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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	
11200	Amherst Town-Northampton, MA	\$ 2,057.35	0.9404	2%	\$ 1,926.19	\$ 2,038.22	0.9814	2%	\$ 1,969.62	2.3%
12700	Barnstable Town, MA	\$ 2,057.35	1.1532	2%	\$ 2,247.55	\$ 2,038.22	1.2554	2%	\$ 2,379.56	5.9%
14454	Boston, MA	\$ 2,057.35	1.1301	2%	\$ 2,212.66	\$ 2,038.22	1.1519	2%	\$ 2,224.71	0.5%
15764	Cambridge-Newton-Framingham, MA	\$ 2,057.35	1.0171	2%	\$ 2,042.03	\$ 2,038.22	1.0673	2%	\$ 2,098.14	2.7%
38340	Pittsfield, MA	\$ 2,057.35	1.0111	2%	\$ 2,032.96	\$ 2,038.22	0.9948	2%	\$ 1,989.67	-2.1%
39300	Providence-Warwick, RI-MA	\$ 2,057.35	0.9956	2%	\$ 2,009.55	\$ 2,038.22	1.0040	2%	\$ 2,003.43	-0.3%
44140	Springfield, MA	\$ 2,057.35	0.9440	2%	\$ 1,931.63	\$ 2,038.22	0.9905	2%	\$ 1,983.24	2.7%
49340	Worcester, MA	\$ 2,057.35	1.0963	2%	\$ 2,161.63	\$ 2,038.22	1.0415	2%	\$ 2,059.54	-4.7%
50013	Rural Massachusetts (Franklin County)	\$ 2,057.35	1.0285	2%	\$ 2,059.23	\$ 2,038.22	1.1102	2%	\$ 2,162.32	5.0%
99922	Rural Massachusetts (All Other Rural Counties)	\$ 2,057.35	1.1971	2%	\$ 2,313.85	\$ 2,038.22	1.1372	2%	\$ 2,202.72	-4.8%

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