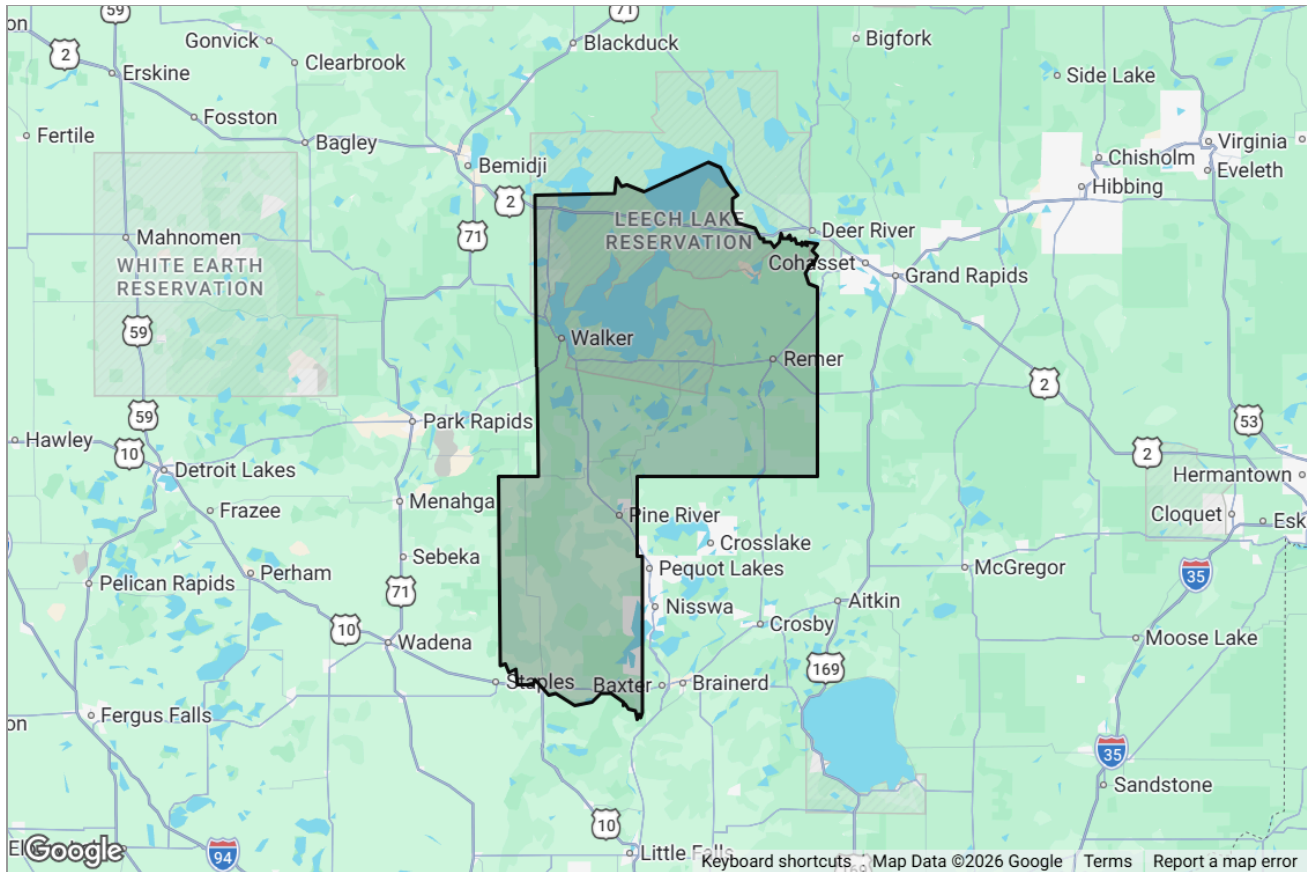


LOCAL ECONOMIC AREA REPORT

Cass County, Minnesota



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Criteria Used for Analysis

Median Household Income
\$68,950

Median Age
50.3

Total Population
31,282

1st Dominant Segment
Rural Resort Dwellers

Consumer Segmentation

Life Mode

What are the people like that live in this area?

Cozy Country Living
Empty nesters in bucolic settings

Urbanization

Where do people like this usually live?

Rural

Country living featuring single-family homes with acreage, farms, and rural resort areas

Top Tapestry Segments

	Rural Resort Dwellers	Silver and Gold	Prairie Living	Green Acres	Salt of the Earth
% of Households	4,717 (35.9%)	1,473 (11.2%)	1,302 (9.9%)	1,082 (8.2%)	1,018 (7.7%)
% of Minnesota	64,207 (2.8%)	3,499 (0.2%)	113,368 (4.9%)	157,005 (6.8%)	50,612 (2.2%)
Lifestyle Group	Cozy Country Living	Senior Styles	Cozy Country Living	Cozy Country Living	Cozy Country Living
Urbanization Group	Rural	Suburban Periphery	Rural	Rural	Rural
Residence Type	Single Family/Seasonal	Single Family/Seasonal	Single Family	Single Family	Single Family
Household Type	Married Couples w/No Kids	Married Couples w/No Kids	Married Couples	Married Couples	Married Couples
Average Household Size	2.18	2.01	2.49	2.64	2.52
Median Age	56.4	65.5	43.2	43.8	44.3
Diversity Index	31	34.7	31.7	38.5	29
Median Household Income	\$69,600	\$98,600	\$75,900	\$103,400	\$78,200
Median Net Worth	\$341,000	\$778,300	\$293,700	\$537,400	\$317,400
Median Home Value	\$362,100	\$577,000	\$240,200	\$374,800	\$252,700
Homeownership	85 %	87.1 %	81.9 %	88 %	85.5 %
Employment	Professional or Mgmt/Bus/Financial	Professional or Mgmt/Bus/Financial	Mgmt/Bus/Financial or Professional	Professional or Mgmt/Bus/Financial	Professional or Mgmt/Bus/Financial
Education	High School Diploma	Bachelor's Degree	High School Diploma	High School Diploma	High School Diploma
Preferred Activities	Spend time with their spouses and maintain a social calendar . Go freshwater fishing, hunting and motorcycling.	Pursue the luxuries that well-funded retirement affords . Maintain a regular exercise regimen.	Faith and religion are important . Go fishing, hunting, boating, camping.	Pursue physical fitness vigorously, . Active in communities and social organizations.	Spending time with family is their top priority . Outdoor sports and activities.
Financial	Shifting to low-risk assets	Draw retirement income	Bank in person, have noninterest checking accounts, invest in CDs	Comfortable with debt, and investments.	Prefer to conduct business in person
Media	Taste in TV shows reflects their hobbies	Avid readers of newspapers, magazines and books	Read the local newspaper, listen to faith and country music	Provided by satellite service, radio and television	Satellite dishes and high speed internet through DSL
Vehicle	Own older, domestic vehicles	Prefer luxury cars, SUVs, convertibles	Highest ranked market for owning 4+ vehicles	Late model trucks SUVs, ATVs and motorcycles	Own truck, ATV

About this segment

Rural Resort Dwellers

This is the

#1

dominant segment
for this area

In this area

35.9%

of households fall
into this segment

In the United States

1.0%

of households fall
into this segment

An overview of who makes up this segment across the United States

Who We Are

Although the Great Recession forced many owners of second homes to sell, Rural Resort Dwellers residents remain an active market, just a bit smaller. These communities are centered in resort areas, many in the Midwest, where the change in seasons supports a variety of outdoor activities. Retirement looms for many of these blue-collar, older householders, but workers are postponing retirement or returning to work to maintain their current lifestyles. Workers are traveling further to maintain employment. They are passionate about their hobbies, like freshwater fishing and hunting, but otherwise have very simple tastes.

Our Neighborhood

- Housing is owner-occupied, single-family homes, with some mobile homes. A strong market for second homes, these rural areas contain homes valued near the US median. Over half of the housing units are vacant due to a high seasonal vacancy rate.
- In this older market, 42% of households consist of married couples with no children at home, while another 28% are single person. Married couples with children at home have older school-age children.
- Set in scenic rural locations with proximity to outdoor activities, two vehicles are essential to get around.

Socioeconomic Traits

- Rural Resort Dwellers residents are close to retirement. They've accumulated wealth and begun to shift their portfolios to low-risk assets. These active residents continue to work in skilled occupations.
- Simple tastes and modesty characterize these blue collar residents. They shop for timeless, comfortable clothing, but only when something must be replaced. They pay little attention to advertising and usually stick to the brands they know.
- They spend time with their spouses and also maintain a social calendar.

Market Profile

- Residents drive older domestic vehicles and prefer to spend their disposable income on gear to support their hobbies, which include freshwater fishing, hunting, and motorcycling.
- At home, Rural Resort Dwellers residents spend any free time working on their vehicles and maintaining their gear. They make frequent trips to their local hardware store for parts and tools. These hands-on consumers are also passionate about vegetable gardening.
- Due to their remote locations, these neighborhoods have satellite dishes. A few residents still rely on dial-up modems to stay connected. They don't access the Internet often but will make online purchases for items difficult to find in nearby stores.
- Their taste in TV shows reflects their hobbies—National Geographic, Discovery Channel, and the Weather Channel.

The demographic segmentation shown here can help you understand the lifestyles and life stages of consumers in a market. Data provider Esri classifies U.S. residential neighborhoods into 67 unique market segments based on socioeconomic and demographic characteristics. Data Source: Esri 2024. Update Frequency: Annually.

About this segment

Silver and Gold

This is the

#2

dominant segment
for this area

In this area

11.2%

of households fall
into this segment

In the United States

0.8%

of households fall
into this segment

An overview of who makes up this segment across the United States

Who We Are

Almost the oldest senior market, Silver and Gold is the most affluent. The affluence of Silver and Gold has afforded the opportunity to retire to sunnier climates that feature exclusive communities and vacation homes. These consumers have the free time, stamina, and resources to do what they enjoy. This market is smaller but growing.

Our Neighborhood

- Residents of Silver and Gold prefer a more bucolic setting, but close to metropolitan cities.
- Predominantly single-family, owner-occupied homes that have a median value of \$385,700.
- Neighborhoods include seasonal or vacation homes, reflected in the high vacancy rate of 43%.
- Mostly older married couples with no children, average household size is 2.03.

Socioeconomic Traits

- 47% have college degree(s).
- Primarily retired, but many still active in the labor force, participation rate of 41%.
- Self-employment is the highest across all Tapestry markets.
- More than half of the households receive income from wages/salaries, Social Security, or investments, many drawing retirement income.
- Connected, but primarily to get news and track investments, more likely to own an e-reader or tablet than a smartphone.

Market Profile

- Partial to luxury cars or SUVs; highest demand market for convertibles.
- Active seniors that maintain a regular exercise regimen and pay attention to healthier eating habits.
- Pursue the luxuries that well-funded retirement affords: an active social life, travel, hobbies, and sports (especially golf and boating) and liberal use of home maintenance services to minimize chores.
- Avid readers of newspapers, magazines (sports and travel), and books (audio, e-readers, or tablets).
- Generous supporters of charitable organizations.

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About this segment

Prairie Living

This is the

#3

dominant segment
for this area

In this area

9.9%

of households fall
into this segment

In the United States

1.0%

of households fall
into this segment

An overview of who makes up this segment across the United States

Who We Are

Prairie Living is Tapestry Segmentation's most rural market, comprising about 1.2 percent of households, located mainly in the Midwest, with a predominance of self-employed farmers. These agricultural communities are dominated by married-couple families that own single-family dwellings and many vehicles. Median household income is similar to the US, and labor force participation is slightly higher. Faith is important to this market. When they find time to relax, they favor outdoor activities.

Our Neighborhood

- About four-fifths of households are owner occupied.
- Dominant household type is married-couples with no children.
- Most are single-family homes (87%) built before 1980; a higher proportion were built before 1940.
- Higher percentage of vacant housing units is at 16.5%.
- Most households own 2 or 3 vehicles; this is the highest ranked market for owning 4 or more vehicles.

Socioeconomic Traits

- More than half have completed some college education or hold a degree.
- Labor force participation rate slightly higher at 65%.
- Wage and salary income for 72% of households plus self-employment income for 23%.
- Faith and religion are important to these residents.
- Tend to buy things when they need them, rather than when they want them or to be trendy.
- Somewhat resistant to new technology.
- Creatures of habit when purchasing food items.

Market Profile

- Many own a truck, riding lawn mower, and ATV/UTV and have a satellite dish.
- They purchased plants and seeds in the past year for their vegetable garden, where their tiller comes in handy.
- They favor banking in person, have noninterest checking accounts, invest in CDs (more than 6 months), and have term/whole life insurance.
- They are pet owners.
- Leisure activities include fishing, hunting, boating, camping, and attending country music concerts.
- Residents prefer to listen to faith and inspirational, as well as country music on the radio.
- They read the local newspaper as well as home service, and fishing/hunting magazines.
- They contribute to religious organizations and belong to religious clubs.
- Walmart is a favorite shopping stop; Subway is a favorite eating spot.

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About this segment

Green Acres

This is the

#4

dominant segment
for this area

In this area

8.2%

of households fall
into this segment

In the United States

3.3%

of households fall
into this segment

An overview of who makes up this segment across the United States

Who We Are

The Green Acres lifestyle features country living and self-reliance. Avid do-it-yourselfers, they maintain and remodel their homes, with all the necessary power tools to accomplish the jobs. Gardening, especially growing vegetables, is a priority, again with the right tools, tillers, tractors, and riding mowers. Outdoor living features a variety of sports: hunting and fishing, motorcycling, hiking and camping, and even golf.

Our Neighborhood

- This large segment is concentrated in rural enclaves in metropolitan areas.
- Primarily (not exclusively) older homes with acreage; new housing growth in the past 15 years.
- Single-family, owner-occupied housing, with a median value of \$235,500.
- An older market, primarily married couples, most with no children.

Socioeconomic Traits

- Education: More than 60% are college educated.
- Labor force participation rate is high at 66.8%.
- Income is derived not only from wages and salaries but also from self-employment (more than 13% of households), investments (27% of households), and increasingly, from retirement.
- They are cautious consumers with a focus on quality and durability.
- Comfortable with technology, more as a tool than a trend: banking or paying bills online is convenient; but the Internet is not viewed as entertainment.
- Economic outlook is professed as pessimistic, but consumers are comfortable with debt, primarily as home and auto loans, and investments.

Market Profile

- Purchasing choices reflect Green Acres residents' country life, including a variety of vehicles, from trucks and SUVs to ATVs and motorcycles, preferably late model.
- Homeowners favor DIY home improvement projects and gardening.
- Media of choice are provided by satellite service, radio, and television, also with an emphasis on country and home and garden.
- Green Acres residents pursue physical fitness vigorously, from working out on home exercise equipment to playing a variety of sports.
- Residents are active in their communities and a variety of social organizations, from charitable to veterans' clubs.

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About this segment

Salt of the Earth

This is the

#5

dominant segment
for this area

In this area

7.7%

of households fall
into this segment

In the United States

2.8%

of households fall
into this segment

An overview of who makes up this segment across the United States

Who We Are

Salt of the Earth residents are entrenched in their traditional, rural lifestyles. Citizens are older, and many have grown children that have moved away. They still cherish family time and also tending to their vegetable gardens and preparing homemade meals. Residents embrace the outdoors; they spend most of their free time preparing for their next fishing, boating or camping trip. The majority has at least a high school diploma or some college education; many have expanded their skill set during their years of employment in the manufacturing and related industries. They may be experts with DIY projects, but the latest technology is not their forte. They use it when absolutely necessary but seek face-to-face contact in their routine activities.

Our Neighborhood

- This large segment is concentrated in the Midwest, particularly in Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Indiana. Due to their rural setting, households own two vehicles to cover their long commutes, often across county boundaries. Homeownership rates are very high. Single-family homes are affordable, valued at 25% less than the national market. Nearly two in three households are composed of married couples; less than half have children at home.

Socioeconomic Traits

- Steady employment in construction, manufacturing, and related service industries.
- Completed education: 40% with a high school diploma only.
- Household income just over the national median, while net worth is nearly double the national median.
- Spending time with family is their top priority.
- Cost-conscious consumers, loyal to brands they like, with a focus on buying American.
- Last to buy the latest and greatest products.
- Try to eat healthy, tracking the nutrition and ingredients in the food they purchase.

Market Profile

- Outdoor sports and activities, such as fishing, boating, hunting, and overnight camping trips are popular. To support their pastimes, truck ownership is high; many also own an ATV. They own the equipment to maintain their lawns and tend to their vegetable gardens. Residents often tackle home remodeling and improvement jobs themselves. Due to their locale, they own satellite dishes, and have access to high-speed internet connections like DSL. These conservative consumers prefer to conduct their business in person rather than online. They use an agent to purchase insurance.

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Cass County, Minnesota: Population Comparison

Total Population

This chart shows the total population in an area, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

■ 2024
■ 2029 (Projected)



Population Density

This chart shows the number of people per square mile in an area, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

■ 2024
■ 2029 (Projected)



Population Change Since 2020

This chart shows the percentage change in area's population from 2020 to 2024, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

■ 2024
■ 2029 (Projected)



Total Daytime Population

This chart shows the number of people who are present in an area during normal business hours, including workers, and compares that population to other geographies. Daytime population is in contrast to the "resident" population present during evening and nighttime hours.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

■ Cass County



Daytime Population Density

This chart shows the number people who are present in an area during normal business hours, including workers, per square mile in an area, compared with other geographies. Daytime population is in contrast to the "resident" population present during evening and nighttime hours.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

 Cass County



Average Household Size

This chart shows the average household size in an area, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

 2024
 2029 (Projected)



Population Living in Family Households

This chart shows the percentage of an area's population that lives in a household with one or more individuals related by birth, marriage or adoption, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

 2024
 2029 (Projected)



Female / Male Ratio

This chart shows the ratio of females to males in an area, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

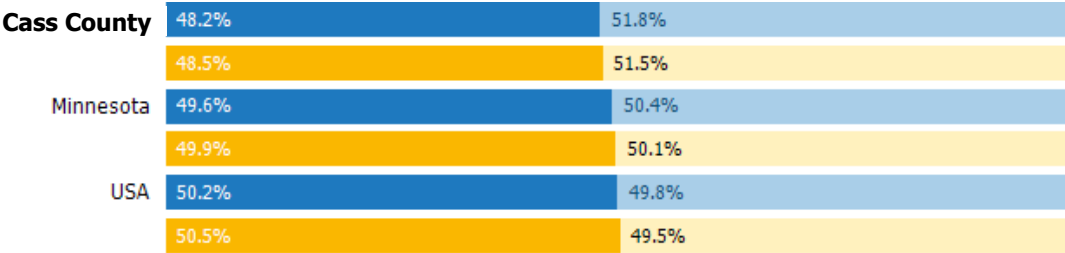
Update Frequency: Annually

- Women 2024 2024

Men 2024 2024

Women 2029 (Projected) 2029 (Projected)

Men 2029 (Projected) 2029 (Projected)



Cass County, Minnesota: Age Comparison

Median Age

This chart shows the median age in an area, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

■ 2024
■ 2029 (Projected)



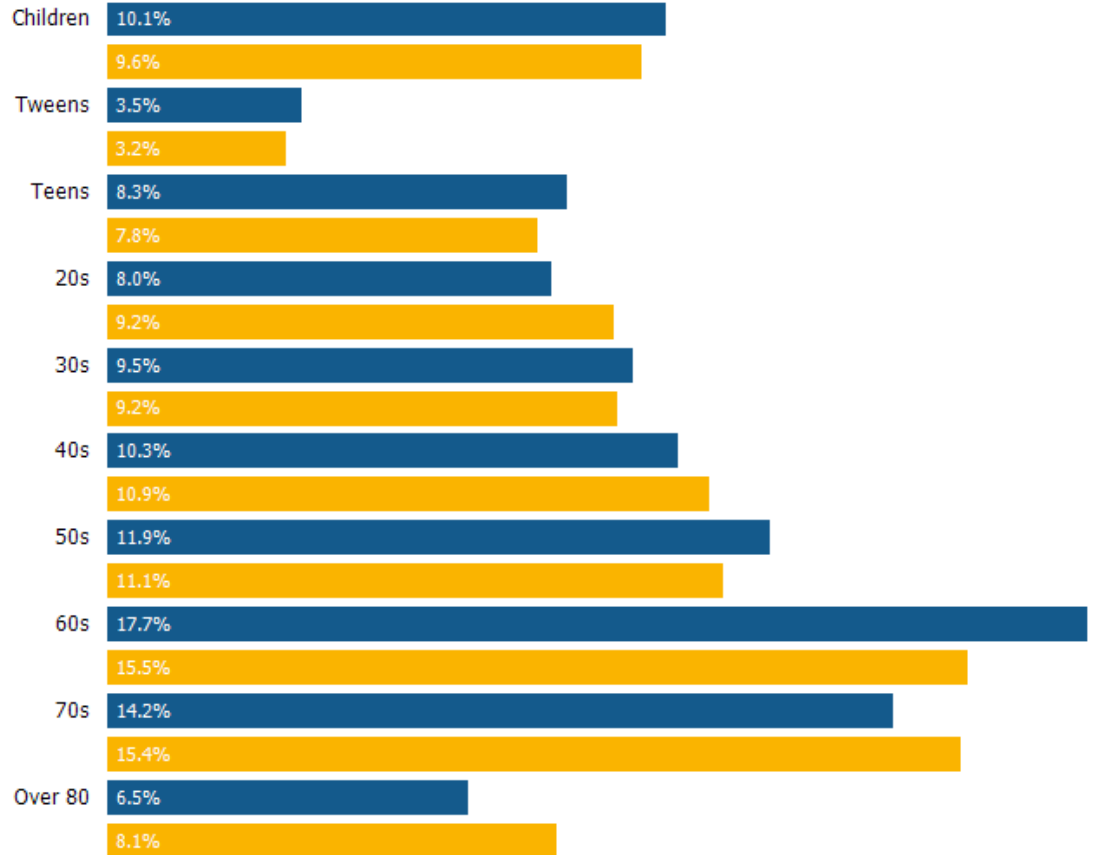
Population by Age

This chart breaks down the population of an area by age group.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

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■ 2024
■ 2029 (Projected)



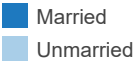
Cass County, Minnesota: Marital Status Comparison

Married / Unmarried Adults Ratio

This chart shows the ratio of married to unmarried adults in an area, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



Married

This chart shows the number of people in an area who are married, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



Never Married

This chart shows the number of people in an area who have never been married, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



Widowed

This chart shows the number of people in an area who are widowed, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



Divorced

This chart shows the number of people in an area who are divorced, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



Cass County, Minnesota: Economic Comparison

Average Household Income

This chart shows the average household income in an area, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

■ 2024
■ 2029 (Projected)



Median Household Income

This chart shows the median household income in an area, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

■ 2024
■ 2029 (Projected)



Per Capita Income

This chart shows per capita income in an area, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

■ 2024
■ 2029 (Projected)



Average Disposable Income

This chart shows the average disposable income in an area, compared with other geographies.

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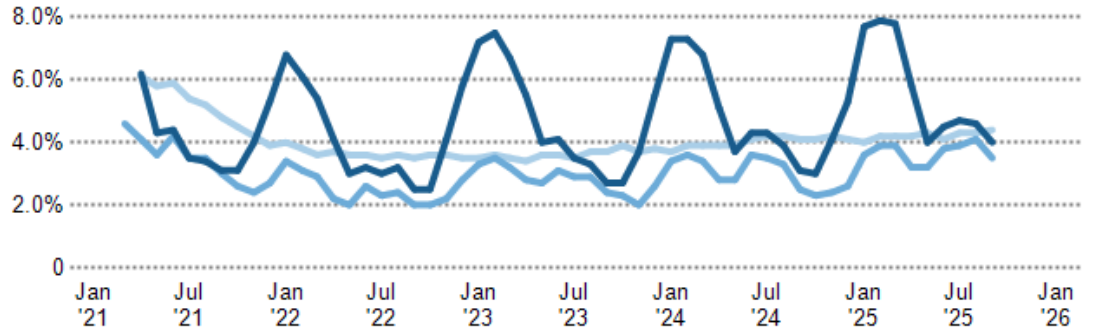
Unemployment Rate

This chart shows the unemployment trend in an area, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics via PolicyMap

Update Frequency: Monthly

■ Cass County
■ Minnesota
■ USA

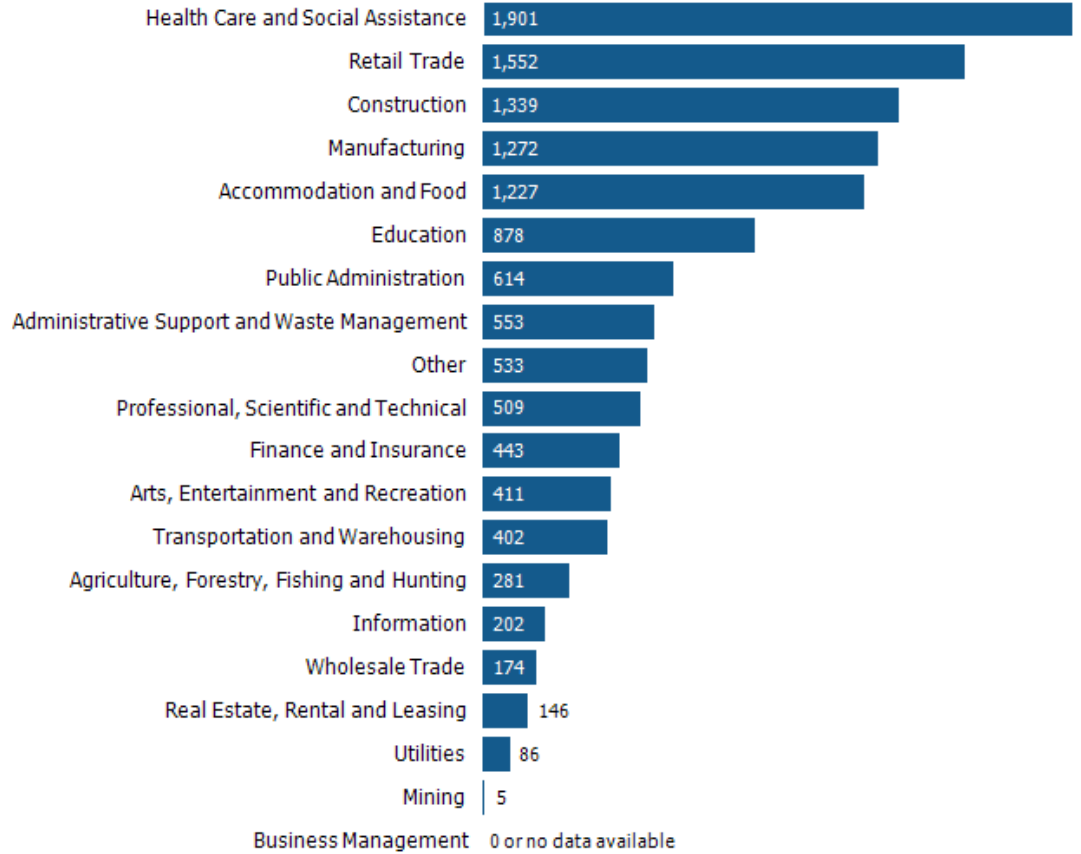


Employment Count by Industry

This chart shows industries in an area and the number of people employed in each category.

Data Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



Cass County, Minnesota: Education Comparison

Less than 9th Grade

This chart shows the percentage of people in an area who have less than a ninth grade education, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



Some High School

This chart shows the percentage of people in an area whose highest educational achievement is some high school, without graduating or passing a high school GED test, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



High School GED

This chart shows the percentage of people in an area whose highest educational achievement is passing a high school GED test, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



High School Graduate

This chart shows the percentage of people in an area whose highest educational achievement is high school, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



Some College

This chart shows the percentage of people in an area whose highest educational achievement is some college, without receiving a degree, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



Associate Degree

This chart shows the percentage of people in an area whose highest educational achievement is an associate degree, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



Bachelor's Degree

This chart shows the percentage of people in an area whose highest educational achievement is a bachelor's degree, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



Grad/Professional Degree

This chart shows the percentage of people in an area whose highest educational achievement is a graduate or professional degree, compared with other geographies.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually



Cass County, Minnesota: Commute Comparison

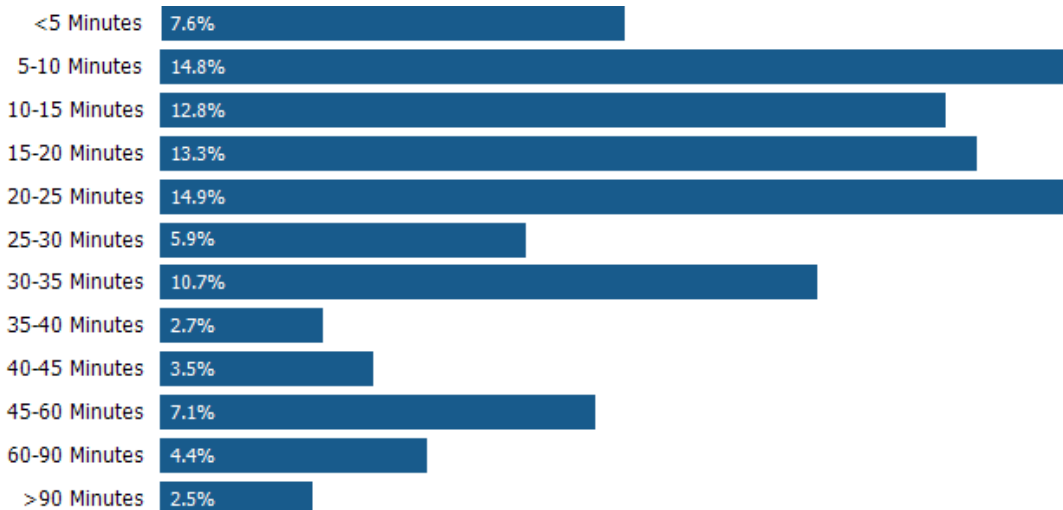
Average Commute Time

This chart shows average commute times to work, in minutes, by percentage of an area's population.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

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How People Get to Work

This chart shows the types of transportation that residents of the area you searched use for their commute, by percentage of an area's population.

Data Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey via Esri, 2024

Update Frequency: Annually

 Cass County



Cass County, Minnesota: Home Value Comparison

Median Estimated Home Value

This chart displays property estimates for an area and a subject property, where one has been selected. Estimated home values are generated by a valuation model and are not formal appraisals.

Data Source: Valuation calculations based on public records and MLS sources where licensed

Update Frequency: Monthly

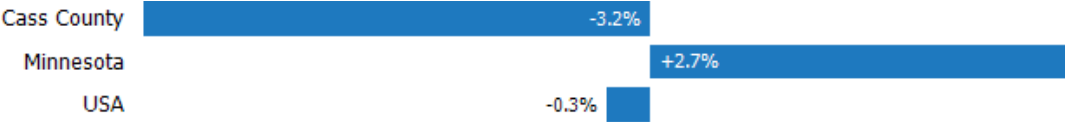


12 mo. Change in Median Estimated Home Value

This chart shows the 12-month change in the estimated value of all homes in this area, the county and the state. Estimated home values are generated by a valuation model and are not formal appraisals.

Data Source: Valuation calculations based on public records and MLS sources where licensed

Update Frequency: Monthly



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- **Demographics and trends data** from Esri. The data in commercial and economic reports includes Tapestry Segmentation, which classifies U.S. residential neighborhoods into unique market segments based on socioeconomic and demographic characteristics.
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- **School data and reviews** from Niche.
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