# MONTANA

2023 State of the Workforce Report

### STATE WORKFORCE INNOVATIONS



#### **ARPA RAPID RETRAINING**

Using funding allocated through ARPA, MTDLI stood up a flexible program devoted to short-term trainings that offers financial incentives to the trainees and the employers who hire them. In the first 18 months, nearly 800 individuals have participated in the program and MTDLI has secured additional funds to extend the program beyond it's initial timeframe. montanaworks.gov/jobservice-montana/arpa

### SWIB BOARD TRANSPARENCY

To further transparency and data-informed decision making, MTDLI produced a series of dashboards providing data about its programs. These dashboards have been made available to the SWIB-board and public on-demand. swib. mt.gov/board-member-resources/data-dashboards/

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#### **BUSINESS & EDUCATION ENGAGEMENT BUREAU**

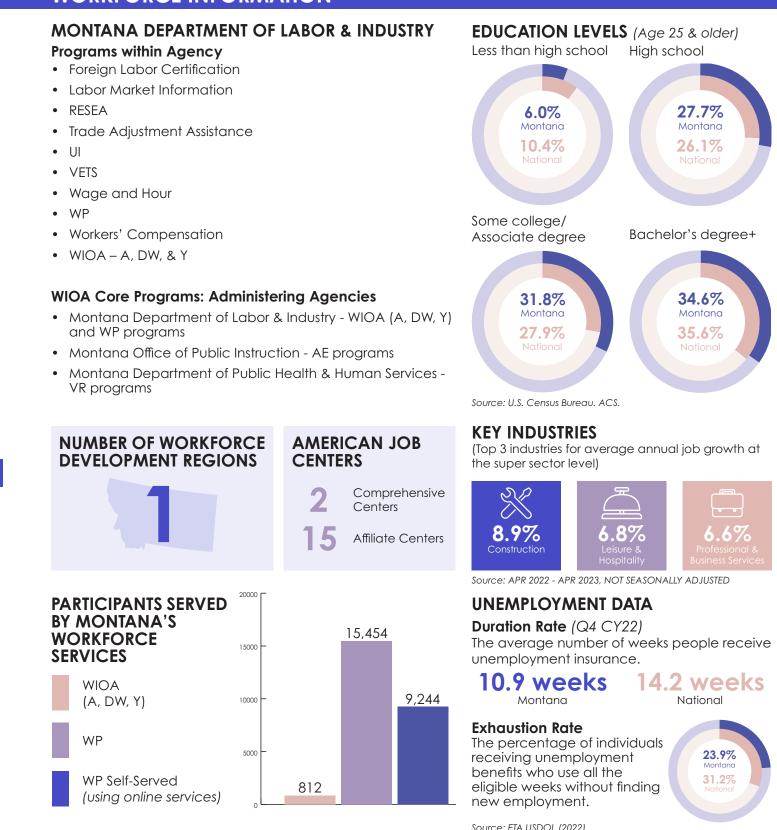
As part of a strategic reorganization of the Workforce Services Division, MTDLI developed the Business & Education Engagement Bureau to address Montana's current worker shortage. This bureau aims to support employers, economic groups, and nonprofits with engagement in workforce development services and develop creative solutions to worker shortages across the state. This team provides outreach to new customers and works to coordinate and collaborate outside workforce efforts for workforce issues. wsd.dli.mt.gov/ employers/business-services

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#### **WORKFORCE INFORMATION**

#### WIOA Core Programs: Administering Agencies

- and WP programs
- VR programs



### LABOR MARKET INFORMATION

ABOR FORCE DATA (	Age 16 & olde	er)	ANNUAL LABOR PARTICIPATION
Year-over-Year Change in Job Growth (APR 2022-2023)	<b>3.1%</b> Montana	<b>1.9%</b> National	
Annual Average Unemployment Rate	<b>2.6%</b> Montana	<b>3.6%</b> National	<sup>80</sup> 63.1% 62.2%
Annual Average Labor Force	568	,000	60 -
Percent Change Of Jobs In The State Relative To A Pre-COVID Baseline (FEB 2020 vs APR 2023)	<b>7.8%</b> Montana	<b>2.6%</b> National	20
Year-over-Year Change in Total Wages (QCEW Q4 2021 - Q4 2022) Source: USDOL - BLS	<b>6.9%</b> Montana	<b>3.4%</b> National	Age 16+ Source: USDOL - BLS

## **ICIPATION RATE** Montana 86.3% 82.4% National 63.1% 62.2%

Age 25-54

Age 16+ USDOL - BLS

Source: ETA USDOL (2022)