

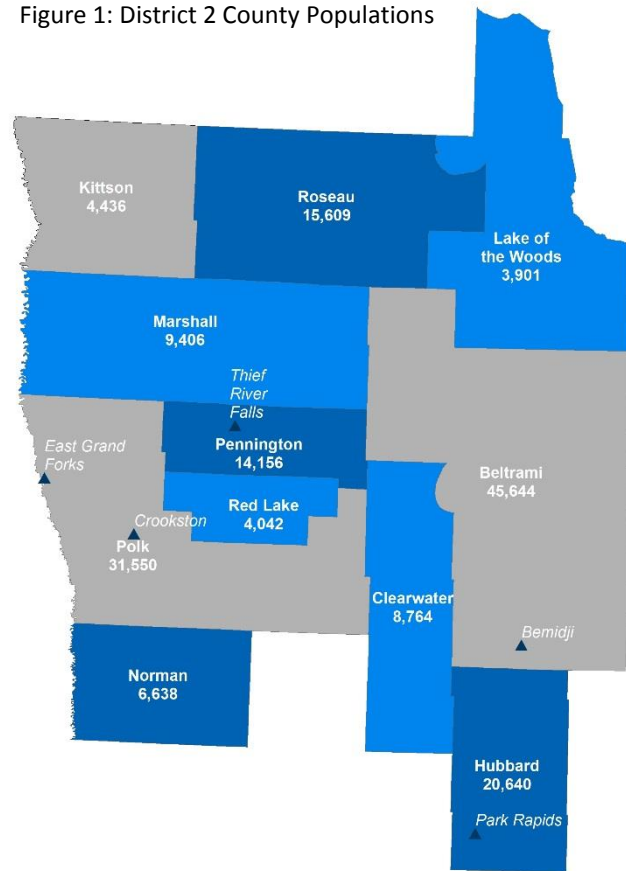
DRAFT District 2: Demographic Profile

Located in Northwest Minnesota, MnDOT’s District 2 includes 11 counties. In terms of population, it has lowest population of the MnDOT districts, comprising 3% of the state’s total population. In terms of land area, District 2 is the second largest district. This report summarizes some of the key demographic characteristics of District 2.

Overview

- **164,786** – District 2’s total population based on the 2016 American Community Survey (Figure 1).
- **0.7% increase** – District 2’s population increased from the 2010 Census by an estimated 847 persons.
- **Beltrami County** – Beltrami County is the largest and fastest growing county in the district. It has an estimate population of 45,644, an increase of 2.7% from the 2010 Census.
- **Low population density/urbanization** – District 2 has a population density of 11.5 persons per square mile. 28.1% of the district’s population lived in an urban area with a population of 2,500 or more.
- **65,546** – Total households in District 2. Average of 2.5 persons per household.
- **Cities** – Bemidji is the largest city in District 2 with an estimated 2016 population of 14,664 (Table 1). East Grand Forks is part of the Grand Forks urbanized area. In 2010, the urbanized area had a population of 61,270.

Figure 1: District 2 County Populations



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2016 5-Year Estimates

Table 1: Largest Cities in District 2

City	Population
Bemidji	14,664
Thief River Falls	8,726

East Grand Forks	8,636
Crookston	7,814
Park Rapids	3,898

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2016 5-Year Estimates

Race/Ethnicity

- **Minority** – 13.9% of residents belong to a minority racial or ethnic group. Beltrami County has the highest percentage minority at 27.1%. Hispanics are the second highest minority in the district after American Indian.
- **American Indian ancestry** - Persons with American Indian ancestry account for 7.2% of the district population. District 2 has the highest percentage of individuals with American Indian ancestry, and is second to the Metro District in total number of individuals with an American Indian ancestry (11,887 in District 2 and 17,090 in Metro District).
- **Nativity** – 97.9% of the district’s population was born in the United States and 69.4% was born in Minnesota. Asia and Latin America were the most common places of origin for those not born in the U.S.
- **Limited English Proficiency** – The 2016 American Community Survey estimated 2,000 persons in District 2 speak English less than very well. After English, Spanish is the most common language spoken.

Age

- **Youth** – 23.8% of the district’s population is 17 and under. Statewide, 23.5% of the population is age 17 and under. Approximately 25% of the populations of Beltrami, Clearwater, Red Lake and Roseau are age 17 and under.
- **Seniors** – 17.8% of the district’s population is 65 and older. Statewide, 14.3% of the population is 65 and older. An estimated 23% of the populations Hubbard and Kittson are age 65 and older.

Disability

- **Disabled** – 12.8% of the district’s population has a disability. Disability includes hearing, vision, cognitive, ambulatory, self-care or independent living difficulties.

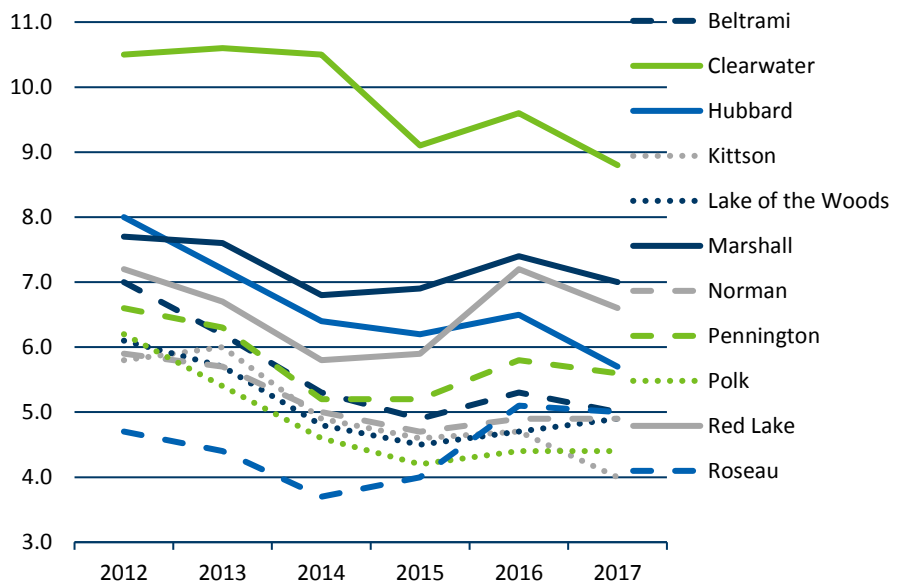
Income & Employment

- **Median Income** – District 2’s median household income is \$50,330; the statewide average is \$55,560. Average per capita income is \$26,176; the statewide average is \$28,534.
- **Poverty** – 21,162 persons, 12.8% of District 2’s population, is in poverty. In terms of actual numbers, District 2 has the second fewest individuals in poverty compared to other districts. In terms of percentage of district population District 2 has the second highest among MnDOT districts.
- **Unemployment** – Unemployment rates have been trending down in District 2 (Figure 2). This matches the statewide downward trend of unemployment. In 2017, the statewide unemployment rate was 3.6%,

a decline of 2% from 2012. As of 2017, Clearwater County has the highest unemployment rate at 8.8% and Kittson County had the lowest at 4%.

- **Industry** – Education and Health Services and Trade, Transportation and Utilities accounted for half of the jobs in District 2 (Figure 3). Manufacturing and Leisure and Hospitality are the next highest employment industries in the district.

Figure 2: District 2 Unemployment, 2012-2017

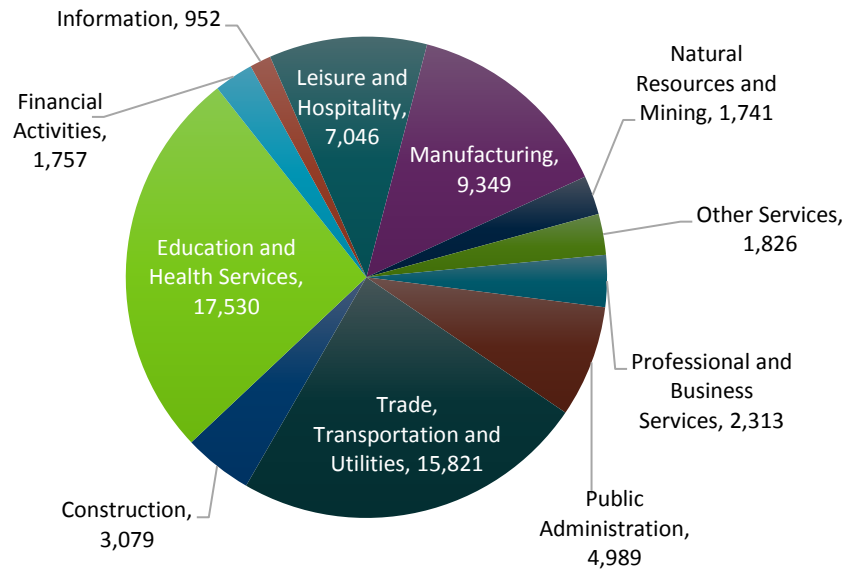


Source: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development, LAUS, 2012-2017

Means of Travel

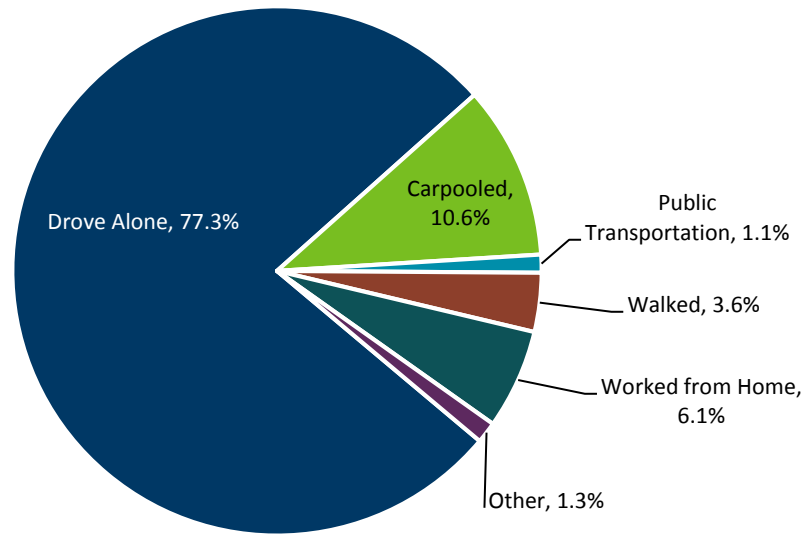
- **Drove alone** – 77.3% of workers 16 and older drove alone to work (Figure 4). Statewide, 78% of workers age 16 and older drove alone.
- **Zero vehicle households** – 6.0% of District 2 households do not have a vehicle.
- **Commute time** – 48.5% of workers age 16 and older who did not work from home had a commute time of less than 15 minutes; 5.3% had a commute time of 60 minutes or more. Pennington County had the greatest percent, 69.7%, of workers with a commute time of less than 15 minutes. Norman County had the greatest percent, 9.0%, of workers with a commute time of 60 minutes or more.

Figure 3: District 2 Employment by Industry



Source: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development, QCEW, 2016

Figure 4: District 2 Means of Transportation to Work



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2016 5-Year Estimates

Table 2: County by County Comparison

County	Total population	% Minority	% 17 & under	% 65 & older	% Disabled	Household median income	% Persons in poverty	% Zero vehicle households
Beltrami	45,644	27.1	25.3	14.4	12.0	\$45,201	18.1	7.2
Clearwater	8,764	14.7	24.7	19.4	16.3	\$44,203	16.4	7.4
Hubbard	20,640	6.7	21.7	23.4	14.8	\$49,742	11.4	4.2
Kittson	4,436	3.7	21.6	23.4	14.5	\$51,484	10.8	4.7
Lake of the Woods	3,901	6.0	18.5	21.8	12.3	\$45,732	8.0	5.0
Marshall	9,406	6.1	23.1	19.8	12.2	\$56,340	7.4	4.6
Norman	6,638	10.1	23.0	21.8	11.2	\$52,083	11.5	4.2
Pennington	14,156	8.8	23.1	16.7	12.9	\$51,156	8.6	6.3
Polk	31,550	11.4	23.5	17.1	13.0	\$53,059	12.5	6.6
Red Lake	4,042	7.1	24.6	18.7	12.5	\$49,800	10.3	8.5
Roseau	15,609	7.2	24.9	15.6	10.5	\$54,827	8.0	4.8

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2016 5-Year Estimates