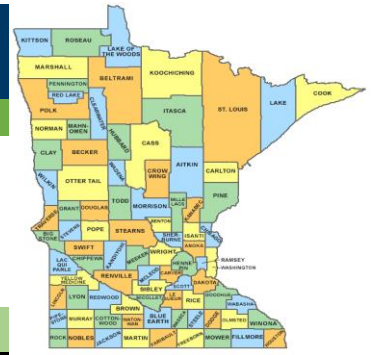


COUNTY PROFILE

Dakota Co.

Dakota Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 11, which is located in the Twin Cities Planning Region.



POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

2025 population:	457,710 people	Median Age:	38.6 years
Population change, 2020-2025	17,824 people 4.1% increase	state:	38.8 years

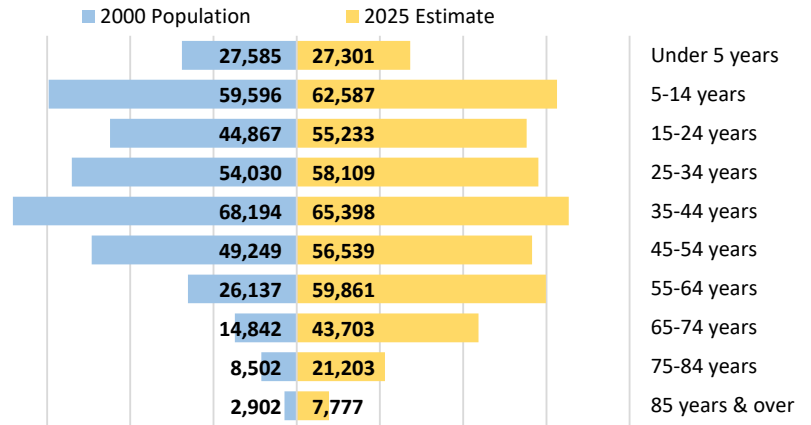
Dakota Co. is the 3rd largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population increased so far this decade, ranking as the 15th fastest growing in the state from 2020 to 2025. Dakota Co.'s population has a younger median age than the state and a larger percentage of people aged 65 years and older. The 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	27,301	6.0%
5-14 years	62,587	13.7%
15-24 years	55,233	12.1%
25-34 years	58,109	12.7%
35-44 years	65,398	14.3%
45-54 years	56,539	12.4%
55-64 years	59,861	13.1%
65-74 years	43,703	9.5%
75-84 years	21,203	4.6%
85 years & over	7,777	1.7%
Total Population	457,710	100.0%

Source: Census 2025 Population Estimates, 2020-2024 ACS

Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2000-2025



Dakota Co. enjoyed a natural increase - more births than deaths from 2020 to 2025, but also experienced net in-migration - meaning more people moved in than moved out. In addition to domestic in-migration, Dakota 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
Dakota Co.	17,529	8,545	25,693	17,148	8,984	7,599	1,385
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

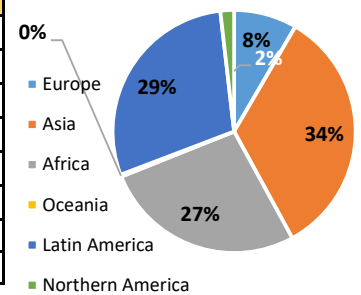
Compared to the state, Dakota Co. has a larger percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2014 to 2024, Dakota Co. saw an increase in the number of foreign-born residents, which was faster than the statewide increase.

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

	Dakota Co.		Change 2014-2024		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change
Foreign-born Population	45,213	10.1%	10,393	29.8%	8.7%	23.3%
Europe	3,806	8.4%	-604	-13.7%	8.7%	-3.6%
Asia	15,205	33.6%	2,577	20.4%	34.8%	12.8%
Africa	12,156	26.9%	5,786	90.8%	28.6%	73.9%
Oceania	125	0.3%	65	108.3%	0.4%	5.4%
Americas:	13,921	30.8%	2,569	22.6%	27.4%	12.8%
Latin America	13,097	29.0%	3,097	31.0%	25.0%	14.5%
Northern America	824	1.8%	-528	-39.1%	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



COUNTY PROFILE

Dakota Co.

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

Figure 3. Population by Race, 2024

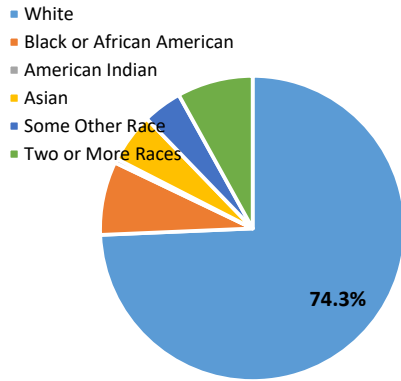


Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2024	Dakota Co.			Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Change from 2014-2024	Percent	Change from 2014-2024
Total	445,771	100.0%	9.9%	100.0%	6.6%
White	331,321	74.3%	-3.3%	77.1%	-3.5%
Black or African American	34,647	7.8%	66.5%	7.0%	38.6%
American Indian or Alaska Native	1,944	0.4%	38.7%	0.9%	-8.6%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	23,385	5.2%	27.1%	5.2%	27.1%
Some Other Race	18,619	4.2%	73.4%	2.9%	107.8%
Two or More Races	35,855	8.0%	208.2%	7.0%	188.0%
Hispanic or Latino origin	38,684	8.7%	50.9%	6.4%	38.4%

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

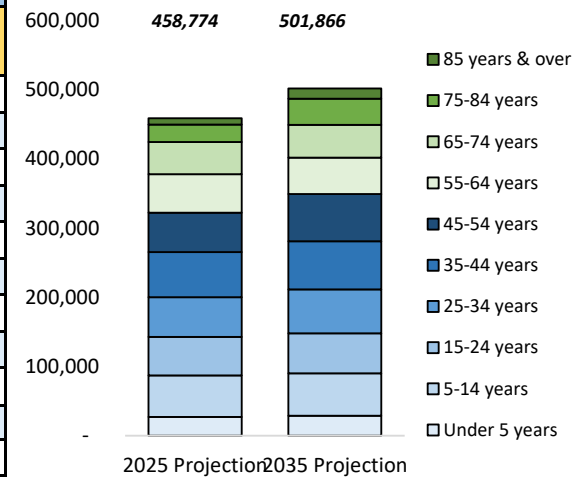
POPULATION PROJECTIONS

According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Dakota 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				
Dakota Co.	2025 Projection	2035 Projection	Numeric Change	Percent Change
Under 5 years	27,043	28,954	1,911	7.1%
5-14 years	59,937	61,075	1,138	1.9%
15-24 years	55,558	57,949	2,391	4.3%
25-34 years	57,693	63,618	5,925	10.3%
35-44 years	65,229	69,527	4,298	6.6%
45-54 years	56,793	68,184	11,391	20.1%
55-64 years	55,873	52,414	-3,459	-6.2%
65-74 years	46,266	47,603	1,337	2.9%
75-84 years	25,330	37,611	12,281	48.5%
85 years & over	9,052	14,931	5,879	64.9%
Total Population	458,774	501,866	43,092	9.4%

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035

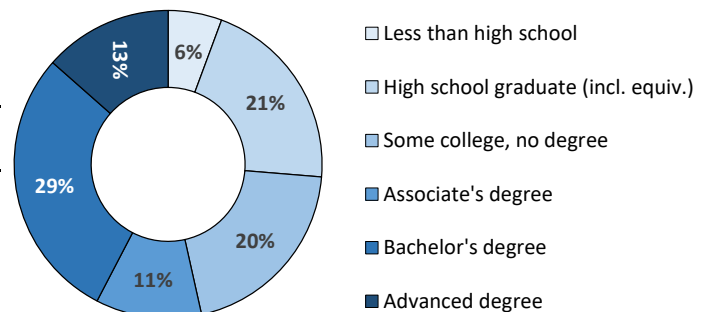


EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Dakota 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. Dakota Co. also has a lower 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:	94.4%
College-educated:	73.7%
state:	68.9%
Associate's Degree:	11.1%
Bachelor's Degree:	28.9%
Advanced Degree:	13.5%

Figure 5. Educational Attainment, 2024



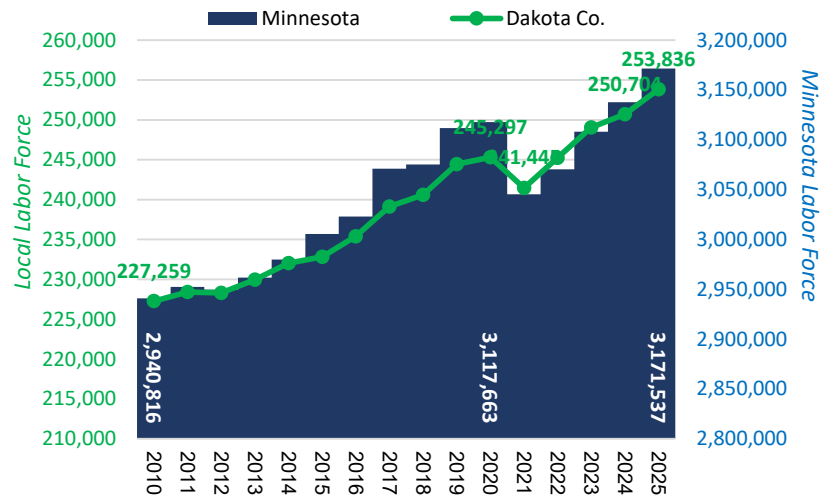
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020-2024 American Community Survey

LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 3.6%, Dakota Co. had a lower unemployment rate than the state in 2025. Dakota Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to the 6.3% pandemic rate posted in 2020. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Dakota Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2020.

253,836	available workers
Labor Force change, 2010-2025	26,577 workers 11.7% increase
3.6%	unemployment rate
3.9%	state
9,138	unemployed workers

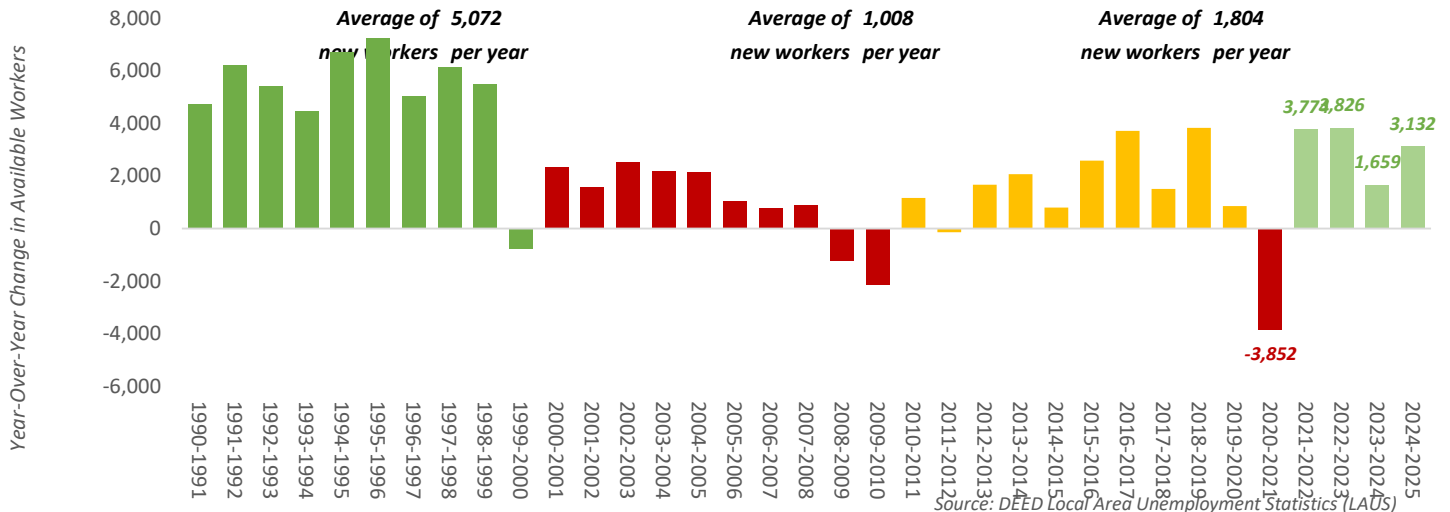
Figure 6. Annual Labor Force Estimates



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

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



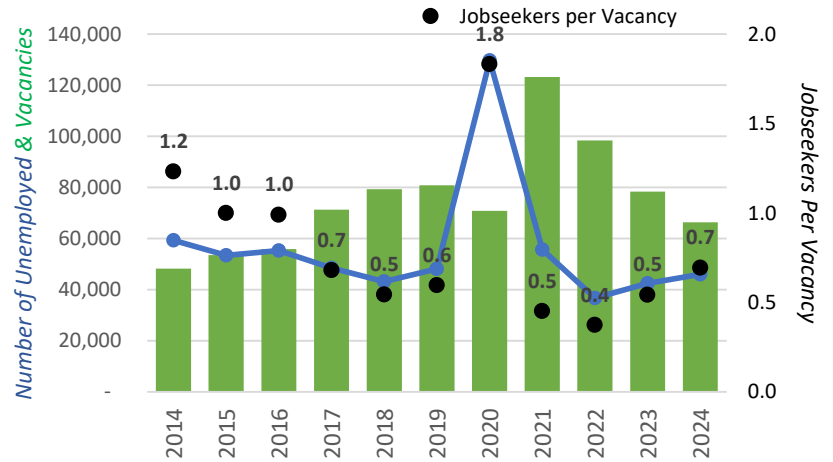
Source: DEED Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

Table 6. Labor Force Projections, 2025-2035	Labor Force Projection	
	2025	2035
16 to 24 years	34,660	36,453
25 to 54 years	162,116	181,687
55 to 64 years	43,309	40,627
65 years & over	14,834	16,224
Total Labor Force	254,919	274,990

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 Twin Cities 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

Dakota Co. had a higher labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in Dakota Co. is more 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

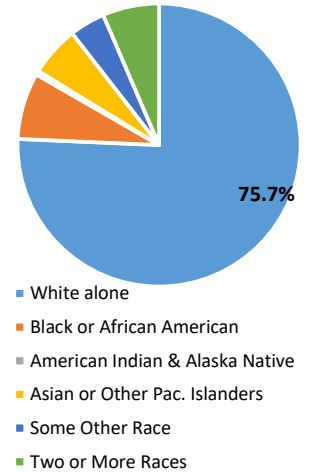
	Dakota Co.			Minnesota		Labor Force by Gender	
	In Labor Force (available workers)	Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate	Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate	Male	Female
Total Labor Force	249,331	71.0%	3.6%	68.1%	4.1%	129,770	119,564
16 to 19 years	11,790	53.9%	8.0%	52.6%	10.3%	5,889	5,895
20 to 24 years	20,734	83.4%	5.4%	83.3%	6.6%	10,556	10,167
25 to 44 years	107,899	89.7%	3.4%	88.7%	3.7%	56,758	51,149
45 to 54 years	50,273	91.3%	1.9%	87.8%	3.0%	26,239	24,043
55 to 64 years	45,190	77.5%	4.0%	72.7%	3.2%	23,179	22,012
65 to 74 years	11,875	27.9%	3.7%	27.7%	3.6%	6,215	5,649
75 years & over	1,581	5.6%	2.2%	6.7%	3.2%	934	649

Employment Characteristics by Race & Hispanic Origin					
White alone	188,803	69.4%	3.3%	67.0%	3.5%
Black or African American	18,995	76.6%	5.8%	70.8%	8.7%
American Indian & Alaska Native	1,135	74.5%	4.7%	58.0%	10.8%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	14,269	77.8%	3.3%	75.2%	3.5%
Some Other Race	10,139	76.1%	3.4%	75.4%	5.8%
Two or More Races	16,109	76.2%	4.9%	74.0%	5.7%
Hispanic or Latino	20,550	77.4%	4.9%	76.6%	5.8%

Employment Characteristics by Disability, 20 to 64 years					
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	14,819	62.5%	9.7%	56.1%	9.4%

Employment Characteristics by Educational Attainment, 25 to 64 years					
Population, 25 to 64 years	203,275	87.0%	3.2%	84.5%	3.4%
Less than H.S. Diploma	8,292	74.5%	5.5%	66.2%	4.9%
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	31,607	79.6%	2.3%	76.6%	2.5%
Some College or Assoc. Degree	62,901	87.6%	3.2%	85.0%	3.7%
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	100,572	90.6%	2.1%	90.5%	2.2%

Figure 9. Labor Force by Race, 2024



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

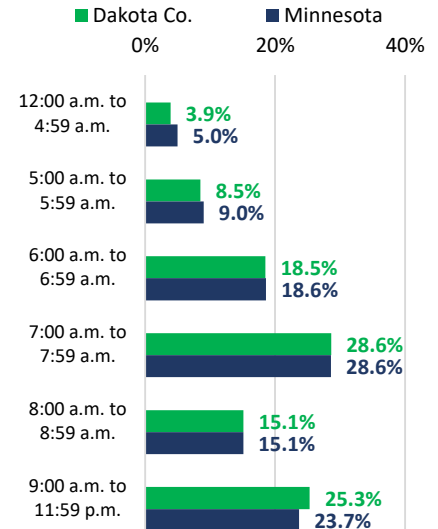
A smaller percentage of workers in Dakota Co. worked in the same county in which they live compared to the state. Dakota Co. also had a longer average commute time than the state.

Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2024	Dakota Co.		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Worked in state of residence	234,414	99.2%	2,875,211	97.8%
Worked in county of residence	141,073	59.7%	2,013,824	68.5%
Worked out of county of residence	93,340	39.5%	864,327	29.4%
Worked outside state of residence	1,890	0.8%	64,678	2.2%

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK				
Car, truck, or van	177,464	75.1%	2,246,075	76.4%
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	2,836	1.2%	52,918	1.8%
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	5,671	2.4%	123,475	4.2%
Worked at home	50,333	21.3%	517,420	17.6%

TRAVEL TIME TO WORK				
Less than 10 minutes	30,011	12.7%	490,961	16.7%
10 to 19 minutes	69,710	29.5%	943,704	32.1%
20 to 29 minutes	59,549	25.2%	658,535	22.4%
30 to 44 minutes	55,295	23.4%	538,000	18.3%
45 to 59 minutes	13,469	5.7%	164,634	5.6%
60 or more minutes	8,034	3.4%	144,055	4.9%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	23.6 minutes		22.7 minutes	

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



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

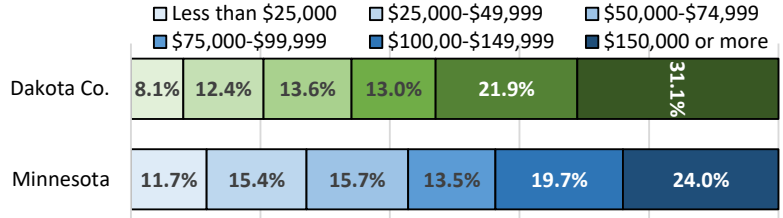
INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

Dakota Co. had a higher median household income than the state, and a lower percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Dakota Co. had the 5th highest median household income of the 87 counties in the state.

Median Household Income	\$106,318
state	\$89,062
Median Family Income	\$131,618
state	\$113,993
Per Capita Income	\$52,084
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. Dakota Co. had a higher cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$20.11 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$25.89 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
Dakota Co.	\$41,821	\$20.11	\$0	\$448	\$212	\$1,405	\$542	\$409	\$469
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
Dakota Co.	\$80,779	\$25.89	\$676	\$1,019	\$727	\$1,741	\$981	\$609	\$979
State of Minnesota	\$74,616	\$23.92	\$558	\$1,028	\$697	\$1,498	\$1,026	\$558	\$853

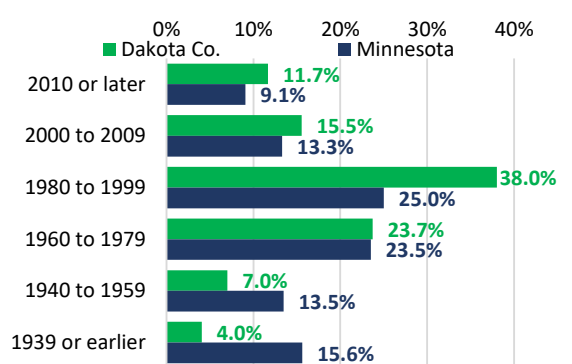
Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

Dakota Co. had a higher median house value than the state, having the 5th highest value of the 87 counties in 2024. Dakota 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	Dakota Co.		Minnesota
	Total	Percent	Percent
Total	130,675	100.0%	100.0%
Less than \$50,000	3,750	2.9%	4.0%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,892	1.4%	3.7%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,873	1.4%	5.2%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	4,482	3.4%	8.1%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	25,087	19.2%	22.6%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	62,103	47.5%	36.9%
\$500,000 or more	31,488	24.1%	19.6%
Median (dollars)	\$381,000		\$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	\$2,129
state	\$1,947

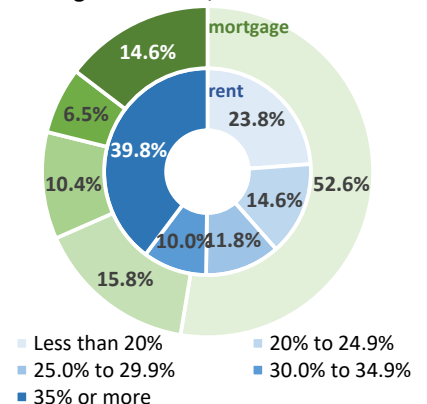
Percentage of households with a mortgage spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs	21.1%
state	23.2%

Median monthly rent costs	\$1,548
state	\$1,280

Percentage of renters spending 30% or more of their household income on rent	49.8%
state	48.1%

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

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



OCCUPATIONS

At \$28.48 in 2025, wages were higher in Region 11 than the state. Overall, Region 11 had the highest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$63.62) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$16.93) (see Table 11).

Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2025

Occupational Group	Region 11				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	\$28.48	1,762,280	100.0%	1.0	\$26.22	2,920,470	100.0%
Management	\$63.62	130,080	7.4%	1.1	\$59.38	200,060	6.9%
Business & Financial Operations	\$41.34	151,080	8.6%	1.2	\$39.95	208,210	7.1%
Computer & Mathematical	\$51.35	71,750	4.1%	1.2	\$50.02	97,460	3.3%
Architecture & Engineering	\$47.56	40,480	2.3%	1.2	\$45.03	57,950	2.0%
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$40.63	18,450	1.0%	1.0	\$38.33	32,150	1.1%
Community & Social Service	\$30.01	34,680	2.0%	1.0	\$29.82	59,290	2.0%
Legal	\$53.02	16,390	0.9%	1.3	\$49.52	20,750	0.7%
Education, Training & Library	\$28.44	98,540	5.6%	1.0	\$27.84	170,270	5.8%
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$30.28	24,600	1.4%	1.1	\$28.84	36,030	1.2%
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$48.50	105,470	6.0%	0.9	\$46.51	187,480	6.4%
Healthcare Support	\$18.64	110,250	6.3%	1.0	\$18.67	176,750	6.1%
Protective Service	\$29.42	27,730	1.6%	1.0	\$29.37	46,960	1.6%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$16.93	141,110	8.0%	1.0	\$16.05	240,830	8.2%
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$19.44	46,640	2.6%	0.9	\$19.16	81,700	2.8%
Personal Care & Service	\$17.89	39,470	2.2%	1.0	\$17.54	63,300	2.2%
Sales & Related	\$21.11	143,270	8.1%	1.0	\$18.66	244,780	8.4%
Office & Administrative Support	\$24.71	204,770	11.6%	1.0	\$24.07	340,040	11.6%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$22.71	930	0.1%	0.5	\$23.48	3,300	0.1%
Construction & Extraction	\$38.33	59,580	3.4%	0.9	\$34.20	114,050	3.9%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$31.26	56,240	3.2%	0.9	\$30.40	105,650	3.6%
Production	\$24.01	110,390	6.3%	0.9	\$23.56	205,220	7.0%
Transportation & Material Moving	\$23.20	130,360	7.4%	0.9	\$19.80	228,260	7.8%

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

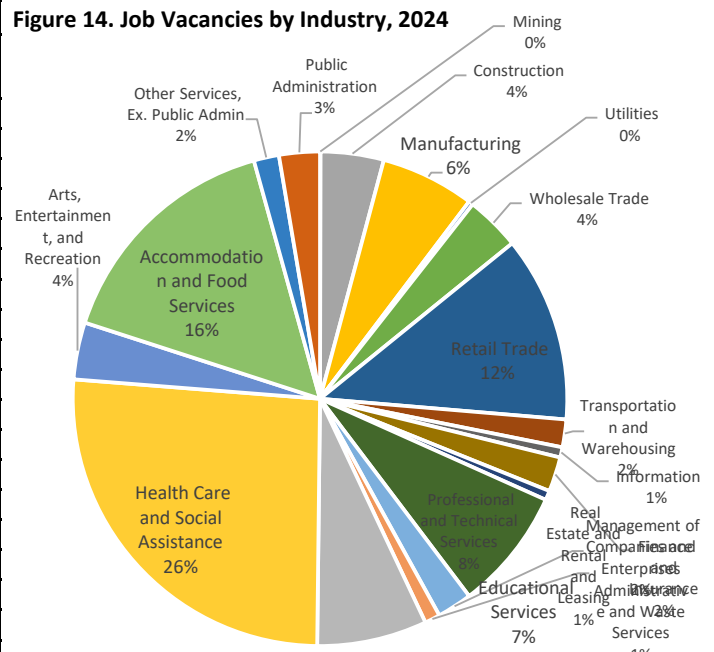
JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Dakota Co. is a part of the Twin Cities planning region. There were 66411 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. Twin Cities Job Vacancy Survey Results, 2024

Occupational Group	Number of Vacancies	Wage Offer
Total, All Occupations	66,411	\$22.30
Management	4,460	\$42.50
Business & Financial Operations	3,525	\$33.68
Computer & Mathematical	2,465	\$52.17
Architecture & Engineering	1,449	\$42.92
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	586	\$31.86
Community & Social Service	2,687	\$23.98
Education, Training & Library	3,109	\$23.24
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	7,696	\$35.69
Healthcare Support	4,904	\$18.91
Protective Service	769	\$17.16
Food Preparation & Serving Related	10,433	\$15.83
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	1,016	\$17.91
Personal Care & Service	2,189	\$17.36
Sales & Related	7,399	\$18.30
Office & Administrative Support	2,971	\$19.96
Construction & Extraction	779	\$25.58
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	2,284	\$24.75
Production	2,014	\$23.61
Transportation & Material Moving	3,175	\$19.91

Figure 14. Job Vacancies by Industry, 2024



Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, 2024

OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND

Table 13. Twin Cities 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 \$36,582/yr	Nursing Assistants \$47,793/yr	Registered Nurses \$103,822/yr	Software Developers \$131,485/yr
Retail Salespersons \$35,954/yr	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers \$64,167/yr	Radiologic Technologists and Technicians \$84,258/yr	Accountants and Auditors \$84,154/yr
Fast Food and Counter Workers \$35,247/yr	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses \$63,105/yr	Dental Hygienists \$101,993/yr	General and Operations Managers \$103,708/yr
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and \$47,416/yr	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics \$63,327/yr	Veterinary Technologists and Technicians \$55,999/yr	Financial Managers \$165,752/yr
Cashiers \$34,713/yr	Substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors \$61,060/yr	Paralegals and Legal Assistants \$76,190/yr	Project Management Specialists \$100,639/yr
Waiters and Waitresses \$26,043/yr	Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks \$56,981/yr	Surgical Technologists \$82,186/yr	Market Research Analysts and Marketing Specialists \$88,321/yr
Customer Service Representatives \$48,692/yr	Computer User Support Specialists \$66,045/yr	Industrial Engineering Technologists and Technicians \$70,352/yr	Management Analysts \$98,434/yr
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers \$49,741/yr	Machinists \$61,474/yr	Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers \$97,755/yr	Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education \$77,347/yr
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and \$78,785/yr	Medical Assistants \$51,095/yr	Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologists \$101,075/yr	Industrial Engineers \$104,053/yr
Stockers and Order Fillers \$38,547/yr	Psychiatric Technicians \$51,669/yr	Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory Animal Caretakers \$44,774/yr	Marketing Managers \$171,914/yr

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

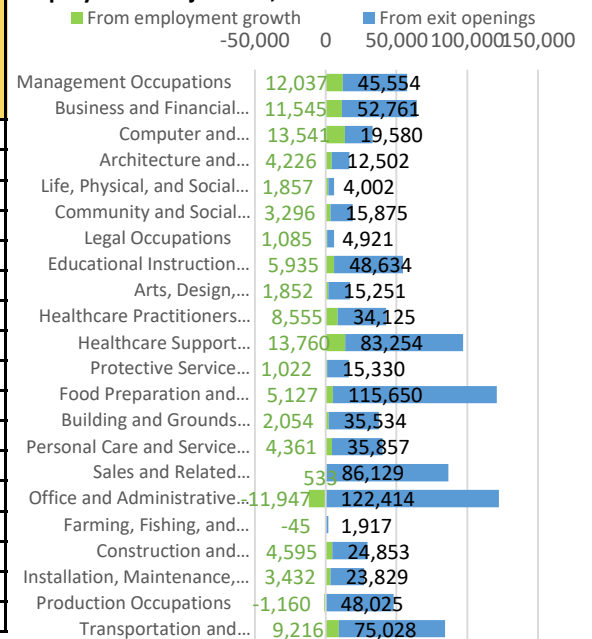
Dakota Co. is a part of the Twin Cities planning region, which is projected to see a 4.9% increase in employment levels over the next decade. In addition to new jobs created, there will be a much larger number of exit openings (see Figure 15).

Table 14. Regional Industry Employment Projections, 2022-2032

Twin Cities Planning Region	Estimated Employment 2022	Projected Employment 2032	Percent Change 2022-2032
Total, All Industries	1,927,280	2,022,157	4.9%
Natural Resources & Mining	4,299	4,497	4.6%
Utilities	5,966	5,918	-0.8%
Construction	76,624	81,639	6.5%
Manufacturing	175,365	178,983	2.1%
Wholesale Trade	88,950	95,889	7.8%
Retail Trade	155,453	153,000	-1.6%
Transportation & Warehousing	69,046	74,385	7.7%
Information	33,947	36,573	7.7%
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	152,950	158,767	3.8%
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Companies	219,218	239,258	9.1%
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	103,764	106,039	2.2%
Educational Services	140,511	146,053	3.9%
Health Care & Social Assistance	274,229	299,555	9.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	159,585	169,263	6.1%
Other Services	70,450	72,988	3.6%
Public Administration	107,703	109,441	1.6%

Source: DEED 2022-2032 Employment Outlook

Figure 15. Regional Occupational Employment Projections, 2022-2032



ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

After losing jobs over the past year, Dakota Co. had the 3rd largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Dakota Co. was the 44th fastest growing in the past year and the 40th fastest growing since 2020. From 2020 to 2025, employment in Dakota Co. has grown since the pandemic recession.

11,898 business establishments

\$74,672 annual average wage

189,025 jobs

\$14,117,392,057 total industry payroll

Job change, 2020-2025
10,997 jobs
6.2% increase

Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2005-2025

Source: DEED QCEW program

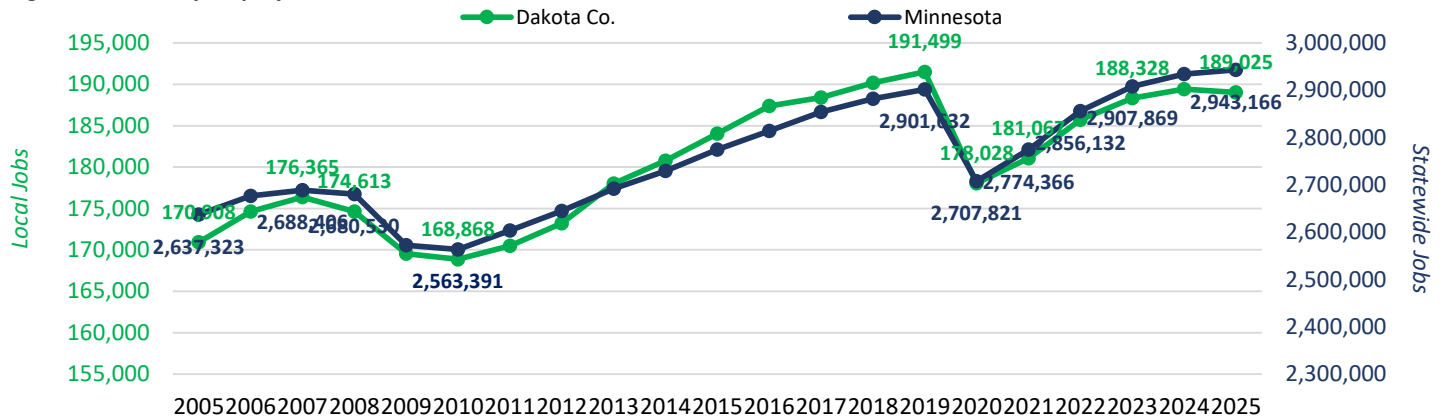
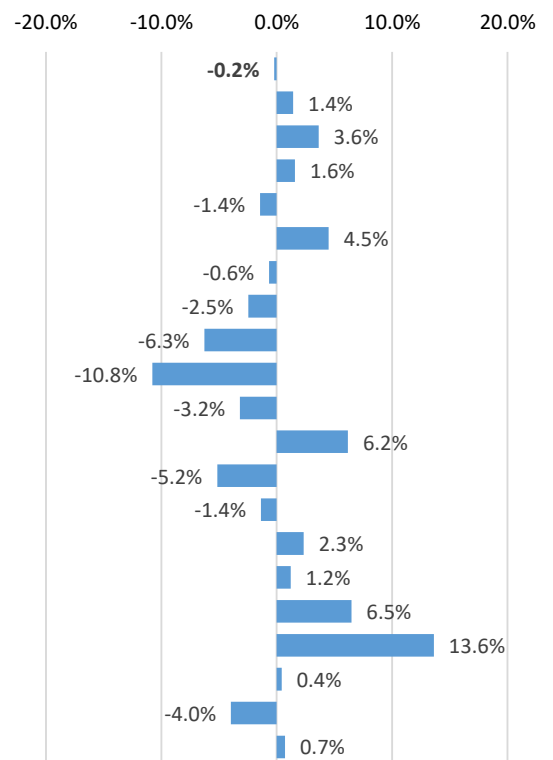


Table 15. Dakota Co. Industry Employment Statistics, 2025	Number of Jobs	Percent of Total Jobs	Average Annual Wage
Total, All Industries	189,025	100.0%	\$74,672
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	1,142	0.6%	\$45,240
Mining	114	0.1%	\$121,160
Construction	10,690	5.7%	\$100,828
Manufacturing	19,242	10.2%	\$93,236
Utilities	580	0.3%	\$154,544
Wholesale Trade	8,870	4.7%	\$97,500
Retail Trade	23,432	12.4%	\$42,536
Transportation & Warehousing	13,576	7.2%	\$78,468
Information	4,509	2.4%	\$122,512
Finance & Insurance	9,045	4.8%	\$121,160
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	2,338	1.2%	\$72,384
Professional & Technical Services	7,287	3.9%	\$113,100
Management of Companies	4,423	2.3%	\$160,212
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	7,961	4.2%	\$52,884
Educational Services	14,473	7.7%	\$63,388
Health Care & Social Assistance	27,652	14.6%	\$58,500
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	4,547	2.4%	\$130,988
Accommodation & Food Services	15,644	8.3%	\$27,352
Other Services	7,146	3.8%	\$48,152
Public Administration	6,352	3.4%	\$79,144

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2024-2025



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

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