

COUNTY PROFILE

Kittson Co.

Kittson Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 1, which is located in the Northwest Planning Region.

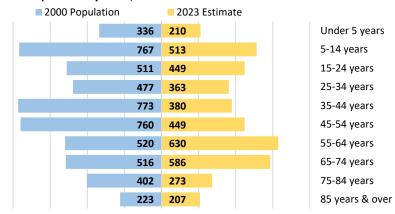
POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS



Kittson Co. is the 84th largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population decreased so far this decade, ranking as the 86th fastest growing in the state from 2020 to 2023. Kittson 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, 2023 Number Percent Under 5 years 210 5.2% 513 12.6% 5-14 years 15-24 years 449 11.0% 25-34 years 363 8.9% 35-44 years 380 9.4% 449 45-54 years 11.0% 55-64 years 630 15.5% 65-74 years 586 14.4% 75-84 years 273 6.7% 207 85 years & over 5.1% **Total Population** 4,060 100.0% Source: Census 2023 Population Estimates, 2018-2022 ACS

Figure 1. Population Pyramid, 2000-2023



Kittson 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, Kittson Co. welcomed net international inmigration - gaining new Minnesotans from foreign countries (see Table 2).

Table 2. Cumulative Estimates of the Components of Population Change, 2020-2023								
	Total		April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2023					
	Population	Natural	Vital Events		Net Migration			
	Change	Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic	
Kittson Co.	-167	-103	111	214	-63	18	-81	
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, Kittson Co. has a smaller percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2010 to 2022, Kittson Co. saw a decrease in the number of foreign-born residents, though it was slower than the statewide increase.

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Table 3. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born	Kittson Co. Change 2010-2022		-2022 Minnesota					
Population, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change		
Foreign-born Population	92	2.2%	-49	-34.8%	8.5%	31.3%		
Europe	9	9.8%	-15	-62.5%	9.3%	-0.6%		
Asia	19	20.7%	-4	-17.4%	36.7%	30.2%		
Africa	31	33.7%	25	416.7%	28.1%	93.1%		
Oceania	0	0.0%	0	#DIV/0!	0.4%	20.4%		
Americas:	33	35.9%	-55	-62.5%	25.4%	7.5%		
Latin America	16	17.4%	-15	-48.4%	22.9%	9.0%		
Northern America	17	18.5%	-40	-70.2%	2.5%	-4.6%		

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

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



Northern America

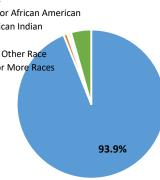
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Kittson Co.'s population was becoming more racially diverse over time. Since 2011, the county's white population declined, but the number of people of other races increased (see Table 4).

Figure 3. Population by Race, 2022



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



		Kittson Co	Minnesota		
Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2022	Number	Percent	Change from 2011-2022	Percent	Change from 2011-2022
Total	4,191	100.0%	-8.4%	100.0%	7.9%
White	3,937	93.9%	-11.6%	79.7%	-0.4%
Black or African American	34	0.8%	17.2%	6.7%	44.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	10	0.2%	-44.4%	0.9%	-10.2%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	21	0.5%	10.5%	5.1%	37.1%
Some Other Race	5	0.1%	-64.3%	2.3%	84.7%
Two or More Races	184	4.4%	338.1%	5.3%	159.6%
Hispanic or Latino origin	56	1.3%	80.6%	5.7%	34.6%

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

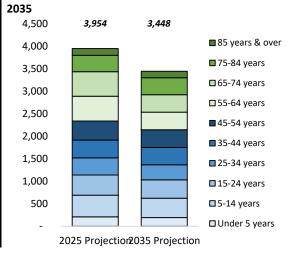
According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Kittson Co.'s population is expected to decline from 2025 to 2035, with a rate of change that is slower than the projected statewide growth rate (4.5%). Despite the decline, the number of people aged 65 years and older is expected to decrease over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

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

2025 2035 Numeric Percent Kittson Co. Projection Projection Change Change Under 5 years 194 -17 -8.1% 5-14 years 479 431 -48 -10.0% 451 407 -44 -9.8% 15-24 years 25-34 years 379 336 -43 -11.3% 35-44 years 397 385 -12 -3.0% 425 -32 -7.5% 45-54 years 393 55-64 years 551 391 -160 -29.0% 65-74 years 545 388 -157 -28.8% 75-84 years 365 380 15 4.1% 85 years & over 151 143 -8 -5.3% **Total Population** 3,954 3,448 -506 -12.8%

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2025-



EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

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

58.5%

68.5%

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

95.3%

8% 18% 37% 11%

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

23%

Associate's Degree: 10.8% 17.6% Bachelor's Degree: Advanced Degree: 7.6%

state:

College-educated:

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

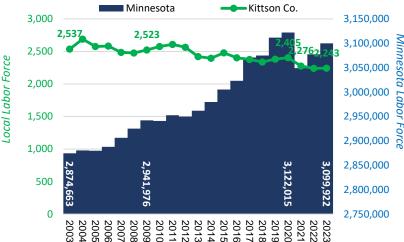
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LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 3%, Kittson Co. had a higher unemployment rate than the state in 2023. After the pandemic recession Kittson Co.'s unemployment rate declined compared to the 3.7% pre-pandemic rate posted in 2019. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Kittson 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 loss of workers each year from 1990 to 2000, Kittson 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, Kittson Co. is expected to see a labor force decline from 2025 to 2035 (see Table 6).

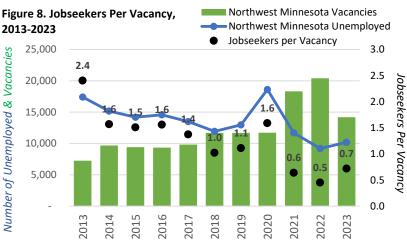
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Table 6. Labor Force	Labor Force Projection			
Projections, 2025-2035	2025	2035		
16 to 24 years	273	249		
25 to 54 years	1,089	1,010		
55 to 64 years	395	280		
65 years & over	227	176		
Total Labor Force	1,985	1,716		

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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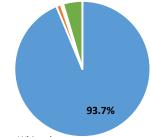
LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

shorter average commute time than the state.

Kittson Co. had a lower labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in Kittson 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							
	К	ittson Co.		Minne	esota	Labor Force	by Gender
	In Labor Force (available workers)	Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate	Labor Force Partic. Rate	Unemp. Rate	Male	Female
Total Labor Force	2,125	62.4%	3.1%	68.7%	4.0%	1,184	941
16 to 19 years	99	51.6%	4.0%	53.0%	9.8%	51	48
20 to 24 years	200	85.8%	12.5%	83.1%	6.7%	120	80
25 to 44 years	691	90.1%	1.3%	88.8%	3.5%	393	298
45 to 54 years	425	91.8%	0.9%	87.8%	2.9%	216	209
55 to 64 years	466	71.7%	1.1%	72.8%	3.1%	260	206
65 to 74 years	197	32.6%	7.1%	27.6%	3.3%	114	83
75 years & over	47	9.5%	8.5%	6.6%	3.2%	30	17
Employment Characteristics by Race & His	panic Origin					Figure 9. La	abor Force
White alone	1,992	62.0%	3.1%	67.8%	3.4%	Race, 2022	
Black or African American	24	80.0%	0.0%	71.5%	8.7%		
American Indian & Alaska Native	0	0.0%	0.0%	57.6%	11.9%		1
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	10	55.6%	0.0%	73.9%	3.6%		
Some Other Race	2	100.0%	0.0%	76.1%	6.1%		
Two or More Races	97	72.4%	4.1%	74.3%	6.6%		V
Hispanic or Latino	32	71.1%	0.0%	77.0%	6.3%		
Employment Characteristics by Disability,	20 to 64 years						
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	87	58.4%	10.3%	54.4%	10.2%		93.79
Employment Characteristics by Educationa	al Attainment, 25	to 64 years					
Population, 25 to 64 years	1,581	84.1%	1.1%	84.4%	3.3%	White al	
Less than H.S. Diploma	38	79.2%	0.7%	67.2%	4.6%		African Ameri
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	431	76.8%	3.4%	76.8%	2.5%		n Indian & Ala
Some College or Assoc. Degree	651	86.3%	1.1%	85.1%	3.6%		Other Pac. Isla
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	462	89.4%	0.2%	90.3%	2.0%	Some Ot	her Race

Figure 9. Labor Force by Race, 2022

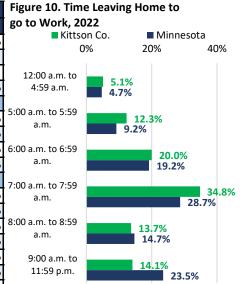


- White alone
- Black or African American
- American Indian & Alaska Native
- Asian or Other Pac. Islanders
- Some Other Race
- Two or More Races

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

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

	Kittson	Co.	Minn	esota
Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Worked in state of residence	1,774	87.4%	2,867,086	97.7%
Worked in county of residence	1,449	71.4%	1,957,366	66.7%
Worked out of county of residence	325	16.0%	909,720	31.0%
Worked outside state of residence	256	12.6%	67,495	2.3%
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK				
Car, truck, or van	1,663	81.9%	2,338,861	79.7%
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	0	0.0%	73,365	2.5%
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	138	6.8%	120,318	4.1%
Worked at home	227	11.2%	399,103	13.6%
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK				
Less than 10 minutes	777	38.3%	475,402	16.2%
10 to 19 minutes	441	21.7%	906,786	30.9%
20 to 29 minutes	229	11.3%	651,477	22.2%
30 to 44 minutes	256	12.6%	563,440	19.2%
45 to 59 minutes	171	8.4%	181,944	6.2%
60 or more minutes	154	7.6%	155,533	5.3%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	20.9	minutes	23.3	minutes

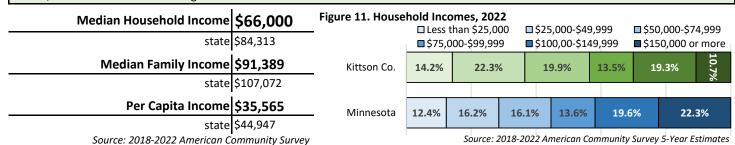


Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

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INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

Kittson Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Kittson Co. had the 62nd 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. Kittson Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$13.58 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$18.02 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 Kittson Co. \$28,255 \$13.58 \$0 \$415 \$638 \$252 \$292 \$161 \$597 State of Minnesota \$34,704 \$16.68 \$0 \$160 \$1,021 \$572 \$375 \$419 \$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 \$56,216 \$18.02 \$305 \$947 \$853 \$1,045 \$431 \$528 Kittson Co. \$576 State of Minnesota \$544 \$67,320 \$21.58 \$955 \$574 \$1,285 \$977 \$536 \$739

Kittson Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 83rd highest value of the 87 counties in 2022. Kittson 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-	Kittson	Co.	Minnesota	Figure 12. Year S	tructure B	uilt, 2022
occupied Housing Units, 2022	Total	Percent	Percent	()% 109	% 20%
Total	1,396	100.0%	100.0%	■ Kitts	on Co.	■ N
Less than \$50,000	231	16.5%	4.1%	2010 or later	2.8%	.8%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	302	21.6%	4.6%	2000 to 2009	7	.7%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	282	20.2%	7.1%			13.3%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	169	12.1%	10.7%	1980 to 1999		16.59
\$200,000 to \$299,999	246	17.6%	27.1%	1960 to 1979		
\$300,000 to \$499,999	102	7.3%	31.7%			
\$500,000 or more	64	4.6%	14.7%	1940 to 1959		13.8%
Median (dollars)	\$122,1	L00	\$286,800	1020 or earlier		

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

0% 10% 20% 30% 40% Kittson Co. Minnesota 2010 or later 7.8% 7.7% 2000 to 2009 16.5% 1980 to 1999 25.5% 28.8% 1960 to 1979 23.8% 20.6% 1940 to 1959 13.8% 23.7% 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

17.7%

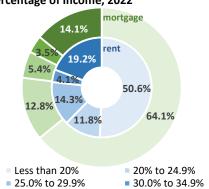
Median monthly rent costs \$649

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



35% or more

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OCCUPATIONS

At \$23.51 in 2024, wages were lower in Region 1 than the state. Overall, Region 1 had the 4th highest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$46.27) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$14.65) (see Table 11).

Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2024							
	Region 1				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	\$23.51	35,370	100.0%	1.0	\$25.22	2,881,100	100.0%
Management	\$46.27	1,950	5.5%	0.8	\$57.75	201,710	7.0%
Business & Financial Operations	\$31.06	1,570	4.4%	0.6	\$39.26	202,700	7.0%
Computer & Mathematical	\$42.17	570	1.6%	0.5	\$50.83	98,240	3.4%
Architecture & Engineering	\$36.26	530	1.5%	0.7	\$42.97	58,320	2.0%
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$31.52	260	0.7%	0.7	\$39.93	29,220	1.0%
Community & Social Service	\$29.08	650	1.8%	0.9	\$27.92	57,930	2.0%
Legal	\$39.81	80	0.2%	0.3	\$51.15	19,040	0.7%
Education, Training & Library	\$24.78	2,520	7.1%	1.3	\$28.22	163,340	5.7%
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$24.62	230	0.7%	0.5	\$29.01	36,160	1.3%
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$36.52	1,810	5.1%	0.8	\$43.01	184,410	6.4%
Healthcare Support	\$18.62	1,510	4.3%	0.7	\$18.07	169,580	5.9%
Protective Service	\$27.66	590	1.7%	1.0	\$28.87	45,860	1.6%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$14.65	2,710	7.7%	1.0	\$15.07	232,190	8.1%
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$18.27	1,000	2.8%	1.0	\$18.83	79,660	2.8%
Personal Care & Service	\$17.05	580	1.6%	0.8	\$17.60	59,420	2.1%
Sales & Related	\$17.49	3,060	8.7%	1.0	\$18.82	242,440	8.4%
Office & Administrative Support	\$24.10	4,490	12.7%	1.0	\$23.86	352,250	12.2%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$23.67	180	0.5%	4.2	\$22.13	3,520	0.1%
Construction & Extraction	\$28.25	1,110	3.1%	0.8	\$32.44	110,960	3.9%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$27.19	1,410	4.0%	1.1	\$29.54	104,530	3.6%
Production	\$21.48	4,140	11.7%	1.7	\$23.05	203,810	7.1%
Transportation & Material Moving	\$23.73	4,440	12.6%	1.6	\$19.80	225,820	7.8%

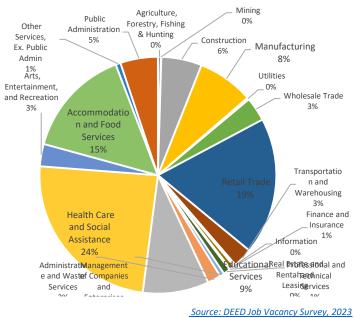
Source: DEED Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, Qtr. 1 2024

JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Kittson 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 Wag				
Occupational Group	Vacancies	Offer			
Total, All Occupations	14,193	\$17.77			
Management	180				
Business & Financial Operations	162				
Computer & Mathematical	49	\$30.06			
Architecture & Engineering	110				
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	\$23.55			
Food Preparation & Serving Related	2,518	\$14.63			
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	594	\$16.01			
Personal Care & Service	223	\$15.86			
Sales & Related	1,918				
Office & Administrative Support	508	\$17.18			
Construction & Extraction	727	N/A			
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	609	\$20.26			
Production	668				
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 Nurses	Radiologic Technologists and Technicians	Secondary School Teachers, Except 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 \$38,122/yr	mental health counselors \$49,479/yr	\$59,200/yr	Managers \$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					
Food Preparation Workers	Electricians	Computer Network Support Specialists	Preschool Teachers, Except Special 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 \$40,826/yr	Engine Specialists \$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

Kittson 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 Projections, 2022-2032					
Northwest Planning Region	Estimated Employment 2022	Projected Employ- ment 2032	Percent Change 2022-2032		
Total, All Industries	265,321	275,647	3.9%		
Natural Resources & Mining	6,095	6,335	3.9%		
Utilities	1,126	1,125	-0.1%		
Construction	11,719	12,715	8.5%		
Manufacturing	29,871	31,429	5.2%		
Wholesale Trade	12,936	14,034	8.5%		
Retail Trade	27,705	27,590	-0.4%		
Transportation & Warehousing	5,579	5,997	7.5%		
Information	2,451	2,470	0.8%		
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	8,067	8,366	3.7%		
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Compani	5,609	6,152	9.7%		
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	4,192	4,460	6.4%		
Educational Services	22,849	22,989	0.6%		
Health Care & Social Assistance	36,421	38,978	7.0%		
Leisure & Hospitality	24,958	26,706	7.0%		
Other Services	9,824	10,129	3.1%		
Public Administration	24,161	24,869	2.9%		

Source: DEED 2022-2032 Employment Outlook

Figure 15. Regional Occupational

Employment Projections, 2022-2032					
From employment growth			exit openings		
-5,0	000	5,000	15,000		
Management Occupations	994	6,607			
Business and Financial	514	3,361			
Computer and	324	695			
Architecture and	338	1,122			
Life, Physical, and Social	108	475			
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	-31	² 14,814			
Office and Administrative1		15,558			
Farming, Fishing, and	54	1 ,975			
Construction and Extraction	939	5,328			
Installation, Maintenance,	765	4,558			
Production Occupations	523	8,662			
Transportation and	1,566	12,176			

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ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

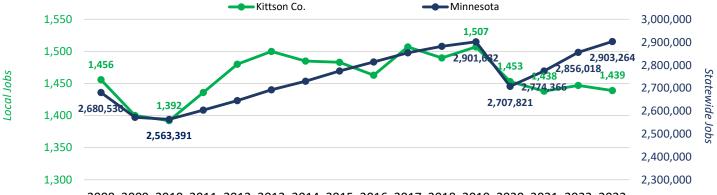
Coming out of the pandemic recession, after losing jobs over the past year, Kittson Co. had the 85th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Kittson Co. was the 67th fastest growing in the past year and the 70th fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2023, employment in Kittson Co. is still down from the pandemic recession.

194 business establishments \$46,940 annual average wage

1,439 jobs \$67,546,285 total industry payroll

Job change, 2019-2023 -4.5% decline

Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2008-2023

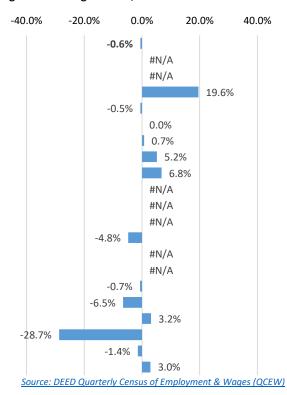


2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023

Source: DEED QCEW program

			Average
Table 15. Kittson Co. Industry	Number of	Percent of	Annual
Employment Statistics, 2023	Jobs	Total Jobs	Wage
Total, All Industries	1,439	100.0%	\$46,940
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	55	3.8%	\$46,896
Manufacturing	184	12.8%	\$61,456
Utilities	1	0.1%	\$54,825
Wholesale Trade	135	9.4%	\$56,802
Retail Trade	182	12.6%	\$25,945
Transportation & Warehousing	63	4.4%	\$49,884
Information	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Finance & Insurance	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Professional & Technical Services	20	1.4%	\$65,282
Management of Companies	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Educational Services	149	10.4%	\$43,831
Health Care & Social Assistance	243	16.9%	\$41,459
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	22	1.5%	\$19,973
Accommodation & Food Services	27	1.9%	\$11,652
Other Services	68	4.7%	\$19,727
Public Administration	139	9.7%	\$57,940

Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2022-2023



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