

COUNTY PROFILE

Cook Co.

Cook Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 3, which is located in the Northeast Planning Region.



POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

2025 population:	5,522 people	Median Age:	53.0 years
Population change, 2020-2025	-80 people -1.4% decline	state:	38.8 years

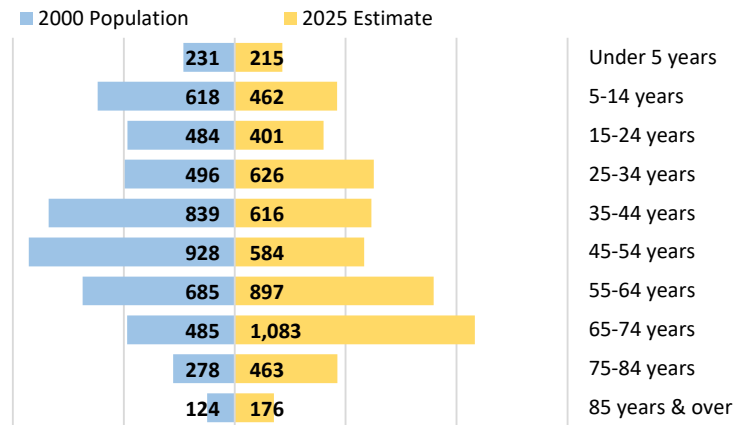
Cook Co. is the 81st largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population decreased so far this decade, ranking as the 65th fastest growing in the state from 2020 to 2025. Cook Co.'s population has an older median age than the state and a larger percentage of people aged 65 years and older. The population is aging, especially as the Baby Boom generation moves through the population pyramid (see Figure 1).

Table 1. Population by Age Group, 2025

	Number	Percent
Under 5 years	215	3.9%
5-14 years	462	8.4%
15-24 years	401	7.3%
25-34 years	626	11.3%
35-44 years	616	11.2%
45-54 years	584	10.6%
55-64 years	897	16.2%
65-74 years	1,083	19.6%
75-84 years	463	8.4%
85 years & over	176	3.2%
Total Population	5,522	100.0%

Source: Census 2025 Population Estimates, 2020-2024 ACS

Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2000-2025



Cook Co. suffered a negative natural increase - more deaths than births from 2020 to 2025, but also experienced net in-migration - meaning more people moved in than moved out. Despite suffering domestic out-migration, Cook 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, 2020-2025

	Total Population Change	April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2025					
		Natural Increase	Vital Events		Net Migration		
			Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic
Cook Co.	-83	-94	173	267	11	42	-31
State of Minnesota	122,685	63,075	330,813	267,738	59,610	96,812	-37,202

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

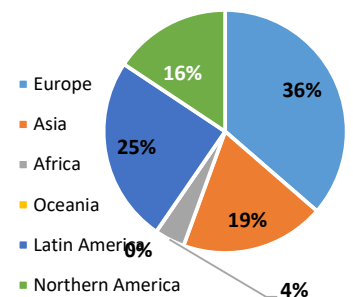
Compared to the state, Cook Co. has a smaller percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2014 to 2024, Cook Co. saw a decrease in the number of foreign-born residents, though it was slower than the statewide increase.

Table 3. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born Population, 2024

	Cook Co.		Change 2014-2024		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change
Foreign-born Population	198	3.5%	-34	-14.7%	8.7%	23.3%
Europe	72	36.4%	16	28.6%	8.7%	-3.6%
Asia	38	19.2%	-9	-19.1%	34.8%	12.8%
Africa	8	4.0%	-12	-60.0%	28.6%	73.9%
Oceania	0	0.0%	-6	-100.0%	0.4%	5.4%
Americas:	80	40.4%	-23	-22.3%	27.4%	12.8%
Latin America	49	24.7%	-16	-24.6%	25.0%	14.5%
Northern America	31	15.7%	-7	-18.4%	2.4%	-2.8%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020-2024 American Community Survey

Figure 2. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born Population, 2024



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Cook Co.'s population was becoming more racially diverse over time. Since 2014, the white population increased and the number of people of other races increased (see Table 4).

Figure 3. Population by Race, 2024

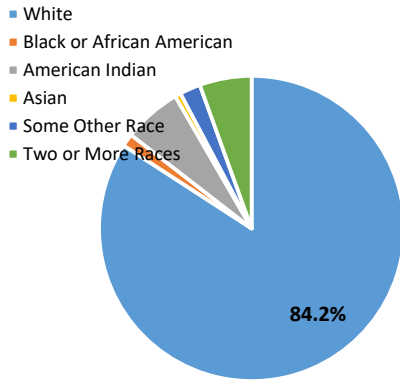


Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2024	Cook Co.			Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Change from 2014-2024	Percent	Change from 2014-2024
Total	5,635	100.0%	8.4%	100.0%	6.6%
White	4,742	84.2%	4.6%	77.1%	-3.5%
Black or African American	76	1.3%	52.0%	7.0%	38.6%
American Indian or Alaska Native	347	6.2%	-5.2%	0.9%	-8.6%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	35	0.6%	-46.2%	5.2%	27.1%
Some Other Race	124	2.2%	125.5%	2.9%	107.8%
Two or More Races	311	5.5%	144.9%	7.0%	188.0%
Hispanic or Latino origin	176	3.1%	109.5%	6.4%	38.4%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020-2024 American Community Survey

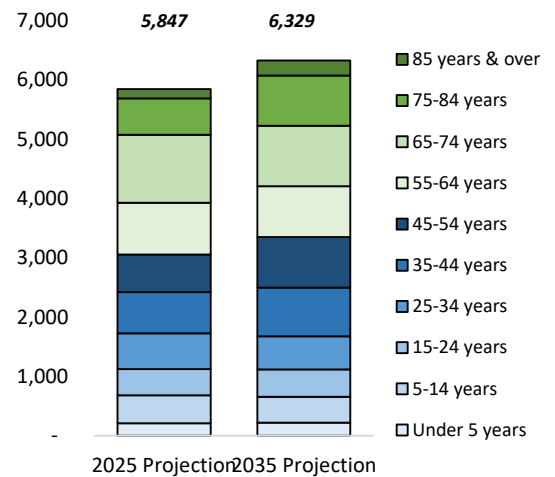
POPULATION PROJECTIONS

According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Cook 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				
Cook Co.	2025 Projection	2035 Projection	Numeric Change	Percent Change
Under 5 years	209	222	13	6.2%
5-14 years	474	434	-40	-8.4%
15-24 years	439	462	23	5.2%
25-34 years	605	557	-48	-7.9%
35-44 years	695	821	126	18.1%
45-54 years	632	852	220	34.8%
55-64 years	872	857	-15	-1.7%
65-74 years	1,149	1,021	-128	-11.1%
75-84 years	614	848	234	38.1%
85 years & over	158	255	97	61.4%
Total Population	5,847	6,329	482	8.2%

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035

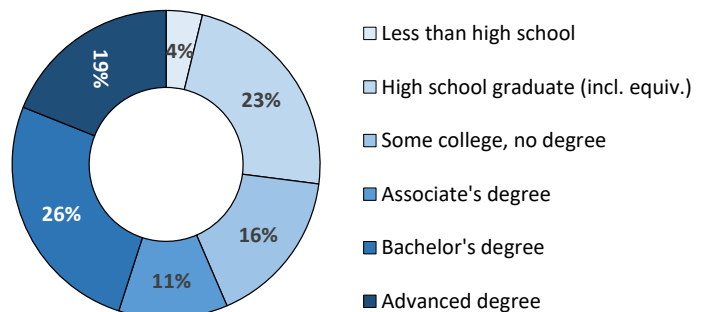


EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Cook Co. has a higher percentage of adults (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma than the state (93.3%), and a higher percentage of people with at least some college experience. Cook Co. also has a higher percentage of people with an Associate's degree and a higher 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:	96.2%
College-educated:	73.0%
state:	68.9%
Associate's Degree:	11.5%
Bachelor's Degree:	26.1%
Advanced Degree:	18.9%

Figure 5. Educational Attainment, 2024



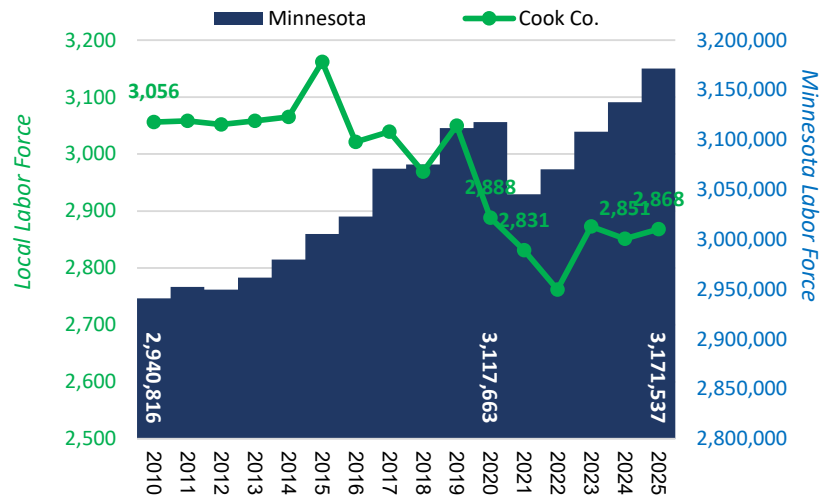
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020-2024 American Community Survey

LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 4.9%, Cook Co. had a higher unemployment rate than the state in 2025. Cook Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to the 8.4% pandemic rate posted in 2020. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Cook Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2020.

2,868	available workers
Labor Force change, 2010-2025	-188 workers -6.2% decline
4.9%	unemployment rate
3.9%	state
141	unemployed workers

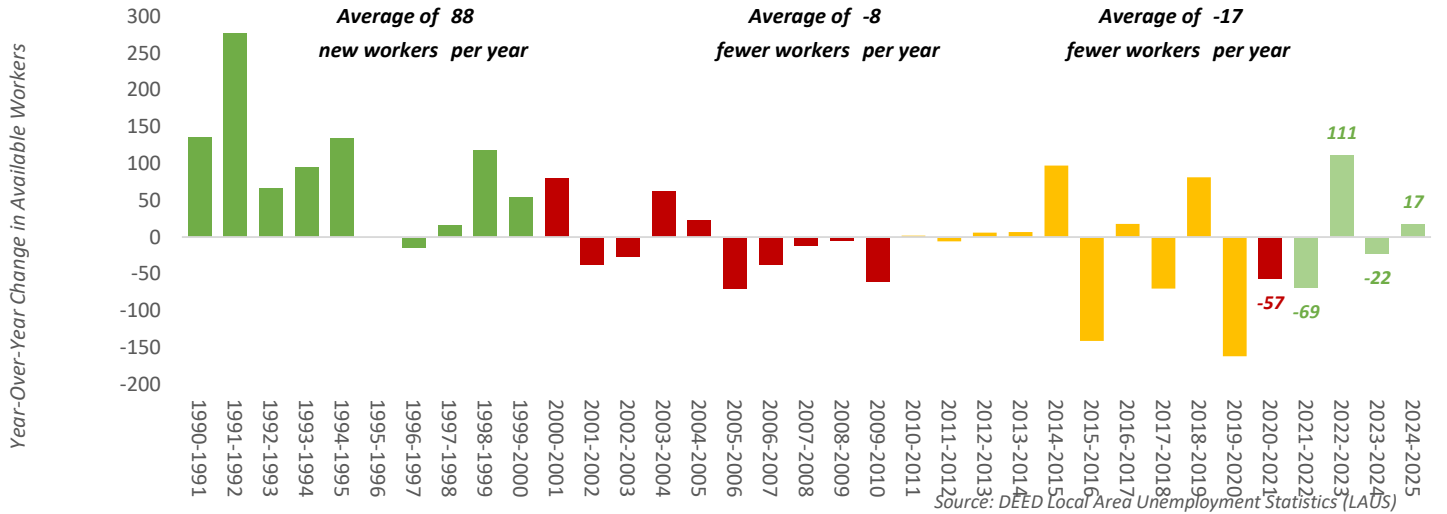
Figure 6. Annual Labor Force Estimates



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, Cook 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, Cook Co. is expected to add workers from 2025 to 2035 (see Table 6).

Figure 7. Annual Change in Labor Force, 1990-2025



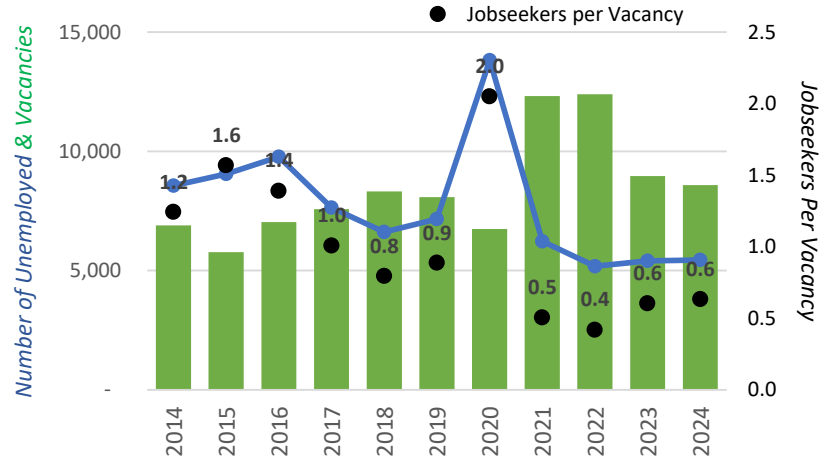
Source: DEED Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

Table 6. Labor Force Projections, 2025-2035	Labor Force Projection	
	2025	2035
16 to 24 years	234	252
25 to 54 years	1,724	1,980
55 to 64 years	634	623
65 years & over	487	469
Total Labor Force	3,079	3,324

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center, 2020-2024 ACS

The labor market had grown extremely tight in recent years, with less than 1 jobseeker per vacancy until the pandemic recession. In 2024, job vacancies in Northeast returned to pre-pandemic levels and the number of unemployed workers was trending upward, but employers were 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

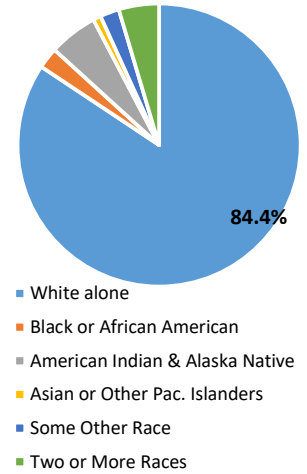
LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

Cook Co. had a lower labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in Cook Co. is less racially diverse than the state (where 78.7% of workers are white alone), but is becoming more diverse over time.

Table 7. Employment Characteristics, 2024

	Cook 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	3,020	61.6%	2.2%	68.1%	4.1%	1,494	1,525
16 to 19 years	45	34.6%	2.2%	52.6%	10.3%	29	16
20 to 24 years	185	78.4%	0.0%	83.3%	6.6%	97	88
25 to 44 years	1,163	91.7%	2.8%	88.7%	3.7%	546	617
45 to 54 years	501	84.1%	0.4%	87.8%	3.0%	252	249
55 to 64 years	665	72.7%	2.0%	72.7%	3.2%	305	360
65 to 74 years	404	36.6%	2.5%	27.7%	3.6%	246	158
75 years & over	56	8.6%	14.3%	6.7%	3.2%	19	37
Employment Characteristics by Race & Hispanic Origin							
White alone	2,548	60.7%	1.5%	67.0%	3.5%		
Black or African American	73	96.1%	9.6%	70.8%	8.7%		
American Indian & Alaska Native	168	62.0%	4.8%	58.0%	10.8%		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	27	96.4%	0.0%	75.2%	3.5%		
Some Other Race	66	53.2%	12.1%	75.4%	5.8%		
Two or More Races	139	67.5%	5.0%	74.0%	5.7%		
Hispanic or Latino	100	69.4%	8.0%	76.6%	5.8%		
Employment Characteristics by Disability, 20 to 64 years							
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	140	48.4%	22.1%	56.1%	9.4%		
Employment Characteristics by Educational Attainment, 25 to 64 years							
Population, 25 to 64 years	2,329	83.8%	2.1%	84.5%	3.4%		
Less than H.S. Diploma	56	61.5%	6.4%	66.2%	4.9%		
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	470	74.2%	0.0%	76.6%	2.5%		
Some College or Assoc. Degree	682	83.4%	2.2%	85.0%	3.7%		
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	1,121	90.6%	0.0%	90.5%	2.2%		

Figure 9. Labor Force by Race, 2024



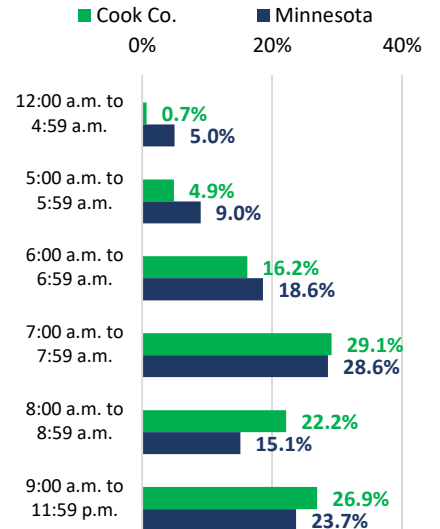
Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

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

Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2024

	Cook Co.		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Worked in state of residence	2,858	100.0%	2,875,211	97.8%
Worked in county of residence	2,844	99.5%	2,013,824	68.5%
Worked out of county of residence	14	0.5%	864,327	29.4%
Worked outside state of residence	0	0.0%	64,678	2.2%
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK				
Car, truck, or van	1,975	69.1%	2,246,075	76.4%
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	51	1.8%	52,918	1.8%
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	214	7.5%	123,475	4.2%
Worked at home	617	21.6%	517,420	17.6%
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK				
Less than 10 minutes	1,260	44.1%	490,961	16.7%
10 to 19 minutes	806	28.2%	943,704	32.1%
20 to 29 minutes	292	10.2%	658,535	22.4%
30 to 44 minutes	194	6.8%	538,000	18.3%
45 to 59 minutes	180	6.3%	164,634	5.6%
60 or more minutes	123	4.3%	144,055	4.9%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	16.6 minutes		22.7 minutes	

Figure 10. Time Leaving Home to go to Work, 2024



Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

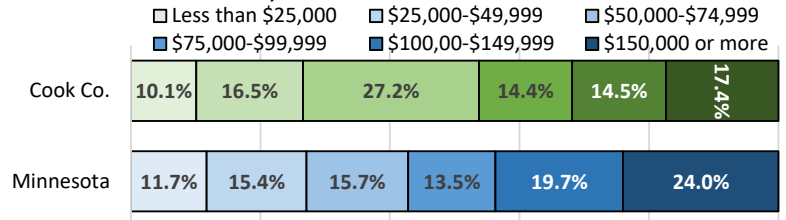
INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

Cook Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a lower percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Cook Co. had the 51st highest median household income of the 87 counties in the state.

Median Household Income	\$72,638
state	\$89,062
Median Family Income	\$90,771
state	\$113,993
Per Capita Income	\$46,808
state	\$48,237

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey

Figure 11. Household Incomes, 2024



Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

The cost of living has increased in recent years with expenses up in many areas. Cook Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$15.07 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$19.15 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
Cook Co.	\$31,352	\$15.07	\$0	\$454	\$183	\$844	\$528	\$287	\$317
State of Minnesota	\$38,376	\$18.45	\$0	\$452	\$202	\$1,199	\$561	\$365	\$419

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
Cook Co.	\$59,763	\$19.15	\$396	\$1,031	\$639	\$964	\$945	\$440	\$565
State of Minnesota	\$74,616	\$23.92	\$558	\$1,028	\$697	\$1,498	\$1,026	\$558	\$853

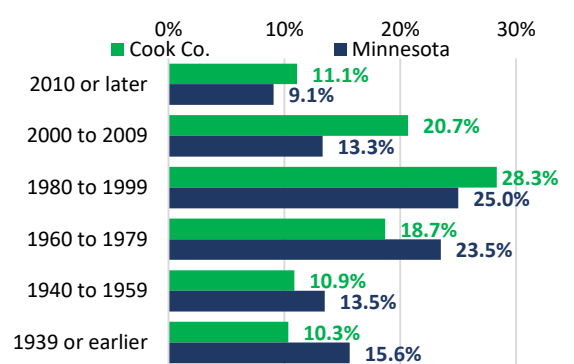
Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

Cook Co. had a higher median house value than the state, having the 10th highest value of the 87 counties in 2024. Cook Co.'s housing stock was newer than the state's, with a higher percentage of units built since 2000 (see Figure 12).

Table 10. Estimated Value of Owner-occupied Housing Units, 2024	Cook Co.		Minnesota
	Total	Percent	Percent
Total	2,105	100.0%	100.0%
Less than \$50,000	57	2.7%	4.0%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	56	2.7%	3.7%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	160	7.6%	5.2%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	220	10.5%	8.1%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	431	20.5%	22.6%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	645	30.6%	36.9%
\$500,000 or more	536	25.5%	19.6%
Median (dollars)	\$336,200		\$329,300

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

Figure 12. Year Structure Built, 2024



Median monthly owner costs, owner-occupied units with a mortgage	\$1,739
state	\$1,947

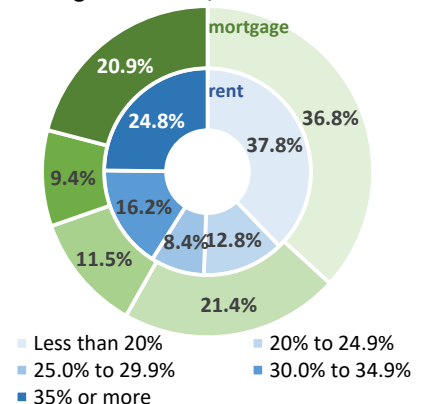
Percentage of households with a mortgage spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs	30.3%
state	23.2%

Median monthly rent costs	\$886
state	\$1,280

Percentage of renters spending 30% or more of their household income on rent	41.0%
state	48.1%

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

Figure 13. Housing Costs as a Percentage of Income, 2024



OCCUPATIONS

At \$23.47 in 2025, wages were lower in Region 3 than the state. Overall, Region 3 had the 7th highest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$46.38) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$14.56) (see Table 11).

Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2025

Occupational Group	Region 3				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	\$23.47	139,940	100.0%	1.0	\$26.22	2,920,470	100.0%
Management	\$46.38	7,780	5.6%	0.8	\$59.38	200,060	6.9%
Business & Financial Operations	\$36.09	6,060	4.3%	0.6	\$39.95	208,210	7.1%
Computer & Mathematical	\$38.42	2,100	1.5%	0.4	\$50.02	97,460	3.3%
Architecture & Engineering	\$40.58	2,240	1.6%	0.8	\$45.03	57,950	2.0%
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$36.86	1,730	1.2%	1.1	\$38.33	32,150	1.1%
Community & Social Service	\$27.67	4,330	3.1%	1.5	\$29.82	59,290	2.0%
Legal	\$40.98	530	0.4%	0.5	\$49.52	20,750	0.7%
Education, Training & Library	\$25.07	8,410	6.0%	1.0	\$27.84	170,270	5.8%
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$23.54	1,280	0.9%	0.7	\$28.84	36,030	1.2%
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$40.04	11,570	8.3%	1.3	\$46.51	187,480	6.4%
Healthcare Support	\$18.28	10,020	7.2%	1.2	\$18.67	176,750	6.1%
Protective Service	\$27.12	3,020	2.2%	1.3	\$29.37	46,960	1.6%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$14.56	14,420	10.3%	1.2	\$16.05	240,830	8.2%
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$17.77	4,660	3.3%	1.2	\$19.16	81,700	2.8%
Personal Care & Service	\$17.15	3,520	2.5%	1.2	\$17.54	63,300	2.2%
Sales & Related	\$16.71	11,750	8.4%	1.0	\$18.66	244,780	8.4%
Office & Administrative Support	\$22.70	16,400	11.7%	1.0	\$24.07	340,040	11.6%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$24.08	230	0.2%	1.5	\$23.48	3,300	0.1%
Construction & Extraction	\$34.23	7,820	5.6%	1.4	\$34.20	114,050	3.9%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$30.21	6,770	4.8%	1.3	\$30.40	105,650	3.6%
Production	\$25.14	6,360	4.5%	0.6	\$23.56	205,220	7.0%
Transportation & Material Moving	\$21.57	8,930	6.4%	0.8	\$19.80	228,260	7.8%

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

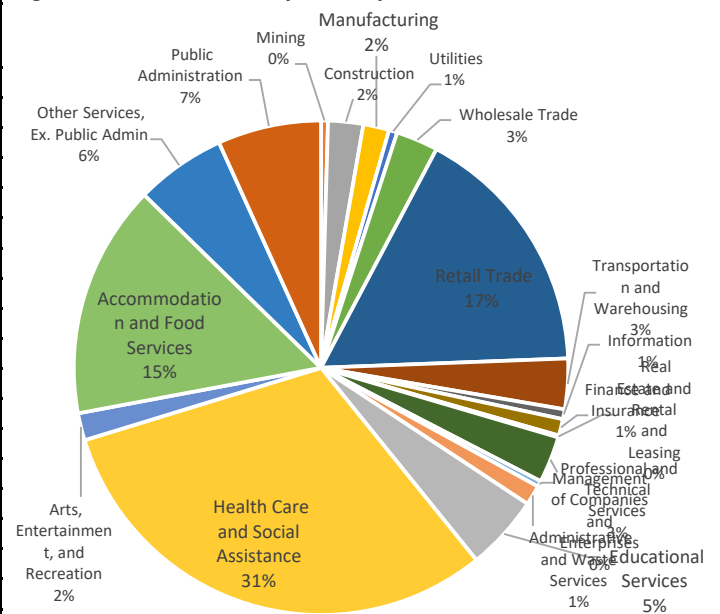
JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Cook Co. is a part of the Northeast planning region. There were 8587 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. Northeast Job Vacancy Survey Results, 2024

Occupational Group	Number of Vacancies	Wage Offer
Total, All Occupations	8,587	\$18.66
Management	185	\$50.94
Business & Financial Operations	276	\$26.51
Computer & Mathematical	30	\$29.91
Architecture & Engineering	305	\$31.47
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	77	\$28.87
Community & Social Service	229	\$20.86
Education, Training & Library	302	\$21.23
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,091	\$39.45
Healthcare Support	976	\$17.84
Protective Service	79	\$20.78
Food Preparation & Serving Related	1,381	\$14.85
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	290	\$15.85
Personal Care & Service	453	\$16.99
Sales & Related	1,347	\$15.90
Office & Administrative Support	303	\$17.38
Construction & Extraction	61	\$24.60
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	331	\$22.85
Production	83	\$20.38
Transportation & Material Moving	435	\$19.58

Figure 14. Job Vacancies by Industry, 2024



Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, 2024

OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND

Table 13. Northeast Planning Region Occupations in Demand, 2025

High School or Less	Vocational Training	Associate Degree	Bachelor's Degree or Higher
Home Health and Personal Care Aides \$36,611/yr	Nursing Assistants \$43,783/yr	Registered Nurses \$84,451/yr	General and Operations Managers \$77,788/yr
Retail Salespersons \$33,817/yr	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers \$62,124/yr	Radiologic Technologists and Technicians \$76,419/yr	Accountants and Auditors \$74,639/yr
Food Preparation Workers \$33,094/yr	Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists \$39,033/yr	Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers \$79,035/yr	Pharmacists \$143,951/yr
Fast Food and Counter Workers \$30,019/yr	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses \$57,976/yr	Veterinary Technologists and Technicians \$47,241/yr	Project Management Specialists \$94,155/yr
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and \$37,249/yr	Medical Assistants \$47,235/yr	Dental Hygienists \$91,369/yr	Financial Managers \$128,471/yr
Waiters and Waitresses \$22,952/yr	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics \$53,239/yr	Surgical Technologists \$66,757/yr	Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education \$61,345/yr
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and \$43,418/yr	Substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors \$51,475/yr	Respiratory Therapists \$81,337/yr	Substitute Teachers, Short-Term \$41,454/yr
Cashiers \$29,732/yr	Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks \$48,935/yr	Physical Therapist Assistants \$64,843/yr	Medical and Health Services Managers \$103,535/yr
Teaching Assistants, Except Postsecondary \$38,028/yr	Electricians \$85,688/yr	Civil Engineering Technologists and Technicians \$79,462/yr	Human Resources Specialists \$67,642/yr
Cooks, Restaurant \$36,715/yr	Pharmacy Technicians \$47,252/yr	Cardiovascular Technologists and Technicians \$86,132/yr	Industrial Engineers \$95,993/yr

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

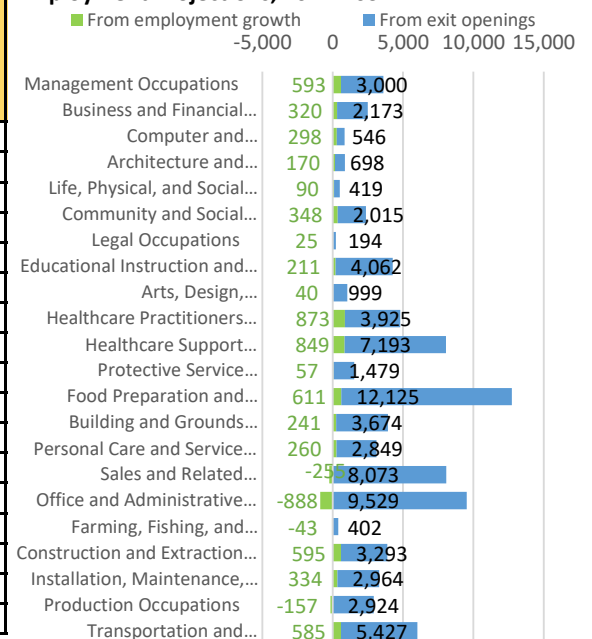
Cook Co. is a part of the Northeast planning region, which is projected to see a 3.3% increase in employment levels over the next decade. In addition to new jobs created, there will be a much larger number of exit openings (see Figure 15).

Table 14. Regional Industry Employment Projections, 2022-2032

Industry	Estimated Employment 2022	Projected Employment 2032	Percent Change 2022-2032
Northeast Planning Region			
Total, All Industries	153,945	159,102	3.3%
Natural Resources & Mining	5,228	5,268	0.8%
Utilities	1,352	1,342	-0.7%
Construction	7,006	7,544	7.7%
Manufacturing	8,777	9,016	2.7%
Wholesale Trade	3,202	3,359	4.9%
Retail Trade	16,565	16,360	-1.2%
Transportation & Warehousing	4,151	4,437	6.9%
Information	1,222	1,208	-1.1%
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	5,827	5,846	0.3%
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Companies	5,808	6,264	7.9%
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	3,097	3,231	4.3%
Educational Services	12,004	12,056	0.4%
Health Care & Social Assistance	31,799	33,864	6.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	17,159	18,243	6.3%
Other Services	5,953	6,118	2.8%
Public Administration	15,176	15,440	1.7%

Source: DEED 2022-2032 Employment Outlook

Figure 15. Regional Occupational Employment Projections, 2022-2032



ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

After gaining jobs over the past year, Cook Co. had the 74th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Cook Co. was the 28th fastest growing in the past year and the 32nd fastest growing since 2020. From 2020 to 2025, employment in Cook Co. has grown since the pandemic recession.

327 business establishments

\$48,412 annual average wage

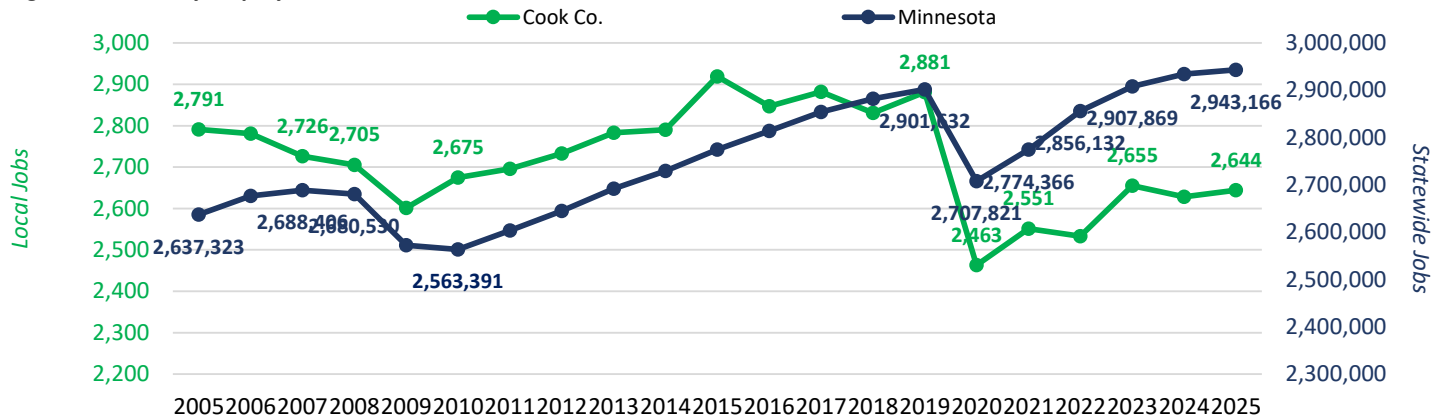
2,644 jobs

\$128,088,470 total industry payroll

Job change, 2020-2025	181 jobs 7.3% increase
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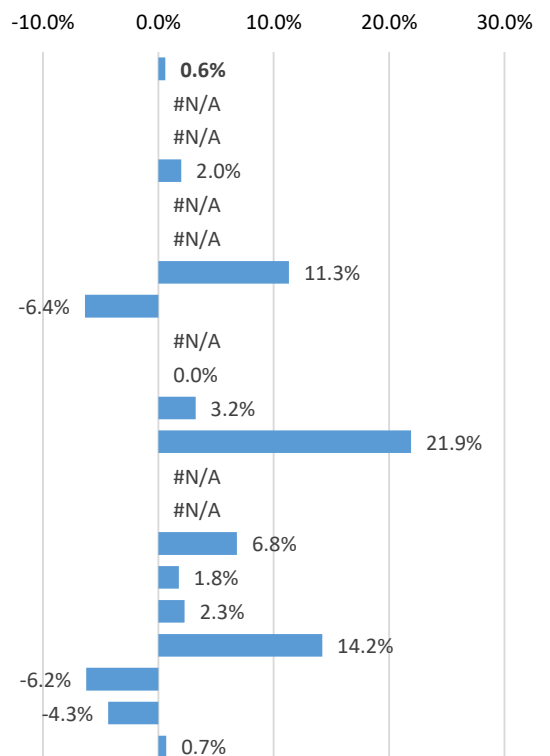
Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2005-2025

Source: DEED QCEW program



Industry	Number of Jobs	Percent of Total Jobs	Average Annual Wage
Total, All Industries	2,644	100.0%	\$48,412
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	155	5.9%	\$58,084
Manufacturing	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Utilities	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Wholesale Trade	59	2.2%	\$62,192
Retail Trade	294	11.1%	\$32,240
Transportation & Warehousing	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Information	20	0.8%	\$38,064
Finance & Insurance	32	1.2%	\$64,584
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	167	6.3%	\$46,176
Professional & Technical Services	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Management of Companies	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	47	1.8%	\$51,480
Educational Services	172	6.5%	\$53,716
Health Care & Social Assistance	224	8.5%	\$68,068
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	193	7.3%	\$46,176
Accommodation & Food Services	691	26.1%	\$34,372
Other Services	44	1.7%	\$27,560
Public Administration	435	16.5%	\$63,908

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2024-2025



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

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