COUNTY PROFILE

Lincoln Co.

Lincoln Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 8, which is located in the Southwest Planning Region.

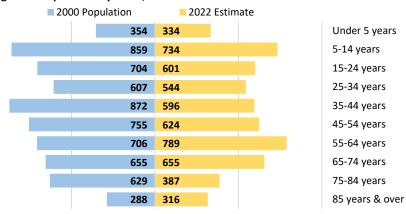
POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS



Lincoln Co. is the 80th largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population decreased over the past decade, ranking as the 77th fastest growing in the state from 2010 to 2022. Lincoln 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 334 6.0% 734 13.2% 5-14 years 15-24 years 601 10.8% 25-34 years 544 9.8% 35-44 years 596 10.7% 624 11.2% 45-54 years 55-64 years 789 14.1% 65-74 years 655 11.7% 75-84 years 387 6.9% 316 5.7% 85 years & over **Total Population** 5,580 100.0% Source: Census Population Estimates, 2018-2022 ACS

Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2000-2022



Lincoln Co. suffered a negative natural increase - more deaths than births from 2020 to 2022, but also experienced net out-migration - meaning more people moved out than moved in. Despite suffering domestic out-migration, Lincoln Co. welcomed net international inmigration - 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	Vital Events Net Migration							
	Change	Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic			
Lincoln Co.	-64	-56	150	206	-8	3	-11			
State of Minnesota	10,680	26,917	26,917 144,350 117,433 -17,365 20,012 -37,377							

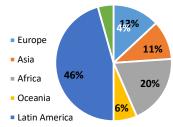
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

Compared to the state, Lincoln Co. has a smaller percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2010 to 2022, Lincoln Co. saw a decrease in the number of foreign-born residents, though it was slower than the statewide increase.

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Table 3. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born	Lincol	n Co.	Change 2	010-2022	Minnesota					
Population, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change				
Foreign-born Population	46	0.8%	-48	-51.1%	8.5%	31.3%				
Europe	6	13.0%	-29	-82.9%	9.3%	-0.6%				
Asia	5	10.9%	2	66.7%	36.7%	30.2%				
Africa	9	19.6%	7	350.0%	28.1%	93.1%				
Oceania	3	6.5%	-1	-25.0%	0.4%	20.4%				
Americas:	23	50.0%	-27	-54.0%	25.4%	7.5%				
Latin America	21	45.7%	-29	-58.0%	22.9%	9.0%				
Northern America	2	4.3%	2	#DIV/0!	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

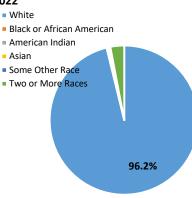
COUNTY PROFILE

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

Figure 3. Population by Race, 2022

- White

- Asian



		Lincoln Co	Minnesota		
Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2022	Number	Percent	Change from 2011-2022	Percent	Change from 2011-2022
Total	5,630	100.0%	-4.5%	100.0%	7.9%
White	5,415	96.2%	-6.5%	79.7%	-0.4%
Black or African American	9	0.2%	-30.8%	6.7%	44.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	6	0.1%	-85.7%	0.9%	-10.2%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	22	0.4%	37.5%	5.1%	37.1%
Some Other Race	10	0.2%	11.1%	2.3%	84.7%
Two or More Races	168	3.0%	600.0%	5.3%	159.6%
Hispanic or Latino origin	125	2.2%	155.1%	5.7%	34.6%

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

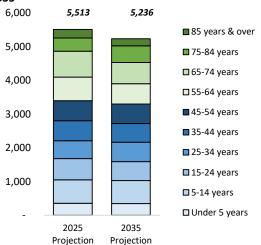
According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Lincoln Co.'s population is expected to decline from 2025 to 2035, with a rate of change that is slower than the projected statewide growth rate (4.5%). Despite the decline, the number of people aged 65 years and older is expected to decrease over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

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

Table 3.1 optilation 1 tojections by Age Group, 2023-2033									
	2025	2035	Numeric	Percent					
Lincoln Co.	Projection	Projection	Change	Change					
Under 5 years	357	346	-11	-3.1%					
5-14 years	696	681	-15	-2.2%					
15-24 years	626	563	-63	-10.1%					
25-34 years	534	577	43	8.1%					
35-44 years	592	555	-37	-6.3%					
45-54 years	594	580	-14	-2.4%					
55-64 years	701	602	-99	-14.1%					
65-74 years	766	629	-137	-17.9%					
75-84 years	394	495	101	25.6%					
85 years & over	253	208	-45	-17.8%					
Total Population	5,513	5,236	-277	-5.0%					

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035 6,000 5,513 5,236



EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Lincoln 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. Lincoln 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.

68.5%

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

92.2%

15% 55.5% 13%

21%

Figure 5. Educational Attainment, 2022

8%

37%

■ Less than high school

☐ High school graduate (incl. equiv.)

■ Some college, no degree

■ Associate's degree

■ Bachelor's degree ■ Advanced degree

Associate's Degree: 12.7% Bachelor's Degree: 15.3% Advanced Degree: 6.2%

state:

College-educated:

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

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LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 2.9%, Lincoln Co. had a higher unemployment rate than the state in 2023. After the pandemic recession Lincoln Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to the 4% prepandemic rate posted in 2019. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Lincoln Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2019.

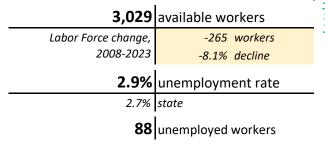
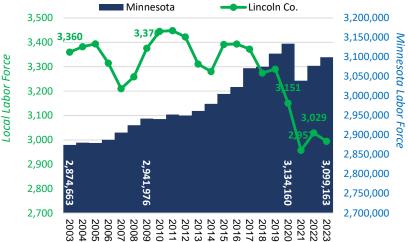


Figure 6. Annual Labor Force Estimates



Source: DEED Local Area Unemployment Statistics

2021-202

2022-2023

Labor force growth has slowed in recent years. After experiencing a net gain of workers each year from 1990 to 2000, Lincoln Co. averaged an annual loss of fewer workers from 2000 to 2010, and most recently a loss of fewer workers since 2010 (see Figure 7). Moving forward, Lincoln Co. is expected to see a labor force decline from 2025 to 2035 (see Table 6).

Lincoln Co. Figure 7. Annual Change in Labor Force, 1990-2023 500 Average of 24 Average of -3 Average of -29 new workers per year fewer workers per year fewer workers per year Year-Over-Year Change in Available Workers 400 300 200 72 100 0 -100 -200

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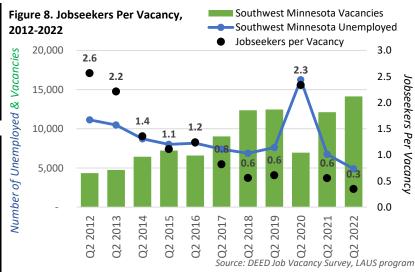
2003-2004

Year-O	1990-1991	1991-1992	1992-1993	1993-1994	1994-1995	1995-1996	1996-1997	1997-1998	1998-1999	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
Table 6. Lab	or Fo	rce		Labor Force Projection					า	F		
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16 to 24 years							359				334	4
25 to 54 years						1,	532			1	,525	5
55 to 64 years			581 4			499)					
65 years & over				309 2			267	7				
Total Labor Force 2 780 2 6					62/	л °						

-300

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 Southwest 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).



2012-201 2011-201 2011-201

2010-201長

2013-2014

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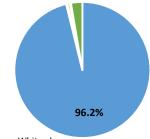
LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

shorter average commute time than the state.

Lincoln Co. had a lower labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in Lincoln 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									
	L	incoln 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		
Total Labor Force	2,890	64.3%	2.7%	68.7%	4.0%	1,578	1,310		
16 to 19 years	122	45.2%	15.6%	53.0%	9.8%	69	53		
20 to 24 years	243	87.4%	4.1%	83.1%	6.7%	110	133		
25 to 44 years	1,028	89.4%	1.6%	88.8%	3.5%	566	462		
45 to 54 years	557	88.4%	1.8%	87.8%	2.9%	319	238		
55 to 64 years	660	82.9%	2.3%	72.8%	3.1%	353	307		
65 to 74 years	224	33.9%	3.1%	27.6%	3.3%	123	101		
75 years & over	54	7.6%	0.0%	6.6%	3.2%	38	16		
Employment Characteristics by Race & His	panic Origin					Figure 9. La	bor Force		
White alone	2,779	64.0%	2.7%	67.8%	3.4%	Race, 2022			
Black or African American	4	66.7%	0.0%	71.5%	8.7%				
American Indian & Alaska Native	4	66.7%	0.0%	57.6%	11.9%				
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	17	85.0%	0.0%	73.9%	3.6%				
Some Other Race	8	80.0%	0.0%	76.1%	6.1%				
Two or More Races	78	70.9%	5.1%	74.3%	6.6%				
Hispanic or Latino	78	72.9%	5.1%	77.0%	6.3%				
Employment Characteristics by Disability,	20 to 64 years								
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	156	54.2%	9.0%	54.4%	10.2%		96.2%		
Employment Characteristics by Educationa	al Attainment, 25	to 64 years							
Population, 25 to 64 years	2,246	87.2%	1.9%	84.4%	3.3%	White al			
Less than H.S. Diploma	126	79.7%	2.5%	67.2%	4.6%		African Ameri		
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	591	79.4%	0.8%	76.8%	2.5%		n Indian & Ala		
Some College or Assoc. Degree	889	90.7%	2.2%	85.1%	3.6%		Other Pac. Isla		
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	639	92.1%	1.1%	90.3%	2.0%	Some Ot	her Race		

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

A smaller percentage of workers in Lincoln Co. worked in the same county in which they live compared to the state. Lincoln Co. also had a

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

	Lincoln	Co.	Minn	esota
Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Worked in state of residence	2,430	88.0%	2,867,086	97.7%
Worked in county of residence	1,494	54.1%	1,957,366	66.7%
Worked out of county of residence	933	33.8%	909,720	31.0%
Worked outside state of residence	331	12.0%	67,495	2.3%
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK				
Car, truck, or van	2,201	79.7%	2,387,561	81.6%
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	11	0.4%	81,926	2.8%
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	108	3.9%	122,889	4.2%
Worked at home	442	16.0%	333,556	11.4%
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK				
Less than 10 minutes	737	26.7%	465,223	15.9%
10 to 19 minutes	588	21.3%	895,335	30.6%
20 to 29 minutes	398	14.4%	649,557	22.2%
30 to 44 minutes	762	27.6%	567,631	19.4%
45 to 59 minutes	163	5.9%	190,186	6.5%
60 or more minutes	113	4.1%	158,000	5.4%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	22.8	minutes	23.3	minutes

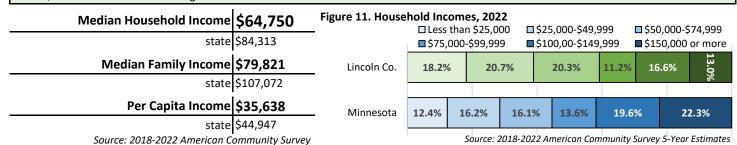
Figure 10. Time Leaving Home to go to Work, 2022 Lincoln Co. ■ Minnesota 0% 20% 40% 60% 12:00 a.m. to 4:59 a.m. 5:00 a.m. to 5:59 a.m. 6:00 a.m. to 6:59 18.9% 19.2% 7:00 a.m. to 7:59 39.1% a.m. 28.7% 8:00 a.m. to 8:59 a.m. 14.7% 9:00 a.m. to 14.3% 11:59 p.m. 23.5%

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

COUNTY PROFILE Lincoln Co

INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

Lincoln Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Lincoln Co. had the 69th 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. Lincoln Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$14.66 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$15.94 for a typical family with 2 adults and 1 child (see Table 9).

Table 9. Basic Needs Cost of Living Estimates, 2022										
	Single Yearly	Hourly Wage	Monthly Costs							
Single Adult, 0 children	Cost of Living	, ,	Child Care	Food	Health	Housing	Trans-	Other	Taxes	
			Cima Care		Care	Trousing	portation	o tinei	Тахев	
Lincoln Co.	\$30,496	\$14.66	\$0	\$404	\$163	\$607	\$875	\$245	\$247	
State of Minnesota	\$34,992	\$16.82	\$0	\$403	\$159	\$961	\$760	\$330	\$303	
Typical Family: 2 Adults (1	Family Yearly	Hourly Wage	Monthly Costs							
working full-time, 1 part-	Cost of Living	, ,	Child Care	Food	Health	Housing	Trans-	Other	Taxes	
time), 1 child	Cost of Living	Required	Cilia Care	1000	Care	Housing	portation	Other	Taxes	
Lincoln Co.	\$49,727	\$15.94	\$272	\$924	\$528	\$794	\$1,030	\$416	\$180	
State of Minnesota	\$60,720	\$19.46	\$574	\$921	\$555	\$1,216	\$886	\$517	\$391	

Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

Lincoln Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 73rd highest value of the 87 counties in 2021. Lincoln 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-	Lincoln Co.		Minnesota	Figure 12. Year Structure E		Built, 2022
occupied Housing Units, 2022	Total	Percent	Percent			0% 20%
Total	1,996	100.0%	100.0%	Linco		■ N
Less than \$50,000	287	14.4%	4.1%	2010 or later	3.89	7.8%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	466	23.3%	4.6%	2000 to 2009		8.9%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	294	14.7%	7.1%			13.3%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	244	12.2%	10.7%	1980 to 1999		11.7%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	355	17.8%	27.1%	1960 to 1979		
\$300,000 to \$499,999	252	12.6%	31.7%			
\$500,000 or more	98	4.9%	14.7%	1940 to 1959		17. 13.8%
Median (dollars)	\$139,5	500	\$286,800	1939 or earlier		45.00

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

0% 10% 20% 30% 40% Lincoln Co. ■ Minnesota 2010 or later 7.8% 2000 to 2009 11.7% 1980 to 1999 25.5% 26.6% 1960 to 1979 17.6% 1940 to 1959 13.8% 31.4% 1939 or earlier

Figure 13. Housing Costs as a

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

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

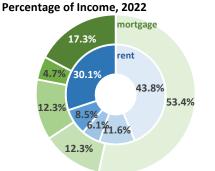
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Median monthly rent costs

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



Less than 20% 25.0% to 29.9%

20% to 24.9%

35% or more

30.0% to 34.9%

COUNTY PROFILE Lincoln Co.

OCCUPATIONS

At \$21.23 in 2023, wages were lower in Region 8 than the state. Overall, Region 8 had the 4th lowest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$42.66) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$14.11) (see Table 11).

Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2023									
		Regio	n 8		Stat	e of Minnes	ota		
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	\$21.23	51,900	100.0%	1.0	\$24.25	2,827,310	100.0%		
Management	\$42.66	2,760	5.3%	0.8	\$51.58	193,760	6.9%		
Business & Financial Operations	\$31.03	1,980	3.8%	0.5	\$38.19	201,940	7.1%		
Computer & Mathematical	\$39.33	530	1.0%	0.3	\$49.73	99,250	3.5%		
Architecture & Engineering	\$34.54	670	1.3%	0.7	\$40.60	53,100	1.9%		
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$30.81	500	1.0%	0.9	\$39.37	29,070	1.0%		
Community & Social Service	\$25.00	870	1.7%	0.9	\$25.82	54,820	1.9%		
Legal	\$34.75	120	0.2%	0.3	\$47.87	18,730	0.7%		
Education, Training & Library	\$23.94	3,850	7.4%	1.3	\$24.82	158,830	5.6%		
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$22.40	370	0.7%	0.5	\$28.80	37,630	1.3%		
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$35.05	2,880	5.5%	0.8	\$41.07	186,700	6.6%		
Healthcare Support	\$16.77	2,960	5.7%	1.0	\$17.40	162,400	5.7%		
Protective Service	\$24.61	650	1.3%	0.9	\$25.83	40,620	1.4%		
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$14.11	3,720	7.2%	0.9	\$14.89	216,970	7.7%		
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$17.60	1,540	3.0%	1.1	\$18.26	76,210	2.7%		
Personal Care & Service	\$15.68	720	1.4%	0.7	\$16.96	58,120	2.1%		
Sales & Related	\$15.72	4,420	8.5%	1.0	\$18.14	239,500	8.5%		
Office & Administrative Support	\$20.57	5,780	11.1%	0.9	\$23.06	345,830	12.2%		
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$19.20	270	0.5%	3.6	\$19.84	4,060	0.1%		
Construction & Extraction	\$24.18	2,220	4.3%	1.1	\$31.00	113,930	4.0%		
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$24.67	2,360	4.5%	1.3	\$27.95	98,670	3.5%		
Production	\$20.18	7,440	14.3%	1.9	\$22.07	209,380	7.4%		
Transportation & Material Moving	\$20.72	5,280	10.2%	1.3	\$19.80	227,780	8.1%		

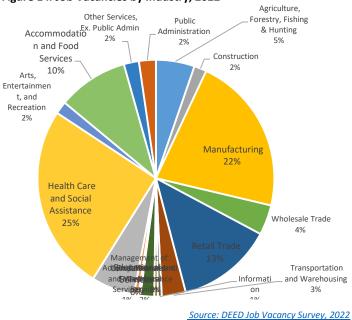
Source: DEED Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, Qtr. 1 2023

JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Lincoln Co. is a part of the Southwest planning region. There were 14128 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. Southwest Job Vacancy Survey Results, 2022							
	Number of	Wage					
Occupational Group	Vacancies	Offer					
Total, All Occupations	14,128	\$16.55					
Management	430	\$27.04					
Business & Financial Operations	151	\$24.64					
Computer & Mathematical	99	\$31.77					
Architecture & Engineering	130	\$27.09					
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	69	\$20.91					
Community & Social Service	159	\$25.21					
Education, Training & Library	731	\$17.88					
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,252	\$25.17					
Healthcare Support	1,290	\$14.92					
Protective Service	142	\$19.76					
Food Preparation & Serving Related	2,626	\$13.56					
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	379	\$15.50					
Personal Care & Service	135	\$12.78					
Sales & Related	1,467	\$14.33					
Office & Administrative Support	766	\$14.07					
Construction & Extraction	165	\$17.90					
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	554	\$22.90					
Production	1,782	\$18.26					
Transportation & Material Moving	786	\$17.46					

Figure 14. Job Vacancies by Industry, 2022



COUNTY PROFILE Lincoln Co.

OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND

Table 13. Southwest Planning Region Occupations in Demand, 2022								
Less than High School	High School or Equivalent	Some College or Assoc. Deg.	Bachelor's Degree or Higher					
Home Health & Personal Care Aides	Nursing Assistants	Registered Nurses	Substitute Teachers, Short-Term					
\$32,800/yr	\$38,146/yr	\$80,694/yr	\$46,668/yr					
Retail Salespersons	Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses	Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers	General & Operations Managers					
\$30,660/yr	\$52,242/yr	\$66,050/yr	\$78,383/yr					
Heavy & Tractor-Trailer	Automotive Service Technicians &	Dental Hygienists	Elementary School Teachers					
Truck Drivers	Mechanics	Dental Hygienists	Liementary School Teachers					
\$51,299/yr	\$49,362/yr	\$82,983/yr	\$63,391/yr					
Cashiers	Dental Assistants	Clinical Laboratory Technologists & Technicians	Secondary School Teachers					
\$29,092/yr	\$54,422/yr	\$61,801/yr	\$64,067/yr					
Fast Food & Counter Workers	Machinists	Industrial Engineering Technologists & Technicians	Accountants & Auditors					
\$29,393/yr	\$49,288/yr	\$49,646/yr	\$66,142/yr					
Waiters & Waitresses	Electricians	Radiologic Technologists & Technicians	Preschool Teachers					
\$24,271/yr	\$63,396/yr	\$66,703/yr	\$35,451/yr					
Laborers & Freight, Stock, &	Community of the second community control in the	Computer Network Support	Medical & Health Services					
Material Movers, Hand	Computer User Support Specialists	Specialists	Managers					
\$39,654/yr	\$57,870/yr	\$72,682/yr	\$95,320/yr					
Office Clerks, General	Medical Assistants	Electrical & Electronic Engineering Technologists &	Industrial Production Managers					
\$41,160/yr	\$46,233/yr	\$66,192/yr	\$99,559/yr					
Maintenance & Repair	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	Civil Engineering Technologists &	Laurens					
Workers, General	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	Technicians	Lawyers					
\$49,219/yr	\$59,803/yr	\$71,840/yr	\$103,321/yr					
Teaching Assistants, exc.	Farm Equipment Mechanics & Service	Environmental Science &	Personal Financial Advisors					
Postsecondary	Technicians	Protection Technicians, Including	r ersonar i manciai Auvisors					
\$36,756/yr	\$51,684/yr	\$39,218/yr	\$78,180/yr					

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

Lincoln Co. is a part of the Southwest 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, 2020-2030							
	Estimated Employment	Projected Employ-	Percent Change				
Southwest Planning Region	2020	ment 2030					
Total, All Industries	195,812	203,504	3.9%				
Natural Resources & Mining	5,931	6,026	1.6%				
Utilities	713	735	3.1%				
Construction	7,573	8,082	6.7%				
Manufacturing	30,107	30,719	2.0%				
Wholesale Trade	8,045	8,118	0.9%				
Retail Trade	18,569	17,653	-4.9%				
Transportation & Warehousing	7,385	7,817	5.8%				
Information	2,152	2,001	-7.0%				
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	8,098	8,232	1.7%				
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Compani	5,283	5,512	4.3%				
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	3,421	3,636	6.3%				
Educational Services	15,564	16,274	4.6%				
Health Care & Social Assistance	29,352	32,081	9.3%				
Leisure & Hospitality	11,744	14,382	22.5%				
Other Services	6,756	7,462	10.4%				
Public Administration	13,193	13,517	2.5%				

Source: DEED 2020-2030 Employment Outlool

Figure 15. Regional Occupational

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	Employment Projections					
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	Management Occupations	312	8,590			
'	Business and Financial	301	1 ,897			
	Computer and	83	432			
	Architecture and	174	682			
	Life, Physical, and Social	111	533			
	Community and Social	434	1 ,676			
4	Legal Occupations	47	194			
4	Educational Instruction and	855	4,608	3		
	Arts, Design,	196	1,129			
	Healthcare Practitioners	729	2,7 38	}		
	Healthcare Support	1,322	7,04	9		
	Protective Service	125	1,134			
	Food Preparation and	2,02	6 9,7	44		
7	Building and Grounds	414	3,71 5			
4	Personal Care and Service	446	3,452			
4	Sales and Related	-83	9,573			
	Office and Administrative	-999	10,245	j		
	Farming, Fishing, and	63	1 ,651			
	Construction and Extraction	433	2,6 23			
1	Installation, Maintenance,	515	2,6 60			
1	Production Occupations	-49	7,349			
	Transportation and	986	7,522			
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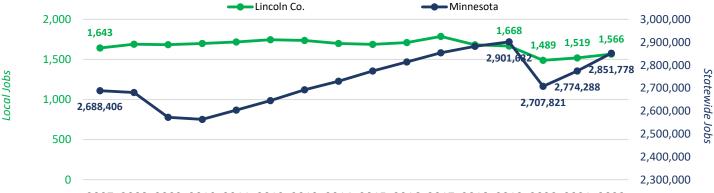
COUNTY PROFILE Lincoln Co.

ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

Coming out of the pandemic recession, after gaining jobs over the past year, Lincoln Co. had the 84th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Lincoln Co. was the 22nd fastest growing in the past year and the 74th fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2022, employment in Lincoln Co. is still down from the pandemic recession.

223business establishments\$40,576annual average wage1,566jobs\$63,542,568total industry payrollJob change,
2019-2022-102 jobs
-6.1% decline

Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2007-2022

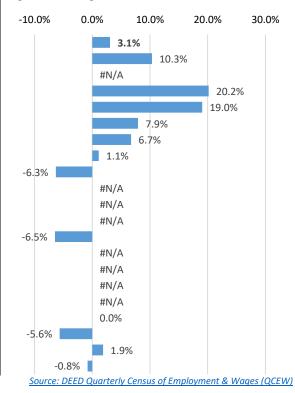


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Source: DEED QCEW program

			Average	
Table 15. Lincoln Co. Industry	Number of	Percent of	Annual	
Employment Statistics, 2022	Jobs	Total Jobs	Wage	
Total, All Industries	1,566	100.0%	\$40,576	
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	128	8.2%	\$45,903	
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Construction	143	9.1%	\$52,963	
Manufacturing	25	1.6%	\$59,651	
Utilities	68	4.3%	\$97,059	
Wholesale Trade	95	6.1%	\$53,913	
Retail Trade	178	11.4%	\$19,553	
Transportation & Warehousing	104	6.6%	\$32,473	
Information	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Finance & Insurance	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Professional & Technical Services	29	1.9%	\$37,291	
Management of Companies	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Educational Services	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Health Care & Social Assistance	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	17	1.1%	\$5,049	
Accommodation & Food Services	67	4.3%	\$3,203	
Other Services	54	3.4%	\$31,781	
Public Administration	124	7.9%	\$35,391	

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2021-2022



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