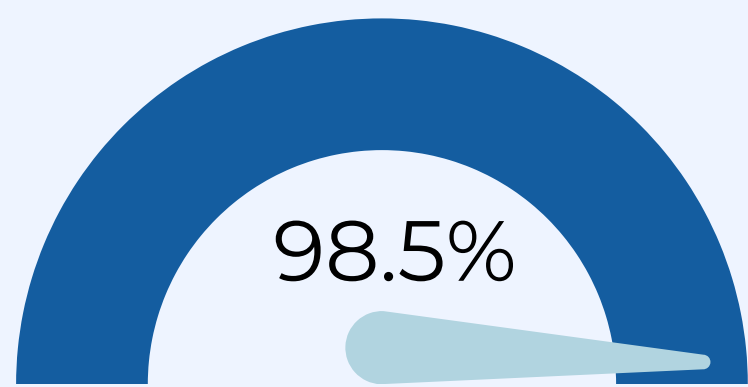


Economic Costs of WOTUS on Small Businesses

MONTANA

According to SBA Office of Advocacy data, President Biden's new WOTUS Rule will impact **25,942 MONTANA** small businesses

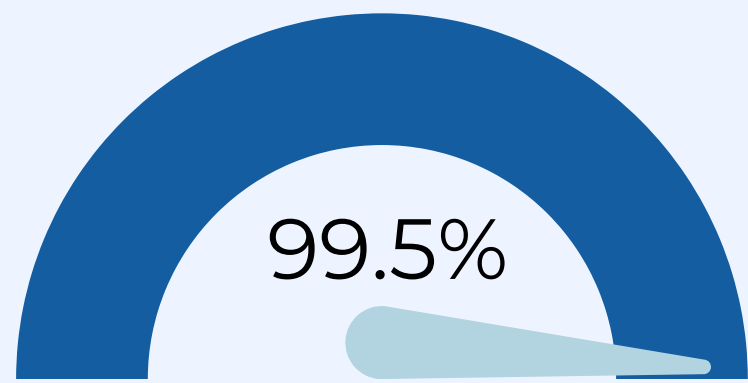
INDUSTRIES AT RISK



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Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting

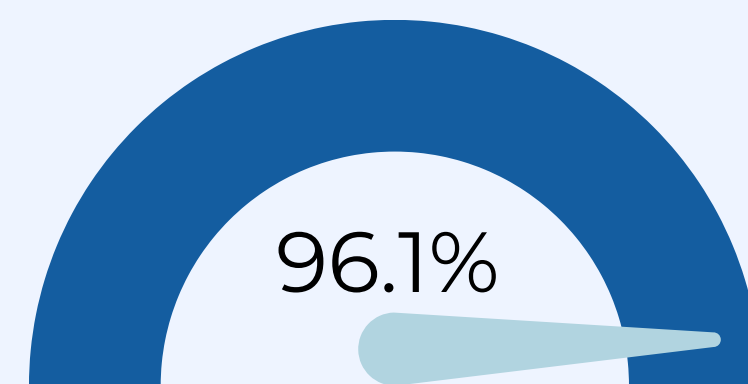
An estimated 3,354 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
An estimated 954 EMPLOYEES are impacted



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Construction

An estimated 19,170 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
An estimated 25,287 EMPLOYEES are impacted



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Manufacturing

An estimated 3,418 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
An estimated 14,449 EMPLOYEES are impacted

The EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers unveiled their final **Revised Definition of WOTUS**, which would significantly **expand regulations around permits** for land and building projects. It would create significant uncertainty around what criteria will be used to determine whether a permit is ultimately awarded. The Rule would even require private individuals to prove water on their land is **not** under the federal government's jurisdiction. The rule is **effective starting March 20, 2023**.