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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	
13740	Billings, MT	\$ 2,057.35	0.9268	2%	\$ 1,905.66	\$ 2,038.22	0.8974	2%	\$ 1,843.95	-3.2%
14580	Bozeman, MT	\$ 2,057.35	0.9620	2%	\$ 1,958.81	\$ 2,038.22	0.9655	2%	\$ 1,945.84	-0.7%
24500	Great Falls, MT	\$ 2,057.35	0.8688	2%	\$ 1,818.07	\$ 2,038.22	0.8698	2%	\$ 1,802.66	-0.8%
25740	Helena, MT	\$ 2,057.35	0.7859	2%	\$ 1,692.88	\$ 2,038.22	0.7705	2%	\$ 1,654.10	-2.3%
33540	Missoula, MT	\$ 2,057.35	0.9128	2%	\$ 1,884.51	\$ 2,038.22	0.9325	2%	\$ 1,896.47	0.6%
99927	Rural Montana	\$ 2,057.35	0.8835	2%	\$ 1,840.26	\$ 2,038.22	1.1433	2%	\$ 2,211.84	20.2%

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