

MONTANA



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https://montana.gov/



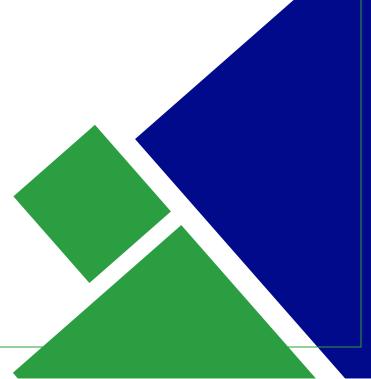
MONTANA - CLIMATE

https://www.britannica.com/place/Montana-state/Soils

The climate of most of Great Plains Montana is semiarid, with hot summers and cold winters. Average annual precipitation is scant, about 13 inches (330 mm); the plains are subject to cycles of drought followed by periods of unusually heavy rainfall and flooding. Total snowfall is light, though frost or freezing occurs more than 200 days of the year. The chinook, a warm winter wind that blows on the plains near the foot of the Rockies, periodically interrupts the bitter cold—January temperatures average in the upper 10s F (about -8 °C)—for which Montana is notorious. In Rocky Mountain Montana there are several different climates arranged one above the other in elevational zones. The climate of the lowest zone—the dry valley bottoms—is similar to that in eastern Montana. The climates of the other zones become progressively cooler, wetter, and snowier with higher elevation. For the most part, Rocky Mountain Montana is forested, and Great Plains Montana is grassland. In the Rocky Mountains and on the mountain outliers the vegetation, like the climate, occurs in elevational zones. In the dry valley bottoms below the lower timberline are grassland, brushland, and open stands of trees called parklands. In the timbered belt on the mountainsides the vegetation is coniferous forest dominated by Douglas fir. The treeless crest lines above the upper timberline are made up of low alpine tundra vegetation, barren rock, and glaciers. In most of Great Plains Montana where the land is not cultivated, the vegetation is shortgrass and mixed-grass prairie. Along the base of the Rockies are foothill prairie grasslands. Many of the hilly areas on the plains are covered by prairie parklands.

MAJOR CITIES:

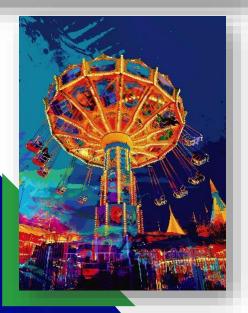
Central Montana Southwest Montana South Montana West Montana Great Falls Bozeman Billings Missoula



CULTURAL ACTIVITIES







Click on these sites for more cultural activity ideas:

- https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attractions-g28947-Activities-Montana.html
- https://www.atlasobscura.com/things-to-do/montana
- https://www.planetware.com/tourist-attractions/montana-usmt.htm

Glacier National Park – West Glacier https://www.nps.gov/glac/index.htm

Skiing at Big Sky Resort – Big Sky https://bigskyresort.com/

Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center – West Yellowstone

https://www.grizzlydiscoveryctr.org/

Quinn's Hot Springs Resort – Paradise https://www.quinnshotsprings.com/

Museum of the Rockies - Bozeman https://museumoftherockies.org/

Museum of Mining – Butte https://miningmuseum.org/

Lewis and Clark Caverns – Whitehall https://fwp.mt.gov/stateparks/lewis-and-clark-caverns/

GROCERY SHOPPING

| Albertsons | Harvest Foods | |
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| Safeway | Costco | |
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Click on this link for more grocery stores:

http://supermarketpage.com/state/MT/



SHOPPING MALLS

Click on this link for a list of shopping malls:

https://mallseeker.com/montanamalls.aspx



PHARMACIES

| Albertsons | CVS Pharmacy |
|------------|--------------|
| Walmart | Walgreens |

Click here to locate other pharmacies:

https://www.goodrx.com/pharmacy-near-me/all/mt



POST OFFICES / SHIPPING



United States Postal Service

Click here for more information:

http://www.postofficehours.net/state/MT.html

FederalExpress

Click here for more information:

http://local.fedex.com/en-us/mt/

UPS

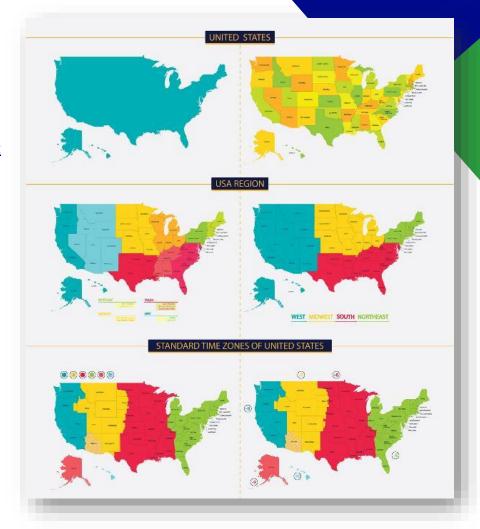
Click here for more information:

https://locations.theupsstore.com/mt

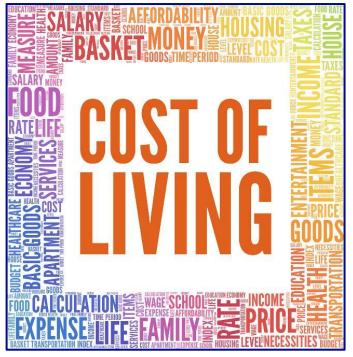
TIME ZONES MONTANA

Click here for more information:

https://www.timetemperature.com/tzus/montana time zone.shtml



COST OF LIVING IN MONTANA



Click here for more information:

https://livingcost.org/cost/united-states/mt



| State | 2025 Minimum Wage | 2025 Tipped Wage |
|-------|-------------------|-------------------|
| MT | \$10.55 | \$10.55 or \$4.00 |

^{*}Tipped wage is based on gross annual sales.

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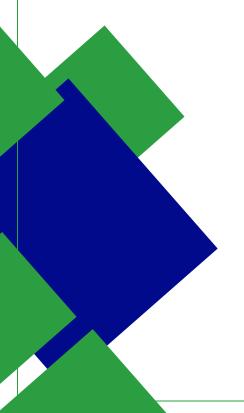
https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/minimum-wage/state#mt

https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/state/minimum-wage/tipped#Montana

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Click here for more information:

https://workerscomp.mt.gov/





TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Click here for more information:

https://www.apta.com/research-technical-resources/public-transportation-links/montana/

Ride Sharing:

www.uber.com

www.lyft.com

