



# Montana's Workforce and Economy: Powered by Natural Gas and Oil



Montana's natural gas and oil supports more than 56,000 jobs, provides over \$3.7 billion in wages and contributes more than \$7.4 billion to the state's economy. America's natural gas and oil powers every sector of the U.S. economy and reaches every facet of our lives, from heating our homes and fueling transportation to supporting the manufacture of products we use every single day. Across the country, 10.8 million jobs are supported by U.S. natural gas and oil, which represents 5.4% of the nation's total employment.<sup>1</sup>

## MONTANA'S ENERGY WORKFORCE



**56K**

**JOBS**



**2x**

**THE CAPACITY OF  
WASHINGTON-  
GRIZZLY STADIUM**

Good jobs mean community-supporting wages that are spent on homes, in local restaurants, and at car dealerships and small businesses. Among natural gas and oil jobs, the average wage is 65% greater than the U.S. average.<sup>2</sup>

## MONTANA'S ECONOMY



Natural gas and oil is used in every other U.S. industry from manufacturing and services to construction, wholesale and retail.

## 56K MT JOBS SUPPORTED BY NATURAL GAS & OIL

From petroleum engineers and truck drivers to contractors and manufacturers, America's natural gas and oil supports a wide range of jobs across the state of Montana. Research shows that every direct job in the natural gas and oil industry generates 3.1 additional jobs in Montana.<sup>2</sup>



**13,740**

Natural Gas and Oil



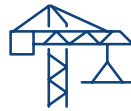
**21,390**

Services



**4,950**

Wholesale and Retail



**3,590**

Construction



**3,850**

Transportation  
and Warehousing



**1,000**

Manufacturing



**8,410**

Other

<sup>1</sup> "Impacts of the Natural Gas and Oil Industry on the U.S. Economy in 2021," prepared for the American Petroleum Institute by PwC in April 2023.

<sup>2</sup> Non-retail jobs. 2021 industry average annual pay calculated from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).