EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

COUNTY PROFILE

Cass Co.

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

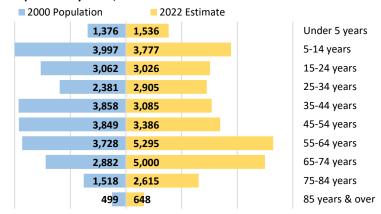
POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS



Cass Co. is the 36th largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population increased over the past decade, ranking as the 13th fastest growing in the state from 2010 to 2022. Cass 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, 2022				
	Number	Percent		
Under 5 years	1,536	4.9%		
5-14 years	3,777	12.1%		
15-24 years	3,026	9.7%		
25-34 years	2,905	9.3%		
35-44 years	3,085	9.9%		
45-54 years	3,386	10.8%		
55-64 years	5,295	16.9%		
65-74 years	5,000	16.0%		
75-84 years	2,615	8.4%		
85 years & over	648	2.1%		
Total Population	31,274	100.0%		
Source: Census Po	pulation Estimate	s, 2018-2022 ACS		

Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2000-2022



Cass Co. suffered a negative natural increase - more deaths than births from 2020 to 2022, but also experienced net in-migration - meaning more people moved in than moved out. In addition to domestic in-migration, Cass 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, 2020-2022							
	Total	April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2022					
	Population	Natural	Natural Vital Events Net Migration				
	Change	Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic
Cass Co.	1,209	-316	619	935	1,520	10	1,510
State of Minnesota	10,680	26,917	144,350	117,433	-17,365	20,012	-37,377

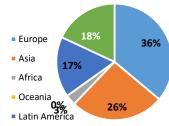
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

Compared to the state, Cass Co. has a smaller percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2010 to 2022, Cass Co. saw an increase in the number of foreign-born residents, which was faster than the statewide increase.

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Table 3. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born	Cass Co.		Change 2	010-2022	Minnesota			
Population, 2022	Number	Number Percent		Number Percent		Change		
Foreign-born Population	410	1.4%	108	35.8%	8.5%	31.3%		
Europe	148	36.1%	60	68.2%	9.3%	-0.6%		
Asia	107	26.1%	25	30.5%	36.7%	30.2%		
Africa	12	2.9%	-28	-70.0%	28.1%	93.1%		
Oceania	0	0.0%	0	#DIV/0!	0.4%	20.4%		
Americas:	143	34.9%	51	55.4%	25.4%	7.5%		
Latin America	69	16.8%	40	137.9%	22.9%	9.0%		
Northern America	74	18.0%	11	17.5%	2.5%	-4.6%		

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018-2022 American Community Survey

Figure 2. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born Population, 2022



Northern America

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Cass Co.'s population was becoming more racially diverse over time. Since 2011, the county's white population increased and the number of people of other races increased (see Table 4).

Figure 3. Population by Race, 2022

White



		Cass Co.		Minnesota		
Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2022	Number	Percent	Change from 2011-2022	Percent	Change from 2011-2022	
Total	30,288	100.0%	6.0%	100.0%	7.9%	
White	24,693	81.5%	0.1%	79.7%	-0.4%	
Black or African American	144	0.5%	28.6%	6.7%	44.3%	
American Indian or Alaska Native	2,846	9.4%	-1.6%	0.9%	-10.2%	
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	160	0.5%	-12.6%	5.1%	37.1%	
Some Other Race	244	0.8%	687.1%	2.3%	84.7%	
Two or More Races	2,201	7.3%	219.4%	5.3%	159.6%	
Hispanic or Latino origin	742	2.4%	92.2%	5.7%	34.6%	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018-2022 American Community Survey

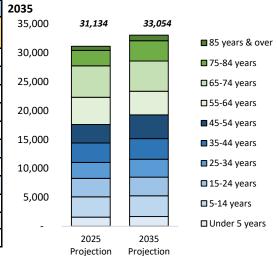
Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

81.5%

According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Cass Co.'s population is expected to grow from 2025 to 2035, with a rate of change that is slower than the projected statewide growth rate (4.5%). 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 2025 2035 Numeric Percent Cass Co. Projection Projection Change Change 6.2% Under 5 years 1,589 1,687 98 5-14 years 3,498 3,591 93 2.7% 3,218 3,201 17 0.5% 15-24 years 25-34 years 2,768 3,101 333 12.0% 35-44 years 3,343 3,578 235 7.0% 3,203 4,098 895 27.9% 45-54 years 55-64 years 4,705 4,091 -614 -13.0% 65-74 years 5,444 5,232 -212 -3.9% 75-84 years 2,700 3,505 805 29.8% 270 85 years & over 683 953 39.5% **Total Population** 31,134 33,054 1,920 6.2%



Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Cass Co. has a lower percentage of adults (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma than the state (93.0%), and a lower percentage of people with at least some college experience. Cass 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:

92.6%



Figure 5. Educational Attainment, 2022

32%

7%

26%

☐ Less than high school

☐ High school graduate (incl. equiv.)

■ Some college, no degree

■ Associate's degree

■ Bachelor's degree
■ Advanced degree

Associate's Degree: 11.6%
Bachelor's Degree: 16.7%
Advanced Degree: 6.7%

state:

College-educated:

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018-2022 American Community Survey

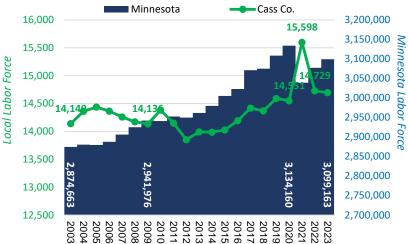
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LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 4.2%, Cass Co. had a higher unemployment rate than the state in 2023. After the pandemic recession Cass Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to the 5.9% prepandemic rate posted in 2019. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Cass Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2019.



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, Cass 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, Cass Co.

is expected to add workers from 2025 to 2035 (see Table 6). Cass Co. Figure 7. Annual Change in Labor Force, 1990-2023 1,500 Average of 429 Average of 96 Average of 17

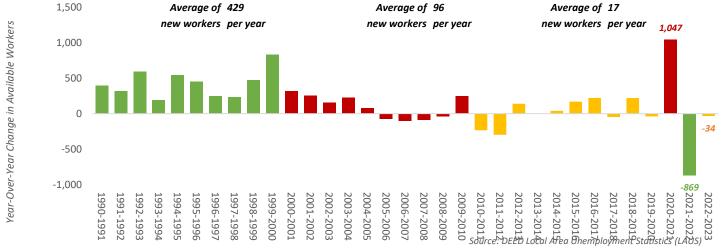
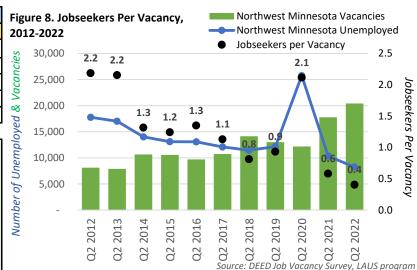


Table 6. Labor Force	Labor Force Projection			
Projections, 2025-2035	2025	2035		
16 to 24 years	1,965	2,045		
25 to 54 years	7,939	9,160		
55 to 64 years	2,873	2,498		
65 years & over	1,401	1,425		
Total Labor Force	14,178	15,128		

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center, 2018-2022 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. Job vacancies in Northwest reached new highs in the 4th quarter of 2021, quickly bringing back challenges in finding new workers and 2022 showed the lowest jobseeker-per-vacancy ratio on record (see Figure 8).



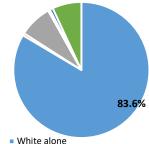
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LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

Cass Co. had a lower labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in Cass Co. is less racially diverse than the state (where 81.3% of workers are white alone), but is becoming more diverse over time.

	Cass 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
13,887	56.1%	6.4%	68.7%	4.0%	7,363	6,525
684	53.9%	13.9%	53.0%	9.8%	338	346
1,091	85.6%	8.7%	83.1%	6.7%	564	527
5,077	87.5%	7.5%	88.8%	3.5%	2,657	2,418
2,653	80.9%	4.4%	87.8%	2.9%	1,461	1,192
3,131	61.1%	4.4%	72.8%	3.1%	1,663	1,469
1,051	21.7%	5.0%	27.6%	3.3%	561	488
205	6.5%	4.4%	6.6%	3.2%	119	85
oanic Origin					Figure 9. La	abor Force l
11,606	54.9%	5.1%	67.8%	3.4%	Race, 2022	
77	67.0%	3.9%	71.5%	8.7%		
1,084	60.0%	18.8%	57.6%	11.9%		
66	56.9%	4.6%	73.9%	3.6%		
105	53.3%	9.5%	76.1%	6.1%		
960	69.6%	8.0%	74.3%	6.6%		
304	73.6%	5.6%	77.0%	6.3%		
20 to 64 years						
917	45.0%	10.6%	54.4%	10.2%		
l Attainment, 25	to 64 years					
10,855	76.4%	5.8%	84.4%	3.3%		
602	65.6%	8.1%	67.2%	4.6%		African Ameri
3,077	72.4%	2.3%	76.8%	2.5%		n Indian & Ala
4,409	77.8%	5.4%	85.1%	3.6%		Other Pac. Isla
2,773	82.2%	3.1%	90.3%	2.0%	Some Ot	ther Race
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Figure 9. Labor Force by Race, 2022



- White alone
- Black or African American
- American Indian & Alaska Native
- Asian or Other Pac. Islanders
- Some Other Race
- Two or More Races

Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

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

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	Cass C	Co.	Minn	esota	ĺ
Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	i
Worked in state of residence	12,538	98.7%	2,867,086	97.7%	ĺ
Worked in county of residence	7,050	55.5%	1,957,366	66.7%	İ
Worked out of county of residence	5,475	43.1%	909,720	31.0%	İ
Worked outside state of residence	165	1.3%	67,495	2.3%	İ
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK					Ĺ
Car, truck, or van	10,645	83.8%	2,387,561	81.6%	5
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	76	0.6%	81,926	2.8%	İ
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	711	5.6%	122,889	4.2%	Е
Worked at home	1,258	9.9%	333,556	11.4%	İ
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK					į ,
Less than 10 minutes	2,845	22.4%	465,223	15.9%	ĺ
10 to 19 minutes	3,315	26.1%	895,335	30.6%	İ
20 to 29 minutes	2,642	20.8%	649,557	22.2%	8
30 to 44 minutes	2,134	16.8%	567,631	19.4%	ĺ
45 to 59 minutes	902	7.1%	190,186	6.5%	ĺ
60 or more minutes	864	6.8%	158,000	5.4%	ĺ
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	23.8	minutes	23.3	minutes	İ

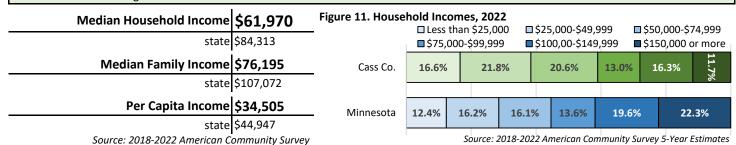
Figure 10. Time Leaving Home to go to Work, 2022 Cass Co. ■ Minnesota 0% 20% 40% 12:00 a.m. to 4.9% 4:59 a.m. 5:00 a.m. to 5:59 a.m. 9.2% 6:00 a.m. to 6:59 18.6% 19.2% 7:00 a.m. to 7:59 34.6% a.m. 28.7% 8:00 a.m. to 8:59 12.0% a.m. 14.7% 9:00 a.m. to 20.1% 11:59 p.m. 23.5%

Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

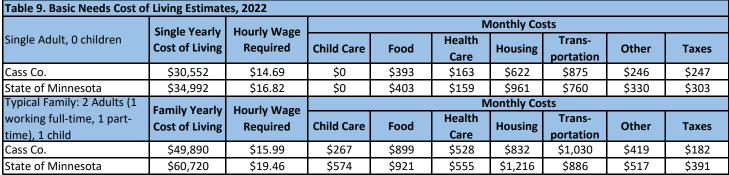
COUNTY PROFILE Cass Co

INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

Cass Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Cass Co. had the 80th 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. Cass Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$14.69 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$15.99 for a typical family with 2 adults and 1 child (see Table 9).



Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

Cass Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 24th highest value of the 87 counties in 2021. Cass 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-	Cass Co.		Minnesota
occupied Housing Units, 2022	Total	Percent	Percent
Total	10,496	100.0%	100.0%
Less than \$50,000	624	5.9%	4.1%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	976	9.3%	4.6%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,170	11.1%	7.1%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,360	13.0%	10.7%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	2,490	23.7%	27.1%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	2,326	22.2%	31.7%
\$500,000 or more	1,550	14.8%	14.7%
Median (dollars)	\$241,0	000	\$286,800

Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

0% 10% 20% 30% 40% Cass Co. Minnesota 8.8% 2010 or later 7.8% 20.8% 2000 to 2009 32.2% 1980 to 1999 25.5% 23.4% 1960 to 1979 9.0% 1940 to 1959 13.8% 1939 or earlier

Figure 12. Year Structure Built, 2022

Median monthly owner costs, owner-occupied units with a mortgage

state \$1,818

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

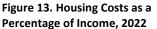
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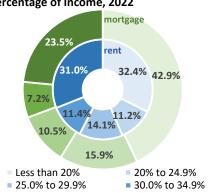
Median monthly rent costs

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

state 46.7%

Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates





35% or more

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OCCUPATIONS

At \$19.98 in 2023, 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 (\$37.69) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$13.94) (see Table 11).

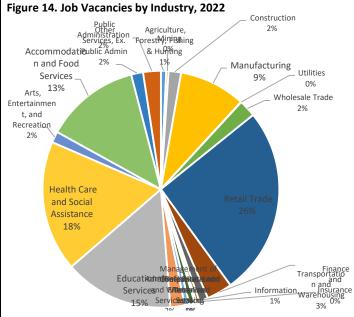
Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 20	23						
		Regio	n 5		Stat	e of Minne	sota
Occupational Group	Median Hourly Wage	Estimated Regional Jobs	Share of Total Jobs	Regional Location Quotient	Median Hourly Wage	Estimated Statewide Jobs	Share of Total Jobs
Total, All Occupations	\$19.98	62,060	100.0%	1.0	\$24.25	2,827,310	100.0%
Management	\$37.69	3,360	5.4%	0.8	\$51.58	193,760	6.9%
Business & Financial Operations	\$30.70	2,180	3.5%	0.5	\$38.19	201,940	
Computer & Mathematical	\$35.94	630	1.0%	0.3	\$49.73	99,250	3.5%
Architecture & Engineering	\$34.54	610	1.0%	0.5	\$40.60	53,100	1.9%
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$30.32	440	0.7%	0.7	\$39.37	29,070	1.0%
Community & Social Service	\$24.58	1,640	2.6%	1.4	\$25.82	54,820	1.9%
Legal	\$32.55	210	0.3%	0.5	\$47.87	18,730	0.7%
Education, Training & Library	\$23.53	4,550	7.3%	1.3	\$24.82	158,830	5.6%
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$22.23	510	0.8%	0.6	\$28.80	37,630	1.3%
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$38.37	4,010	6.5%	1.0	\$41.07	186,700	6.6%
Healthcare Support	\$17.26	3,360	5.4%	0.9	\$17.40	162,400	5.7%
Protective Service	\$24.53	990	1.6%	1.1	\$25.83	40,620	1.4%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$13.94	6,720	10.8%	1.4	\$14.89	216,970	7.7%
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$17.25	2,420	3.9%	1.4	\$18.26	76,210	2.7%
Personal Care & Service	\$15.53	1,460	2.4%	1.1	\$16.96	58,120	2.1%
Sales & Related	\$15.04	5,720	9.2%	1.1	\$18.14	239,500	8.5%
Office & Administrative Support	\$20.20	7,470	12.0%	1.0	\$23.06	345,830	12.2%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$19.81	140	0.2%	1.6	\$19.84	4,060	0.1%
Construction & Extraction	\$25.49	3,110	5.0%	1.2	\$31.00	113,930	4.0%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$23.71	2,630	4.2%	1.2	\$27.95	98,670	3.5%
Production	\$19.34	4,880	7.9%	1.1	\$22.07	209,380	7.4%
Transportation & Material Moving	\$19.46	5,010	8.1%	1.0	\$19.80	227,780	8.1%

Source: DEED Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, Qtr. 1 2023

JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Cass Co. is a part of the Northwest planning region. There were 20409 job vacancies posted by employers in 2022, indicating extensive opportunity in the region, with openings across several occupations and industries (see Figure 14).

Table 12. Northwest Job Vacancy Survey Results, 2022					
	Number of Wage				
Occupational Group	Vacancies	Offer			
Total, All Occupations	20,409	\$17.06			
Management	407				
Business & Financial Operations	249	\$21.46			
Computer & Mathematical	101				
Architecture & Engineering	138				
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	127				
Community & Social Service	379	•			
Education, Training & Library	1,540				
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,348				
Healthcare Support	1,732				
Protective Service	217	\$15.16			
Food Preparation & Serving Related	2,904	\$14.05			
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	1,063				
Personal Care & Service	497	\$12.88			
Sales & Related	4,519				
Office & Administrative Support	750	\$16.22			
Construction & Extraction	155	\$21.84			
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	845	\$21.35			
Production	1,218	\$18.24			
Transportation & Material Moving	1,684	\$18.83			



Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, 2022

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OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND

Table 13. Northwest Plannir	ng Region Occupations in Demand, 2022		
Less than High School	High School or Equivalent	Some College or Assoc. Deg.	Bachelor's Degree or Higher
Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	Nursing Assistants	Registered Nurses	General & Operations Managers
\$51,692/yr	\$37,961/yr	\$81,165/yr	\$67,488/yr
Cashiers	Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses	Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers	Elementary School Teachers
\$28,802/yr	\$51,229/yr	\$64,102/yr	\$62,210/yr
Home Health & Personal Care Aides	Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	Dental Hygienists	Secondary School Teachers
\$32,976/yr	\$47,005/yr	\$84,508/yr	\$63,580/yr
Retail Salespersons	Machinists	Clinical Laboratory Technologists & Technicians	Substitute Teachers, Short-Term
\$31,063/yr	\$48,430/yr	\$61,816/yr	\$39,171/yr
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	Electricians	Radiologic Technologists & Technicians	Accountants & Auditors
\$44,044/yr	\$62,857/yr	\$68,070/yr	\$64,490/yr
Maintenance & Repair Workers, General	Medical Assistants	Computer Network Support Specialists	Preschool Teachers
\$48,600/yr	\$46,584/yr	\$71,089/yr	\$36,501/yr
Teaching Assistants, exc.	Dental Assistants	Industrial Engineering	Special Education Teachers,
Postsecondary		Technologists & Technicians	Kindergarten & Elementary School
\$37,015/yr	\$51,999/yr	\$53,775/yr	\$63,611/yr
Janitors & Cleaners, exc. Maids & Housekeeping	Computer User Support Specialists	Forest & Conservation Technicians	Child, Family, & School Social Workers
\$37,767/yr	\$56,923/yr	\$51,299/yr	\$62,810/yr
Stockers & Order Fillers	Farm Equipment Mechanics & Service Technicians	Paralegals & Legal Assistants	Business Operations Specialists, All Other
\$39,215/yr	\$52,147/yr	\$53,542/yr	\$60,668/yr
Laborers & Freight, Stock, & Material Movers, Hand	Emergency Medical Technicians	Civil Engineering Technologists & Technicians	Substance abuse, behavioral & mental health counselors
\$39,548/yr	\$39,707/yr	\$71,840/yr	\$47,988/yr

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

Cass Co. is a part of the Northwest planning region, which is projected to see a 5.1% 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 P	Table 14. Regional Industry Employment Projections, 2020-2030					
Northwest Planning Region	Estimated Employment 2020	Projected Employ- ment 2030	Percent Change 2020-2030			
Total, All Industries	250,722	263,441	5.1%			
Natural Resources & Mining	5,790	5,740	-0.9%			
Utilities	1,135	970	-14.5%			
Construction	10,693	11,157	4.3%			
Manufacturing	27,999	28,618	2.2%			
Wholesale Trade	11,829	12,347	4.4%			
Retail Trade	26,846	25,467	-5.1%			
Transportation & Warehousing	6,436	6,741	4.7%			
Information	2,276	2,229	-2.1%			
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	7,478	7,641	2.2%			
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Compani	5,587	6,025	7.8%			
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	3,889	4,139	6.4%			
Educational Services	22,015	23,101	4.9%			
Health Care & Social Assistance	36,901	41,390	12.2%			
Leisure & Hospitality	20,446	24,818	21.4%			
Other Services	9,052	10,144	12.1%			
Public Administration	22,824	23,240	1.8%			

Figure 15. Regional Occupational

Employment Projections, 2020-2030							
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Management Occupations	455	9,69	92				
Business and Financial	511	2 ,37	73				
Computer and	177	577					
Architecture and	140	861					
Life, Physical, and Social	103	450					
Community and Social	876	2,6	35				
Legal Occupations	62						
Educational Instruction and	1,313	6,7	45				
Arts, Design,	350	1,45	9				
Healthcare Practitioners	1,057	3,9	22				
Healthcare Support	2,24	0 8,	874				
Protective Service	219	1 ,72	3				
Food Preparation and	2,9	57	4,657				
Building and Grounds	643	5,34	40				
Personal Care and Service		5,1					
Sales and Related	-88	4 12,7	62				
Office and Administrative1	,027	12,9	44				
Farming, Fishing, and	-59	1,52	0				
Construction and Extraction	615	3,70)4				
Installation, Maintenance,	292	3,32	3				
Production Occupations	221	7,36	8				
Transportation and	1,397	9,4	41				

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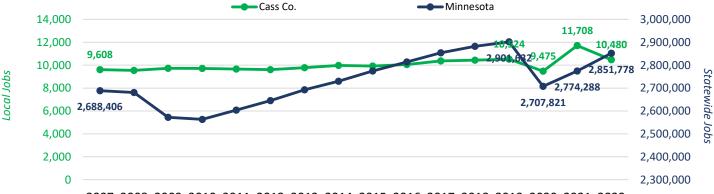
Coming out of the pandemic recession, after losing jobs over the past year, Cass Co. had the 37th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Cass Co. was the 87th fastest growing in the past year and the 30th fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2022, employment in Cass Co. is still down from the pandemic recession.

957 business establishments \$40,765 annual average wage

10,480 jobs \$427,213,005 total industry payroll

Job change, 2019-2022 -0.4% decline

Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2007-2022

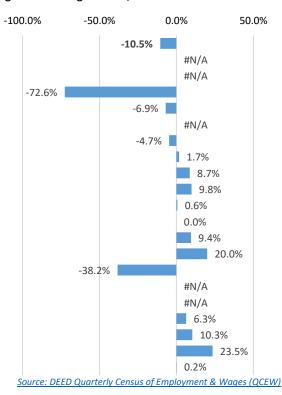


2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022

Source: DEED QCEW program

			Average
Table 15. Cass Co. Industry Employment	Number of	Percent of	Annual
Statistics, 2022	Jobs	Total Jobs	Wage
Total, All Industries	10,480	100.0%	\$40,765
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	516	4.9%	\$62,157
Manufacturing	725	6.9%	\$47,270
Utilities	17	0.2%	\$22,264
Wholesale Trade	101	1.0%	\$41,043
Retail Trade	1,233	11.8%	\$30,455
Transportation & Warehousing	138	1.3%	\$8,273
Information	112	1.1%	\$33,532
Finance & Insurance	168	1.6%	\$65,369
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	266	2.5%	\$34,811
Professional & Technical Services	198	1.9%	\$52,457
Management of Companies	6	0.1%	\$28,721
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	218	2.1%	\$47,382
Educational Services	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Health Care & Social Assistance	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	539	5.1%	\$31,967
Accommodation & Food Services	2,136	20.4%	\$27,381
Other Services	268	2.6%	\$21,019
Public Administration	1,741	16.6%	\$48,140

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2021-2022



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