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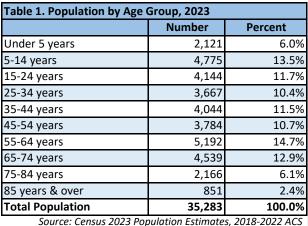
Becker Co.

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

POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

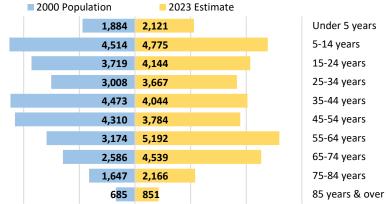


Becker Co. is the 31st largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population increased so far this decade, ranking as the 45th fastest growing in the state from 2020 to 2023. Becker Co.'s population has an older median age than the state and a larger percentage of people aged 65 years and older. The population is aging, especially as the Baby Boom generation moves through the population pyramid (see Figure 1).



2.9%

Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2000-2023



Becker Co. suffered a negative natural increase - more deaths than births from 2020 to 2023, but also experienced net in-migration - meaning more people moved in than moved out. In addition to domestic in-migration, Becker 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		April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2023					
	Population	Natural	Vital Events		Net Migration			
	Change	Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic	
Becker Co.	111	-186	1,175	1,361	289	30	259	
State of Minnesota	31,111	40,368	207,857	167,489	-11,352	34,624	-45,976	

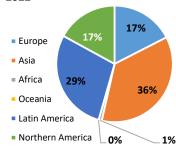
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

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

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Becker Co.		Change 2	010-2022	Minnesota				
Number	Percent	Number Percent		Percent	Change			
452	1.3%	44	10.8%	8.5%	31.3%			
79	17.5%	-47	-37.3%	9.3%	-0.6%			
163	36.1%	54	49.5%	36.7%	30.2%			
4	0.9%	4	#DIV/0!	28.1%	93.1%			
0	0.0%	-4	-100.0%	0.4%	20.4%			
206	45.6%	37	21.9%	25.4%	7.5%			
129	28.5%	66	104.8%	22.9%	9.0%			
77	17.0%	-29	-27.4%	2.5%	-4.6%			
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018-2022 American Community Survey

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



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

Figure 3. Population by Race,
2022

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

		Becker Co	Minnesota		
Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2022	Number	Percent	Change from 2011-2022	Percent	Change from 2011-2022
Total	35,202	100.0%	8.6%	100.0%	7.9%
White	30,449	86.5%	6.2%	79.7%	-0.4%
Black or African American	271	0.8%	100.7%	6.7%	44.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	1,826	5.2%	-14.1%	0.9%	-10.2%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	245	0.7%	73.8%	5.1%	37.1%
Some Other Race	256	0.7%	220.0%	2.3%	84.7%
Two or More Races	2,155	6.1%	69.3%	5.3%	159.6%
Hispanic or Latino origin	805	2.3%	74.6%	5.7%	34.6%

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

86.5%

According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Becker 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 2025 2035 Numeric Percent Becker Co. **Projection** Projection Change Change Under 5 years 1,999 2,075 76 3.8% 5-14 years 4,567 4,367 -200 -4.4% 4,286 4,204 -1.9% 15-24 years -82 25-34 years 3,556 3,980 424 11.9% 2.7% 35-44 years 4,242 4,358 116 4,069 743 18.3% 45-54 years 4,812 55-64 years 4,728 4,790 62 1.3% 65-74 years 5,146 4,913 -233 -4.5% 75-84 years 2,699 3,750 1.051 38.9% 85 years & over 888 1.174 286 32.2% **Total Population** 36,180 38,423 2,243 6.2%

Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-2035 45,000 36,180 38,423 ■ 85 years & over 40,000 ■ 75-84 years 35,000 **□** 65-74 years 30,000 **□** 55-64 years 25,000 ■ 45-54 years 20,000 ■ 35-44 years 15,000 ■ 25-34 years 10,000 ■ 15-24 years 5,000 ■ 5-14 years □ Under 5 years 2025 Projection 2035 Projection

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

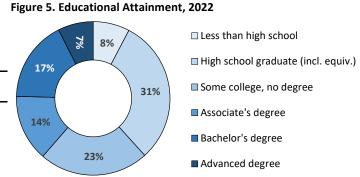
Becker Co. has a lower percentage of adults (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma than the state (93.0%), and a lower percentage of people with at least some college experience. Becker Co. also has a higher percentage of people with an Associate's degree and a lower percentage of people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

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

92.3%

College-educated: 61.7%
state: 68.5%

Associate's Degree: 14.0%
Bachelor's Degree: 17.1%
Advanced Degree: 7.5%



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

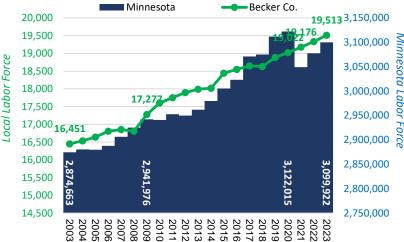
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LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 3%, Becker Co. had a higher unemployment rate than the state in 2023. After the pandemic recession Becker Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to the 4% prepandemic rate posted in 2019. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Becker Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2019.



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

Becker Co. Figure 7. Annual Change in Labor Force, 1990-2023 1,600 Average of 300 Average of 195 Average of 142

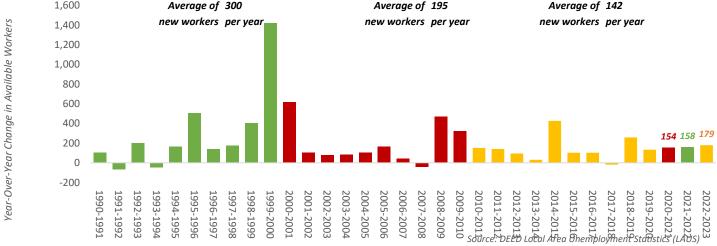
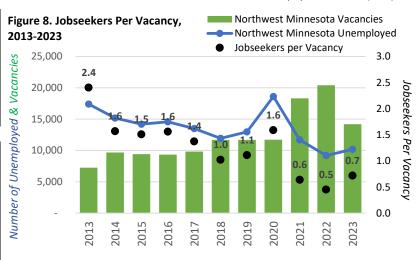


Table 6. Labor Force	Labor Force Projection			
Projections, 2025-2035	2025	2035		
16 to 24 years	2,721	2,708		
25 to 54 years	10,286	11,393		
55 to 64 years	3,155	3,196		
65 years & over	1,597	1,642		
Total Labor Force	17,759	18,939		

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

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LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

Becker Co. had a lower labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in Becker 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								
	В	ecker Co.		Minne	esota			
	In Labor Force (available workers)	Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate	Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate			
Total Labor Force	17,357	62.4%	4.3%	68.7%	4.0%	Г		
16 to 19 years	1,096	60.5%	8.0%	53.0%	9.8%			
20 to 24 years	1,481	81.5%	9.3%	83.1%	6.7%	Г		
25 to 44 years	6,708	87.2%	3.8%	88.8%	3.5%			
45 to 54 years	3,235	85.7%	3.1%	87.8%	2.9%			
55 to 64 years	3,456	66.7%	3.7%	72.8%	3.1%			
65 to 74 years	1,159	25.6%	2.4%	27.6%	3.3%			
75 years & over	235	7.8%	3.4%	6.6%	3.2%			
Employment Characteristics by Race & H	ispanic Origin					ı		
White alone	15,570	63.0%	3.8%	67.8%	3.4%	ĺι		
Black or African American	88	68.2%	4.5%	71.5%	8.7%			
American Indian & Alaska Native	631	47.9%	9.8%	57.6%	11.9%	Ĺ		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	143	83.6%	6.3%	73.9%	3.6%	ĺ		
Some Other Race	71	38.6%	0.0%	76.1%	6.1%	ĺ		
Two or More Races	870	66.9%	8.2%	74.3%	6.6%	ľ		
Hispanic or Latino	354	77.1%	19.5%	77.0%	6.3%	ĺ		
Employment Characteristics by Disability	, 20 to 64 years					ĺ		
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	1,328	55.2%	11.2%	54.4%	10.2%	ĺ		
Employment Characteristics by Education	nal Attainment, 25	to 64 years				ĺ		
Population, 25 to 64 years	13,402	80.5%	3.6%	84.4%	3.3%	ĺ		
Less than H.S. Diploma	783	74.2%	5.4%	67.2%	4.6%			
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	3,300	74.4%	1.5%	76.8%	2.5%	ĺ		
Some College or Assoc. Degree	5,723	83.0%	3.9%	85.1%	3.6%	ĺ		
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	3,599	84.4%	1.1%	90.3%	2.0%	ĺ		

Figure 9. Labor Force by Race, 2022

Labor Force by Gender

Female

8,181

573

680

3,212

1,465

1,551

629 71

Male

9,189

522

800

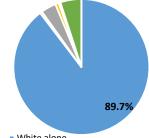
3,498

1,770

1,906

530

163



- White alone
- Black or African American
- American Indian & Alaska Native
- Asian or Other Pac. Islanders
- Some Other Race
- Two or More Races

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

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

	Becker	Co.	Minne	esota	ľ
Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	ı
Worked in state of residence	15,212	93.6%	2,867,086	97.7%	İ
Worked in county of residence	12,400	76.3%	1,957,366	66.7%	ĺ
Worked out of county of residence	2,812	17.3%	909,720	31.0%	ĺ
Worked outside state of residence	1,040	6.4%	67,495	2.3%	ĺ
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK					ĺ.
Car, truck, or van	13,863	85.3%	2,338,861	79.7%	į
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	98	0.6%	73,365	2.5%	ĺ
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	634	3.9%	120,318	4.1%	6
Worked at home	1,658	10.2%	399,103	13.6%	ĺ
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK					ŀ
Less than 10 minutes	3,705	22.8%	475,402	16.2%	
10 to 19 minutes	5,558	34.2%	906,786	30.9%	ĺ
20 to 29 minutes	2,958	18.2%	651,477	22.2%	[{
30 to 44 minutes	1,918	11.8%	563,440	19.2%	ĺ
45 to 59 minutes	1,056	6.5%	181,944	6.2%	ĺ
60 or more minutes	1,056	6.5%	155,533	5.3%	
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	22.1	minutes	23.3	minutes	ĺ

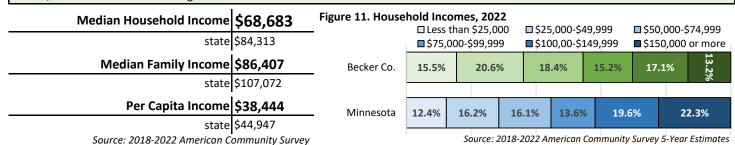
Figure 10. Time Leaving Home to go to Work, 2022 Becker Co. ■ Minnesota 0% 20% 40% 12:00 a.m. to 4.8% 4:59 a.m. 5:00 a.m. to 5:59 a.m. 9.2% 6:00 a.m. to 6:59 17.4% 19.2% 7:00 a.m. to 7:59 35.0% a.m. 28.7% 8:00 a.m. to 8:59 a.m. 14.7% 9:00 a.m. to 21.6% 11:59 p.m. 23.5%

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

COUNTY PROFILE Becker Co

INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

Becker Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Becker Co. had the 47th 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. Becker Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$14.11 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$18.69 for a typical family with 2 adults and 1 child (see Table 9).

Table 9. Basic Needs Cost of Living Estimates, 2023 **Monthly Costs Single Yearly Hourly Wage** Single Adult, 0 children Health Trans-**Cost of Living** Required **Child Care** Housing **Food** Other **Taxes** Care portation \$29,347 \$14.11 \$0 \$409 \$690 \$263 \$307 Becker Co. \$161 \$616 State of Minnesota \$16.68 \$0 \$160 \$572 \$375 \$34,704 \$419 \$1,021 \$345 Typical Family: 2 Adults (1 **Monthly Costs** Family Yearly **Hourly Wage** working full-time, 1 part-Health Trans-**Child Care Cost of Living** Required Food Housing Other Taxes time), 1 child Care ortation \$58,317 \$18.69 \$361 \$933 \$893 \$437 \$569 Becker Co. \$576 \$1,091 \$544 State of Minnesota \$67,320 \$21.58 \$955 \$574 \$1,285 \$977 \$536 \$739

Becker Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 18th highest value of the 87 counties in 2022. Becker Co.'s housing stock was newer than the state's, with a higher percentage of units built since 2000 (see Figure 12).

Table 10. Estimated Value of Owner-	Becker Co.		Minnesota	Figure 12. Year St	ructure B	uilt, 2022
occupied Housing Units, 2022	Total	Percent	Percent	0	%	10%
Total	11,049	100.0%	100.0%	■ Beck	er Co.	■ N
Less than \$50,000	689	6.2%	4.1%	2010 or later		9.9% 7.8 %
\$50,000 to \$99,999	821	7.4%	4.6%	2000 to 2009		
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,186	10.7%	7.1%			13.3
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,574	14.2%	10.7%	1980 to 1999		
\$200,000 to \$299,999	2,475	22.4%	27.1%	1960 to 1979		
\$300,000 to \$499,999	2,603	23.6%	31.7%			
\$500,000 or more	1,701	15.4%	14.7%	1940 to 1959		12.49 13.
Median (dollars)	\$249,6	500	\$286,800	1939 or earlier		13.4

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

0% 10% 20% 30% ■ Becker Co. ■ Minnesota 9.9% 2010 or later 7.8% 17.2% 2000 to 2009 13.3% 1980 to 1999 25.5% 26.4% 1960 to 1979 23.8% 12.4% 1940 to 1959 13.8% 13.4% 1939 or earlier

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

26.8%

Median monthly rent costs \$854

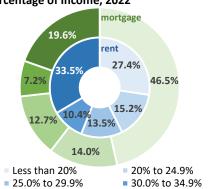
Percentage of renters spending 30% or more of their household income on rent

state 46.7%

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



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, 2024							
	Region 4				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	\$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%

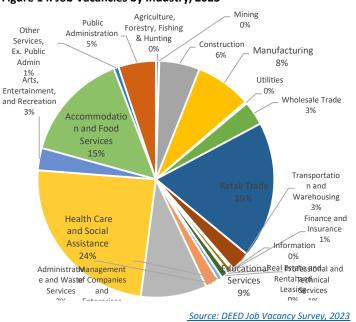
Source: DEED Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, Qtr. 1 2024

JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Becker 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	\$31.08					
Business & Financial Operations	162						
Computer & Mathematical	49	700.00					
Architecture & Engineering	110	\$30.65					
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	105	\$26.90					
Community & Social Service	326	\$22.39					
Education, Training & Library	668						
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,478	\$28.94					
Healthcare Support	1,168						
Protective Service	277	\$23.55					
Food Preparation & Serving Related	2,518	\$14.63					
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	594	\$16.01					
Personal Care & Service	223						
Sales & Related	1,918	\$15.97					
Office & Administrative Support	508	\$17.18					
Construction & Extraction	727	,					
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 Plannin	Table 13. Northwest Planning Region Occupations in Demand, 2023							
Less than High School	High School or Equivalent	Some College or Assoc. Deg.	Bachelor's Degree or Higher					
Home Health and Personal Care Aides	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	Registered Nurses	General and Operations Managers					
\$36,108/yr	\$54,491/yr	\$84,785/yr	\$77,521/yr					
Retail Salespersons	Nursing Assistants	Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers	Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education					
\$35,088/yr	\$40,033/yr	\$71,010/yr	\$64,121/yr					
Cashiers	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational	Radiologic Technologists and	Secondary School Teachers, Except					
	Nurses	Technicians	Special and Career/Technical					
\$30,773/yr	\$54,946/yr	\$78,771/yr	\$66,299/yr					
Teaching Assistants, Except Postsecondary	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	Dental Hygienists	Accountants and Auditors					
\$38,126/yr	\$47,486/yr	\$85,989/yr	\$64,893/yr					
Stockers and Order Fillers	Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	Civil Engineering Technologists and Technicians	Substitute Teachers, Short-Term					
\$40,709/yr	\$48,131/yr	\$71,227/yr	\$46,162/yr					
Janitors and Cleaners,	Substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and	Paralegals and Legal Assistants	Medical and Health Services					
Except Maids and	mental health counselors	raialegais allu Legai Assistailts	Managers					
\$38,122/yr	\$49,479/yr	\$59,200/yr	\$102,974/yr					
Cooks, Restaurant	Machinists	Occupational Therapy Assistants	Child, Family, and School Social Workers					
\$36,830/yr	\$51,295/yr	\$59,627/yr	\$63,680/yr					
	Electricians	Computer Network Support	Preschool Teachers, Except Special					
Food Preparation Workers	Electricians	Specialists	Education					
\$31,855/yr	\$65,524/yr	\$70,049/yr	\$37,999/yr					
Miscellaneous Assemblers	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel	Surgical Technologists	Pharmacists					
and Fabricators	Engine Specialists	Surgical reciliologists	Filalillacists					
\$40,826/yr	\$59,152/yr	\$64,809/yr	\$140,993/yr					
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	Paramedics	Industrial Engineering Technologists and Technicians	Physical Therapists					
\$46,395/yr	\$64,134/yr	\$60,791/yr	\$98,061/yr					

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

From exit openings

Becker Co. is a part of the Northwest 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 Pr	Figure 15. Regional Occu	upatio	onal			
	Estimated.	Dunington	Damasust	Employment Projection: From employment gro	2-2032 Fro	
	Estimated	Projected	Percent	-5,0		5,000
	Employment	Employ-	Change	Management Occupations	994	6,607
Northwest Planning Region	2022	ment 2032		Business and Financial	514	3,361
Total, All Industries	265,321	275,647	3.9%	Computer and	324	
Natural Resources & Mining	6,095	6,335	3.9%	Architecture and	338	1,122
Utilities	1,126	1,125	-0.1%	Life, Physical, and Social	108	475
Construction	11,719	12,715	8.5%	Community and Social	578	2 ,713
Manufacturing	29,871	31,429	5.2%	Legal Occupations	38	340
Wholesale Trade	12,936	14,034	8.5%	Educational Instruction and Arts, Design,	511 129	7,826 2,518
Retail Trade	27,705	27,590	-0.4%	Healthcare Practitioners		
Transportation & Warehousing	5,579	5,997	7.5%	Healthcare Support		
Information	2,451	2,470	0.8%	Protective Service	152	2 ,152
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	8,067	8,366	3.7%	Food Preparation and	869	17,902
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Compani	5,609	6,152	9.7%	Building and Grounds	494	6,547
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	4,192	4,460	6.4%	Personal Care and Service Sales and Related	553 -31	5,268
Educational Services	22,849	22,989	0.6%	Office and Administrative1		² 14,814 15,558
Health Care & Social Assistance	36,421	38,978	7.0%	Farming, Fishing, and	,038 - 54	1,975
Leisure & Hospitality	24,958	26,706	7.0%	Construction and Extraction	939	5,328
Other Services	9,824	10,129	3.1%	Installation, Maintenance,	765	4,558
Public Administration	24,161	24,869	2.9%	Production Occupations	523	8,662
	urce: DEED 2022-2	,		Transportation and	1,566	12,17

Community and Social... 578 2,713
Legal Occupations 38 340
Educational Instruction and... 511 7,826 Arts, Design,... 129 **2,518** Healthcare Practitioners... 1,065 5,003 Healthcare Support... 1,222 9,828 Protective Service... 152 2,152 Food Preparation and... 869 17,902 Building and Grounds... 494 6,547 Personal Care and Service... 553 5,268 Sales and Related... Office and Administrative...1,098 15,558

COUNTY PROFILE Becker Co.

ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

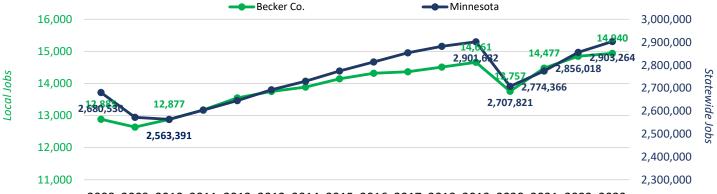
Coming out of the pandemic recession, after gaining jobs over the past year, Becker Co. had the 30th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Becker Co. was the 57th fastest growing in the past year and the 23rd fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2023, employment in Becker Co. grew despite the pandemic recession.

1,130 business establishments \$51,064 annual average wage

14,940 jobs \$762,898,874 total industry payroll

Job change, 279 jobs 1.9% increase

Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2008-2023

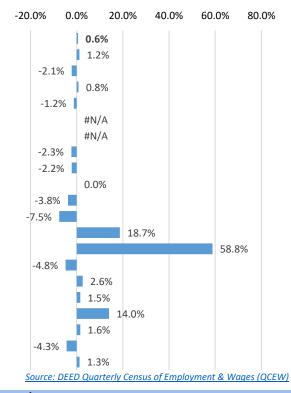


2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023

Source: DEED QCEW program

			Average
Table 15. Becker Co. Industry	Number of	Percent of	Annual
Employment Statistics, 2023	Jobs	Total Jobs	Wage
Total, All Industries	14,940	100.0%	\$51,064
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	340	2.3%	\$49,973
Mining	46	0.3%	\$88,790
Construction	993	6.6%	\$68,352
Manufacturing	2,473	16.6%	\$57,543
Utilities	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Wholesale Trade	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Retail Trade	1,867	12.5%	\$37,048
Transportation & Warehousing	544	3.6%	\$52,799
Information	89	0.6%	\$53,368
Finance & Insurance	307	2.1%	\$70,557
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	86	0.6%	\$52,578
Professional & Technical Services	355	2.4%	\$83,686
Management of Companies	27	0.2%	\$72,888
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	297	2.0%	\$40,740
Educational Services	1,056	7.1%	\$47,314
Health Care & Social Assistance	3,297	22.1%	\$58,950
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	366	2.4%	\$17,842
Accommodation & Food Services	1,428	9.6%	\$21,588
Other Services	440	2.9%	\$34,732
Public Administration	716	4.8%	\$64,714

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2022-2023



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