

COUNTY PROFILE

Wadena Co.

Wadena Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 5, which is located in the Northwest Planning Region.



POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

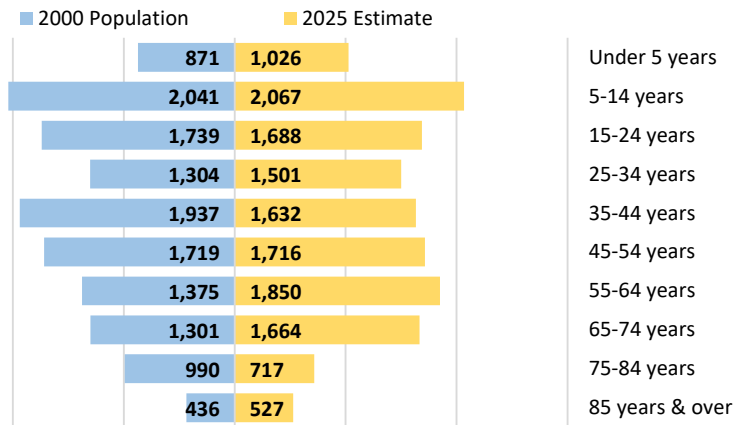
2025 population:	14,388 people	Median Age:	40.0 years
Population change, 2020-2025	318 people 2.3% increase	state:	38.8 years

Wadena Co. is the 57th largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population increased so far this decade, ranking as the 27th fastest growing in the state from 2020 to 2025. Wadena 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	1,026	7.1%
5-14 years	2,067	14.4%
15-24 years	1,688	11.7%
25-34 years	1,501	10.4%
35-44 years	1,632	11.3%
45-54 years	1,716	11.9%
55-64 years	1,850	12.9%
65-74 years	1,664	11.6%
75-84 years	717	5.0%
85 years & over	527	3.7%
Total Population	14,388	100.0%

Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2000-2025



Source: Census 2025 Population Estimates, 2020-2024 ACS

Wadena 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. In addition to domestic in-migration, Wadena 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
Wadena Co.	310	-196	983	1,179	506	63	443
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

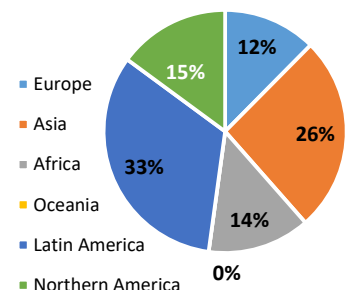
Compared to the state, Wadena Co. has a smaller percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2014 to 2024, Wadena Co. saw a decrease in the number of foreign-born residents, though it was slower than the statewide increase.

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

	Wadena Co.		Change 2014-2024		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change
Foreign-born Population	161	1.1%	-5	-3.0%	8.7%	23.3%
Europe	20	12.4%	-10	-33.3%	8.7%	-3.6%
Asia	42	26.1%	-1	-2.3%	34.8%	12.8%
Africa	22	13.7%	1	4.8%	28.6%	73.9%
Oceania	0	0.0%	0	#DIV/0!	0.4%	5.4%
Americas:	77	47.8%	5	6.9%	27.4%	12.8%
Latin America	53	32.9%	-4	-7.0%	25.0%	14.5%
Northern America	24	14.9%	9	60.0%	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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Wadena 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

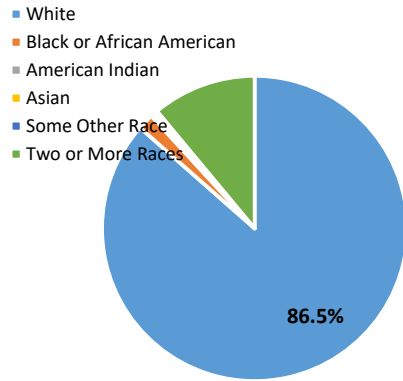


Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2024	Wadena Co.			Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Change from 2014-2024	Percent	Change from 2014-2024
Total	14,256	100.0%	3.6%	100.0%	6.6%
White	12,328	86.5%	-7.2%	77.1%	-3.5%
Black or African American	243	1.7%	72.3%	7.0%	38.6%
American Indian or Alaska Native	30	0.2%	-77.9%	0.9%	-8.6%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	44	0.3%	12.8%	5.2%	27.1%
Some Other Race	37	0.3%	236.4%	2.9%	107.8%
Two or More Races	1,574	11.0%	993.1%	7.0%	188.0%
Hispanic or Latino origin	345	2.4%	67.5%	6.4%	38.4%

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

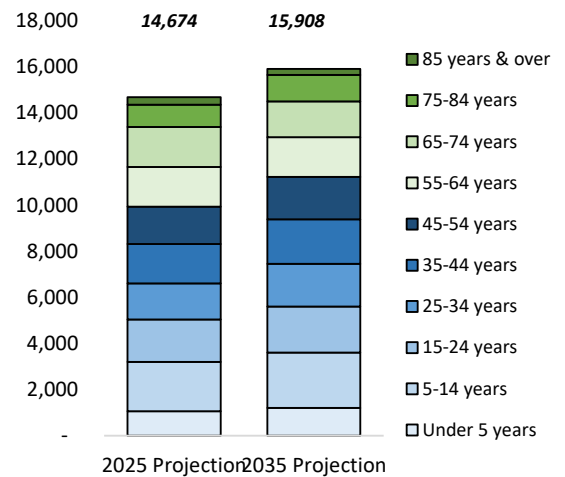
POPULATION PROJECTIONS

According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Wadena 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 decrease over the next decade (see Figure 4 and Table 5).

Table 5. Population Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035				
Wadena Co.	2025 Projection	2035 Projection	Numeric Change	Percent Change
Under 5 years	1,062	1,201	139	13.1%
5-14 years	2,137	2,401	264	12.4%
15-24 years	1,834	1,996	162	8.8%
25-34 years	1,568	1,853	285	18.2%
35-44 years	1,708	1,931	223	13.1%
45-54 years	1,620	1,845	225	13.9%
55-64 years	1,729	1,712	-17	-1.0%
65-74 years	1,732	1,562	-170	-9.8%
75-84 years	959	1,139	180	18.8%
85 years & over	325	268	-57	-17.5%
Total Population	14,674	15,908	1,234	8.4%

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035

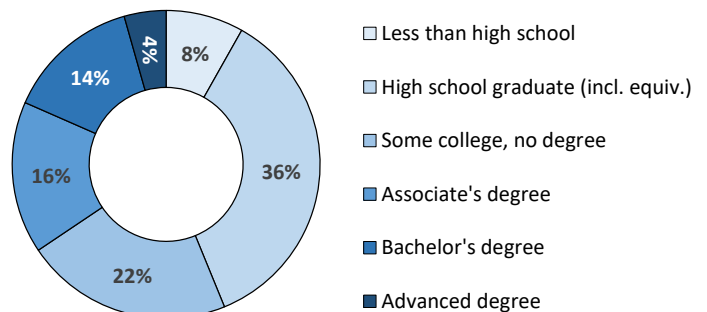


EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Wadena Co. has a lower percentage of adults (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma than the state (93.3%), and a lower percentage of people with at least some college experience. Wadena 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:	91.8%
College-educated:	56.2%
state:	68.9%
Associate's Degree:	16.0%
Bachelor's Degree:	14.0%
Advanced Degree:	4.4%

Figure 5. Educational Attainment, 2024



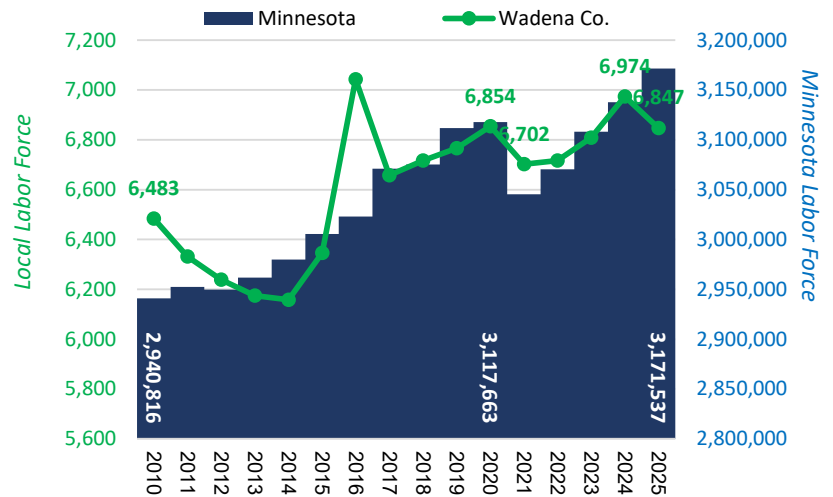
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020-2024 American Community Survey

LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 6%, Wadena Co. had a higher unemployment rate than the state in 2025. Wadena Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to the 7.1% pandemic rate posted in 2020. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Wadena Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2020.

6,847	available workers
Labor Force change, 2010-2025	364 workers 5.6% increase
6.0%	unemployment rate
3.9%	state
411	unemployed workers

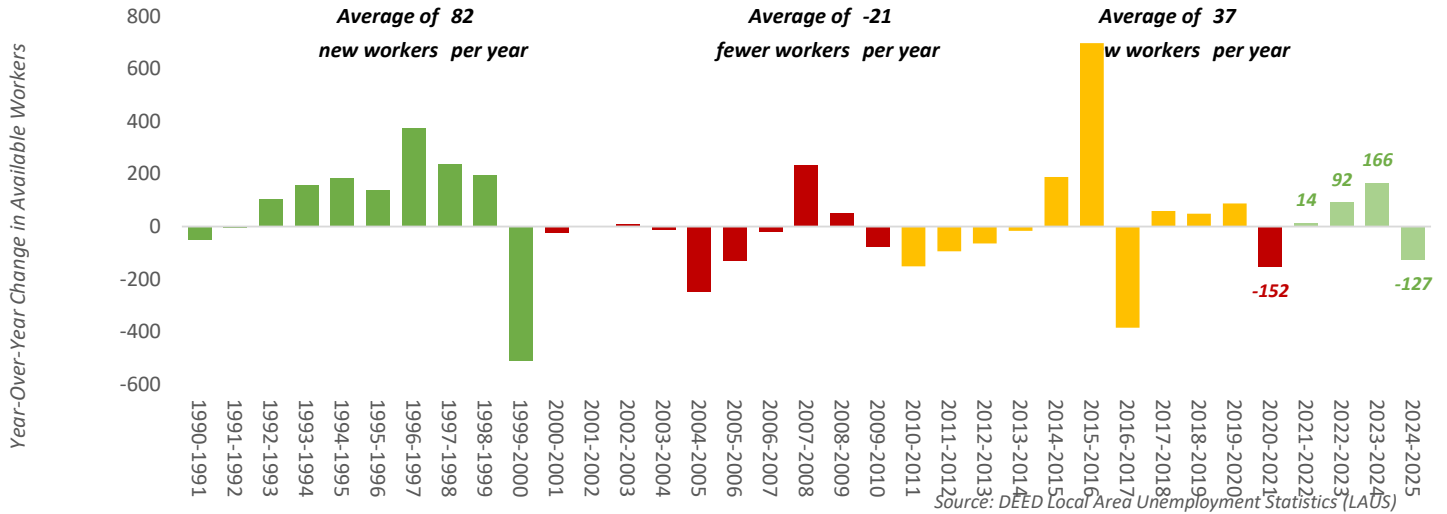
Figure 6. Annual Labor Force Estimates



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, Wadena 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, Wadena 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	1,157	1,268
25 to 54 years	4,024	4,627
55 to 64 years	1,353	1,339
65 years & over	475	435
Total Labor Force	7,008	7,670

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 Northwest 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

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

	Wadena Co.			Minnesota		Labor Force by Gender	
	In Labor Force (available workers)	Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate	Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate	Male	Female
Total Labor Force	6,842	62.4%	5.5%	68.1%	4.1%	3,522	3,318
16 to 19 years	482	61.8%	2.9%	52.6%	10.3%	198	284
20 to 24 years	532	79.9%	13.2%	83.3%	6.6%	296	236
25 to 44 years	2,637	84.9%	6.8%	88.7%	3.7%	1,338	1,299
45 to 54 years	1,302	76.6%	4.4%	87.8%	3.0%	722	580
55 to 64 years	1,434	78.2%	1.9%	72.7%	3.2%	749	685
65 to 74 years	422	25.6%	5.7%	27.7%	3.6%	197	225
75 years & over	31	2.5%	0.0%	6.7%	3.2%	22	9
Employment Characteristics by Race & Hispanic Origin						Figure 9. Labor Force by Race, 2024 	
White alone	5,949	61.6%	5.3%	67.0%	3.5%		
Black or African American	103	69.1%	0.0%	70.8%	8.7%		
American Indian & Alaska Native	8	66.7%	0.0%	58.0%	10.8%		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	14	35.0%	0.0%	75.2%	3.5%		
Some Other Race	13	48.1%	0.0%	75.4%	5.8%		
Two or More Races	757	70.2%	8.6%	74.0%	5.7%		
Hispanic or Latino	240	86.0%	1.3%	76.6%	5.8%		
Employment Characteristics by Disability, 20 to 64 years							
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	486	49.3%	19.5%	56.1%	9.4%		
Employment Characteristics by Educational Attainment, 25 to 64 years							
Population, 25 to 64 years	5,376	81.0%	5.0%	84.5%	3.4%		
Less than H.S. Diploma	274	76.3%	2.9%	66.2%	4.9%		
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	1,698	77.3%	2.0%	76.6%	2.5%		
Some College or Assoc. Degree	2,198	80.5%	5.8%	85.0%	3.7%		
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	1,202	89.0%	1.7%	90.5%	2.2%		

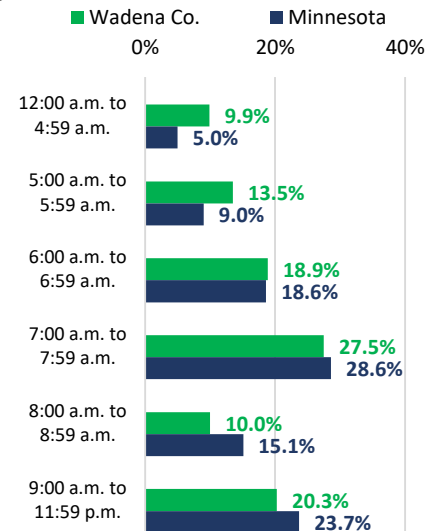
Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

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

Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2024

	Wadena Co.		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Worked in state of residence	6,226	99.1%	2,875,211	97.8%
Worked in county of residence	4,040	64.3%	2,013,824	68.5%
Worked out of county of residence	2,186	34.8%	864,327	29.4%
Worked outside state of residence	57	0.9%	64,678	2.2%
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK				
Car, truck, or van	5,460	86.9%	2,246,075	76.4%
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	44	0.7%	52,918	1.8%
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	251	4.0%	123,475	4.2%
Worked at home	528	8.4%	517,420	17.6%
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK				
Less than 10 minutes	2,004	31.9%	490,961	16.7%
10 to 19 minutes	1,652	26.3%	943,704	32.1%
20 to 29 minutes	892	14.2%	658,535	22.4%
30 to 44 minutes	1,012	16.1%	538,000	18.3%
45 to 59 minutes	402	6.4%	164,634	5.6%
60 or more minutes	320	5.1%	144,055	4.9%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	21.3 minutes		22.7 minutes	

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



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

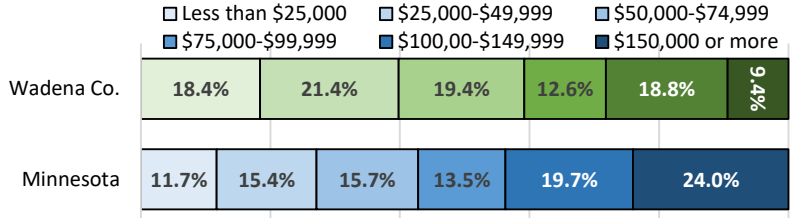
INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

Wadena Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Wadena Co. had the 83rd highest median household income of the 87 counties in the state.

Median Household Income	\$61,467
state	\$89,062
Median Family Income	\$84,103
state	\$113,993
Per Capita Income	\$32,541
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. Wadena Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$14.52 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$19.37 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
Wadena Co.	\$30,208	\$14.52	\$0	\$413	\$183	\$750	\$609	\$257	\$305
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
Wadena Co.	\$60,435	\$19.37	\$336	\$939	\$639	\$968	\$1,152	\$421	\$581
State of Minnesota	\$74,616	\$23.92	\$558	\$1,028	\$697	\$1,498	\$1,026	\$558	\$853

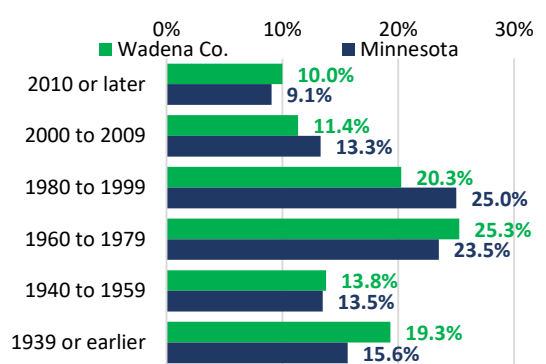
Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

Wadena Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 65th highest value of the 87 counties in 2024. Wadena 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, 2024	Wadena Co.		Minnesota
	Total	Percent	Percent
Total	4,474	100.0%	100.0%
Less than \$50,000	277	6.2%	4.0%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	627	14.0%	3.7%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	627	14.0%	5.2%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,033	23.1%	8.1%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	961	21.5%	22.6%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	772	17.3%	36.9%
\$500,000 or more	177	4.0%	19.6%
Median (dollars)	\$173,000		\$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	\$1,223
state	\$1,947

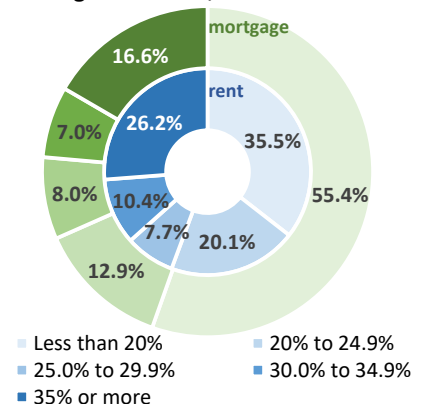
Percentage of households with a mortgage spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs	23.6%
state	23.2%

Median monthly rent costs	\$746
state	\$1,280

Percentage of renters spending 30% or more of their household income on rent	36.6%
state	48.1%

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

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



OCCUPATIONS

At \$22.38 in 2025, wages were lower in Region 5 than the state. Overall, Region 5 had the lowest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$42.89) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$14.55) (see Table 11).

Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2025

Occupational Group	Region 5				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	\$22.38	64,910	100.0%	1.0	\$26.22	2,920,470	100.0%
Management	\$42.89	3,540	5.5%	0.8	\$59.38	200,060	6.9%
Business & Financial Operations	\$34.44	2,380	3.7%	0.5	\$39.95	208,210	7.1%
Computer & Mathematical	\$37.81	550	0.8%	0.3	\$50.02	97,460	3.3%
Architecture & Engineering	\$39.32	570	0.9%	0.4	\$45.03	57,950	2.0%
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$33.13	510	0.8%	0.7	\$38.33	32,150	1.1%
Community & Social Service	\$28.82	1,580	2.4%	1.2	\$29.82	59,290	2.0%
Legal	\$34.39	200	0.3%	0.4	\$49.52	20,750	0.7%
Education, Training & Library	\$23.71	4,660	7.2%	1.2	\$27.84	170,270	5.8%
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$21.90	480	0.7%	0.6	\$28.84	36,030	1.2%
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$41.00	4,330	6.7%	1.0	\$46.51	187,480	6.4%
Healthcare Support	\$18.76	4,220	6.5%	1.1	\$18.67	176,750	6.1%
Protective Service	\$28.87	1,120	1.7%	1.1	\$29.37	46,960	1.6%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$14.55	7,170	11.0%	1.3	\$16.05	240,830	8.2%
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$17.99	2,570	4.0%	1.4	\$19.16	81,700	2.8%
Personal Care & Service	\$16.52	1,600	2.5%	1.1	\$17.54	63,300	2.2%
Sales & Related	\$16.76	5,780	8.9%	1.1	\$18.66	244,780	8.4%
Office & Administrative Support	\$22.63	7,740	11.9%	1.0	\$24.07	340,040	11.6%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$23.54	130	0.2%	1.8	\$23.48	3,300	0.1%
Construction & Extraction	\$29.75	3,230	5.0%	1.3	\$34.20	114,050	3.9%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$26.83	2,870	4.4%	1.2	\$30.40	105,650	3.6%
Production	\$21.96	4,640	7.1%	1.0	\$23.56	205,220	7.0%
Transportation & Material Moving	\$21.40	5,020	7.7%	1.0	\$19.80	228,260	7.8%

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

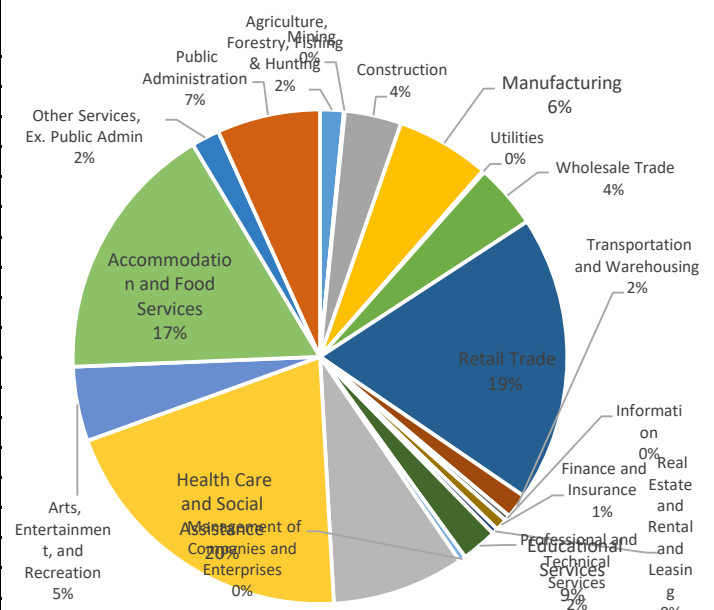
JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Wadena Co. is a part of the Northwest planning region. There were 12718 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. Northwest Job Vacancy Survey Results, 2024

Occupational Group	Number of Vacancies	Wage Offer
Total, All Occupations	12,718	\$18.57
Management	171	\$30.60
Business & Financial Operations	215	\$21.51
Computer & Mathematical	63	\$19.52
Architecture & Engineering	322	\$34.28
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	57	\$25.42
Community & Social Service	386	\$21.69
Education, Training & Library	638	\$20.64
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,009	\$31.22
Healthcare Support	1,082	\$18.32
Protective Service	188	\$23.57
Food Preparation & Serving Related	2,330	\$15.00
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	625	\$17.65
Personal Care & Service	327	\$18.14
Sales & Related	1,850	\$15.63
Office & Administrative Support	525	\$18.77
Construction & Extraction	441	\$23.70
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	751	\$20.05
Production	604	\$19.93
Transportation & Material Moving	662	\$18.81

Figure 14. Job Vacancies by Industry, 2024



OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND

Table 13. Northwest Planning Region Occupations in Demand, 2025

High School or Less	Vocational Training	Associate Degree	Bachelor's Degree or Higher
Retail Salespersons \$34,731/yr	Nursing Assistants \$42,735/yr	Registered Nurses \$87,175/yr	Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education \$62,671/yr
Home Health and Personal Care Aides \$37,192/yr	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers \$57,658/yr	Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers \$77,799/yr	General and Operations Managers \$77,911/yr
Fast Food and Counter Workers \$30,264/yr	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses \$58,256/yr	Radiologic Technologists and Technicians \$79,629/yr	Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Career/Technical \$62,998/yr
Cashiers \$29,907/yr	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists \$60,780/yr	Dental Hygienists \$93,217/yr	Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education \$38,558/yr
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners \$34,874/yr	Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks \$50,072/yr	Civil Engineering Technologists and Technicians \$76,366/yr	Accountants and Auditors \$68,758/yr
Waiters and Waitresses \$23,459/yr	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics \$49,015/yr	Paralegals and Legal Assistants \$60,312/yr	Substitute Teachers, Short-Term \$44,046/yr
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers \$46,176/yr	Substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors \$56,834/yr	Industrial Engineering Technologists and Technicians \$61,026/yr	Child, Family, and School Social Workers \$66,942/yr
Cooks, Restaurant \$36,688/yr	Machinists \$51,108/yr	Surgical Technologists \$67,653/yr	Civil Engineers \$95,647/yr
Stockers and Order Fillers \$41,330/yr	Farm Equipment Mechanics and Service Technicians \$59,711/yr	Veterinary Technologists and Technicians \$48,247/yr	Business Operations Specialists, All Other \$65,312/yr
Food Preparation Workers \$33,374/yr	Electricians \$73,544/yr	Architectural and Civil Drafters \$64,617/yr	Human Resources Specialists \$67,419/yr

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

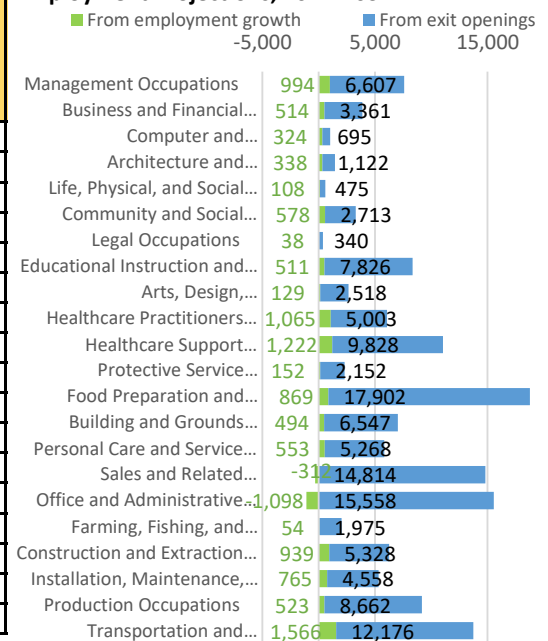
Wadena Co. is a part of the Northwest planning region, which is projected to see a 3.9% increase in employment levels over the next decade. In addition to new jobs created, there will be a much larger number of exit openings (see Figure 15).

Table 14. Regional Industry Employment Projections, 2022-2032

Northwest Planning Region	Estimated Employment 2022	Projected Employment 2032	Percent Change 2022-2032
Total, All Industries	265,321	275,647	3.9%
Natural Resources & Mining	6,095	6,335	3.9%
Utilities	1,126	1,125	-0.1%
Construction	11,719	12,715	8.5%
Manufacturing	29,871	31,429	5.2%
Wholesale Trade	12,936	14,034	8.5%
Retail Trade	27,705	27,590	-0.4%
Transportation & Warehousing	5,579	5,997	7.5%
Information	2,451	2,470	0.8%
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	8,067	8,366	3.7%
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Companies	5,609	6,152	9.7%
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	4,192	4,460	6.4%
Educational Services	22,849	22,989	0.6%
Health Care & Social Assistance	36,421	38,978	7.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	24,958	26,706	7.0%
Other Services	9,824	10,129	3.1%
Public Administration	24,161	24,869	2.9%

Source: DEED 2022-2032 Employment Outlook

Figure 15. Regional Occupational Employment Projections, 2022-2032



ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

After losing jobs over the past year, Wadena Co. had the 56th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Wadena Co. was the 84th fastest growing in the past year and the 57th fastest growing since 2020. From 2020 to 2025, employment in Wadena Co. has grown since the pandemic recession.

443 business establishments

\$52,364 annual average wage

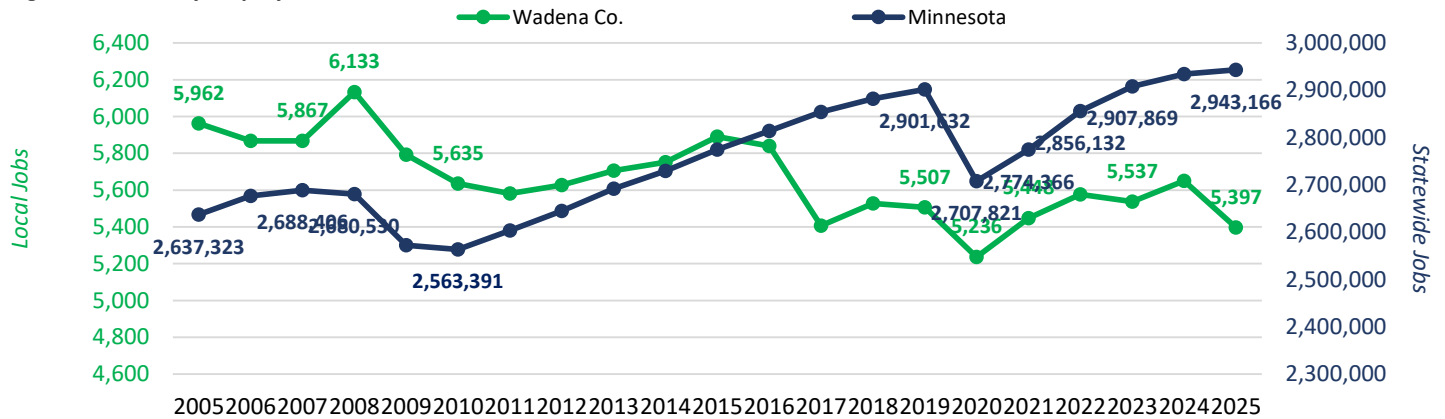
5,397 jobs

\$282,671,380 total industry payroll

Job change, 2020-2025	161 jobs 3.1% increase
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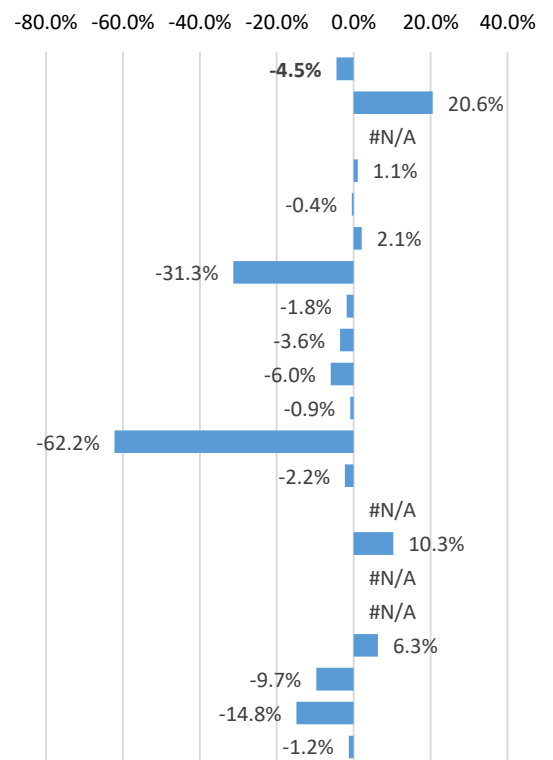
Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2005-2025

Source: DEED QCEW program



Industry	Number of Jobs	Percent of Total Jobs	Average Annual Wage
Total, All Industries	5,397	100.0%	\$52,364
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	41	0.8%	\$46,072
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	285	5.3%	\$67,860
Manufacturing	445	8.2%	\$59,488
Utilities	48	0.9%	\$125,580
Wholesale Trade	369	6.8%	\$51,480
Retail Trade	603	11.2%	\$35,516
Transportation & Warehousing	244	4.5%	\$56,628
Information	63	1.2%	\$54,600
Finance & Insurance	110	2.0%	\$61,204
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	14	0.3%	\$32,552
Professional & Technical Services	87	1.6%	\$79,664
Management of Companies	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	32	0.6%	\$29,744
Educational Services	1,002	18.6%	\$46,956
Health Care & Social Assistance	1,258	23.3%	\$66,768
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	67	1.2%	\$22,672
Accommodation & Food Services	315	5.8%	\$18,876
Other Services	155	2.9%	\$32,552
Public Administration	320	5.9%	\$56,108

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2024-2025



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

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