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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	Sequestration	Adjusted Rate	30-Day Payment Rate	Wage Index	Sequestration	Adjusted Rate	
12620	Bangor, ME	\$ 2,057.35	0.8979	2%	\$ 1,862.01	\$ 2,038.22	0.9102	2%	\$ 1,863.11	0.1%
30340	Lewiston-Auburn, ME	\$ 2,057.35	0.8753	2%	\$ 1,827.89	\$ 2,038.22	0.8638	2%	\$ 1,793.68	-1.9%
38860	Portland-South Portland, ME	\$ 2,057.35	0.9535	2%	\$ 1,945.98	\$ 2,038.22	0.9983	2%	\$ 1,994.91	2.5%
99920	Rural Maine	\$ 2,057.35	0.8236	2%	\$ 1,749.81	\$ 2,038.22	0.8039	2%	\$ 1,704.07	-2.6%

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