

# 6 REGIONS One Nebraska

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# DEMOGRAPHICS

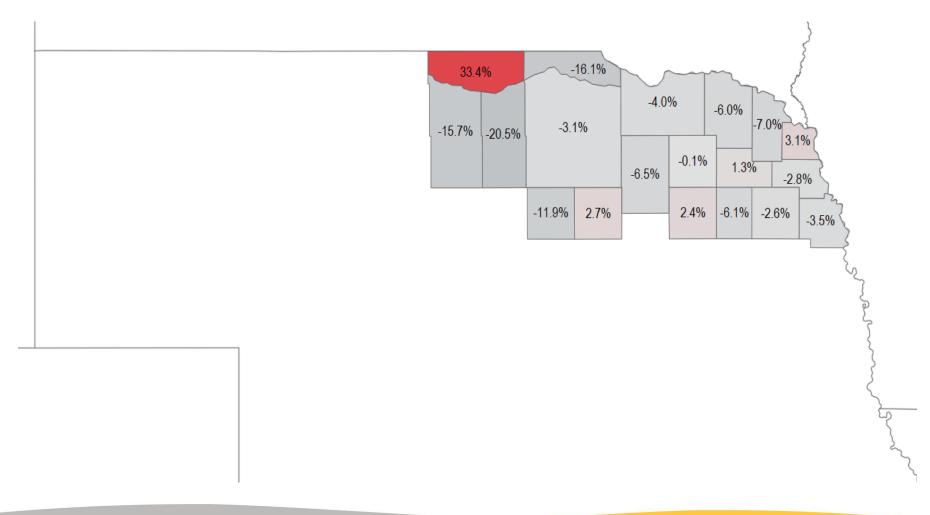
### TOTAL POPULATION, 2022

The total population of the region is 150,290. The largest county is Madison County, while the smallest is Wheeler County.



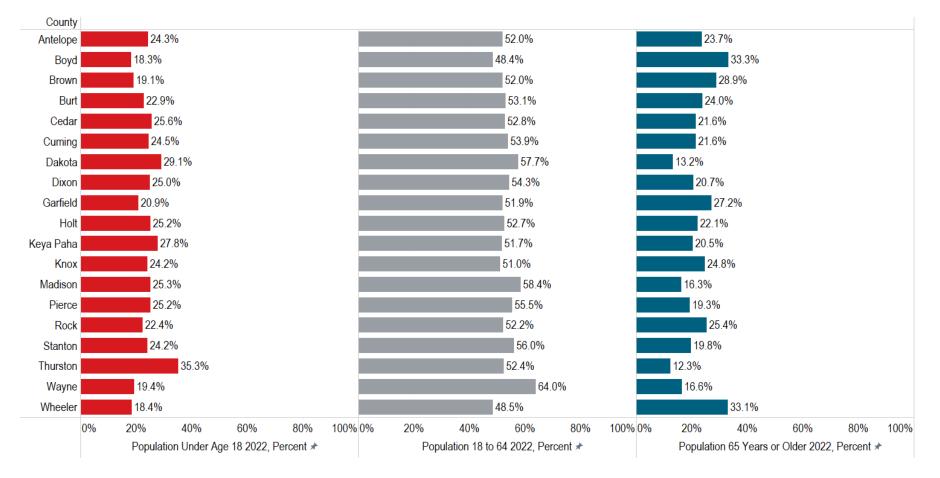
#### POPULATION CHANGE 2010 TO 2022

The average population change in the Northeast Region is -3.3%



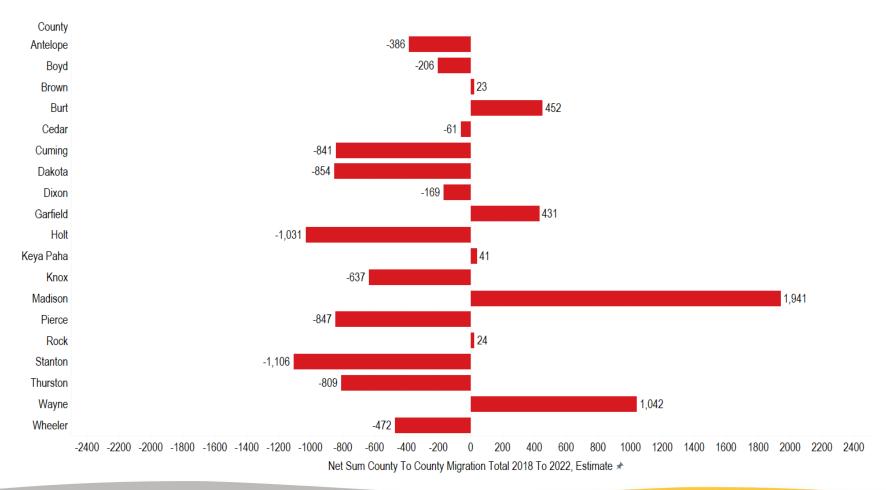
#### **POPULATION BY AGE, 2022**

Across all counties, the largest age group, as a percentage of the population, is 18 to 64.



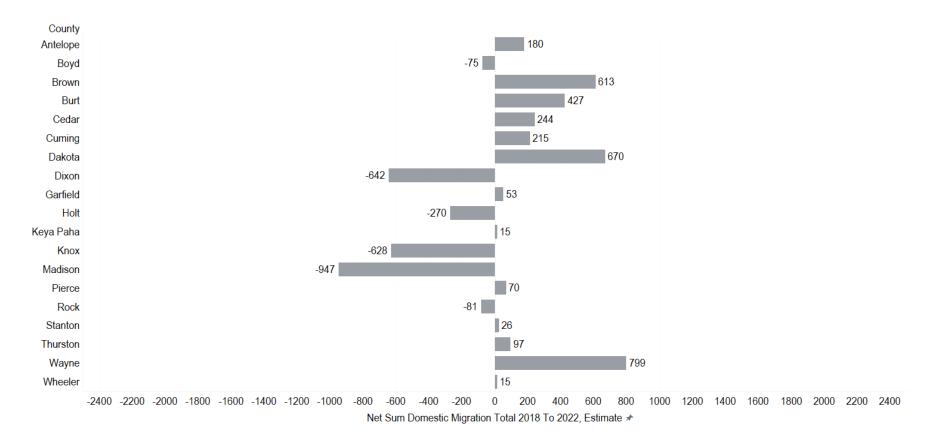
## NET COUNTY-TO-COUNTY MIGRATION, 2018 TO 2022

Madison and Wayne Counties attract Nebraskans to the region.



#### NET DOMESTIC MIGRATION, 2018 TO 2022

Several counties in the region gain population from other states, while Madison County loses population to other states.

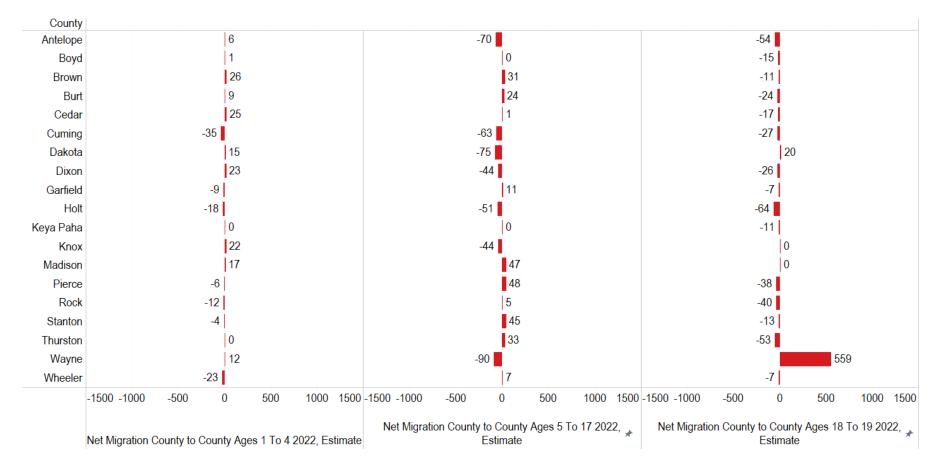


#### NET DOMESTIC MIGRATION BY REGION, 2018 TO 2022

Region	Net Domestic Migration
Central	-1,329
Metropolitan	-12,244
Mid-Plains	-603
Northeast	781
Southeast	-1,756
Western	-259

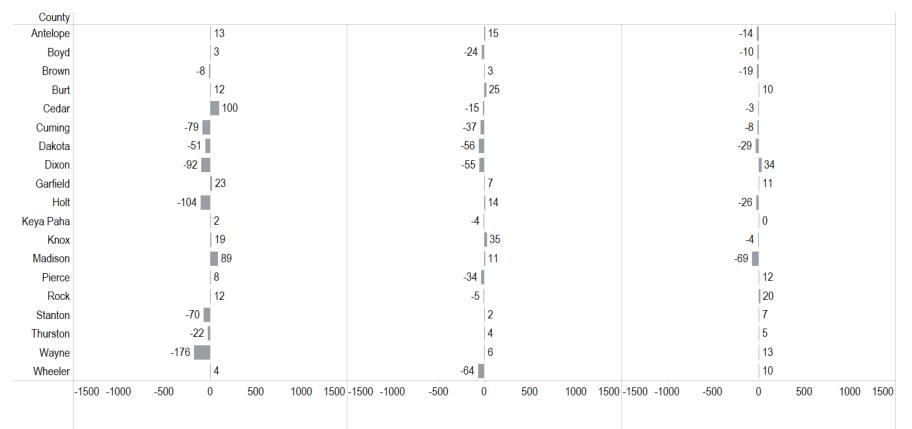
#### NET COUNTY-TO-COUNTY BY AGE, 2022

Wayne County gains population among 18 to 19-year-olds (pictured). In contrast to other regions, all other county-to-county movements in the region across all age groups are minor.



### NET DOMESTIC MIGRATION BY AGE, 2022

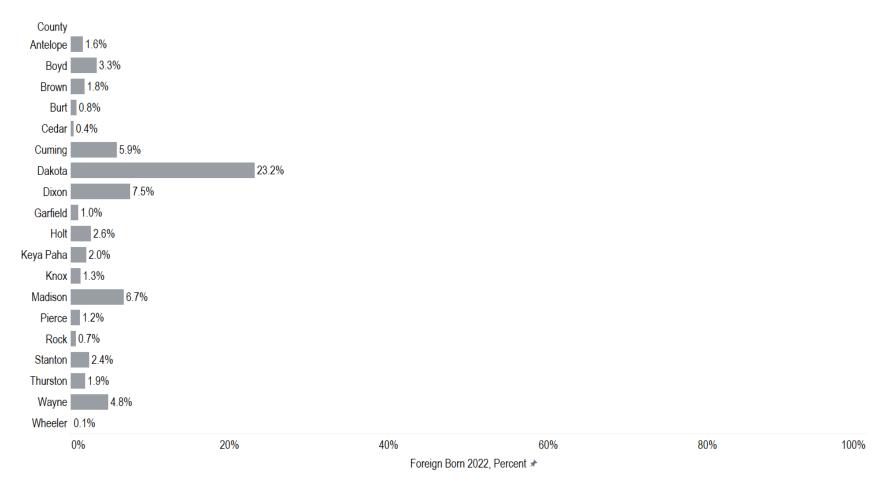
Net domestic migration in the region tends to occur in the early workforce years. Pictured are ages 20 to 34.



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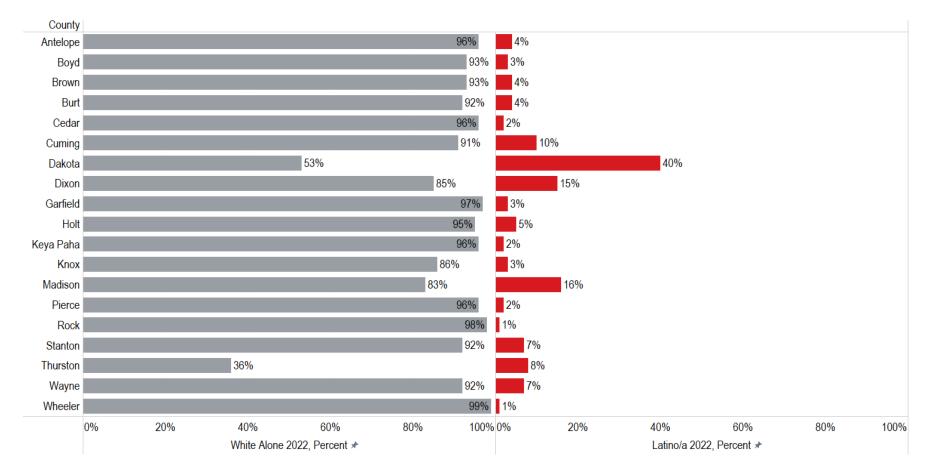
#### PERCENT FOREIGN BORN, 2022

The Northeast Region, like much of the state, is not particularly diverse. A few counties have a high percentage of the population that is foreign-born.



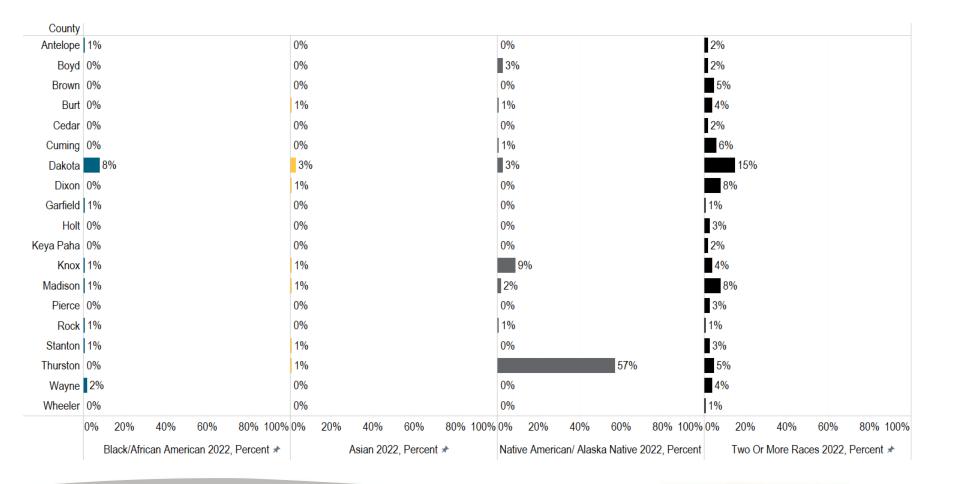
### POPULATION BY RACE AND ETHNICITY, 2022

Several counties in the region have a higher-than-average population that is Latino/a.



#### **POPULATION BY RACE, 2022**

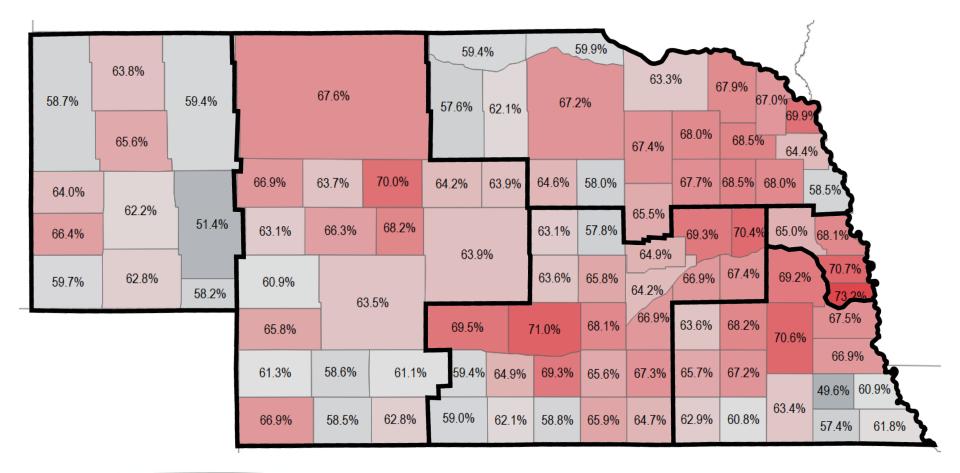
Over half of the population in Thurston County identifies as Native American.



# WORKFORCE

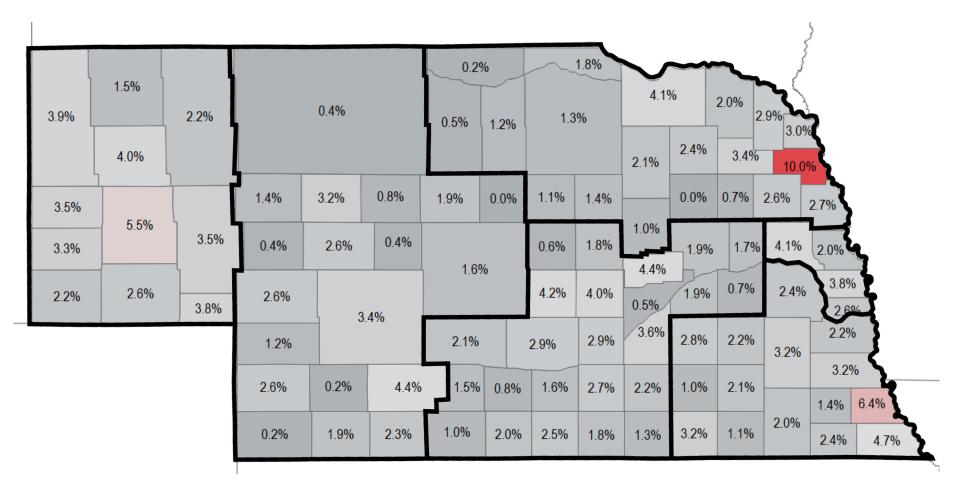
### LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES, 2022

Labor force participation rates are generally high in the region and statewide. However, several counties in the region have rates lower than the state average.

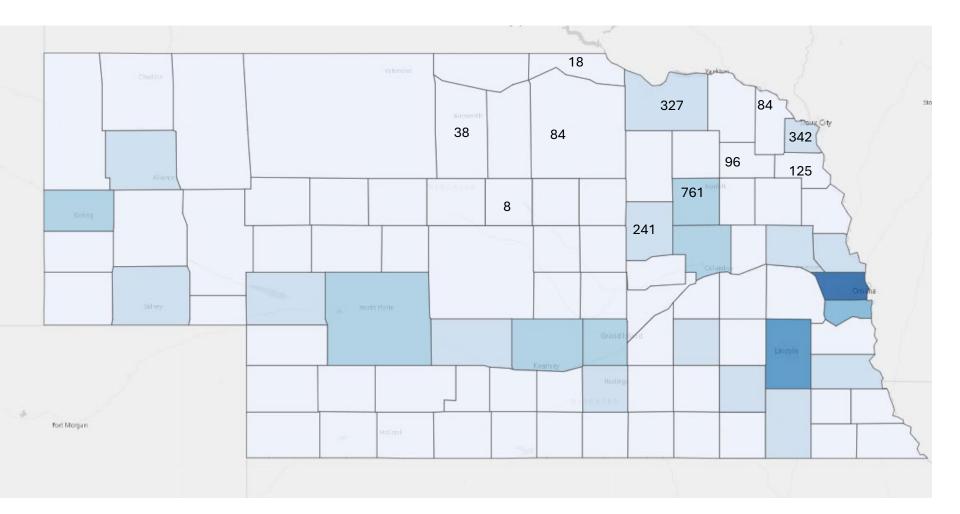


#### **UNEMPLOYMENT RATES, 2022**

Thurston County has the highest unemployment rate in the state.



#### JOB OPENINGS ON NEWORKS 7/22/24



#### Area Profile for Northeast Region (2013 Def.), NE

#### **Occupations by Advertised Jobs Table**

The table below shows the occupations with the highest number of job openings advertised online in on Northeast Region (2013 Def.)

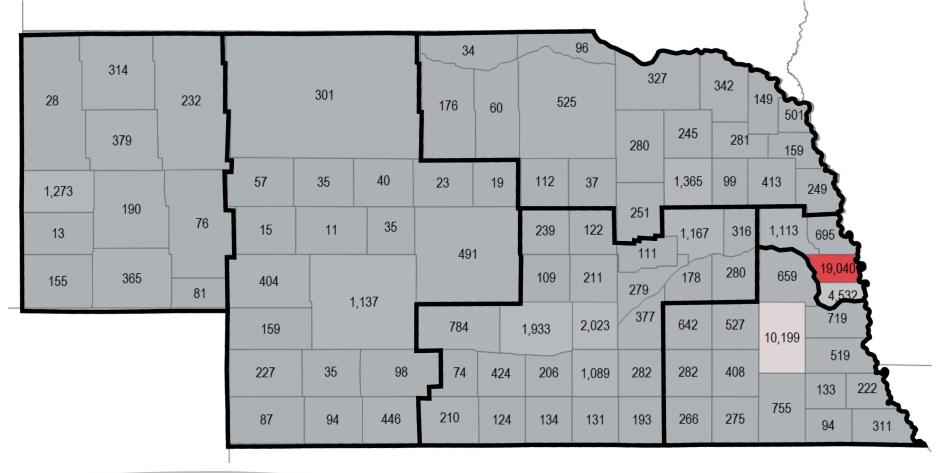
Rank	Occupation	
1	Registered Nurses	163
2	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	73
3	Nursing Assistants	73
4	Retail Salespersons	44
5	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	44
6	Production Workers, All Other	38
7	First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	38
8	Fast Food and Counter Workers	29
9	Teaching Assistants, Preschool, Elementary, Middle, and Secondary School, Except Special Education	29
10	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	28

Source: Online advertised jobs data Downloaded: 07/22/2024 1:18 PM

\*Northeast Community College Region and Northeast Economic Development District do not include the same set of counties. Display is for the Northeast Economic Development District.

### TOTAL ESTABLISHMENTS

While occupations describe the type of work people do, establishments and industries describe the places where people work. The total number of establishments in the Northeast Region is 5,450.



#### Area Profile for Northeast Region (2013 Def.), NE

#### **Employers by Number of Job Openings Table**

The table below shows the employers with the highest number of job openings advertised online in Northeast Region (2013 Def.).

Rank	Employer Name	Job Openings		
1	Pillen Family Farms	139		
2	Faith Regional Health Services	97		
3	Methodist Health System	75		
4	The Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society	65		
5	Volt Information Sciences, Inc.	59		
6	South Sioux City Community Schools	58		
7	Beacon Hill Staffing Group, LLC	54		
8	Northeast Community College			
9	Suppressed			
10	Fremont Public Schools			

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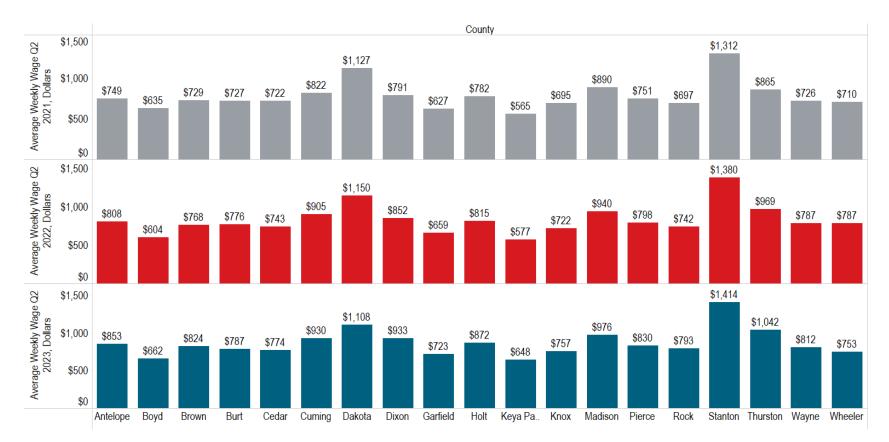
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### TOTAL WAGES PAID BY INDUSTRY BY REGION

Region Natural Resources and Mining		Construction		Manufacturing		Trade, Transportation, and Utilities		Other Services Except Public Administration		
Central	\$2,676,888		\$4,769,281		\$21,664,316		\$14,712,472		\$1,517,780	
Metropolitan	\$3,967,432		\$128,428,831		\$126,315,601		\$291,871,965		\$33,896,194	
Mid-Plains	s \$1,692,742		\$1,926,913		\$1,886,910		\$5,823,512		\$680,778	
Northeast	\$1,799,712		\$2,740,74	7	\$11,7	86,420	\$9,540,554		\$844,916	
Southeast	\$2,354,722		\$14,492,020 \$		\$25,722,539		\$37,405,559		\$4,747,174	
Western	/estern \$1,304,640		\$2,442,610		\$2,607,338		\$7,324,819		\$642,243	
Region	Information	Finar Activ		Professio and Busin Services		Education and Health	Public Administration	Leisure Hospita		Total Wages by Industry Total Q2 2023, Dollars
Central	\$900,739	\$3,34	0,008	\$5,123,70	)4	\$17,789,290	\$3,804,877	\$2,535,	860	\$75,015,437
Metropolitan	\$47,770,002	\$176	,461,221	\$359,723	,489	\$398,297,039	\$64,379,318	\$74,918	3,632	\$1,706,029,722
Mid-Plains	\$636,042	\$1,42	2,699	\$1,368,62	24	\$8,758,985	\$2,024,278	\$1,328,	862	\$23,074,781
Northeast	\$568,623	\$3,13	8,829	\$2,412,34	19	\$12,388,136	\$2,687,709	\$1,310,	934	\$45,467,682
Southeast	\$6,034,161	\$13,0	179,577	\$24,379,5	514	\$54,519,043	\$21,003,466	\$8,171,	839	\$210,962,992
Western	\$830,581	\$1,62	4,669	\$3,168,81	11	\$11,999,775	\$2,659,054	\$1,579,	037	\$30,747,828

#### AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES

Average weekly wages have increased over time in the region; however, they still vary by county.



#### MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME BY REGION

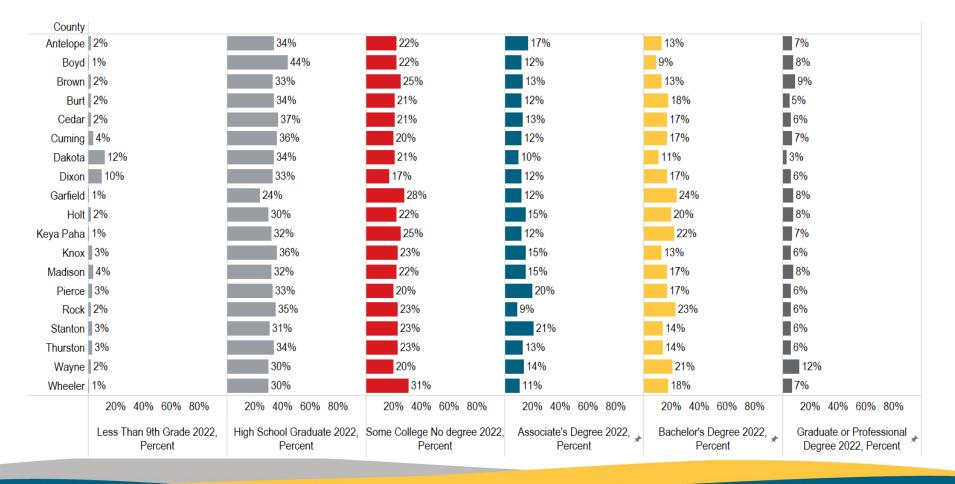
The Northeast Region has an average median household income and has experienced average growth in median household income since 2018.

Region	Average Median Household Income 2022	Average Change in Median Household Income 2018 to 2022
Central	\$65,952	23.3%
Metropolitan	\$82,115	24.1%
Mid-Plains	\$59,170	19.5%
Northeast	\$62,649	17.9%
Southeast	\$67,609	22.1%
Western	\$57,023	18.5%

# EDUCATION

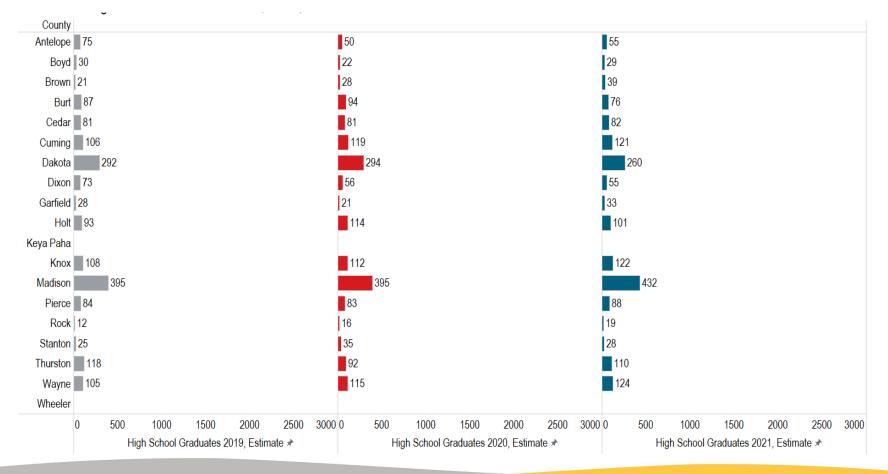
### EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, 2022

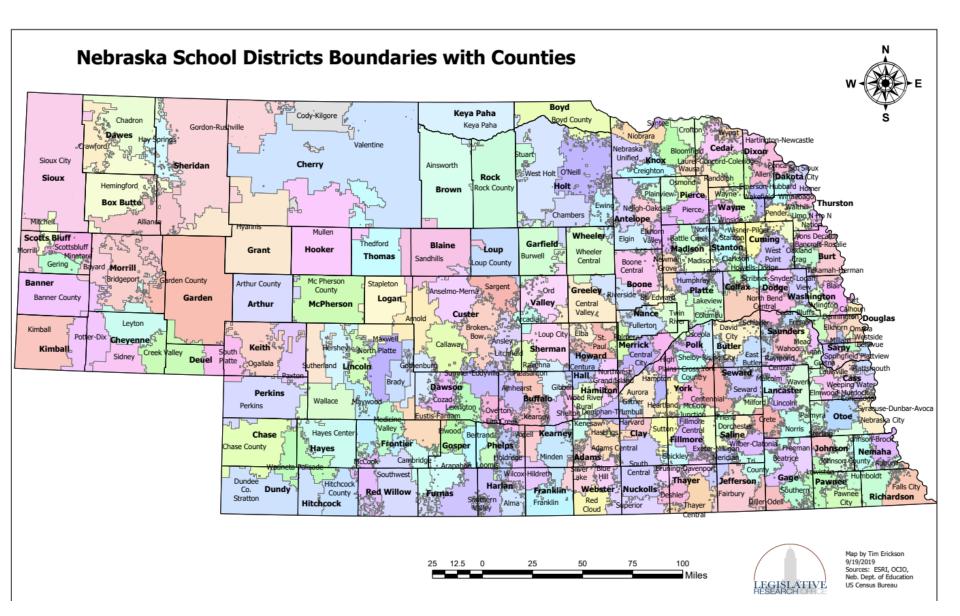
Garfield County has the highest percentage of residents with a bachelor's degree. In contrast, most people in other counties have completed high school and some college but have not earned a degree. Many counties also exceed the state average for associate degrees.



# NUMBER OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES, 2019, 2020, 2021

The number of high school graduates per county has been consistent in recent years, with 1,774 students graduating in 2021.





#### COLLEGE GOING RATES, 2019, 2020, 2021

College-going rates are high throughout Nebraska.

Region	2019	2020	2021
Central	76.5%	72.6%	73.6%
Metropolitan	71.1%	68.5%	69.3%
Mid-Plains	76.4%	74.8%	77.8%
Northeast	75.4%	75.0%	73.2%
Southeast	71.7%	68.9%	72.1%
Western	69.7%	65.7%	64.5%

### STUDENTS MATRICULATING IN REGION

There are four post-secondary institutions in the NSWERS data for the Northeast Region.

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
Little Priest Tribal College	10	12	13	12	10	23	80
Nebraska Indian Community College	5	12	12	13	12	13	67
Northeast Community College	880	953	999	1,034	1,079	1,067	6,012
Wayne State College	781	812	750	835	934	990	5,102
Total	1,676	1,789	1,774	1,894	2,035	2,093	11,261

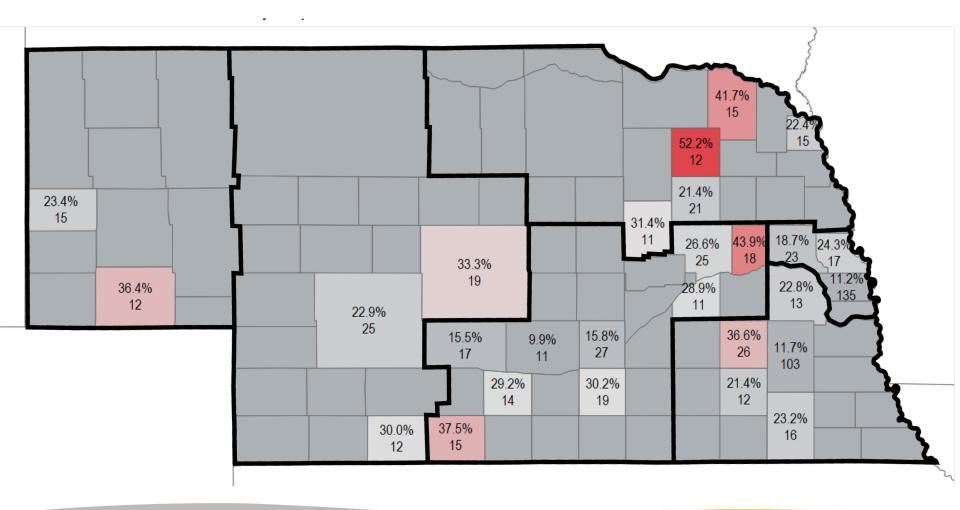
#### POST-SECONDARY PERSISTENCE RATES BY REGION, 2019, 2020, 2021

Postsecondary persistence rates are high throughout the state.

Region	2019	2020	2021
Central	87.8%	87.4%	87.3%
Metropolitan	83.5%	84.1%	81.2%
Mid-Plains	84.4%	80.9%	79.7%
Northeast	78.7%	83.3%	86.3%
Southeast	81.7%	84.7%	79.8%
Western	84.6%	88.5%	84.6%

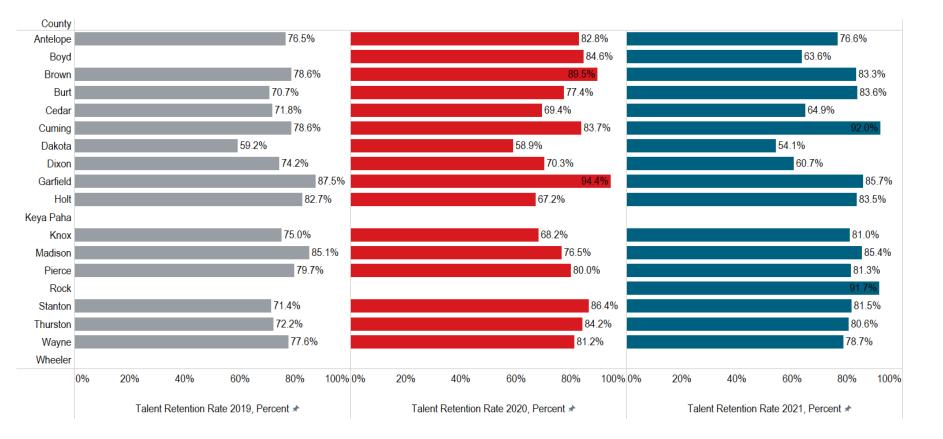
#### **POST-SECONDARY GRADUATION RATES, 2020**

Post-secondary graduation rates are low statewide.



## TALENT RETENTION RATES, 2019, 2020, AND 2021

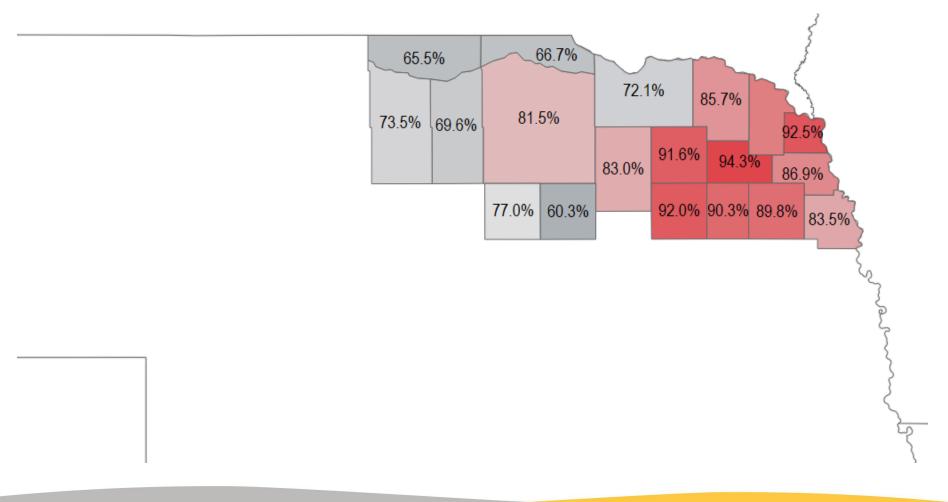
Talent retention by county in the region is high, but it includes individuals retained anywhere in the state.



### HOUSING

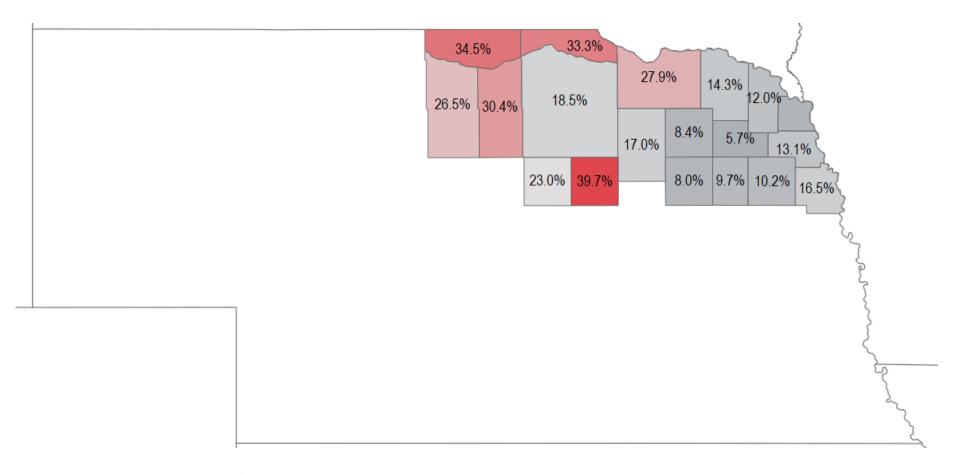
#### **OCCUPANCY RATES, 2022**

The eastern counties of the Northeast Region have high occupancy rates compared to the western counties of the region.



### VACANT HOUSING UNITS, 2022

Vacancy rates, referring to homes listed for sale or rent but are not occupied, are high in many counties in the Northeast Region.



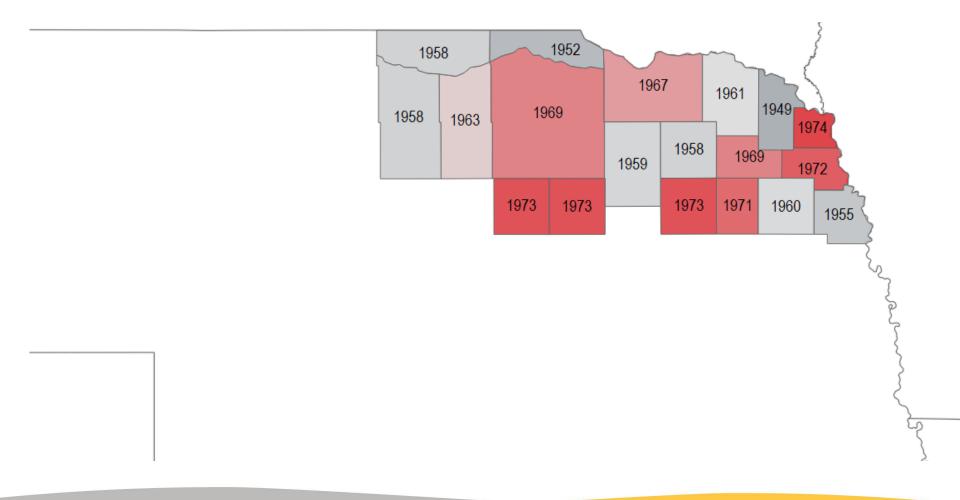
#### OCCUPANCY AND VACANCY, 2022

Although vacancy rates in the region have decreased since 2012, they remain high compared to other regions.

Region	Average Occupancy Rate	Percent Change Occupancy 2012 To 2022	Average Vacancy Rate	Average Change in Vacancy Rate 2012 To 2022
Central	84.1%	-3.7%	15.9%	-3.4%
Metropolitan	94.0%	9.8%	6.0%	-11.5%
Mid-Plains	77.0%	-5.8%	23.0%	8.8%
Northeast	81.3%	-5.4%	18.7%	-2.4%
Southeast	87.2%	-1.6%	12.8%	0.1%
Western	79.4%	-6.4%	20.6%	8.3%

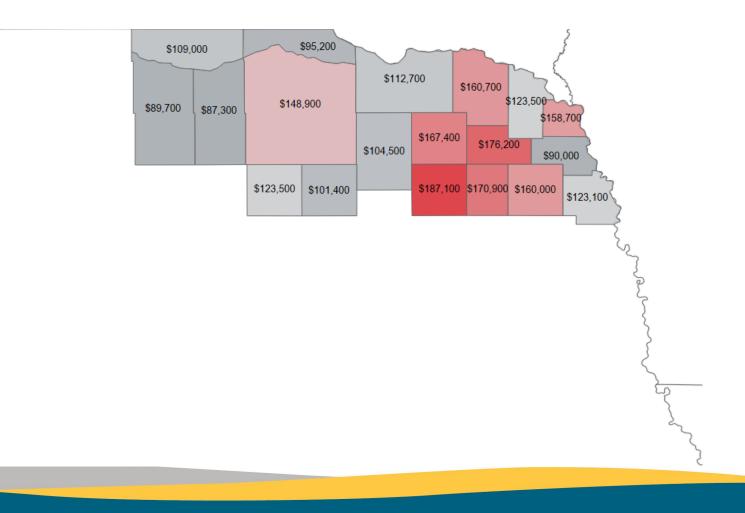
#### MEDIAN AGE OF HOUSING, 2022

The median age of homes in the Northeast Region is 1964.



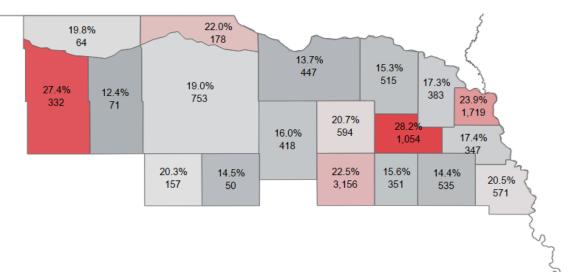
### MEDIAN VALUE OF OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS, 2022

Median values of owner-occupied homes in the region are below the state average.



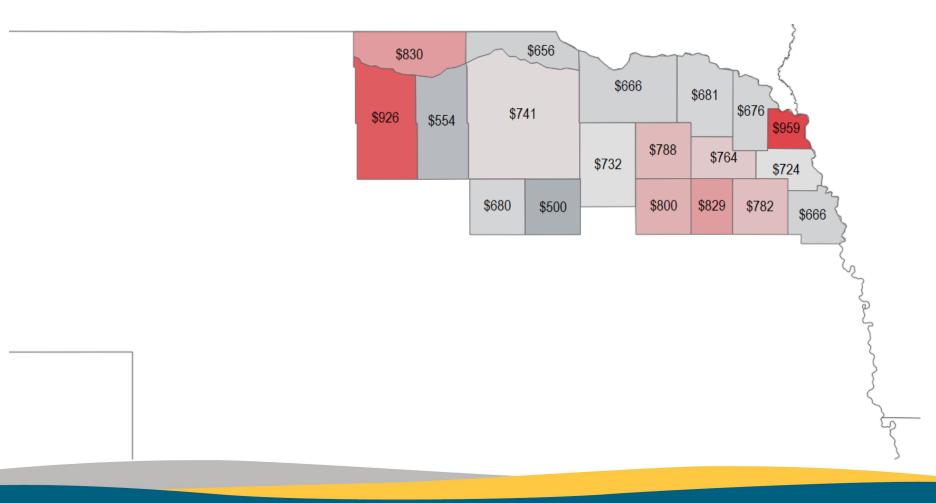
#### PERCENTAGE AND NUMBER OF HOUSING COST BURDENED, 2022

However, many, 11,695 are housing cost burdened. Housing cost burdened refers to households that are paying 30% or more of their income on housing.



#### MEDIAN RENT VALUE, 2022

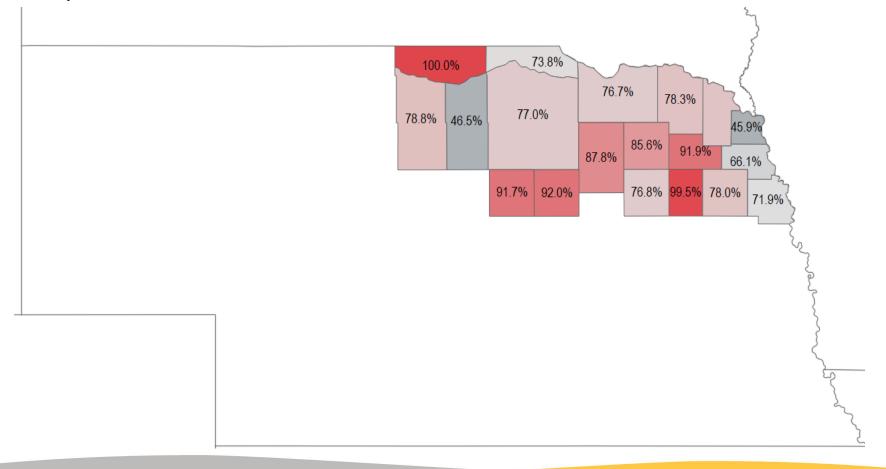
Housing cost burden rates include renters. In the Northeast Region, 25.6% of homes, or 16,614 units, are renter-occupied, which is a high rate for the state. The median rent values are contributing to affordability issues in the region.



### CHILDCARE

#### PERCENT OF CHILDREN UNDER AGE 6 WITH ALL PARENTS IN THE LABOR FORCE, 2022

In the region, there are 12,219 children under the age of 6, with the majority having both parents in the labor force.



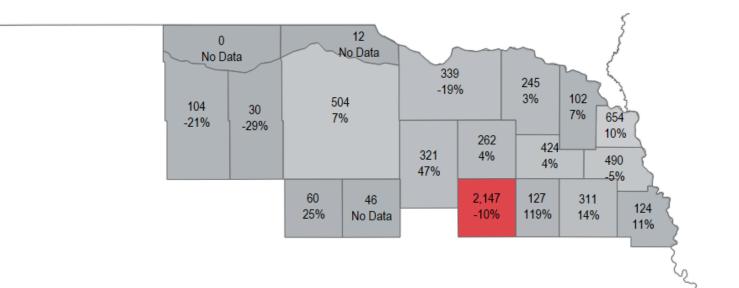
#### NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER AGE 6 AND CHILDCARE CAPACITY IN THE REGION, 2022 AND 2023

For the 12,219 children under age 6 in the region, there are only 6,302 spots available in licensed childcare facilities.

Region	Number of Children Under 6 2022	Licensed Provider Capacity 2023
Central	23,744	14,653
Metropolitan	69,077	68,196
Mid-Plains	6,254	3,017
Northeast	12,219	6,302
Southeast	34,589	29,334
Western	5,874	3,784

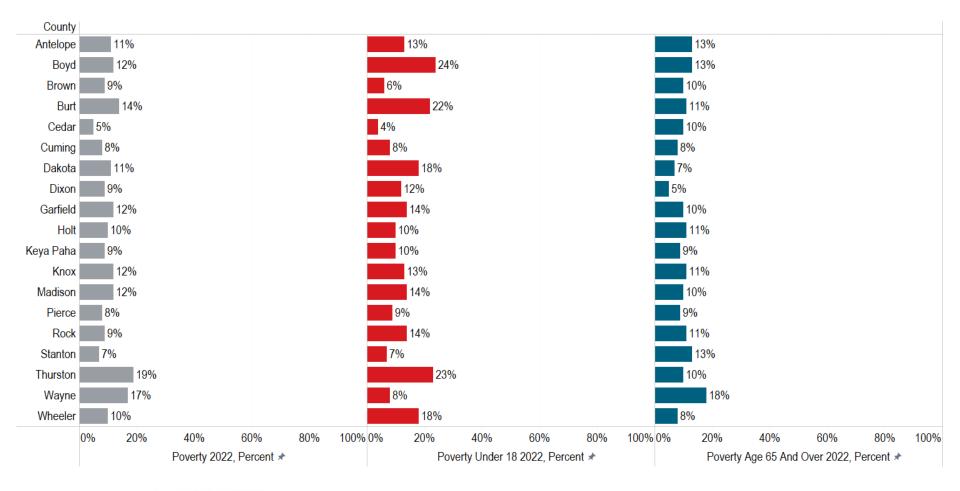
### LICENSED PROVIDER CAPACITY IN 2023 AND PERCENT CHANGE IN PROVIDER CAPACITY 2019 TO 2023

Licensed provider capacity is down in many counties in the region.



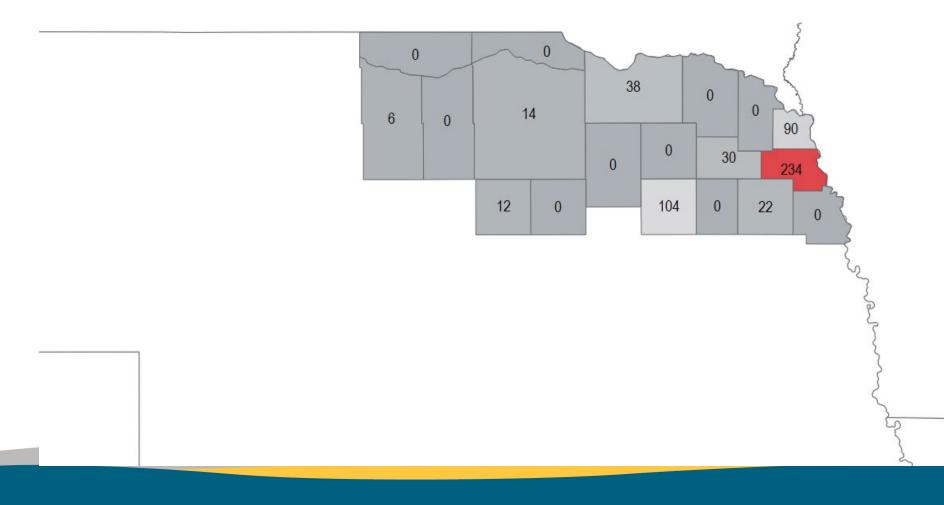
#### **POPULATION IN POVERTY, 2023**

Several counties in the region have higher than average rates of poverty among the population 18 and under.



### CAPACITY HEAD START/EARLY HEAD START, 2023

While several counties in the region have high child poverty rates, they may not have access to Head Start/Early Head Start programming.



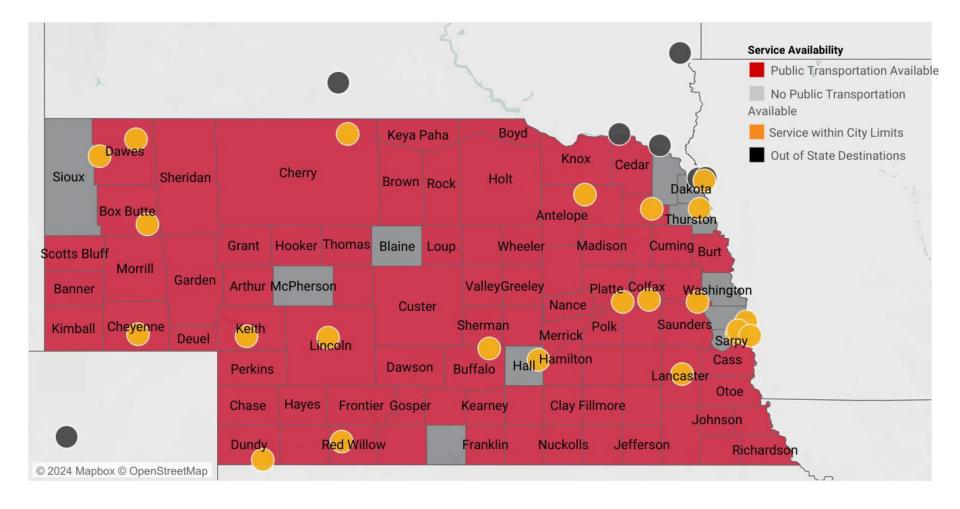
### PUBLIC PRE-K PROGRAMS BY REGION, 2023/2024

The Northeast Region's rate of enrollment in public pre-K programs is comparatively high but still does not reach maximum utilization.

Region	Number of Pre-K Programs	Number of Children Enrolled	Average Percent Children Enrolled
Central	119	4,962	7.6%
Metropolitan	195	7,092	6.7%
Mid-Plains	45	1,022	6.0%
Northeast	70	2,519	8.1%
Southeast	117	5,424	8.1%
Western	35	1,232	5.4%

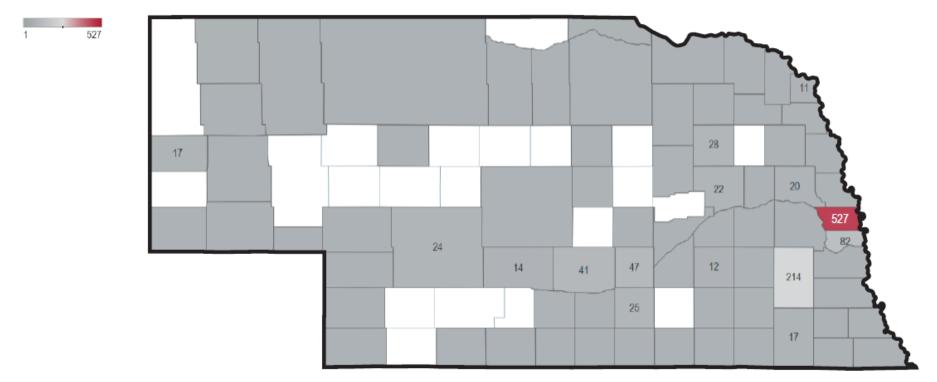
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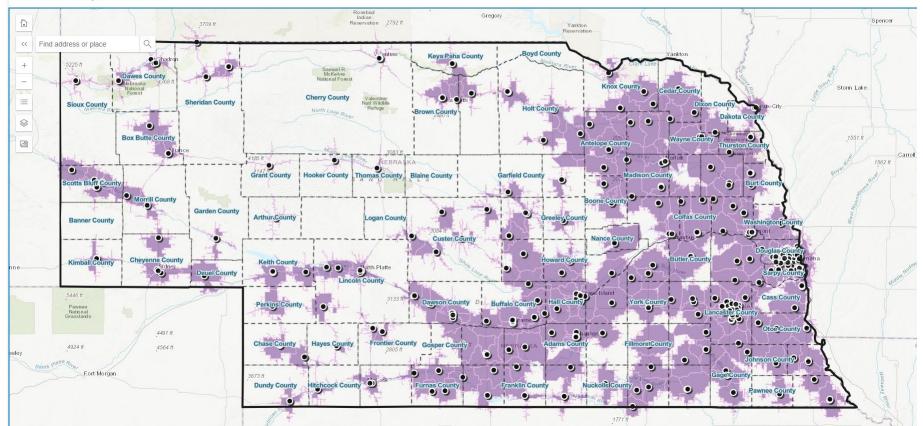
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