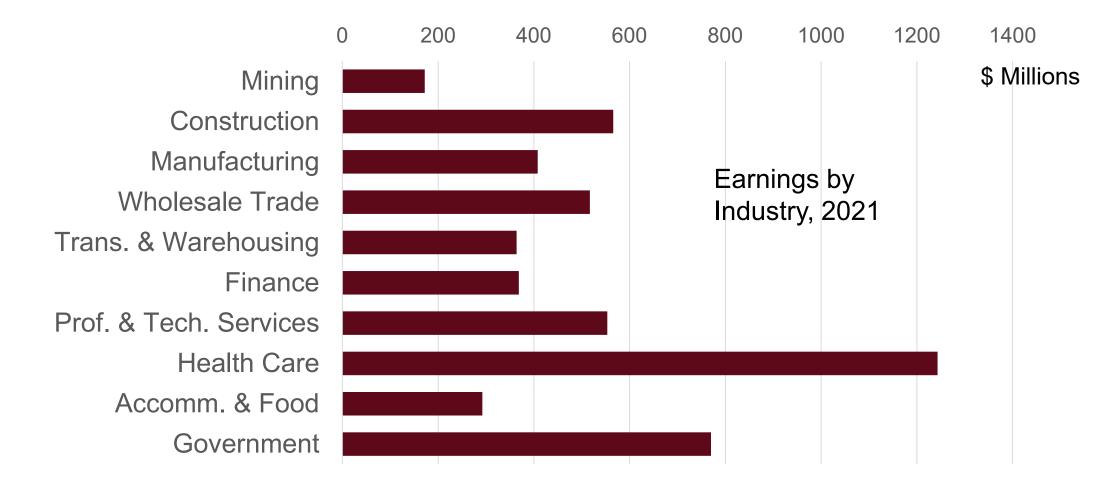
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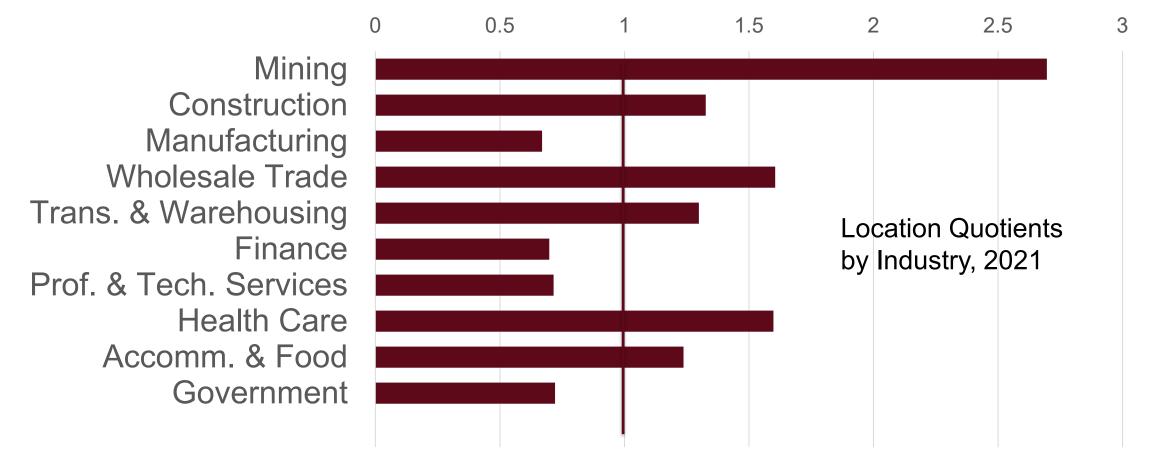
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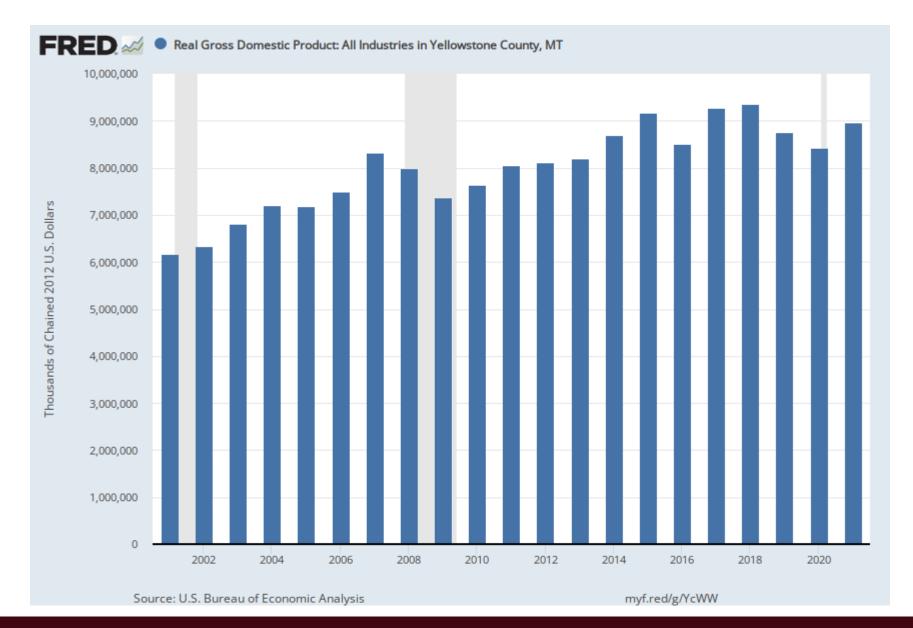


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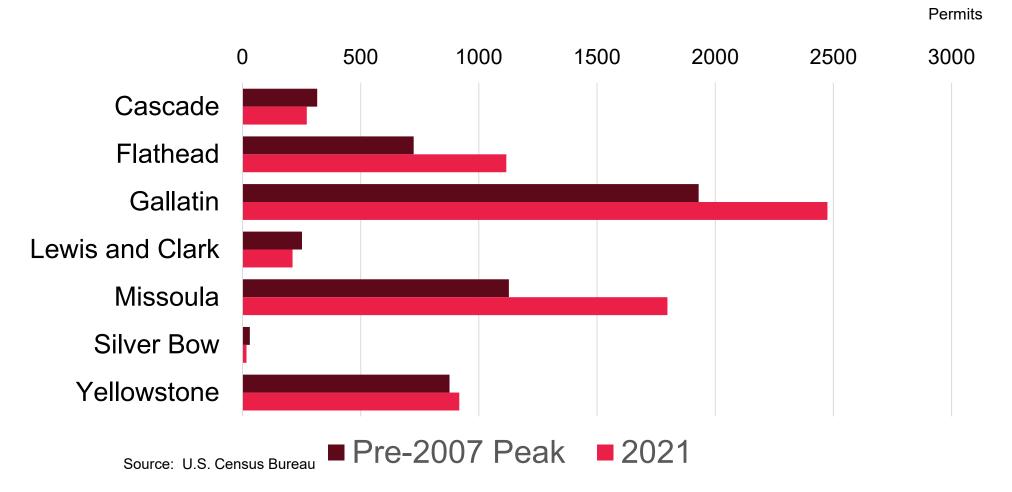
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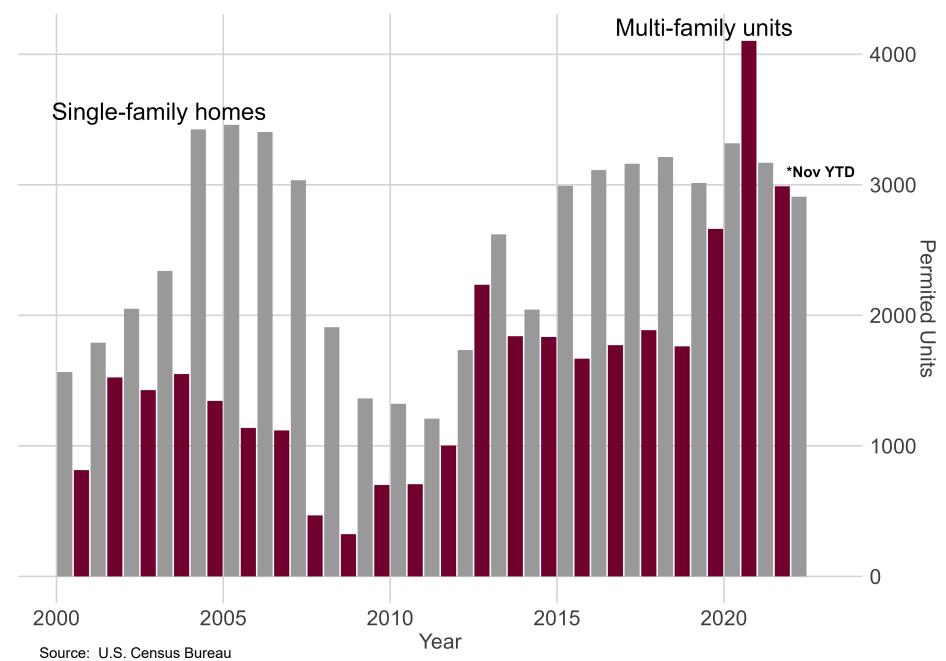
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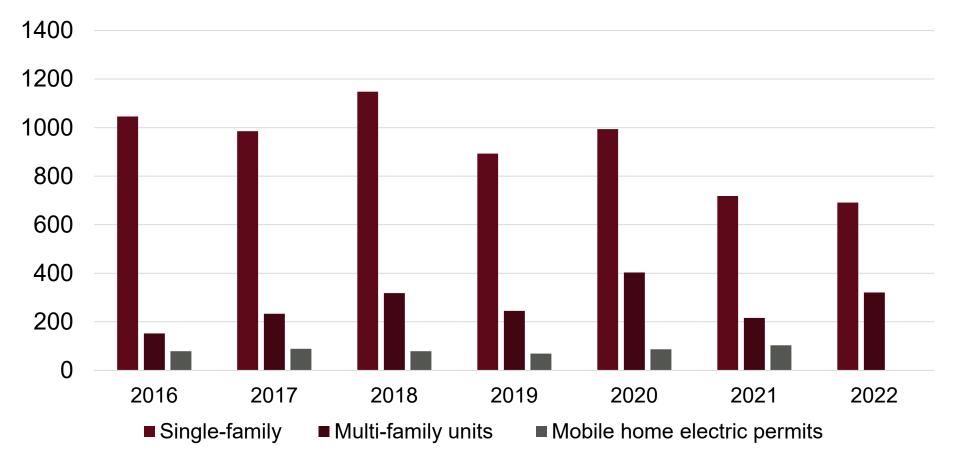




#### Housing Permits, Montana, 2000-2022



# Housing Starts, Yellowstone County



<sup>\*2021</sup> data include starts through November only

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Montana Dept. of Labor and Industry



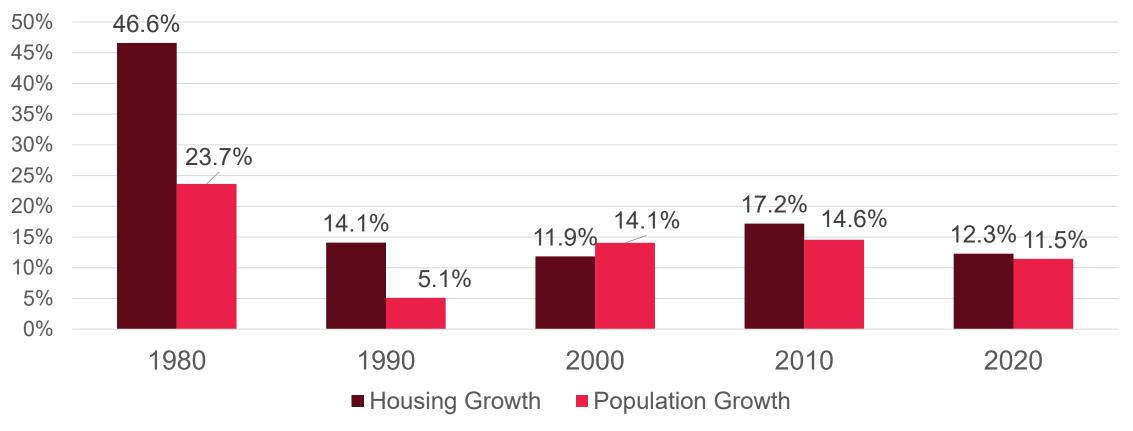
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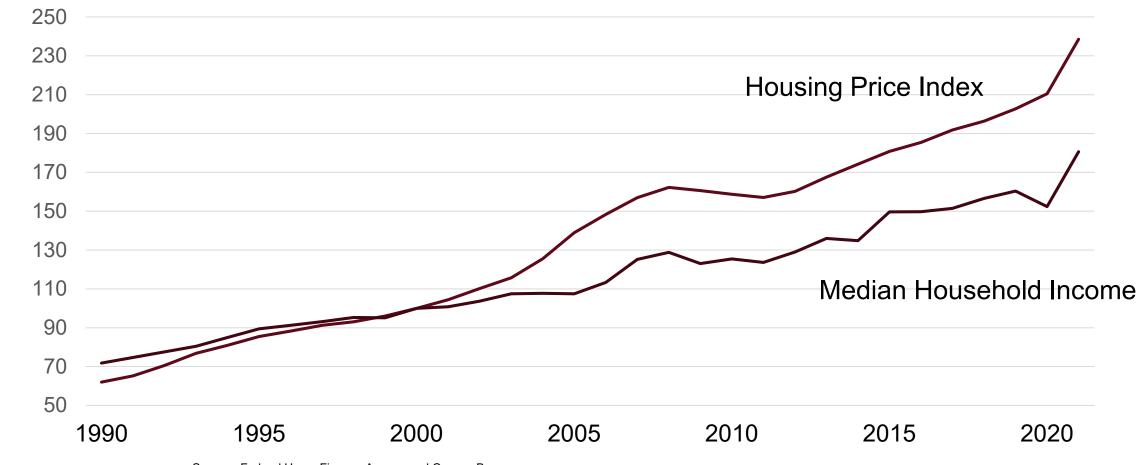
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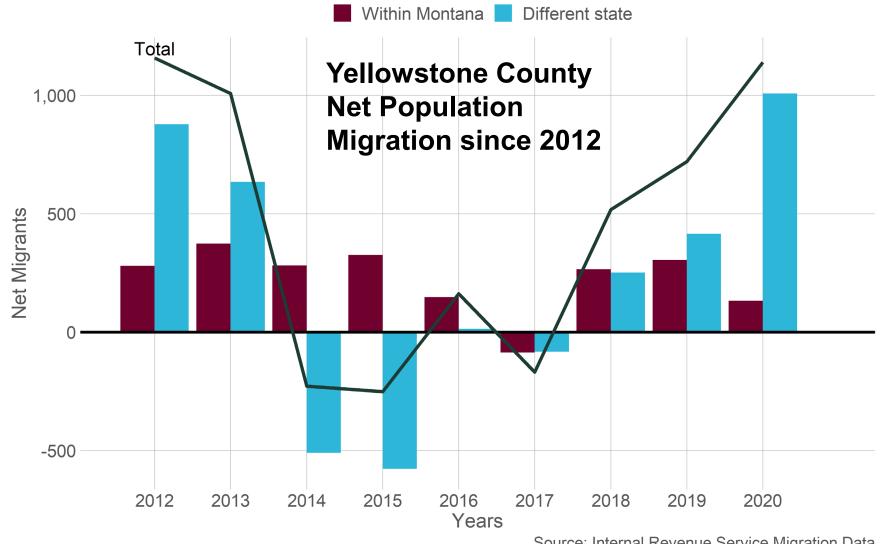


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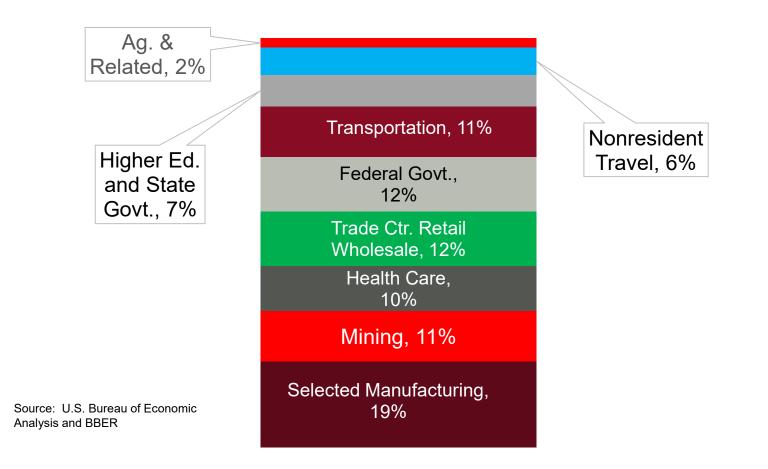


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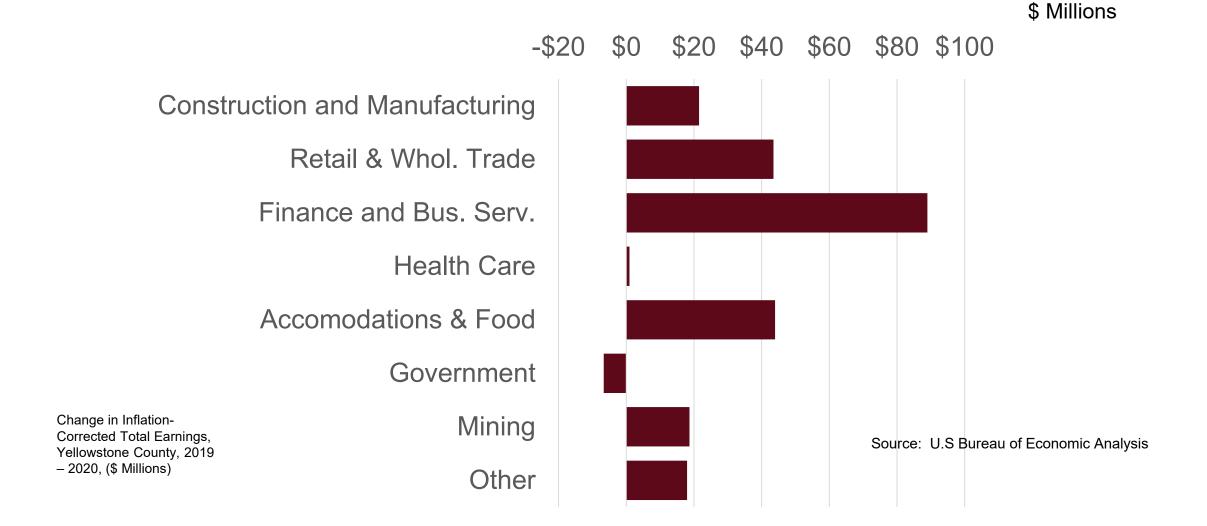
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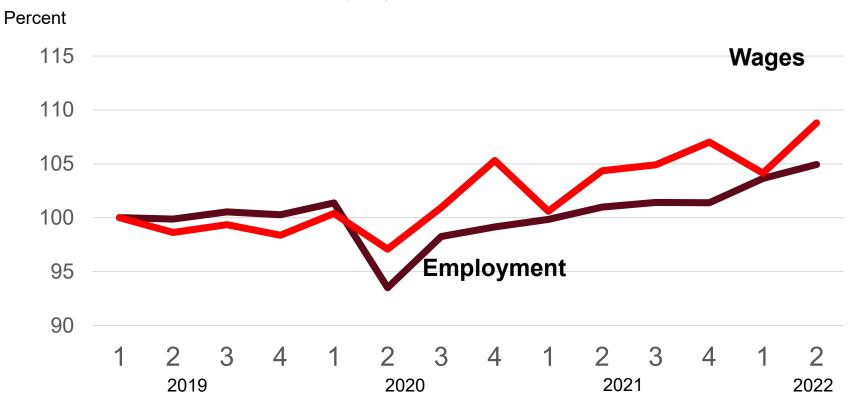
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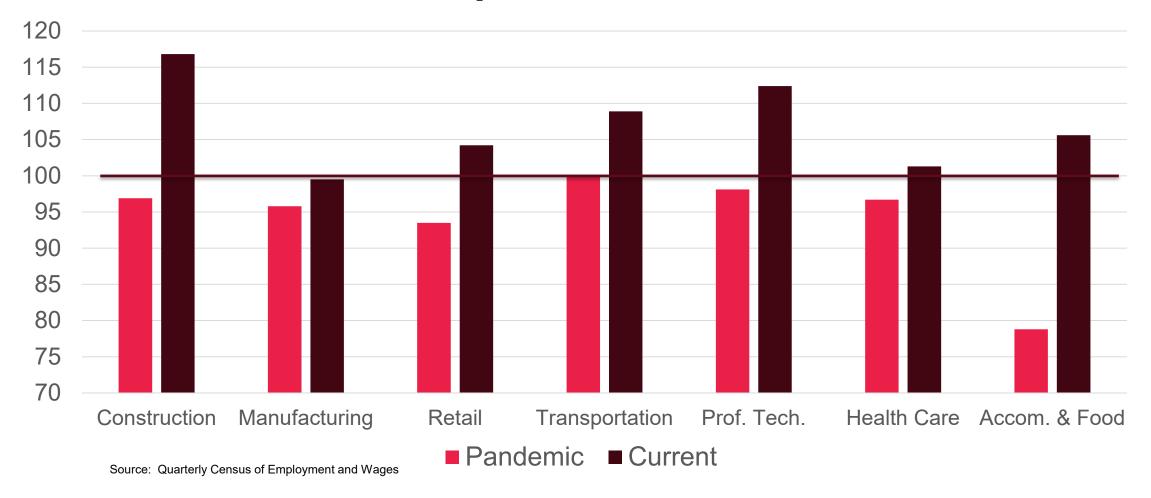
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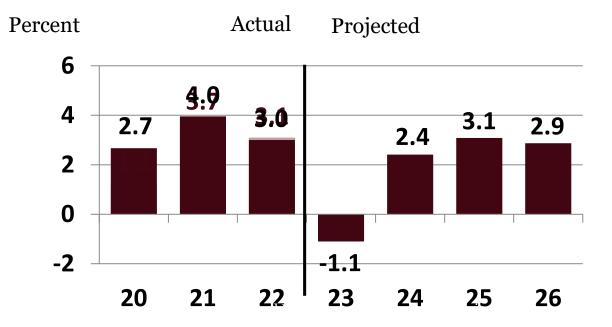


## Yellowstone County Employment as Percent of pre-Pandemic Levels





#### Growth in Nonfarm Earnings, Yellowstone County, 2020-2026



Source: BBER and U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

