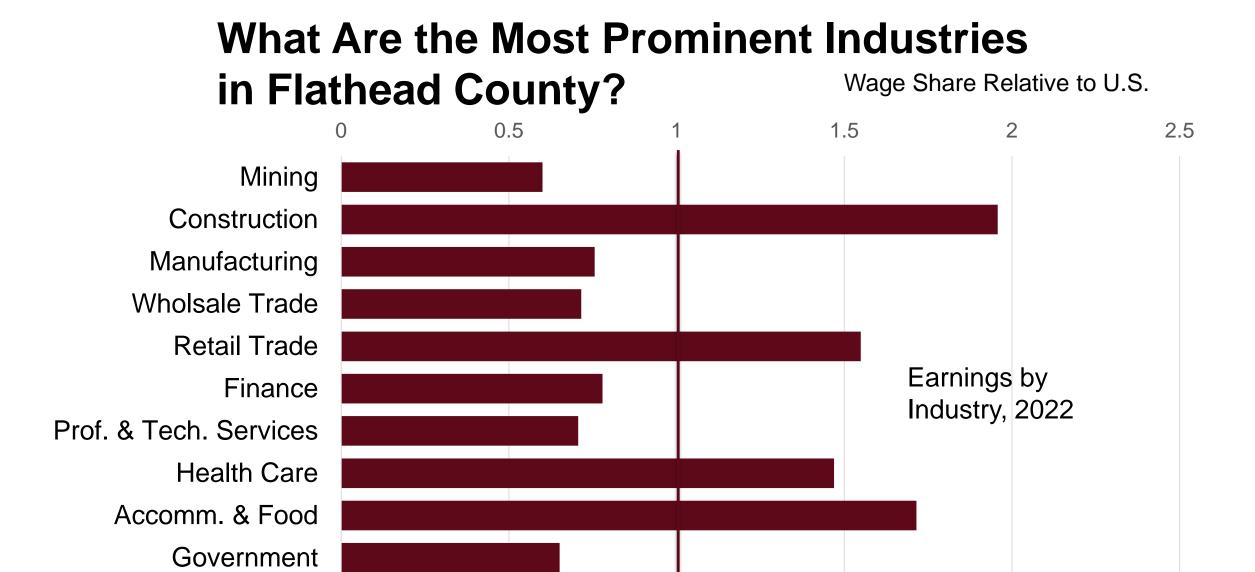
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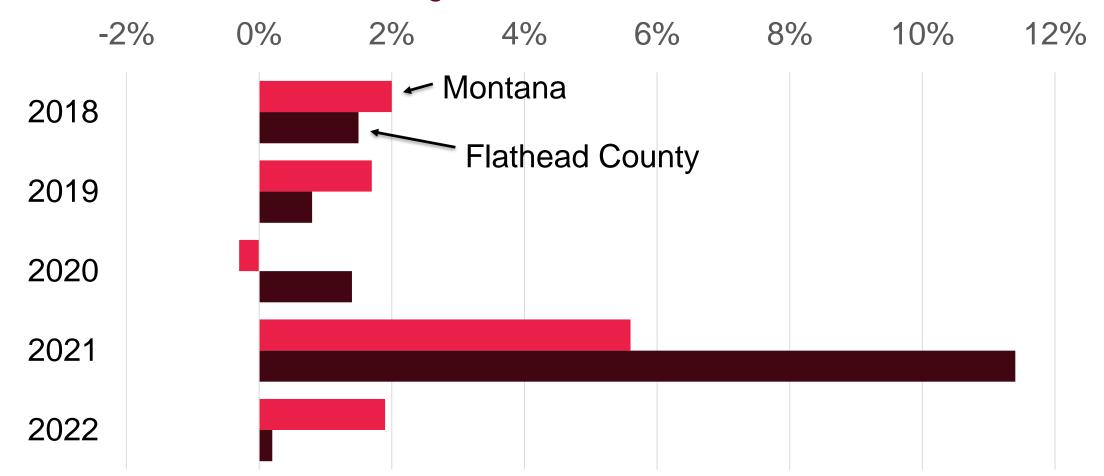






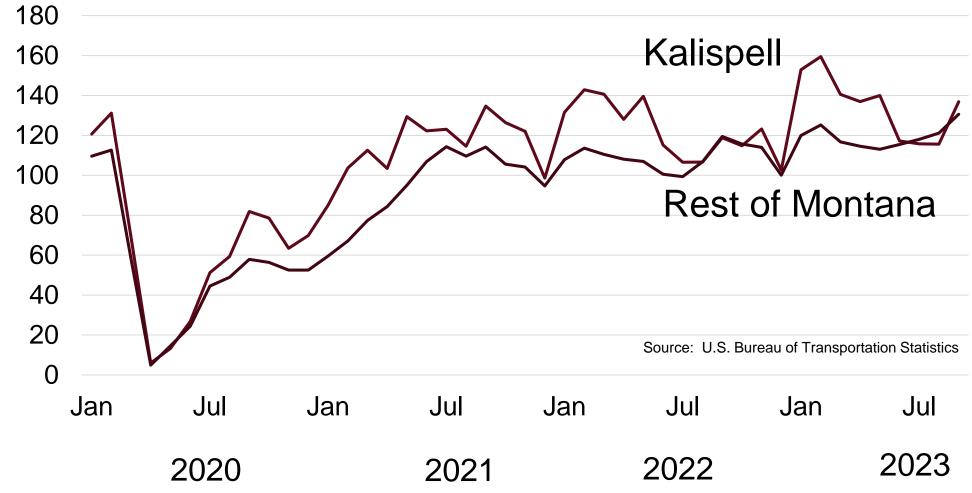
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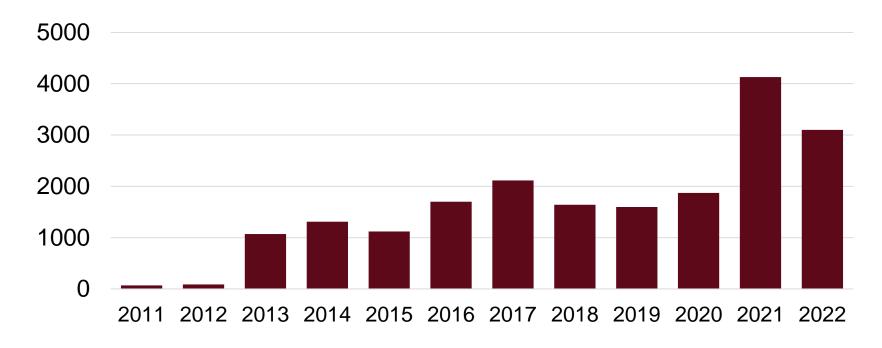
Glacier Airport Outperforming State

Enplanements Relative to 2019 Levels, Percent



Surge in Population Migration Continues

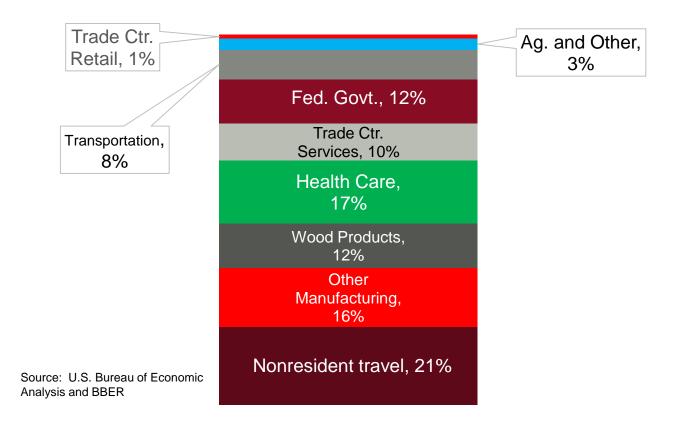
Net Population Migration, 2011-2022, Flathead County



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Drivers of Economic Activity

Percent Share of Income in Basic Industries, Flathead County



Surge in Visitor Spending Has Crested

\$ Millions

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Retail & Whol. Trade

Finance and Bus. Serv.

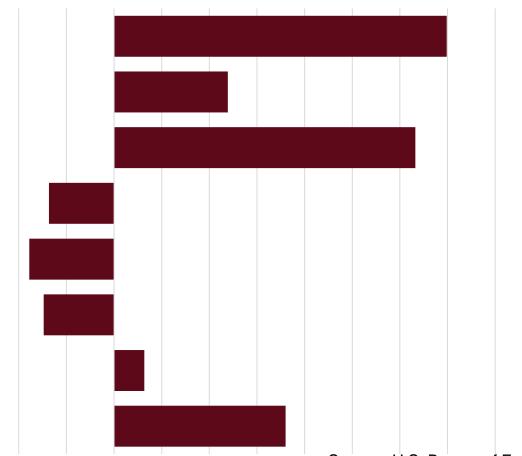
Health Care

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Government

Change in Inflation-Corrected Total Earnings, Flathead County, 2021 – 2022, (\$ Millions) Mining

Other



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

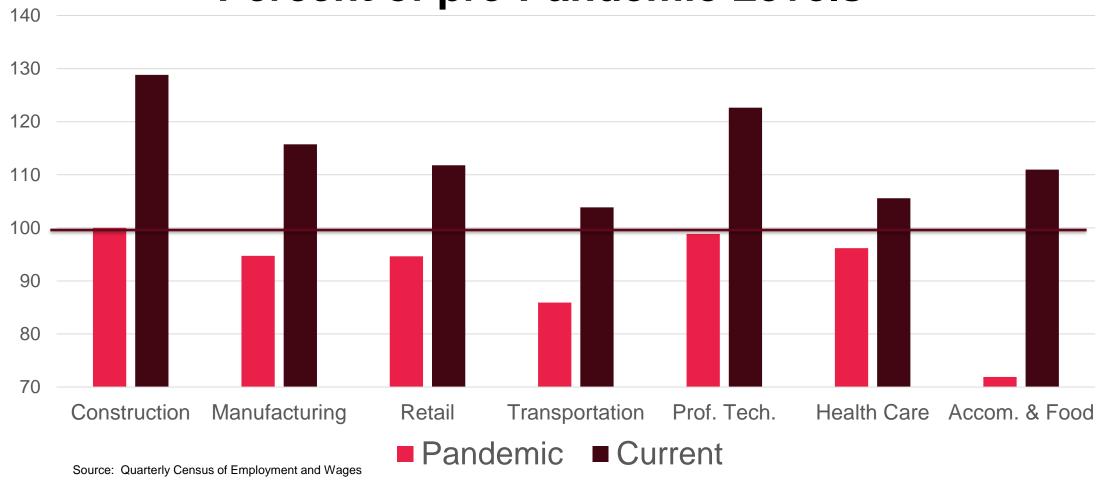
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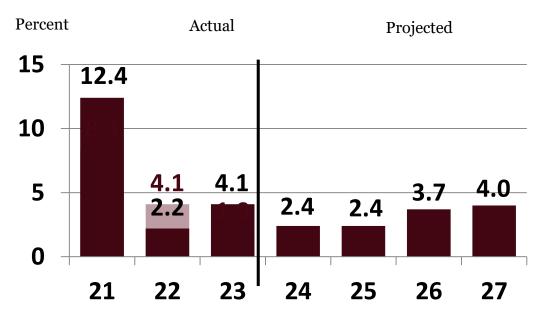
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Flatheada County Employment as Percent of pre-Pandemic Levels



Growth in Nonfarm Earnings, Flathead County, 2021-2027



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