COUNTY PROFILE

Wilkin Co.

Wilkin Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 4, which is located in the Northwest Planning Region.

POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS



Wilkin Co. is the 77th largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population decreased so far this decade, ranking as the 84th fastest growing in the state from 2020 to 2023. Wilkin 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).

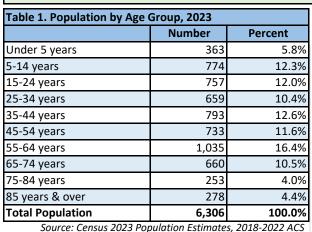
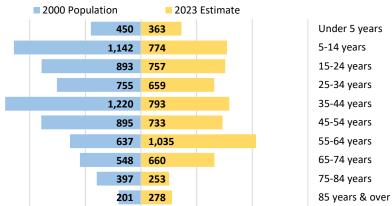


Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2000-2023



Wilkin Co. suffered a negative natural increase - more deaths than births from 2020 to 2023, but also experienced net out-migration meaning more people moved out than moved in. Despite suffering domestic out-migration, Wilkin Co. suffered net international outmigration - losing Minnesotans to other places (see Table 2).

Table 2. Cumulative Estimates of the Components of Population Change, 2020-2023								
	Total		April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2023					
	Population	Natural	Vital Events		Net Migration			
	Change	Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic	
Wilkin Co.	-202	-110	182	292	-91	-2	-89	
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, Wilkin Co. has a smaller percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2010 to 2022, Wilkin Co. saw an increase in the number of foreign-born residents, which was faster than the statewide increase.

Table 3. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born	Wilkin Co.		Change 2	010-2022	Minnesota		
Population, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change	
Foreign-born Population	50	0.8%	12	31.6%	8.5%	31.3%	
Europe	1	2.0%	-20	-95.2%	9.3%	-0.6%	
Asia	4	8.0%	-4	-50.0%	36.7%	30.2%	
Africa	0	0.0%	0	#DIV/0!	28.1%	93.1%	
Oceania	0	0.0%	-2	-100.0%	0.4%	20.4%	
Americas:	45	90.0%	38	542.9%	25.4%	7.5%	
Latin America	41	82.0%	35	583.3%	22.9%	9.0%	
Northern America	4	8.0%	3	300.0%	2.5%	-4.6%	

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

Figure 2. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born Population, 2% 2022 0% %0% Europe



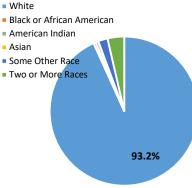
Northern America

COUNTY PROFILE

Wilkin 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
- American Indian
- Asian
- Some Other Race
- Two or More Races



	Wilkin Co.			Minnesota		
Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2022	Number	Percent	Change from 2011-2022	Percent	Change from 2011-2022	
Total	6,454	100.0%	-2.4%	100.0%	7.9%	
White	6,018	93.2%	-6.5%	79.7%	-0.4%	
Black or African American	31	0.5%	138.5%	6.7%	44.3%	
American Indian or Alaska Native	36	0.6%	24.1%	0.9%	-10.2%	
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	4	0.1%	-81.8%	5.1%	37.1%	
Some Other Race	132	2.0%	633.3%	2.3%	84.7%	
Two or More Races	233	3.6%	142.7%	5.3%	159.6%	
Hispanic or Latino origin	233	3.6%	70.1%	5.7%	34.6%	

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

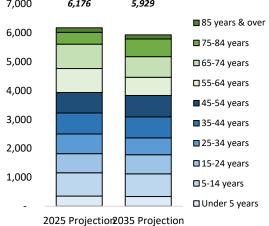
According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Wilkin Co.'s population is expected to decline from 2025 to 2035, with a rate of change that is slower than the projected statewide growth rate (4.5%). Despite the decline, the number of people aged 65 years and older is expected to increase over the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

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

Table 3.1 optimion 1 openions by Age Group, 2023 2033								
	2025	2035	Numeric	Percent				
Wilkin Co.	Projection	Projection	Change	Change				
Under 5 years	354	336	-18	-5.1%				
5-14 years	805	788	-17	-2.1%				
15-24 years	663	658	-5	-0.8%				
25-34 years	680	582	-98	-14.4%				
35-44 years	728	729	1	0.1%				
45-54 years	707	741	34	4.8%				
55-64 years	828	631	-197	-23.8%				
65-74 years	843	711	-132	-15.7%				
75-84 years	413	617	204	49.4%				
85 years & over	155	136	-19	-12.3%				
Total Population	6,176	5,929	-247	-4.0%				

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035 7,000 6,176 5,929



EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Wilkin 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. Wilkin Co. also has a higher percentage of people with an Associate's degree and a lower percentage of people with a Bachelor's degree or higher.

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

92.5%

■ Less than high school 8% 18% ☐ High school graduate (incl. equiv.) ■ Some college, no degree 30% Associate's degree 18% ■ Bachelor's degree 21% ■ Advanced degree

Figure 5. Educational Attainment, 2022

College-educated: 62.3% 68.5% state:

Associate's Degree: 18.1% Bachelor's Degree: 18.2% Advanced Degree: 4.9%

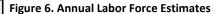
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018-2022 American Community Survey

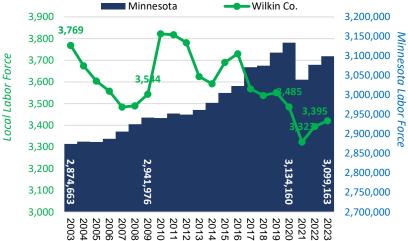
COUNTY PROFILE Wilkin Co.

LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 2.2%, Wilkin Co. had a lower unemployment rate than the state in 2023. After the pandemic recession Wilkin Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to the 3.6% pre-pandemic rate posted in 2019. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Wilkin Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2019.







Source: DEED Local Area Unemployment Statistics

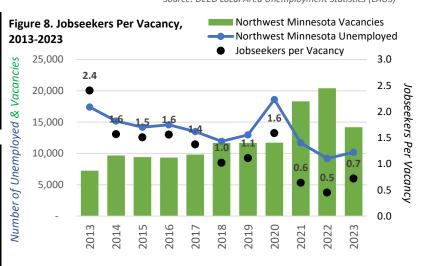
Labor force growth has slowed in recent years. After experiencing a net gain of workers each year from 1990 to 2000, Wilkin Co. averaged an annual gain of new workers from 2000 to 2010, and most recently a loss of fewer workers since 2010 (see Figure 7). Moving forward, Wilkin Co. is expected to see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

Wilkin Co. Figure 7. Annual Change in Labor Force, 1990-2023 600 Average of 4 Average of 12 Average of -34 ew workers per year new workers per year fewer workers per year 500 Year-Over-Year Change in Available Workers 400 300 200 100 31 -100 -200 -300 -400 2012-201 2011-201 2011-201 2013-2014 2019-2021ts 2019-2020tts 2018-2019-2020tts 2017-2019-2019-5tdistist 2015-2019-2019-5tdistist 2014-2014-2014-4-2014 2010-2011 2000-200: 2001-2002 2002-2003 2003-2004 2004-2005 2005-2006 2006-2007 2007-2008 2008-2009 2009-2010 2022-2023 1990-199 1991-1992 1992-1993 1995-1996 1997-1998 .993-1994 .994-1995 .996-1997 .998-1999 .999-200C

Table 6. Labor Force	Labor Force Projection			
Projections, 2025-2035	2025	2035		
16 to 24 years	437	436		
25 to 54 years	1,796	1,744		
55 to 64 years	600	458		
65 years & over	224	209		
Total Labor Force	3,057	2,847		

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 Northwest returned to pre-pandemic levels, but employers are still seeing challenges finding enough workers for open jobs (see Figure 8).



Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, LAUS program

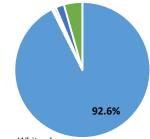
COUNTY PROFILE Wilkin Co.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

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

	In Labor Force (available workers) 3,371	Vilkin Co. Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate	Minne Labor Force Partic.	Unemp.	Labor Force	by Gender
	(available workers)	Force Partic. Rate	•	Force	•		
	3,371			Rate	Rate	Male	Female
Total Labor Force		65.1%	5.0%	68.7%	4.0%	1,955	1,415
16 to 19 years	161	59.6%	3.7%	53.0%	9.8%	92	69
20 to 24 years	356	90.6%	20.2%	83.1%	6.7%	243	113
25 to 44 years	1,249	84.1%	5.7%	88.8%	3.5%	694	555
45 to 54 years	650	86.7%	0.9%	87.8%	2.9%	354	296
55 to 64 years	768	72.5%	1.9%	72.8%	3.1%	451	317
65 to 74 years	147	21.7%	0.0%	27.6%	3.3%	97	50
75 years & over	39	7.2%	0.0%	6.6%	3.2%	24	15
Employment Characteristics by Race & His	panic Origin					Figure 9. La	abor Force l
White alone	3,121	64.6%	5.3%	67.8%	3.4%	Race, 2022	
Black or African American	16	51.6%	0.0%	71.5%	8.7%		
American Indian & Alaska Native	19	79.2%	31.6%	57.6%	11.9%		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	73.9%	3.6%		
Some Other Race	67	68.4%	0.0%	76.1%	6.1%		N N
Two or More Races	148	76.7%	0.0%	74.3%	6.6%		
Hispanic or Latino	83	59.3%	27.7%	77.0%	6.3%		
Employment Characteristics by Disability,	20 to 64 years						
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	273	53.7%	25.3%	54.4%	10.2%		92.6
Employment Characteristics by Education	al Attainment, 25	to 64 years					
Population, 25 to 64 years	2,666	80.9%	3.5%	84.4%	3.3%	White al	
Less than H.S. Diploma	103	79.8%	4.4%	67.2%	4.6%		African Ameri
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	656	70.7%	3.4%	76.8%	2.5%		n Indian & Ala
Some College or Assoc. Degree	1,144	85.6%	1.7%	85.1%	3.6%		Other Pac. Isla
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	764	84.7%	5.0%	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 Wilkin Co. worked in the same county in which they live compared to the state. Wilkin Co. also had a shorter average commute time than the state.

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

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	Wilkin	Co.	Minne	esota	ì
Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Worked in state of residence	1,635	52.1%	2,867,086	97.7%	1
Worked in county of residence	1,227	39.1%	1,957,366	66.7%	ı
Worked out of county of residence	408	13.0%	909,720	31.0%	ı
Worked outside state of residence	1,504	47.9%	67,495	2.3%	ı
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK					
Car, truck, or van	2,646	84.3%	2,387,561	81.6%	5
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	13	0.4%	81,926	2.8%	ı
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	220	7.0%	122,889	4.2%	Е
Worked at home	264	8.4%	333,556	11.4%	ı
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK					. 7
Less than 10 minutes	954	30.4%	465,223	15.9%	,
10 to 19 minutes	1,058	33.7%	895,335	30.6%	ı
20 to 29 minutes	402	12.8%	649,557	22.2%	8
30 to 44 minutes	452	14.4%	567,631	19.4%	ı
45 to 59 minutes	141	4.5%	190,186	6.5%	ı
60 or more minutes	129	4.1%	158,000	5.4%	ı
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	19.0	minutes	23.3	minutes	i

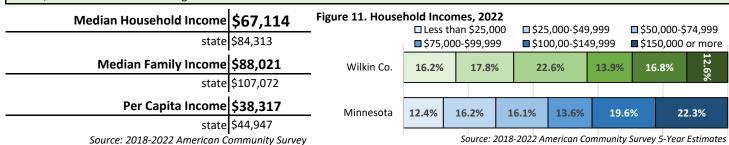
Figure 10. Time Leaving Home to go to Work, 2022 Wilkin Co. ■ Minnesota 0% 20% 40% 60% 12:00 a.m. to 1.8% 4:59 a.m. 5:00 a.m. to 5:59 a.m. 6:00 a.m. to 6:59 18.7% 19.2% 7:00 a.m. to 7:59 42.4% a.m. 28.7% 8:00 a.m. to 8:59 a.m. 14.7% 9:00 a.m. to 18.0% 11:59 p.m. 23.5%

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

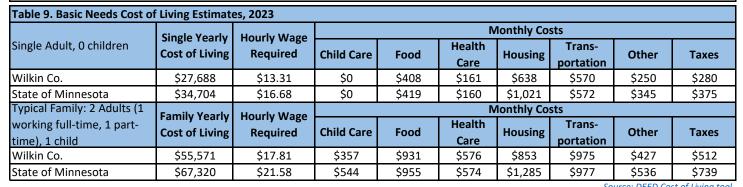
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INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

Wilkin Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Wilkin Co. had the 54th 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. Wilkin Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$13.31 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$17.81 for a typical family with 2 adults and 1 child (see Table 9).



Wilkin Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 57th highest value of the 87 counties in 2022. Wilkin 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-	Wilkin	Co.	Minnesota	Figure 12. Year St	tructure Built, 2022	2
occupied Housing Units, 2022	Total	Percent	Percent	0	10%	
Total	2,143	100.0%	100.0%	■ Wilk		M
Less than \$50,000	206	9.6%	4.1%	2010 or later	2.8%	
\$50,000 to \$99,999	377	17.6%	4.6%	2000 to 2009	11.5	
\$100,000 to \$149,999	338	15.8%	7.1%	2000 to 2003	13	1.3
\$150,000 to \$199,999	355	16.6%	10.7%	1980 to 1999		
\$200,000 to \$299,999	495	23.1%	27.1%	1960 to 1979		
\$300,000 to \$499,999	286	13.3%	31.7%			
\$500,000 or more	86	4.0%	14.7%	1940 to 1959	1:	3.8
Median (dollars)	\$169,1	100	\$286,800	1020 or oarlier		

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

0% 10% 20% 30% Wilkin Co. Minnesota 2010 or later 7.8% 11.5% 2000 to 2009 13.3% 16.2% 1980 to 1999 25.5% 27.2% 1960 to 1979 23.8% 18.2% 1940 to 1959 13.8% 24.1% 1939 or earlier

Figure 13. Housing Costs as a

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

state \$1,818

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

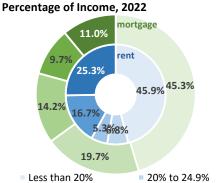
20.7%

Median monthly rent costs \$549

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



25.0% to 29.9%

30.0% to 34.9%

35% or more

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OCCUPATIONS

At \$23.04 in 2024, wages were lower in Region 4 than the state. Overall, Region 4 had the 8th highest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$46.14) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$14.43) (see Table 11).

Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 20	Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2024						
Region 4					Stat	te 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	\$23.04	89,340	100.0%	1.0	\$25.22	2,881,100	100.0%
Management	\$46.14	4,990	5.6%	0.8	\$57.75	201,710	7.0%
Business & Financial Operations	\$32.67	3,240	3.6%	0.5	\$39.26	202,700	7.0%
Computer & Mathematical	\$37.23	1,020	1.1%	0.3	\$50.83	98,240	3.4%
Architecture & Engineering	\$37.82	1,530	1.7%	0.8	\$42.97	58,320	2.0%
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$34.31	560	0.6%	0.6	\$39.93	29,220	1.0%
Community & Social Service	\$27.42	2,080	2.3%	1.2	\$27.92	57,930	2.0%
Legal	\$39.47	350	0.4%	0.6	\$51.15	19,040	0.7%
Education, Training & Library	\$25.33	6,470	7.2%	1.3	\$28.22	163,340	5.7%
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$23.86	850	1.0%	0.8	\$29.01	36,160	1.3%
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$38.15	5,640	6.3%	1.0	\$43.01	184,410	6.4%
Healthcare Support	\$18.29	5,150	5.8%	1.0	\$18.07	169,580	5.9%
Protective Service	\$28.64	1,500	1.7%	1.1	\$28.87	45,860	1.6%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$14.43	8,410	9.4%	1.2	\$15.07	232,190	8.1%
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$18.65	3,040	3.4%	1.2	\$18.83	79,660	2.8%
Personal Care & Service	\$16.73	1,810	2.0%	1.0	\$17.60	59,420	2.1%
Sales & Related	\$17.63	8,050	9.0%	1.1	\$18.82	242,440	8.4%
Office & Administrative Support	\$22.22	10,350	11.6%	0.9	\$23.86	352,250	12.2%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$21.66	240	0.3%	2.2	\$22.13	3,520	0.1%
Construction & Extraction	\$29.67	4,640	5.2%	1.3	\$32.44	110,960	3.9%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$26.01	3,990	4.5%	1.2	\$29.54	104,530	3.6%
Production	\$22.80	7,860	8.8%	1.2	\$23.05	203,810	7.1%
Transportation & Material Moving	\$21.36	7,580	8.5%	1.1	\$19.80	225,820	7.8%

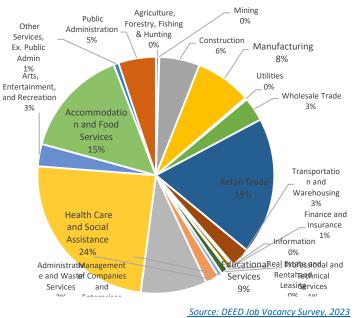
Source: DEED Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, Qtr. 1 2024

JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Wilkin Co. is a part of the Northwest planning region. There were 14193 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. Northwest Job Vacancy Survey Results, 2023					
	Number of	Wage			
Occupational Group	Vacancies	Offer			
Total, All Occupations	14,193				
Management	180	70-100			
Business & Financial Operations	162	\$23.79			
Computer & Mathematical	49	\$30.06			
Architecture & Engineering	110	\$30.65			
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	105				
Community & Social Service	326	•			
Education, Training & Library	668				
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,478				
Healthcare Support	1,168				
Protective Service	277				
Food Preparation & Serving Related	2,518	•			
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	594				
Personal Care & Service	223				
Sales & Related	1,918				
Office & Administrative Support	508				
Construction & Extraction	727	N/A			
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	609	\$20.26			
Production	668	\$20.44			
Transportation & Material Moving	1,263	\$20.23			

Figure 14. Job Vacancies by Industry, 2023



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OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND

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

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

Wilkin Co. is a part of the Northwest planning region, which is projected to see a 5.1% increase in employment levels over the next decade. In addition to new jobs created, there will be a much larger number of exit openings (see Figure 15).

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

Figure 15. Regional Occupational

Employment Projections, 2020-2030							
From employment growth From exit opening							
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Management Occupations	455	9,69	12				
Business and Financial	511	2,37					
Computer and		577					
Architecture and		861					
Life, Physical, and Social	0	450					
Community and Social			25				
,		, -	35				
Legal Occupations		373					
Educational Instruction and	'		45				
Arts, Design,		1,45					
Healthcare Practitioners	1,057	3,9	22				
Healthcare Support	2,24	0 8,	874				
Protective Service	219	1,72	3				
Food Preparation and	2,9	57	4,657				
Building and Grounds	643	5,34	10				
Personal Care and Service	1.061	5,1	4 3				
Sales and Related	-88	4 12,7					
Office and Administrative1		12,9					
Farming, Fishing, and	, -	1,52					
Construction and Extraction		3,70					
Installation, Maintenance,		3,32					
Production Occupations		7,36					
Transportation and		,					
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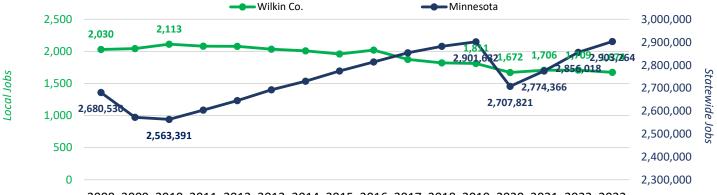
Coming out of the pandemic recession, after losing jobs over the past year, Wilkin Co. had the 80th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Wilkin Co. was the 83rd fastest growing in the past year and the 79th fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2023, employment in Wilkin Co. is still down from the pandemic recession.

205 business establishments \$53,918 annual average wage

1,674 jobs \$90,259,303 total industry payroll

Job change, 2019-2023 -7.6% decline

Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2008-2023

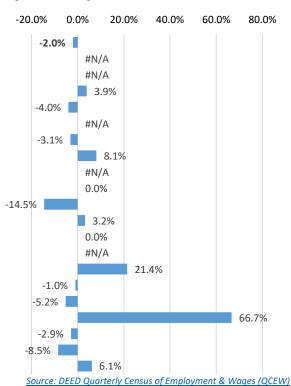


2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023

Source: DEED QCEW program

			Average
Table 15. Wilkin Co. Industry Employment	Number of	Percent of	Annual
Statistics, 2023	Jobs	Total Jobs	Wage
Total, All Industries	1,674	100.0%	\$53,918
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	133	7.9%	\$50,040
Manufacturing	24	1.4%	\$43,119
Utilities	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Wholesale Trade	155	9.3%	\$100,081
Retail Trade	107	6.4%	\$38,345
Transportation & Warehousing	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Information	3	0.2%	\$26,647
Finance & Insurance	59	3.5%	\$101,831
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	54	3.2%	\$101,716
Professional & Technical Services	41	2.4%	\$79,083
Management of Companies	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	17	1.0%	\$45,466
Educational Services	206	12.3%	\$43,005
Health Care & Social Assistance	344	20.5%	\$48,015
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	5	0.3%	\$2,340
Accommodation & Food Services	68	4.1%	\$19,993
Other Services	54	3.2%	\$41,499
Public Administration	139	8.3%	\$52,324

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2022-2023



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