



Economic Overview

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City of Forsyth, MO



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Demographic Profile

The population in the City of Forsyth, MO was 2,549 per American Community Survey data for 2015-2019.

The region has a civilian labor force of 870 with a participation rate of 41.2%. Of individuals 25 to 64 in the City of Forsyth, MO, 15.8% have a bachelor's degree or higher which compares with 33.5% in the nation.

The median household income in the City of Forsyth, MO is \$39,476 and the median house value is \$118,600.

Summary¹

	Percent			Value		
	City of Forsyth, MO	Missouri	USA	City of Forsyth, MO	Missouri	USA
Demographics						
Population (ACS)	—	—	—	2,549	6,104,910	324,697,795
Male	48.5%	49.1%	49.2%	1,237	2,995,725	159,886,919
Female	51.5%	50.9%	50.8%	1,312	3,109,185	164,810,876
Median Age ²	—	—	—	47.0	38.6	38.1
Under 18 Years	19.4%	22.6%	22.6%	495	1,381,612	73,429,392
18 to 24 Years	5.0%	9.4%	9.4%	127	573,249	30,646,327
25 to 34 Years	12.3%	13.3%	13.9%	314	813,407	45,030,415
35 to 44 Years	11.9%	12.1%	12.6%	303	738,183	40,978,831
45 to 54 Years	10.2%	12.6%	13.0%	261	769,927	42,072,620
55 to 64 Years	10.6%	13.5%	12.9%	271	821,807	41,756,414
65 to 74 Years	15.9%	9.5%	9.1%	406	577,726	29,542,266
75 Years, and Over	14.6%	7.0%	6.5%	372	428,999	21,241,530
Race: White	91.4%	82.2%	72.5%	2,330	5,015,904	235,377,662
Race: Black or African American	1.9%	11.5%	12.7%	49	701,334	41,234,642
Race: American Indian and Alaska Native	1.1%	0.4%	0.8%	29	27,084	2,750,143
Race: Asian	1.8%	2.0%	5.5%	47	120,654	17,924,209
Race: Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	0	8,231	599,868
Race: Some Other Race	0.9%	1.2%	4.9%	24	71,335	16,047,369
Race: Two or More Races	2.7%	2.6%	3.3%	70	160,368	10,763,902
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	4.4%	4.2%	18.0%	111	254,791	58,479,370
Economic						
Labor Force Participation Rate and Size (civilian population 16 years and over)	41.2%	62.8%	63.2%	870	3,055,789	163,555,585
Prime-Age Labor Force Participation Rate and Size (civilian population 25-54)	67.7%	82.6%	82.1%	594	1,909,998	104,634,905
Armed Forces Labor Force	0.0%	0.4%	0.4%	0	18,850	1,073,907
Veterans, Age 18-64	7.8%	5.3%	4.6%	100	195,582	9,143,042
Veterans Labor Force Participation Rate and Size, Age 18-64	55.0%	74.1%	76.6%	55	144,845	7,003,778
Median Household Income ²	—	—	—	\$39,476	\$55,461	\$62,843
Per Capita Income	—	—	—	\$20,566	\$30,810	\$34,103
Mean Commute Time (minutes)	—	—	—	27.9	23.9	26.9
Commute via Public Transportation	1.0%	1.3%	5.0%	8	38,268	7,641,160
Educational Attainment, Age 25-64						
No High School Diploma	12.3%	8.8%	10.9%	141	277,718	18,550,150
High School Graduate	39.2%	28.6%	25.7%	450	897,440	43,627,868
Some College, No Degree	23.5%	22.6%	20.7%	270	709,824	35,174,790
Associate's Degree	9.3%	8.9%	9.1%	107	278,447	15,526,064
Bachelor's Degree	10.8%	19.7%	21.2%	124	618,480	35,997,848
Postgraduate Degree	5.0%	11.5%	12.3%	57	361,415	20,961,560
Housing						

Summary¹

	Percent			Value		
	City of Forsyth, MO	Missouri	USA	City of Forsyth, MO	Missouri	USA
Total Housing Units	—	—	—	1,169	2,790,397	137,428,986
Median House Value (of owner-occupied units) ²	—	—	—	\$118,600	\$157,200	\$217,500
Homeowner Vacancy	0.0%	1.7%	1.6%	0	27,891	1,257,737
Rental Vacancy	0.0%	6.3%	6.0%	0	54,781	2,793,023
Renter-Occupied Housing Units (% of Occupied Units)	35.8%	33.2%	36.0%	350	802,535	43,481,667
Occupied Housing Units with No Vehicle Available (% of Occupied Units)	7.2%	6.9%	8.6%	70	165,906	10,395,713
Social						
Poverty Level (of all people)	22.5%	13.7%	13.4%	507	810,045	42,510,843
Households Receiving Food Stamps/SNAP	18.2%	11.1%	11.7%	178	268,633	14,171,567
Enrolled in Grade 12 (% of total population)	1.7%	1.3%	1.4%	43	78,114	4,422,344
Disconnected Youth ³	20.0%	2.8%	2.5%	17	8,774	423,273
Children in Single Parent Families (% of all children)	11.0%	33.9%	34.1%	43	440,546	23,790,005
Uninsured	17.4%	9.3%	8.8%	405	559,885	28,248,613
With a Disability, Age 18-64	16.8%	12.5%	10.3%	193	453,975	20,187,604
With a Disability, Age 18-64, Labor Force Participation Rate and Size	28.5%	41.1%	42.2%	55	186,435	8,509,463
Foreign Born	4.1%	4.2%	13.6%	105	255,719	44,011,870
Speak English Less Than Very Well (population 5 yrs and over)	1.1%	2.2%	8.4%	26	126,914	25,615,365

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

1. American Community Survey 2015-2019, unless noted otherwise

2. Median values for certain aggregate regions (such as MSAs) may be estimated as the weighted averages of the median values from the composing counties.

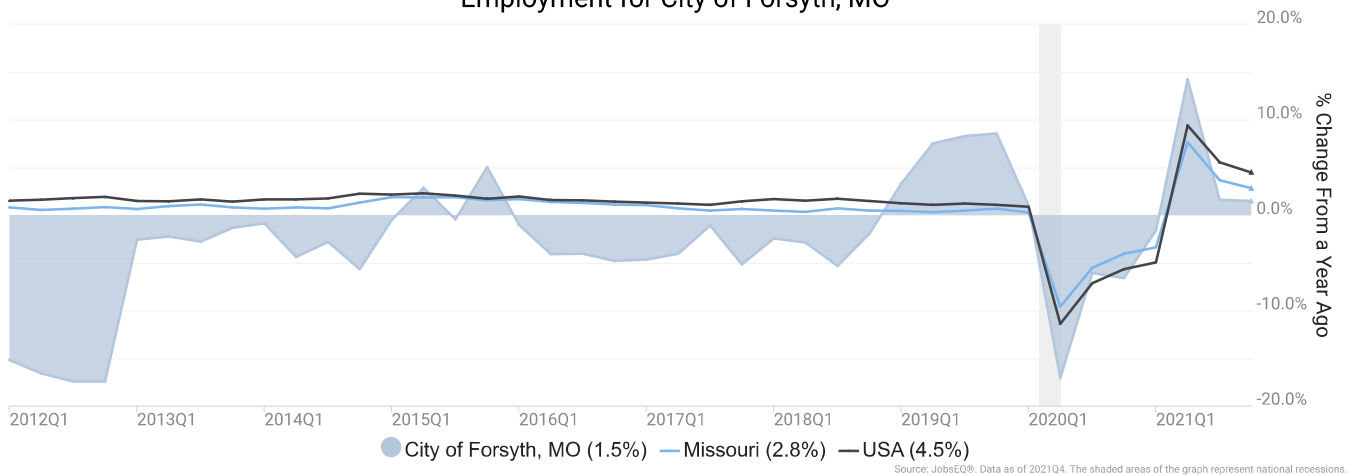
3. Disconnected Youth are 16-19 year olds who are (1) not in school, (2) not high school graduates, and (3) either unemployed or not in the labor force.

4. Census Population Estimate for 2020, annual average growth rate since 2010.

Employment Trends

As of 2021Q4, total employment for the City of Forsyth, MO was 1,282 (based on a four-quarter moving average). Over the year ending 2021Q4, employment increased 1.5% in the region.

Employment for City of Forsyth, MO

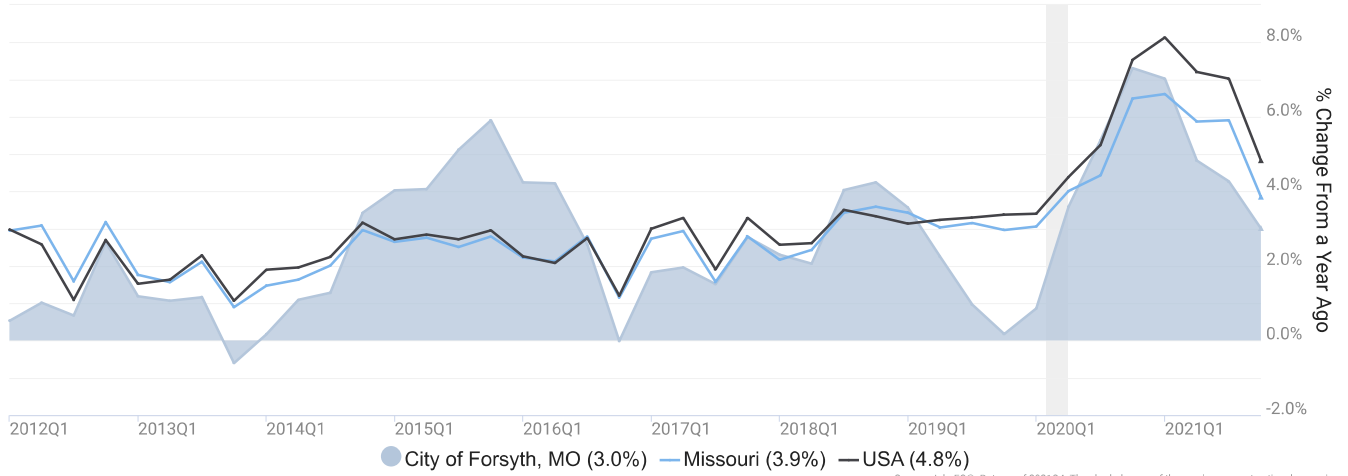


Employment data are derived from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and imputed where necessary. Data are updated through 2021Q3 with preliminary estimates updated to 2021Q4.

Wage Trends

The average worker in the City of Forsyth, MO earned annual wages of \$36,176 as of 2021Q4. Average annual wages per worker increased 3.0% in the region over the preceding four quarters. For comparison purposes, annual average wages were \$65,055 in the nation as of 2021Q4.

Average Annual Wages for City of Forsyth, MO



Annual average wages per worker data are derived from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and imputed where necessary. Data are updated through 2021Q3 with preliminary estimates updated to 2021Q4.

Cost of Living Index

The Cost of Living Index estimates the relative price levels for consumer goods and services. When applied to wages and salaries, the result is a measure of relative purchasing power. The cost of living is 10.6% lower in City of Forsyth, MO than the U.S. average.

Cost of Living Information

	Annual Average Salary	Cost of Living Index (Base US)	US Purchasing Power
City of Forsyth, MO	\$36,176	89.4	\$40,443
Missouri	\$54,338	88.5	\$61,424
USA	\$65,055	100.0	\$65,055

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

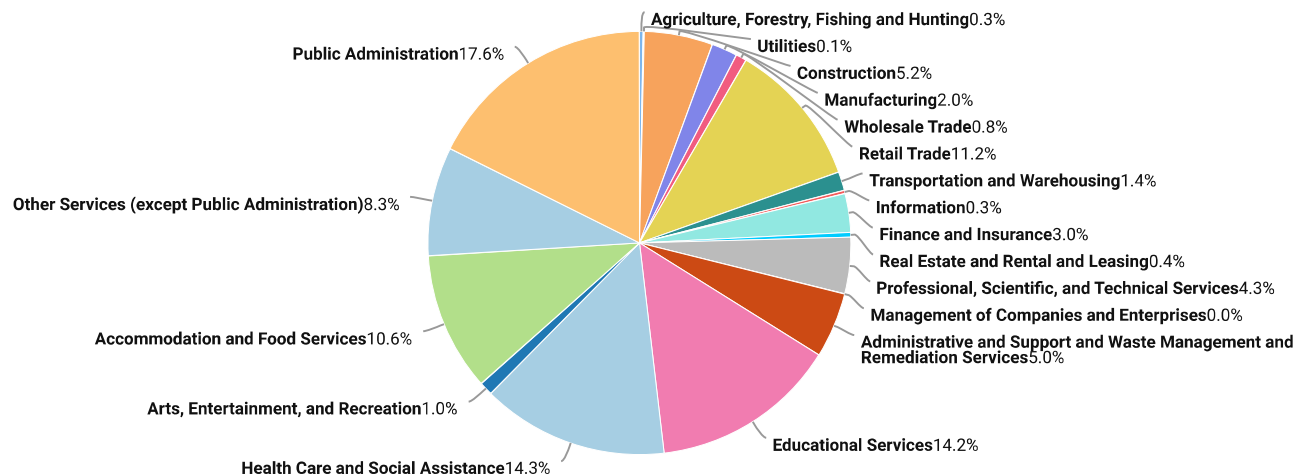
Data as of 2021Q4

Cost of Living per [COLI](#), data as of 2021Q4, imputed by Chmura where necessary.

Industry Snapshot

The largest sector in the City of Forsyth, MO is Public Administration, employing 226 workers. The next-largest sectors in the region are Educational Services (183 workers) and Health Care and Social Assistance (183). High location quotients (LQs) indicate sectors in which a region has high concentrations of employment compared to the national average. The sectors with the largest LQs in the region are Public Administration (LQ = 3.70), Other Services (except Public Administration) (1.94), and Educational Services (1.77).

Total Workers for City of Forsyth, MO by Industry



Source: JobsEQ®, Data as of 2021Q4

Employment data are derived from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and imputed where necessary. Data are updated through 2021Q3 with preliminary estimates updated to 2021Q4.

Sectors in the City of Forsyth, MO with the highest average wages per worker are Utilities (\$90,462), Finance and Insurance (\$63,875), and Health Care and Social Assistance (\$52,976). Regional sectors with the best job growth (or most moderate job losses) over the last 10 years are Educational Services (+50 jobs), Other Services (except Public Administration) (+26), and Public Administration (+23).

Over the next 10 years, employment in the City of Forsyth, MO is projected to contract by 19 jobs. The fastest growing sector in the region is expected to be Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation with a +2.6% year-over-year rate of growth. The strongest forecast by number of jobs over this period is expected for Accommodation and Food Services (+19 jobs), Health Care and Social Assistance (+11), and Educational Services (+5).

City of Forsyth, MO, 2021Q4¹

NAICS	Industry	Empl	Current	10-Year History			10-Year Forecast				
			Avg Ann Wages	LQ	Empl Change	Ann %	Total Demand	Exits	Transfers	Empl Growth	Ann % Growth
92	Public Administration	226	\$38,379	3.70	23	1.1%	191	79	126	-14	-0.7%
61	Educational Services	183	\$40,027	1.77	50	3.2%	179	78	96	5	0.3%
62	Health Care and Social Assistance	183	\$52,976	0.98	7	0.4%	191	81	99	11	0.6%
44	Retail Trade	143	\$28,880	1.07	-42	-2.6%	151	71	105	-24	-1.8%
72	Accommodation and Food Services	136	\$29,476	1.32	-303	-11.1%	262	103	140	19	1.3%
81	Other Services (except Public Administration)	107	\$24,721	1.94	26	2.8%	115	48	69	-2	-0.2%
23	Construction	67	\$36,289	0.88	-5	-0.8%	57	20	42	-5	-0.7%
56	Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	64	\$45,983	0.78	-5	-0.8%	74	28	46	0	0.0%
54	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	55	\$41,764	0.60	10	2.1%	41	16	30	-5	-0.9%
52	Finance and Insurance	38	\$63,875	0.72	-9	-2.0%	27	11	21	-5	-1.4%
31	Manufacturing	25	\$46,183	0.24	-207	-19.9%	22	8	16	-3	-1.2%
48	Transportation and Warehousing	18	\$42,296	0.29	17	27.5%	23	8	13	2	0.9%
71	Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	13	\$25,361	0.59	10	15.9%	24	9	12	4	2.6%
42	Wholesale Trade	11	\$45,684	0.22	4	5.0%	9	4	7	-1	-1.0%
53	Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	5	\$39,977	0.21	0	0.8%	4	2	3	0	-0.8%
11	Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	4	\$8,753	0.21	-8	-10.6%	4	2	2	-1	-1.5%
51	Information	3	\$48,549	0.13	-5	-8.7%	3	1	2	0	0.4%
22	Utilities	1	\$90,462	0.18	-4	-14.1%	1	0	1	0	-1.9%
55	Management of Companies and Enterprises	0	n/a	0.00	-14	n/a	0	0	0	0	-0.9%
Total - All Industries		1,282	\$36,176	1.00	-454	-3.0%	1,366	545	840	-19	-0.1%

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

Data as of 2021Q4

Note: Figures may not sum due to rounding.

1. All data based upon a four-quarter moving average

Exits and transfers are approximate estimates based upon occupation separation rates.

Employment data are derived from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and imputed where necessary. Data are updated through 2021Q3 with preliminary estimates updated to 2021Q4. Forecast employment growth uses national projections adapted for regional growth patterns.

Occupation Snapshot

The largest major occupation group in the City of Forsyth, MO is Office and Administrative Support Occupations, employing 175 workers. The next-largest occupation groups in the region are Educational Instruction and Library Occupations (136 workers) and Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations (127). High location quotients (LQs) indicate occupation groups in which a region has high concentrations of employment compared to the national average. The major groups with the largest LQs in the region are Protective Service Occupations (LQ = 3.12), Educational Instruction and Library Occupations (1.93), and Community and Social Service Occupations (1.83).

Occupation groups in the City of Forsyth, MO with the highest average wages per worker are Legal Occupations (\$87,100), Architecture and Engineering Occupations (\$82,900), and Computer and Mathematical Occupations (\$80,500). The unemployment rate in the region varied among the major groups from 2.1% among Management Occupations to 9.3% among Personal Care and Service Occupations.

Over the next 10 years, the fastest growing occupation group in the City of Forsyth, MO is expected to be Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations with a +0.9% year-over-year rate of growth. The strongest forecast by number of jobs over this period is expected for Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations (+11 jobs) and Educational Instruction and Library Occupations (+6). Over the same period, the highest separation demand (occupation demand due to retirements and workers moving from one occupation to another) is expected in Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations (233 jobs) and Office and Administrative Support Occupations (180).

City of Forsyth, MO, 2021Q4¹

SOC	Occupation	Empl	Mean Ann Wages ²	Current			Online Job Ads	10-Year History		Total Demand	10-Year Forecast			
				LQ	Unempl	Unempl Rate		Empl Change	Ann %		Exits	Transfers	Empl Growth	Ann % Growth
43-0000	Office and Administrative Support	175	\$32,800	1.07	4	4.0%	n/a	-30	-1.6%	163	80	100	-18	-1.1%
25-0000	Educational Instruction and Library	136	\$45,500	1.93	1	2.6%	n/a	38	3.3%	120	52	62	6	0.4%
35-0000	Food Preparation and Serving Related	127	\$25,400	1.27	13	7.5%	n/a	-269	-10.7%	244	100	133	11	0.9%
41-0000	Sales and Related	108	\$36,100	0.88	6	5.6%	n/a	-46	-3.5%	128	60	83	-15	-1.5%
33-0000	Protective Service	84	\$38,400	3.12	1	3.5%	n/a	2	0.3%	72	31	45	-3	-0.3%
53-0000	Transportation and Material Moving	71	\$33,600	0.64	4	5.6%	n/a	-19	-2.3%	88	35	54	-1	-0.1%
29-0000	Healthcare Practitioners and Technical	69	\$74,800	0.92	0	n/a	n/a	-7	-0.9%	43	17	24	2	0.3%
47-0000	Construction and Extraction	65	\$46,200	1.09	2	5.4%	n/a	-3	-0.5%	59	20	42	-4	-0.6%
31-0000	Healthcare Support	62	\$28,900	1.09	1	3.9%	n/a	10	1.8%	84	38	41	5	0.8%
11-0000	Management	61	\$79,600	0.76	1	2.1%	n/a	-20	-2.8%	49	15	33	1	0.1%
13-0000	Business and Financial Operations	54	\$61,500	0.70	0	n/a	n/a	-2	-0.3%	45	14	31	-1	-0.2%
37-0000	Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance	45	\$27,100	1.06	4	5.7%	n/a	-3	-0.7%	58	25	33	0	0.1%
49-0000	Installation, Maintenance, and Repair	44	\$41,300	0.90	1	2.7%	n/a	-8	-1.7%	40	14	27	-1	-0.2%
21-0000	Community and Social Service	42	\$47,100	1.83	0	n/a	n/a	14	4.1%	42	15	26	1	0.1%
39-0000	Personal Care and Service	34	\$26,500	1.06	3	9.3%	n/a	3	1.1%	53	22	28	2	0.7%
51-0000	Production	29	\$36,600	0.39	2	4.5%	n/a	-104	-14.1%	27	11	19	-3	-1.3%
15-0000	Computer and Mathematical	21	\$80,500	0.47	0	n/a	n/a	-1	-0.4%	14	4	10	0	-0.2%

City of Forsyth, MO, 2021Q4¹

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27-0000	Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media	19	\$41,200	0.85	1	8.2%	n/a	0	-0.2%	21	8	12	0	0.2%
17-0000	Architecture and Engineering	18	\$82,900	0.81	0	n/a	n/a	-2	-1.1%	12	4	9	-1	-0.6%
19-0000	Life, Physical, and Social Science	9	\$68,300	0.76	0	n/a	n/a	-8	-6.1%	8	2	6	0	-0.1%
23-0000	Legal	9	\$87,100	0.81	0	n/a	n/a	0	0.5%	5	2	3	0	-0.4%
45-0000	Farming, Fishing, and Forestry	2	\$35,300	0.18	0	n/a	n/a	-1	-5.2%	2	1	2	0	0.0%
Total - All Occupations		1,282	\$39,500	1.00	n/a	n/a	n/a	-454	-3.0%	1,377	572	824	-19	-0.1%

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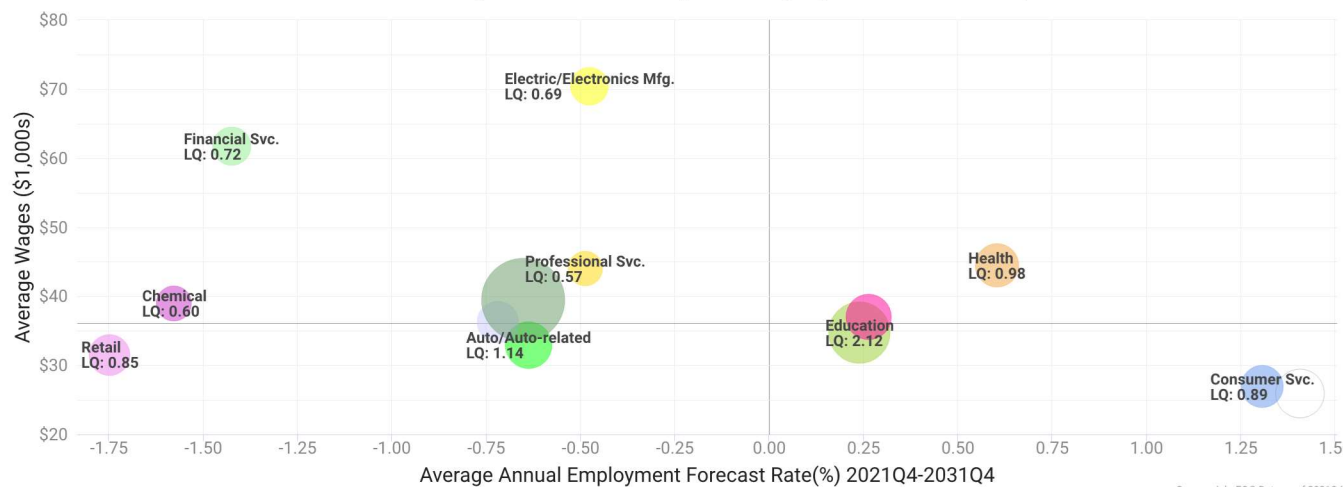
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Industry Clusters

A cluster is a geographic concentration of interrelated industries or occupations. The industry cluster in the City of Forsyth, MO with the highest relative concentration is Public Admin. with a location quotient of 4.04. This cluster employs 226 workers in the region with an average wage of \$39,471. Employment in the Public Admin. cluster is projected to contract in the region about 0.7% per year over the next ten years.

Industry Clusters for City of Forsyth, MO as of 2021Q4

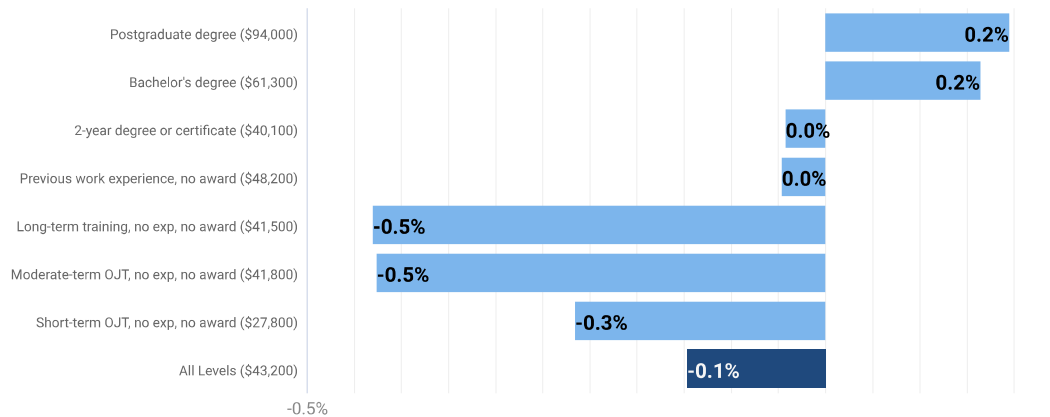


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Education Levels

Expected growth rates for occupations vary by the education and training required. While all employment in the City of Forsyth, MO is projected to contract 0.1% over the next ten years, occupations typically requiring a postgraduate degree are expected to grow 0.2% per year, those requiring a bachelor's degree are forecast to grow 0.2% per year, and occupations typically needing a 2-year degree or certificate are expected to contract 0.0% per year.

Annual Average Projected Job Growth by Training Required for City of



Source: JobsEQ®, Data as of 2021Q4

Employment by occupation data are estimates as of 2021Q4. Education levels of occupations are based on BLS assignments. Forecast employment growth uses national projections from the Bureau of Labor Statistics adapted for regional growth patterns.

City of Forsyth, MO Regional Map



FAQ

What is a location quotient?

A location quotient (LQ) is a measurement of concentration in comparison to the nation. An LQ of 1.00 indicates a region has the same concentration of an industry (or occupation) as the nation. An LQ of 2.00 would mean the region has twice the expected employment compared to the nation and an LQ of 0.50 would mean the region has half the expected employment in comparison to the nation.

What is separation demand?

Separation demand is the number of jobs required due to separations—labor force exits (including retirements) and turnover resulting from workers moving from one occupation into another. Note that separation demand does not include all turnover—it does not include when workers stay in the same occupation but switch employers. The total projected demand for an occupation is the sum of the separation demand and the growth demand (which is the increase or decrease of jobs in an occupation expected due to expansion or contraction of the overall number of jobs in that occupation).

What is a cluster?

A cluster is a geographic concentration of interrelated industries or occupations. If a regional cluster has a location quotient of 1.25 or greater, the region is considered to possess a competitive advantage in that cluster.

What is the difference between industry wages and occupation wages?

Industry wages and occupation wages are estimated via separate data sets, often the time periods being reported do not align, and wages are defined slightly differently in the two systems (for example, certain bonuses are included in the industry wages but not the occupation wages). It is therefore common that estimates of the average industry wages and average occupation wages in a region do not match exactly.

What is NAICS?

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is used to classify business establishments according to the type of economic activity. The NAICS Code comprises six levels, from the “all industry” level to the 6-digit level. The first two digits define the top level category, known as the “sector,” which is the level examined in this report.

What is SOC?

The Standard Occupational Classification system (SOC) is used to classify workers into occupational categories. All workers are classified into one of over 804 occupations according to their occupational definition. To facilitate classification, occupations are combined to form 22 major groups, 95 minor groups, and 452 occupation groups. Each occupation group includes detailed occupations requiring similar job duties, skills, education, or experience.

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