

Cottonwood Co.

Cottonwood Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 8, which is located in the Southwest Planning Region.



POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

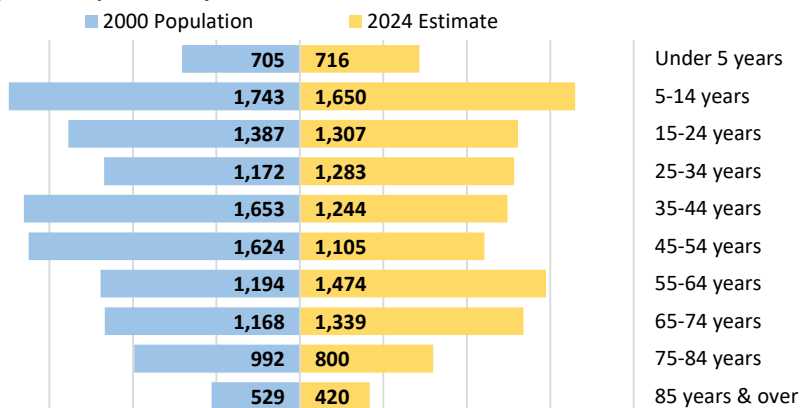
2024 population:	11,338 people	Median Age:	41.3 years
Population change, 2020-2024	-179 people -1.6% decline	state:	38.6 years

Cottonwood Co. is the 64th largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population decreased so far this decade, ranking as the 65th fastest growing in the state from 2020 to 2024. Cottonwood 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	716	6.3%
5-14 years	1,650	14.5%
15-24 years	1,307	11.5%
25-34 years	1,283	11.3%
35-44 years	1,244	11.0%
45-54 years	1,105	9.7%
55-64 years	1,474	13.0%
65-74 years	1,339	11.8%
75-84 years	800	7.1%
85 years & over	420	3.7%
Total Population	11,338	100.0%

Source: Census 2024 Population Estimates, 2019-2023 ACS

Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2000-2024



Cottonwood 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, Cottonwood 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
Cottonwood Co.	-178	-45	594	639	-137	111	-248
State of Minnesota	86,459	51,570	268,689	217,119	33,161	81,091	-47,930

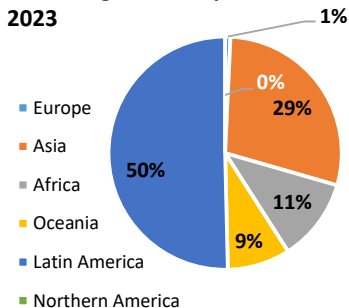
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

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

	Cottonwood Co.		Change 2013-2023		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change
Foreign-born Population	679	5.9%	206	43.6%	8.6%	24.7%
Europe	5	0.7%	-30	-85.7%	8.8%	-3.4%
Asia	195	28.7%	-136	-41.1%	35.7%	18.1%
Africa	78	11.5%	74	1850.0%	28.3%	78.8%
Oceania	59	8.7%	45	321.4%	0.4%	5.4%
Americas:	342	50.4%	253	284.3%	26.7%	8.7%
Latin America	342	50.4%	257	302.4%	24.2%	9.7%
Northern America	0	0.0%	-4	-100.0%	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



COUNTY PROFILE

Cottonwood Co.

Cottonwood 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

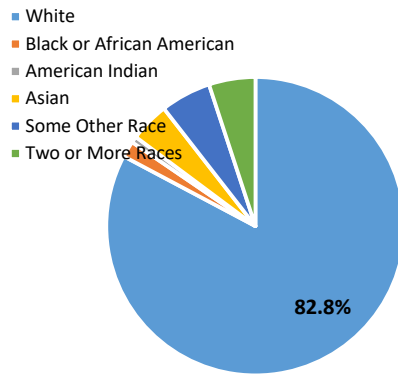


Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2023

	Cottonwood Co.			Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Change from 2013-2023	Percent	Change from 2013-2023
Total	11,458	100.0%	-1.7%	100.0%	6.8%
White	9,483	82.8%	-12.2%	78.4%	-2.2%
Black or African American	201	1.8%	229.5%	6.8%	38.9%
American Indian or Alaska Native	78	0.7%	62.5%	0.9%	-11.6%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	490	4.3%	21.9%	5.1%	29.6%
Some Other Race	628	5.5%	823.5%	2.7%	96.1%
Two or More Races	578	5.0%	107.9%	6.2%	168.3%
Hispanic or Latino origin	1,203	10.5%	118.3%	6.2%	37.5%

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

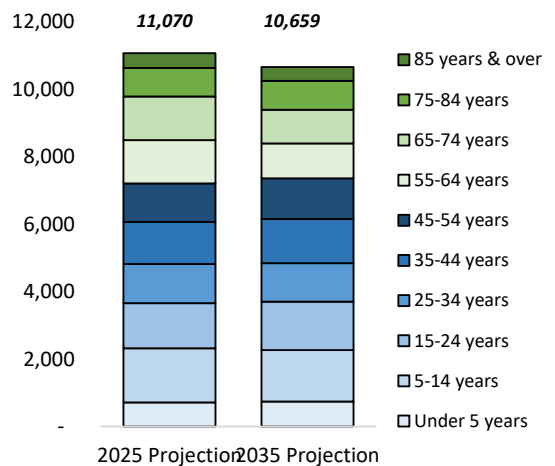
According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Cottonwood Co.'s population is expected to decline from 2025 to 2035, with a rate of change that is slower than the projected statewide growth rate (3.7%). Despite the decline, the number of people aged 65 years and older is expected to decrease over the next decade (see Figure 4 and Table 5).

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

Cottonwood Co.	2025 Projection	2035 Projection	Numeric Change	Percent Change
Under 5 years	713	740	27	3.8%
5-14 years	1,610	1,528	-82	-5.1%
15-24 years	1,337	1,432	95	7.1%
25-34 years	1,161	1,143	-18	-1.6%
35-44 years	1,250	1,313	63	5.0%
45-54 years	1,140	1,207	67	5.9%
55-64 years	1,282	1,036	-246	-19.2%
65-74 years	1,293	999	-294	-22.7%
75-84 years	850	857	7	0.8%
85 years & over	434	404	-30	-6.9%
Total Population	11,070	10,659	-411	-3.7%

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035



EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Cottonwood 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. Cottonwood 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.

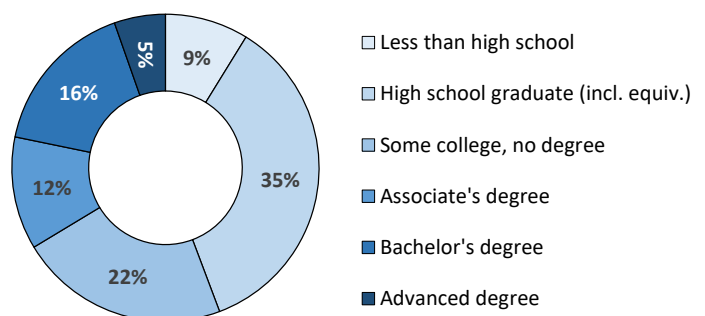
Percentage of the adult population (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma:

91.2%

College-educated: 55.7%
state: 68.8%

Associate's Degree: 11.9%
Bachelor's Degree: 16.4%
Advanced Degree: 5.4%

Figure 5. Educational Attainment, 2023



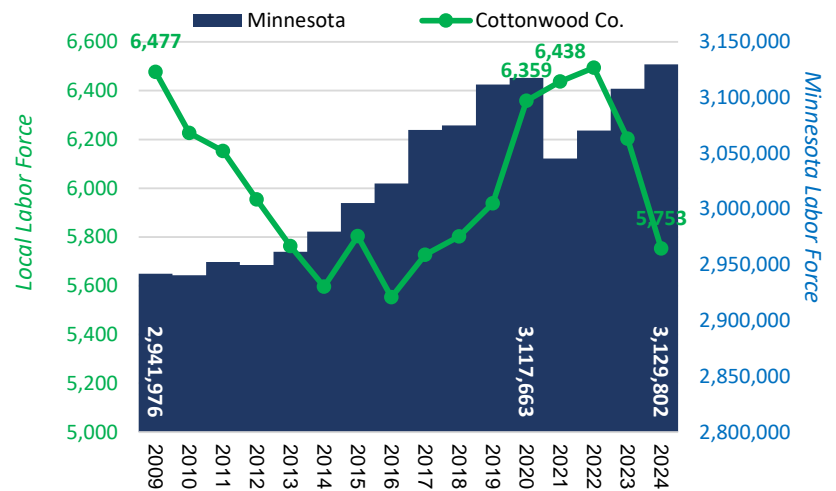
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 American Community Survey

LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 4.7%, Cottonwood Co. had a higher unemployment rate than the state in 2024. After the pandemic recession Cottonwood Co.'s unemployment rate increased compared to the 3.8% pre-pandemic rate posted in 2019. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Cottonwood Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2019.

5,753	available workers
Labor Force change, 2009-2024	-724 workers -11.2% decline
4.7%	unemployment rate
2.8%	state
270	unemployed workers

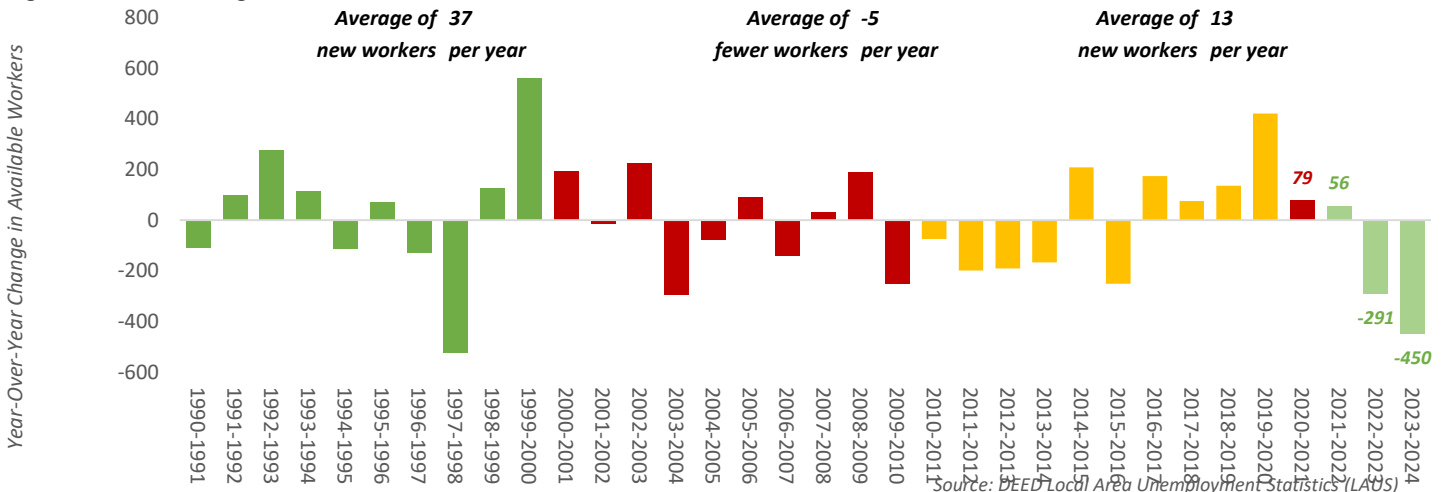
Figure 6. Annual Labor Force Estimates



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, Cottonwood Co. averaged an annual loss of fewer workers from 2000 to 2010, and most recently a gain of new workers since 2010 (see Figure 7). Moving forward, Cottonwood Co. is expected to see a labor force decline from 2025 to 2035 (see Table 6).

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



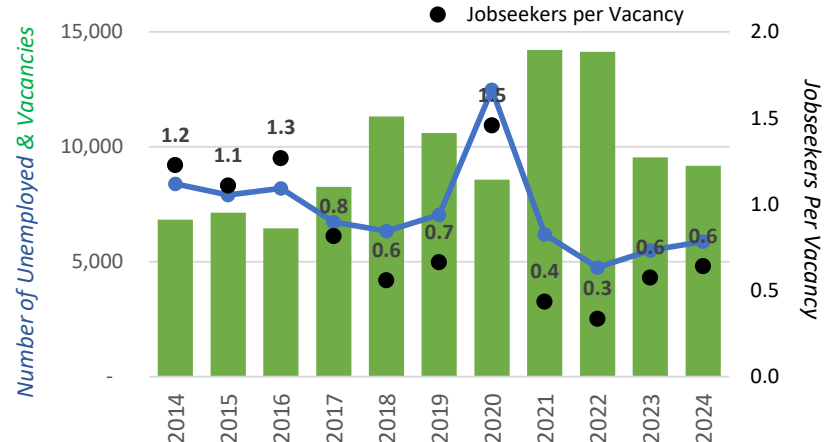
Source: DEED Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

Table 6. Labor Force Projections, 2025-2035	Labor Force Projection	
	2025	2035
16 to 24 years	817	887
25 to 54 years	3,071	3,168
55 to 64 years	1,015	820
65 years & over	482	385
Total Labor Force	5,384	5,260

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

Cottonwood Co. had a lower labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in Cottonwood 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

	Cottonwood 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	5,638	63.5%	3.9%	68.5%	3.9%	3,055	2,582
16 to 19 years	273	49.3%	13.9%	52.7%	9.9%	150	123
20 to 24 years	513	88.6%	10.3%	83.4%	6.5%	297	216
25 to 44 years	2,188	85.7%	1.2%	88.7%	3.5%	1,175	1,013
45 to 54 years	985	88.2%	3.1%	87.8%	2.9%	503	482
55 to 64 years	1,179	79.1%	5.8%	72.8%	3.0%	635	544
65 to 74 years	441	32.6%	0.2%	27.8%	3.4%	244	197
75 years & over	58	4.7%	0.0%	6.6%	3.1%	51	7
Employment Characteristics by Race & Hispanic Origin						Figure 9. Labor Force by Race, 2023 	
White alone	4,744	62.0%	3.7%	67.5%	3.4%		
Black or African American	92	75.4%	0.0%	71.0%	8.4%		
American Indian & Alaska Native	28	75.7%	0.0%	57.7%	11.4%		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	255	68.5%	3.9%	74.6%	3.5%		
Some Other Race	262	74.2%	5.0%	75.9%	5.6%		
Two or More Races	256	74.6%	7.0%	74.2%	6.1%		
Hispanic or Latino	526	75.9%	5.5%	77.1%	5.9%		
Employment Characteristics by Disability, 20 to 64 years							
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	290	55.4%	4.5%	55.3%	9.5%		
Employment Characteristics by Educational Attainment, 25 to 64 years							
Population, 25 to 64 years	4,351	84.3%	2.9%	84.4%	3.3%		
Less than H.S. Diploma	183	54.5%	1.6%	67.1%	4.7%		
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	1,436	83.0%	2.1%	76.5%	2.6%		
Some College or Assoc. Degree	1,603	87.2%	2.4%	85.0%	3.6%		
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	1,130	89.9%	4.0%	90.5%	2.0%		

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

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

Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2022	Cottonwood Co.		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Worked in state of residence	5,163	98.3%	2,870,678	97.8%
Worked in county of residence	4,102	78.1%	1,984,232	67.6%
Worked out of county of residence	1,061	20.2%	886,447	30.2%
Worked outside state of residence	89	1.7%	64,576	2.2%
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK				
Car, truck, or van	4,401	83.8%	2,286,563	77.9%
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	11	0.2%	61,640	2.1%
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	305	5.8%	120,345	4.1%
Worked at home	530	10.1%	463,770	15.8%
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK				
Less than 10 minutes	2,216	42.2%	478,446	16.3%
10 to 19 minutes	1,644	31.3%	924,605	31.5%
20 to 29 minutes	441	8.4%	651,626	22.2%
30 to 44 minutes	583	11.1%	551,828	18.8%
45 to 59 minutes	158	3.0%	176,115	6.0%
60 or more minutes	215	4.1%	149,698	5.1%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	16.0 minutes		23.1 minutes	

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

Figure 9. Labor Force by Race, 2023

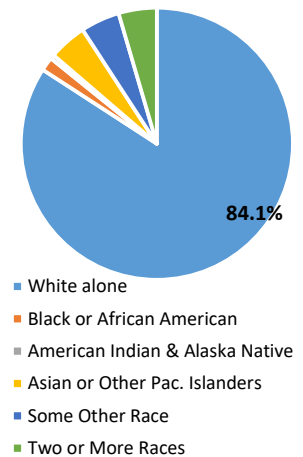
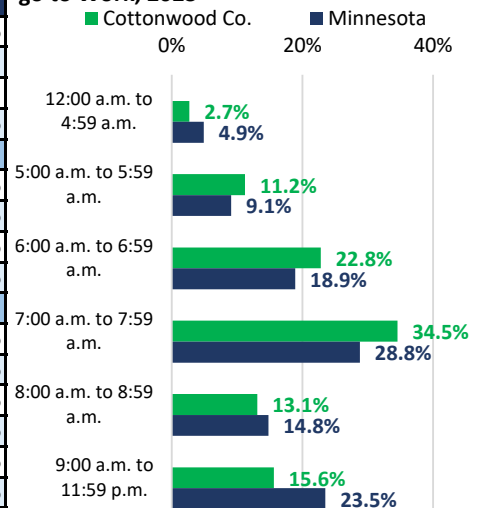


Figure 10. Time Leaving Home to go to Work, 2023



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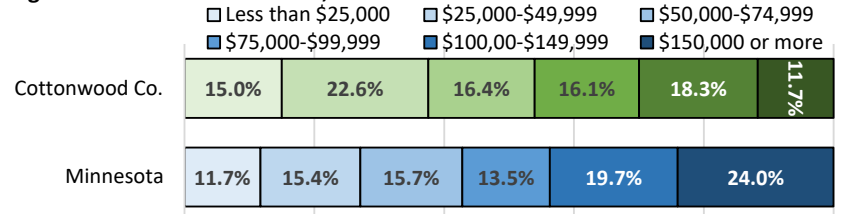
INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

Cottonwood Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Cottonwood Co. had the 70th highest median household income of the 87 counties in the state.

Median Household Income	\$68,239
state	\$87,556
Median Family Income	\$87,667
state	\$111,492
Per Capita Income	\$34,105
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. Cottonwood Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$13.85 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$17.06 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
Cottonwood Co.	\$28,812	\$13.85	\$0	\$419	\$150	\$754	\$528	\$271	\$279
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
Cottonwood Co.	\$53,238	\$17.06	\$274	\$954	\$530	\$931	\$917	\$436	\$395
State of Minnesota	\$70,308	\$22.53	\$545	\$964	\$556	\$1,446	\$1,028	\$557	\$763

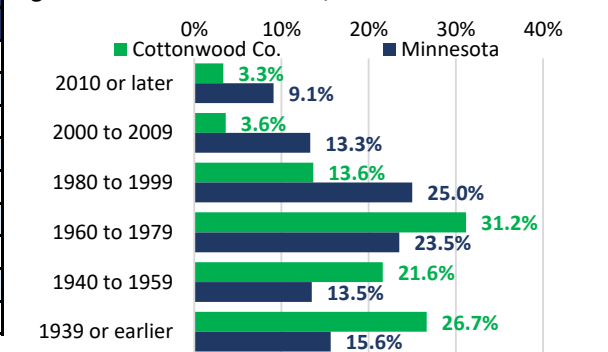
Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

Cottonwood Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 69th highest value of the 87 counties in 2022. Cottonwood 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	Cottonwood Co.		Minnesota
	Total	Percent	Percent
Total	3,544	100.0%	100.0%
Less than \$50,000	261	7.4%	4.0%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	729	20.6%	4.0%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	736	20.8%	6.2%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	670	18.9%	8.9%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	598	16.9%	25.7%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	444	12.5%	33.6%
\$500,000 or more	106	3.0%	17.5%
Median (dollars)	\$154,000		\$305,500

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

Figure 12. Year Structure Built, 2023



Median monthly owner costs, owner-occupied units with a mortgage	\$1,275
state	\$1,890

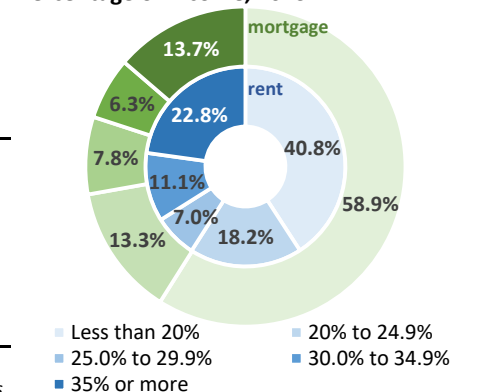
Percentage of households with a mortgage spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs	20.0%
state	22.5%

Median monthly rent costs	\$765
state	\$1,235

Percentage of renters spending 30% or more of their household income on rent	33.9%
state	47.2%

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

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



OCCUPATIONS

At \$22.79 in 2024, wages were lower in Region 8 than the state. Overall, Region 8 had the 2nd lowest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$47.64) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$14.57) (see Table 11).

Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2025

Occupational Group	Region 8				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
Total, All Occupations	\$22.79	51,430	100.0%	1.0	\$26.22	2,920,470	100.0%
Management	\$47.64	2,590	5.0%	0.7	\$59.38	200,060	6.9%
Business & Financial Operations	\$35.16	2,110	4.1%	0.6	\$39.95	208,210	7.1%
Computer & Mathematical	\$39.37	460	0.9%	0.3	\$50.02	97,460	3.3%
Architecture & Engineering	\$41.06	600	1.2%	0.6	\$45.03	57,950	2.0%
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$31.96	500	1.0%	0.9	\$38.33	32,150	1.1%
Community & Social Service	\$28.62	910	1.8%	0.9	\$29.82	59,290	2.0%
Legal	\$36.43	120	0.2%	0.3	\$49.52	20,750	0.7%
Education, Training & Library	\$23.59	3,930	7.6%	1.3	\$27.84	170,270	5.8%
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$21.73	380	0.7%	0.6	\$28.84	36,030	1.2%
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$37.68	2,780	5.4%	0.8	\$46.51	187,480	6.4%
Healthcare Support	\$18.46	3,170	6.2%	1.0	\$18.67	176,750	6.1%
Protective Service	\$28.87	750	1.5%	0.9	\$29.37	46,960	1.6%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$14.57	3,910	7.6%	0.9	\$16.05	240,830	8.2%
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$18.24	1,560	3.0%	1.1	\$19.16	81,700	2.8%
Personal Care & Service	\$16.87	780	1.5%	0.7	\$17.54	63,300	2.2%
Sales & Related	\$17.10	4,620	9.0%	1.1	\$18.66	244,780	8.4%
Office & Administrative Support	\$22.65	5,470	10.6%	0.9	\$24.07	340,040	11.6%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$23.00	240	0.5%	4.1	\$23.48	3,300	0.1%
Construction & Extraction	\$27.84	2,420	4.7%	1.2	\$34.20	114,050	3.9%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$28.54	2,470	4.8%	1.3	\$30.40	105,650	3.6%
Production	\$21.30	6,170	12.0%	1.7	\$23.56	205,220	7.0%
Transportation & Material Moving	\$22.15	5,460	10.6%	1.4	\$19.80	228,260	7.8%

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

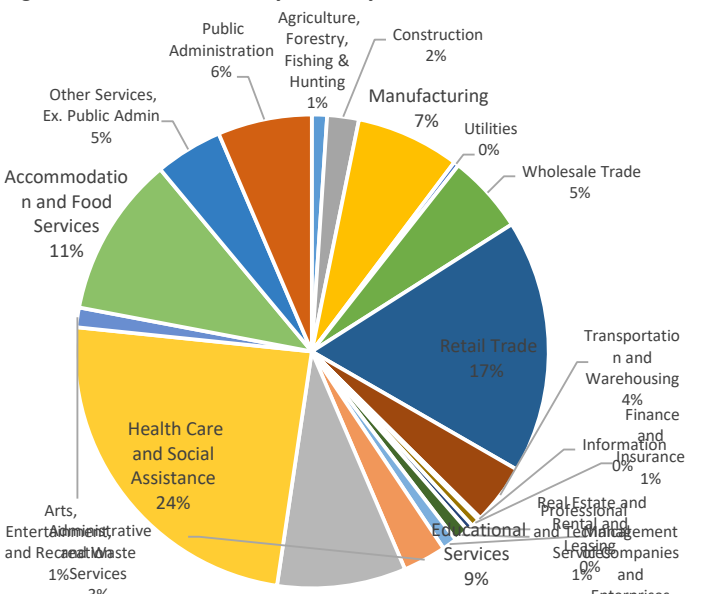
JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Cottonwood 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
Total, All Occupations	9,168	\$19.48
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

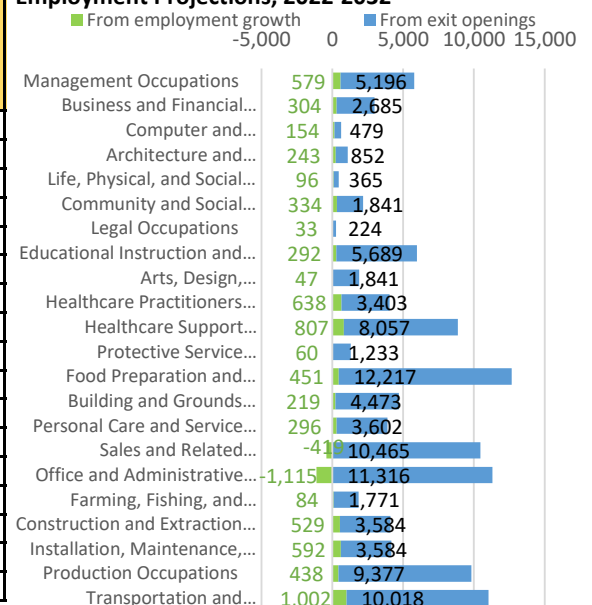
Cottonwood Co. is a part of the Southwest planning region, which is projected to see a 2.8% increase in employment levels over the next decade. In addition to new jobs created, there will be a much larger number of exit openings (see Figure 15).

Table 14. Regional Industry Employment Projections, 2022-2032

	Estimated Employment 2022	Projected Employment 2032	Percent Change 2022-2032
Southwest Planning Region			
Total, All Industries	202,214	207,878	2.8%
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, Cottonwood Co. had the 60th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Cottonwood Co. was the 87th fastest growing in the past year and the 87th fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2024, employment in Cottonwood Co. is still down from the pandemic recession.

447 business establishments

\$49,086 annual average wage

4,846 jobs

\$237,873,054 total industry payroll

Job change,
2019-2024

-462 jobs
-8.7% decline

Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2005-2024

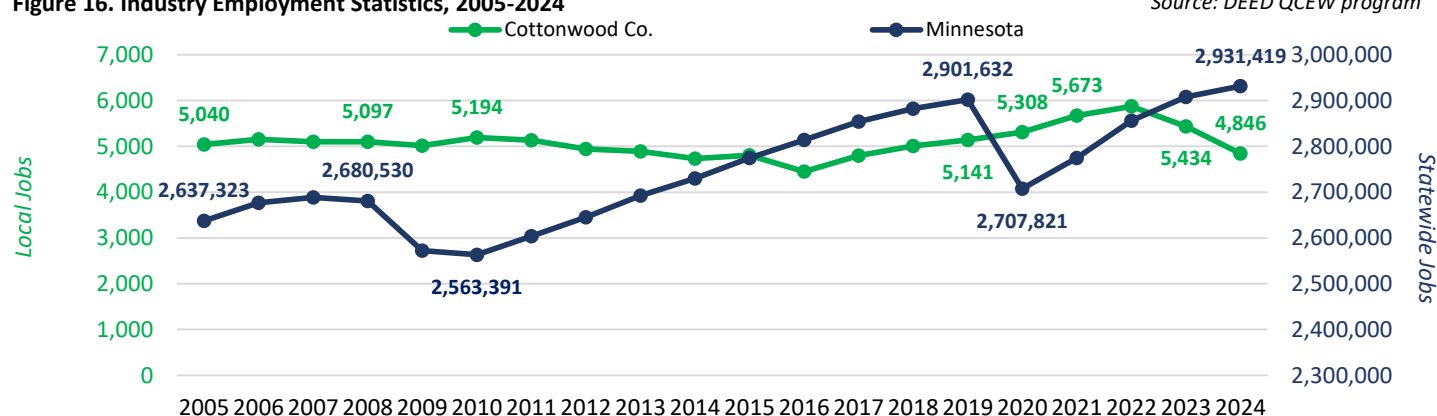
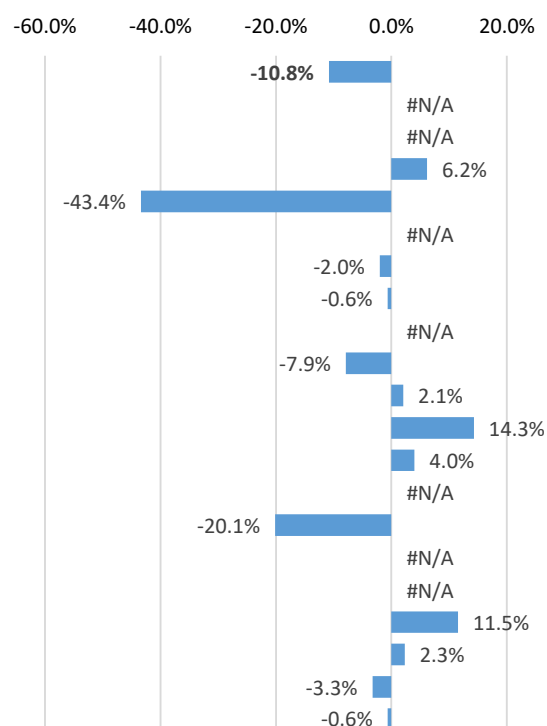


Table 15. Cottonwood Co. Industry Employment Statistics, 2024	Number of Jobs	Percent of Total Jobs	Average Annual Wage
Total, All Industries	4,846	100.0%	\$49,086
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	429	8.9%	\$62,945
Manufacturing	819	16.9%	\$56,872
Utilities	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Wholesale Trade	345	7.1%	\$73,714
Retail Trade	459	9.5%	\$27,328
Transportation & Warehousing	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Information	35	0.7%	\$32,262
Finance & Insurance	99	2.0%	\$80,651
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	8	0.2%	\$49,461
Professional & Technical Services	52	1.1%	\$38,756
Management of Companies	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	111	2.3%	\$44,195
Educational Services	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Health Care & Social Assistance	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	58	1.2%	\$19,750
Accommodation & Food Services	264	5.4%	\$17,953
Other Services	148	3.1%	\$35,056
Public Administration	314	6.5%	\$45,854

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2023-2024



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

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