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Title: *The Montana University System: An Investment in Montana's Future*

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Montana's Future

MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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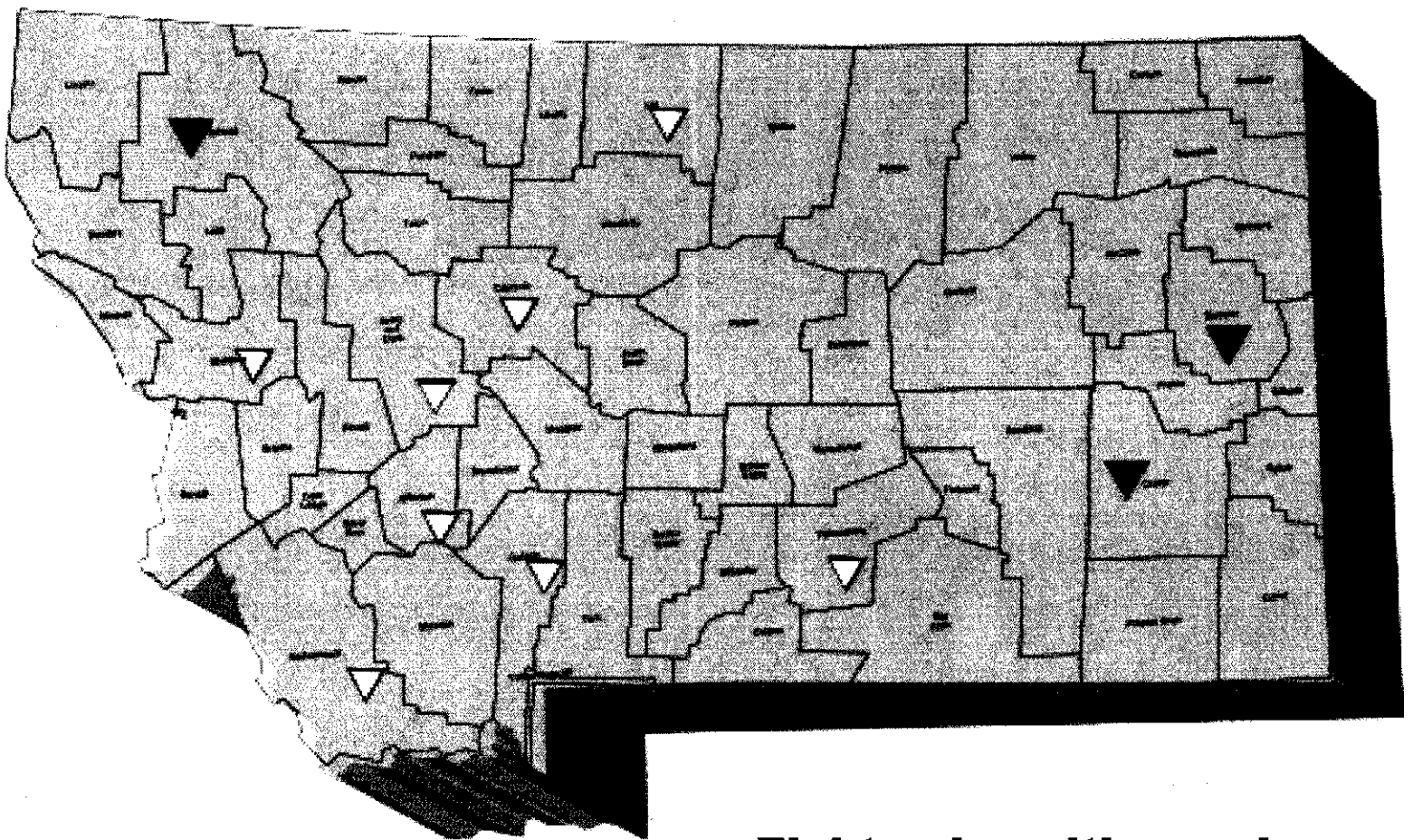

Eight universities and three community colleges

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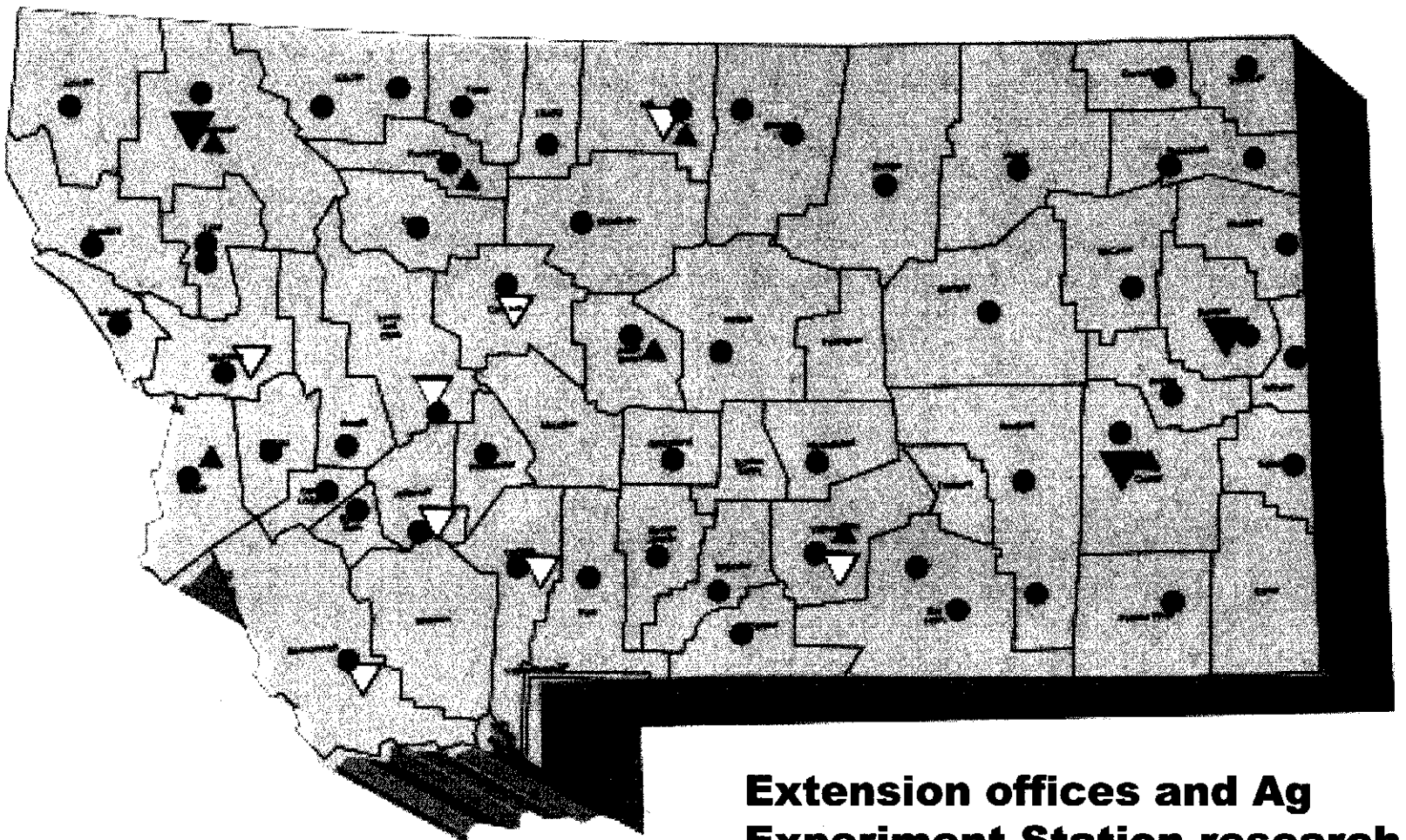

Extension offices and Ag Experiment Station research centers throughout the state

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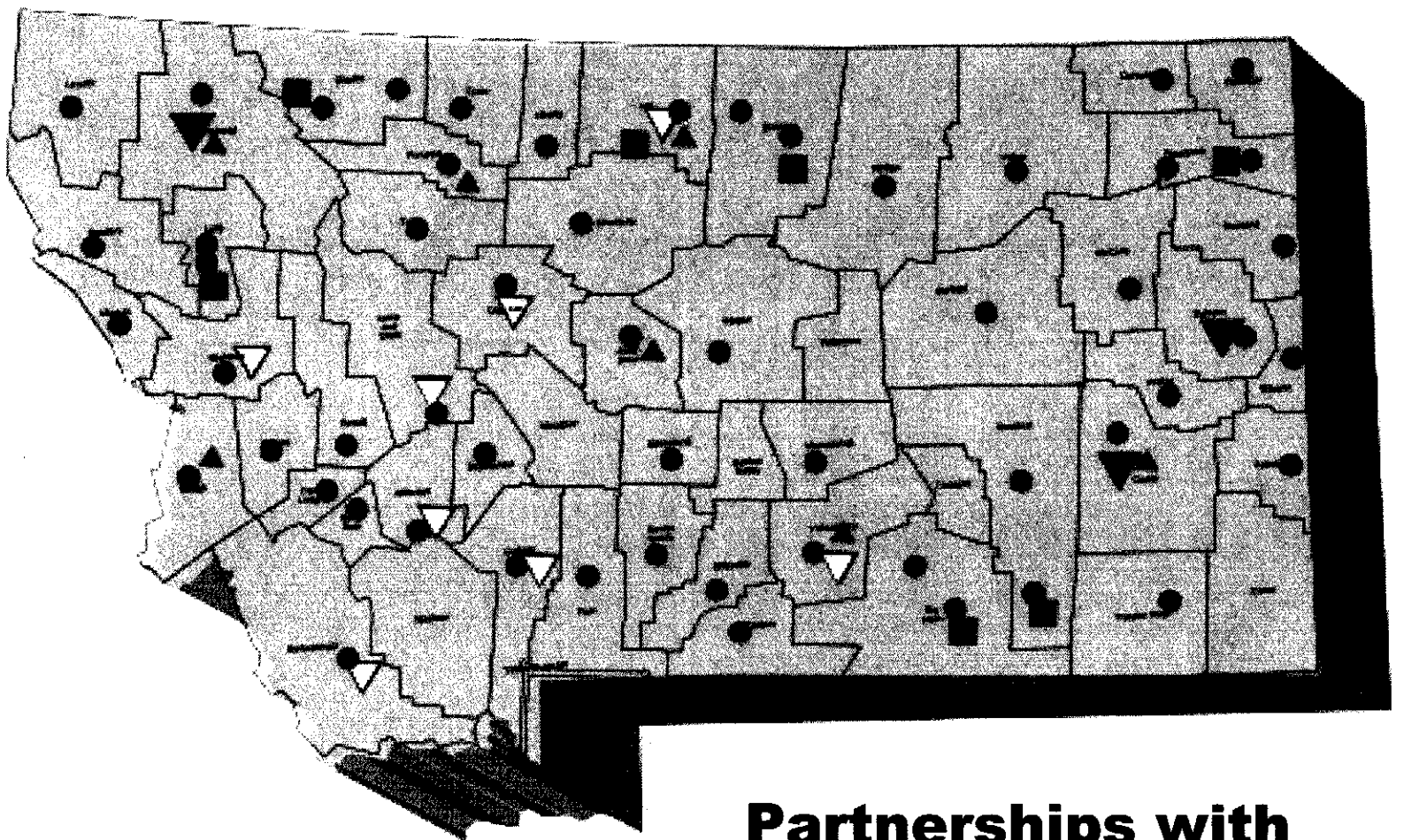

Partnerships with seven tribal colleges

- Substantial direct economic impact
  - More than $300 million in out-of-state money attracted to the state each year, including
    - $150 million in research grants and contracts, up nearly $70 million in last 5 years
    - $155 million spent by non-resident students and families
  - Nearly $500 million spent each year by employees and students in campus communities

- Governor's Office for Economic Opportunity
- Joint Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education Policy and Budget
- EDAG and the Alliance for Montana's Future
- Various business and agricultural groups

This is a new, collaborative approach to addressing the State's needs and opportunities

Working together, we can make a real difference for Montana

- Maintained [illegible] students at above-market rates, maintaining below-market comparative tuition levels, and increasing tuition and fees.
- These strategies cannot continue without compromising quality and affordability

Now is the time to enhance the investment in our colleges and universities for the benefit of our citizens and our economic future

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It's not just jobs, it's the quality of jobs

- Per capita income in Montana has dropped from 90% of the national average in 1982 to 82% in 2003.
- Montana ranks 50th in the nation in wage and salary income per job.

Our priorities must be……..
JOBS + INCOME LEVELS

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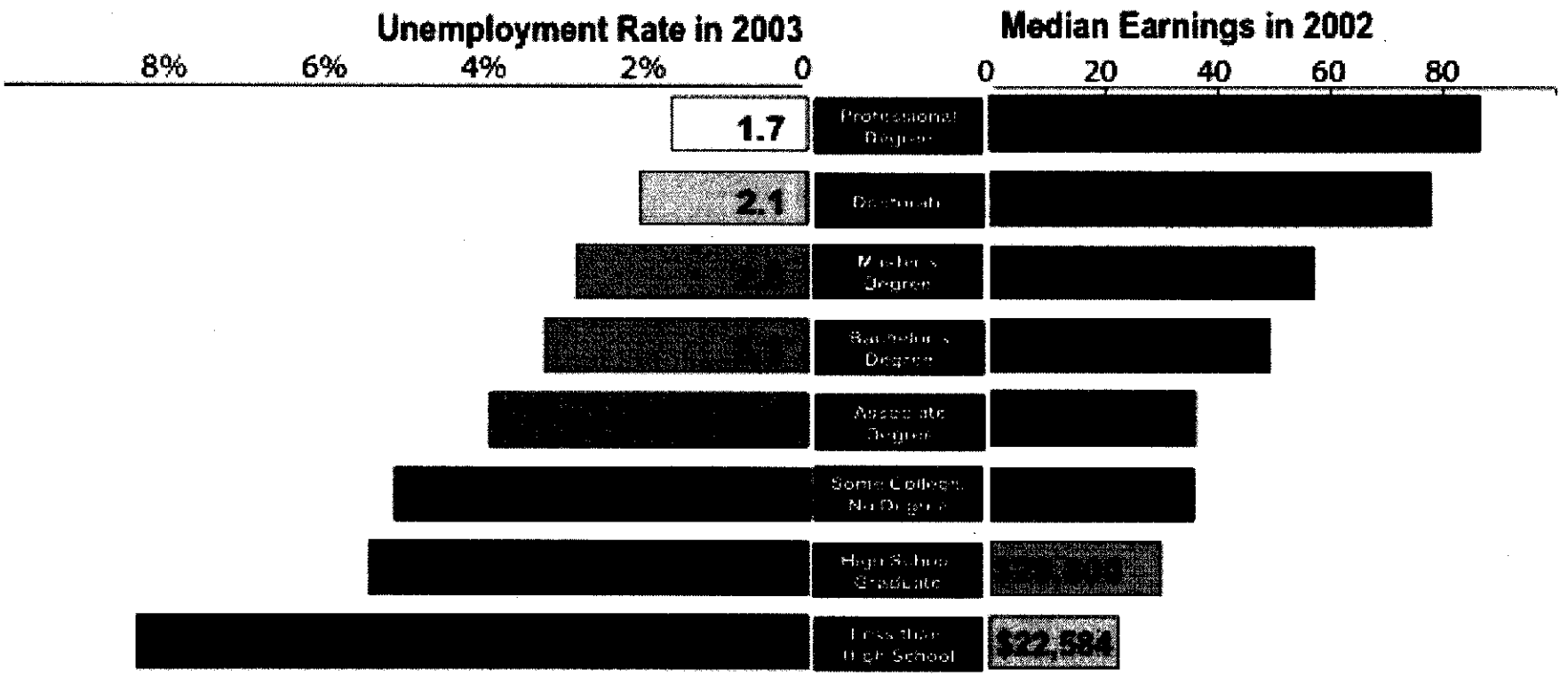
- increasingly tied to postsecondary education attainment
- Attracting and creating high paying jobs is dependent on an educated and trained citizenry

*Bureau of Labor Statistics, US Department of Labor

Education and Training Pay

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