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Montana Nonprofit Economic Impact Report

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51,719 or 11.4%

of Montanans are employed by nonprofits.

In 2019, Montana's charitable nonprofits comprised 4.2% of all wage-paying establishments, employed 11% of all workers, and paid 11.4% of all wages in the state.

2,245 nonprofit establishments employed 51,719 people and paid just over \$2.4 billion in wages.

Approximately 5.8% of nonprofit establishments were hospitals or health care facilities which employed 22,474 workers over the course of the year making them one of Montana's largest employing industries. Hospitals and healthcare aside, charitable nonprofits employed 29,245 Montanans.

Nonprofit Employment, Wages, and Establishments 2016-2019

Average Employment					
	2016	2017	2018	2019	
MT Nonprofits	49,839	51,175	51,263	51,719	
Percent of State Total	10.9%	11.1%	11.0%	11.0%	
Total Wages					
	2016	2017	2018	2019	
MT Nonprofits	\$2,053,917,481	\$2,212,369,520	\$2,292,612,791	\$2,412,858,122	
Percent of State Total	11.0%	11.4%	11.3%	11.4%	
Number of Wage-Pa	ying Establishme	ents			
	2016	2017	2018	2019	
MT Nonprofits	2,178	2,179	2,230	2,245	
Percent of State Total	4.3%	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%	



Montana's charitable nonprofits generated nearly \$10.5 billion dollars in income in 2019 which was returned back to the state through mission driven work.

Nonprofits are the pillars and providers of vital services in urban and rural Montana communities. Healthcare, after school programs, college scholarships, senior housing, museums, food pantries, homeless shelters, affordable housing, and more, are all made possible in Montana through the hard work of nonprofits.

County	# of Nonprofits in 2019*	Income Generated in 2019	Income Generated in 2018	Two-Year Total
Beaverhead	114	\$44,870,897	\$45,919,384	\$90,790,281
Big Horn	65	\$37,177,587	\$24,207,308	\$61,384,895
Blaine	50	\$13,708,920	\$15,534,209	\$29,243,129
Broadwater	30	\$6,876,146	\$6,505,248	\$13,381,394
Carbon	97	\$27,042,224	\$24,734,211	\$51,776,435
Carter	11	\$3,660,230	\$4,162,868	\$7,823,098
Cascade	452	\$1,466,676,021	\$1,394,883,162	\$2,861,559,183
Chouteau	72	\$13,404,962	\$12,602,639	\$26,007,601
Custer	89	\$73,434,345	\$77,162,407	\$150,596,752
Daniels	20	\$9,300,198	\$8,110,290	\$17,410,488
Dawson	70	\$52,524,682	\$50,945,721	\$103,470,403
Deer Lodge	57	\$109,445,375	\$113,231,437	\$222,676,812
Fallon	36	\$12,322,663	\$13,405,809	\$25,728,472
Fergus	97	\$61,495,152	\$64,451,220	\$125,946,372
Flathead	701	\$769,075,579	\$672,736,328	\$1,441,811,907
Gallatin	799	\$944,453,187	\$928,642,763	\$1,873,095,950
Garfield	13	\$0	\$34,234	\$34,234
Glacier	58	\$29,176,181	\$33,188,130	\$62,364,311
Golden Valley	5	\$0	\$0	\$0
Granite	37	\$441,806	\$275,023	\$716,829
Hill	124	\$156,922,946	\$143,278,567	\$300,201,513
Jefferson	100	\$4,390,816	\$4,084,324	\$8,475,140
Judith Basin	31	\$1,141,508	\$1,705,043	\$2,846,551
Lake	183	\$109,858,528	\$93,021,268	\$202,879,796
Lewis And Clark	600	\$626,252,688	\$784,425,511	\$1,410,678,199

Totals	7,665	\$10,440,800,486	\$8,917031,549	\$19,357,832,035
Yellowstone	835	\$3,425,966,764	\$2,287,191,079	\$5,713,157,843
Wibaux	13	\$4,761	\$87,424	\$92,185
Wheatland	22	\$8,217,740	\$8,310,155	\$16,527,895
Valley	85	\$51,544,646	\$47,196,618	\$98,741,264
Treasure	4	\$0	\$0	\$0
Toole	31	\$7,573,015	\$6,233,987	\$13,807,002
Teton	80	\$3,543,316	\$3,042,457	\$6,585,773
Sweet Grass	40	\$14,549,380	\$9,484,835	\$24,034,215
Stillwater	86	\$21,616,077	\$18,125,033	\$39,741,110
Silver Bow	210	\$233,087,655	\$248,111,643	\$481,199,298
Sheridan	43	\$14,578,154	\$14,552,337	\$29,130,491
Sanders	122	\$31,743,439	\$30,154,617	\$61,898,056
Rosebud	51	\$20,166,711	\$20,676,206	\$40,842,917
Roosevelt	64	\$52,529,510	\$46,026,014	\$98,555,524
Richland	88	\$92,711,284	\$83,765,447	\$176,476,731
Ravalli	326	\$136,593,787	\$107,067,603	\$243,661,390
Prairie	17	\$103,809	\$342,524	\$446,333
Powell	60	\$22,200,727	\$19,155,079	\$41,355,806
Powder River	29	\$1,006,082	\$726,002	\$1,732,084
Pondera	54	\$19,018,405	\$19,412,920	\$38,431,325
Phillips	51	\$12,369,257	\$12,209,471	\$24,578,728
Petroleum	5	\$162,921	\$1	\$162,922
Park	185	\$91,547,030	\$79,320,279	\$170,867,309
Musselshell	54	\$16,098,233	\$14,208,319	\$30,306,552
Missoula	824	\$1,470,379,487	\$1,217,541,331	\$2,687,920,818
Mineral	42	\$9,479,447	\$6,937,201	\$16,416,648
Meagher	27	\$7,850,964	\$6,494,641	\$14,345,605
Mccone	22	\$3,772,297	\$3,820,893	\$7,593,190
Madison	92	\$24,221,108	\$23,386,584	\$47,607,692
Lincoln	165	\$63,865,093	\$57,762,450	\$121,627,543
Liberty	27	\$10,646,746	\$8,441,295	\$19,088,041

^{*}Includes all 501(c)(3) charitable nonprofits in Montana, those that do and do not pay wages – e.g. all-volunteer organizations.

Source: IRS Tax Exempt Organization Master List, 2019

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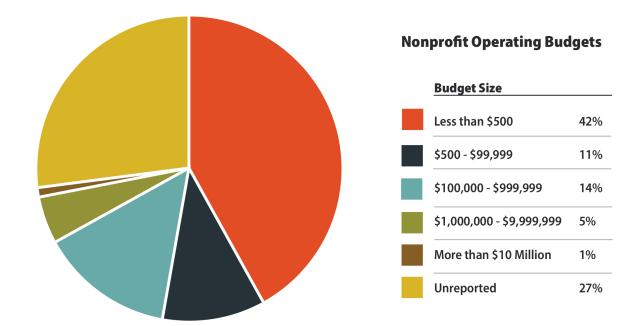
38% of charitable nonprofits operate in rural areas and make up 30% of nonprofit employment.



Nonprofits by Urban and Rural Area (2019)

County	Wage-Paying Establishments	Employment	Total Wages (Millions)	Average Wages
Cascade	140	5,397	\$278.5	\$51,615
Flathead	187	5,279	\$294.6	\$55,794
Gallatin	258	4,492	\$181.6	\$40,431
Lewis & Clark	217	4,497	\$208.7	\$46,421
Missoula	254	4,217	\$125.1	\$29,666
Silver Bow	82	2,060	\$76.8	\$37,268
Yellowstone	256	10,115	\$581.5	\$57,495
Urban Counties	1,394	36,055	\$1,746.8	\$48,449
Rural Counties	851	15,664	\$666.0	\$42,520
State Total	2,245	51,719	\$2,412.8	\$46,653

Source: Montana Department of Labor and Industry Nonprofit Establishment Match, 2019



Charitable nonprofit organizations are efficiently and effectively operating in every county and in all Tribal nations in Montana in partnership with the business sector and government. Nonprofits are providing essential services, supporting Montana's quality of life, and serving as our state's social safety net. Nonprofits are frontline workers, guardians of community well-being, employers, and economic drivers. As we all work to reinvigorate Montana's economy, the nonprofit sector will be an essential part of the equation, bringing community-based, resourceful, people-centered solutions.

This report is brought to you by Montana Nonprofit Association (MNA), a statewide association dedicated solely to the strength and excellence of nonprofits in Montana. We are working toward a future where nonprofits have the resources needed to fulfill their missions, are strategically connected with one another and with partners in business and government, and are recognized and celebrated for their contributions to the quality of life in Montana's communities. Our members, approximately 670 of them, address a broad array of missions, come from all four corners of the state and everywhere between, and range in size from the smallest all-volunteer nonprofits to some of the largest organizations in Montana. MNA embodies "Many Missions, One Voice"

