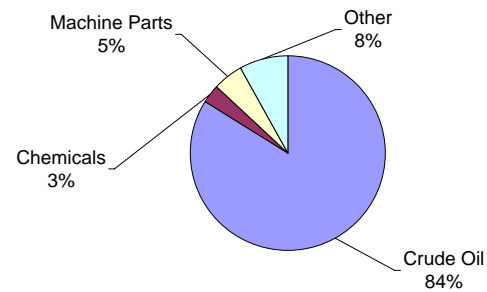
RELATIONSHIP OVERVIEW

- Wyoming is connected to Alberta by the I-25 highway, which eventually links with the CANAMEX Corridor in Montana.
- Wyoming and Alberta have many mutual interests, including oilfield development and pipeline and coalbed methane technologies.
- In 2005, Wyoming's Department of Transportation and Alberta Finance signed a reciprocal agreement on an exchange of information regarding fuel taxes.

Alberta Exports to Wyoming



2005 Alberta Exports to Wyoming



TRADE AND INVESTMENT

- Alberta's annual exports to Wyoming have averaged close to \$1.3 billion over the past five years, making it Alberta's 14th largest U.S. export market.
- Alberta main exports to Wyoming include crude oil, ventilation hoods, and chemicals.
- Alberta's imports from Wyoming totaled over \$62 million in 2005, and included clays, chemicals, pump parts, motor vehicle parts, iron cables, plaster boards, and construction machinery.
- Canada is Wyoming's largest export market. In 2005, imports from Wyoming totaled more than \$309 million.

EMERGING OPPORTUNITIES

- Mining is the most important sector of the state economy, followed by transportation and utilities. The tourism industry is becoming increasingly important.
- Wyoming has a wealth of mineral and agricultural resources and both industries still play major roles in the state's economy.

ENERGY

- Extensive coal reserves underlie 1/2 of the state. Wyoming's coal contains little sulfur, which makes it desirable as a low polluting coal fuel.
- The Clean Air Act placed a premium on Wyoming's low-sulphur coal and Wyoming is now the number one coal producing state; the strip mines of the Powder River Basin produce 30% of U.S. coal.
- Wyoming is a leader in developing coal bed methane, a type of natural gas produced in coal beds.

RECENT VISITS

- October 2003: An Alberta Economic Development official led a group of 13 Alberta-based companies on a mission to observe the Coal Bed Methane project.
- March 2002: Coal bed methane delegation from Wyoming visited Alberta
- November 2001: Alberta Energy Minister, Murray Smith, spoke at an energy conference in Wyoming and met with Governor Geringer.
- August 2001: Governor Geringer and Premier Klein held a bilateral meeting at the WGA meeting in Coeur d'Alene.

DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATION

- The U.S. Consul General in Calgary is Mr. Tom Huffaker.
- The Canadian Consulate responsible for Wyoming is located in Denver. Mr. Michael Fine is the Consul General.