







# JEFFERSON COUNTY











# **ABOUT JEFFERSON COUNTY**

Area 583 sq. mi

County Seat Jefferson



**Population:** 86,576 **Households:** 34,297

Median Age: 40.6 Median Household Income: \$70,410

Greater Jefferson County offers an ideal location. A population of more than 75,000,000 is reachable within a 500 mile radius, and includes major markets such as Minneapolis, Milwaukee and Chicago.





Palermo's Pizza expanded its operations into Jefferson
County in 2023, producing an estimated 50 million frozen pizzas per year at the location.



JEFFERSON COUNTY'S

2% GROWTH RATE

BETWEEN 2020 
2022 MAKES IT THE

5TH FASTEST

GROWING COUNTY

IN THE STATE.

2023 WI DWD Jefferson County Workforce Profile

# **JEFFERSON COUNTY WORKFORCE & INDUSTRY SNAPSHOT**

#### **TOP INDUSTRIES BY EMPLOYMENT**

- 1. Manufacturing
- 2. Trade, Transportation & Utilities
- 3. Education & Health Services
- 4. Leisure & Hospitality
- 5. Professional & Business Services

#### JEFFERSON COUNTY LABOR FORCE

**Total Labor Force: 45,927 Unemployment Rate: 2.8%** 

May 2024

## **JEFFERSON COUNTY LABOR BASIN**

45 minute drive time

**Population:** 1,334,165 **Labor force:** 702,762 Households: 562,354

**LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE** 2022

**66.8**%

National Labor Force Participation Rate: 62.5% **State Labor Force Participation Rate:** 65.4%

## **MANUFACTURING IN JEFFERSON COUNTY**

Manufacturing is Jefferson County's top industry, and food and beverage manufacturing is the largest sector.

10,136 2,621

ANUFACTURING -

#### **KEY MANUFACTURING SECTORS**

Food Manufacturing Beverage Manufacturing **Machinery Manufacturing** Plastics Product Manufacturing Specialty Food Manufacturing FAB Industry Machinery Manufacturing

























Thrive Economic Development is a non-profit 501(c)3 public-private organization created to promote the economic competitiveness of Greater Jefferson County by providing businesses with services to locate, expand or develop here. We help businesses and developers navigate local, regional, state and federal resources, as well as act as a liaison with local municipal leaders and regulatory authorities. ThriveED also assists in strategic initiatives across Greater Jefferson County that are focused on workforce development, infrastructure and quality of life.

#### photos

top Row L-R: Watertown, Fort Atkinson, Lake Mills Middle Row L-R: Whitewater, Johnson Creek, Palmyra Bottom Row L-R: Cambridge, Jefferson, Waterloo



