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Analysis of Home Health Medicare Payment Rates in 2026 Compared to 2025 Before Application of Provider-Specific Value-Based Purchasing (VBP) Adjustment and Patient-Specific Case-Mix Weight

CBSA	CBSA Name	2025 Payment				2026 Payment				% Change
		30-Day Payment Rate	Wage Index	Sequest-ration	Adjusted Rate	30-Day Payment Rate	Wage Index	Sequest-ration	Adjusted Rate	
27900	Joplin, MO-KS	\$ 2,057.35	0.7532	2%	\$ 1,643.50	\$ 2,038.22	0.7358	2%	\$ 1,602.18	-2.5%
28140	Kansas City, MO-KS	\$ 2,057.35	0.9251	2%	\$ 1,903.09	\$ 2,038.22	0.9054	2%	\$ 1,855.92	-2.5%
29940	Lawrence, KS	\$ 2,057.35	0.8688	2%	\$ 1,818.07	\$ 2,038.22	0.8785	2%	\$ 1,815.68	-0.1%
31740	Manhattan, KS	\$ 2,057.35	0.8136	2%	\$ 1,734.71	\$ 2,038.22	0.8194	2%	\$ 1,727.26	-0.4%
41140	St. Joseph, MO-KS	\$ 2,057.35	0.8681	2%	\$ 1,817.01	\$ 2,038.22	0.8247	2%	\$ 1,735.19	-4.5%
45820	Topeka, KS	\$ 2,057.35	0.8434	2%	\$ 1,779.71	\$ 2,038.22	0.8196	2%	\$ 1,727.55	-2.9%
48620	Wichita, KS	\$ 2,057.35	0.8166	2%	\$ 1,739.24	\$ 2,038.22	0.8348	2%	\$ 1,750.30	0.6%
99917	Rural Kansas	\$ 2,057.35	0.8183	2%	\$ 1,741.80	\$ 2,038.22	0.8135	2%	\$ 1,718.43	-1.3%

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