

## COUNTY PROFILE

# Chippewa Co.

Chippewa Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 6W, which is located in the Southwest Planning Region.



## POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

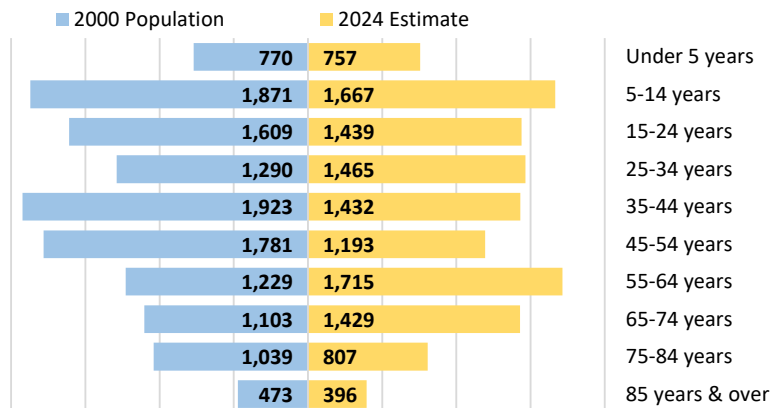
2024 population:	<b>12,299 people</b>	Median Age:	<b>41.8 years</b>
Population change, 2020-2024	-299 people -2.4% decline	state:	38.6 years

Chippewa Co. is the 61st largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population decreased so far this decade, ranking as the 77th fastest growing in the state from 2020 to 2024. Chippewa Co.'s population has an older median age than the state and a larger percentage of people aged 65 years and older. The population is aging, especially as the Baby Boom generation moves through the population pyramid (see Figure 1).

	Number	Percent
Under 5 years	757	6.2%
5-14 years	1,667	13.6%
15-24 years	1,439	11.7%
25-34 years	1,465	11.9%
35-44 years	1,432	11.6%
45-54 years	1,193	9.7%
55-64 years	1,715	13.9%
65-74 years	1,429	11.6%
75-84 years	807	6.6%
85 years & over	396	3.2%
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>12,299</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: Census 2024 Population Estimates, 2019-2023 ACS

Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2000-2024



Chippewa Co. suffered a negative natural increase - more deaths than births from 2020 to 2024, but also experienced net out-migration - meaning more people moved out than moved in. Despite suffering domestic out-migration, Chippewa Co. welcomed net international in-migration - gaining new Minnesotans from foreign countries (see Table 2).

Table 2. Cumulative Estimates of the Components of Population Change, 2020-2024

	Total Population Change	April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2024					
		Natural Increase	Vital Events		Net Migration		
			Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic
Chippewa Co.	-307	-85	678	763	-217	314	-531
State of Minnesota	86,459	51,570	268,689	217,119	33,161	81,091	-47,930

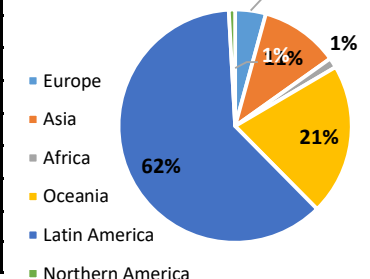
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

Compared to the state, Chippewa Co. has a smaller percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2013 to 2023, Chippewa Co. saw an increase in the number of foreign-born residents, which was faster than the statewide increase.

	Chippewa Co.		Change 2013-2023		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change
<b>Foreign-born Population</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>97.5%</b>	<b>8.6%</b>	<b>24.7%</b>
Europe	34	4.3%	-29	-46.0%	8.8%	-3.4%
Asia	87	10.9%	34	64.2%	35.7%	18.1%
Africa	11	1.4%	11	#DIV/0!	28.3%	78.8%
Oceania	168	21.1%	99	143.5%	0.4%	5.4%
Americas:	498	62.4%	279	127.4%	26.7%	8.7%
Latin America	491	61.5%	277	129.4%	24.2%	9.7%
Northern America	7	0.9%	2	40.0%	2.5%	0.4%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 American Community Survey

Figure 2. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born Population, 2023



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Chippewa Co.'s population was becoming more racially diverse over time. Since 2013, the white population declined, but the number of people of other races increased (see Table 4).

**Figure 3. Population by Race, 2023**

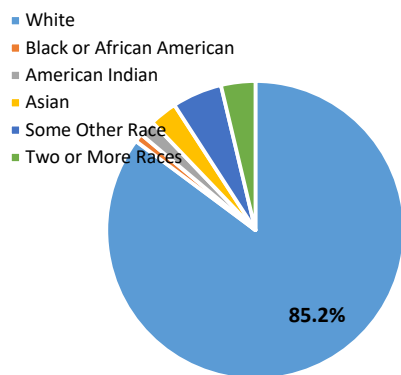


Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2023	Chippewa Co.			Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Change from 2013-2023	Percent	Change from 2013-2023
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,388</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.9%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6.8%</b>
White	10,553	85.2%	-8.4%	78.4%	-2.2%
Black or African American	113	0.9%	61.4%	6.8%	38.9%
American Indian or Alaska Native	218	1.8%	263.3%	0.9%	-11.6%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	371	3.0%	110.8%	5.1%	29.6%
Some Other Race	671	5.4%	493.8%	2.7%	96.1%
Two or More Races	462	3.7%	38.3%	6.2%	168.3%
Hispanic or Latino origin	1,228	9.9%	94.0%	6.2%	37.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 American Community Survey

## POPULATION PROJECTIONS

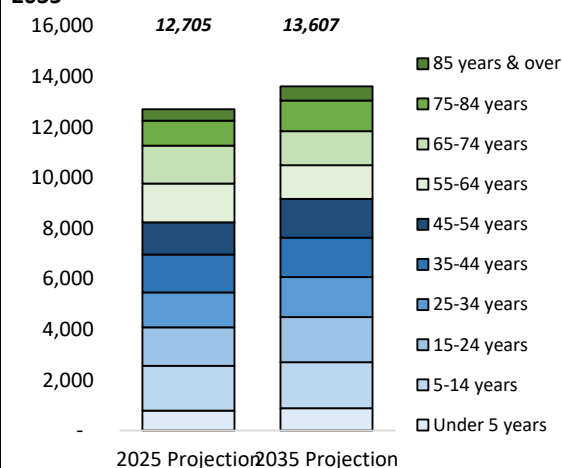
According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Chippewa Co.'s population is expected to grow from 2025 to 2035, with a rate of change that is faster than the projected statewide growth rate (3.7%). In addition to the overall growth, the number of people aged 65 years and older is expected to increase over the next decade (see Figure 4 and Table 5).

**Table 5. Population Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035**

Chippewa Co.	2025 Projection	2035 Projection	Numeric Change	Percent Change
Under 5 years	790	884	94	11.9%
5-14 years	1,774	1,822	48	2.7%
15-24 years	1,518	1,781	263	17.3%
25-34 years	1,384	1,580	196	14.2%
35-44 years	1,495	1,556	61	4.1%
45-54 years	1,273	1,544	271	21.3%
55-64 years	1,533	1,326	-207	-13.5%
65-74 years	1,502	1,349	-153	-10.2%
75-84 years	986	1,211	225	22.8%
85 years & over	450	554	104	23.1%
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>12,705</b>	<b>13,607</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>7.1%</b>

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

**Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035**

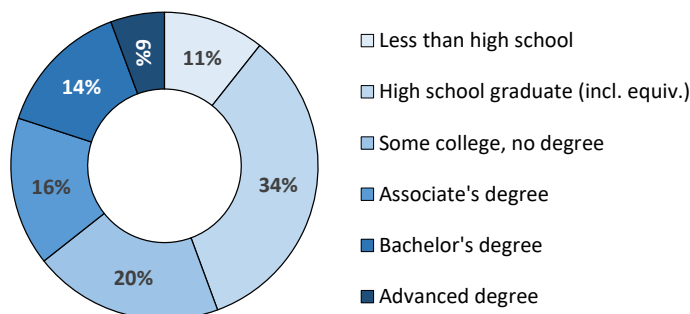


## EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Chippewa Co. has a lower percentage of adults (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma than the state (93.2%), and a lower percentage of people with at least some college experience. Chippewa Co. also has a higher percentage of people with an Associate's degree and a lower percentage of people with a Bachelor's degree or higher.

**Figure 5. Educational Attainment, 2023**

<b>Percentage of the adult population (18 years &amp; over) with at least a high school diploma:</b>	<b>89.3%</b>
<b>College-educated:</b>	<b>55.6%</b>
state:	68.8%
<b>Associate's Degree:</b>	<b>15.7%</b>
<b>Bachelor's Degree:</b>	<b>14.3%</b>
<b>Advanced Degree:</b>	<b>5.7%</b>



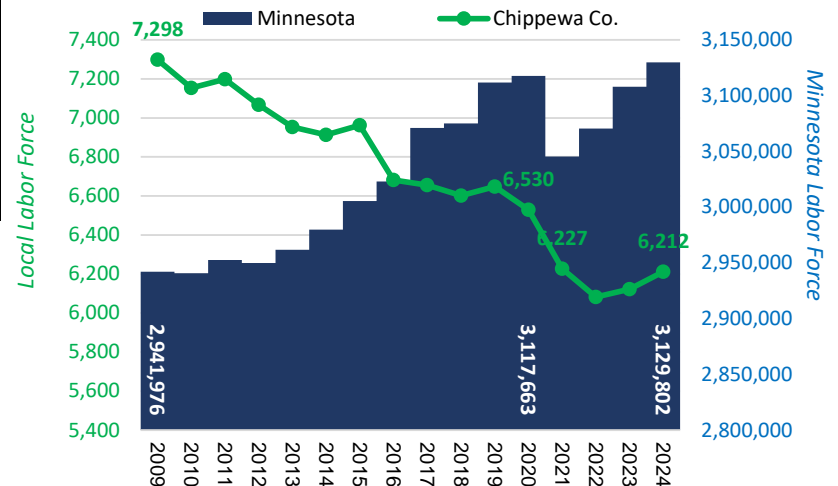
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 American Community Survey

## LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 3%, Chippewa Co. had a higher unemployment rate than the state in 2024. After the pandemic recession Chippewa Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to the 4.2% pre-pandemic rate posted in 2019. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Chippewa Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2019.

<b>6,212</b>	available workers
Labor Force change, 2009-2024	-1,086 workers -14.9% decline
<b>3.0%</b>	unemployment rate
2.8%	state
<b>186</b>	unemployed workers

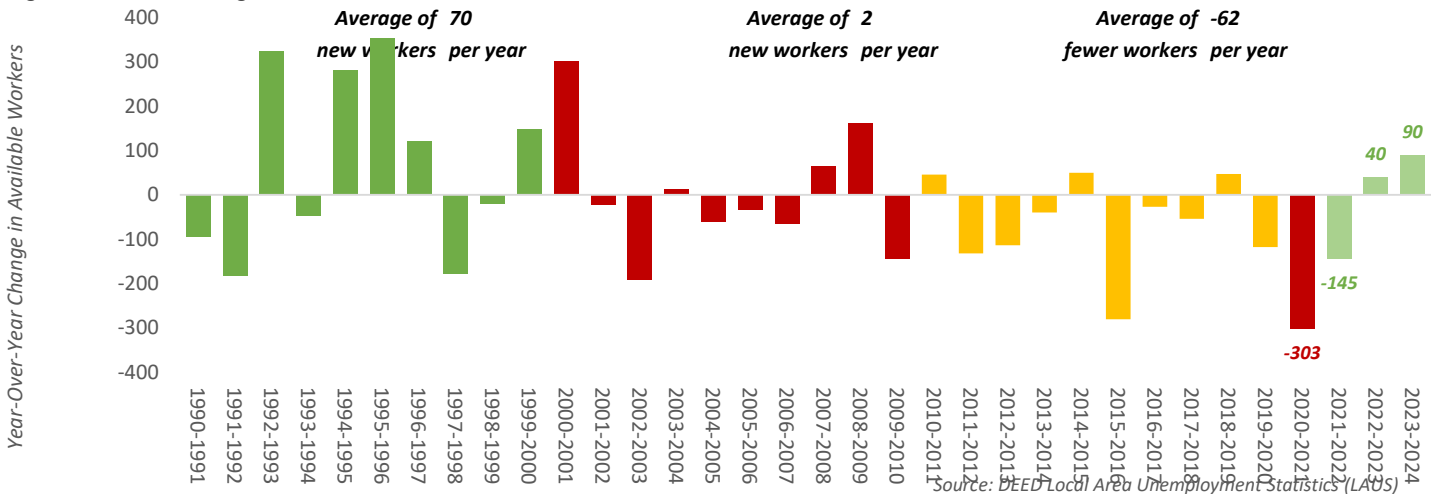
Figure 6. Annual Labor Force Estimates



Source: DEED Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Labor force growth has slowed in recent years. After experiencing a net gain of workers each year from 1990 to 2000, Chippewa Co. averaged an annual gain of new workers from 2000 to 2010, and most recently a loss of fewer workers since 2010 (see Figure 7). Moving forward, Chippewa Co. is expected to add workers from 2025 to 2035 (see Table 6).

Figure 7. Annual Change in Labor Force, 1990-2024



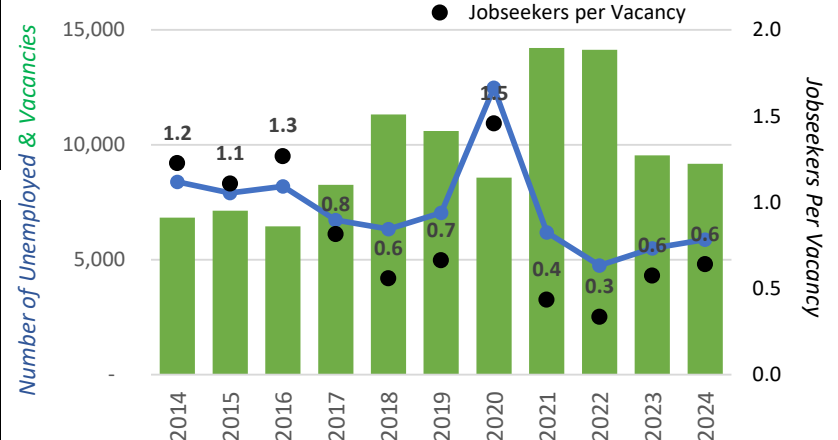
Source: DEED Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

Table 6. Labor Force Projections, 2025-2035	Labor Force Projection	
	2025	2035
16 to 24 years	823	979
25 to 54 years	3,558	4,018
55 to 64 years	1,122	970
65 years & over	602	572
<b>Total Labor Force</b>	<b>6,106</b>	<b>6,540</b>

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center, 2019-2023 ACS

The labor market had grown extremely tight in recent years, with less than 1 jobseeker per vacancy until the pandemic recession intervened in early 2020 and the number of unemployed workers spiked. In 2024, job vacancies in Southwest returned to pre-pandemic levels, but employers are still seeing challenges finding enough workers for open jobs (see Figure 8).

Figure 8. Jobseekers Per Vacancy, 2014-2024



Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, LAUS program

## LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

Chippewa Co. had a lower labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in Chippewa Co. is less racially diverse than the state (where 80.0% of workers are white alone), but is becoming more diverse over time.

Table 7. Employment Characteristics, 2023

	Chippewa Co.			Minnesota		Labor Force by Gender	
	In Labor Force (available workers)	Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate	Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate	Male	Female
Total Labor Force	6,202	62.9%	4.4%	68.5%	3.9%	3,295	2,910
16 to 19 years	235	40.8%	32.8%	52.7%	9.9%	97	138
20 to 24 years	613	78.0%	4.1%	83.4%	6.5%	295	318
25 to 44 years	2,440	83.6%	4.0%	88.7%	3.5%	1,348	1,092
45 to 54 years	1,087	90.4%	0.7%	87.8%	2.9%	544	543
55 to 64 years	1,264	73.2%	3.1%	72.8%	3.0%	686	578
65 to 74 years	486	33.8%	4.7%	27.8%	3.4%	267	219
75 years & over	80	6.6%	0.0%	6.6%	3.1%	58	22
Employment Characteristics by Race & Hispanic Origin						<div>Figure 9. Labor Force by Race, 2023</div> <div><div>■ White alone</div><div>■ Black or African American</div><div>■ American Indian &amp; Alaska Native</div><div>■ Asian or Other Pac. Islanders</div><div>■ Some Other Race</div></div>	
White alone	5,424	63.2%	4.2%	67.5%	3.4%		
Black or African American	11	9.9%	0.0%	71.0%	8.4%		
American Indian & Alaska Native	23	14.6%	0.0%	57.7%	11.4%		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	168	56.4%	16.1%	74.6%	3.5%		
Some Other Race	332	82.0%	4.2%	75.9%	5.6%		
Two or More Races	245	79.8%	1.2%	74.2%	6.1%		
Hispanic or Latino	601	81.5%	11.5%	77.1%	5.9%		
Employment Characteristics by Disability, 20 to 64 years							
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	328	49.5%	3.4%	55.3%	9.5%		
Employment Characteristics by Educational Attainment, 25 to 64 years							
Population, 25 to 64 years	4,789	81.9%	3.0%	84.4%	3.3%		
Less than H.S. Diploma	435	73.0%	1.5%	67.1%	4.7%		
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	1,187	76.3%	0.3%	76.5%	2.6%		
Some College or Assoc. Degree	2,047	85.2%	3.4%	85.0%	3.6%		
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	1,122	86.8%	0.4%	90.5%	2.0%		

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

A larger percentage of workers in Chippewa Co. worked in the same county in which they live compared to the state. Chippewa Co. also had a shorter average commute time than the state.

Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2022	Chippewa Co.		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Worked in state of residence	5,699	99.9%	2,870,678	97.8%
Worked in county of residence	3,982	69.8%	1,984,232	67.6%
Worked out of county of residence	1,717	30.1%	886,447	30.2%
Worked outside state of residence	6	0.1%	64,576	2.2%
<b>MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK</b>				
Car, truck, or van	5,055	88.6%	2,286,563	77.9%
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	6	0.1%	61,640	2.1%
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	177	3.1%	120,345	4.1%
Worked at home	468	8.2%	463,770	15.8%
<b>TRAVEL TIME TO WORK</b>				
Less than 10 minutes	2,328	40.8%	478,446	16.3%
10 to 19 minutes	1,312	23.0%	924,605	31.5%
20 to 29 minutes	1,027	18.0%	651,626	22.2%
30 to 44 minutes	610	10.7%	551,828	18.8%
45 to 59 minutes	154	2.7%	176,115	6.0%
60 or more minutes	274	4.8%	149,698	5.1%
<b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>	<b>18.0 minutes</b>		<b>23.1 minutes</b>	

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

Figure 9. Labor Force by Race, 2023

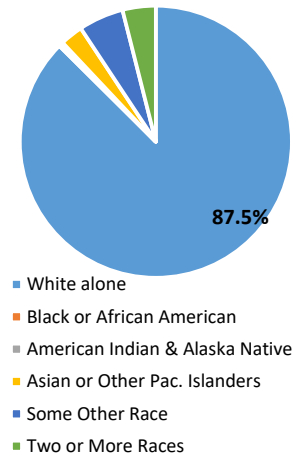
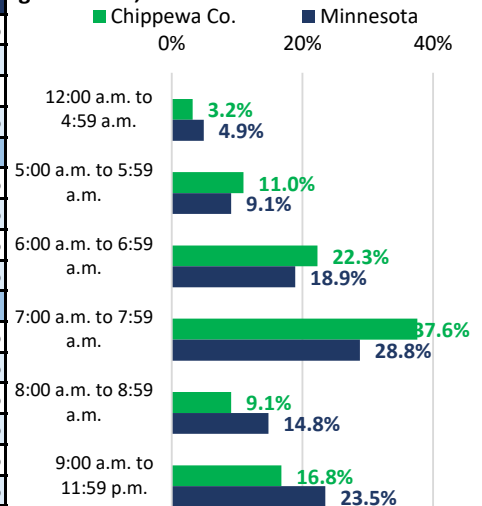


Figure 10. Time Leaving Home to go to Work, 2023



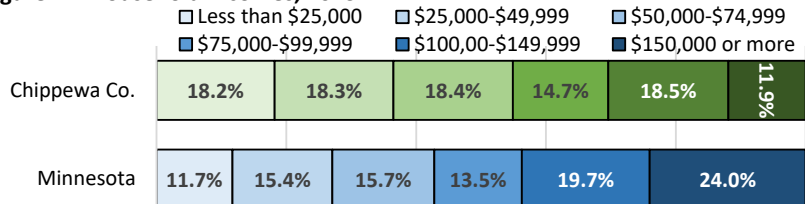
INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

Chippewa Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Chippewa Co. had the 63rd highest median household income of the 87 counties in the state.

<b>Median Household Income</b>	<b>\$69,192</b>
state	\$87,556
<b>Median Family Income</b>	<b>\$92,994</b>
state	\$111,492
<b>Per Capita Income</b>	<b>\$35,205</b>
state	\$46,957

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey

Figure 11. Household Incomes, 2023



Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

The cost of living has increased over the past 2 years with costs up in many areas. Chippewa Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$14.22 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$17.56 for a typical family with 2 adults and 1 child (see Table 9).

Table 9. Basic Needs Cost of Living Estimates, 2024									
Single Adult, 0 children	Single Yearly Cost of Living	Hourly Wage Required	Monthly Costs						
			Child Care	Food	Health Care	Housing	Transportation	Other	Taxes
Chippewa Co.	\$29,578	\$14.22	\$0	\$419	\$150	\$769	\$561	\$275	\$291
State of Minnesota	\$36,768	\$17.68	\$0	\$424	\$156	\$1,154	\$573	\$365	\$392
Typical Family: 2 Adults (1 working full-time, 1 part-time), 1 child	Family Yearly Cost of Living	Hourly Wage Required	Monthly Costs						
			Child Care	Food	Health Care	Housing	Transportation	Other	Taxes
Chippewa Co.	\$54,799	\$17.56	\$283	\$953	\$530	\$931	\$1,000	\$436	\$434
State of Minnesota	\$70,308	\$22.53	\$545	\$964	\$556	\$1,446	\$1,028	\$557	\$763

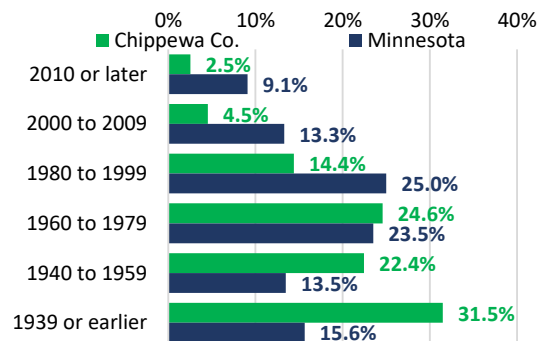
Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

Chippewa Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 75th highest value of the 87 counties in 2022. Chippewa Co.'s housing stock was older than the state's, with a lower percentage of units built since 2000 (see Figure 12).

Table 10. Estimated Value of Owner-occupied Housing Units, 2022	Chippewa Co.		Minnesota
	Total	Percent	Percent
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,712</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Less than \$50,000	404	10.9%	4.0%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	672	18.1%	4.0%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	795	21.4%	6.2%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	551	14.8%	8.9%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	743	20.0%	25.7%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	422	11.4%	33.6%
\$500,000 or more	125	3.4%	17.5%
<b>Median (dollars)</b>	<b>\$149,000</b>		<b>\$305,500</b>

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

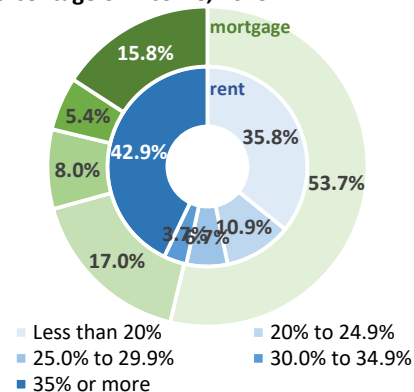
Figure 12. Year Structure Built, 2023



<b>Median monthly owner costs, owner-occupied units with a mortgage</b>	<b>\$1,390</b>
state	\$1,890
<b>Percentage of households with a mortgage spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs</b>	<b>21.2%</b>
state	22.5%
<b>Median monthly rent costs</b>	<b>\$846</b>
state	\$1,235
<b>Percentage of renters spending 30% or more of their household income on rent</b>	<b>46.6%</b>
state	47.2%

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

Figure 13. Housing Costs as a Percentage of Income, 2023





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## OCCUPATIONS

At \$23.1 in 2024, wages were lower in Region 6W than the state. Overall, Region 6W had the 9th highest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$45.57) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$14.69) (see Table 11).

**Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2025**

Occupational Group	Region 6W				State of Minnesota		
	Median Hourly Wage	Estimated Regional Jobs	Share of Total Jobs	Regional Location Quotient	Median Hourly Wage	Estimated Statewide Jobs	Share of Total Jobs
<b>Total, All Occupations</b>	<b>\$23.10</b>	<b>16,330</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>\$26.22</b>	<b>2,920,470</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Management	\$45.57	960	5.9%	0.9	\$59.38	200,060	6.9%
Business & Financial Operations	\$34.43	490	3.0%	0.4	\$39.95	208,210	7.1%
Computer & Mathematical	\$35.12	100	0.6%	0.2	\$50.02	97,460	3.3%
Architecture & Engineering	\$40.95	130	0.8%	0.4	\$45.03	57,950	2.0%
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$27.58	140	0.9%	0.8	\$38.33	32,150	1.1%
Community & Social Service	\$27.97	350	2.1%	1.1	\$29.82	59,290	2.0%
Legal	\$36.51	50	0.3%	0.4	\$49.52	20,750	0.7%
Education, Training & Library	\$23.52	1,390	8.5%	1.5	\$27.84	170,270	5.8%
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$21.71	130	0.8%	0.6	\$28.84	36,030	1.2%
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$39.19	1,070	6.6%	1.0	\$46.51	187,480	6.4%
Healthcare Support	\$18.85	1,020	6.2%	1.0	\$18.67	176,750	6.1%
Protective Service	\$27.13	290	1.8%	1.1	\$29.37	46,960	1.6%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$14.69	1,420	8.7%	1.1	\$16.05	240,830	8.2%
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$18.45	560	3.4%	1.2	\$19.16	81,700	2.8%
Personal Care & Service	\$17.24	320	2.0%	0.9	\$17.54	63,300	2.2%
Sales & Related	\$16.83	1,330	8.1%	1.0	\$18.66	244,780	8.4%
Office & Administrative Support	\$22.55	1,810	11.1%	1.0	\$24.07	340,040	11.6%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$23.31	60	0.4%	3.3	\$23.48	3,300	0.1%
Construction & Extraction	\$29.56	870	5.3%	1.4	\$34.20	114,050	3.9%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$28.57	800	4.9%	1.4	\$30.40	105,650	3.6%
Production	\$22.89	1,360	8.3%	1.2	\$23.56	205,220	7.0%
Transportation & Material Moving	\$23.05	1,700	10.4%	1.3	\$19.80	228,260	7.8%

Source: DEED Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, Qtr. 1 2025

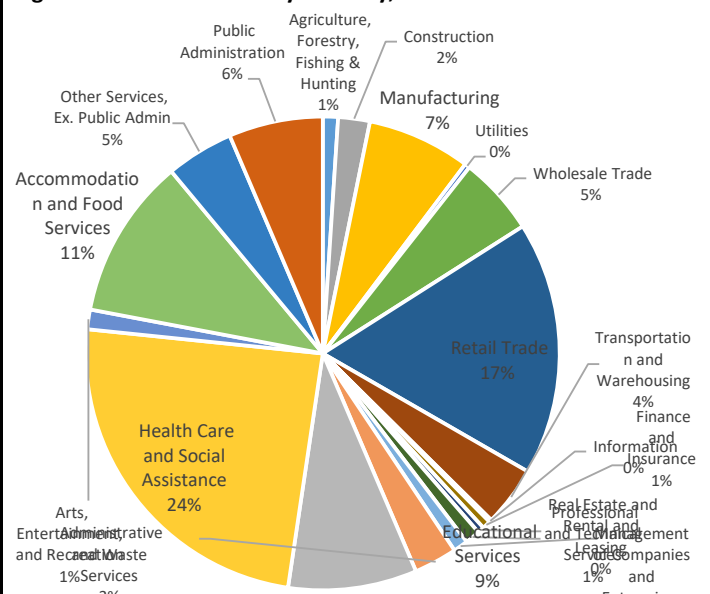
## JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Chippewa Co. is a part of the Southwest planning region. There were 9168 job vacancies posted by employers in 2024, indicating extensive opportunity in the region, with openings across several occupations and industries (see Figure 14).

**Table 12. Southwest Job Vacancy Survey Results, 2024**

Occupational Group	Number of Vacancies	Wage Offer
<b>Total, All Occupations</b>	<b>9,168</b>	<b>\$19.48</b>
Management	176	\$37.03
Business & Financial Operations	189	\$27.48
Computer & Mathematical	40	\$36.13
Architecture & Engineering	115	\$27.92
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	88	\$38.63
Community & Social Service	409	\$24.68
Education, Training & Library	548	\$21.55
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	738	\$30.27
Healthcare Support	984	\$14.95
Protective Service	222	\$28.05
Food Preparation & Serving Related	1,188	\$15.62
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	395	\$15.71
Personal Care & Service	114	\$15.42
Sales & Related	1,026	\$15.96
Office & Administrative Support	388	\$20.28
Construction & Extraction	132	\$23.65
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	645	\$23.30
Production	457	\$18.67
Transportation & Material Moving	1,033	\$21.37

**Figure 14. Job Vacancies by Industry, 2024**



Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, 2024

## OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND

Table 13. Southwest Planning Region Occupations in Demand, 2024

Less than High School	High School or Equivalent	Some College or Assoc. Deg.	Bachelor's Degree or Higher
Retail Salespersons \$34,798/yr	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers \$54,491/yr	Registered Nurses \$85,138/yr	Accountants and Auditors \$69,245/yr
Home Health and Personal Care Aides \$36,495/yr	Nursing Assistants \$39,764/yr	Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers \$74,684/yr	General and Operations Managers \$82,482/yr
Fast Food and Counter Workers \$30,228/yr	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses \$58,499/yr	Dental Hygienists \$84,870/yr	Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education \$65,364/yr
Cashiers \$30,595/yr	Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers \$64,265/yr	Industrial Engineering Technologists and Technicians \$60,049/yr	Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Career/Technical \$66,349/yr
Teaching Assistants, Except Postsecondary \$38,031/yr	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists \$59,444/yr	Radiologic Technologists and Technicians \$78,236/yr	Substitute Teachers, Short-Term \$52,112/yr
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers \$45,427/yr	Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks \$47,963/yr	Agricultural Technicians \$50,274/yr	Financial Managers \$119,560/yr
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and \$37,379/yr	Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters \$61,794/yr	Human Resources Assistants, Except Payroll and Timekeeping \$49,828/yr	Industrial Engineers \$90,455/yr
Construction Laborers \$49,744/yr	Substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors \$49,947/yr	Civil Engineering Technologists and Technicians \$71,227/yr	Computer Systems Analysts \$96,291/yr
Bus Drivers, School \$49,228/yr	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics \$50,024/yr	Physical Therapist Assistants \$62,988/yr	Middle School Teachers, Except Special and Career/Technical \$66,534/yr
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand \$43,003/yr	Industrial Machinery Mechanics \$60,689/yr	Veterinary Technologists and Technicians \$40,453/yr	Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education \$37,747/yr

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

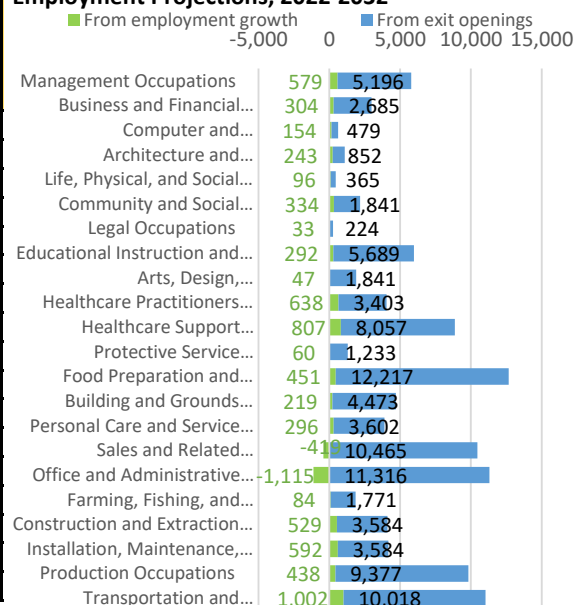
Chippewa Co. is a part of the Southwest planning region, which is projected to see a 2.8% increase in employment levels over the next decade. In addition to new jobs created, there will be a much larger number of exit openings (see Figure 15).

Table 14. Regional Industry Employment Projections, 2022-2032

	Estimated Employment 2022	Projected Employment 2032	Percent Change 2022-2032
<b>Southwest Planning Region</b>			
<b>Total, All Industries</b>	<b>202,214</b>	<b>207,878</b>	<b>2.8%</b>
Natural Resources & Mining	5,523	5,777	4.6%
Utilities	690	690	0.0%
Construction	7,679	8,252	7.5%
Manufacturing	32,192	33,537	4.2%
Wholesale Trade	8,001	8,116	1.4%
Retail Trade	19,409	19,084	-1.7%
Transportation & Warehousing	6,297	6,810	8.1%
Information	2,093	2,046	-2.2%
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	8,227	8,375	1.8%
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Companies	5,544	5,985	8.0%
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	4,127	4,331	4.9%
Educational Services	16,065	16,116	0.3%
Health Care & Social Assistance	28,786	30,498	5.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	13,625	14,377	5.5%
Other Services	7,097	7,281	2.6%
Public Administration	14,117	14,370	1.8%

Source: DEED 2022-2032 Employment Outlook

Figure 15. Regional Occupational Employment Projections, 2022-2032



## ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

Coming out of the pandemic recession, after losing jobs over the past year, Chippewa Co. had the 57th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Chippewa Co. was the 68th fastest growing in the past year and the 75th fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2024, employment in Chippewa Co. is still down from the pandemic recession.

425 business establishments

\$52,972 annual average wage

5,287 jobs

\$280,061,096 total industry payroll

Job change,  
2019-2024-11 jobs  
-0.2% decline

Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2005-2024

Source: DEED QCEW program

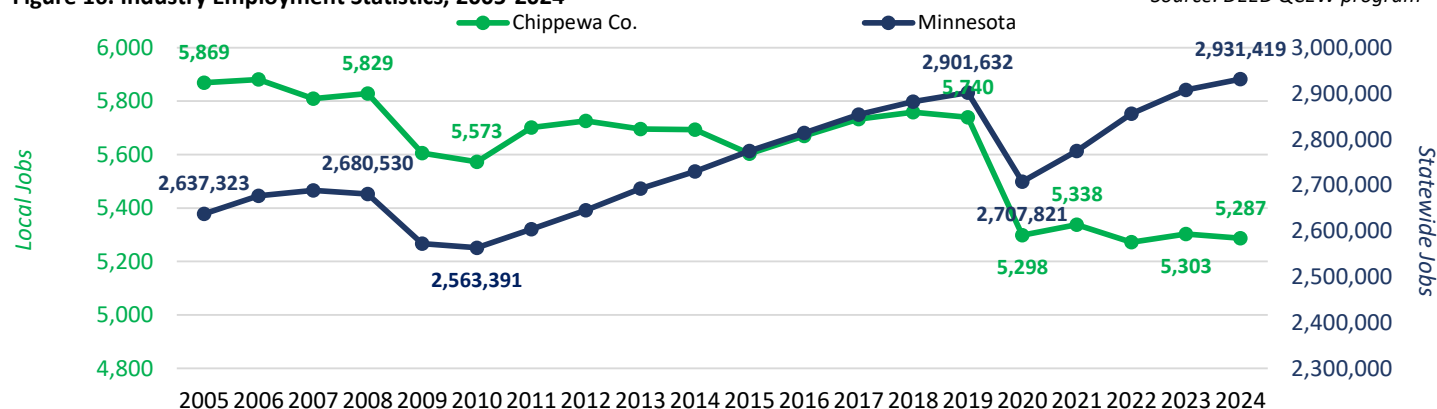
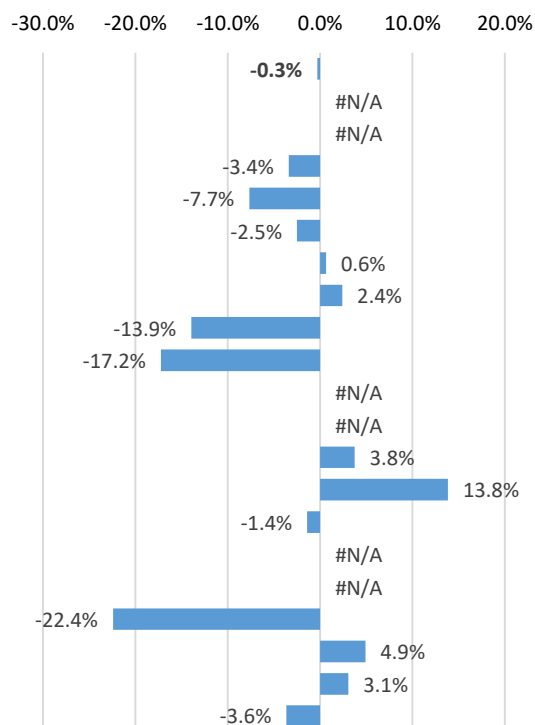


Table 15. Chippewa Co. Industry Employment Statistics, 2024	Number of Jobs	Percent of Total Jobs	Average Annual Wage
<b>Total, All Industries</b>	<b>5,287</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$52,972</b>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	315	6.0%	\$90,219
Manufacturing	915	17.3%	\$56,742
Utilities	39	0.7%	\$128,728
Wholesale Trade	315	6.0%	\$72,630
Retail Trade	512	9.7%	\$31,694
Transportation & Warehousing	105	2.0%	\$40,683
Information	24	0.5%	\$51,904
Finance & Insurance	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Professional & Technical Services	83	1.6%	\$48,604
Management of Companies	74	1.4%	\$103,005
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	71	1.3%	\$37,958
Educational Services	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Health Care & Social Assistance	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	45	0.9%	\$17,802
Accommodation & Food Services	321	6.1%	\$18,129
Other Services	168	3.2%	\$38,573
Public Administration	317	6.0%	\$53,133

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2023-2024



Source: DEED Quarterly Census of Employment &amp; Wages (QCEW)

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