# EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

# **COUNTY PROFILE**

# **Redwood Co.**

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

# POPULATION

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2024 population:	15,254 people			
Population change,	-171 people	Median Age:	<b>41.1</b> years	
2020-2024	-1.1% decline	state:	38.6 years	

Redwood Co. is the 55th largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population decreased so far this decade, ranking as the 58th fastest growing in the state from 2020 to 2024. Redwood 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).

Table 1. Population by A	Age Group, 2024		Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2	000-2024	
	Number	Percent	2000 Population	2024 Estimate	
Under 5 years	977	6.4%	1,031	977	Under 5 years
5-14 years	2,143	14.0%		2,143	5-14 years
15-24 years	1,771	11.6%			
25-34 years	1,636	10.7%	2,059	1,771	15-24 years
35-44 years	1,721	11.3%	1,771	1,636	25-34 years
45-54 years	1,609	10.6%	2,404	1,721	35-44 years
55-64 years	2,032	13.3%	2,162	1,609	45-54 years
65-74 years	1,887	12.4%	1,648	2,032	55-64 years
75-84 years	948	6.2%	1,412	1,887	65-74 years
85 years & over	530	3.5%			,
Total Population	15,254	100.0%		948	75-84 years
	4 Population Estimates,	2019-2023 ACS	591	530	85 years & ove

Redwood Co. enjoyed a natural increase - more births than deaths from 2020 to 2024, but also experienced net out-migration - meaning more people moved out than moved in. Despite suffering domestic out-migration, Redwood 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		April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2024							
	Population	Natural	Vital Events		Net Migration					
	Change	Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic			
Redwood Co.	-176	49	779	730	-226	64	-290			
State of Minnesota	86,459	51,570	268,689	217,119	33,161	81,091	-47,930			
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

Compared to the state, Redwood Co. has a smaller percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2013 to 2023, Redwood Co. saw an increase in the number of foreign-born residents, though it was slower than the statewide increase.

Table 3. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born	Redwo	ood Co.	Change 20	013-2023	Minne	esota	Figure 2. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born Population,
Population, 2023	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change	2023
Foreign-born Population	375	2.4%	34	10.0%	8.6%	24.7%	% 2% 13%
Europe	47	12.5%	-1	-2.1%	8.8%	-3.4%	
Asia	219	58.4%	-12	-5.2%	35.7%	18.1%	13%
Africa	14	3.7%	8	133.3%	28.3%	78.8%	• Asia
Oceania	6	1.6%	6	#DIV/0!	0.4%	5.4%	Africa
Americas:	89	23.7%	33	58.9%	26.7%	8.7%	Oceania 58%
Latin America	50	13.3%	22	78.6%	24.2%	9.7%	Latin America
Northern America	39	10.4%	11	39.3%	2.5%	0.4%	Northern America

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



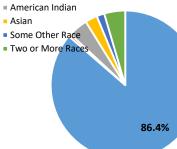
Northern America

# **COUNTY PROFILE**

### **Redwood Co.**

Redwood 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 • White • Black or African American



	R	edwood C	Co.	Minnesota		
Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2023	Number	Percent	Change from 2013-2023	Percent	Change from 2013-2023	
Total	15,383	100.0%	-3.5%	100.0%	6.8%	
White	13,285	86.4%	-6.7%	78.4%	-2.2%	
Black or African American	87	0.6%	-3.3%	6.8%	38.9%	
American Indian or Alaska Native	648	4.2%	-15.1%	0.9%	-11.6%	
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	405	2.6%	-25.3%	5.1%	29.6%	
Some Other Race	258	1.7%	309.5%	2.7%	96.1%	
Two or More Races	700	4.6%	183.4%	6.2%	168.3%	
Hispanic or Latino origin	613	4.0%	67.9%	6.2%	37.5%	

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

# POPULATION PROJECTIONS

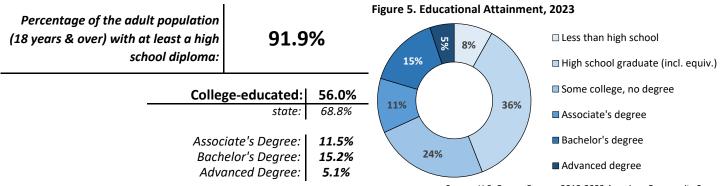
According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Redwood Co.'s population is expected to decline from 2025 to 2035, with a rate of change that is slower than the projected statewide growth rate (3.7%). Despite the decline, the number of people aged 65 years and older is expected to decrease over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

					Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-			
Table 5. Population Project	ions by Age Gro	up, 2025-2035			2035			
	2025	2035	Numeric	Percent	16,000	14,391	13,203	
Redwood Co.	Projection	Projection	Change	Change	14.000			85 years & over
Under 5 years	963	919	-44	-4.6%	14,000			75-84 years
5-14 years	2,009	1,922	-87	-4.3%	12,000			□ 65-74 years
15-24 years	1,781	1,603	-178	-10.0%	10,000			
25-34 years	1,580	1,559	-21	-1.3%	10,000			□ 55-64 years
35-44 years	1,684	1,645	-39	-2.3%	8,000			■ 45-54 years
45-54 years	1,475	1,501	26	1.8%	6,000			■ 35-44 years
55-64 years	1,729	1,277	-452	-26.1%				25-34 years
65-74 years	1,720	1,336	-384	-22.3%	4,000			15-24 years
75-84 years	997	1,054	57	5.7%	2,000			□ 5-14 years
85 years & over	453	387	-66	-14.6%	1 _			Under 5 years
Total Population	14,391	13,203	-1,188	-8.3%	] :	2025 Projectic	n2035 Projectio	n.

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

# **EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**

Redwood 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. Redwood 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.



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

# **COUNTY PROFILE**

# **Redwood Co**

#### LABOR FORCE TRENDS Figure 6. Annual Labor Force Estimates At 2.8%, Redwood Co. had a identical unemployment rate Minnesota Redwood Co. than the state in 2024. After the pandemic recession 8,800 3,150,000 Redwood Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to 8,600 the 3.7% pre-pandemic rate posted in 2019. The number 8.438 3,100,000 linnesota of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Redwood Local Labor Force 8,400 3,050,000 Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 8,200 2019. Labo 3,000,000 8,000 7,975 available workers Force 2,950,000 7,800 -463 workers Labor Force change, 2,900,000 2009-2024 -5.5% decline 7,600 3,117,663 3,129,802 2,941,976 2,850,000 7,400 **2.8%** unemployment rate 2.8% state 7,200 2,800,000 2020 2019 2024 2009 2017 2016 2015 2014 2013 2012 2018 2021 2022 2023 2011 223 unemployed workers 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, Redwood Co. averaged an annual loss of fewer workers from 2000 to 2010, and most recently a loss of fewer workers since 2010 (see Figure 7). Moving forward, Redwood Co. is expected to see a labor force decline from 2025 to 2035 (see Table 6).

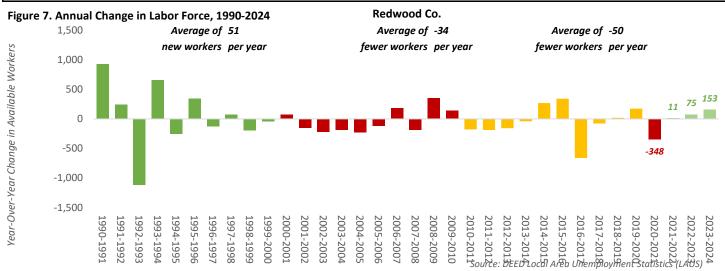
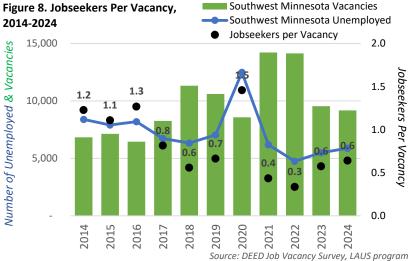


Table 6. Labor Force	Labor Force Projection					
Projections, 2025-2035	2025	2035				
16 to 24 years	1,066	954				
25 to 54 years	3,913	3,882				
55 to 64 years	1,270	938				
65 years & over	658	542				
Total Labor Force	6,907	6,317				

### 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).



# LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

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

	Re	dwood Co.		Minne	esota	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	7,380	61.4%	1.9%	68.5%	3.9%	3,937	3,445
16 to 19 years	365	45.0%	4.1%	52.7%	9.9%	172	193
20 to 24 years	664	87.7%	2.1%	83.4%	6.5%	348	316
25 to 44 years	2,875	84.9%	2.2%	88.7%	3.5%	1,509	1,366
45 to 54 years	1,256	77.4%	1.8%	87.8%	2.9%	702	555
55 to 64 years	1,505	73.4%	1.8%	72.8%	3.0%	789	716
65 to 74 years	569	29.9%	0.0%	27.8%	3.4%	321	248
75 years & over	148	9.9%	0.0%	6.6%	3.1%	96	51
Employment Characteristics by Race &	Hispanic Origin					Figure 9. La	bor Force by
White alone	6,590	62.5%	1.5%	67.5%	3.4%		•
Black or African American	32	61.5%	0.0%	71.0%	8.4%	,	
American Indian & Alaska Native	252	54.1%	6.0%	57.7%	11.4%		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	154	53.8%	3.2%	74.6%	3.5%		
Some Other Race	170	76.2%	6.5%	75.9%	5.6%		
Two or More Races	189	42.2%	7.9%	74.2%	6.1%		
Hispanic or Latino	259	72.8%	6.2%	77.1%	5.9%		
Employment Characteristics by Disabil	ity, 20 to 64 years						
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	402	47.9%	5.2%	55.3%	9.5%		89.3
Employment Characteristics by Educat	ional Attainment, 25	to 64 years					
Population, 25 to 64 years	5,639	79.9%	2.0%	84.4%	3.3%	White al	one
Less than H.S. Diploma	290	65.6%	3.0%	67.1%	4.7%		African American
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	1,502	70.6%	1.5%	76.5%	2.6%		n Indian & Alaska I
Some College or Assoc. Degree	2,318	82.9%	1.4%	85.0%	3.6%		Other Pac. Islande
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	1,529	90.3%	0.4%	90.5%	2.0%	Some Ot	her Race

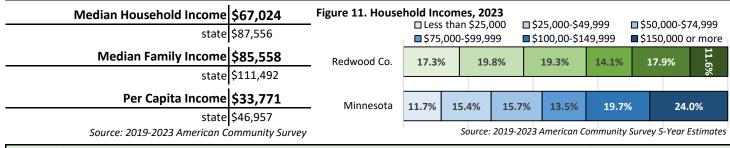
A larger percentage of workers in Redwood Co. worked in the same county in which they live compared to the state. Redwood Co. also had a shorter average commute time than the state.

	Redwoo	d Co.	Minn	esota	Figure 10. Time	e Leaving H	lome to
Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	go to Work, 20		- • • •
Worked in state of residence	7,107	99.6%	2,870,678	97.8%	Redwo	000 CO. %	■ Minnesota 20% 40%
Worked in county of residence	5,595	78.4%	1,984,232	67.6%		/0	20/0 40/0
Worked out of county of residence	1,520	21.3%	886,447	30.2%	12:00 a.m. to		
Worked outside state of residence	29	0.4%	64,576	2.2%	4:59 a.m.	<b>3.6%</b>	
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK						-11570	
Car, truck, or van	5 <i>,</i> 930	83.1%	2,286,563	77.9%	5:00 a.m. to 5:59 a.m.	8.89	
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	57	0.8%	61,640	2.1%		9.1	%
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	371	5.2%	120,345	4.1%	6:00 a.m. to 6:59		22.0%
Worked at home	778	10.9%	463,770	15.8%	a.m.		18.9%
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK					7:00 a.m. to 7:59		
Less than 10 minutes	2,826	39.6%	478,446	16.3%	a.m.		37.3% 28.8%
10 to 19 minutes	1,870	26.2%	924,605	31.5%			20.0%
20 to 29 minutes	1,156	16.2%	651,626	22.2%	8:00 a.m. to 8:59		14.7%
30 to 44 minutes	849	11.9%	551,828	18.8%	a.m.		14.8%
45 to 59 minutes	150	2.1%	176,115	6.0%	9:00 a.m. to		
60 or more minutes	293	4.1%	149,698	5.1%	11:59 p.m.		23.5%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	17.3	minutes	23.1	minutes	I		

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

# **INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING**

Redwood Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Redwood Co. had the 73rd highest median household income of the 87 counties in the state.



The cost of living has increased over the past 2 years with costs up in many areas. Redwood Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$13.6 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$17.4 for a typical family with 2 adults and 1 child (see Table 9).

Table 9. Basic Needs Cost o	f Living Estimate	es, 2024									
	Single Yearly	Hourly Wage		Monthly Costs							
Single Adult, 0 children	Cost of Living		Child Care	Food	Health Care	Housing	Trans- portation	Other	Taxes		
Redwood Co.	\$28,297	\$13.60	\$0	\$421	\$150	\$703	\$549	\$260	\$275		
State of Minnesota	\$36,768	\$17.68	\$0	\$424	\$156	\$1,154	\$573	\$365	\$392		
Typical Family: 2 Adults (1	Family Yearly	Hourly Wage	Monthly Costs								
working full-time, 1 part- time), 1 child	Cost of Living		Child Care	Food	Health Care	Housing	Trans- portation	Other	Taxes		
Redwood Co.	\$54,286	\$17.40	\$276	\$959	\$530	\$931	\$970	\$437	\$421		
State of Minnesota	\$70,308	\$22.53	\$545	\$964	\$556	\$1,446	\$1,028	\$557	\$763		
Source: DEED Cost of Living tool											

Redwood Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 74th highest value of the 87 counties in 2022. Redwood 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-	Redwoo	d Co.	Minnesota
occupied Housing Units, 2022	Total	Percent	Percent
Total	4,905	100.0%	100.0%
Less than \$50,000	542	11.0%	4.0%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,071	21.8%	4.0%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	833	17.0%	6.2%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	729	14.9%	8.9%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	933	19.0%	25.7%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	539	11.0%	33.6%
\$500,000 or more	258	5.3%	17.5%
Median (dollars)	\$150,4	00	\$305,500

esota Figure 12. Year Structure Built, 2023

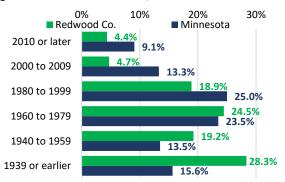
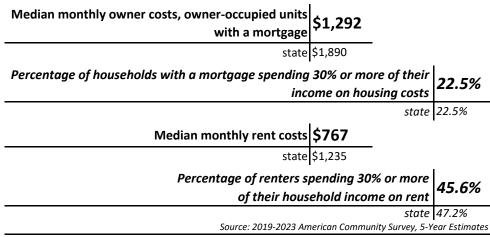
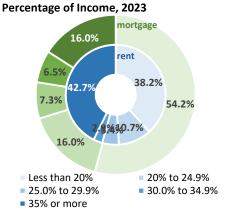


Figure 13. Housing Costs as a

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





# **OCCUPATIONS**

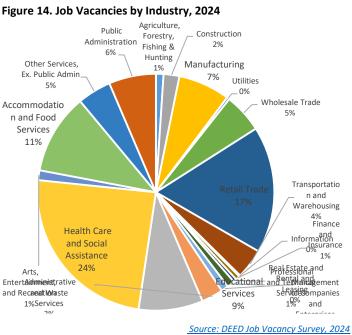
At \$22.79 in 2024, wages were lower in Region 8 than the state. Overall, Region 8 had the 2nd lowest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$47.64) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$14.57)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

Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 202	25						
		Regio	n 8	State of Minnesota			
Occupational Group	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%

# **JOB VACANCY SURVEY**

Redwood 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			Figure 14. Job Vacanc	
	Number of	Wage	Publ	
Occupational Group	Vacancies	Offer	Administ	
Total, All Occupations	9,168	\$19.48	6%	
Management	176	\$37.03	Other Services, Ex. Public Admin	
Business & Financial Operations	189	\$27.48	5%	
Computer & Mathematical	40	\$36.13	Accommodatio	
Architecture & Engineering	115	\$27.92	n and Food	
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	88	\$38.63	Services	
Community & Social Service	409	\$24.68	11%	
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	Health Care	
Personal Care & Service	114	\$15.42	and Social	
Sales & Related	1,026	\$15.96	Assistance	
Office & Administrative Support	388	\$20.28	Arts, 24%	
Construction & Extraction	132	\$23.65	Entert <b>Aidmienst</b> rative	
nstallation, Maintenance & Repair	645	\$23.30	and Recatenatil Marken 1% Services	
Production	457	\$18.67	2/00	
Transportation & Material Moving	1,033	\$21.37	1	



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

# **OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND**

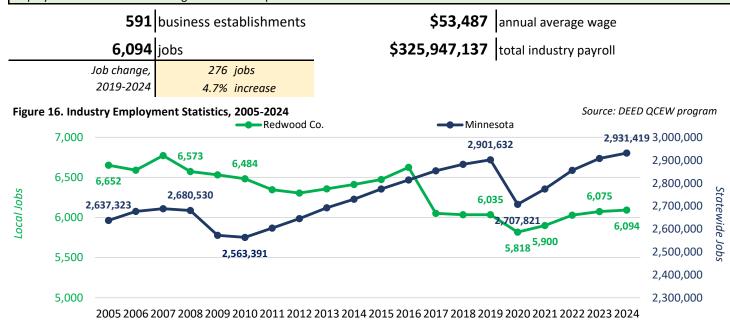
Less than High School	High School or Equivalent	Some College or Assoc. Deg.	Bachelor's Degree or Higher	
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Retail Salespersons	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	Registered Nurses	Accountants and Auditors	
\$34,798/yr	\$54,491/yr	\$85,138/yr	\$69,245/yr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

Redwood 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			Figure 15. Regional Occupational			
				Employment Projections, 2022-2032		
	Estimated	Projected	Percent	From employment gro -5.0	nt growth From exit openings -5.000 0 5.000 10.000 15.000	
	Employment	Employ-	Change	- , -		
Southwest Planning Region	2022	ment 2032	2022-2032	Management Occupations Business and Financial	579	-,
Total, All Industries	202,214	207,878	2.8%	Computer and	304 154	<b>2,685</b> 479
Natural Resources & Mining	5,523	5,777	4.6%	Architecture and		852
Utilities	690	690	0.0%	Life, Physical, and Social	96	365
Construction	7,679	8,252	7.5%	Community and Social	334	1,841
Manufacturing	32,192	33,537	4.2%	Legal Occupations	33	224
Wholesale Trade	8,001	8,116	1.4%	Educational Instruction and	292	5,689
Retail Trade	19,409	19,084	-1.7%	Arts, Design, Healthcare Practitioners	47 638	1,841 3,403
Transportation & Warehousing	6,297	6,810	8.1%	Healthcare Support	807	8,057
Information	2,093	2,046	-2.2%	Protective Service	60	1,233
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	8,227	8,375	1.8%	Food Preparation and	451	12,217
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Compani		5,985	8.0%	Building and Grounds	219	4,473
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	4,127	4,331	4.9%	Personal Care and Service	296	3,602
Educational Services	16,065	16,116	0.3%	Sales and Related		<sup>9</sup> 10,465
Health Care & Social Assistance	28,786	30,498	5.9%	Office and Administrative Farming, Fishing, and	-1,115	11,316 1.771
Leisure & Hospitality	13,625	14,377	5.5%	Construction and Extraction	529	3,584
Other Services	7,097	7,281	2.6%	Installation, Maintenance,	592	3,584
Public Administration	14,117	14,370	1.8%	Production Occupations	438	9,377
	urce: DEED 2022-2			Transportation and	1,002	10,018

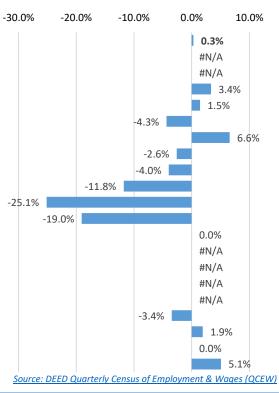
# **ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS**

Coming out of the pandemic recession, after gaining jobs over the past year, Redwood Co. had the 51st largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Redwood Co. was the 50th fastest growing in the past year and the 53rd fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2024, employment in Redwood Co. has grown since the pandemic recession.



			Average
Table 15. Redwood Co. Industry	Number of	Percent of	Annual
Employment Statistics, 2024	Jobs	Total Jobs	Wage
Total, All Industries	6,094	100.0%	\$53,487
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	308	5.1%	\$59 <i>,</i> 175
Manufacturing	1,258	20.6%	\$63 <i>,</i> 873
Utilities	22	0.4%	\$98 <i>,</i> 520
Wholesale Trade	388	6.4%	\$97,554
Retail Trade	678	11.1%	\$37,545
Transportation & Warehousing	267	4.4%	\$47,273
Information	30	0.5%	\$62 <i>,</i> 284
Finance & Insurance	277	4.5%	\$86,982
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	17	0.3%	\$29,288
Professional & Technical Services	90	1.5%	\$65 <i>,</i> 095
Management of Companies	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Educational Services	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Health Care & Social Assistance	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	56	0.9%	\$15 <i>,</i> 688
Accommodation & Food Services	317	5.2%	\$17,775
Other Services	166	2.7%	\$31 <i>,</i> 849
Public Administration	621	10.2%	\$45 <i>,</i> 133

### Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2023-2024



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