The Economic Outlook for Richland County

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Real Non-Farm Earnings, Richland County vs. Montana
Index, 2007 = 100

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
Real Non-Farm Earnings, Selected Counties vs. Montana
Index, 2007 = 100

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
Energy Bust Hit Hard in 2015
Growth in Real Nonfarm Earnings, Richland County, 2014-15, Millions of Dollars

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
Deterioration Continued in 2016

Percent Change in Real Wages, Richland County, Select Industries, 2014-2016

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages
What Drives the Richland County Economy?

Earnings by Industry, 2015, Millions of Real Dollars

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Outlook for Key Industries

Oil:

Better efficiencies but still a challenging market environment

Composition of Earnings in Richland County’s Basic Industries, 2014-16
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Agriculture and Related:

Opportunities in a challenging price environment?

31%
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Transportation:

Energy and good industry challenges loom large

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Growth in Nonfarm Earnings, Richland County, 2014-2020

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Average Projected Growth in Real Nonfarm Earnings, Percent, 2017-2020

Cascade: 2.1%
Custer: 1.3%
Flathead: 3.3%
Gallatin: 5.8%
Missoula: 3.2%
Richland: 3.8%
Yellowstone: 2.7%

Source: Bureau of Business and Economic Research
Questions?