

JACKSON COUNTY, COLORADO



Also known as North Park, Jackson County is remote, raw, and tucked deep in Colorado’s rugged Rocky Mountains. Walden is the county seat, and the only incorporated municipality in the county. Holding true to rough and rugged times when native hunters, trappers, prospectors, and early ranchers survived off its lands and forged its history, Jackson County is the real West, where travelers can embrace “what once was”, while happily escaping “what now is”. This basin opens north into Wyoming and is rimmed on the west by the Park Range, on the south by the Rabbit Ears Range and the Never Summer Mountains, and on the east by the Medicine Bow Mountains. Jackson County is home to the headwaters of the North Platte River.

1,389	Population (2020)
-0.4%	Population Change since 2010
1,161	Population Forecast (2050)
-16%	Forecasted Population Change (2020 to 2050)
\$53,577	Median Household Income
12.6%	Poverty Rate
87.4%	High School Diploma or more (25+)
20.0%	Bachelor's Degree or more (25+)
558	Total Number of Households
1,319	Total Number of Housing Units
36.6%	% Housing Units Vacant for Seas/Rec Use
2.2	Average Household Size
51.6	Median Age
17.4%	% Hispanic
571	Total Employment (Q4 2020)
7	Employment Change (since Q4 2019)
94	Total Establishments (Q4 2020)
5	Change in Establishments (since Q4 2019)
\$44,356	Average Annual Wage
5.4%	Change in Average Annual Wage (since Q4 2019)
892	Total Labor Force (April 2021)
25	Change in Labor Force year over year
4.4%	Unemployment Rate (April 2021)
-3.1	Change in UE Rate year over year

Jackson County Community Assets

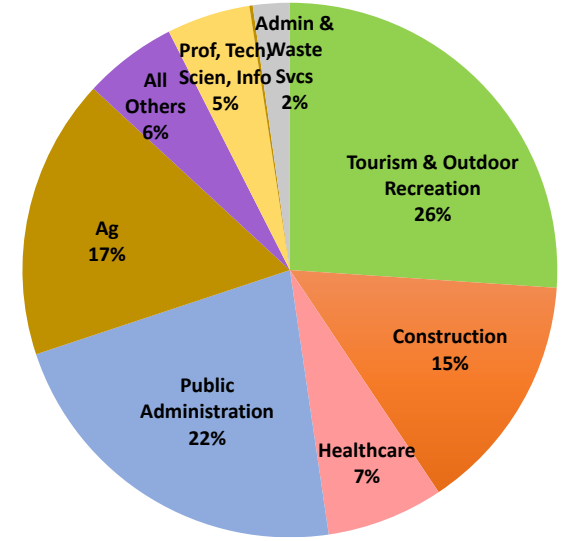
- ◆ Jackson County is considered the “Moose Viewing Capital of Colorado”.
- ◆ 65% of Jackson County is comprised of public lands
- ◆ Jackson County offers an abundance of outdoor recreational opportunities including fishing, hunting, snowmobiling, abundant wildlife, and access to five of Colorado’s most rugged and pristine wilderness areas.
- ◆ Schools: North Park School District: Pre-K—12th grade
- ◆ Healthcare: - North Park Medical Center in Walden
- ◆ County seat for Jackson County: Town of Walden

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The Jackson County economy is relatively speaking the most diverse of the 5 counties in the NWCCOG Region. Tourism is still the most dominate industry (26%), but is followed closely by Pubic Administration (22%) and Agriculture (17%). The most prevalent occupations in Jackson County are sales, management, and farming, fishing, and forestry.

Industry Mix

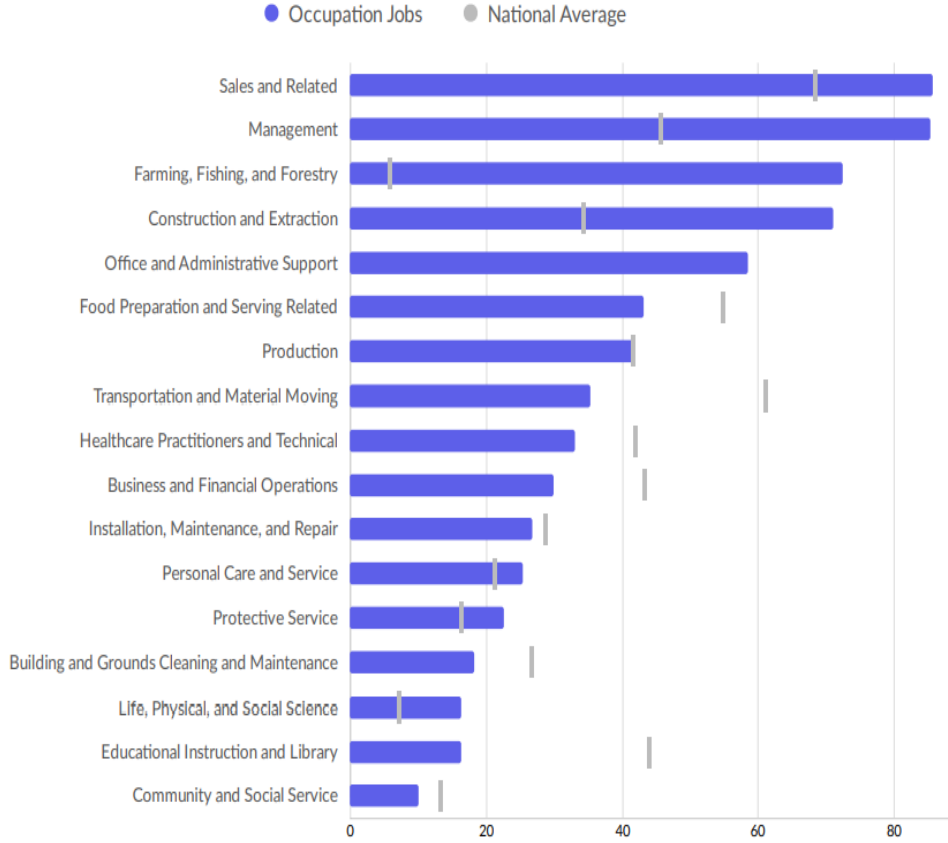
Total Jobs: 571
Average Annual Wage: \$44,356



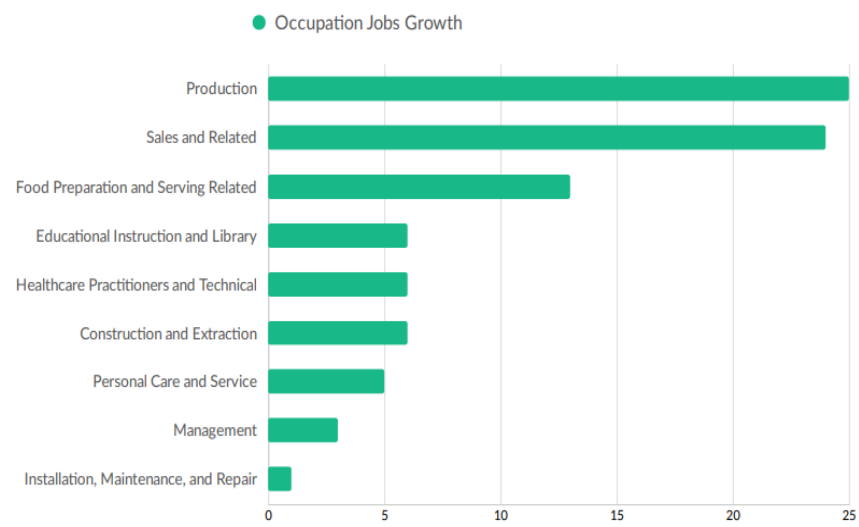
Annual Average Wage by Industry

Industry	Average Wage
Total, All Industries	\$ 44,356
Accommodation and Food Services	\$ 25,376
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	\$ 29,432
Retail Trade	\$ 33,228
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	<i>conf.</i>
Construction	\$ 59,644
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$ 44,720
Professional and Technical Services	\$ 81,328
Public Administration	\$ 39,468
Manufacturing	<i>conf.</i>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	\$ 43,368
Administrative and Waste Services	\$ 25,428
Educational Services	<i>conf.</i>
Finance and Insurance	<i>conf.</i>
Mining	\$ 114,088
Other Services, Ex. Public Admin	<i>conf.</i>
Transportation and Warehousing	\$ 38,688
Utilities	<i>conf.</i>

Largest Occupations



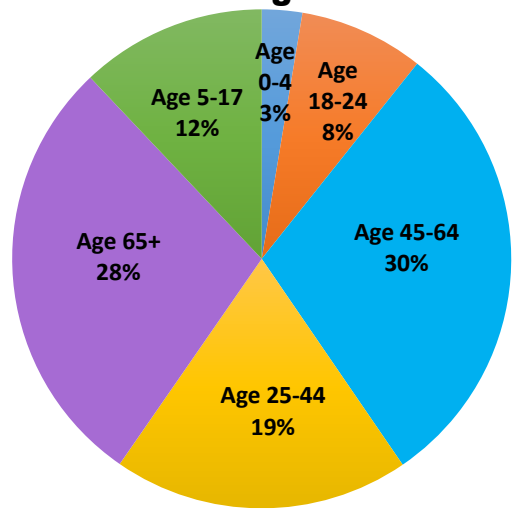
Growing Occupations



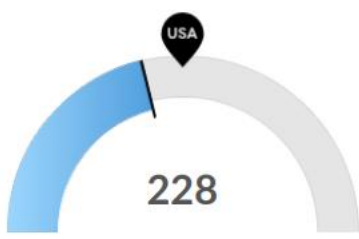
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Population Mix

Total Population: 1,389
Median Age: 51.6

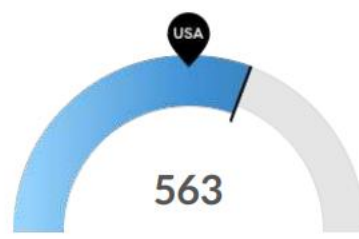


Population Characteristics



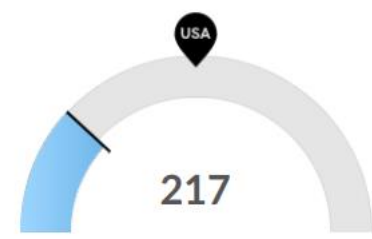
Millennials

Jackson County, CO has 228 millennials (ages 25-39). The national average for an area this size is 287.



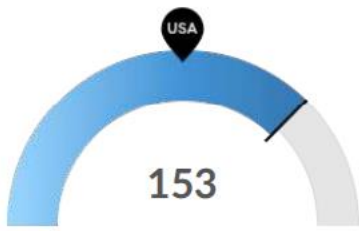
Retiring Soon

Retirement risk is high in Jackson County, CO. The national average for an area this size is 409 people 55 or older, while there are 563 here.



Racial Diversity

Racial diversity is low in Jackson County, CO. The national average for an area this size is 555 racially diverse people, while there are 217 here.



Veterans

Jackson County, CO has 153 veterans. The national average for an area this size is 77.



Violent Crime

No crime information is available in Jackson County, CO.



Property Crime

No crime information is available in Jackson County, CO.

Jackson County Population & Workforce

Jackson County is the “oldest” county in the region, with more than half of the population over the age of 45, and 28% in the 65+ age group. Jackson County has the highest median age of the 5 county region (51.6). It has a higher than average portion of the population retiring soon, and a below average portion of millennials.