

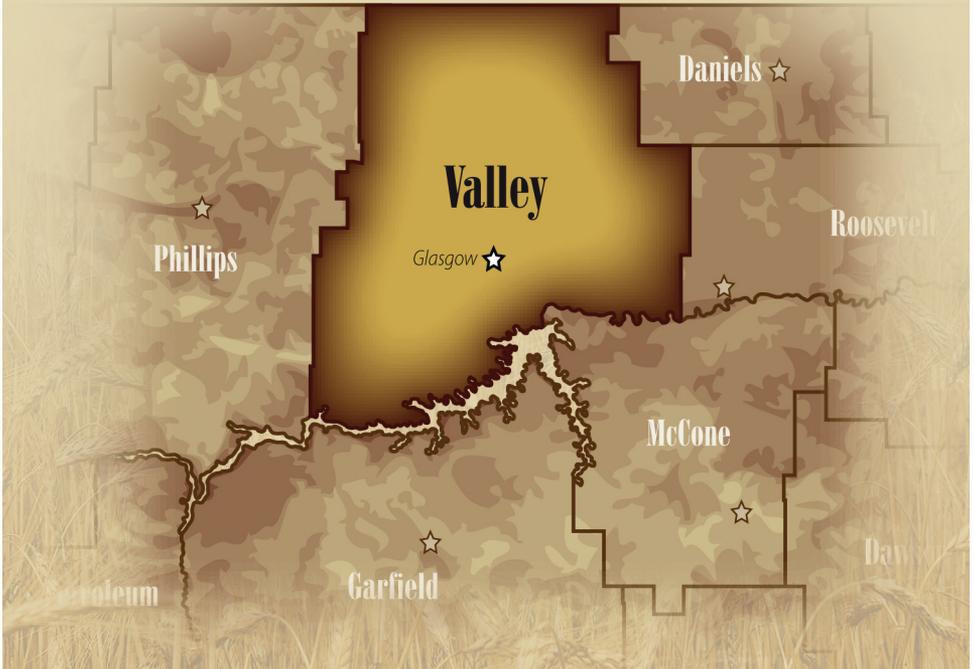
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# Montana

## COUNTY FLIERS

### Economic and Demographic Information for

# VALLEY COUNTY



Montana Department of  
**LABOR & INDUSTRY**  
Workforce Services Division





# VALLEY COUNTY

Valley County is Montana's 28th most populous county, with a population of 7,369 residents according to the 2010 Census. Glasgow, the county seat, is the state's 24th largest city, with a population of 3,250 in 2010.<sup>1</sup> Other cities and towns in Valley County include Fort Peck, Frazer, Glentana, Hinsdale, Nashua, Opheim, Richland, St. Marie, and Vandalia.

Valley County encompasses the vast majority of Fort Peck Lake, which offers visitors 1,600 miles of shoreline, 12 public recreation areas with camping and picnic facilities and boat ramps, the Fort Peck Dam Interpretive Center and Museum, and the Fort Peck Warm Water Fish Hatchery. Fort Peck Lake, Montana's largest body of water, lies within the million-acre Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge, where visitors may view elk, mule deer, red fox, coyotes, and an abundance of songbirds.<sup>2,3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Decennial Census

<sup>2</sup>[www.comehomemontana.org/viewinfo.php?town=glasgow](http://www.comehomemontana.org/viewinfo.php?town=glasgow)

<sup>3</sup>[www.visitmt.com/categories/city.asp?siteid=1&city=glasgow](http://www.visitmt.com/categories/city.asp?siteid=1&city=glasgow)

## TOP 10 PRIVATE EMPLOYERS IN VALLEY COUNTY

(Based on 2nd Quarter 2011 Data - Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Business Name	Size Class	Business Name	Size Class
Albertsons	4	Home Care Services	4
Cottonwood Inn & Suites	5	Milk River Inc.	4
First Community Bank	4	Nemont Telephone Cooperative	4
Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital	6	Pamida	4
Gordon's Foods	4	Valley View Home	5

Employment Size Class Coding: Class 6 = 100 to 249 employees, Class 5 = 50 to 99, Class 4 = 20 to 49, Class 3 = 10 to 19.

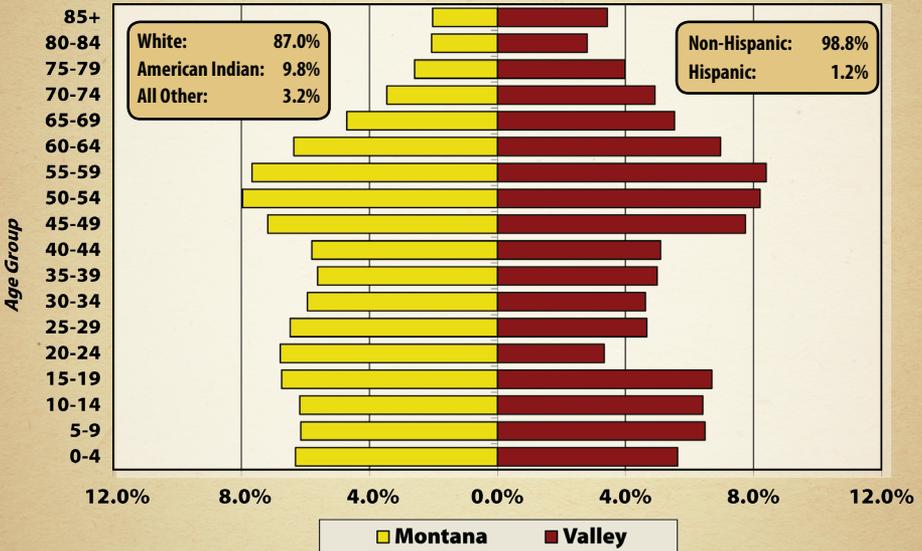
Source: Montana Department of Labor and Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment of Wages (QCEW) Program. This list ONLY includes industry employers subject to unemployment insurance. Railroads, tribal entities, and government agencies are excluded.

**POPULATION FOR VALLEY COUNTY AND RELATED AREAS**

Geography	Census 2000	2002 Estimate	2004 Estimate	2006 Estimate	2008 Estimate	Census 2010	% Change 2000-2010
Valley County	7,675	7,368	7,148	6,877	6,889	7,369	-4.0%
Fort Peck town	240	230	227	219	219	233	-2.9%
Glasgow city	3,253	3,124	3,033	2,911	2,919	3,250	-0.1%
Nashua town	325	313	303	292	292	290	-10.8%
Opheim town	111	107	103	99	99	85	-23.4%
Balance Valley County	3,746	3,594	3,482	3,356	3,360	3,511	-6.3%

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

**DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION BY AGE - VALLEY COUNTY, 2010**



**HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT (population 25 years and older)**

Educational Attainment	Valley County	Montana	United States
Less than a High School Diploma	13.4%	8.3%	14.4%
High School Diploma (or equivalent)	37.9%	29.9%	28.5%
Some College	23.2%	25.1%	21.3%
Associate's Degree	8.1%	7.9%	7.6%
Bachelor's Degree	13.4%	19.8%	17.7%
Graduate or Professional Degree	4.0%	9.0%	10.4%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2010 (US & MT), and 2005-2009 estimates (county)

## VALLEY COUNTY - EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY ANNUAL AVERAGES 2010

Industry	Number of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	321	2,704	\$30,421
TOTAL PRIVATE	267	1,966	\$28,342
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING & HUNTING	8	39	\$19,520
Crop production	1	*	*
Animal production	4	30	\$19,054
Agriculture & forestry support	3	*	*
MINING	1	*	*
Support activities for mining	1	*	*
UTILITIES	5	35	\$56,609
CONSTRUCTION	35	108	\$30,595
Construction of buildings	14	36	\$22,488
Heavy and civil engineering construction	5	10	\$36,340
Specialty trade contractors	16	61	\$34,431
MANUFACTURING	8	35	\$25,043
Food manufacturing	3	10	\$13,476
Printing and related support activities	1	*	*
Chemical manufacturing	1	*	*
Nonmetallic mineral product mfg	1	*	*
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	1	*	*
Miscellaneous manufacturing	1	*	*
WHOLESALE TRADE	17	141	\$34,591
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	3	42	\$47,724
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	10	93	\$28,232
Electronic markets & agents and brokers	4	6	\$42,711
RETAIL TRADE	45	341	\$26,735
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	11	56	\$28,335
Furniture and home furnishings stores	3	10	\$23,795
Electronics and appliance stores	3	16	\$18,528
Building material & garden supply stores	6	63	\$42,096
Food and beverage stores	5	89	\$24,407
Health and personal care stores	1	*	*
Gasoline stations	5	21	\$17,779
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	3	10	\$10,029
Sporting good, hobby, book, music stores	2	*	*
General merchandise stores	1	*	*
Miscellaneous store retailers	4	8	\$8,741
Nonstore retailers	1	*	*
TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING	5	7	\$23,535
Truck transportation	3	2	\$23,699
Support activities for transportation	2	*	*

## VALLEY COUNTY - EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY ANNUAL AVERAGES 2010 (cont.)

Industry	Number of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
<b>INFORMATION</b>	5	71	\$34,767
Publishing industries, except Internet	1	*	*
Motion picture, sound recording industry	1	*	*
Broadcasting, except Internet	1	*	*
Telecommunications	2	*	*
<b>FINANCE AND INSURANCE</b>	13	103	\$43,459
Credit intermediation & related activity	7	80	\$42,027
Securities, comm. contracts, investments	2	*	*
Insurance carriers & related activities	4	*	*
<b>REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AND LEASING</b>	2	*	*
Real estate	2	*	*
<b>PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES</b>	21	75	\$33,022
MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES	2	*	*
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE AND WASTE SERVICES</b>	9	32	\$19,923
Administrative and support services	8	*	*
Waste management and remediation service	1	*	*
<b>EDUCATIONAL SERVICES</b>	1	*	*
<b>HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE</b>	23	567	\$34,551
Ambulatory health care services	8	*	*
Hospitals	1	*	*
Nursing and residential care facilities	7	167	\$23,334
Social assistance	7	108	\$15,896
<b>ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND RECREATION</b>	12	44	\$11,511
Museums, historical sites, zoos, & parks	1	*	*
Amusements, gambling, and recreation	11	*	*
<b>ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES</b>	30	271	\$10,764
Accommodation	6	*	*
Food services and drinking places	24	*	*
<b>OTHER SERVICES</b>	27	77	\$13,845
Repair and maintenance	7	20	\$21,228
Personal and laundry services	4	*	*
Membership associations & organizations	15	44	\$8,037
Private households	1	*	*
<b>TOTAL GOVERNMENT</b>	54	737	\$35,969
Local Government	20	495	\$27,571
State Government	10	89	\$37,015
Federal Government	24	153	\$62,475

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

\*Data not disclosable

## AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS FOR VALLEY COUNTY

	2007 Census	2002 Census	% Change
<b>FARMS</b>			
Farms: (number)	770	743	4%
Land in farms (acres)	2,061,260	2,051,667	0%
Average size of farms (acres)	2,677	2,761	-3%
Median size of farms (acres)	850	1,123	-24%
Farms by size: (number)			
Less than 1,000 acres	422	373	13%
1,000 acres or more	348	370	-6%
Farms by value of products sold: (number)			
Less than \$100,000	567	568	0%
\$100,000 or more	203	175	16%
Farms by type of organization: (number)			
Family, Individual, Partnership	677	680	0%
Corporation, Cooperative, Trust	93	63	48%
<b>LIVESTOCK INVENTORY AND CROPS HARVESTED</b>			
Livestock and Poultry Inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	71,127	81,852	-13%
Hogs and pigs	224	512	-56%
Sheep and lambs	2,184	4,800	-55%
Horses and ponies	1,067	1,146	-7%
Bison	123	*	*
Chickens (layers and broilers)	341	367	-7%
Crops Harvested (acres)			
Corn for grain	1,338	*	*
Corn for silage or greenchop	1,432	1,200	19%
Wheat for grain, All	290,842	304,374	-4%
Winter wheat for grain	12,553	837	1400%
Spring wheat for grain	255,049	287,768	-11%
Durum wheat for grain	23,240	15,769	47%
Oats for grain	778	3,214	-76%
Barley for grain	7,570	10,556	-28%
Hay, haylage, grass silage	76,858	88,600	-13%
Sunflower seed, All	1,301	*	*
<b>OPERATOR DEMOGRAPHICS</b>			
Primary occupation: (number)			
Farming	449	542	-17%
Other	321	201	60%
Place of residence: (number)			
On farm operated	459	514	-11%
Not on farm operated	311	229	36%
Years on present farm: (number)			
Less than 10 years	147	160	-8%
10 years or more	623	583	7%
Age group: (number)			
Under 55 years	288	329	-12%
55 years and over	482	414	16%
Average age of operators: (number)	59.0	57.1	3%

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2007

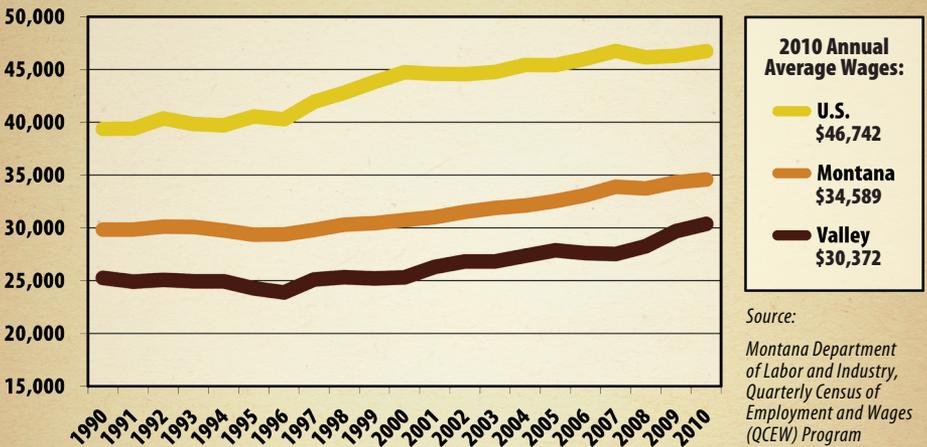
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**ANNUAL AVERAGE LABOR FORCE - VALLEY COUNTY**

Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
2010	3,541	3,361	180	5.1%
2009	3,560	3,389	171	4.8%
2008	3,653	3,513	140	3.8%
2007	3,637	3,518	119	3.3%
2006	3,568	3,459	109	3.1%
2005	3,590	3,463	127	3.5%

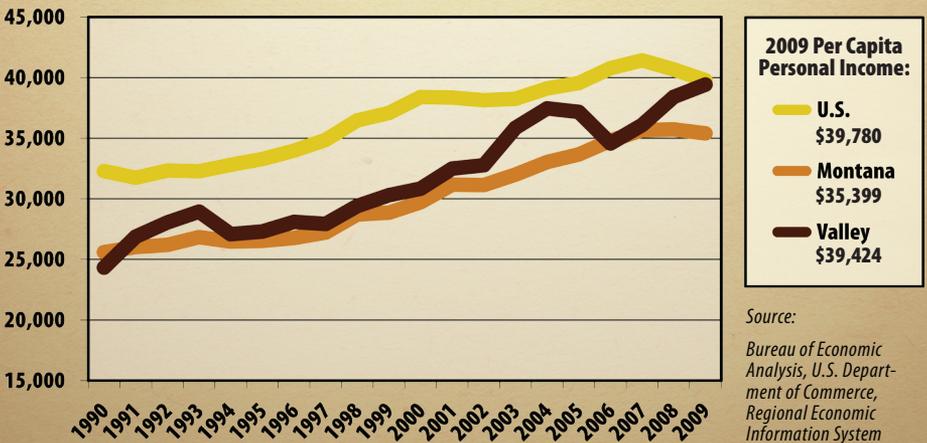
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**ANNUAL AVERAGE WAGES - VALLEY COUNTY, 1990-2010**  
(In 2010 Dollars)



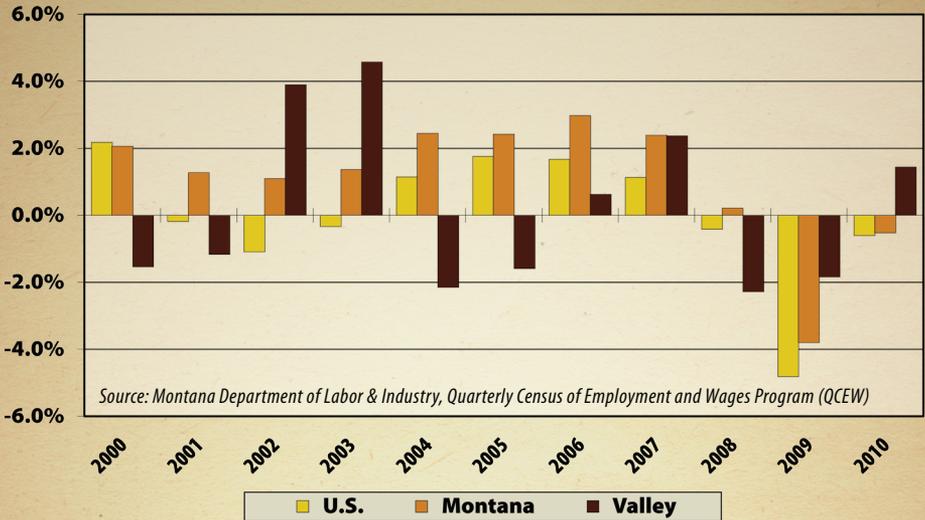
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**PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME - VALLEY COUNTY, 1990-2009**  
(In 2010 Dollars)



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

## PERCENT CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT - 2000 TO 2010 (United States, Montana, and Valley County)



## RESOURCES FOR VALLEY COUNTY

### Chamber of Commerce

#### Glasgow Area Chamber of Commerce

P. O. Box 832  
 Glasgow, MT 59230  
 Ph: (406) 228-2222  
 E-mail: [chelsea@montanachamber.com](mailto:chelsea@montanachamber.com)  
[www.glasgowmt.net](http://www.glasgowmt.net)

### Job Service Workforce Center

#### Glasgow Job Service

74 Fourth Street North  
 Glasgow, MT 59230  
 Ph: (406) 228-9369  
 Email: [GlasgowJSC@mt.gov](mailto:GlasgowJSC@mt.gov)  
[www.glasgowjobs.mt.gov](http://www.glasgowjobs.mt.gov)

### Economic Development

#### Two Rivers Economic Growth

74 Fourth Street North  
 Glasgow, MT 59230  
 Ph: (406) 228-3935  
<http://2reg.org>

#### MSU- Valley County Extension Service

501 Court Square, Box 12  
 Glasgow, MT 59230-2423  
 Ph: (406) 228-6241  
[www.msuextension.org/valley](http://www.msuextension.org/valley)

### Newspaper

#### The Glasgow Courier

341 Third Avenue South  
 Glasgow, MT 59230  
 Ph: (406) 228-9301  
[www.glasgowcourier.com](http://www.glasgowcourier.com)