

Economic Impact of Benefis on Cascade County

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3,133

Number of workers at Benefis
This number totals nine percent of Cascade County's total employment.

\$198

Millions of dollars paid in wages to Benefis employees
This number totals fourteen percent of Cascade County's total wages.

6,600

Number of jobs directly or indirectly attributable to healthcare in Cascade County
This number totals eighteen percent of Cascade County's total employment.

\$498

Millions of dollars in personal income directly or indirectly attributable to healthcare in Cascade County

\$13

Millions of dollars invested in facilities at Benefis in 2018
Benefis plans to invest an additional four to nine million dollars in facilities each year through 2022.

2,600

Number of healthcare jobs added since 1990 in Cascade County

This represents a 62% increase in healthcare employment in the county.

1,300

Number additional healthcare jobs added by 2026 if Cascade County grows at the nationally forecasted rate

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Number of patients who come from outside Cascade County for care

\$600+

Millions of dollars in value Cascade County residents gain in life expectancy and work-life potential attributable to healthcare

\$1,700

Amount per beneficiary Medicare saves in cost in Benefis' Hospital Referral Region compared to the U.S. average

Economic Impact of the Montana HELP Act

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2,000

Number of healthcare jobs supported through the Montana HELP Act

\$175+

Millions of dollars in new money received by Montana's healthcare providers as a result of the Montana HELP Act

584

Number of healthcare jobs added in rural Montana communities in the first two years the Montana HELP Act was in place

This growth followed a several-year period of stagnant or declining healthcare employment in the communities.

50-100%

Increase in net Medicaid revenue received by Montana hospitals since the start of the Montana HELP Act

600%

How much less likely hospitals in Medicaid Expansion states were to close in the first two years of Medicaid Expansion than hospitals in non-Expansion states

25-50%

Decrease in uncompensated care at Montana hospitals since the start of the Montana HELP Act