

MONTANA

	1997	1998	1999
Number of Retail Establishments	7,407	7,415	n.a.
Retail Sales (Millions)	\$8,565	\$9,007	n.a.
Food Stores	1,531	1,582	n.a.
Eating & Drinking Establishments	1,124	1,187	n.a.
General Merchandise Stores	974	1,018	n.a.
Apparel & Accessory Stores	230	229	n.a.
Furniture & Home Furnishing Stores	471	508	n.a.
Auto Dealers & Service Stations	2,634	2,777	n.a.
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	705	772	n.a.
Miscellaneous Retail Stores	896	934	n.a.
Contributions to Local Economy			
Total Retail Employment (Thousands)	80	81	83
Eating & Drinking Establishments	31	31	31
Other	49	50	52
Share of Total Non-Agricultural Employment	21.9%	21.7%	21.8%
Retail Compensation (Millions)	\$972.1	\$1,014.8	\$1,059.4
Sales Tax* Revenues Collected (Millions)	\$260.1	\$270.9	n.a.
Demographics			
Population (Thousands)	885	886	882
Total Non-Ag. Employment (Thousands)	365	373	381
Unemployment Rate	5.4%	5.6%	5.2%
Total Number of Households-1999 (Thousands)		342.6	
Households by Income-1999 (Thousands)			Percent of Total
Under \$15,000		86.8	25.3%
\$15,000-\$24,999		68.3	19.9
\$25,000-\$49,999		115.1	33.6
\$50,000-\$74,999		49.0	14.3
\$75,000-\$99,999		14.4	4.2
\$100,000-\$149,999		5.8	1.7
\$150,000 and Over		3.2	0.9

n.a. = 1999 data not available

* = General sales, alcoholic beverage, motor fuel, tobacco, and other selective sales taxes

Sources: Market Statistics, *Demographics U.S.A., County Edition, 1999*, Bill Communications Inc., New York, 1999 (and previous editions); U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census; U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.