



MISSOULA COUNTY

Missoula County is Montana's second most populous county, with an estimated 101,417 residents in 2006. Missoula, the county seat, is the state's second largest city, with a population estimated at 64,081 as of July 1, 2006.¹ Other cities and towns in Missoula County include: Bonner-West Riverside, Clinton, East Missoula, Evaro, Frenchtown, Greenough, Huson, Lolo, Milltown, Orchard Homes, Potomac, Seeley Lake, Swan Valley, Turah, and Wye.

The City of Missoula rests at the base of Mount Sentinel, at the hub of five valleys and three rivers: the Blackfoot, the Bitterroot, and the Clark Fork. It is known throughout Montana as "college town," being home to the University of Montana and serving as a major cultural center for the state. In the fall semester of 2006, the university employed 588 full-time and 221 part-time staff members, and reported an enrollment of 13,961 students.² Missoula also serves as a regional medical center, housing St. Patrick Hospital and the Community Medical Center.

¹U.S. Census Bureau, *Population Estimates Program*

²"UM at a Glance" University of Montana website, www.umt.edu/DiscoverUM/AboutUM

Resources for Missoula County

Chambers of Commerce

Missoula Chamber

P. O. Box 7577, Missoula, MT 59807
(406) 543-6623, www.missoulachamber.com

Seeley Lake Area Chamber

P. O. Box 516, Seeley Lake, MT 59868
(406) 677-2880, www.seeleylakechamber.com

Economic Development

Missoula Area Economic Development Corp.

1121 E. Broadway, Suite 100
Missoula, MT 59802
(406) 728-3337, www.maedc.org/

Montana Community Development Corp.

110 E. Broadway, 2nd floor
Missoula, MT 59802
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www.mtcdc.org/

Newspapers

Missoula Independent

115 S. Fourth St. W., Missoula, MT 59801
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The Missoulian

P. O. Box 8029, Missoula, MT 59807
(406) 523-5200 or (800) 366-7102
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Seeley Swan Pathfinder

P.O. Box 702, Seeley Lake, MT 59868
(406) 677-2022
www.seeleyswanpathfinder.com

Job Service Workforce Centers

Missoula Main Office

539 S. Third St. W.
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(406)728-7060, wsd.dli.mt.gov/local/missoula/

Missoula Satellite Office

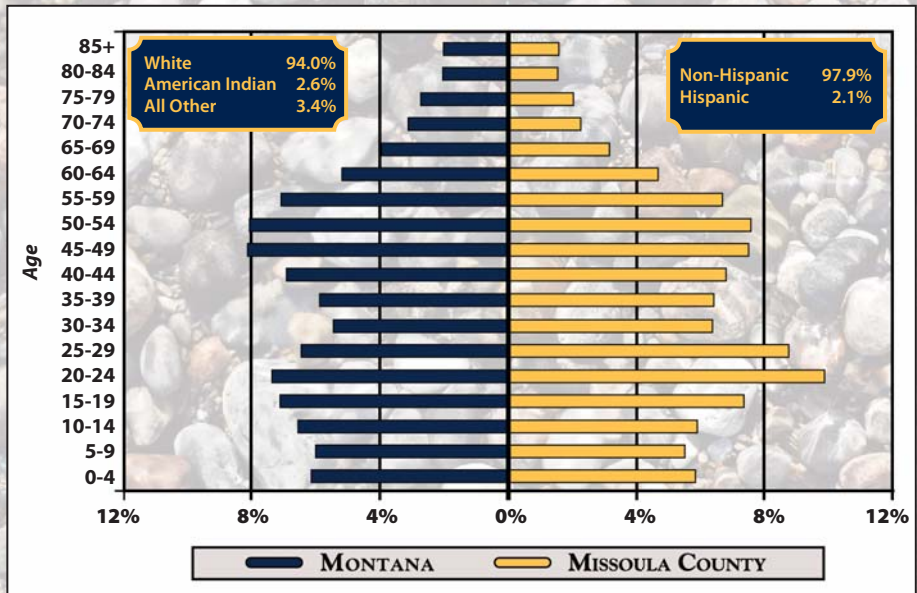
WoRC/FSET Program
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Missoula, MT 59808, (406) 329-1295

Population for Missoula County & Related Areas

Geography	% Change 2000-2006	Population Estimates							Census
		July 1, 2006	July 1, 2005	July 1, 2004	July 1, 2003	July 1, 2002	July 1, 2001	July 1, 2000	April 1, 2000
Missoula County	5.9%	101,417	100,033	99,063	98,435	97,792	96,684	96,083	95,802
Missoula city	12.3%	64,081	62,890	61,843	60,717	59,413	58,340	57,550	57,053
Balance of Missoula Cnty	-3.6%	37,336	37,143	37,220	37,718	38,379	38,344	38,533	38,749

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

Distribution of Population by Age Montana and Missoula County, 2006



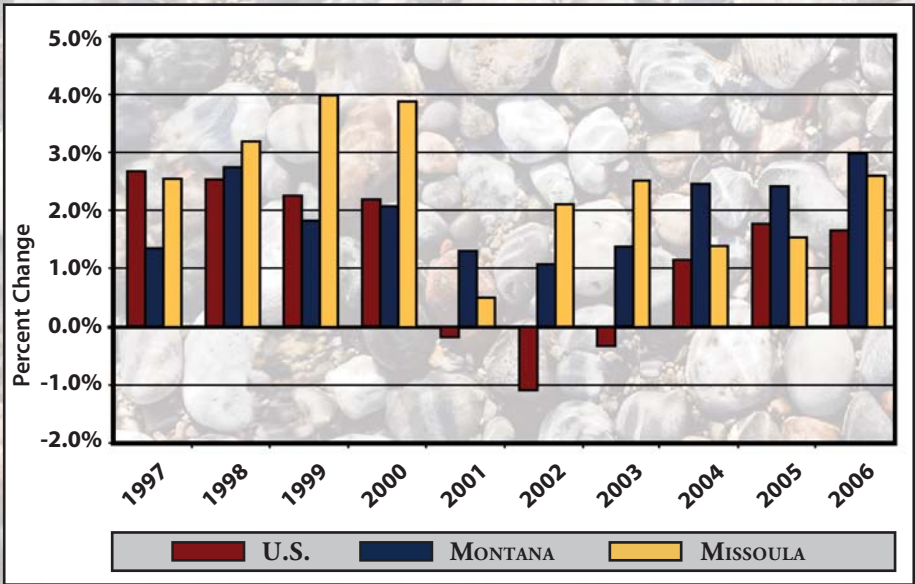
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006 Population Estimates

Highest Level of Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and older)

Educational Attainment	Missoula County	Montana	U.S.
Less than High School Diploma	9.0%	12.8%	19.6%
High School Diploma (or equivalent)	26.5%	31.3%	28.6%
Some College	26.8%	25.6%	21.0%
Associate Degree	4.9%	5.9%	6.3%
Bachelor's Degree	22.1%	17.2%	15.5%
Master's Degree	6.5%	4.6%	5.9%
Professional Degree	2.2%	1.7%	2.0%
Doctoral Degree	2.0%	0.9%	1.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000

Percent Change in Employment: 1997 to 2006 U.S., Montana, and Missoula County



Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

Top 20 Private Employers in Missoula County (Based on 2nd Quarter 2007 Data - Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Business Name	Size Class	Business Name	Size Class
Albertsons	7	Opportunity Resources	7
Community Medical Center	9	Riverside Contracting	6
Consumer Direct Personal Care	7	Roseburg Forest Products	6
Costco	6	St Patrick Hospital	9
DirecTV Customer Service	8	Stimson Lumber Company	7
Doubletree Hotel	6	Smurfit-Stone Container Corp	7
Good Food Store	6	Village Health Care Center	6
Missoula Developmental Service	6	Wal-Mart	8
Missoulian	6	Watkins & Shepard Trucking	6
Nightingale Nursing Services	7	Western Montana Clinic	7

Employment Size Class Coding: Class 9 = 1000+ employees, Class 8 = 500 to 999 employees, Class 7 = 250 to 499 employees, Class 6 = 100 to 249 employees, Class 5 = 50 to 99 employees, Class 4 = 20 to 49 employees, Class 3 = 10 to 19 employees

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW) This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to unemployment insurance. Railroads and government agencies are excluded.

Agricultural Statistics - Missoula County

Farms

Farms: (number)	641
Land in farms (acres)	258,315
Average size of farms (acres)	403
Farms by size: (number)	
Less than 1,000 acres	601
1,000 acres or more	40
Farms by value of products sold and government payments received: (number)	
Less than \$100,000	625
\$100,000 or more	16
Farms by type of organization: (number)	
Family, Individual, Partnership	620
Corporation, Cooperative, Trust	21

Livestock Inventory and Crops Harvested

Livestock and Poultry Inventory (number)	
Cattle and calves	10,737
Hogs and pigs	61
Sheep and lambs	1,770
Horses and ponies	2,439
Bison	149
Chickens (layers and broilers)	(D)
Crops Harvested (acres)	
Corn for grain	0
Corn for silage or greenchop	0
Wheat for grain, All	1,508
Winter wheat for grain	683
Durum wheat for grain	0
Spring wheat for grain	825
Barley for grain	486
Oats for grain	108
Sunflower seed, All	0
Soybeans for beans	0
Hay, haylage, grass silage	20,043

Operator Demographics

Primary occupation: (number)	
Farming	286
Other	355
Place of residence: (number)	
On farm operated	576
Not on farm operated	65
Years on present farm: (number)	
Less than 10 years	177
10 years or more	464
Age group: (number)	
Under 55 years	303
55 years and over	338
Average age of operators: (number)	56.5

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2002
(D) - Not Disclosable

Employment by Industry - Annual Averages 2006

Industry	Number of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	4292	54,440	\$30,664
TOTAL PRIVATE	4184	45,800	\$29,161
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING & HUNTING	85	399	\$40,384
Crop production	6	51	\$35,520
Animal production	6	25	\$41,892
Forestry and logging	47	220	\$35,185
Agriculture & forestry support	26	104	\$53,496
MINING	7	28	\$49,758
Mining, except oil and gas	2	*	*
Support activities for mining	5	*	*
UTILITIES	7	174	\$60,804
CONSTRUCTION	535	3,187	\$34,858
Construction of buildings	187	821	\$31,574
Heavy and civil engineering construction	47	686	\$47,360
Specialty trade contractors	301	1,680	\$31,360
MANUFACTURING	126	2,700	\$41,636
Food manufacturing	12	333	\$30,542
Beverage and tobacco product mfg	6	177	\$31,702
Textile mills	2	*	*
Textile product mills	3	6	\$18,892
Leather and allied product manufacturing	2	*	*
Wood product manufacturing	16	844	\$37,659
Paper manufacturing	2	*	*
Printing and related support activities	12	99	\$26,663
Chemical manufacturing	4	49	\$45,294
Plastics & rubber products manufacturing	2	*	*
Nonmetallic mineral product mfg	8	59	\$30,156
Primary metal manufacturing	1	*	*
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	13	88	\$34,086
Machinery manufacturing	5	39	\$45,365
Computer and electronic product mfg	2	*	*
Transportation equipment manufacturing	2	*	*
Furniture and related product mfg	14	163	\$27,310
Miscellaneous manufacturing	21	292	\$41,883
WHOLESALE TRADE	203	2,056	\$41,705
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	117	1,226	\$45,301
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	45	732	\$32,437
Electronic markets & agents and brokers	41	99	\$65,772
RETAIL TRADE	515	8,225	\$21,686
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	67	1,000	\$35,838
Furniture and home furnishings stores	36	299	\$27,132
Electronics and appliance stores	26	347	\$23,386
Building material & garden supply stores	46	830	\$29,710
Food and beverage stores	39	1,128	\$17,574
Health and personal care stores	27	199	\$26,828
Gasoline stations	44	520	\$14,075
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	66	627	\$13,264
Sporting good, hobby, book, music stores	52	770	\$14,012
General merchandise stores	19	1,703	\$20,858
Miscellaneous store retailers	71	539	\$16,953
Nonstore retailers	23	264	\$20,474
TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING	132	1,693	\$34,883

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

* Data Not Disclosable

Employment by Industry - Annual Averages 2006 (continued)

Industry	Number of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
Air transportation	11	136	\$31,494
Truck transportation	75	933	\$39,562
Transit and ground passenger transport	7	190	\$16,720
Pipeline transportation	1	*	*
Support activities for transportation	24	202	\$32,676
Couriers and messengers	10	189	\$36,409
Warehousing and storage	4	30	\$15,222
INFORMATION	93	1,209	\$38,481
Publishing industries, except Internet	22	296	\$34,244
Motion picture, sound recording industry	12	87	\$9,579
Broadcasting, except Internet	14	240	\$34,721
Internet publishing and broadcasting	5	*	*
Telecommunications	22	372	\$57,076
ISPs, search portals, & data processing	17	207	\$28,050
Other information services	2	*	*
FINANCE AND INSURANCE	227	1,695	\$43,477
Credit intermediation & related activity	91	933	\$37,797
Securities, comm. contracts, investments	41	*	*
Insurance carriers & related activities	93	627	\$47,316
Funds, trusts, other financial vehicles	1	*	*
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AND LEASING	197	900	\$22,479
Real estate	154	555	\$23,238
Rental and leasing services	41	*	*
Lessors of nonfinancial intangible asset	2	*	*
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	496	2,894	\$38,625
MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES	14	232	\$59,622
ADMINISTRATIVE AND WASTE SERVICES	223	2,173	\$26,472
Administrative and support services	208	1,928	\$23,861
Waste management and remediation service	16	245	\$47,060
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	51	468	\$18,902
HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	424	7,882	\$36,156
Ambulatory health care services	282	2,715	\$46,397
Hospitals	3	2,664	\$44,028
Nursing and residential care facilities	29	973	\$18,224
Social assistance	110	1,529	\$15,669
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND RECREATION	118	1,365	\$14,620
Performing arts and spectator sports	25	205	\$22,249
Museums, historical sites, zoos, & parks	3	10	\$27,583
Amusements, gambling, and recreation	90	1,150	\$13,150
ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES	318	5,972	\$11,422
Accommodation	57	1,181	\$13,616
Food services and drinking places	261	4,791	\$10,881
OTHER SERVICES	414	2,545	\$21,627
Repair and maintenance	142	785	\$27,037
Personal and laundry services	61	474	\$17,669
Membership associations & organizations	164	1,209	\$19,987
Private households	48	78	\$16,628
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	108	8,639	\$38,633
Local Government	49	3,441	\$33,696
State Government	16	3,772	\$35,107
Federal Government	43	1,426	\$59,868

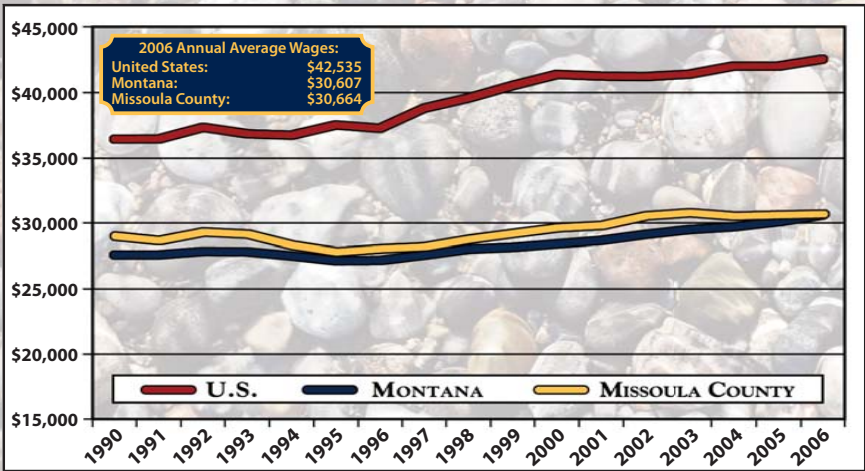
The QCEW program compiles data reported by all employers covered under Montana unemployment insurance. (Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.)

Annual Average Labor Force - Missoula County

Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
2006	59,104	57,406	1,698	2.9%
2005	57,515	55,500	2,015	3.5%
2004	56,767	54,635	2,132	3.8%
2003	56,158	53,993	2,165	3.9%
2002	55,879	53,680	2,199	3.9%
2001	55,173	53,018	2,155	3.9%
2000	54,211	52,041	2,170	4.0%

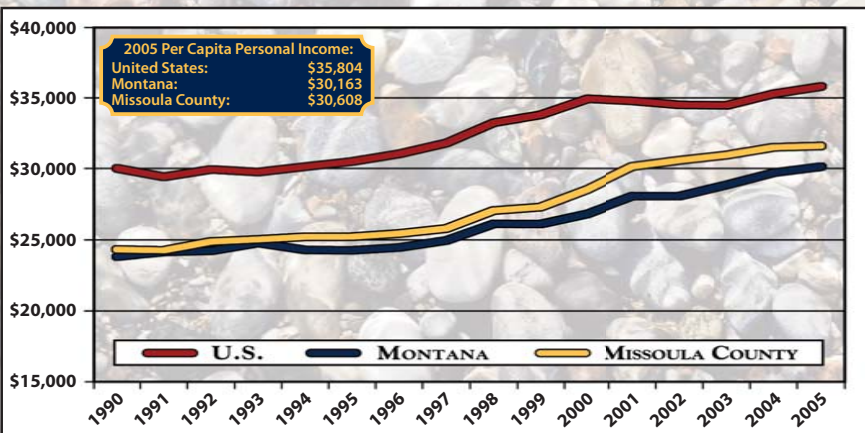
Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program (LAUS)

Annual Average Wages, 1990 to 2006 (In 2006 Dollars)



Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

Per Capita Personal Income, 1990 to 2005 (In 2005 Dollars)



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce, Regional Economic Information System

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