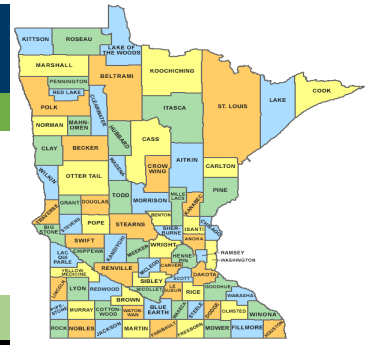


**COUNTY PROFILE**

**Ramsey Co.**

Ramsey Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 11, which is located in the Twin Cities Planning Region.



**POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS**

2023 population:	<b>536,075 people</b>	Median Age:	<b>35.7 years</b>
Population change, 2020-2023	-16,277 people -2.9% decline	state:	38.5 years

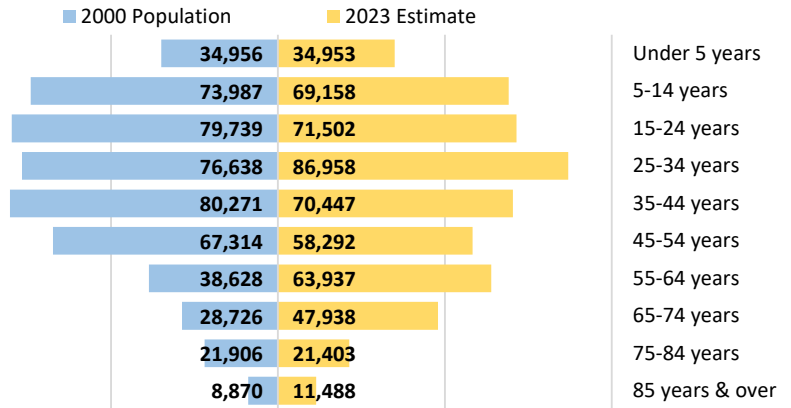
Ramsey Co. is the 2nd largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population decreased so far this decade, ranking as the 83rd fastest growing in the state from 2020 to 2023. Ramsey Co.'s population has a younger median age than the state and a smaller percentage of people aged 65 years and older. The population is aging, especially as the Baby Boom generation moves through the population pyramid (see Figure 1).

**Table 1. Population by Age Group, 2023**

	Number	Percent
Under 5 years	34,953	6.5%
5-14 years	69,158	12.9%
15-24 years	71,502	13.3%
25-34 years	86,958	16.2%
35-44 years	70,447	13.1%
45-54 years	58,292	10.9%
55-64 years	63,937	11.9%
65-74 years	47,938	8.9%
75-84 years	21,403	4.0%
85 years & over	11,488	2.1%
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>536,075</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: Census 2023 Population Estimates, 2018-2022 ACS

**Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2000-2023**



Ramsey Co. enjoyed a natural increase - more births than deaths from 2020 to 2023, but also experienced net out-migration - meaning more people moved out than moved in. Despite suffering domestic out-migration, Ramsey 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, 2020-2023**

	Total Population Change	April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2023					
		Natural Increase	Vital Events		Net Migration		
			Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic
Ramsey Co.	-16,280	5,568	21,793	16,225	-21,892	6,406	-28,298
State of Minnesota	31,111	40,368	207,857	167,489	-11,352	34,624	-45,976

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

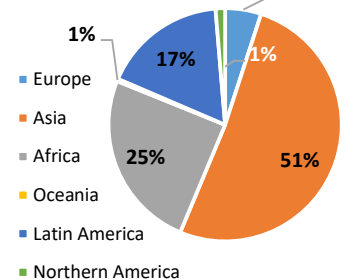
Compared to the state, Ramsey Co. has a larger percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2010 to 2022, Ramsey Co. saw an increase in the number of foreign-born residents, though it was slower than the statewide increase.

**Table 3. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born Population, 2022**

	Ramsey Co.		Change 2010-2022		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change
<b>Foreign-born Population</b>	<b>85,191</b>	<b>15.6%</b>	<b>19,642</b>	<b>30.0%</b>	<b>8.5%</b>	<b>31.3%</b>
Europe	4,262	5.0%	-239	-5.3%	9.3%	-0.6%
Asia	43,701	51.3%	10,926	33.3%	36.7%	30.2%
Africa	21,137	24.8%	8,726	70.3%	28.1%	93.1%
Oceania	285	0.3%	174	156.8%	0.4%	20.4%
Americas:	15,806	18.6%	55	0.3%	25.4%	7.5%
Latin America	14,680	17.2%	167	1.2%	22.9%	9.0%
Northern America	1,126	1.3%	-112	-9.0%	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**



## COUNTY PROFILE

Ramsey Co.

Ramsey 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**

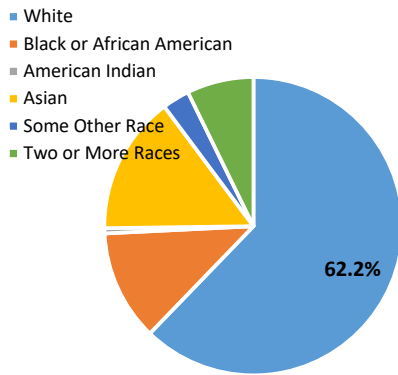


Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2022	Ramsey Co.			Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Change from 2011-2022	Percent	Change from 2011-2022
<b>Total</b>	<b>547,202</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>8.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>7.9%</b>
White	340,510	62.2%	-7.0%	79.7%	-0.4%
Black or African American	65,644	12.0%	22.5%	6.7%	44.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	3,074	0.6%	-14.4%	0.9%	-10.2%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	82,184	15.0%	42.4%	5.1%	37.1%
Some Other Race	16,155	3.0%	85.0%	2.3%	84.7%
Two or More Races	39,635	7.2%	134.6%	5.3%	159.6%
Hispanic or Latino origin	42,013	7.7%	17.8%	5.7%	34.6%

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

## POPULATION PROJECTIONS

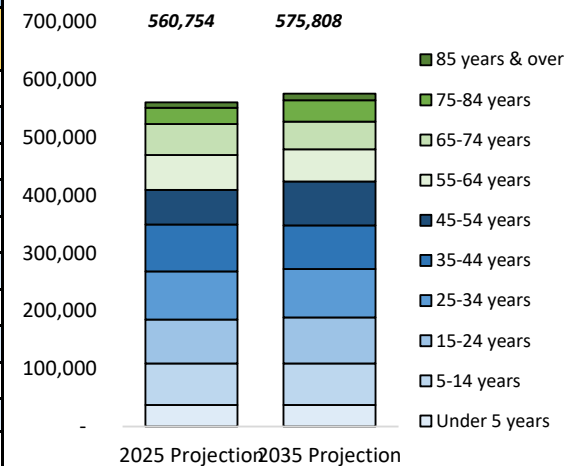
According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Ramsey Co.'s population is expected to grow from 2025 to 2035, with a rate of change that is slower than the projected statewide growth rate (4.5%). In addition to the overall growth, the number of people aged 65 years and older is expected to increase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

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

Ramsey Co.	2025 Projection	2035 Projection	Numeric Change	Percent Change
Under 5 years	37,386	37,182	-204	-0.5%
5-14 years	71,588	71,743	155	0.2%
15-24 years	76,146	79,756	3,610	4.7%
25-34 years	83,495	84,002	507	0.6%
35-44 years	80,919	75,541	-5,378	-6.6%
45-54 years	60,031	75,865	15,834	26.4%
55-64 years	60,261	55,445	-4,816	-8.0%
65-74 years	53,787	48,184	-5,603	-10.4%
75-84 years	27,923	36,785	8,862	31.7%
85 years & over	9,218	11,305	2,087	22.6%
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>560,754</b>	<b>575,808</b>	<b>15,054</b>	<b>2.7%</b>

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

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



## EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Ramsey Co. has a lower percentage of adults (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma than the state (93.0%), and a higher percentage of people with at least some college experience. Ramsey Co. also has a lower percentage of people with an Associate's degree and a higher percentage of people with a Bachelor's degree or higher.

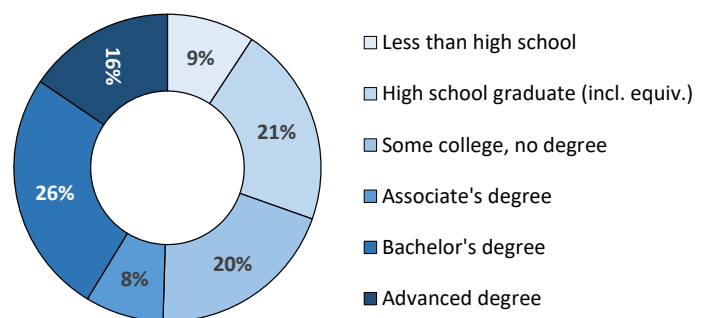
**Percentage of the adult population (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma:**

**90.7%**

**College-educated: 69.6%**  
state: 68.5%

**Associate's Degree: 8.3%**  
**Bachelor's Degree: 25.8%**  
**Advanced Degree: 15.5%**

**Figure 5. Educational Attainment, 2022**



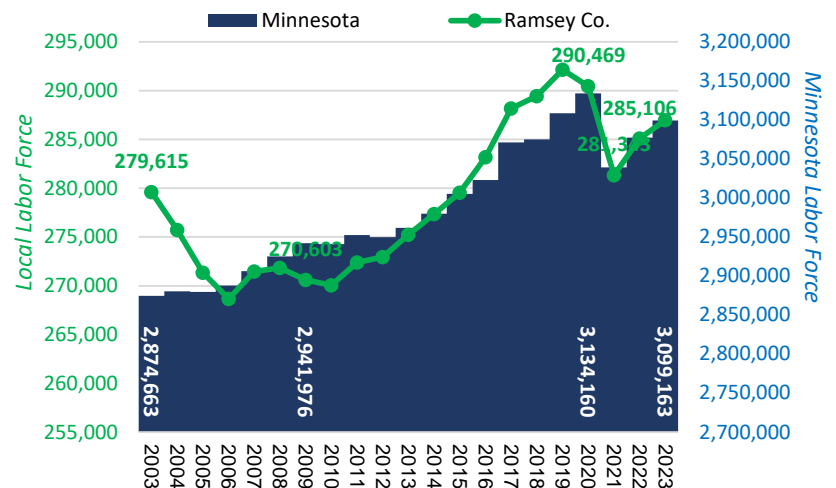
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018-2022 American Community Survey

LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 2.7%, Ramsey Co. had a lower unemployment rate than the state in 2023. After the pandemic recession Ramsey Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to the 3.2% pre-pandemic rate posted in 2019. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Ramsey Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2019.

<b>285,106</b>	available workers
Labor Force change, 2008-2023	15,123 workers 5.6% increase
<b>2.7%</b>	unemployment rate
2.7%	state
<b>7,698</b>	unemployed workers

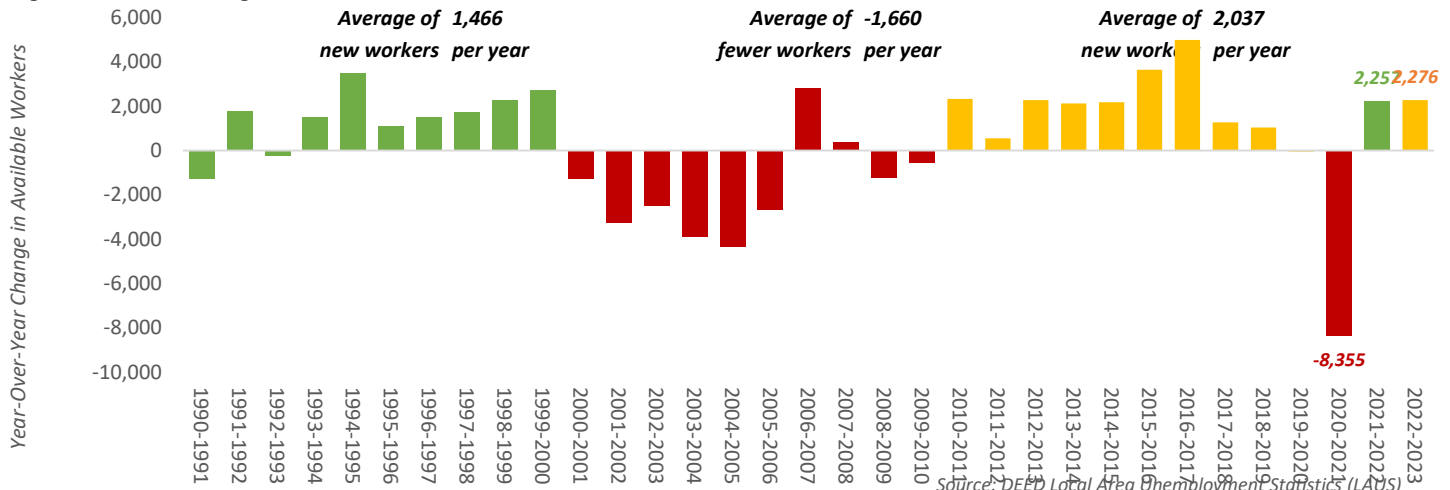
Figure 6. Annual Labor Force Estimates



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, Ramsey Co. averaged an annual loss of fewer workers from 2000 to 2010, and most recently a gain of new workers since 2010 (see Figure 7). Moving forward, Ramsey Co. is expected to add workers from 2025 to 2035 (see Table 6).

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



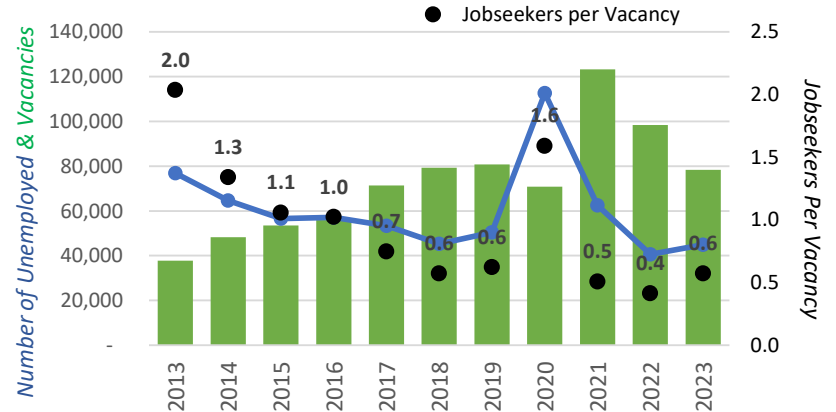
Source: DEED Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

Table 6. Labor Force Projections, 2025-2035	Labor Force Projection	
	2025	2035
16 to 24 years	46,557	49,864
25 to 54 years	195,073	204,141
55 to 64 years	41,382	38,075
65 years & over	17,244	16,233
<b>Total Labor Force</b>	<b>300,256</b>	<b>308,313</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. In 2023, job vacancies in Twin Cities returned to pre-pandemic levels, but employers are still seeing challenges finding enough workers for open jobs (see Figure 8).

Figure 8. Jobseekers Per Vacancy, 2013-2023



Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, LAUS program

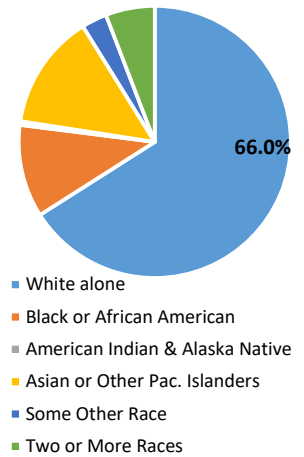
**LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS**

Ramsey Co. had a lower labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in Ramsey Co. is more 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**

	Ramsey 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>297,326</b>	<b>68.5%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>68.7%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>151,793</b>	<b>145,501</b>
16 to 19 years	14,569	50.8%	14.1%	53.0%	9.8%	6,941	7,639
20 to 24 years	30,916	82.6%	8.2%	83.1%	6.7%	14,715	16,211
25 to 44 years	141,179	87.9%	3.9%	88.8%	3.5%	73,172	67,974
45 to 54 years	50,160	84.3%	3.2%	87.8%	2.9%	26,003	24,137
55 to 64 years	44,818	68.7%	3.7%	72.8%	3.1%	22,727	22,094
65 to 74 years	13,897	28.4%	4.6%	27.6%	3.3%	7,350	6,545
75 years & over	1,779	5.3%	2.6%	6.6%	3.2%	885	901
<b>Employment Characteristics by Race &amp; Hispanic Origin</b>							
White alone	196,192	67.1%	4.0%	67.8%	3.4%		
Black or African American	32,770	70.5%	6.8%	71.5%	8.7%		
American Indian & Alaska Native	1,299	55.3%	13.1%	57.6%	11.9%		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	40,752	70.1%	4.1%	73.9%	3.6%		
Some Other Race	8,952	76.7%	5.3%	76.1%	6.1%		
Two or More Races	17,366	75.4%	9.9%	74.3%	6.6%		
Hispanic or Latino	22,296	77.3%	5.6%	77.0%	6.3%		
<b>Employment Characteristics by Disability, 20 to 64 years</b>							
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	17,431	50.6%	12.1%	54.4%	10.2%		
<b>Employment Characteristics by Educational Attainment, 25 to 64 years</b>							
Population, 25 to 64 years	236,057	82.7%	3.7%	84.4%	3.3%		
Less than H.S. Diploma	15,194	60.1%	5.1%	67.2%	4.6%		
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	39,543	75.0%	3.9%	76.8%	2.5%		
Some College or Assoc. Degree	63,171	83.1%	4.7%	85.1%	3.6%		
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	118,273	90.0%	2.5%	90.3%	2.0%		

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



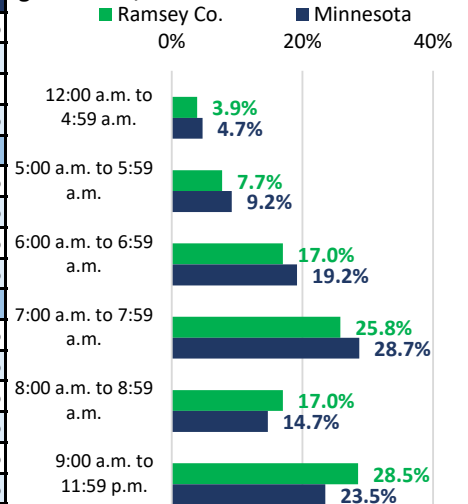
Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

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

**Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2022**

	Ramsey Co.		Minnesota	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Worked in state of residence	274,617	99.1%	2,867,086	97.7%
Worked in county of residence	164,881	59.5%	1,957,366	66.7%
Worked out of county of residence	109,736	39.6%	909,720	31.0%
Worked outside state of residence	2,494	0.9%	67,495	2.3%
<b>MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK</b>				
Car, truck, or van	208,110	75.1%	2,387,561	81.6%
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	14,133	5.1%	81,926	2.8%
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	12,747	4.6%	122,889	4.2%
Worked at home	42,121	15.2%	333,556	11.4%
<b>TRAVEL TIME TO WORK</b>				
Less than 10 minutes	28,820	10.4%	465,223	15.9%
10 to 19 minutes	90,061	32.4%	895,335	30.6%
20 to 29 minutes	78,422	28.2%	649,557	22.2%
30 to 44 minutes	55,976	20.2%	567,631	19.4%
45 to 59 minutes	14,687	5.3%	190,186	6.5%
60 or more minutes	9,699	3.5%	158,000	5.4%
<b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>	<b>22.9 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

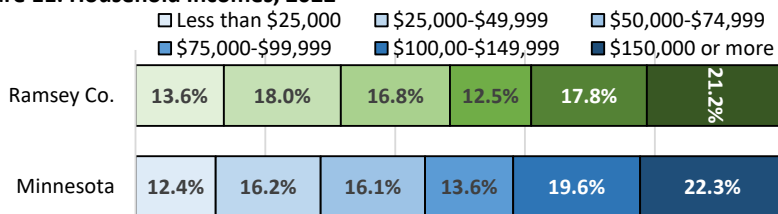
**INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING**

Ramsey Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Ramsey Co. had the 18th highest median household income of the 87 counties in the state.

<b>Median Household Income</b>	<b>\$78,108</b>
state	\$84,313
<b>Median Family Income</b>	<b>\$103,235</b>
state	\$107,072
<b>Per Capita Income</b>	<b>\$43,203</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. Ramsey Co. had a higher cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$17.82 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$23.01 for a typical family with 2 adults and 1 child (see Table 9).

Table 9. Basic Needs Cost of Living Estimates, 2023

Single Adult, 0 children	Single Yearly Cost of Living	Hourly Wage Required	Monthly Costs						
			Child Care	Food	Health Care	Housing	Transportation	Other	Taxes
Ramsey Co.	\$37,065	\$17.82	\$0	\$432	\$157	\$1,168	\$542	\$383	\$407
State of Minnesota	\$34,704	\$16.68	\$0	\$419	\$160	\$1,021	\$572	\$345	\$375
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
Ramsey Co.	\$71,783	\$23.01	\$654	\$984	\$567	\$1,456	\$906	\$584	\$831
State of Minnesota	\$67,320	\$21.58	\$544	\$955	\$574	\$1,285	\$977	\$536	\$739

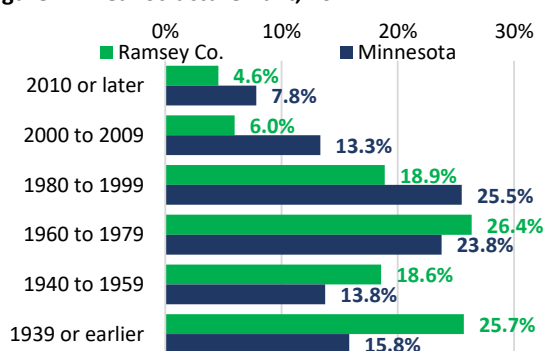
Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

Ramsey Co. had a higher median house value than the state, having the 11th highest value of the 87 counties in 2022. Ramsey Co.'s housing stock was older than the state's, with a lower percentage of units built since 2000 (see Figure 12).

Table 10. Estimated Value of Owner-occupied Housing Units, 2022	Ramsey Co.		Minnesota
	Total	Percent	Percent
<b>Total</b>	<b>132,415</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Less than \$50,000	4,238	3.2%	4.1%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,887	1.4%	4.6%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	6,458	4.9%	7.1%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	14,079	10.6%	10.7%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	44,612	33.7%	27.1%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	45,197	34.1%	31.7%
\$500,000 or more	15,944	12.0%	14.7%
<b>Median (dollars)</b>	<b>\$289,300</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** **\$1,842**

state \$1,818

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

state 22.0%

**Median monthly rent costs** **\$1,214**

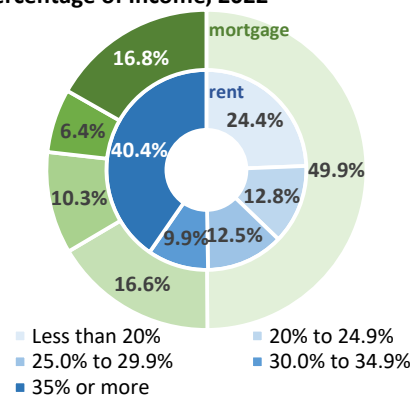
state \$1,178

**Percentage of renters spending 30% or more of their household income on rent** **50.3%**

state 46.7%

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

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



OCCUPATIONS

At \$27.78 in 2024, wages were higher in Region 11 than the state. Overall, Region 11 had the highest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$63.5) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$15.6) (see Table 11).

Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2024

Occupational Group	Region 11				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>\$27.78</b>	<b>1,743,500</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>\$25.22</b>	<b>2,881,100</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Management	\$63.50	132,050	7.6%	1.1	\$57.75	201,710	7.0%
Business & Financial Operations	\$40.39	148,630	8.5%	1.2	\$39.26	202,700	7.0%
Computer & Mathematical	\$52.09	76,680	4.4%	1.3	\$50.83	98,240	3.4%
Architecture & Engineering	\$46.98	41,270	2.4%	1.2	\$42.97	58,320	2.0%
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$42.20	19,390	1.1%	1.1	\$39.93	29,220	1.0%
Community & Social Service	\$27.89	33,430	1.9%	1.0	\$27.92	57,930	2.0%
Legal	\$55.72	15,120	0.9%	1.3	\$51.15	19,040	0.7%
Education, Training & Library	\$29.07	93,160	5.3%	0.9	\$28.22	163,340	5.7%
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$30.84	24,370	1.4%	1.1	\$29.01	36,160	1.3%
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$46.47	100,690	5.8%	0.9	\$43.01	184,410	6.4%
Healthcare Support	\$17.87	104,830	6.0%	1.0	\$18.07	169,580	5.9%
Protective Service	\$29.48	26,960	1.5%	1.0	\$28.87	45,860	1.6%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$15.60	136,270	7.8%	1.0	\$15.07	232,190	8.1%
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$19.14	45,450	2.6%	0.9	\$18.83	79,660	2.8%
Personal Care & Service	\$17.78	37,880	2.2%	1.1	\$17.60	59,420	2.1%
Sales & Related	\$21.35	141,920	8.1%	1.0	\$18.82	242,440	8.4%
Office & Administrative Support	\$24.47	215,890	12.4%	1.0	\$23.86	352,250	12.2%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$21.98	1,050	0.1%	0.5	\$22.13	3,520	0.1%
Construction & Extraction	\$37.81	58,530	3.4%	0.9	\$32.44	110,960	3.9%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$30.28	55,220	3.2%	0.9	\$29.54	104,530	3.6%
Production	\$23.44	104,740	6.0%	0.8	\$23.05	203,810	7.1%
Transportation & Material Moving	\$23.46	129,950	7.5%	1.0	\$19.80	225,820	7.8%

Source: DEED Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, Qtr. 1 2024

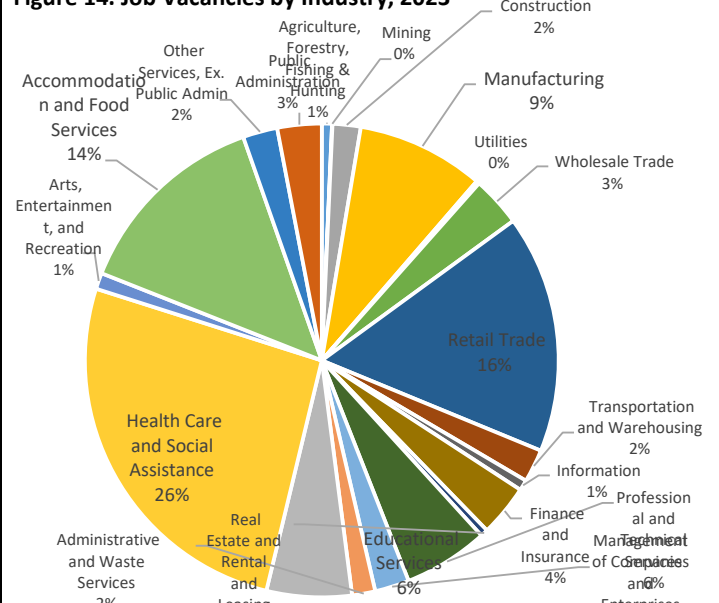
JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Ramsey Co. is a part of the Twin Cities planning region. There were 78325 job vacancies posted by employers in 2023, indicating extensive opportunity in the region, with openings across several occupations and industries (see Figure 14).

Table 12. Twin Cities Job Vacancy Survey Results, 2023

Occupational Group	Number of Vacancies	Wage Offer
<b>Total, All Occupations</b>	<b>78,325</b>	<b>\$20.47</b>
Management	2,679	\$45.27
Business & Financial Operations	4,811	\$32.10
Computer & Mathematical	2,240	\$42.30
Architecture & Engineering	1,868	\$35.64
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	702	\$30.28
Community & Social Service	2,921	\$22.27
Education, Training & Library	3,316	\$20.62
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	8,747	\$34.12
Healthcare Support	6,088	\$17.84
Protective Service	903	\$19.01
Food Preparation & Serving Related	11,217	\$15.82
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	1,458	\$17.19
Personal Care & Service	1,554	\$16.62
Sales & Related	10,128	\$16.42
Office & Administrative Support	5,147	\$19.56
Construction & Extraction	1,016	\$21.42
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	2,642	\$23.56
Production	3,134	\$19.51
Transportation & Material Moving	4,595	\$19.23

Figure 14. Job Vacancies by Industry, 2023



Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, 2023

OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND

Table 13. Twin Cities 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 \$33,154/yr	Nursing Assistants \$43,351/yr	Registered Nurses \$91,157/yr	Software Developers \$117,626/yr
Retail Salespersons \$33,769/yr	Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses \$59,297/yr	Clinical Laboratory Technologists & Technicians \$64,938/yr	Accountants & Auditors \$80,271/yr
Cashiers \$30,580/yr	Medical Assistants \$51,083/yr	Veterinary Technologists & Technicians \$47,307/yr	Management Analysts \$101,561/yr
Customer Service Representatives \$47,638/yr	Machinists \$59,228/yr	Dental Hygienists \$87,968/yr	Financial Managers \$141,401/yr
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation & Serving \$41,302/yr	Computer User Support Specialists \$64,464/yr	Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers \$87,344/yr	Marketing Managers \$167,023/yr
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers \$49,618/yr	Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics \$52,440/yr	Physical Therapist Assistants \$65,385/yr	Market Research Analysts & Marketing Specialists \$81,617/yr
Laborers & Freight, Stock, & Material Movers, Hand \$44,689/yr	Electricians \$82,047/yr	Radiologic Technologists & Technicians \$81,372/yr	General & Operations Managers \$102,232/yr
Stockers & Order Fillers \$36,894/yr	Dental Assistants \$64,757/yr	Industrial Engineering Technologists & Technicians \$66,723/yr	Project Management Specialists \$88,309/yr
Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers \$61,872/yr	Hairdressers, Hairstylists, & Cosmetologists \$39,273/yr	Electrical & Electronic Engineering Technologists & Technicians \$67,986/yr	Human Resources Specialists \$75,670/yr
Fast Food & Counter Workers \$31,619/yr	Web Developers \$90,321/yr	Mechanical Engineering Technologists & Technicians \$69,851/yr	Industrial Engineers \$103,178/yr

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

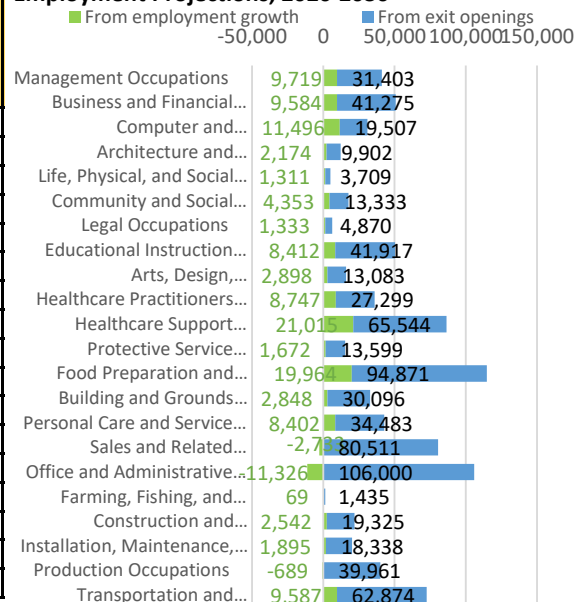
Ramsey Co. is a part of the Twin Cities planning region, which is projected to see a 6.2% increase in employment levels over the next decade. In addition to new jobs created, there will be a much larger number of exit openings (see Figure 15).

Table 14. Regional Industry Employment Projections, 2020-2030

Twin Cities Planning Region	Estimated Employment 2020	Projected Employment 2030	Percent Change 2020-2030
<b>Total, All Industries</b>	<b>1,817,290</b>	<b>1,930,563</b>	<b>6.2%</b>
Natural Resources & Mining	3,786	3,929	3.8%
Utilities	5,640	4,863	-13.8%
Construction	71,168	74,189	4.2%
Manufacturing	166,580	168,309	1.0%
Wholesale Trade	84,618	85,349	0.9%
Retail Trade	153,655	147,205	-4.2%
Transportation & Warehousing	66,965	71,507	6.8%
Information	31,984	32,510	1.6%
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	156,644	160,769	2.6%
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Companies	208,754	224,297	7.4%
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	92,297	99,818	8.1%
Educational Services	137,141	144,455	5.3%
Health Care & Social Assistance	263,959	302,212	14.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	124,778	154,995	24.2%
Other Services	66,176	73,930	11.7%
Public Administration	100,458	101,195	0.7%

Source: DEED 2020-2030 Employment Outlook

Figure 15. Regional Occupational Employment Projections, 2020-2030



ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

Coming out of the pandemic recession, after gaining jobs over the past year, Ramsey Co. had the 2nd largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Ramsey Co. was the 41st fastest growing in the past year and the 62nd fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2023, employment in Ramsey Co. is still down from the pandemic recession.

15,372 business establishments

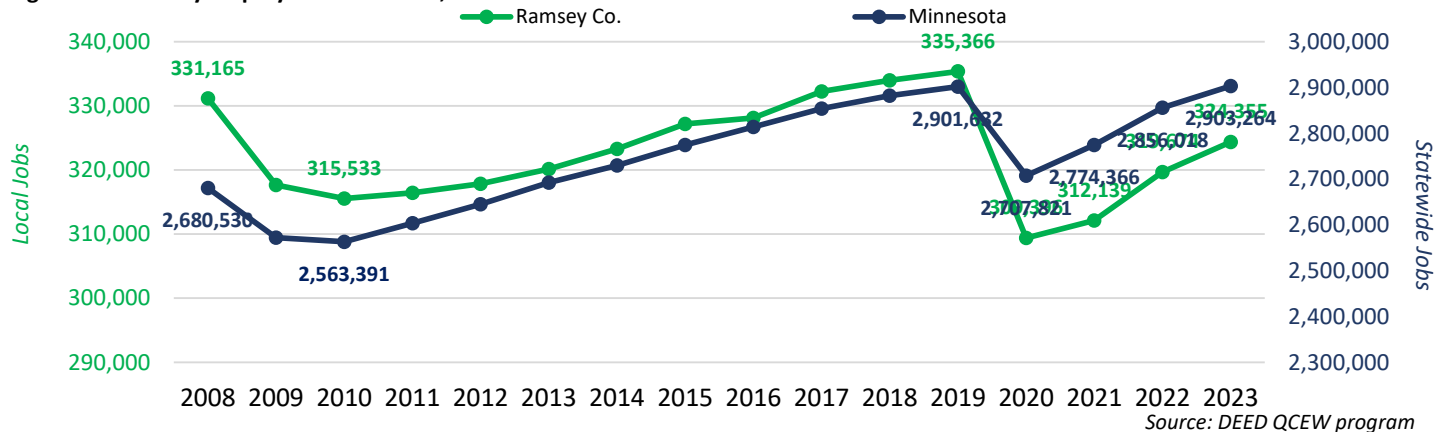
\$74,467 annual average wage

324,355 jobs

\$24,153,739,246 total industry payroll

Job change, 2019-2023: -11,011 jobs (-3.3% decline)

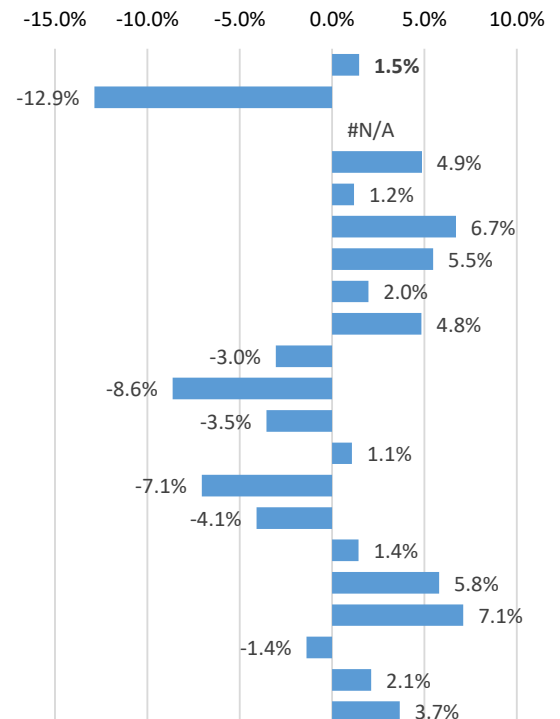
Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2008-2023



Source: DEED QCEW program

Industry	Number of Jobs	Percent of Total Jobs	Average Annual Wage
<b>Total, All Industries</b>	<b>324,355</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$74,467</b>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	61	0.0%	\$47,141
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	12,531	3.9%	\$92,639
Manufacturing	28,592	8.8%	\$96,731
Utilities	1,481	0.5%	\$110,593
Wholesale Trade	12,600	3.9%	\$99,787
Retail Trade	22,788	7.0%	\$40,871
Transportation & Warehousing	6,629	2.0%	\$69,663
Information	4,977	1.5%	\$110,998
Finance & Insurance	14,541	4.5%	\$111,843
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	4,516	1.4%	\$68,314
Professional & Technical Services	14,616	4.5%	\$105,597
Management of Companies	14,932	4.6%	\$155,418
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	16,039	4.9%	\$48,709
Educational Services	31,083	9.6%	\$62,004
Health Care & Social Assistance	70,381	21.7%	\$62,100
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	6,018	1.9%	\$43,895
Accommodation & Food Services	22,067	6.8%	\$28,479
Other Services	11,742	3.6%	\$55,155
Public Administration	28,735	8.9%	\$84,734

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2022-2023



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

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