



# Grainger County, TN



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## Report Parameters

### 1 County

47057 Grainger County, TN

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### Class of Worker

QCEW Employees, Non-QCEW Employees, and Self-Employed

The information in this report pertains to the chosen geographical area.

## Economy Overview

**25,509**

**Population (2025)**

Population **grew by 1,940** over the last 5 years and is projected to **grow by 1,823** over the next 5 years.

**5,501**

**Total Regional Employment**

Jobs **grew by 358** over the last 5 years and are projected to **grow by 457** over the next 5 years.

**\$51.4K**

**Median Household Income (2023)**

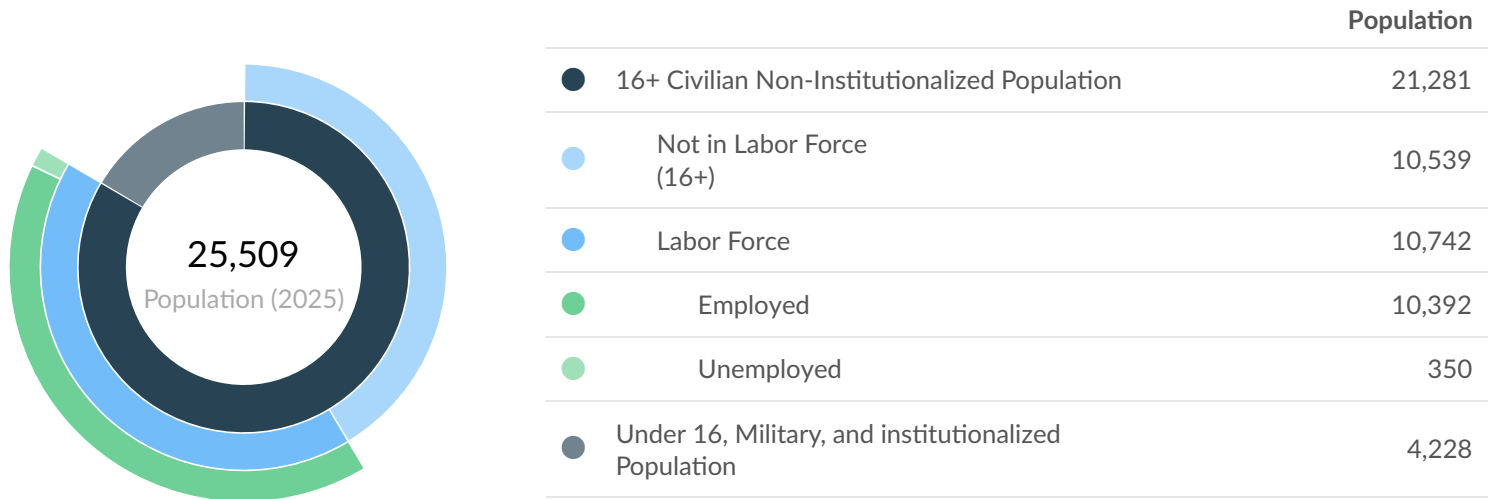
Median household income is **\$27.2K below** the national median household income of \$78.5K.

### Takeaways

- As of 2025 the region's population **increased by 8.2%** since 2020, growing by 1,940. Population is expected to **increase by 7.1%** between 2025 and 2030, adding 1,823.
- From 2020 to 2025, jobs **increased by 7.0%** in Grainger County, TN from 5,143 to **5,501**. This change **fell short of the national growth rate of 10.6% by 3.6%**. As the number of jobs increased, the **labor force participation rate decreased from 51.7% to 50.5% between 2020 and 2025**.
- Concerning educational attainment, **8.8% of Grainger County, TN residents possess a Bachelor's Degree** (13.0% below the national average), and **6.3% hold an Associate's Degree** (2.6% below the national average).
- The top three industries in 2025 are Other Wood Product Manufacturing, Education and Hospitals (Local Government), and Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals.

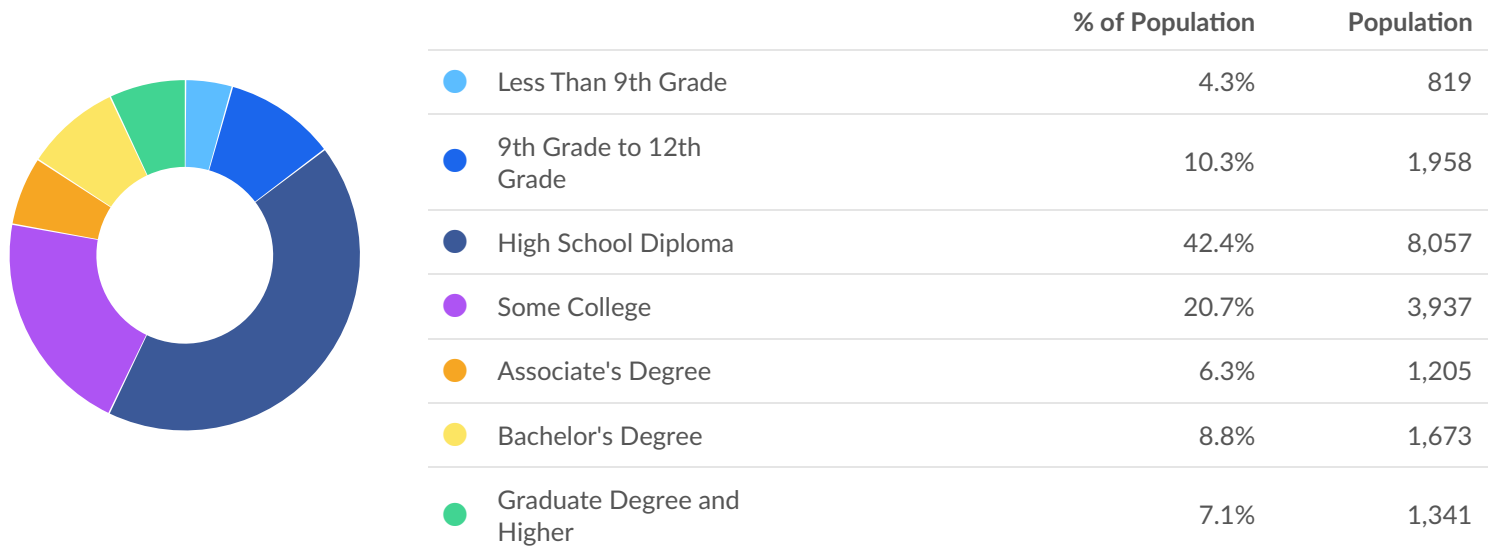
	Population (2025)	Labor Force (Dec 2025)	Jobs (2025)	Cost of Living	GRP	Imports	Exports
Region	25,509	10,742	5,501	91.8	\$760.52M	\$1.65B	\$1.03B
State	7,305,276	3,527,847	3,708,203	92.3	\$578.34B	\$461.40B	\$588.24B

## Dec 2025 Labor Force Breakdown



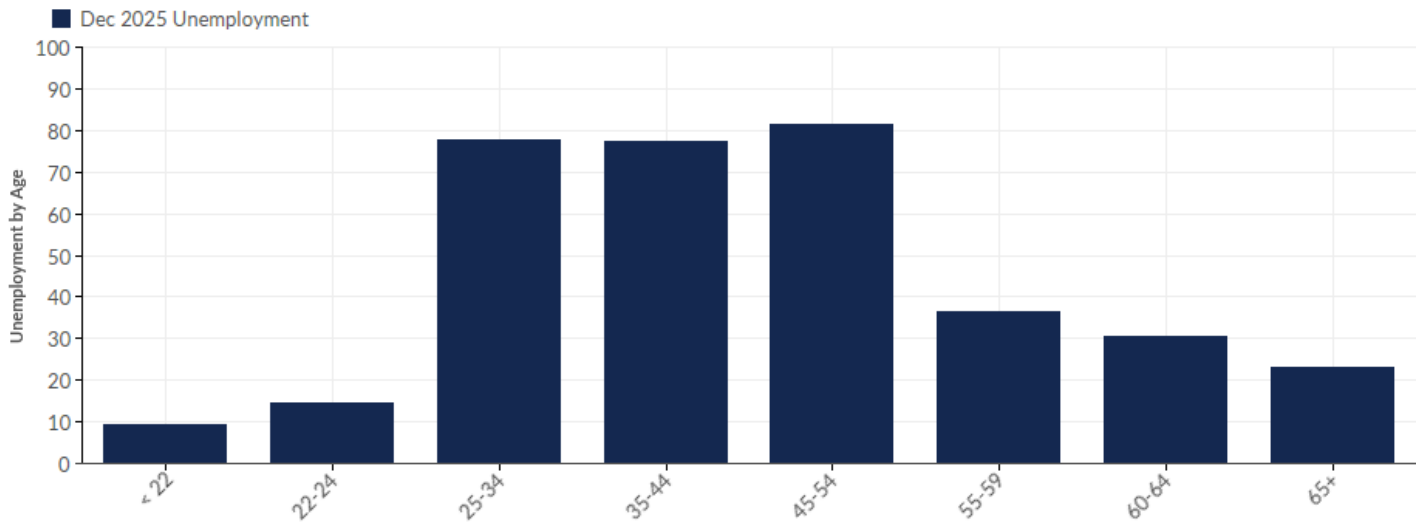
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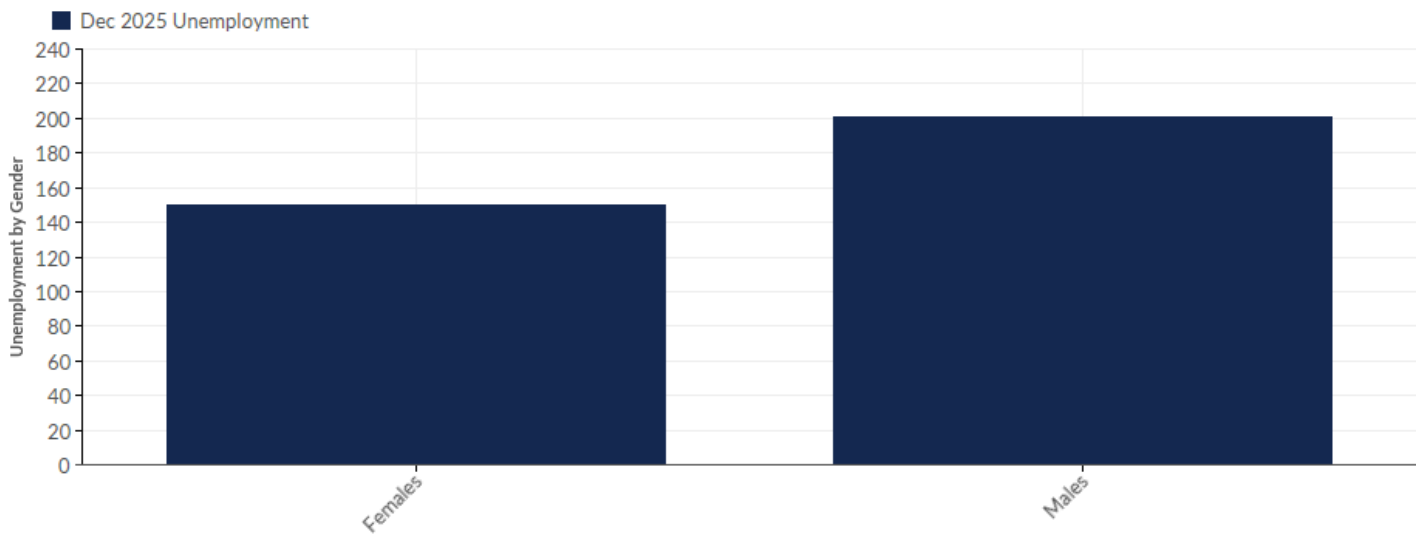
# Unemployment by Demographics

## Unemployment by Age



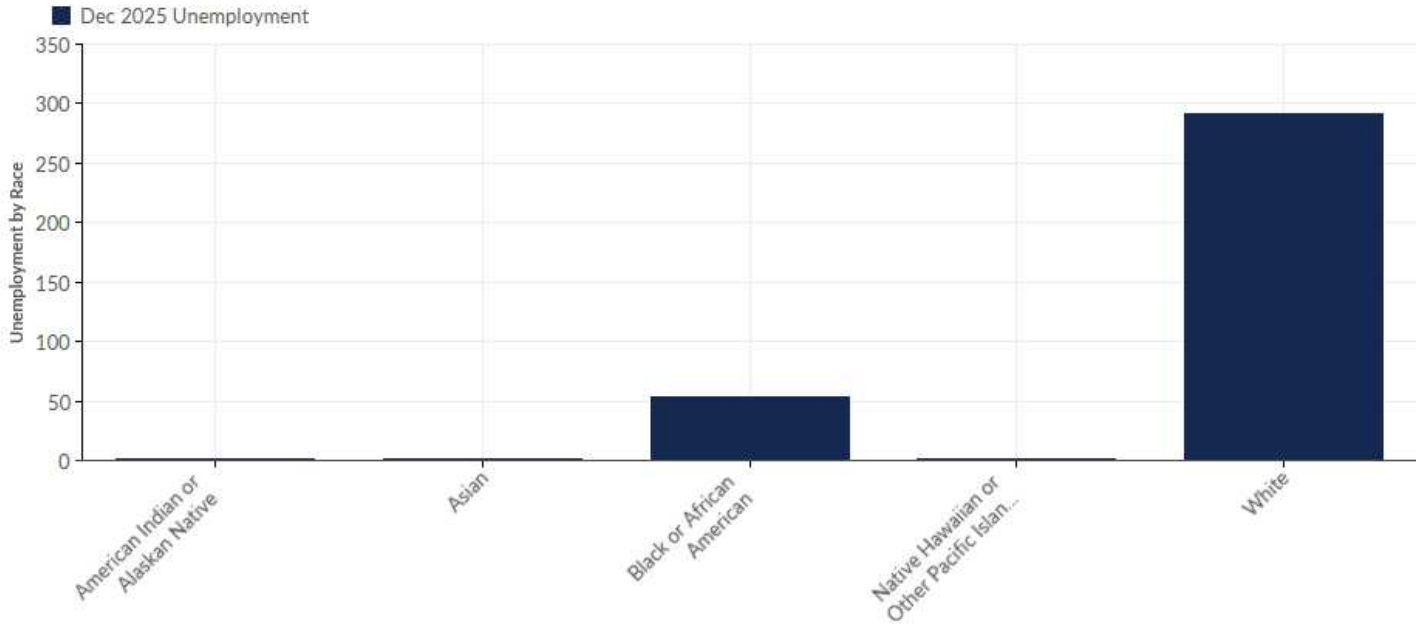
Age	Unemployment (Dec 2025)	% of Unemployed
< 22	9	2.57%
22-24	15	4.29%
25-34	78	22.29%
35-44	77	22.00%
45-54	81	23.14%
55-59	36	10.29%
60-64	30	8.57%
65+	23	6.57%
<b>Total</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## Unemployment by Gender



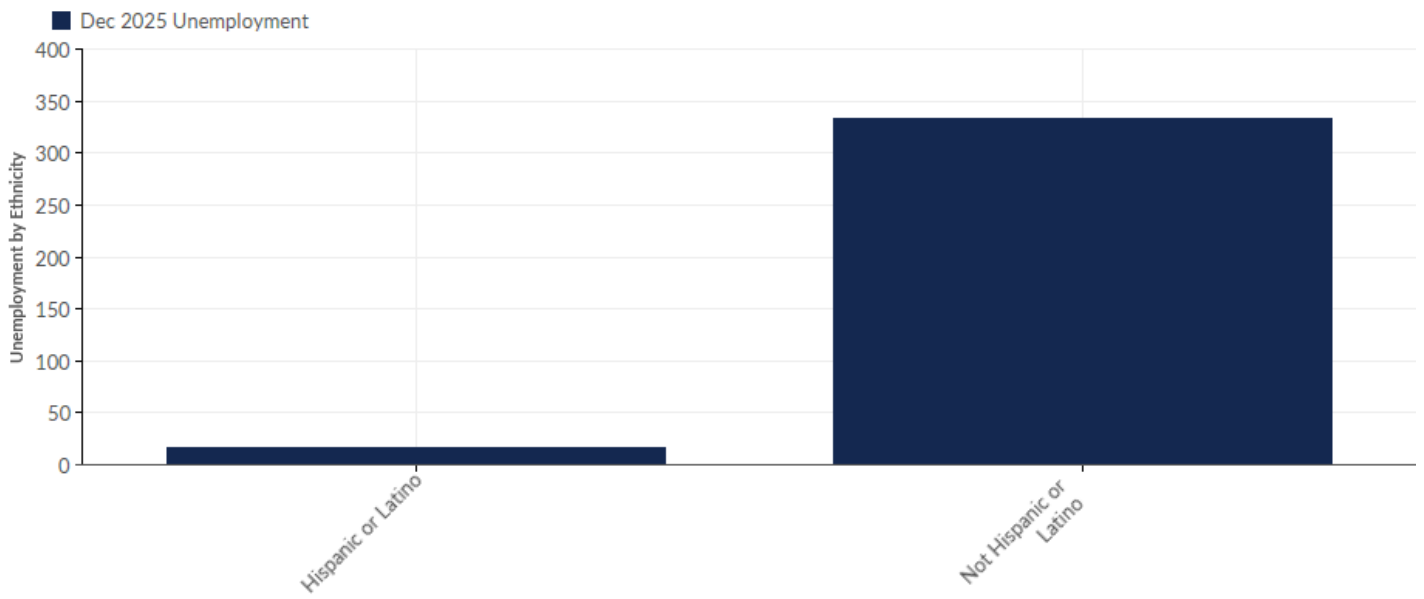
Gender	Unemployment (Dec 2025)	% of Unemployed
Females	150	42.86%
Males	200	57.14%
Total	350	100.00%

## Unemployment by Race



Race	Unemployment (Dec 2025)	% of Unemployed
American Indian or Alaskan Native	2	0.57%
Asian	2	0.57%
Black or African American	53	15.14%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1	0.29%
White	292	83.43%
Total	350	100.00%

## Unemployment by Ethnicity

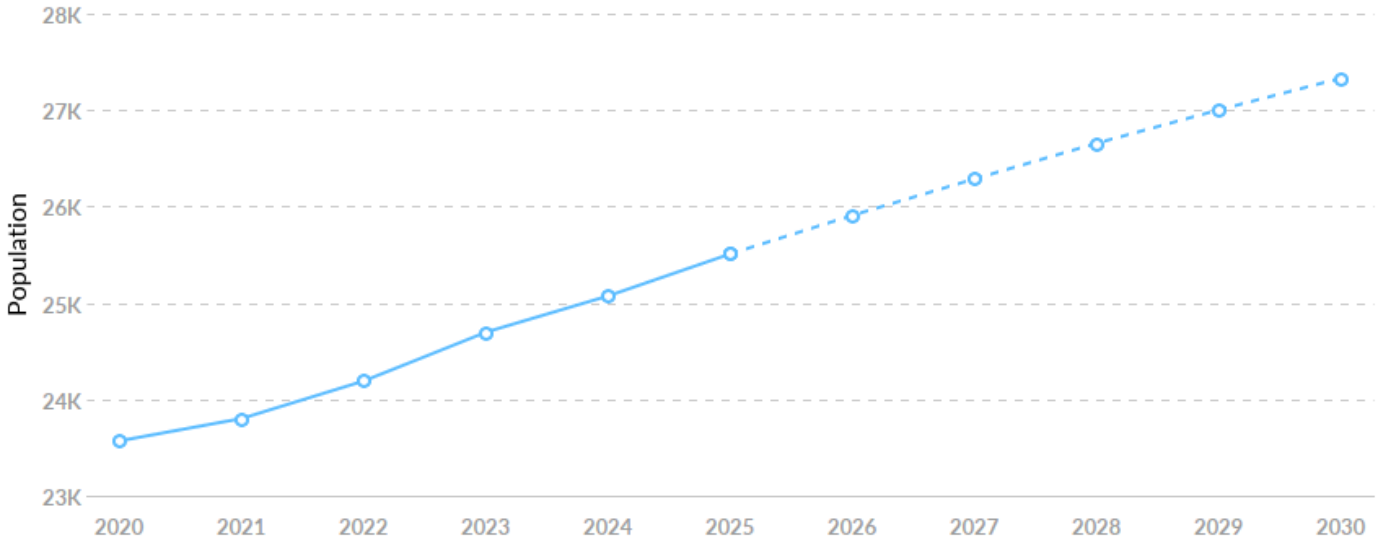


Ethnicity	Unemployment (Dec 2025)	% of Unemployed
Hispanic or Latino	16	4.57%
Not Hispanic or Latino	334	95.43%
Total	350	100.00%

# Historic & Projected Trends

## Population Trends

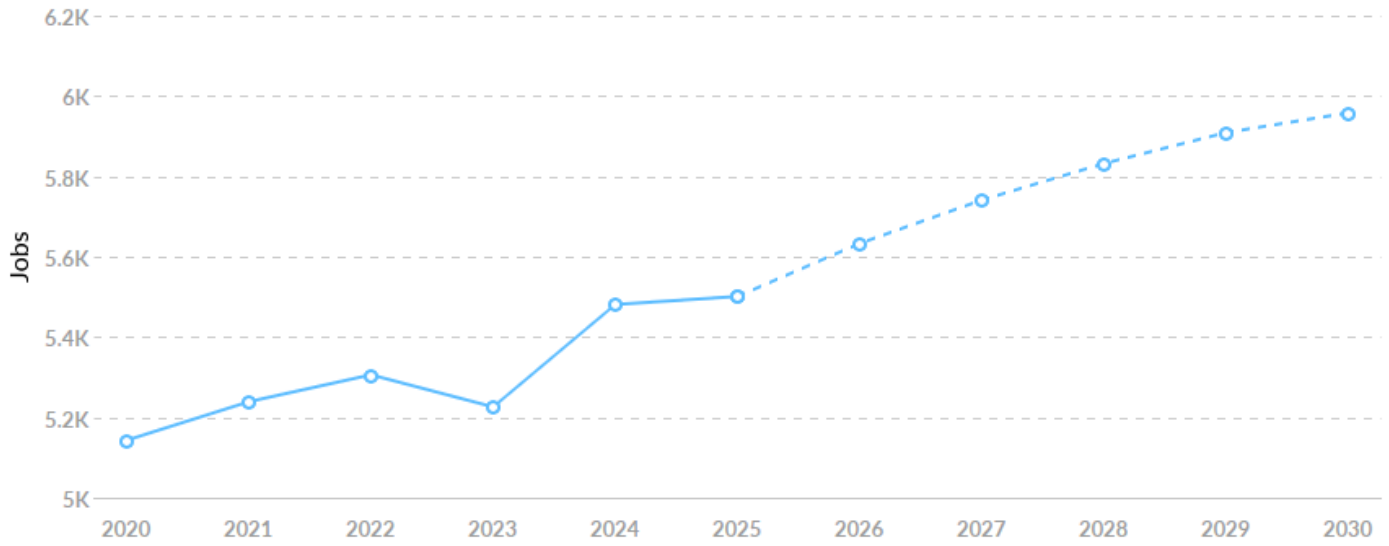
As of 2025 the region's population increased by 8.2% since 2020, growing by 1,940. Population is expected to increase by 7.1% between 2025 and 2030, adding 1,823.



Timeframe	Population
2020	23,569
2021	23,801
2022	24,191
2023	24,697
2024	25,073
2025	25,509
2026	25,909
2027	26,287
2028	26,657
2029	27,003
2030	27,332

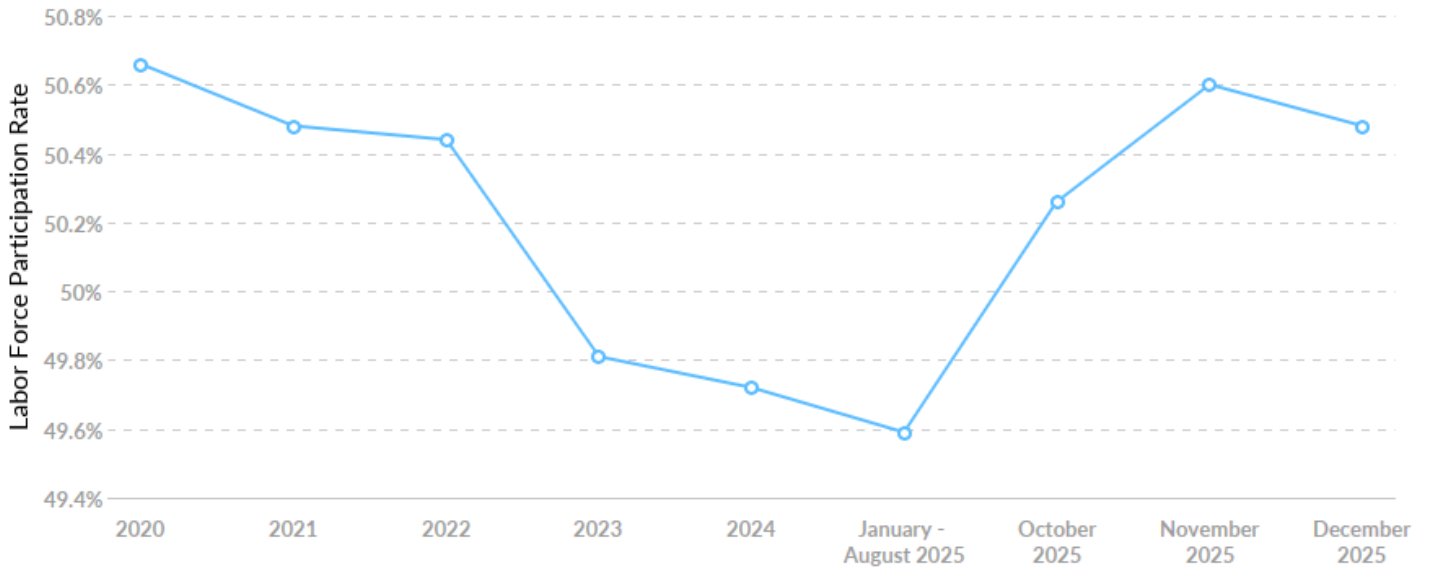
## Job Trends

From 2020 to 2025, jobs increased by 7.0% in Grainger County, TN from 5,143 to 5,501. This change fell short of the national growth rate of 10.6% by 3.6%.



Timeframe	Jobs
2020	5,143
2021	5,239
2022	5,306
2023	5,226
2024	5,481
2025	5,501
2026	5,633
2027	5,741
2028	5,832
2029	5,909
2030	5,958

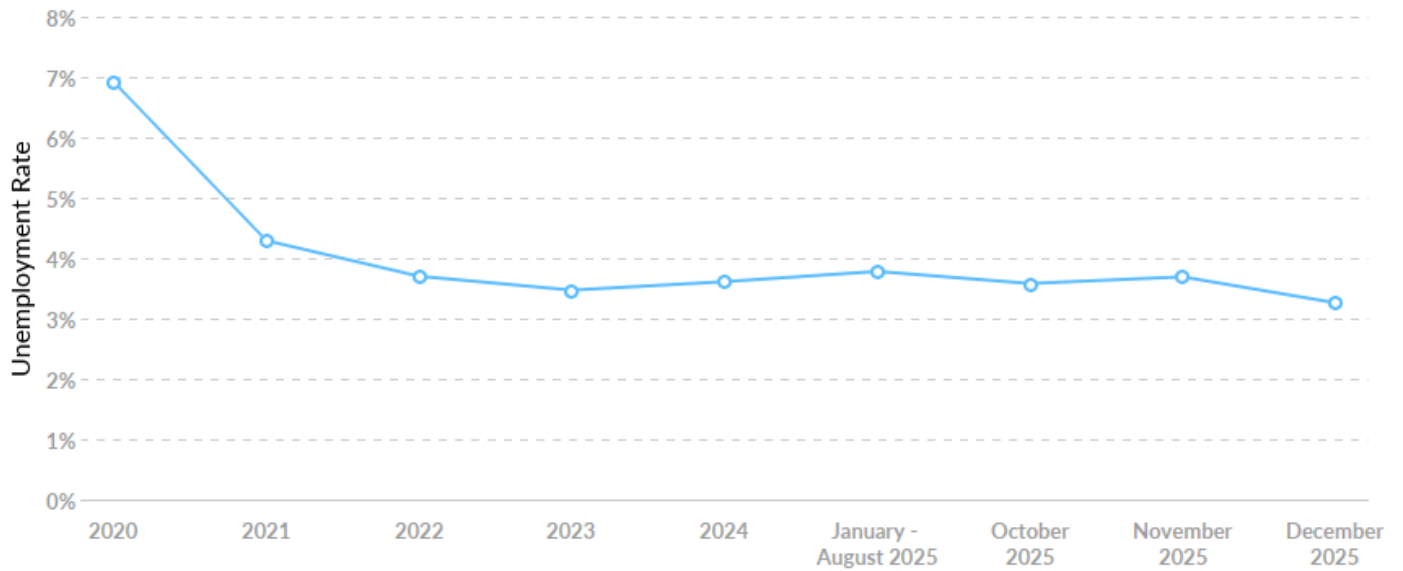
## Labor Force Participation Rate Trends



Timeframe	Labor Force Participation Rate
2020	50.66%
2021	50.48%
2022	50.44%
2023	49.81%
2024	49.72%
January - August 2025	49.59%
October 2025	50.26%
November 2025	50.60%
December 2025	50.48%

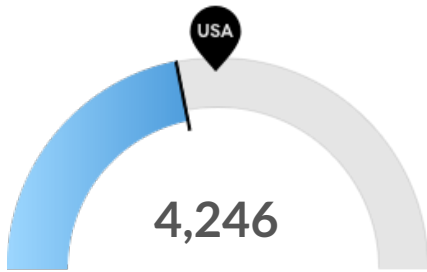
## Unemployment Rate Trends

Grainger County, TN had a December 2025 unemployment rate of 3.26%, **decreasing from 6.92%** 5 years before.



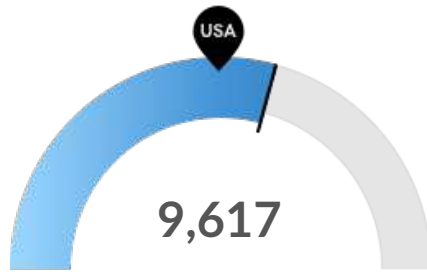
Timeframe	Unemployment Rate
2020	6.92%
2021	4.29%
2022	3.70%
2023	3.47%
2024	3.61%
January - August 2025	3.78%
October 2025	3.58%
November 2025	3.69%
December 2025	3.26%

## Population Characteristics



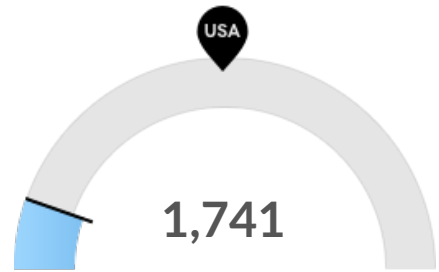
Millennials

Grainger County, TN has 4,246 millennials (ages 25-39). The national average for an area this size is 5,133.



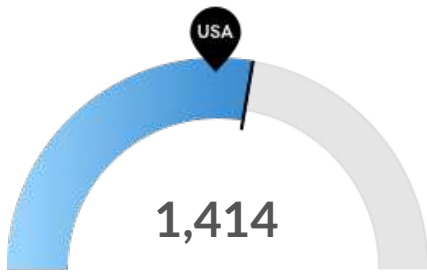
Retiring Soon

Retirement risk is high in Grainger County, TN. The national average for an area this size is 7,581 people 55 or older, while there are 9,617 here.



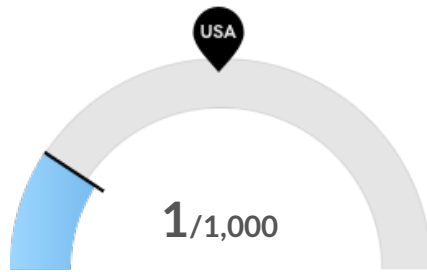
Racial Diversity

Racial diversity is low in Grainger County, TN. The national average for an area this size is 10,666 racially diverse people, while there are 1,741 here.



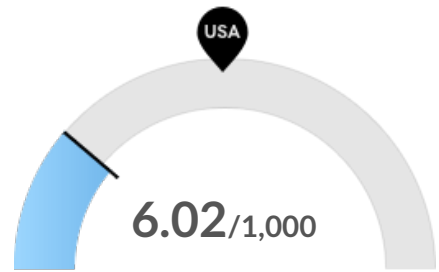
Veterans

Grainger County, TN has 1,414 veterans. The national average for an area this size is 1,215.



Violent Crime

Grainger County, TN has 1 violent crimes per 1,000 people. The national rate is 3.38 per 1,000 people.

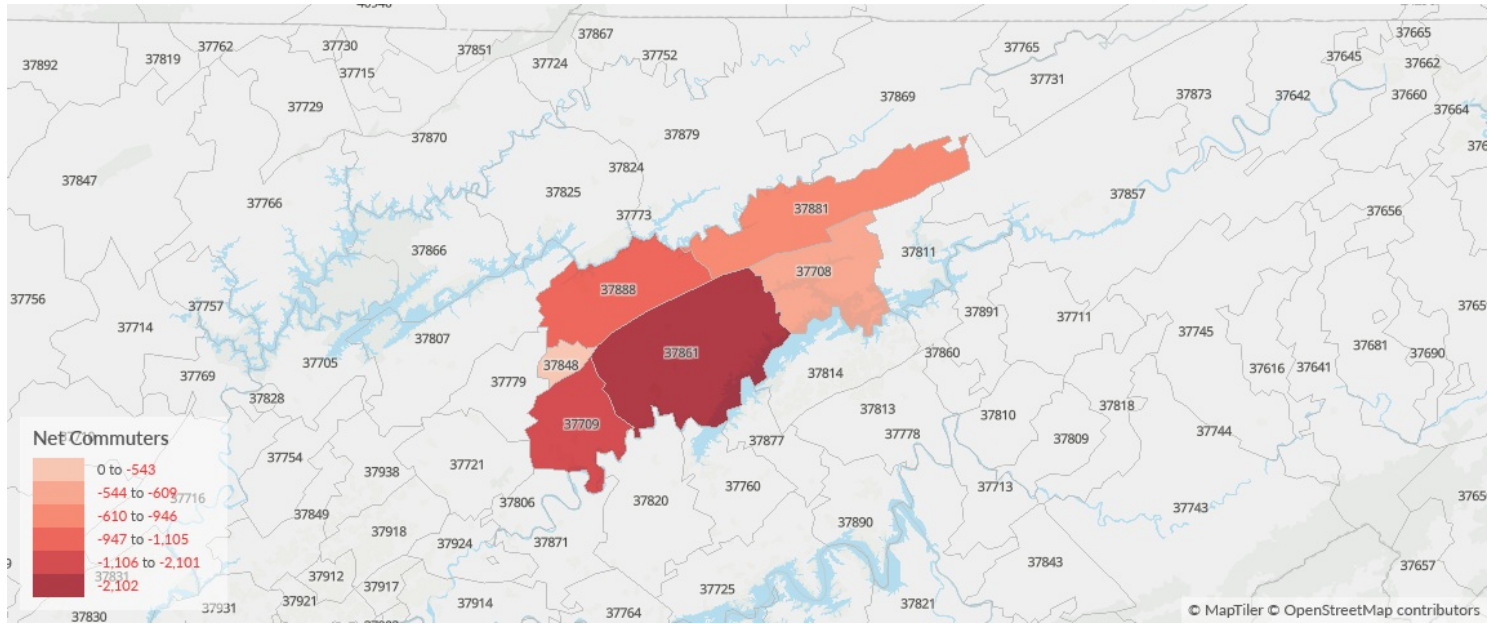


Property Crime

Grainger County, TN has 6.02 property crimes per 1,000 people. The national rate is 16.44 per 1,000 people.

## Place of Work vs Place of Residence

Understanding where talent in Grainger County, TN currently works compared to where talent lives can help you optimize site decisions. For example, the #1 ranked ZIP for employment ranks #2 for resident workers. The top ZIP for resident workers is 37861.



### Where Talent Works

ZIP	Name	2025 Employment
37708	Bean Station, TN (in Gra...	2,632
37861	Rutledge, TN (in Graing...	1,610
37709	Blaine, TN (in Grainger c...	645
37888	Washburn, TN (in Grain...	331
37881	Thorn Hill, TN (in Graing...	264

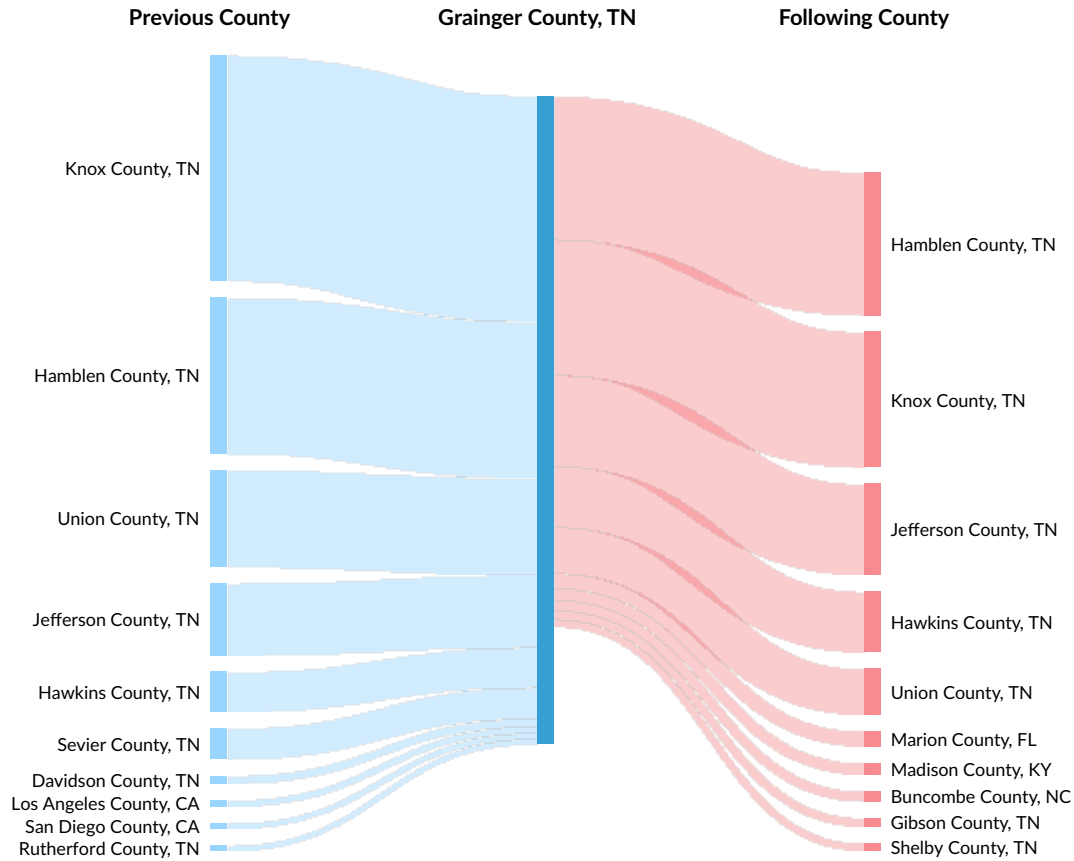
### Where Talent Lives

ZIP	Name	2025 Workers
37861	Rutledge, TN (in Graing...	3,712
37708	Bean Station, TN (in Gra...	3,175
37709	Blaine, TN (in Grainger c...	1,752
37888	Washburn, TN (in Grain...	1,277
37881	Thorn Hill, TN (in Graing...	874

# Inbound and Outbound Migration

The table below analyzes past and current residents of Grainger County, TN. The left column shows residents of other counties migrating to Grainger County, TN. The right column shows residents migrating from Grainger County, TN to other counties.

As of 2022, **287** people have migrated from Knox County, TN to Grainger County, TN. In the same year, **182** people left Grainger County, TN migrating to Hamblen County, TN. The total Net Migration for Grainger County, TN in 2022 was **500**.

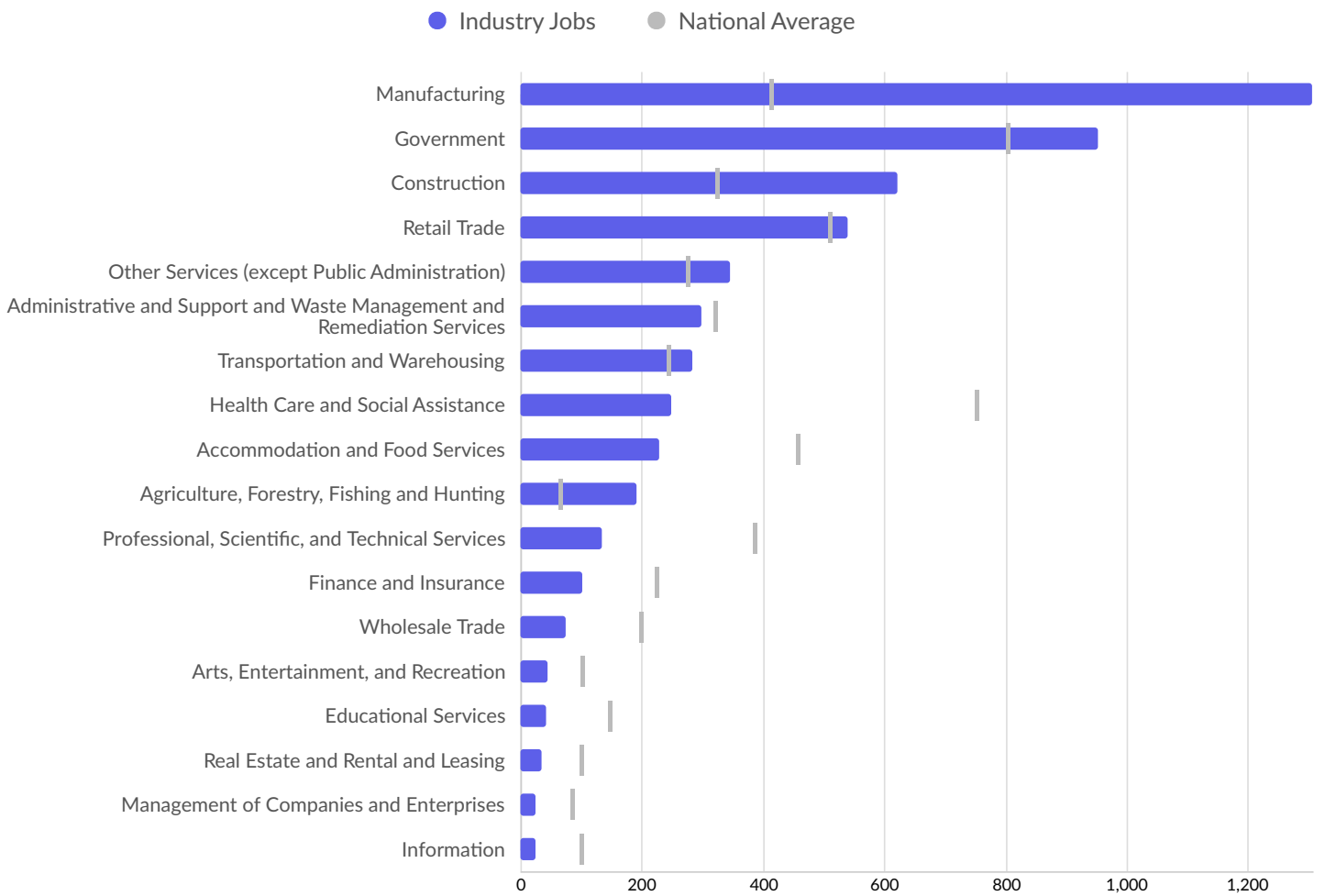


Top Previous Counties	Migrations
Knox County, TN	287
Hamblen County, TN	199
Union County, TN	123
Jefferson County, TN	92
Hawkins County, TN	51
Sevier County, TN	39

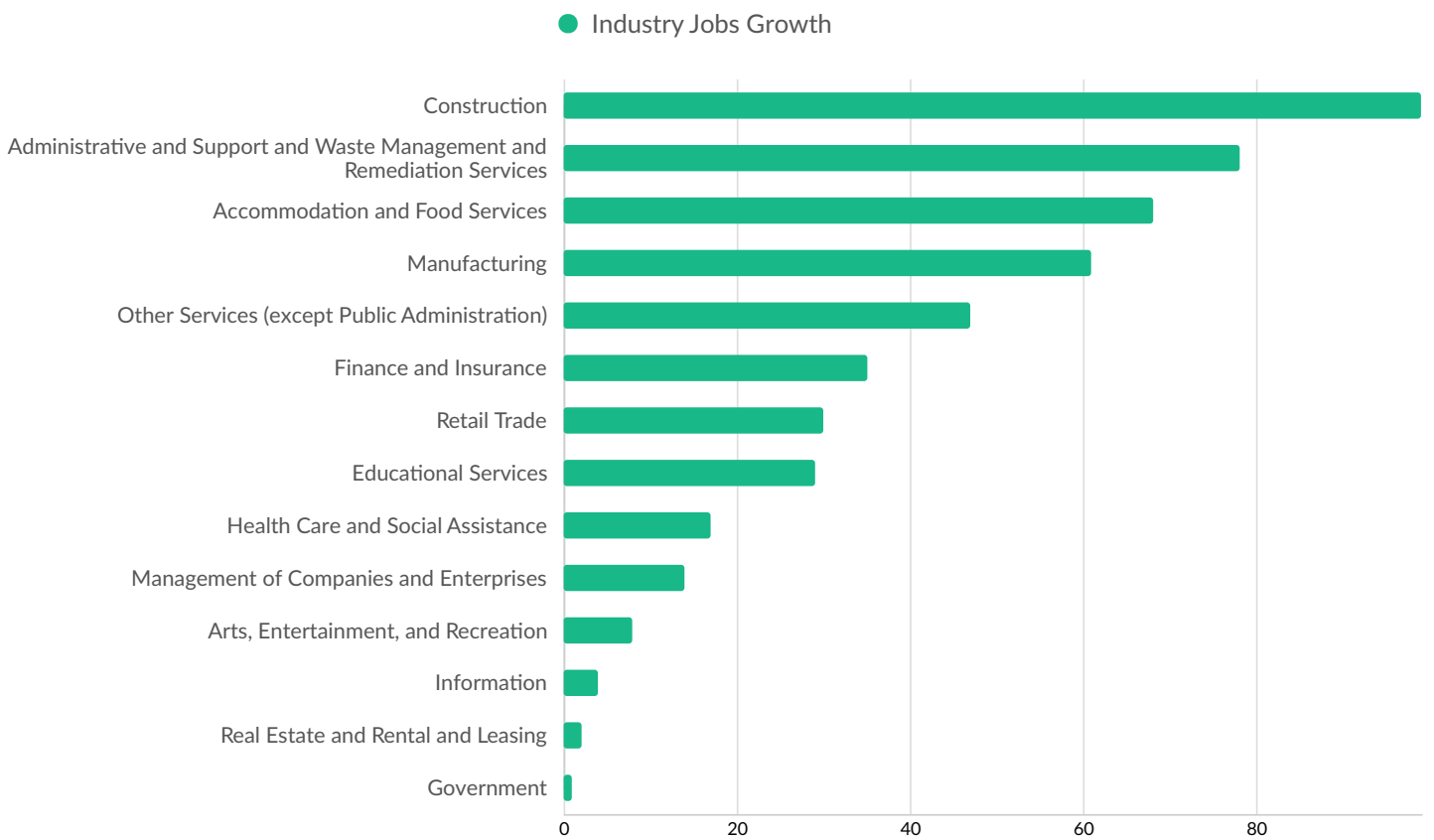
Top Previous Counties	Migrations
Davidson County, TN	10
Los Angeles County, CA	8
San Diego County, CA	7
Rutherford County, TN	7
Cook County, IL	6
Montgomery County, TN	6
Maricopa County, AZ	6
Pike County, KY	5
Sumner County, TN	5
Top Following Counties	Migrations
Hamblen County, TN	182
Knox County, TN	172
Jefferson County, TN	116
Hawkins County, TN	77
Union County, TN	58
Marion County, FL	19
Madison County, KY	15
Buncombe County, NC	13
Gibson County, TN	11
Shelby County, TN	10
Horry County, SC	10
Sangamon County, IL	8
Sevier County, TN	8
Duval County, FL	7
Claiborne County, TN	7

# Industry Characteristics

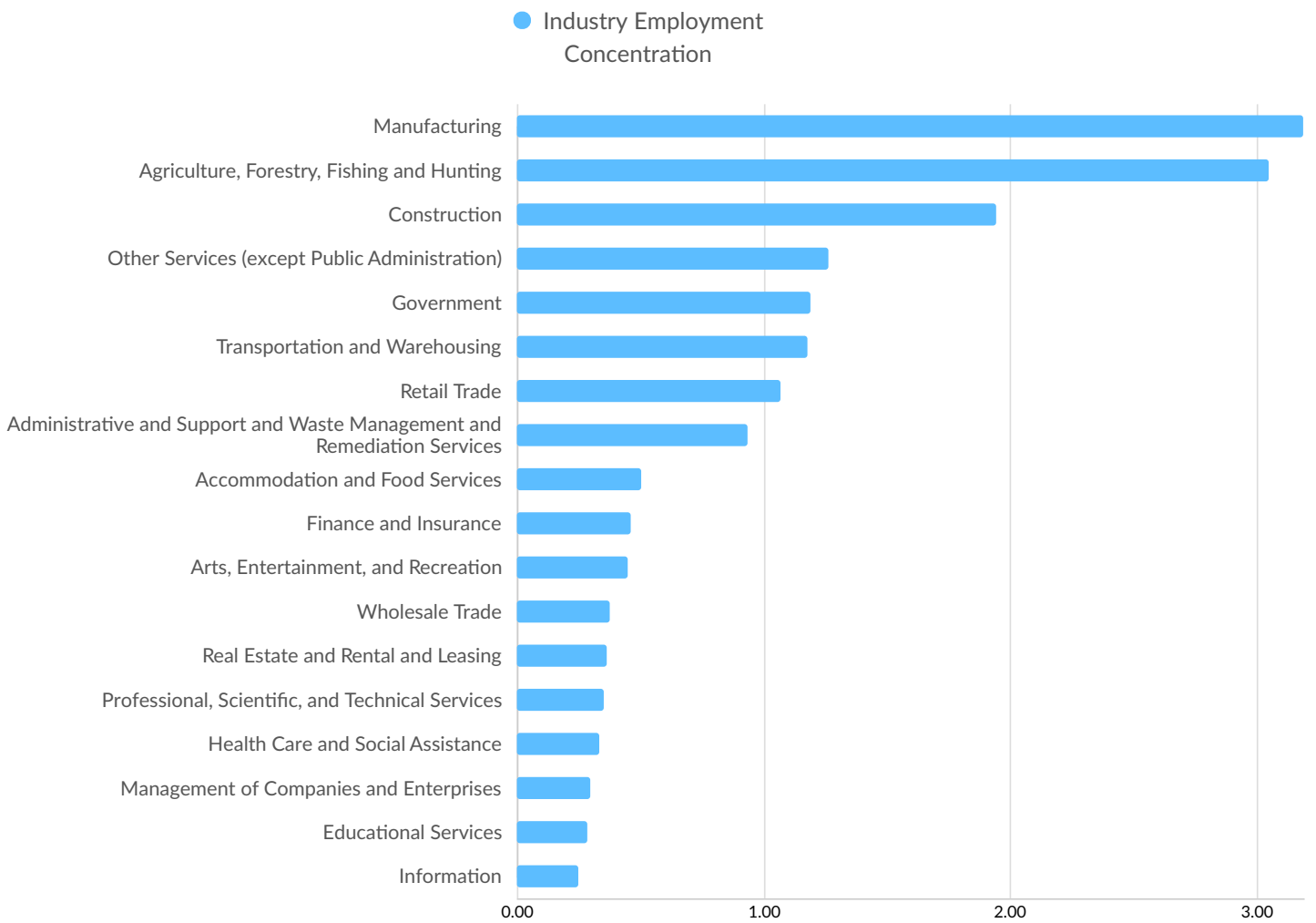
## Largest Industries



## Top Growing Industries



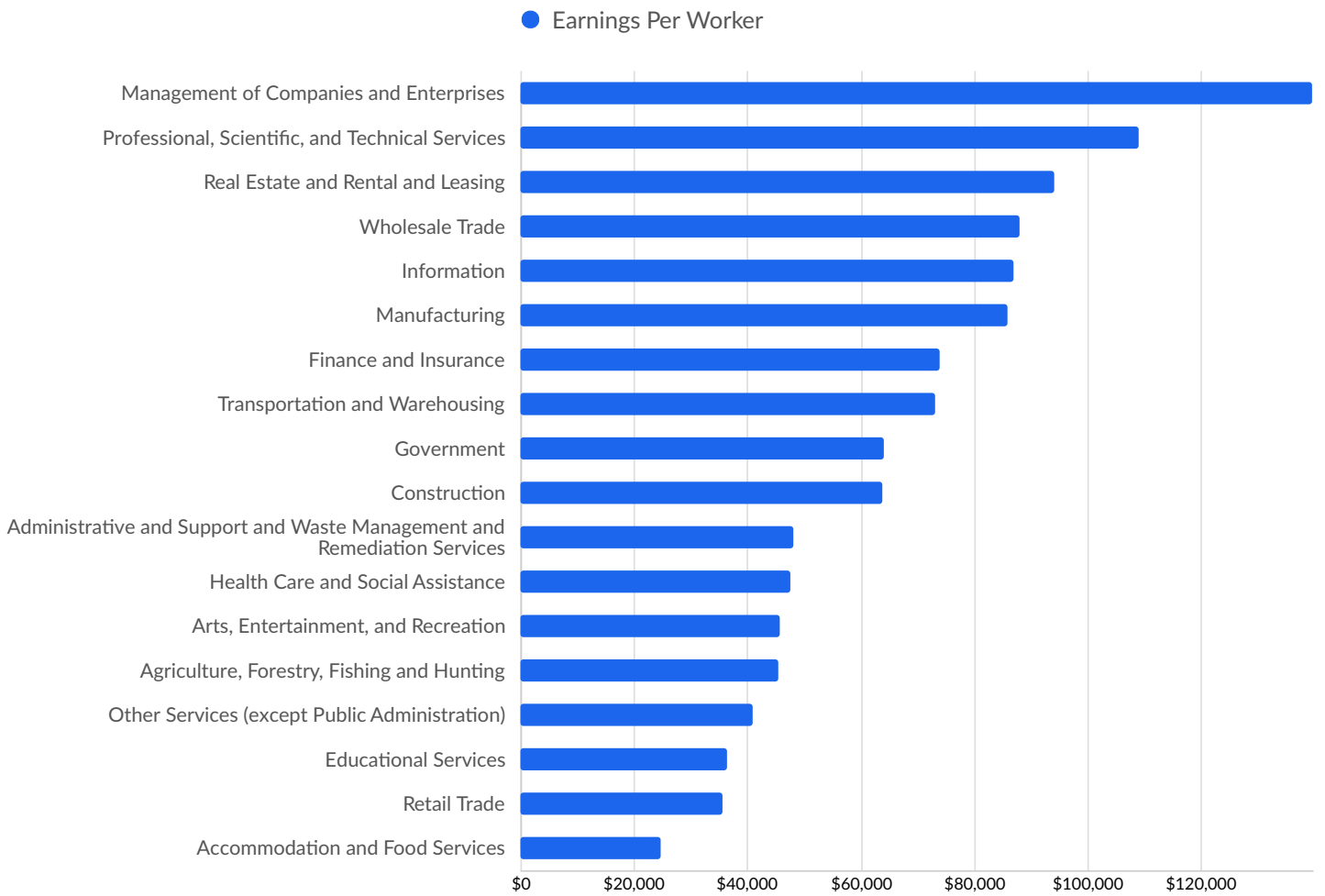
## Top Industry Employment Concentration



## Top Industry GRP



## Top Industry Earnings



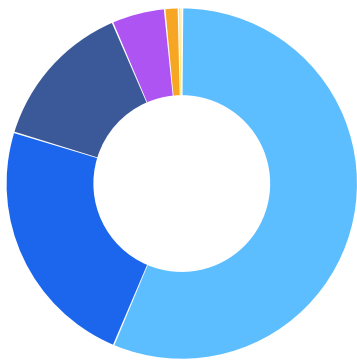
# Business Characteristics

## 1,924 Companies Employ Your Workers

Online profiles for your workers mention 1,924 companies as employers, with the top 10 appearing below. In the last 12 months, 150 companies in Grainger County, TN posted job postings, with the top 10 appearing below.

Top Companies	Profiles	Top Companies Posting	Unique Postings
Grainger County Schools	34 	K-Va-T Food Stores	73 
University of Tennessee	23 	Food City	62 
Clayton	22 	Foundever	39 
Covenant Health	22 	Dollar General	36 
Walmart	20 	Positive Behavior Supports Corp.	36 
Dollar General	19 	Life Care Centers of America	27 
State of Tennessee	19 	Southern Health Partners	26 
Food City / Kvat Foods	17 	Ridgeview Terrace Of Life Care	25 
Knox County Schools	17 	Addus HomeCare	24 
Ut Medical Center	17 	LifeStance Health	20 

## Business Size

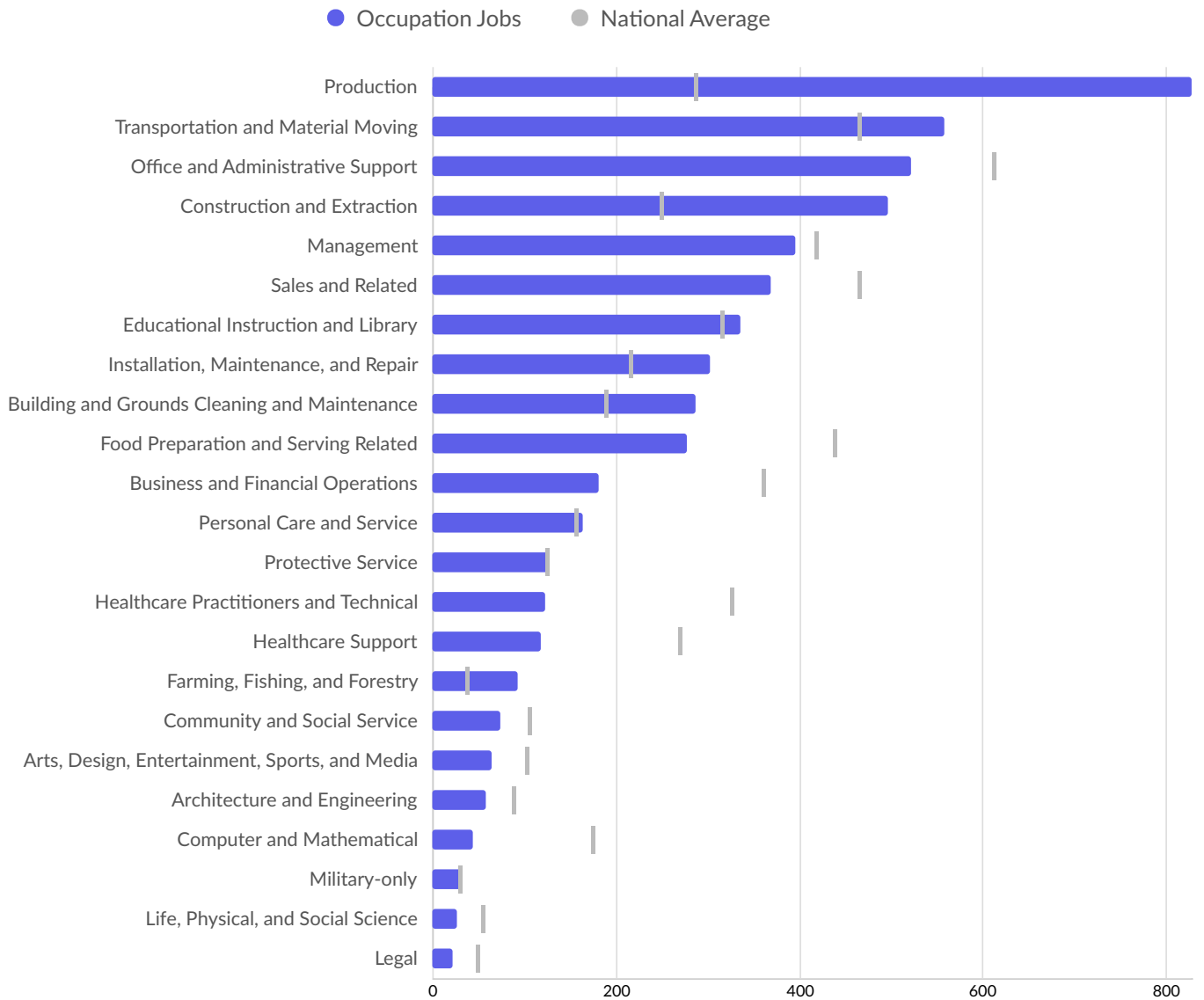


	Percentage	Business Count
● 1 to 4 employees	56.3%	448
● 5 to 9 employees	23.4%	186
● 10 to 19 employees	13.8%	110
● 20 to 49 employees	4.9%	39
● 50 to 99 employees	1.3%	10
● 100 to 249 employees	0.3%	2
● 250 to 499 employees	0.1%	1

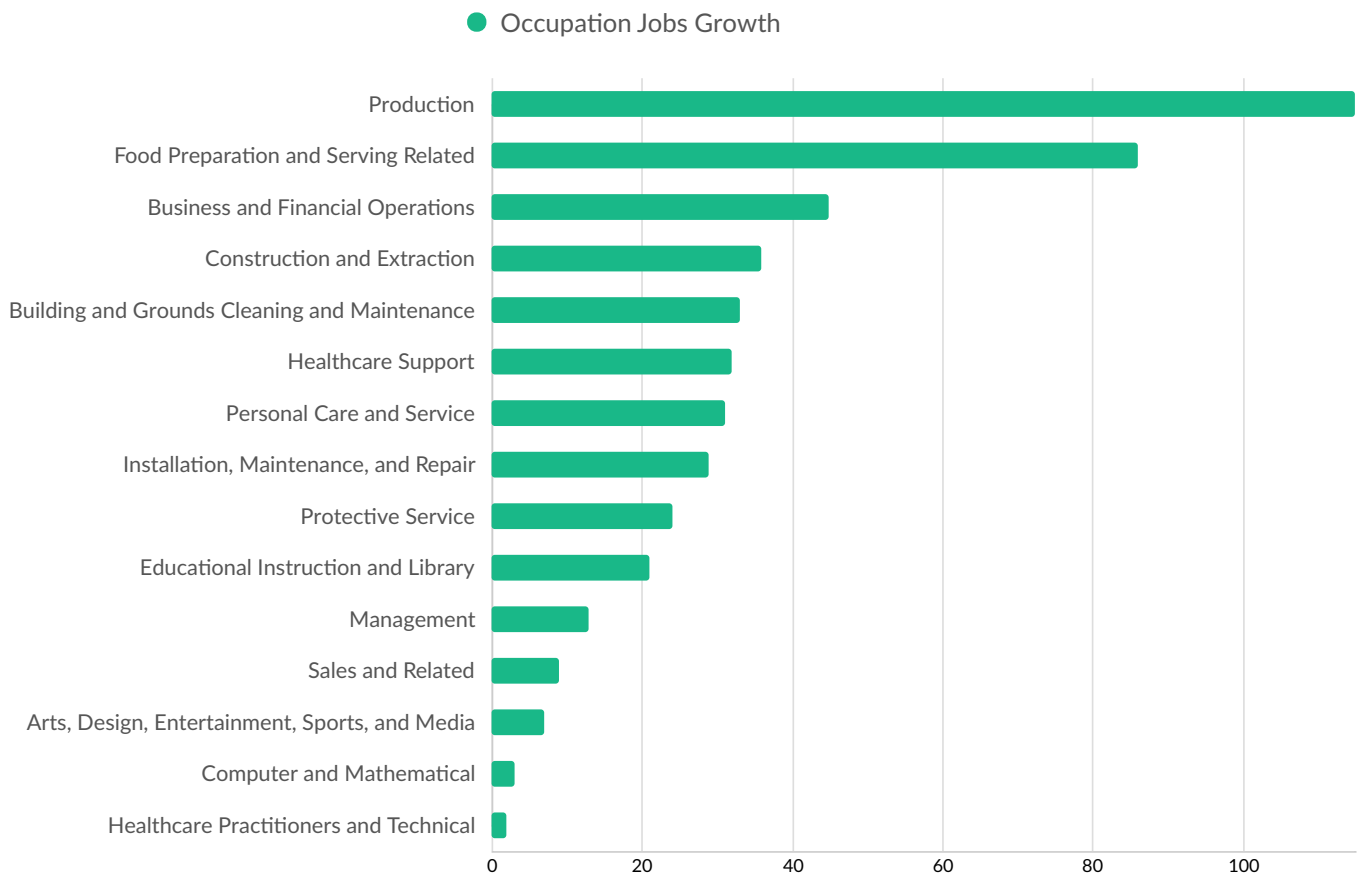
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# Workforce Characteristics

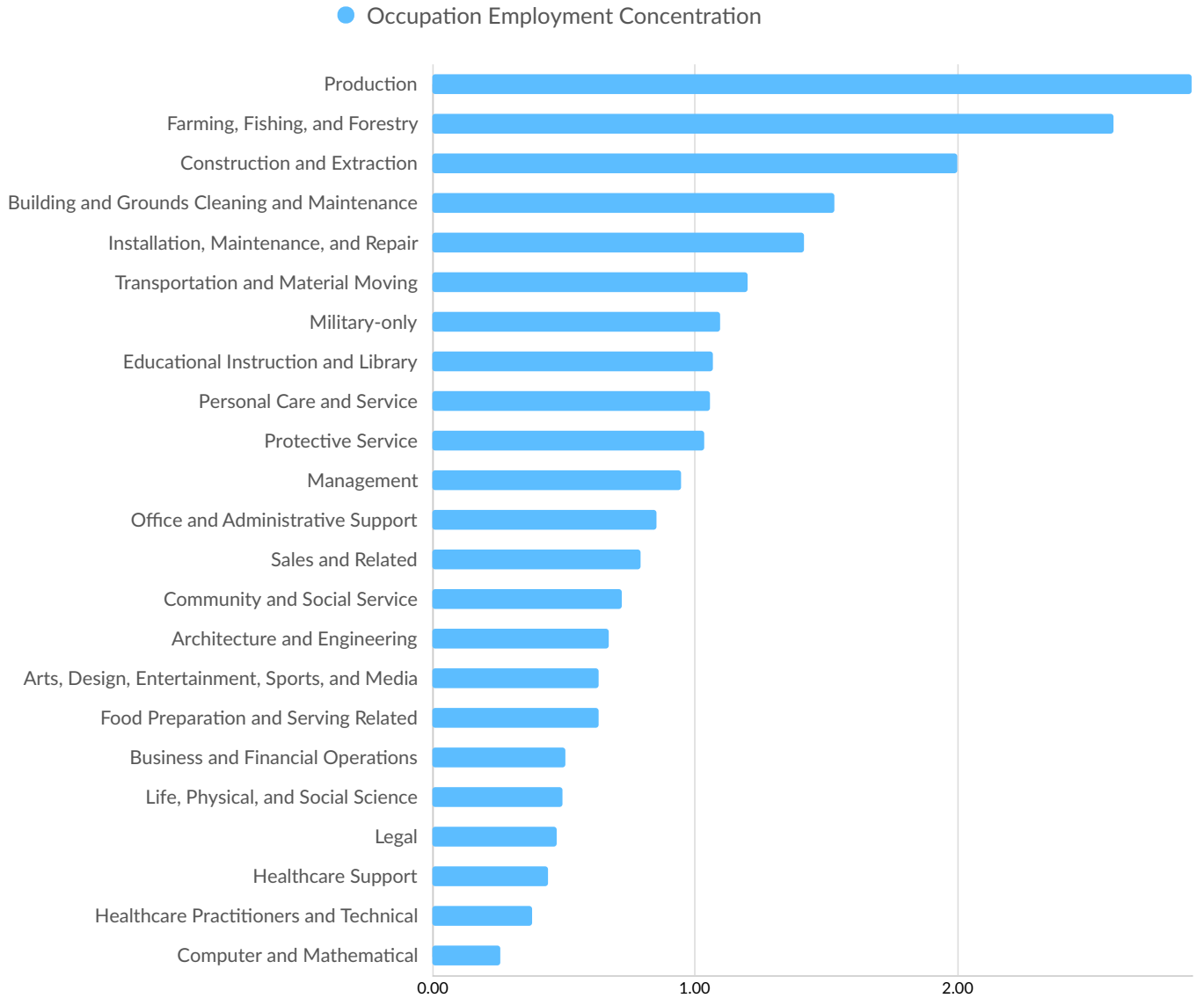
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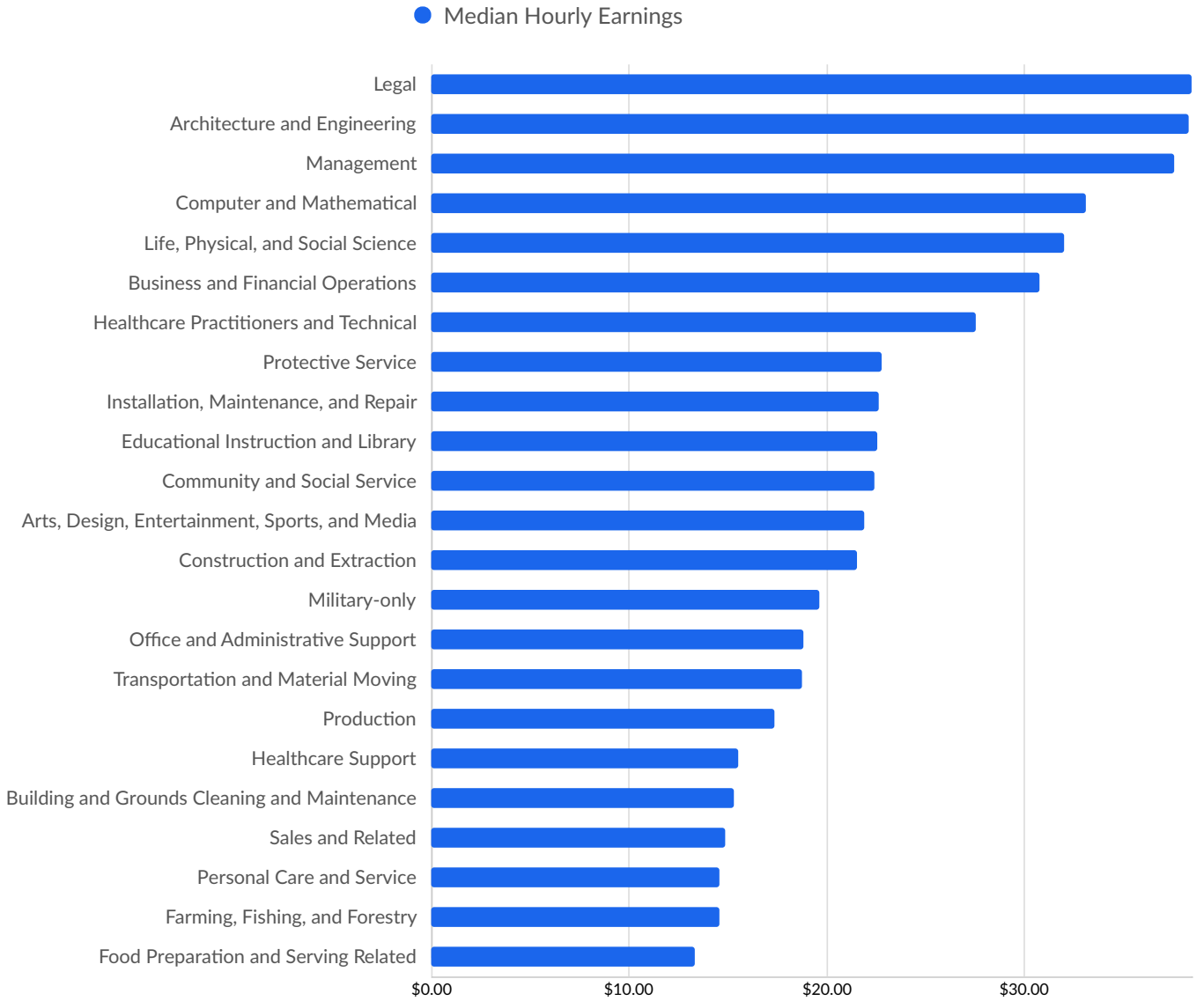
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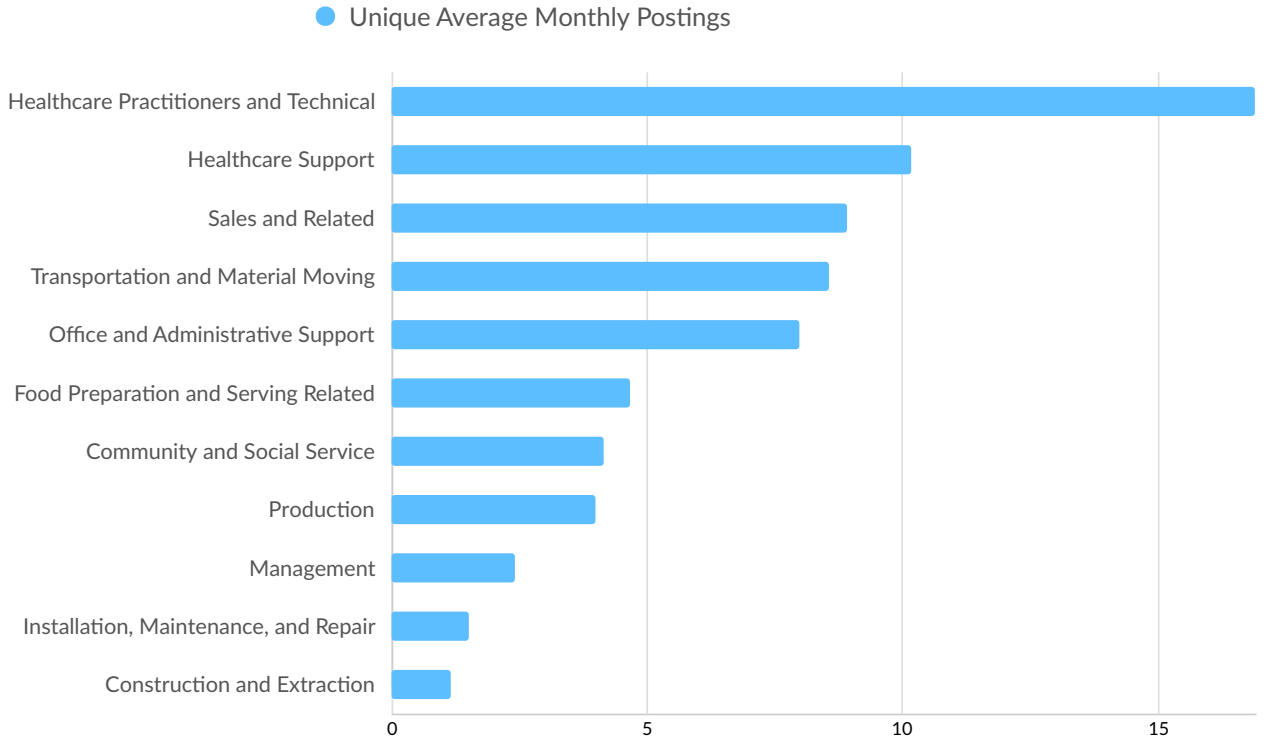
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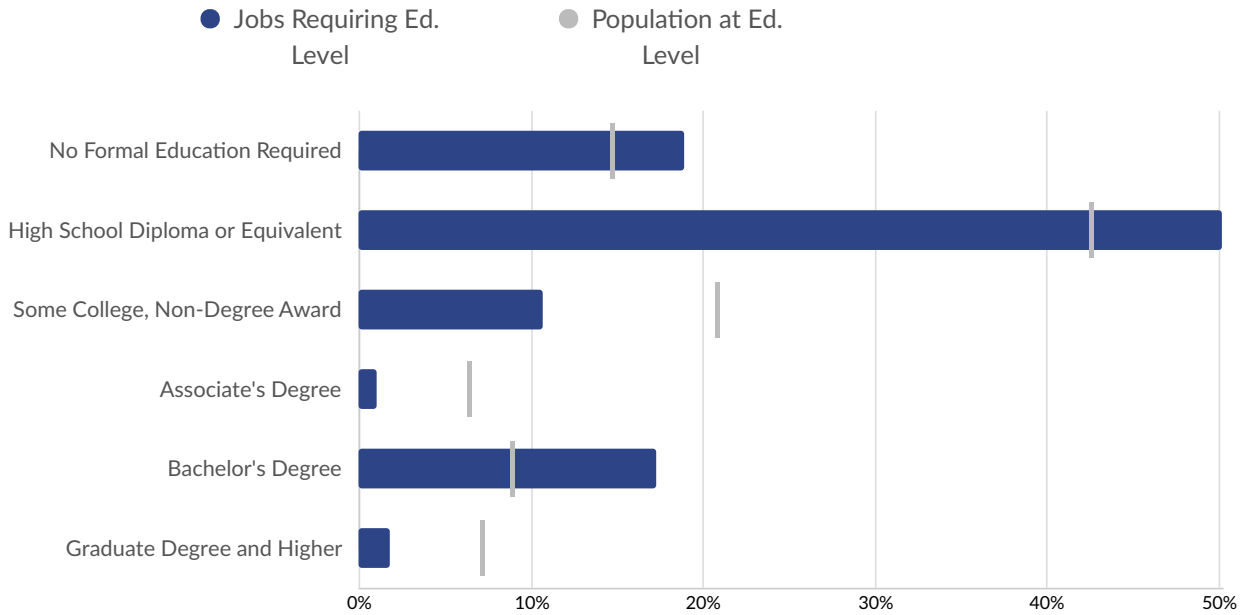
## Top Occupation Earnings



## Top Posted Occupations



## Underemployment



## Educational Pipeline

Over the last 5 years, no schools in Grainger County, TN produced graduates.

# In-Demand Skills

