

**COUNTY PROFILE**

# Chisago Co.

Chisago Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 7E, which is located in the Central Planning Region.



## POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

2022 population:	<b>57,988 people</b>
Population change, 2010-2022	4,101 people 7.6% increase

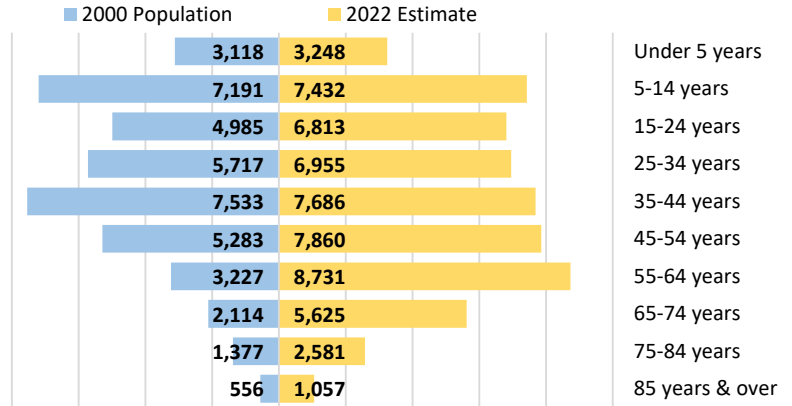
Median Age:	<b>40.8 years</b>
state:	38.5 years

Chisago Co. is the 18th largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population increased over the past decade, ranking as the 19th fastest growing in the state from 2010 to 2022. Chisago 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).

	Number	Percent
Under 5 years	3,248	5.6%
5-14 years	7,432	12.8%
15-24 years	6,813	11.7%
25-34 years	6,955	12.0%
35-44 years	7,686	13.3%
45-54 years	7,860	13.6%
55-64 years	8,731	15.1%
65-74 years	5,625	9.7%
75-84 years	2,581	4.5%
85 years & over	1,057	1.8%
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>57,988</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: Census Population Estimates, 2018-2022 ACS

Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2000-2022



Chisago Co. enjoyed a natural increase - more births than deaths from 2020 to 2022, but also experienced net in-migration - meaning more people moved in than moved out. In addition to domestic in-migration, Chisago Co. welcomed net international in-migration - gaining new Minnesotans from foreign countries (see Table 2).

	Total Population Change	April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2022					
		Natural Increase	Vital Events		Net Migration		
			Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic
Chisago Co.	1,367	163	1,327	1,164	1,208	46	1,162
State of Minnesota	10,680	26,917	144,350	117,433	-17,365	20,012	-37,377

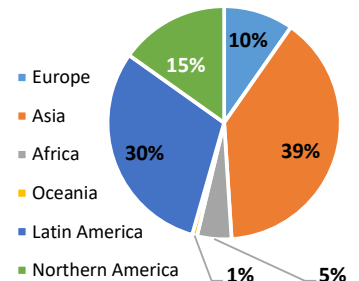
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

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

	Chisago Co.		Change 2010-2022		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change
<b>Foreign-born Population</b>	<b>1,174</b>	<b>2.1%</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>39.1%</b>	<b>8.5%</b>	<b>31.3%</b>
Europe	114	9.7%	-142	-55.5%	9.3%	-0.6%
Asia	461	39.3%	176	61.8%	36.7%	30.2%
Africa	56	4.8%	35	166.7%	28.1%	93.1%
Oceania	8	0.7%	-6	-42.9%	0.4%	20.4%
Americas:	535	45.6%	267	99.6%	25.4%	7.5%
Latin America	357	30.4%	125	53.9%	22.9%	9.0%
Northern America	178	15.2%	142	394.4%	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



## COUNTY PROFILE

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Chisago 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
- Black or African American
- American Indian
- Asian
- Some Other Race
- Two or More Races

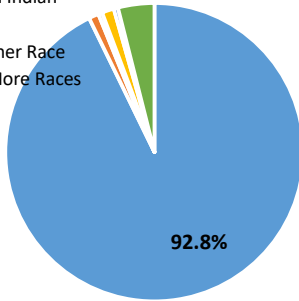


Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2022	Chisago Co.			Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Change from 2011-2022	Percent	Change from 2011-2022
<b>Total</b>	<b>56,927</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6.7%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>7.9%</b>
White	52,816	92.8%	3.5%	79.7%	-0.4%
Black or African American	613	1.1%	-9.1%	6.7%	44.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	246	0.4%	-18.5%	0.9%	-10.2%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	744	1.3%	71.4%	5.1%	37.1%
Some Other Race	261	0.5%	-5.8%	2.3%	84.7%
Two or More Races	2,247	3.9%	251.6%	5.3%	159.6%
Hispanic or Latino origin	1,453	2.6%	57.8%	5.7%	34.6%

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

## POPULATION PROJECTIONS

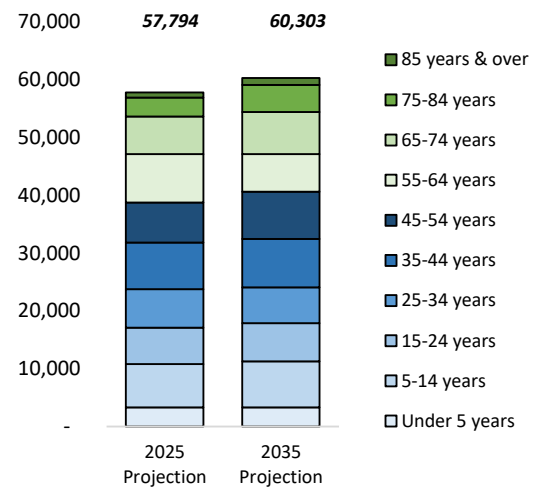
According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Chisago Co.'s population is expected to grow from 2025 to 2035, with a rate of change that is slower than the projected statewide growth rate (4.5%). In addition to the overall growth, the number of people aged 65 years and older is expected to increase over the next decade (see Figure 4 and Table 5).

**Table 5. Population Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035**

Chisago Co.	2025 Projection	2035 Projection	Numeric Change	Percent Change
Under 5 years	3,309	3,334	25	0.8%
5-14 years	7,494	7,966	472	6.3%
15-24 years	6,283	6,587	304	4.8%
25-34 years	6,697	6,189	-508	-7.6%
35-44 years	8,047	8,373	326	4.1%
45-54 years	6,950	8,162	1,212	17.4%
55-64 years	8,362	6,524	-1,838	-22.0%
65-74 years	6,515	7,282	767	11.8%
75-84 years	3,267	4,688	1,421	43.5%
85 years & over	870	1,198	328	37.7%
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>57,794</b>	<b>60,303</b>	<b>2,509</b>	<b>4.3%</b>

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

**Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035**



## EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Chisago Co. has a higher 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. Chisago 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.

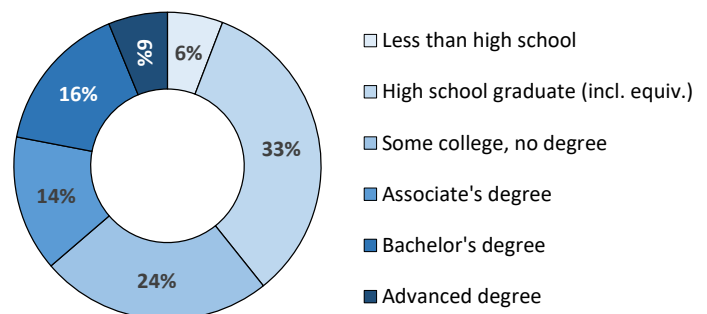
**Percentage of the adult population (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma:**

**94.2%**

**College-educated: 60.7%**  
state: 68.5%

Associate's Degree: **14.3%**  
Bachelor's Degree: **15.8%**  
Advanced Degree: **6.2%**

**Figure 5. Educational Attainment, 2022**



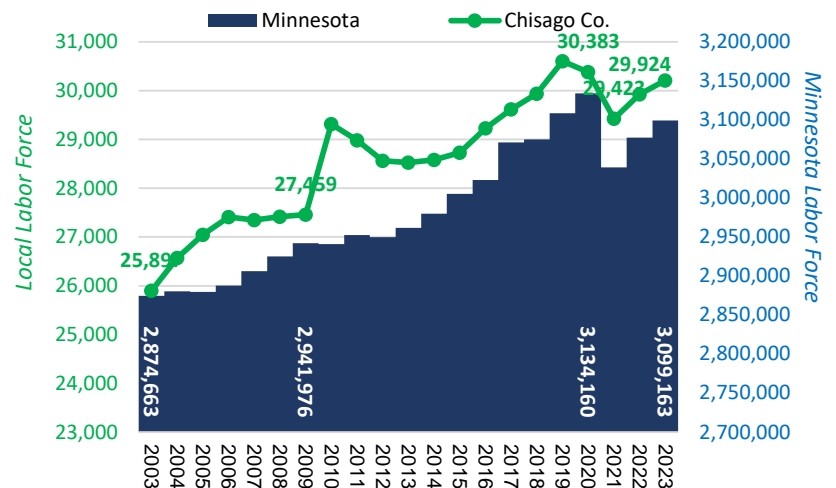
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018-2022 American Community Survey

LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 3.1%, Chisago Co. had a higher unemployment rate than the state in 2023. After the pandemic recession Chisago Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to the 4% pre-pandemic rate posted in 2019. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Chisago Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2019.

<b>29,924</b> available workers	
Labor Force change, 2008-2023	2,795 workers 10.2% increase
<b>3.1%</b> unemployment rate	2.7% state
<b>928</b> unemployed workers	

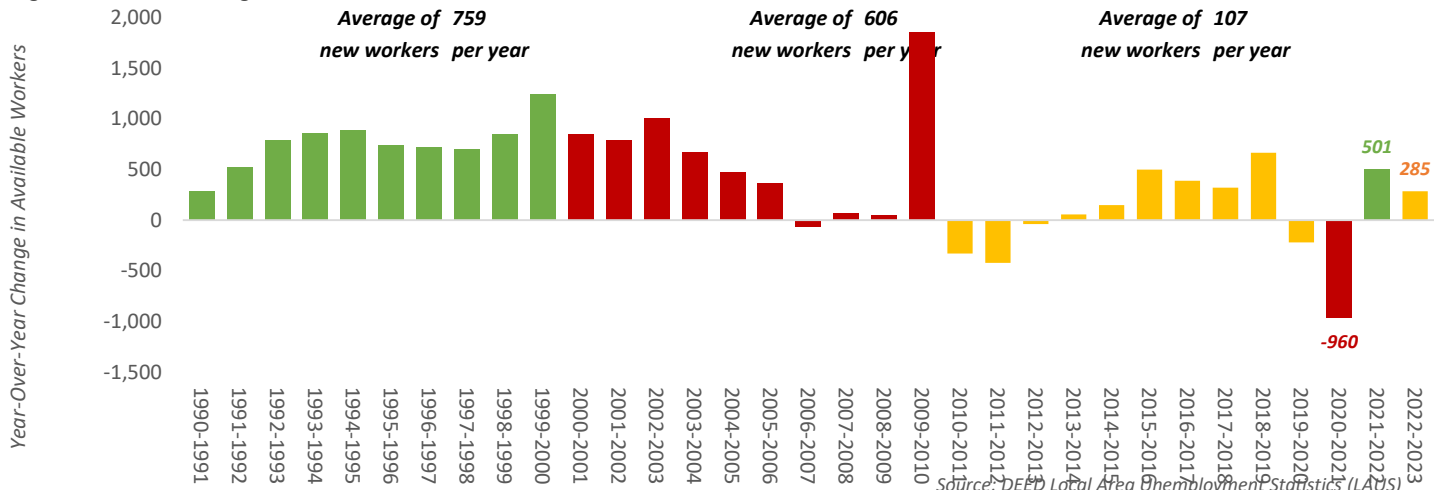
Figure 6. Annual Labor Force Estimates



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

Figure 7. Annual Change in Labor Force, 1990-2023



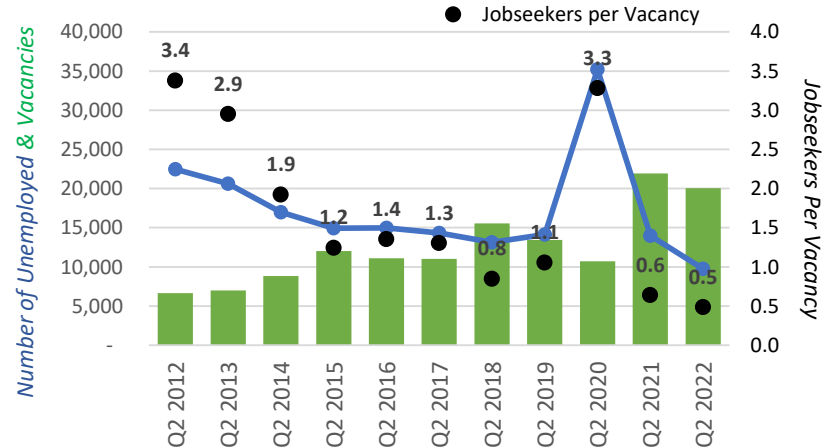
Source: DEED Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

Table 6. Labor Force Projections, 2025-2035	Labor Force Projection	
	2025	2035
16 to 24 years	3,647	3,774
25 to 54 years	18,864	19,784
55 to 64 years	6,266	4,889
65 years & over	1,903	2,241
<b>Total Labor Force</b>	<b>30,681</b>	<b>30,688</b>

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 Central 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).

Figure 8. Jobseekers Per Vacancy, 2012-2022



Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, LAUS program

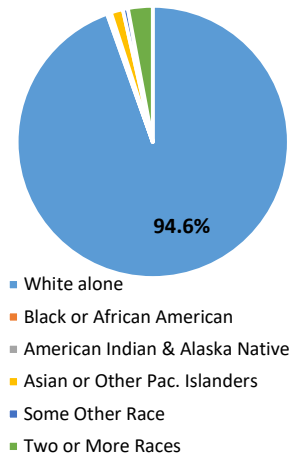
**LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS**

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

**Table 7. Employment Characteristics, 2022**

	Chisago 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
<b>Total Labor Force</b>	<b>31,269</b>	<b>68.1%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>68.7%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>16,842</b>	<b>14,439</b>
16 to 19 years	1,529	49.6%	7.2%	53.0%	9.8%	795	734
20 to 24 years	2,474	80.3%	4.8%	83.1%	6.7%	1,384	1,090
25 to 44 years	12,373	86.1%	4.2%	88.8%	3.5%	6,541	5,836
45 to 54 years	6,852	88.8%	2.4%	87.8%	2.9%	3,740	3,115
55 to 64 years	6,423	74.9%	3.2%	72.8%	3.1%	3,455	2,970
65 to 74 years	1,298	23.5%	3.2%	27.6%	3.3%	741	558
75 years & over	321	9.0%	0.9%	6.6%	3.2%	186	136
<b>Employment Characteristics by Race &amp; Hispanic Origin</b>							
White alone	29,569	68.9%	3.6%	67.8%	3.4%		
Black or African American	37	6.9%	29.7%	71.5%	8.7%		
American Indian & Alaska Native	111	48.9%	0.0%	57.6%	11.9%		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	452	77.4%	6.9%	73.9%	3.6%		
Some Other Race	191	83.4%	0.0%	76.1%	6.1%		
Two or More Races	917	64.5%	5.2%	74.3%	6.6%		
Hispanic or Latino	775	77.6%	4.8%	77.0%	6.3%		
<b>Employment Characteristics by Disability, 20 to 64 years</b>							
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	1,764	55.6%	9.8%	54.4%	10.2%		
<b>Employment Characteristics by Educational Attainment, 25 to 64 years</b>							
Population, 25 to 64 years	25,662	83.7%	3.5%	84.4%	3.3%		
Less than H.S. Diploma	824	68.4%	4.0%	67.2%	4.6%		
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	6,928	75.6%	1.5%	76.8%	2.5%		
Some College or Assoc. Degree	11,187	87.6%	3.2%	85.1%	3.6%		
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	6,725	89.4%	3.2%	90.3%	2.0%		

**Figure 9. Labor Force by Race, 2022**



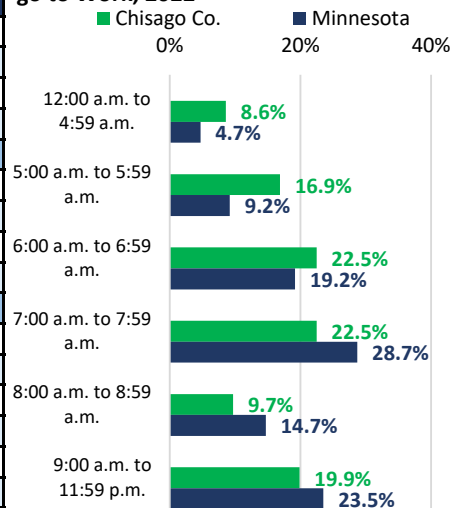
Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

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

**Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2022**

	Chisago Co.		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Worked in state of residence	28,609	97.3%	2,867,086	97.7%
Worked in county of residence	12,202	41.5%	1,957,366	66.7%
Worked out of county of residence	16,407	55.8%	909,720	31.0%
Worked outside state of residence	794	2.7%	67,495	2.3%
<b>MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK</b>				
Car, truck, or van	25,228	85.8%	2,387,561	81.6%
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	294	1.0%	81,926	2.8%
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	676	2.3%	122,889	4.2%
Worked at home	3,205	10.9%	333,556	11.4%
<b>TRAVEL TIME TO WORK</b>				
Less than 10 minutes	3,176	10.8%	465,223	15.9%
10 to 19 minutes	5,998	20.4%	895,335	30.6%
20 to 29 minutes	4,910	16.7%	649,557	22.2%
30 to 44 minutes	6,469	22.0%	567,631	19.4%
45 to 59 minutes	4,851	16.5%	190,186	6.5%
60 or more minutes	4,028	13.7%	158,000	5.4%
<b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>	<b>32.0 minutes</b>		<b>23.3 minutes</b>	

**Figure 10. Time Leaving Home to go to Work, 2022**



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

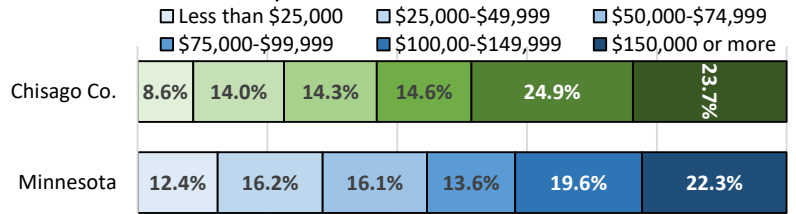
**INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING**

Chisago Co. had a higher median household income than the state, and a lower percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Chisago Co. had the 7th highest median household income of the 87 counties in the state.

<b>Median Household Income</b>	<b>\$97,446</b>
state	\$84,313
<b>Median Family Income</b>	<b>\$112,631</b>
state	\$107,072
<b>Per Capita Income</b>	<b>\$41,814</b>
state	\$44,947

Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey

Figure 11. Household Incomes, 2022



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

The cost of living has increased over the past 2 years with costs up in many areas. Chisago Co. had a higher cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$18.99 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$20.52 for a typical family with 2 adults and 1 child (see Table 9).

Table 9. Basic Needs Cost of Living Estimates, 2022

Single Adult, 0 children	Single Yearly Cost of Living	Hourly Wage Required	Monthly Costs						
			Child Care	Food	Health Care	Housing	Transportation	Other	Taxes
Chisago Co.	\$39,509	\$18.99	\$0	\$391	\$155	\$1,111	\$887	\$363	\$385
State of Minnesota	\$34,992	\$16.82	\$0	\$403	\$159	\$961	\$760	\$330	\$303
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
Chisago Co.	\$64,036	\$20.52	\$423	\$893	\$567	\$1,394	\$1,045	\$553	\$461
State of Minnesota	\$60,720	\$19.46	\$574	\$921	\$555	\$1,216	\$886	\$517	\$391

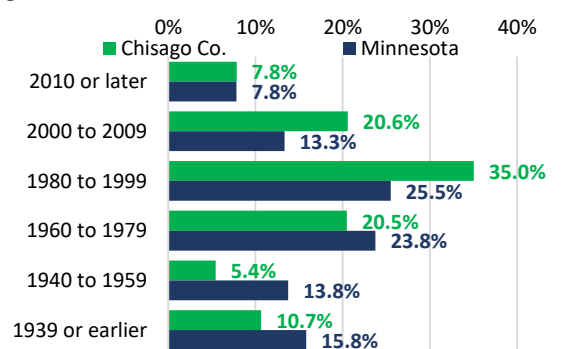
Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

Chisago Co. had a higher median house value than the state, having the 9th highest value of the 87 counties in 2021. Chisago 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, 2022	Chisago Co.		Minnesota
	Total	Percent	Percent
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,085</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Less than \$50,000	888	4.9%	4.1%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	334	1.8%	4.6%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	463	2.6%	7.1%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,618	8.9%	10.7%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	5,752	31.8%	27.1%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	6,993	38.7%	31.7%
\$500,000 or more	2,037	11.3%	14.7%
<b>Median (dollars)</b>	<b>\$299,800</b>		<b>\$286,800</b>

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

Figure 12. Year Structure Built, 2022



**Median monthly owner costs, owner-occupied units with a mortgage** **\$1,901**

state \$1,818

**Percentage of households with a mortgage spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs** **22.0%**

state 22.0%

**Median monthly rent costs** **\$1,095**

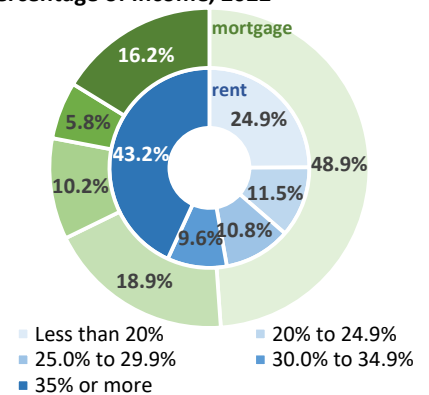
state \$1,178

**Percentage of renters spending 30% or more of their household income on rent** **52.8%**

state 46.7%

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

Figure 13. Housing Costs as a Percentage of Income, 2022



OCCUPATIONS

At \$22.48 in 2023, wages were lower in Region 7E than the state. Overall, Region 7E had the 7th highest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$45.02) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$14.99) (see Table 11).

Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2023

Occupational Group	Region 7E				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
<b>Total, All Occupations</b>	<b>\$22.48</b>	<b>48,210</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>\$24.25</b>	<b>2,827,310</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Management	\$45.02	2,560	5.3%	0.8	\$51.58	193,760	6.9%
Business & Financial Operations	\$33.54	1,560	3.2%	0.5	\$38.19	201,940	7.1%
Computer & Mathematical	\$38.36	390	0.8%	0.2	\$49.73	99,250	3.5%
Architecture & Engineering	\$38.62	640	1.3%	0.7	\$40.60	53,100	1.9%
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$33.22	360	0.7%	0.7	\$39.37	29,070	1.0%
Community & Social Service	\$25.76	1,420	2.9%	1.5	\$25.82	54,820	1.9%
Legal	\$35.76	180	0.4%	0.6	\$47.87	18,730	0.7%
Education, Training & Library	\$25.34	3,650	7.6%	1.3	\$24.82	158,830	5.6%
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$26.15	350	0.7%	0.5	\$28.80	37,630	1.3%
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$40.05	3,150	6.5%	1.0	\$41.07	186,700	6.6%
Healthcare Support	\$17.90	3,310	6.9%	1.2	\$17.40	162,400	5.7%
Protective Service	\$29.98	1,280	2.7%	1.8	\$25.83	40,620	1.4%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$14.99	5,040	10.5%	1.4	\$14.89	216,970	7.7%
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$18.03	1,340	2.8%	1.0	\$18.26	76,210	2.7%
Personal Care & Service	\$17.45	1,210	2.5%	1.2	\$16.96	58,120	2.1%
Sales & Related	\$16.26	4,790	9.9%	1.2	\$18.14	239,500	8.5%
Office & Administrative Support	\$22.25	5,020	10.4%	0.9	\$23.06	345,830	12.2%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$22.00	90	0.2%	1.3	\$19.84	4,060	0.1%
Construction & Extraction	\$29.51	2,850	5.9%	1.5	\$31.00	113,930	4.0%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$24.88	1,840	3.8%	1.1	\$27.95	98,670	3.5%
Production	\$22.26	3,720	7.7%	1.0	\$22.07	209,380	7.4%
Transportation & Material Moving	\$19.42	3,470	7.2%	0.9	\$19.80	227,780	8.1%

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

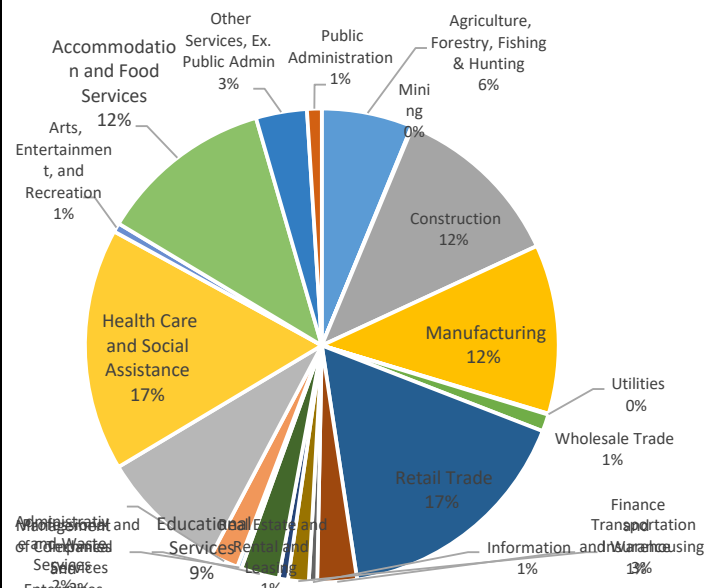
JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Chisago Co. is a part of the Central planning region. There were 20029 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. Central Job Vacancy Survey Results, 2022

Occupational Group	Number of Vacancies	Wage Offer
<b>Total, All Occupations</b>	<b>20,029</b>	<b>\$18.05</b>
Management	320	\$39.17
Business & Financial Operations	202	\$27.62
Computer & Mathematical	171	\$23.54
Architecture & Engineering	158	\$24.47
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	621	\$18.79
Community & Social Service	254	\$23.73
Education, Training & Library	1,003	\$22.10
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,788	\$32.69
Healthcare Support	1,330	\$15.48
Protective Service	133	\$17.93
Food Preparation & Serving Related	2,629	\$13.43
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	669	\$15.07
Personal Care & Service	650	\$14.19
Sales & Related	2,437	\$15.93
Office & Administrative Support	1,264	\$15.74
Construction & Extraction	1,479	\$24.86
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	620	\$22.53
Production	1,690	\$17.91
Transportation & Material Moving	1,845	\$20.33

Figure 14. Job Vacancies by Industry, 2022



Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, 2022

OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND

Table 13. Central Planning Region Occupations in Demand, 2022

Less than High School	High School or Equivalent	Some College or Assoc. Deg.	Bachelor's Degree or Higher
Fast Food & Counter Workers \$30,214/yr	Nursing Assistants \$39,353/yr	Registered Nurses \$86,694/yr	General & Operations Managers \$79,121/yr
Home Health & Personal Care Aides \$32,476/yr	Agricultural Technicians \$50,734/yr	Veterinary Technologists & Technicians \$40,013/yr	Elementary School Teachers \$64,300/yr
Cashiers \$29,935/yr	Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses \$52,954/yr	Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers \$74,178/yr	Secondary School Teachers \$64,602/yr
Retail Salespersons \$31,947/yr	Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics \$50,038/yr	Architectural & Civil Drafters \$60,894/yr	Accountants & Auditors \$69,793/yr
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers \$45,819/yr	Machinists \$57,338/yr	Electro-Mechanical & Mechatronics Technologists & Technicians \$52,181/yr	Middle School Teachers \$65,007/yr
Laborers & Freight, Stock, & Material Movers, Hand \$39,815/yr	Heating, Air Conditioning, & Refrigeration Mechanics & Installers \$64,161/yr	Clinical Laboratory Technologists & Technicians \$62,998/yr	Preschool Teachers \$36,959/yr
Janitors & Cleaners, exc. Maids & Housekeeping \$36,758/yr	Industrial Machinery Mechanics \$63,521/yr	Radiologic Technologists & Technicians \$76,318/yr	Substance abuse, behavioral & mental health counselors \$51,463/yr
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation & Serving \$39,562/yr	Hairdressers, Hairstylists, & Cosmetologists \$35,910/yr	Dental Hygienists \$84,542/yr	Substitute Teachers, Short-Term \$43,575/yr
Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers \$57,479/yr	Electricians \$63,794/yr	Surgical Technologists \$64,849/yr	Financial Managers \$120,404/yr
Teaching Assistants, exc. Postsecondary \$38,154/yr	Medical Assistants \$46,901/yr	Computer Network Support Specialists \$72,592/yr	Medical & Health Services Managers \$100,201/yr

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

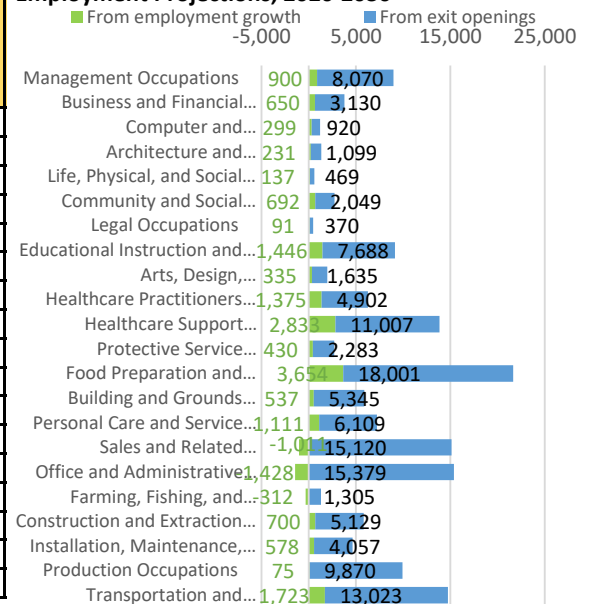
Chisago Co. is a part of the Central planning region, which is projected to see a 5% increase in employment levels over the next decade. In addition to new jobs created, there will be a much larger number of exit openings (see Figure 15).

Table 14. Regional Industry Employment Projections, 2020-2030

Central Planning Region	Estimated Employment 2020	Projected Employment 2030	Percent Change 2020-2030
<b>Total, All Industries</b>	<b>301,170</b>	<b>316,216</b>	<b>5.0%</b>
Natural Resources & Mining	5,416	4,879	-9.9%
Utilities	1,952	1,686	-13.6%
Construction	18,984	19,792	4.3%
Manufacturing	39,543	40,646	2.8%
Wholesale Trade	10,123	10,516	3.9%
Retail Trade	35,588	33,781	-5.1%
Transportation & Warehousing	10,098	10,685	5.8%
Information	2,639	2,842	7.7%
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	9,550	9,649	1.0%
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Companies	8,562	9,119	6.5%
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	9,545	10,066	5.5%
Educational Services	23,734	24,976	5.2%
Health Care & Social Assistance	46,672	52,213	11.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	21,963	26,961	22.8%
Other Services	10,108	11,290	11.7%
Public Administration	19,239	20,198	5.0%

Source: DEED 2020-2030 Employment Outlook

Figure 15. Regional Occupational Employment Projections, 2020-2030



**ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS**

Coming out of the pandemic recession, after losing jobs over the past year, Chisago Co. had the 26th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Chisago Co. was the 73rd fastest growing in the past year and the 19th fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2022, employment in Chisago Co. grew despite the pandemic recession.

**1,333** business establishments

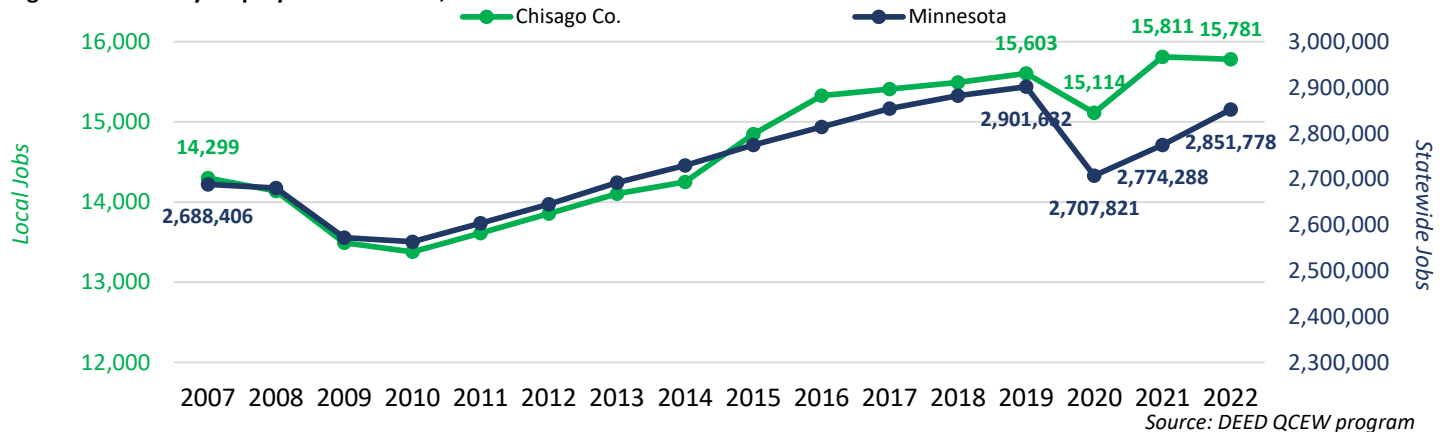
**\$53,760** annual average wage

**15,781** jobs

**\$848,390,348** total industry payroll

Job change, 2019-2022: 178 jobs, 1.1% increase

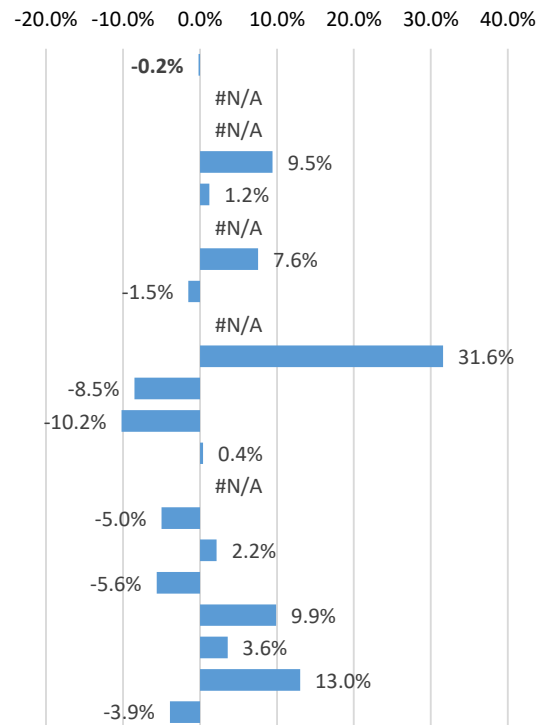
Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2007-2022



Source: DEED QCEW program

Table 15. Chisago Co. Industry Employment Statistics, 2022	Number of Jobs	Percent of Total Jobs	Average Annual Wage
<b>Total, All Industries</b>	<b>15,781</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$53,760</b>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	1,216	7.7%	\$75,762
Manufacturing	2,453	15.5%	\$58,366
Utilities	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Wholesale Trade	412	2.6%	\$56,424
Retail Trade	1,766	11.2%	\$37,768
Transportation & Warehousing	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Information	50	0.3%	\$54,567
Finance & Insurance	172	1.1%	\$66,002
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	53	0.3%	\$30,345
Professional & Technical Services	709	4.5%	\$121,706
Management of Companies	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	494	3.1%	\$43,472
Educational Services	1,177	7.5%	\$36,903
Health Care & Social Assistance	3,595	22.8%	\$55,819
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	344	2.2%	\$19,876
Accommodation & Food Services	1,323	8.4%	\$20,527
Other Services	486	3.1%	\$32,847
Public Administration	1,008	6.4%	\$63,124

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2021-2022



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

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