

ECONOMIC OVERVIEW OF GLACIER COUNTY

Labor Market, 2023

Population: 13,609
Labor Force: 5,730
Employed: 5,419
Unemployed: 311
Unemployment Rate: 5.4%
 (Above the Statewide Rate of 2.9%)

Employment Growth

425 jobs gained since 2020, surpassing 2019 levels.

Income and Benefits

\$58,912 average household income in 2022, ranking Glacier County **56th** among all counties.

70.0% of population with health insurance coverage.

21.7% of households receiving SNAP benefits in last year.

29.4% of the population with income below the federal poverty level (above the state average of 12.4%).

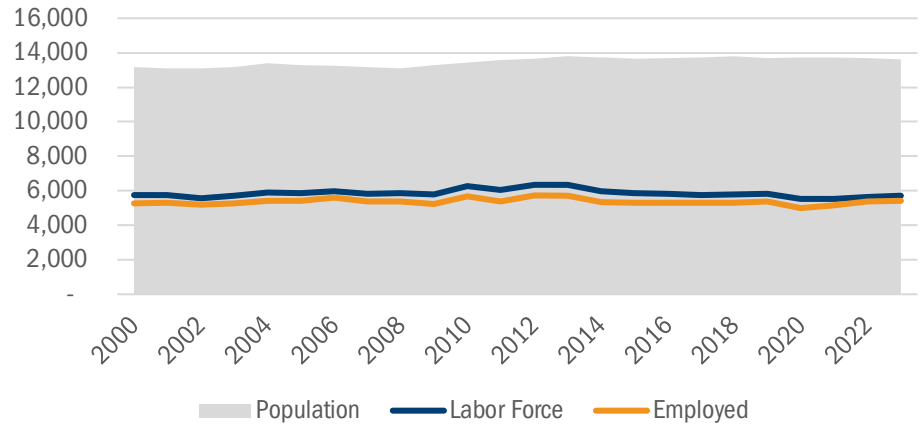
Highest Paying Industries

Average Annual Wage, 2023

1. Utilities - \$87,170
2. Construction - \$67,510
3. Administrative & Support Services - \$63,500
4. Professional & Technical Services - \$61,250
5. Public Administration - \$60,760

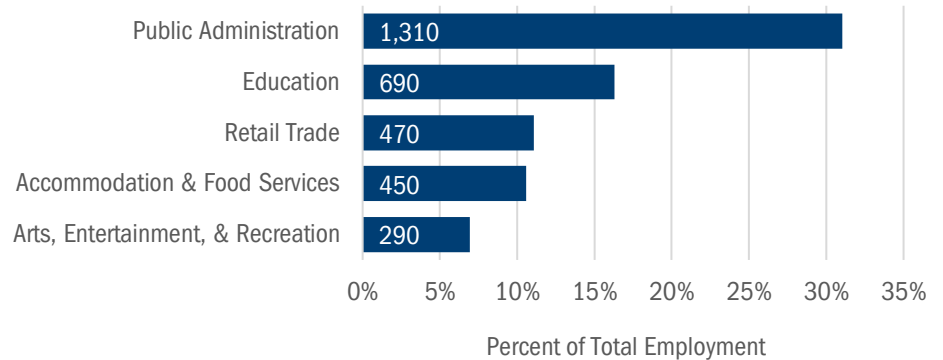
Workforce Size in Glacier County

Employment, Labor Force, and Population



Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS), U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Population total intercensal tables, Population and Housing Estimates Program, U.S. Census Bureau.

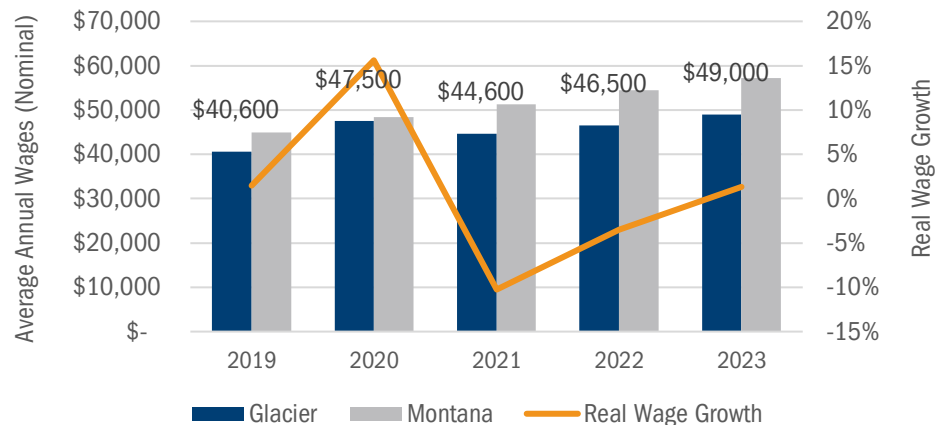
Top Employing Industries, 2023



Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Average Wage and Real Wage Growth

Comparison to Statewide Average



Source: U.S. BLS and Montana Department of Labor & Industry, QCEW and CPI-U. Wages rounded to nearest hundred.



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Labor Force Participation

53.3% of Glacier County’s population over 15 participates in the labor force, below the statewide rate of 63.0%.

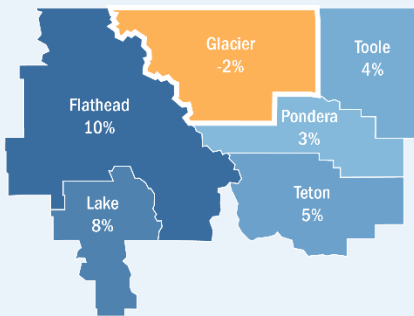
70.2% of Falon County’s prime working age population (25 to 54 years old) participates in the labor force, below the statewide rate of 84.2%.

Decreasing in Glacier County

Glacier County had **240 more people move out** than in from 2020 to 2023, about **2%** of the population.

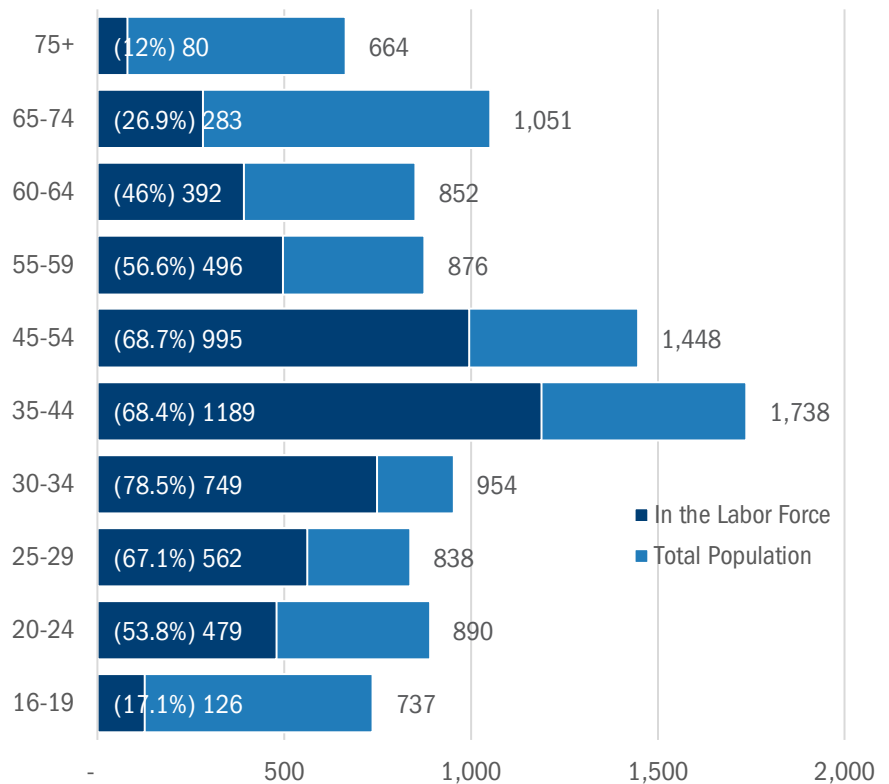
16.5% of workers in Glacier County **work from home**, greater than the statewide average of 10.6%.

Net Migration as a Percent of the Population by County



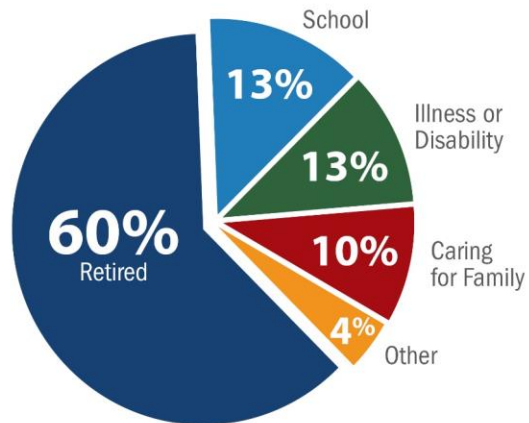
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Annual Resident Population Estimates, Estimated Components of Resident Population Change, and Rates of the Components of Population Changes for States and Counties: April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2023.

Population by Age Group and Participation in Labor Force



Most People Not Working are Retired

Reasons Not Participating in Montana Labor Force



Source: Current Population Survey (CPS), U.S. BLS and U.S. Census. MTDLI analysis of IPUMS CPS microdata for Montana for Jan through Dec 2023.

Blackfeet Indian Reservation, 2023

Labor Force: 4,137
Employed: 3,822
Unemployment Rate: 7.6%

