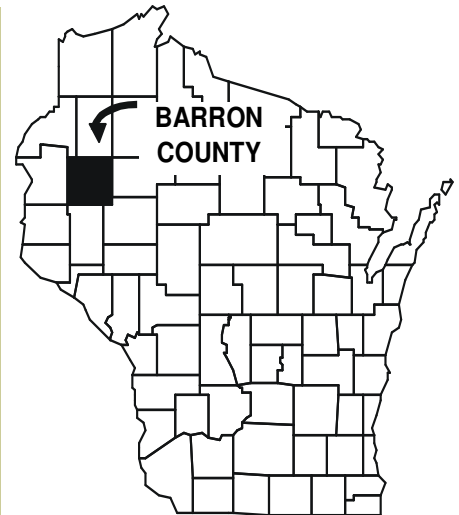


Barron County

ECONOMIC PROFILE

County Population Projections

	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030	2035	2040
County Population	45,870	46,660	48,055	49,605	50,640	50,490	49,545
Percent Change		1.7	3.0	3.2	2.1	-0.3	-1.9
Male	22,814	23,320	24,195	25,235	25,930	25,920	25,435
Female	23,056	23,340	23,860	24,370	24,710	24,570	24,110
Minority	1,794	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Percent Minority	3.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Age Under 5	2,737	2,640	2,720	2,700	2,640	2,520	2,400
Age 5-9	2,762	2,860	2,890	2,980	2,930	2,790	2,620
Age 10-14	2,832	2,810	3,010	3,060	3,140	3,020	2,830
Age 15-19	2,888	22,650	2,720	2,950	2,990	3,000	2,840
Age 20-24	2,341	2,150	2,010	2,090	2,250	2,230	2,190
Age 25-34	5,133	5,150	4,900	4,600	4,490	4,640	4,670
Age 35-44	5,288	55,070	5,540	5,820	5,530	5,010	4,710
Age 45-54	7,162	6,260	5,400	5,450	5,970	6,110	5,590
Age 55-59	3,351	4,730	3,580	2,890	2,790	2,930	3,250
Age 60-64	3,028	3,540	3,790	3,700	3,010	2,930	3,140
Age 65-74	4,327	5,600	6,530	7,260	7,500	6,770	6,120
Age 75-84	2,759	2,870	3,510	4,500	5,360	5,960	6,110
Age 85+	1,262	1,330	1,455	1,605	2,040	2,580	3,075



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Source: 2010 Census; Wisconsin DOA Population Projections, December 2013

Municipal Population

	1980	1990	2000	2010	2016	Percent Change			
						1980-90	1990-00	2000-10	2010-16
Rice Lake	7,691	7,998	8,312	8,419	8,599	4.0	3.9	1.3	2.1
Barron	2,595	2,986	3,248	3,423	3,388	15.1	8.8	5.4	-1.0
Chetek	1,931	1,953	2,180	2,221	2,212	1.1	11.6	1.9	-0.4
Cumberland	1,983	2,163	2,280	2,170	2,182	9.1	5.4	-4.8	0.6
Cameron	1,115	1,273	1,546	1,783	1,834	14.2	21.4	15.3	2.9
Turtle Lake+	762	817	1,065	1,050	1,051	7.2	30.4	-1.4	0.1
Almena	526	625	720	677	650	18.8	15.2	-6.0	-4.0
Prairie Farm	387	494	508	473	462	27.6	2.8	-6.9	-2.3
Dallas	477	452	356	409	390	-5.2	-21.2	14.9	-4.6
Haugen	251	305	287	287	285	21.5	-5.9	0.0	-0.7

+Includes portion in Polk County

Source: 1980, 1990, 2000 and 2010 Census and Wisconsin DOA 2016 Estimates

Per Capita Personal Income

	2012	2013	2014	2015	Percent Change		
					2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Barron County	\$42,045	\$40,803	\$42,782	\$44,261	-2.9	4.9	3.5
Wisconsin	\$42,536	\$42,722	\$44,406	\$45,914	0.4	3.9	3.4
United States	\$44,267	\$44,462	\$46,414	\$48,112	0.4	4.4	3.7

Total personal income includes income from three sources: net earnings; dividends, interest and rent; and transfer receipts. Total personal income divided by the total population produces per capita personal income (PCPI).

Source: US Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis

Consumer Expenditures by County (total \$ooo's)

	Total		Total
Shelter	\$194,167	Education	\$30,298
Transportation	\$182,307	Household Operations	\$24,965
Food and Beverages	\$141,234	Gifts	\$21,766
Health Care	\$79,526	Miscellaneous Expenses	\$14,218
Utilities	\$73,566	Personal Care	\$12,244
Entertainment	\$52,315	Personal Insurance	\$6,498
Contributions	\$37,529	Tobacco	\$6,426
Apparel	\$32,454	Reading	\$2,081
Household Furnishings	\$31,375		

Source: Applied Geographic Solutions, 2016

Government Finances

2015	County	State
Full Equalized County Valuation (\$000)	\$3,851,193	\$490,602,544
Net Property Tax (\$000)	\$74,122	\$9,767,155
Full Value Tax Rate per \$1,000 Valuation	\$19.25	\$19.91
Per Capita Property Tax	\$1,604.48	\$1,697.65

Source: *Town, Village and City Taxes*, Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue

Civilian Labor Force

County Totals	2011	2015
Employed	21,736	23,277
Unemployed	2,015	1,239
Total Labor Force	23,751	24,516
Average County Unemployment Rate	8.5%	5.1%
Average State Unemployment Rate	7.8%	4.6%
Average U.S. Unemployment Rate	8.9%	5.3%

Source: Wisconsin Dept. of Workforce Development

Housing

	County
Housing Units	23,683
2016 Estimated Housing Units	24,099
Owner Occupied Units	13,965
Renter Occupied Units	5,155
Persons/Owner Occupied Unit	2.4
Persons/Renter Occupied Unit	2.1
Median Value of Housing	\$134,100
Median Monthly Gross Rent	\$646

Source: 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates and DOA Housing Estimates for 2016

Representative Wage Rates

Position	2015 Hourly Rate	
	Mean	Median
Bartenders	\$8.83	\$8.73
Bookkeeping/Accounting/Auditing	\$16.47	\$16.09
Cashiers	\$9.09	\$8.87
Computer Programmers	\$32.10	\$30.10
Electricians	\$26.71	\$26.75
Healthcare Social Workers	\$23.16	\$22.73
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse	\$19.20	\$18.97
Machinery Maintenance Workers	\$21.06	\$20.43
Nursing Assistants	\$13.07	\$13.04
Office Clerk, General	\$14.51	\$14.29
Physical Therapists	\$35.99	\$36.25
Secretaries/Administrative Assistants	\$21.76	\$21.25
Stock Clerk/Order Fillers	\$11.70	\$10.21
Truck Drivers-Heavy/Tractor Trailer	\$20.05	\$18.46
Waiter and Waitresses	\$8.58	\$8.57
Welder/Cutter/Solderer/Brazer	\$18.46	\$18.24

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 2015

Building Permits

County Residential	2010	2015
Single Family	73	96
Total Units	75	142
Value	\$11,392,146	\$19,629,207

Source: Bureau of the Census

Employment by Industry

	2011-2015 5-Year Estimate	% of Total Employment
Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing/Hunting/Mining	1,359	6.1
Construction	1,628	7.3
Manufacturing	5,480	24.6
Wholesale Trade	328	1.5
Retail Trade	2,743	12.3
Transportation and Warehousing, and Utilities	825	3.7
Information	273	1.2
Finance and Insurance/Real Estate/Rental and Leasing	780	3.5
Services (Professional/Educational/Entertainment/Other)	8,242	37.0
Public Administration	599	2.7
TOTAL*	22,257	100.0

* Represents the total number of jobs provided by employers within the County and not the total number of employed individuals in the County.
Source: American Community Survey, 2011-2015 5-Year Estimates

Industry Employment Projections (West Central WI)

	Estimated Employment*		% Change
	2012	2022	
Total, All Nonfarm Industries	179,507	197,498	10.0
Mining/Natural Resources	2,217	2,082	-6.1
Manufacturing	31,604	31,062	-1.7
Construction	6,251	7,672	22.7
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	36,849	39,788	8.0
Information	1,730	1,697	-1.9
Financial Activities (finance/insurance/real estate/rental and leasing)	7,060	7,668	8.6
Professional and Business Services (professional/management/remediation)	15,691	19,602	24.9
Educational and Health Services (including State/Local Government)	33,232	39,322	18.3
Leisure and Hospitality	18,240	20,248	11.0
Other Services (except Government)	4,779	5,031	10.9
Government	12,122	12,750	5.2
Self-Employed and Unpaid Family Workers (all jobs)	9,732	10,306	5.9

*Employment is a count of jobs rather than people, and includes all part- and full-time nonfarm jobs.
Source: Office of Economic Advisors, Wisconsin Dept. of Workforce Development, September 2015

Largest Employers

Employer	Industry Type	Employees
Jennie-O Turkey Store	Poultry Processing	1,000+
Turkey Store Company (Maintenance Shop)	Commercial & institutional building construction	1,000+
St. Croix Casino	Casinos, except casino hotels	1,000+
Ishida Corporation	All other miscellaneous manufacturing	1,000+
Johnson Refrigerated Truck	Automobile & other motor vehicle merchant wholesalers	250-499
Lakeview Medical Center	General medical and surgical hospitals	250-499
Lakeview Medical Center-Pediatric	Offices of specialty therapists	250-499
Mattson Spray Equipment	Painting & wall covering contractors	250-499
Mayo Clinic Health System-Northland	General medical and surgical hospitals	250-499
McCain Foods USA, Inc.	Frozen specialty food manufacturing	240-499
Rice Lake Weighing Systems, Inc.	Scale and balance manufacturing	250-499
Sanmina-SCI Corp.	All other plastics product manufacturing	250-499
Seneca Food Corp.	All other miscellaneous food manufacturing	250-499
Wal-Mart Supercenter	Department stores (except discount department stores)	250-499
3M Company	Abrasive product manufacturing	100-249
American Excelsior Co.	Paper bag & coated and treated paper manufacturing	100-249
Chieftain Sand-Proppant	Construction sand and gravel mining	100-249
Cumberland Memorial Hospital, Inc.	General medical and surgical hospitals	100-249
Heritage Manor Nursing Home	Vocational rehabilitation services	100-249
Marshfield Clinic	Freestanding emergency medical centers	100-249
Mastercraft Industries, Inc.	Wood kitchen cabinet and countertop manufacturing	100-249
Menards	Home centers	100-249
Parker Quick Coupling Division	Fluid power valve & hose fitting manufacturing	100-249
Marketplace Foods	Supermarkets and other grocery (except convenience)	100-249

Source: Wisconsin DWD; Major employers were extracted from the America's Labor Market Information System Employer Database

Recreational Highlights

An all season trails brochure is available at: www.northwestwisconsin.com

Water Acres as Percent of Land Area	3.3	Snowmobile Trails (miles)	310
Swimming Areas	13	Cross-Country Ski Trails (miles)	7.5
Fishing Lakes (50+ acres)	46	ATV Trails (miles)	19.9
Canoe Trails (miles)	50	Golf Courses	10
Boat Launches	64	Parks and Picnic Areas	29
Camping Sites	996	Hunting Areas (public acres)	21,587

Source: *Barron County Outdoor Recreation Plan, 1989-1994; Updated by Barron County Forest & Recreation Dept.*

Barron County has abundant recreational facilities and resources ranging from hunting and fishing to snowmobiling and hiking. The County offers excellent public and private camping facilities among the many lakes, streams, and County forests. The many lakes of Barron County are known for outdoor activities, including fishing, camping, and pleasure boating. County forest land is in abundance around many of the County's lakes and offers sightseers a variety of wildlife. Barron County offers excellent canoeing and boating, especially along the Red Cedar River. The Blue Hills, located in the northeastern part of the county, are especially beautiful in autumn to hikers, cyclists, and motorists alike.

Industrial Parks/Sites

	Acres Served by Utilities				State Hwy. Access	Community Airport	Rail Service to Community	Rail Service In Park
	Acres Available	Municipal Water	Municipal Sewer	Natural Gas				
Almena	12	12	12	12	X			
Barron	29	29	29	29	X	X	X	
Chetek	71	71	71	71	X	X	X	
Cumberland	85	85	85	85	X	X		
Rice Lake	169	169	169	169	X	X	X	X*
Prairie Farm	0	0	0	0				
Turtle Lake	3	3	3	3	X			

*Rail is limited in park area.

Source: *Barron County Economic Development Corporation*

Miscellaneous

HIGHWAYS—Barron County is served by a network of U.S. and State Highways. U.S. Highways 53 and 63, and State Highway 25, run north and south through the County. U.S. Highway 53 is a four-lane highway. U.S. Highway 8 and State Highway 48 run east and west.

RAIL SERVICE—Barron County is served by Progressive Rail, Inc. (PGR). The PGR serves the communities of Almena, Barron, Cameron, Chetek, and Rice Lake. The PGR connects with the Canadian National (CN) rail line south in Chippewa Falls to provide shippers with nationwide access. CN has reactivated a 40-mile stretch of long-inactive line between Ladysmith and Poskin, to serve the Superior Silica Sand Corporation processing plant west of Barron.

AIR SERVICE—Barron County has four publicly-owned airports. A basic utility-B airport is located near Cumberland. Basic utility-A airports are located near Barron and Chetek. All of these facilities have paved runways over 3,400 feet in length, except Barron which has a 20,000 foot turf runway. The Rice Lake Airport is a transport/corporate facility and is located to the west of Cameron. The Rice Lake Airport has a 6,700 foot runway and a 3,500 foot runway, both asphalt, and maintains a fixed base operator providing fuel and mechanic services. Air taxi and daily air freight services are also available.

EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES—Most training needs among local businesses are met by the Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College located in Rice Lake. Associate degree and vocational education programs are offered in the areas of agriculture; service, health and home economics; business and marketing; trade and industry; and general education, as well as apprenticeship trades. A two-year university center in Rice Lake provides a college-level curriculum for area residents.