EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

COUNTY PROFILE

Koochiching Co.

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

POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

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	NARSHALL KOOCHICHING
	PEANINGTON BELTRAMI
	RED LAKE COOK
	POLK TRASCA ST. LOUIS LAKE
	NORMAN MANN- B
	NORBAN MANY
	OTTER TAIL CROW WIND
	ORANT DOUDLAS TODD MORRISON THE
	THE BIO WERE POPE STEARNS SHER LAND
	LAC CHIPPENN JO NEEDEN WIGHT HENRE
	RENVILLE CARVER
	SIBLEY SCOTT
	A RICE FRANK
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	ROCK NOBLES MCKON MARTIN VIENNAL VIENNAL MOWER FILLMORE DESCO
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2023 population:	11,751 people		
Population change,	-311 people	Median Age:	50.6 years
2020-2023	-2.6% decline	state:	38.5 years

Koochiching Co. is the 62nd largest of the 87 counties in the state. Its population decreased so far this decade, ranking as the 82nd fastest growing in the state from 2020 to 2023. Koochiching 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 Ag	Se 01049, 2023		gure 1. Population Py	yrannu, z	.000-2023			
	Number	Percent	2000 Popula	ation	2023 Estimate			
Under 5 years	455	3.9%		779	455	Under 5 years		
5-14 years	1,208	10.3%		2,002	1,208	5-14 years		
15-24 years	1,208	10.3%						
25-34 years	1,056	9.0%		1,558	1,208	15-24 years		
35-44 years	1,226	10.4%		1,487	1,056	25-34 years		
45-54 years	1,416	12.1%		2,216	1,226	35-44 years		
55-64 years	2,007	17.1%		2,179	1,416	45-54 years		
65-74 years	1,896	16.1%		1,557	2,007	55-64 years		
75-84 years	824	7.0%		1,363	1,896	65-74 years		
35 years & over	455	3.9%		875	824	75-84 years		
Fotal Population	11,751	100.0%	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	339	455	85 years & ov		

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

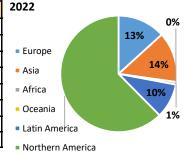
Table 2. Cumulative Estimates of the Components of Population Change, 2020-2023										
	Total		April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2023							
	Population	Natural	Vital E	vents		Net Migration				
	Change	Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic			
Koochiching Co.	-313	-281	308	589	-28	3	-31			
State of Minnesota	31,111	40,368	207,857	167,489	-11,352 34,624 -45,976					
					Source	IIS Census Bureau Pon	ulation Estimates Program			

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

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

Table 3. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born	Koochio	ching Co.	Change 2	010-2022	Minnesota		
Population, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change	
Foreign-born Population	415	3.4%	-155	-27.2%	8.5%	31.3%	
Europe	55	13.3%	-9	-14.1%	9.3%	-0.6%	
Asia	58	14.0%	11	23.4%	36.7%	30.2%	
Africa	3	0.7%	3	#DIV/0!	28.1%	93.1%	
Oceania	0	0.0%	0	#DIV/0!	0.4%	20.4%	
Americas:	299	72.0%	-160	-34.9%	25.4%	7.5%	
Latin America	40	9.6%	28	233.3%	22.9%	9.0%	
Northern America	259	62.4%	-188	-42.1%	2.5%	-4.6%	

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



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

COUNTY PROFILE

Koochiching Co.

Koochiching 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).

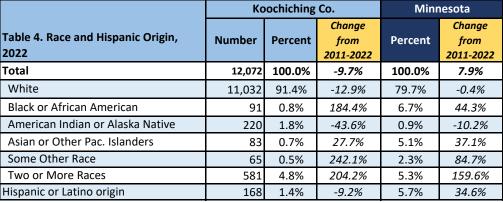
Figure 3. Population by Race,



White







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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

91.4%

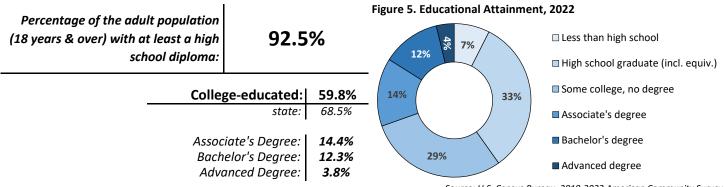
According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Koochiching Co.'s population is expected to decline from 2025 to 2035, with a rate of change that is slower than the projected statewide growth rate (4.5%). Despite the decline, the number of people aged 65 years and older is expected to decrease over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

				Figure 4. P	rojections by	/ Age Group, 2	2025-	
Table 5. Population Project	ions by Age Gro	up, 2025-2035			2035			
	2025	2035	Numeric	Percent	12,000	11,303	9,625	
Koochiching Co.	Projection	Projection	Change	Change				85 years & over
Under 5 years	473	395	-78	-16.5%	10,000			7 5-84 years
5-14 years	1,078	914	-164	-15.2%				, 65-74 years
15-24 years	1,134	896	-238	-21.0%	8,000			
25-34 years	1,053	884	-169	-16.0%				□ 55-64 years
35-44 years	1,178	1,035	-143	-12.1%	6,000			■ 45-54 years
45-54 years	1,226	1,088	-138	-11.3%				35-44 years
55-64 years	1,732	1,220	-512	-29.6%	4,000			25-34 years
65-74 years	1,955	1,472	-483	-24.7%	2,000			■ 15-24 years
75-84 years	1,084	1,295	211	19.5%	2,000			5-14 years
85 years & over	390	426	36	9.2%				Under 5 years
Total Population 11,303 9,625 -1,678 -14.8% 2025 Projection2035 Projection							n	

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Koochiching 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. Koochiching 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.

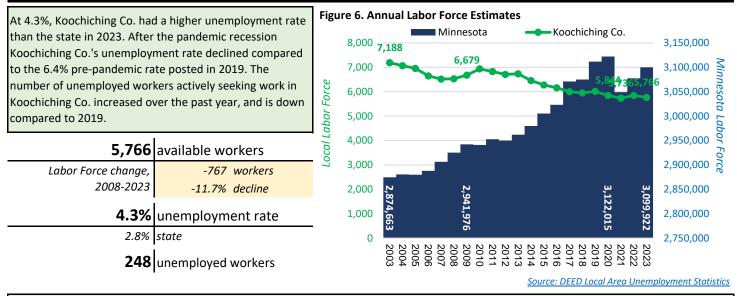


Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018-2022 American Community Survey

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LABOR FORCE TRENDS



Labor force growth has slowed in recent years. After experiencing a net loss of workers each year from 1990 to 2000, Koochiching 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, Koochiching Co. is expected to see a labor force decline from 2025 to 2035 (see Table 6).

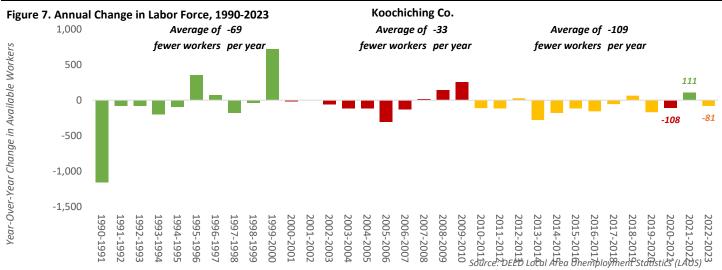
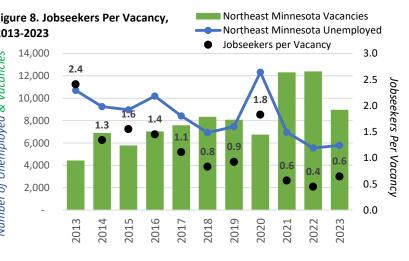


Table 6. Labor Force	Labor Force Projection								
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Projections, 2025-2035	2025	2035	20						
16 to 24 years	748	592	S						
25 to 54 years	3,100	2,695	Vacancies						
55 to 64 years	1,078	760	ICal						
65 years & over	487	374	_						
Total Labor Force	5,413	4,420	d &						
Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center, 2018-2022 ACS									
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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 Northeast 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

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

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

	Коо	chiching 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	5,963	58.4%	5.1%	68.7%	4.0%	3,139	2,824
16 to 19 years	333	56.7%	23.1%	53.0%	9.8%	151	182
20 to 24 years	459	91.8%	0.9%	83.1%	6.7%	269	190
25 to 44 years	2,140	91.3%	6.2%	88.8%	3.5%	1,105	1,035
45 to 54 years	1,261	86.7%	4.4%	87.8%	2.9%	623	639
55 to 64 years	1,284	62.3%	1.5%	72.8%	3.1%	711	573
65 to 74 years	469	24.1%	3.2%	27.6%	3.3%	270	200
75 years & over	14	1.1%	0.0%	6.6%	3.2%	10	5
Employment Characteristics by Race &	Hispanic Origin					Figure 9. L	abor Force by
White alone	5,462	57.9%	5.2%	67.8%	3.4%	Race, 2022	
Black or African American	26	40.0%	50.0%	71.5%	8.7%	-	
American Indian & Alaska Native	86	43.4%	2.3%	57.6%	11.9%		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	46	74.2%	0.0%	73.9%	3.6%		
Some Other Race	38	58.5%	0.0%	76.1%	6.1%		
Two or More Races	302	78.0%	1.0%	74.3%	6.6%		N
Hispanic or Latino	102	60.7%	0.0%	77.0%	6.3%		
Employment Characteristics by Disabili	ty, 20 to 64 years						
With Any Disability, 20 to 64 years	444	46.0%	14.0%	54.4%	10.2%		91.6%
Employment Characteristics by Educati	onal Attainment, 25	to 64 years					
Population, 25 to 64 years	4,689	80.0%	4.4%	84.4%	3.3%	White a	
Less than H.S. Diploma	178	52.7%	3.3%	67.2%	4.6%		African American
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	1,298	71.3%	0.0%	76.8%	2.5%		n Indian & Alaska N
Some College or Assoc. Degree	2,326	85.2%	6.1%	85.1%	3.6%	Asian or	Other Pac. Islande
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	884	90.9%	0.9%	90.3%	2.0%	Some O	ther Race

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

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

	Koochichi	ng Co.	Minn	esota	Figure 10. Tim	Figure 10. Time Leaving Home to		
Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2022	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	go to Work, 20			
Worked in state of residence	5,495	99.2%	2,867,086	97.7%		ching Co. 1%2	■ Minnesota 0% 40%	
Worked in county of residence	5,129	92.6%	1,957,366	66.7%		2//0 Z	0/0 40/0	
Worked out of county of residence	371	6.7%	909,720	31.0%	12:00 a.m. to			
Worked outside state of residence	44	0.8%	67,495	2.3%	4:59 a.m.	5.5% 4.7%		
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK					5.00 a ta 5.50			
Car, truck, or van	4,620	83.4%	2,338,861	79.7%	5:00 a.m. to 5:59 a.m.		4.1%	
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	28	0.5%	73,365	2.5%		9.2%		
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	388	7.0%	120,318	4.1%	6:00 a.m. to 6:59		17.6%	
Worked at home	499	9.0%	399,103	13.6%	a.m.		19.2%	
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK					7:00 a.m. to 7:59			
Less than 10 minutes	2,531	45.7%	475,402	16.2%			26.6%	
10 to 19 minutes	1,584	28.6%	906,786	30.9%			20.7/0	
20 to 29 minutes	576	10.4%	651,477	22.2%	8:00 a.m. to 8:59	11.	9%	
30 to 44 minutes	299	5.4%	563,440	19.2%	a.m.	1	4.7%	
45 to 59 minutes	194	3.5%	181,944	6.2%	9:00 a.m. to		24.20	
60 or more minutes	354	6.4%	155,533	5.3%	11:59 p.m.		24.2%	
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	16.4	minutes	23.3	minutes				

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

INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING

Koochiching Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Koochiching Co. had the 83rd highest median household income of the 87 counties in the state.

Median Household Income state	\$59,779 \$84,313	. , . ,			\$25,000-\$49, \$100,00-\$149	, , , , ,			
Median Family Income	\$77,000	Koochiching Co.	16.8%	22	.4%	19.9%	15.0%	17.2%	8.6%
state	\$107,072								
Per Capita Income		Minnesota	12.4%	16.2%	16.1	% 13.6%	19.6%	22.3	%
state Source: 2018-2022 American C	\$44,947 ommunity Survey			Source:	2018-202	22 American Col	mmunity Surv	ey 5-Year Est	timates

The cost of living has increased over the past 2 years with costs up in many areas. Koochiching Co. had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$13.06 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$17.49 for a typical family with 2 adults and 1 child (see Table 9).

Table 9. Basic Needs Cost o	Table 9. Basic Needs Cost of Living Estimates, 2023										
	Single Yearly	Hourly Wage		Monthly Costs							
Single Adult, 0 children	Cost of Living		Child Care	Food	Health Care	Housing	Trans- portation	Other	Taxes		
Koochiching Co.	\$27,156	\$13.06	\$0	\$409	\$161	\$638	\$533	\$251	\$271		
State of Minnesota	\$34,704	\$16.68	\$0	\$419	\$160	\$1,021	\$572	\$345	\$375		
Typical Family: 2 Adults (1	Family Yearly			Monthly Costs							
working full-time, 1 part- time), 1 child	Cost of Living		Child Care	Food	Health Care	Housing	Trans- portation	Other	Taxes		
Koochiching Co.	\$54,555	\$17.49	\$387	\$933	\$576	\$853	\$883	\$428	\$486		
State of Minnesota	\$67,320	\$21.58	\$544	\$955	\$574	\$1,285	\$977	\$536	\$739		
Source: DEED Cost of Living tool											

Koochiching Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 79th highest value of the 87 counties in 2022. Koochiching 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-	Koochichi	ng Co.	Minnesota	
occupied Housing Units, 2022	Total	Percent	Percent	
Total	4,601	100.0%	100.0%	
Less than \$50,000	669	14.5%	4.1%	
\$50,000 to \$99,999	908	19.7%	4.6%	
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,046	22.7%	7.1%	
\$150,000 to \$199,999	756	16.4%	10.7%	
\$200,000 to \$299,999	632	13.7%	27.1%	
\$300,000 to \$499,999	467	10.1%	31.7%	
\$500,000 or more	123	2.7%	14.7%	
Median (dollars)	edian (dollars) \$132,200			
Source: 2018-20	22 American Commu	unity Survey, 5-	Year Estimates	

Median monthly owner costs, owner-occupied units

ota Figure 12. Year Structure Built, 2022

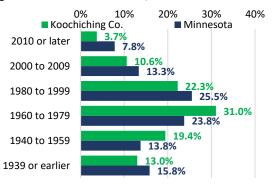
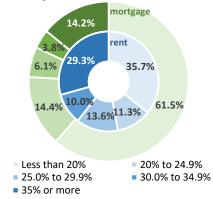
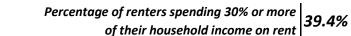


Figure 13. Housing Costs as a Percentage of Income, 2022



with a mortgage \$1,818 Percentage of households with a mortgage spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs \$18.0% State \$22.0% Median monthly rent costs \$686 State \$1,178



state 46.7% Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

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OCCUPATIONS

At \$23.41 in 2024, wages were lower in Region 3 than the state. Overall, Region 3 had the 5th highest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$45.28) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$14.4) (see Table 11).

Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2024									
Occupational Group		Region 3				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		
Total, All Occupations	\$23.41	138,010	100.0%	1.0	\$25.22	2,881,100	100.0%		
Management	\$45.28	7,740	5.6%	0.8	\$57.75	201,710	7.0%		
Business & Financial Operations	\$34.89	5,970	4.3%	0.6	\$39.26	202,700	7.0%		
Computer & Mathematical	\$42.37	2,090	1.5%	0.4	\$50.83	98,240	3.4%		
Architecture & Engineering	\$40.12	2,180	1.6%	0.8	\$42.97	58,320	2.0%		
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$35.31	1,820	1.3%	1.3	\$39.93	29,220	1.0%		
Community & Social Service	\$25.46	4,280	3.1%	1.5	\$27.92	57,930	2.0%		
Legal	\$40.53	540	0.4%	0.6	\$51.15	19,040	0.7%		
Education, Training & Library	\$25.65	8,350	6.1%	1.1	\$28.22	163,340	5.7%		
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$23.33	1,250	0.9%	0.7	\$29.01	36,160	1.3%		
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$39.02	11,510	8.3%	1.3	\$43.01	184,410	6.4%		
Healthcare Support	\$17.99	9,260	6.7%	1.1	\$18.07	169,580	5.9%		
Protective Service	\$26.04	3,070	2.2%	1.4	\$28.87	45,860	1.6%		
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$14.40	13,910	10.1%	1.3	\$15.07	232,190	8.1%		
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$17.48	4,560	3.3%	1.2	\$18.83	79,660	2.8%		
Personal Care & Service	\$17.17	3,050	2.2%	1.1	\$17.60	59,420	2.1%		
Sales & Related	\$16.96	11,740	8.5%	1.0	\$18.82	242,440	8.4%		
Office & Administrative Support	\$22.44	16,760	12.1%	1.0	\$23.86	352,250	12.2%		
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$22.88	220	0.2%	1.3	\$22.13	3,520	0.1%		
Construction & Extraction	\$32.73	7,590	5.5%	1.4	\$32.44	110,960	3.9%		
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$29.94	6,760	4.9%	1.4	\$29.54	104,530	3.6%		
Production	\$24.87	6,550	4.7%	0.7	\$23.05	203,810	7.1%		
Transportation & Material Moving	\$21.66	8,810	6.4%	0.8	\$19.80	225,820	7.8%		

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

JOB VACANCY SURVEY

Koochiching Co. is a part of the Northeast planning region. There were 8963 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. Northeast Job Vacancy Survey Results, 2023			Figure 14. Job Vacancies by Industry, 2023			
	Number of	Wage	- Construction			
Occupational Group	Vacancies	Offer	Public 3%			
Total, All Occupations	8,963	\$18.49	5% Mining Utilities			
Management	144	\$39.89	Other Services, 1% Manufacturing 0% Ex. Public Admin 6%			
Business & Financial Operations	246	\$23.69	3% Wholesale Trade			
Computer & Mathematical	35	\$35.32	Accommodatio			
Architecture & Engineering	195	\$36.71	n and Food			
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	70	\$33.94	Services			
Community & Social Service	333	\$21.88	13%			
Education, Training & Library	426	\$17.76	Retail Trade // Real			
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,244	\$34.84	13% Estate and			
Healthcare Support	982	\$15.95	Rental			
Protective Service	129	\$19.03				
Food Preparation & Serving Related	1,043	\$14.24	Leasing Professional and Managemental			
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	436	\$16.13	of Companies			
Personal Care & Service	346	\$14.10	Health Care			
Sales & Related	826	\$16.06	and Social and Waste			
Office & Administrative Support	594	\$16.61	Arts, Assistance Servicescational			
Construction & Extraction	59	\$23.67	Entertainment, 37% 1%Services and Recreation 7%			
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	760	\$20.03	3%			
Production	420	\$21.97				
Transportation & Material Moving	499	\$17.36	Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, 2023			

OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND

Table 13. Northeast 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	Nursing Assistants	Registered Nurses	General and Operations Managers			
Care Aides		-				
\$34,948/yr	\$40,605/yr	\$81,894/yr	\$76,245/yr			
Retail Salespersons	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational		Accountants and Auditors			
	Nurses	Officers				
\$33,663/yr	\$54,185/yr	\$76,015/yr	\$71,413/yr			
Cashiers	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	Radiologic Technologists and Technicians	Human Resources Specialists			
\$29,976/yr	\$61,962/yr	\$71,154/yr	\$65,973/yr			
Cooks, Restaurant	Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing	Human Resources Assistants,	Elementary School Teachers,			
COOKS, Restaurant	Clerks	Except Payroll and Timekeeping	Except Special Education			
\$37,144/yr	\$47,607/yr	\$48,119/yr	\$63,522/yr			
Fast Food and Counter	Automotive Service Technicians and	Dental Hygienists	Physician Assistants			
Workers	Mechanics					
\$30,037/yr	\$54,132/yr	\$84,405/yr	\$120,821/yr			
Teaching Assistants, Except	Heating, Air Conditioning, and	Civil Engineering Technologists	Secondary School Teachers, Except			
Postsecondary	Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	and Technicians	Special and Career/Technical			
\$38,927/yr	\$66,247/yr	\$73,049/yr	\$65,592/yr			
Waiters and Waitresses	Substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors	Community Health Workers	Child, Family, and School Social Workers			
\$22,936/yr	\$49,373/yr	\$43,268/yr	\$69,154/yr			
Janitors and Cleaners,	Machinists	Surgical Technologists	Medical and Health Services			
Except Maids and	Wachinists	Surgical recimologists	Managers			
\$36,904/yr	\$62,131/yr	\$65,008/yr	\$100,366/yr			
Maids and Housekeeping	Emorgonov Modical Tochnicians	Forest and Conservation				
Cleaners	Cleaners Emergency Medical Technicians		Substitute Teachers, Short-Term			
\$33,611/yr	\$39,523/yr	\$53,442/yr	\$41,313/yr			
Maintenance and Repair	Medical Assistants	Respiratory Therapists	Nurse Practitioners			
Workers, General						
\$50,367/yr	\$47,014/yr	\$80,721/yr	\$132,823/yr			
			Source: DEED Occupations in Demand			

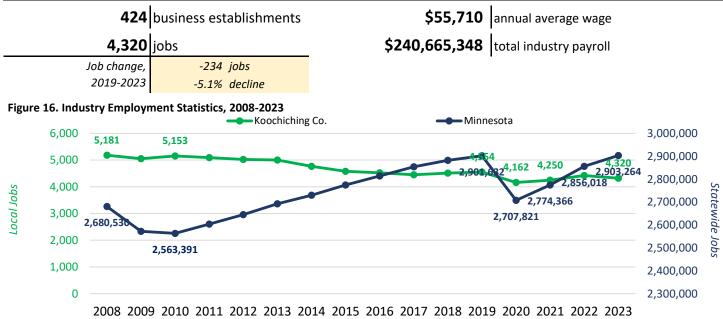
Koochiching Co. is a part of the Northeast planning region, which is projected to see a 3.3% increase in employment levels over the next decade. In addition to new jobs created, there will be a much larger number of exit openings (see Figure 15).

Table 14. Regional Industry Employment Projections, 2022-2032			Figure 15. Regional Occupational				
				Employment Projections, 2022-2032			
	Estimated	Projected	Percent	■ From employment growth ■ From exit ope -5,000 0 5,000 10,00			
	Employment	Employ-	Change				
Northeast Planning Region	2022	ment 2032	2022-2032	Management Occupations		000	
Total, All Industries	153,945	159,102	3.3%	Business and Financial Computer and	320 2, 1 298 5 4	173	
Natural Resources & Mining	5,228	5,268	0.8%	Architecture and	170 69	-	
Utilities	1,352	1,342	-0.7%	Life, Physical, and Social	90 41	-	
Construction	7,006	7,544	7.7%	Community and Social	348 2, 0	015	
Manufacturing	8,777	9,016	2.7%	Legal Occupations	25 194		
Wholesale Trade	3,202	3,359	4.9%	Educational Instruction and Arts, Design,	211 4,0 40 9 9	062	
Retail Trade	16,565	16,360	-1.2%	Healthcare Practitioners		.925	
Transportation & Warehousing	4,151	4,437	6.9%	Healthcare Support		193	
Information	1,222	1,208	-1.1%	Protective Service	57 1,4	79	
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	5,827	5,846	0.3%	Food Preparation and		2,125	
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Compani	5,808	6,264	7.9%	Building and Grounds Personal Care and Service		574	
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt.	3,097	3,231	4.3%	Sales and Related	260 2,8 -2 58,0	349	
Educational Services	12,004	12,056	0.4%	Office and Administrative	-888 9,5		
Health Care & Social Assistance	31,799	33,864	6.5%	Farming, Fishing, and	-43 402		
Leisure & Hospitality	17,159	18,243	6.3%	Construction and Extraction	, ,	2 93	
Other Services	5,953	6,118	2.8%	Installation, Maintenance,		64	
Public Administration	15,176	15,440	1.7%	Production Occupations Transportation and	-157 2,9 585 5 .		
Source: DEED 2022-2032 Employment Outlook							

COUNTY PROFILE

ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

Coming out of the pandemic recession, after losing jobs over the past year, Koochiching Co. had the 64th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Koochiching Co. was the 84th fastest growing in the past year and the 71st fastest growing since 2019. From 2019 to 2023, employment in Koochiching Co. is still down from the pandemic recession.

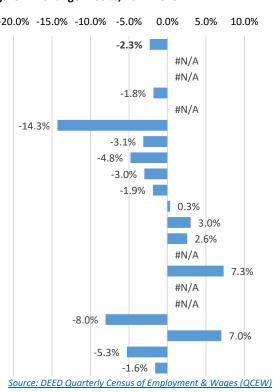


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 Source: DEED QCEW program

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 Figure 17. Change in Jobs, 2022-2023

			Average	Fig
Table 15. Koochiching Co. Industry	Number of	Percent of	Annual	_
Employment Statistics, 2023	Jobs	Total Jobs	Wage	-:
Total, All Industries	4,320	100.0%	\$55,710	1
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Construction	162	3.8%	\$70,119	
Manufacturing	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Utilities	12	0.3%	\$105,213	
Wholesale Trade	62	1.4%	\$55,712	
Retail Trade	555	12.8%	\$28,763	
Transportation & Warehousing	162	3.8%	\$46,509	
Information	52	1.2%	\$43,236	
Finance & Insurance	288	6.7%	\$49 <i>,</i> 007	
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	17	0.4%	\$8,803	
Professional & Technical Services	40	0.9%	\$30,990	
Management of Companies	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	103	2.4%	\$25,725	
Educational Services	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Health Care & Social Assistance	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	103	2.4%	\$48,220	
Accommodation & Food Services	595	13.8%	\$20,979	
Other Services	90	2.1%	\$15,074	
Public Administration	435	10.1%	\$63,771	1



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