COUNTY PROFILE

St. Louis Co.

St. Louis Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 3, which is located in the Northeast Planning Region.

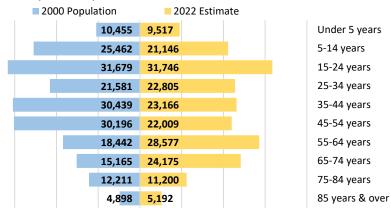
POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS



St. Louis Co. is the 6th largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population decreased over the past decade, ranking as the 49th fastest growing in the state from 2010 to 2022. St. Louis 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 9,517 4.8% 21,146 10.6% 5-14 years 15-24 years 31,746 15.9% 25-34 years 22,805 11.4% 35-44 years 23,166 11.6% 22,009 45-54 years 11.0% 55-64 years 28,577 14.3% 65-74 years 24,175 12.1% 75-84 years 11,200 5.6% 5,192 85 years & over 2.6% **Total Population** 199,532 100.0% Source: Census Population Estimates, 2018-2022 ACS





St. Louis 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, St. Louis 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	Vital E	vents	Net Migration				
	Change	Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic		
St. Louis Co.	-691	-1,453	4,025	5,478	602	163	439		
State of Minnesota	10,680	26,917	144,350	117,433	-17,365	20,012	-37,377		

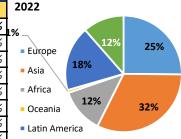
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

Compared to the state, St. Louis Co. has a smaller percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2010 to 2022, St. Louis Co. saw an increase 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	St. Louis Co. Change 2			St. Louis Co. Change 2010-2022			010-2022	Minnesota		
Population, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change				
Foreign-born Population	4,053	2.0%	263	6.9%	8.5%	31.3%				
Europe	1,019	25.1%	-74	-6.8%	9.3%	-0.6%				
Asia	1,307	32.2%	72	5.8%	36.7%	30.2%				
Africa	500	12.3%	240	92.3%	28.1%	93.1%				
Oceania	32	0.8%	5	18.5%	0.4%	20.4%				
Americas:	1,195	29.5%	20	1.7%	25.4%	7.5%				
Latin America	731	18.0%	245	50.4%	22.9%	9.0%				
Northern America	464	11.4%	-225	-32.7%	2.5%	-4.6%				

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

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



Northern America

St. Louis 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
Black or African American
American Indian
Asian
Some Other Race
Two or More Races

		St. Louis C	Minnesota		
Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2022	Number	Percent	Change from 2011-2022	Percent	Change from 2011-2022
Total	200,122	100.0%	0.1%	100.0%	7.9%
White	182,059	91.0%	-2.3%	79.7%	-0.4%
Black or African American	3,170	1.6%	13.1%	6.7%	44.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	3,576	1.8%	-23.2%	0.9%	-10.2%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	1,960	1.0%	1.9%	5.1%	37.1%
Some Other Race	1,028	0.5%	91.8%	2.3%	84.7%
Two or More Races	8,329	4.2%	130.3%	5.3%	159.6%
Hispanic or Latino origin	3,782	1.9%	52.1%	5.7%	34.6%

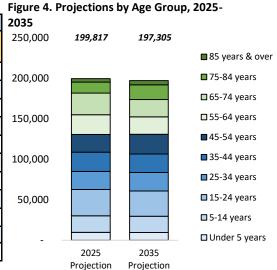
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018-2022 American Community Survey

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

91.0%

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

Table 5. Population Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035 2025 2035 Numeric Percent St. Louis Co. **Projection** Projection Change Change -194 Under 5 years 9,735 9,541 -2.0% 5-14 years 20,510 20.090 -420 -2.0% -3.8% 32,475 31,234 -1,241 15-24 years 25-34 years 22,436 22,962 526 2.3% 35-44 years 23,773 22,887 -886 -3.7% 21,819 24,283 2,464 45-54 years 11.3% 55-64 years 24,453 21,518 -2,935 -12.0% 65-74 years 26,754 21,340 -5,414 -20.2% 75-84 years 13,543 18,310 4,767 35.2% 85 years & over 4,319 5.140 821 19.0% **Total Population** 199,817 197,305 -2,512 -1.3%



Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

St. Louis 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. St. Louis 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.

18.7%

9.9%

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

94.5%

College-educated: 68.4%
state: 68.5%

Associate's Degree: 12.5%

Bachelor's Degree:

Advanced Degree:

Figure 5. Educational Attainment, 2022

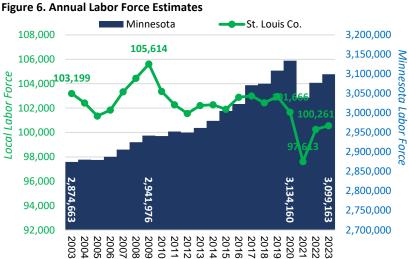
□ Less than high school
□ High school graduate (incl. equiv.)
□ Some college, no degree
□ Associate's degree
□ Bachelor's degree
□ Advanced degree

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

LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 3.3%, St. Louis Co. had a higher unemployment rate than the state in 2023. After the pandemic recession St. Louis Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to the 4.3% pre-pandemic rate posted in 2019. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in St. Louis Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2019.





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, St. Louis 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, St. Louis Co. is expected to see a labor force decline from 2025 to 2035 (see Table 6).

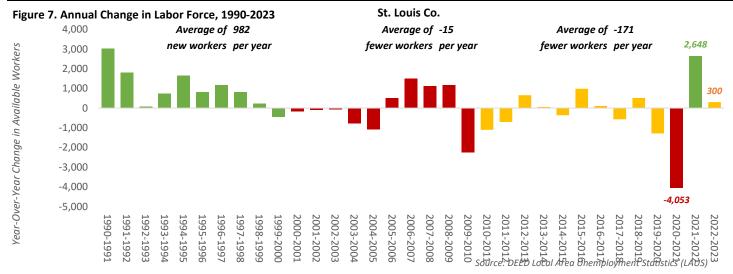
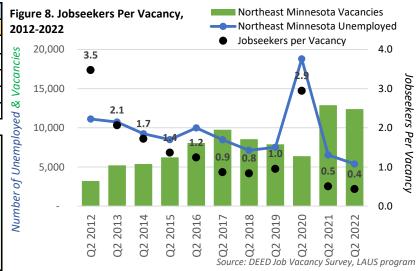


Table 6. Labor Force	Labor Force Projection			
Projections, 2025-2035	2025 2035			
16 to 24 years	20,223	19,796		
25 to 54 years	57,831	59,559		
55 to 64 years	15,245	13,415		
65 years & over	6,146	5,408		
Total Labor Force	99,445	98,179		

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 Northeast 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).

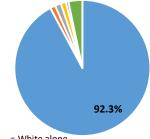


LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

St. Louis Co. had a lower labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in St. Louis 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, 202	2						
	St	. Louis 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	101,809	60.8%	4.6%	68.7%	4.0%	53,697	48,184
16 to 19 years	6,022	50.8%	7.0%	53.0%	9.8%	3,174	2,842
20 to 24 years	14,454	80.0%	6.8%	83.1%	6.7%	7,265	7,184
25 to 44 years	39,699	86.1%	4.7%	88.8%	3.5%	21,696	18,015
45 to 54 years	18,255	82.7%	3.2%	87.8%	2.9%	9,617	8,646
55 to 64 years	17,869	62.3%	3.2%	72.8%	3.1%	8,836	9,028
65 to 74 years	4,679	19.3%	4.6%	27.6%	3.3%	2,582	2,086
75 years & over	904	5.5%	7.1%	6.6%	3.2%	527	383
Employment Characteristics by Race & His	spanic Origin					Figure 9. La	abor Force
White alone	93,935	60.8%	4.2%	67.8%	3.4%	Race, 2022	
Black or African American	1,261	53.6%	22.8%	71.5%	8.7%	in .	
American Indian & Alaska Native	1,470	50.4%	12.1%	57.6%	11.9%		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	1,239	71.5%	4.2%	73.9%	3.6%		
Some Other Race	610	79.6%	0.8%	76.1%	6.1%		
Two or More Races	3,374	65.1%	6.9%	74.3%	6.6%		
Hispanic or Latino	1,814	71.1%	4.7%	77.0%	6.3%		
Employment Characteristics by Disability,	20 to 64 years						
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	6,833	46.8%	9.4%	54.4%	10.2%		92.
Employment Characteristics by Education	al Attainment, 25	to 64 years					
Population, 25 to 64 years	75,827	78.3%	4.0%	84.4%	3.3%	White al	
Less than H.S. Diploma	2,380	51.9%	6.0%	67.2%	4.6%		African Ameri
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	14,497	66.9%	2.5%	76.8%	2.5%		n Indian & Ala
Some College or Assoc. Degree	30,831	79.5%	3.6%	85.1%	3.6%		Other Pac. Isla
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	28,116	88.4%	2.0%	90.3%	2.0%	Some Ot	

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

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

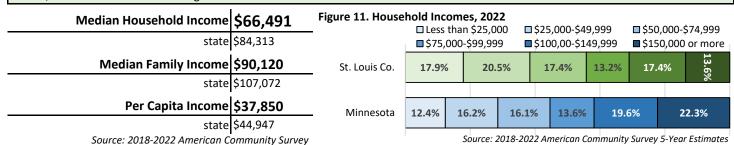
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	St. Louis	Co.	Minn	esota	
Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Worked in state of residence	90,729	95.3%	2,867,086	97.7%	1
Worked in county of residence	85,779	90.1%	1,957,366	66.7%	ı
Worked out of county of residence	4,951	5.2%	909,720	31.0%	ı
Worked outside state of residence	4,475	4.7%	67,495	2.3%	ı
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK					
Car, truck, or van	80,638	84.7%	2,387,561	81.6%	5
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	1,523	1.6%	81,926	2.8%	ı
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	5,046	5.3%	122,889	4.2%	Е
Worked at home	7,902	8.3%	333,556	11.4%	ı
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK					. 7
Less than 10 minutes	20,278	21.3%	465,223	15.9%	,
10 to 19 minutes	37,986	39.9%	895,335	30.6%	ı
20 to 29 minutes	17,898	18.8%	649,557	22.2%	8
30 to 44 minutes	11,996	12.6%	567,631	19.4%	ı
45 to 59 minutes	3,047	3.2%	190,186	6.5%	ı
60 or more minutes	3,999	4.2%	158,000	5.4%	ı
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	19.7	minutes	23.3	minutes	i

Figure 10. Time Leaving Home to go to Work, 2022 St. Louis Co. ■ Minnesota 0% 20% 40% 12:00 a.m. to 3.5% 4:59 a.m. 5:00 a.m. to 5:59 a.m. 9.2% 6:00 a.m. to 6:59 19.0% 19.2% 7:00 a.m. to 7:59 29.4% a.m. 28.7% 8:00 a.m. to 8:59 a.m. 14.7% 9:00 a.m. to 25.5% 11:59 p.m. 23.5%

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

INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

St. Louis Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, St. Louis Co. had the 58th 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. St. Louis Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$14.67 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$16.26 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			N	Ionthly Co	sts		
Single Adult, 0 children	Cost of Living	, ,	Child Care	Food	Health	Housing	Trans-	Other	Taxes
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St. Louis Co.	\$30,520	\$14.67	\$0	\$394	\$163	\$747	\$729	\$276	\$234
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	Tiousing	portation	Other	Taxes
St. Louis Co.	\$50,742	\$16.26	\$316	\$900	\$528	\$982	\$849	\$455	\$198
State of Minnesota	\$60,720	\$19.46	\$574	\$921	\$555	\$1,216	\$886	\$517	\$391

St. Louis Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 50th highest value of the 87 counties in 2021. St. Louis 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-	St. Louis	s Co.	Minnesota	Figure 12. Year St	tructure	Built, 2022
occupied Housing Units, 2022	Total	Percent	Percent	0	% 1	.0% 20%
Total	61,629	100.0%	100.0%	■ St. Lo		chr
Less than \$50,000	3,717	6.0%	4.1%	2010 or later	4.6	7.8%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8,554	13.9%	4.6%	2000 to 2009		8.9%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	9,735	15.8%	7.1%			13.3%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	10,006	16.2%	10.7%	1980 to 1999		15.4
\$200,000 to \$299,999	14,517	23.6%	27.1%	1960 to 1979		
\$300,000 to \$499,999	10,811	17.5%	31.7%			
\$500,000 or more	4,289	7.0%	14.7%	1940 to 1959		13.8%
Median (dollars)	\$192,9	900	\$286,800	1939 or earlier		

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

0% 10% 20% 30% 40% St. Louis Co. ■ Minnesota 2010 or later 8.9% 2000 to 2009 15.4% 1980 to 1999 25.5% 22.1% 1960 to 1979 20.2% 1940 to 1959 13.8% 28.8% 1939 or earlier

Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

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

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

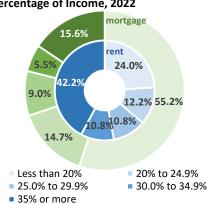
Median monthly rent costs

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

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



OCCUPATIONS

At \$22.57 in 2023, wages were lower in Region 3 than the state. Overall, Region 3 had the 6th highest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$42.6) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$14.05) (see Table 11).

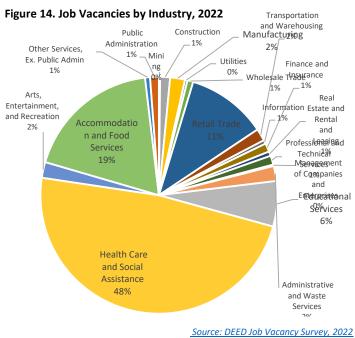
Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 20	Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2023							
	Region 3				State of Minnesota			
Occupational Group	Median Hourly Wage	Estimated Regional Jobs	Share of Total Jobs	Regional Location Quotient	Median Hourly Wage	Estimated Statewide Jobs	Share of Total Jobs	
Total, All Occupations	\$22.57	136,490	100.0%	1.0	\$24.25	2,827,310	100.0%	
Management	\$42.60	7,720	5.7%	0.8	\$51.58	193,760	6.9%	
Business & Financial Operations	\$32.03	5,910	4.3%	0.6	\$38.19	201,940	7.1%	
Computer & Mathematical	\$39.38	2,150	1.6%	0.4	\$49.73	99,250	3.5%	
Architecture & Engineering	\$38.75	2,340	1.7%	0.9	\$40.60	53,100	1.9%	
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$32.18	1,680	1.2%	1.2	\$39.37	29,070	1.0%	
Community & Social Service	\$24.43	4,310	3.2%	1.6	\$25.82	54,820	1.9%	
Legal	\$41.44	530	0.4%	0.6	\$47.87	18,730	0.7%	
Education, Training & Library	\$25.02	8,450	6.2%	1.1	\$24.82	158,830	5.6%	
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$23.52	1,280	0.9%	0.7	\$28.80	37,630	1.3%	
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$37.53	11,460	8.4%	1.3	\$41.07	186,700	6.6%	
Healthcare Support	\$17.05	9,180	6.7%	1.2	\$17.40	162,400	5.7%	
Protective Service	\$25.66	3,020	2.2%	1.5	\$25.83	40,620	1.4%	
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$14.05	13,630	10.0%	1.3	\$14.89	216,970	7.7%	
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$16.29	4,560	3.3%	1.2	\$18.26	76,210	2.7%	
Personal Care & Service	\$15.33	3,110	2.3%	1.1	\$16.96	58,120	2.1%	
Sales & Related	\$15.06	11,540	8.5%	1.0	\$18.14	239,500	8.5%	
Office & Administrative Support	\$20.75	16,030	11.7%	1.0	\$23.06	345,830	12.2%	
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$23.49	240	0.2%	1.2	\$19.84	4,060	0.1%	
Construction & Extraction	\$30.65	6,950	5.1%	1.3	\$31.00	113,930	4.0%	
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$29.17	6,400	4.7%	1.3	\$27.95	98,670	3.5%	
Production	\$22.97	6,640	4.9%	0.7	\$22.07	209,380	7.4%	
Transportation & Material Moving	\$19.53	9,370	6.9%	0.9	\$19.80	227,780	8.1%	

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

JOB VACANCY SURVEY

St. Louis Co. is a part of the Northeast planning region. There were 12388 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. Northeast Job Vacancy Survey Results, 2022						
Number of Wa						
Occupational Group	Vacancies	Offer				
Total, All Occupations	12,388	\$17.36				
Management	422	\$24.15				
Business & Financial Operations	273	\$24.50				
Computer & Mathematical	65	\$31.98				
Architecture & Engineering	139					
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	26					
Community & Social Service	862	\$23.99				
Education, Training & Library	507					
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,703	\$27.35				
Healthcare Support	1,920					
Protective Service	165	\$16.15				
Food Preparation & Serving Related	1,974					
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	509	\$15.29				
Personal Care & Service	371					
Sales & Related	776					
Office & Administrative Support	591	•				
Construction & Extraction	214					
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	652	\$19.19				
Production	300					
Transportation & Material Moving	799	\$16.76				



OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND

Table 13. Northeast Plannin	g 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	Substance abuse, behavioral & mental health counselors
\$32,409/yr	\$38,023/yr	\$78,892/yr	\$47,421/yr
Retail Salespersons	Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses	Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers	General & Operations Managers
\$30,436/yr	\$50,965/yr	\$69,705/yr	\$74,719/yr
Cashiers	Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	Clinical Laboratory Technologists & Technicians	Secondary School Teachers
\$28,649/yr	\$48,638/yr	\$62,998/yr	\$64,162/yr
Maintenance & Repair Workers, General	Medical Assistants	Dental Hygienists	Social & Community Service Managers
\$51,214/yr	\$44,580/yr	\$80,434/yr	\$65,308/yr
Waiters & Waitresses	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	Radiologic Technologists & Technicians	Elementary School Teachers
\$23,385/yr	\$67,655/yr	\$67,078/yr	\$62,554/yr
Janitors & Cleaners, exc. Maids & Housekeeping	Dental Assistants	Surgical Technologists	Accountants & Auditors
\$34,993/yr	\$54,500/yr	\$62,349/yr	\$66,865/yr
Driver/Sales Workers	Electricians	Forest & Conservation Technicians	Pharmacists
\$27,752/yr	\$77,859/yr	\$49,163/yr	\$137,104/yr
Fast Food & Counter Workers	First-Line Supervisors of Personal Service Workers	Respiratory Therapists	Human Resources Specialists
\$28,490/yr	\$41,164/yr	\$75,469/yr	\$63,477/yr
Stockers & Order Fillers	Computer User Support Specialists	Cardiovascular Technologists & Technicians	Preschool Teachers
\$32,400/yr	\$56,023/yr	\$79,749/yr	\$34,916/yr
Maids & Housekeeping	Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, exc.	Computer Network Support	Child, Family, & School Social
Cleaners	Engines \$63,006/yr	Specialists \$70,683/yr	Workers \$66,072/yr
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Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

St. Louis Co. is a part of the Northeast planning region, which is projected to see a 5.5% 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								
	Estimated Projected Perc Employment Employ- Char							
Northeast Planning Region	2020	ment 2030	2020-2030					
Total, All Industries	148,527	156,642	5.5%					
Natural Resources & Mining	4,938	5,018	1.6%					
Utilities	1,295	1,097	-15.3%					
Construction	6,111	6,368	4.2%					
Manufacturing	8,329	8,166	-2.0%					
Wholesale Trade	3,122	3,127	0.2%					
Retail Trade	16,275	15,391	-5.4%					
Transportation & Warehousing	4,783	4,977	4.1%					
Information	1,145	1,210	5.7%					
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	5,760	5,883	2.1%					
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Compani	5,359	5,695	6.3%					
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	2,916	3,095	6.1%					
Educational Services	11,884	12,440	4.7%					
Health Care & Social Assistance	32,183	35,151	9.2%					
Leisure & Hospitality	14,347	17,531	22.2%					
Other Services	5,703	6,304	10.5%					
Public Administration	14,780	15,572	5.4%					

Source: DEED 2020-2030 Employment Outlook

Figure 15. Regional Occupational

1	Employment Projection					
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	Management Occupations	577	2, 535		,	
	Business and Financial	326	1 ,713			
	Computer and	209	442			
	Architecture and	91	623			
-	Life, Physical, and Social	71	369			
_	Community and Social	465				
	Legal Occupations	465 45	1 ,799			
	Educational Instruction and					
		657	3,631	•		
1	Arts, Design, Healthcare Practitioners	184	859			
-		961	3,28			
_	Healthcare Support	1,290	,	4		
	Protective Service	249	1,403			
	Food Preparation and	2,06				
	Building and Grounds	526	3,401			
1	Personal Care and Service	524	2,9 66			
-	Sales and Related	-59	7,506			
_	Office and Administrative	-465	7,812			
	Farming, Fishing, and	181	290			
	Construction and Extraction	276	2, 492			
	Installation, Maintenance,	199	2, 286			
	Production Occupations	-241	2, 588			
	Transportation and	513	4,567			

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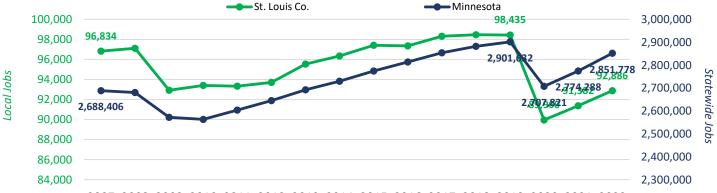
Coming out of the pandemic recession, after gaining jobs over the past year, St. Louis Co. had the 6th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. St. Louis Co. was the 46th fastest growing in the past year and the 70th fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2022, employment in St. Louis Co. is still down from the pandemic recession.

5,492 business establishments \$56,527 annual average wage

92,886 jobs \$5,250,555,019 total industry payroll

Job change, 2019-2022 -5.6% decline \$5,600 decline

Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2007-2022

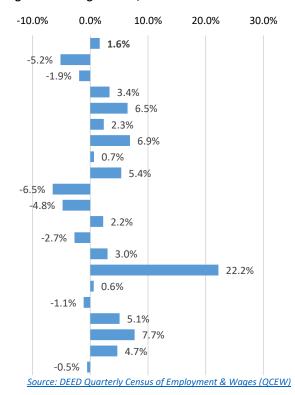


2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022

Source: DEED QCEW program

			Average
Table 15. St. Louis Co. Industry	Number of	Percent of	Annual
Employment Statistics, 2022	Jobs	Total Jobs	Wage
Total, All Industries	92,886	100.0%	\$56,527
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	147	0.2%	\$34,005
Mining	3,310	3.6%	\$125,341
Construction	4,835	5.2%	\$73,456
Manufacturing	5,035	5.4%	\$62,884
Utilities	916	1.0%	\$104,745
Wholesale Trade	1,971	2.1%	\$69,478
Retail Trade	11,034	11.9%	\$33,460
Transportation & Warehousing	2,801	3.0%	\$64,668
Information	821	0.9%	\$50,537
Finance & Insurance	2,509	2.7%	\$73,405
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	1,000	1.1%	\$41,189
Professional & Technical Services	3,914	4.2%	\$77,118
Management of Companies	685	0.7%	\$97,584
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	1,970	2.1%	\$35,122
Educational Services	7,469	8.0%	\$53,929
Health Care & Social Assistance	24,002	25.8%	\$64,076
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	2,083	2.2%	\$26,452
Accommodation & Food Services	9,248	10.0%	\$21,347
Other Services	3,204	3.4%	\$33,675
Public Administration	5,928	6.4%	\$62,379

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2021-2022



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