

OFFICIAL COMMUNITY GUIDE

# Hartington

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Cedar County!**

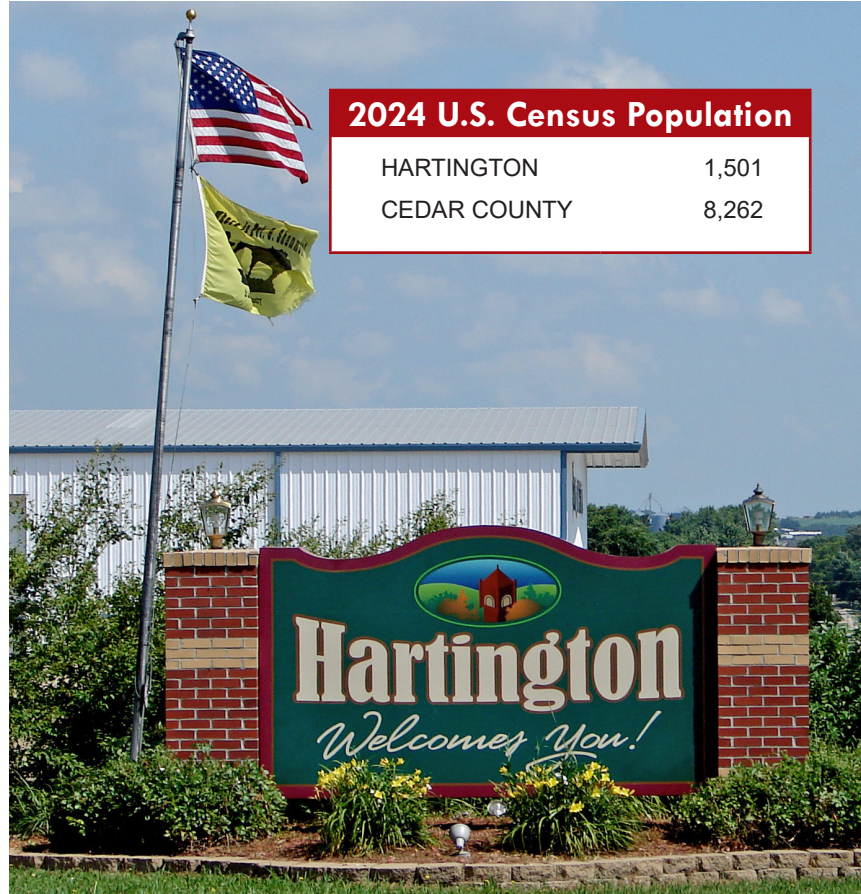
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2024 U.S. Census Population	
HARTINGTON	1,501
CEDAR COUNTY	8,262

The following pages contain basic information about Hartington, Nebraska.

This information was compiled by Hartington Economic Development, the City of Hartington and Nebraska Public Power District in order to promote community development and quality of life.

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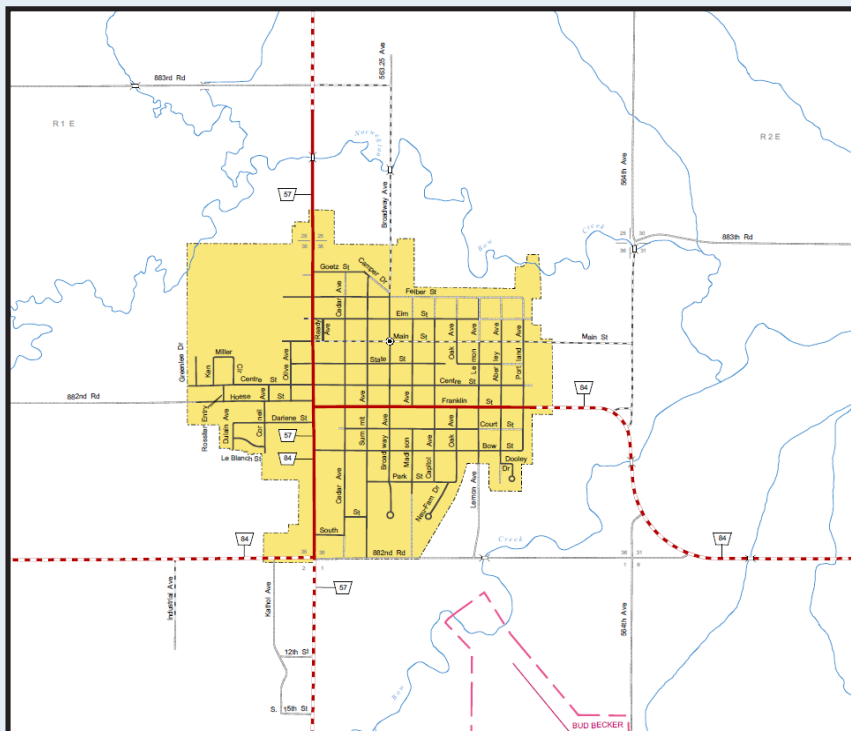
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Downtown Hartington



# Geography

## Location

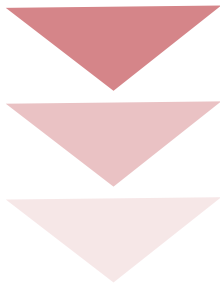
Hartington, the county seat of Cedar County, is located near Nebraska's "North Shore" in the northeast corner of Nebraska. The northern border of the county is created by the Missouri River, which separates Nebraska from South Dakota, State Highways 57 and 84 intersect in the community. U.S. Highway 81, located nine miles west of Hartington, is a vital transportation link for the community. Hartington is located 25 miles southeast of Yankton and 31 miles southwest of Vermillion, South Dakota; 57 miles west of Sioux City, Iowa; 98 miles southwest of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; and 148 miles northwest of Omaha, Nebraska.

## Elevation

Hartington is 1,414 feet above sea level.



# Economic Development



The City of Hartington and Hartington Community Development Corporation combine their efforts for economic development in the community. Hartington Community Development, Inc. a non-profit corporation is comprised of members. Corporation funds are derived from membership dues, real estate sales, agricultural land rental, and city sales tax (LB840).

Hartington has 11.16 acres available for industrial use and 7.30 acres available for residential use.

For more information on available sites and buildings go to [sites.nppd.com](http://sites.nppd.com).

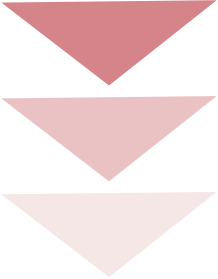
Firms with retail sales tax permits in Hartington reported 2024 net taxable retail sales of \$49,703,994, while Cedar County reported retail sales of \$78,696,159.

## COMMUNITY'S TOP 10 MANUFACTURERS

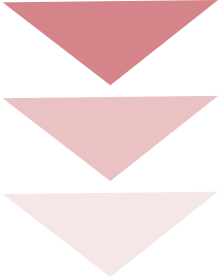
EMPLOYERS	PRODUCT OR SERVICE	EMPLOYEES
Prince Manufacturing	Hydraulic components	85
Cedar County	Government	66
Hartington-Newcastle Public School	Education	60
Cedar County Catholic Schools	Education	44
Cedar-Knox Public Power District	Utility	27
Northeast Pipe & Panel, Inc.	Portable panels & fence panel manufacturing	26
Arbor Care Center	Healthcare	25
Grossenburg Implement	Construction	21
Plumbing & Electric Service, Inc.	Irrigation, electric & plumbing service	15
Radec Construction	Construction	13



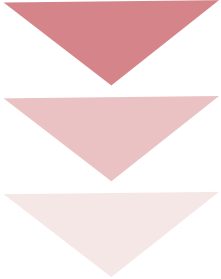
Nissen Winery



Hartington Senior Center

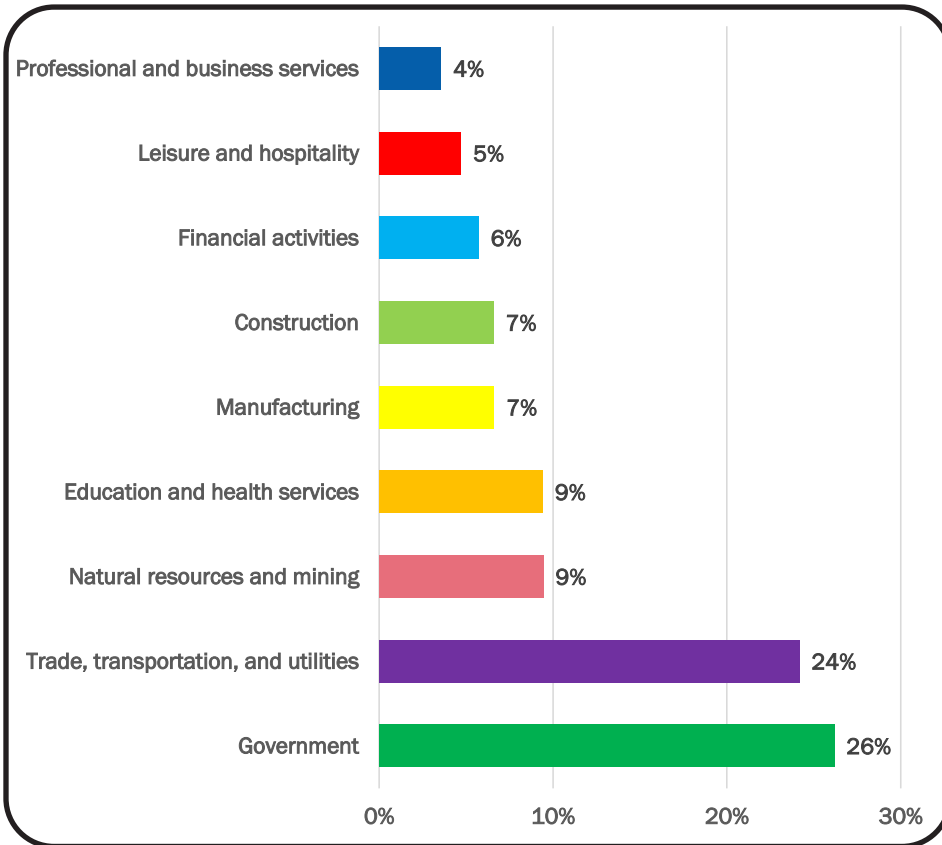


Foodtown



# Labor

## Cedar County Labor Supply 2024



Bank of Hartington

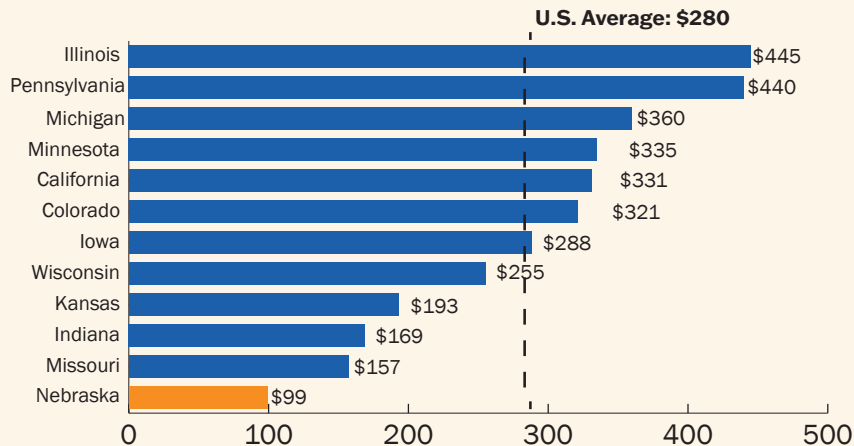


Cedar Security Bank



Farmers & Merchants Bank Hartington

### Average Annual Unemployment Insurance Contribution per Employee, 2023



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2023



First National Northeast Hartington

## Workforce

The Nebraska Department of Labor serves employers and job seekers across Nebraska through its “One Stop Career Centers” located across the state. Services for employers include employee recruitment and screening, posting job openings, tax credit information, and labor market and labor law information. Job seekers can find a full array of employment and training related services including on site services provided by a network of mandatory Workforce Investment Act partners. To learn more about these and other services, visit [networks.nebraska.gov](http://networks.nebraska.gov).

## WAGE SAMPLING

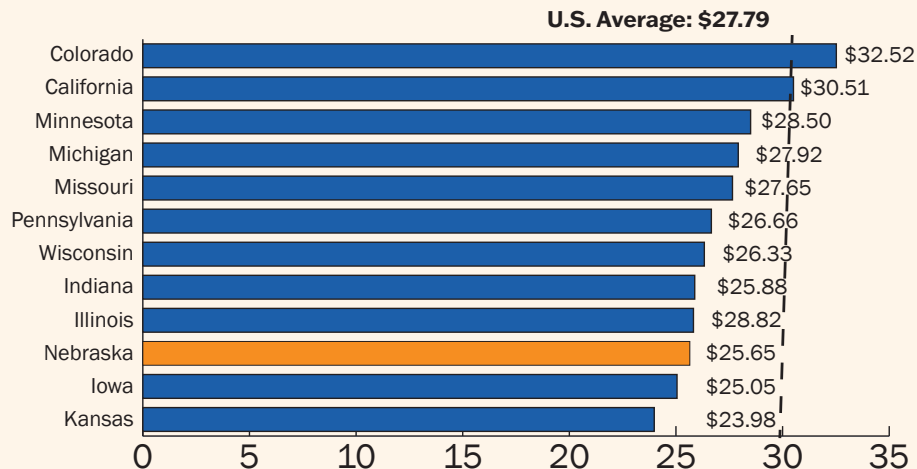
Hourly wages rates for various occupations,  
Northeast Region, Nebraska

JOB TITLE	ENTRY LEVEL	MEDIAN	EXPERIENCED
ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS	23.86	32.59	41.69
CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES	15.51	18.77	22.79
ELECTRICIANS	19.85	27.81	31.49
HEAVY AND TRACTOR-TRAILER TRUCK DRIVERS	18.15	23.83	29.31
LABORERS AND FREIGHT, STOCK, AND MATERIAL MOVERS, HAND	16.82	20.78	22.26
MACHINISTS	18.17	22.69	26.23
MISCELLANEOUS ASSEMBLERS AND FABRICATORS	18.14	23.19	25.23
OFFICE CLERKS, GENERAL	13.78	17.71	20.21
REGISTERED NURSES	31.00	38.04	41.80
RETAIL SALESPERSONS	12.67	14.53	18.26
SECRETARIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS, EXCEPT LEGAL, MEDICAL, AND EXECUTIVE	16.48	20.80	23.57
TOOLS AND DIE MAKERS	27.23	31.98	34.73
WELDERS, CUTTERS, SOLDERERS, AND BRAZERS	20.04	23.42	26.82
WELDING, SOLDERING, AND BRAZING MACHINE SETTERS, OPERATORS, AND TENDERS	19.30	21.69	24.80

\*Wage Information taken from Nebraska Statewide

Source: Nebraska Workforce Development, Occupational Employment, Program, First Quarter 2025

## Average Hourly Earnings for Production Workers, 2024



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2024

## Unionization

Nebraska has a right to work provision in its constitution. In 2024, 6.8 percent of Nebraska’s wage and salary workers were members of labor unions compared to a national figure of 9.9 percent.

## Local Labor Unions

United States Post Office -

American Postal Workers Union/  
National Association of Letter  
Carriers

## Fringe Benefits

Local industries estimate fringe benefits to range from 30 percent of wages.



Wiechelma Repair Inc.



Hartelco Hartinton

## ANNUAL AVERAGE 2024 LABOR SUPPLY

*\*Contiguous Nebraska counties include  
Dixon, Knox, Pierce, Wayne.*

	<b>CEDAR COUNTY &amp; CONTIGUOUS*</b>	<b>CEDAR COUNTY</b>
<b>NON-FARM WAGE &amp; SALARY WORKERS</b>	13,692	2,789
<b>TOTAL EMPLOYMENT</b>	21,097	4,499
<b>LABOR FORCE POPULATION</b>	21,611	4,599
<b>ADDITIONAL POTENTIAL LABOR SUPPLY</b>		
<b>COMMUTING OUT OF COUNTY (2022)</b>		1,815
<b>UNEMPLOYED</b>		100
<b>TOTAL</b>		1,915

NOTE: Does not include estimated number of homemakers, seasonal and part-time workers, and workers who would shift from low-paying jobs who could be expected to work for industry.

## UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 2024

	<b>PERCENT</b>
<b>CEDAR COUNTY</b>	2.2%
<b>NEBRASKA</b>	2.8%
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	4.0%

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

# Market Access

## Highways

Hartington is the county seat of Cedar County in the northeast corner of Nebraska. The northern border of the county is created by the Missouri River. Highways 84 and 57 run north through Hartington.

## Trucklines

More than 13,500 licensed motor carriers with worldwide connections are based in Nebraska and serve businesses throughout North America.

The following trucking map is based on Norfolk, Nebraska, 52 miles south of Hartington.

## Rail

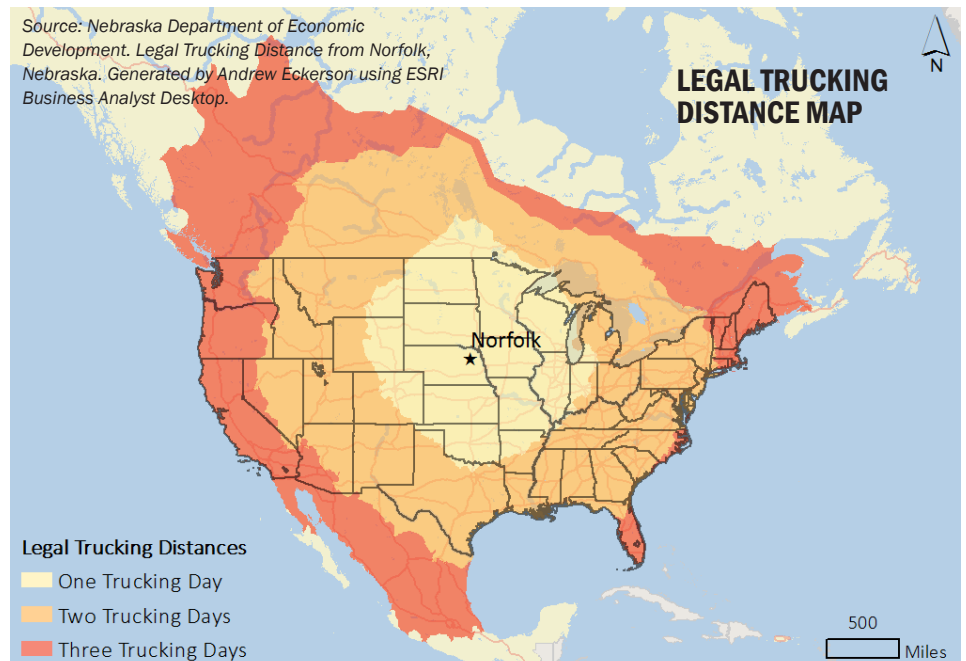
Northeast Railroad is main line that serves Hartington. It is located in Belden.

## Air

The Hartington Municipal Airport is located seven miles southeast of the city. The 3,950-foot runway is paved and lighted.

## Nearest Commercial Air Service:

- Eppley Airfield,  
Omaha, Nebraska  
148 miles, 141 minutes
- Lincoln Regional Airport,  
Lincoln, Nebraska  
155 miles, 157 minutes
- Sioux Gateway Airport,  
Sioux City, Iowa  
60 miles, 62 minutes





Cedar County News



Hartington Shopper



# Communications

## Telecommunications & Internet Providers

Hartelco  
hartel.net  
Phone/Internet

## Post Office & Package Delivery Service

The U.S. Postal Service in Hartington has one mail receipt and one dispatch daily.

Federal Express, United Parcel Service, U.S. Postal Service, and Amazon provide package delivery services in the Hartington area.

## Newspapers

*Cedar County News*, the local weekly newspaper, has 1,483 subscribers. Other newspapers delivered locally include *Sioux City Journal* and *Omaha World-Herald*.



Hartington Post Office

## Radio Stations

- **KTCH-FM, 104.9 KHz**  
Wayne, Nebraska
- **KTCH-AM, 1590 KHz**  
Wayne, Nebraska
- **WNAX-AM, 570 KHz**  
Yankton, South Dakota
- **KYNT-AM, 1400 KHz**  
Yankton, South Dakota
- **KKYA-FM, 93.1 MHz**  
Yankton, Nebraska
- **KVHT-FM, 106.3 MHz**  
Yankton, Nebraska
- **KVTK-AM, 1570 KHz**  
Yankton, Nebraska
- **KDAM-FM, 94.3 MHz**  
Yankton, Nebraska
- **WJAG-AM, 870 KHz**  
Norfolk, Nebraska
- **KEXL-FC, 106.7 MHz**  
Norfolk, Nebraska
- **KNEN-FM, 94.7 MHz**  
Norfolk, Nebraska
- **KVSS-FM, 88.2 MHz**  
Osmond, Nebraska

## Nebraska Highlights

Energy costs are a considerable part of any business' operational budget. These costs can vary greatly between states, but in Nebraska (the only state in the nation where all electric utilities are publicly owned) electric costs are passed to consumers at low, cost-of-service rates. As a result, industrial rates are well below the national average. Nebraska's electric utilities can offer low rates, in part, because they draw from an efficient "mix" of generation resources including coal, natural gas, oil, diesel, and methane, along with carbon-free "fuels," like nuclear, wind, hydro, and solar power.

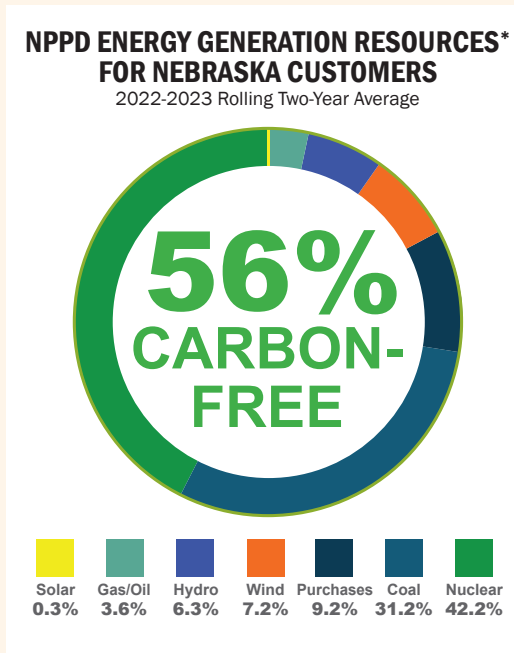
Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) is the state's largest electric generating utility in terms of chartered territory, which includes all or parts of 84 of Nebraska's 93 counties. NPPD relies upon 9 major generating facilities, more than 5,000 miles of high-voltage power lines, approximately 260 substations, and thousands more miles of distribution lines. Because the system is interconnected to electrical grids in other states, NPPD works with regional utilities and industry entities to ensure power is delivered safely and dependably to Nebraskans.

NPPD's renewable resources play a central role in a strong carbon-free footprint. In addition to a power purchase agreement with seven of the state's wind farms, NPPD owns and operates the largest public power wind facility in the state near Ainsworth.

NPPD has three hydropower facilities and contracts for generation from three other hydropower facilities. Community solar is available in seven communities, with more on the way. In 2023, NPPD's Cooper Nuclear Station contributed to an energy portfolio that was more than 56 percent carbon-free.

# Infrastructure

# Utilities



Natural gas in Nebraska is also attractive to industry for service, supply, and price. A gas-producing state, Nebraska is close and well-connected by pipeline to the major gas fields of the central and southern plains. The state's average cost of industrial gas is less than both the regional and national averages.

## Electricity

Hartington is provided retail electric service by Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD). Service is supplied by a 69 kV substation with two incoming feeds at 69 kV and two outgoing feeds at a voltage of 7.2 kV. A 10.0 MW transformer supplies the community. This substation is tied into the statewide grid system.

The 27-turbine Elkhorn Ridge Wind Farm, located northwest of Bloomfield, began commercial operation in March 2009. Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) has a power purchase agreement in place with the facility owner and operator, Edison Mission Group. Each turbine has a maximum capacity of three megawatts for a total of 81 megawatts. NPPD purchases 41 megawatts of electricity and sells the remainder to other Nebraska utilities.

The 22-turbine Crofton Bluffs Wind Farm, located southwest of Crofton, began commercial operation in November 2012. Total capacity for the wind farm is 42 megawatts, generating energy through two, 3-megawatt turbines and twenty 1.8-megawatt turbines. Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) has a power purchase agreement with Edison Mission Group, which owns and operates the farm. NPPD uses approximately half of the output, with three other Nebraska utilities purchasing the remainder.

Prospective customers should contact Nebraska Public Power District at 877- 275-6773, or [nppd.com/accounts-billing/your-rates](http://nppd.com/accounts-billing/your-rates), for further information regarding electric rates and service.

# Average Retail Price of Energy Costs

## Electric

(Cents per Kilowatt Hour 2024)

## Natural Gas

(Dollars per Thousand Cubic Feet 2024)

	<i>Residential</i>	<i>Commercial</i>	<i>Industrial</i>	<i>Residential</i>	<i>Commercial</i>	<i>Industrial</i>
U.S. Average	16.48	12.85	8.15	14.59	10.14	3.93
<b>NEBRASKA</b>	<b>11.74</b>	<b>8.70</b>	<b>7.53</b>	<b>10.79</b>	<b>7.52</b>	<b>4.37</b>
California	31.86	25.29	21.98	21.85	13.86	11.38
Colorado	15.06	11.84	8.78	10.56	8.67	7.59
Illinois	15.92	11.77	9.16	11.57	8.96	6.54
Indiana	14.84	12.62	7.99	11.64	7.86	4.91
Iowa	13.55	10.35	6.85	10.38	7.63	5.65
Kansas	14.22	11.23	7.67	12.55	9.89	5.56
Massachusetts	29.35	20.96	18.13	21.80	15.70	13.20
Michigan	19.29	13.99	8.27	10.77	9.34	7.57
Minnesota	15.42	12.22	9.14	10.66	8.26	6.18
Missouri	12.91	10.29	7.90	14.84	12.12	7.98
Nevada	15.00	10.47	8.49	18.69	13.69	10.69
New Jersey	16.40	14.78	12.02	13.03	11.14	7.96
New York	24.37	18.83	9.11	16.57	9.64	10.77
Ohio	16.07	10.78	7.16	13.67	7.84	7.73
Pennsylvania	17.79	11.01	7.84	13.65	10.88	9.38
Wisconsin	17.22	12.65	8.52	10.08	7.40	5.76

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration



Hartington City Office

Nebraska's Energy Costs are among the lowest in the Nation

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## Natural Gas

Black Hills Energy, a subsidiary of Black Hills Corp. serves 300,000 natural gas customers in 300 Nebraska communities. Black Hills Energy's Nebraska headquarters is located in Lincoln.

Black Hills Energy is the retail distributor of natural gas in Hartington within the Hartington community serving approximately 735 residential and commercial customers. Black Hills Energy is a full service natural gas distribution company with Nebraska headquarters in Lincoln.

Natural gas is available for residential, commercial, and industrial customers. Availability of natural gas for industrial users is subject to individual situations.

For specific requirements of an industrial and applicable rates can be obtained by contacting Black Hills Energy at 402-372-7195.

Contact Black Hills Energy at 888-890-5554 for information regarding gas rates and services.

The municipal water system in Hartington is supplied by four wells, which have an average depth of 75 feet. The system, serving the entire city, has a combined pumping capacity of 1,450 gallons per minute and an overhead storage capacity of 500,000 gallons. The system has a maximum capacity of 2,588,000 gallons per day.

The city's wells produce up to 650 gallons of water per minute. The water table has not changed significantly in the past five years. The quality of water in Hartington does not necessitate a water treatment plant.

Water Rates effective 1/1/25  
A water connection fee of \$250.00 is charged to all new water services.

## Sewerage

Hartington has a municipal sanitary sewerage system and a storm sewer system. The aerobic digester treatment plant was updated in 1995 and has a daily capacity of 500,000,000 gallons.

Sewer-Use Charges effective 1/1/25  
Single Family Residential rates are \$25.75 per month plus tax.  
Multi-Family Residential (per unit) are \$25.75 per month plus tax.

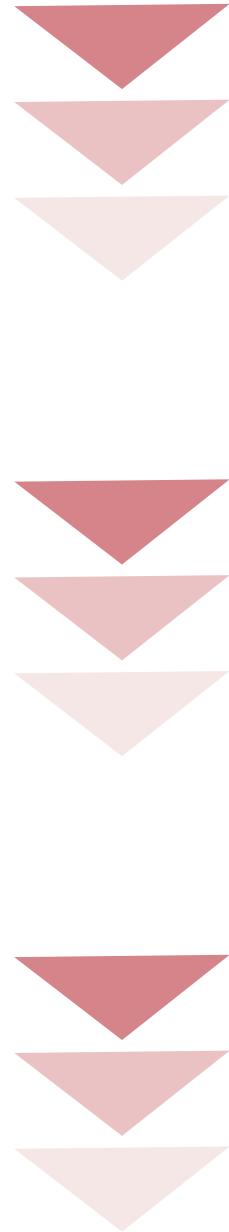
## Solid Waste Disposal

Municipally owned and operated waste removal services are available in Hartington. The city has a transfer station. Wastes are hauled to a licensed landfill at Jackson, Nebraska, 46 miles southeast.

## Recycling

Hartington has a volunteer recycling program located at the transfer station site. Items collected are paper, cardboard, tin, aluminum, and plastics (plastics #1 and #2).

Visit [ci.hartington.ne.us](http://ci.hartington.ne.us) for more information on Hartington's utilities.





Pomp's



Rendering Hartington



Northeast Pipe and Panel Hartington



Wiechelman Repair Inc.



Plumbing and Electric Service Inc.



Cedar Knox Public Power District

# Tax Structure

## Nebraska Highlights

- Nebraska assesses income tax based upon the amount of federal taxable income
- No state property tax
- No inventory tax
- No sales tax on:
  - raw materials when used as ingredients or component parts in
  - manufacturing operations
  - sales of energy for processing or
  - manufacturing purposes
  - water used exclusively in
  - manufacturing and processing qualified agricultural machinery and equipment
  - manufacturing machinery, equipment, and related services
- Sales and use tax refunds are available on qualifying air and water pollution control equipment
- Sales and use tax refunds are available on property qualifying for certain investment incentives

The Nebraska State Government is financed by an individual income tax, corporate income tax, 5.5 percent sales and use tax, corporate occupation

tax, and selective excise taxes (liquor, tobacco, motor fuels, etc.). Local governments are financed primarily by property taxes, although some cities and counties collect a local option sales tax of between 0.5 and 2.0 percent.

Property taxes are levied against real and personal property by local political subdivisions such as counties, cities, school districts, fire districts, etc., to provide for local services. All real property except agricultural land is assessed at actual or market value. Agricultural land is assessed at 75 percent of actual value. Personal property is assessed at net book value. Tax rates are expressed in dollars and cents for each \$100 of actual value.

Market value is determined by each county assessor through professionally accepted mass appraisal methods, which include, but are not limited to:

- Comparison with sales of real property of known or recognized value, taking into account location, zoning, current

functional use, and other statutory guidelines (sales comparison approach)

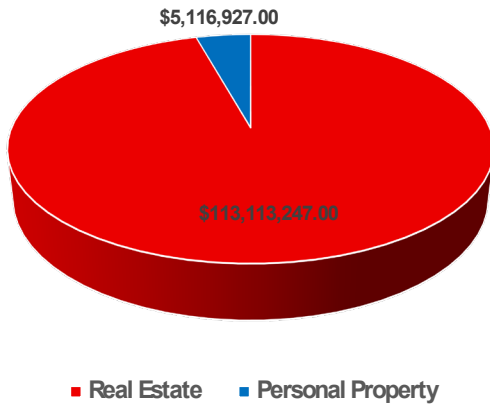
- Earning capacity of the real property (income approach)
- Cost less depreciation (cost approach)

## Nebraska Tax Incentives

Nebraska's performance-based tax incentive programs demonstrate the state's commitment to creating a favorable business environment for your business expansion or location.

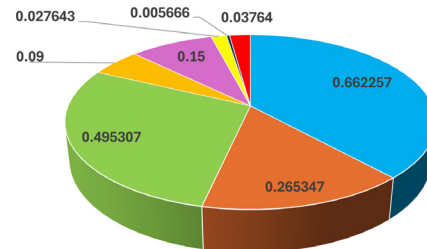
Known as the "ImagiNE Nebraska Act," this multi-tiered program provides qualifying businesses with employee payment credits, investment credits, sales and use tax refunds, and personal and property tax exemptions. Qualified companies, large and small can take advantage of these benefits. For more information on the qualifications and potential benefits available to your company, contact the Nebraska Department of Economic Development at 800-426-6505 or visit [opportunity.nebraska.gov](http://opportunity.nebraska.gov).

### 2023-2024 ACTUAL VALUATION HARTINGTON



**TOTAL**  
**\$120,230,174**

### 2023-2024 TAX RATES HARTINGTON



- City/Village
- County
- School District
- Community College
- Educational Service Unit
- Natural Resource District
- Agricultural Society
- Airport

**TOTAL**  
**\$1.59886**  
*dollars and cents  
per \$100 of actual value*



Cedar County Courthouse

# Local Government

Hartington, a second-class city, has a mayor-council form of government. Cedar County has 13 precincts and is governed by three county commissioners. The 2024-25 actual budget is \$2,940,000.

## Fire Protection

Fire protection is provided to the city by a 39-member volunteer fire department; 19 members are certified emergency medical technicians and three are paramedics.

Hartington has one fire station and 120 fire hydrants. The fire insurance classification inside the corporate limits is 6; outside it is 9. Annual expenditures for fire protection for the past three years averaged \$168,766.66.

## Law Enforcement

The Cedar County Sheriff Department Department employs seven full-time police officers, one part-time police officer, and seven full-time office support staff. Annual expenditures for police protection for the last three years average \$501,883.92.

## State Patrol

Troop B of the Nebraska State Patrol is headquartered in Norfolk, 50 miles southwest of Hartington.

## Streets

Hartington has 16.43 miles of streets; 86.48% are hard-surfaced with 83.73% concrete and 5.50% gravel. 10.77% are asphalt. 85% of the streets have curbs and 80% have sidewalks. For more information, visit [ci.hartington.ne.us.com](http://ci.hartington.ne.us.com),

2024 CRIME RATES		
Per 1,000 Population	VIOLENT CRIMES	PROPERTY CRIMES
NEBRASKA	2.11	15.95
CEDAR COUNTY	0.19	1.53

Source: [ucr.fbi.gov](http://ucr.fbi.gov)



Hartington Fire Hall

# Education



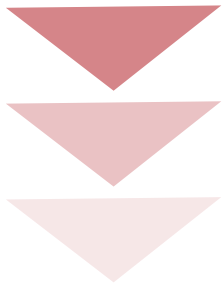
Hartington-Newcastle Public Schools



## 2023-24 ACT SCORES

	COMPOSITE
HARTINGTON-NEWCASTLE HIGH SCHOOL	19.6
NEBRASKA	19.1
NATIONAL	19.4

Source: Nebraska Department of Education



### Hartington-Newcastle School District

School District No.14-0008-000 in Cedar and Dixon Counties covers 400 square miles and has a 2024-2025 actual valuation of \$1,438,271,450, with an actual valuation per student of \$3,835,390. This Class III school is accredited by the Nebraska Department of Education.

The 2023-24 school operation expenses totaled \$7,2136,185, with an average cost per pupil of \$22,965.

Bus services are provided between the communities. For more information, visit [hncats.org](http://hncats.org).

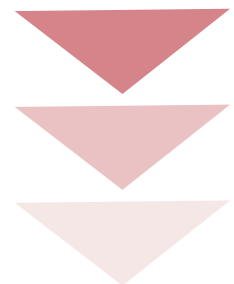
### Educational Service Unit

Educational Service Unit 1 (ESU), headquartered in Wakefield, serves six counties including Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, Knox, Thurston, and Wayne County. For more information regarding services, visit [esu1.org](http://esu1.org).

### Higher Education

An abundance of public colleges and universities are available in Nebraska. There are also a number of community colleges as well as private colleges and trade schools. A large number of degree programs are available and some institutions offer courses and workshops specially tailored to meet specific training needs of industry, education, and business.

Several of Nebraska's universities are ranked as national leaders at making quality education affordable.



**Go Wildcats!**

**Colleges Colleges and Universities frequently attended by Hartington high school graduates.**

- Northeast Community College  
Norfolk, Nebraska, 50 miles away
- Mount Marty University  
Yankton, South Dakota, 25 miles away
- University of South Dakota  
Vermillion, South Dakota, 32 miles away
- Wayne State College  
Wayne, Nebraska, 36 miles away
- Briar Cliff University  
Sioux City, Iowa, 60 miles away
- Morningstide University Community,  
Sioux City, Iowa, 62 miles away
- Western Iowa Tech  
Sioux City, Iowa, 61 miles away

**Parochial Schools**

**Holy Trinity Elementary School** belongs to the Archdiocese of Omaha’s Educational System. It provides a faith-filled curriculum for students pre-school through 6th grade. The curriculums are on file in the classrooms and are accessible to all who are interested. Visit [holytrinityhartington.com](http://holytrinityhartington.com) for more information,

**Cedar Catholic High School** is a private, Roman Catholic high school in Hartington. It is supported by ten Catholic parishes in Cedar County. Visit [cedarcatholic.org](http://cedarcatholic.org) for more information.



Cedar Catholic Junior-Senior High School



Holy Trinity School



**Go Trojans!**

**HARTINGTON SCHOOLS**

	STUDENTS	TEACHER/PUPIL RATIO	COMPUTER/PUPIL RATIO
HARTINGTON-NEWCASTLE ELEMENTARY (PRE-6), HARTINGTON	196	13:1	1:1
HOLY TRINITY ELEMENTARY ELEMENTARY (PRE-6) HARTINGTON	191	14:1	1:1
HARTINGTON-NEWCASTLE JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL (7-12), HARTINGTON	174	10:1	1:1
CEDAR CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL JR./SR. (7-12), HARTINGTON	123	10:1	1:1



Hartington Public Library



Port Centre Apartments



Avera Medical Group Hartington Clinic

# Quality of Life

## Hospital

**Avera Sacred Heart Hospital**, located in Yankton, South Dakota, is 25 miles northwest of Hartington. It is a 99 bed not-for-profit hospital that offers the following services: emergency, labor and delivery, surgery, pediatrics, and ICU. Visit [avera.org](http://avera.org) for more information.

## Clinic

**Avera Medical Group Hartington Clinic** is located in Hartington, and is a vital part of the local community. It provides a wide range of health care services including: General family practice, OBI, prenatal and postnatal care, women’s health, X-ray, immunations, lab services,

minor trauma care - lacerations/ fractures, sports physicals, lesion removal, and vitamins/supplements. For more information, visit [avera.org](http://avera.org).

## Rescue Squad

The Hartington Rescue Squad has two ambulances and one emergency medical technician and 19 first responders.

## Nursing Homes

**Accura Healthcare of Hartington** is located in Hartington. It provides many services and rehabilitation therapy. Visit [accura.healthcare.com](http://accura.healthcare.com) for more information.

## Independent/ Assisted Living

**Accura Healthcare of Hartington** is located in Hartington. It is perfect for seniors who need additional support or who can no longer live in their homes but want to remain as independent as possible. Visit [accura.healthcare.com](http://accura.healthcare.com) for more information.

## Low Cost / Retirement Housing

**Port Centre Apartments** are income-based apartments located in Hartington.

## Churches *Denomination*

- Catholic
- Congregational
- Lutheran



Hartington Swimming Pool

## Library

**Hartington Public Library** welcomes users of all ages to promote the love of reading and learning. It provides a safe atmosphere to our patrons, especially to children. The library offers books for all ages, large print section and DVDs, Wi-Fi service, desktop computers, ipads, Libby audio and E-book app, public copier and scanner, seasonal computer classes, local genealogy section, interlibrary loan service, monthly adult book club, Nebraska Humanities Programs, and much more.

## Recreation

There are three parks in Hartington covering 46 acres. **Felber Park** has a playground, swimming pool, baseball field, basketball court, tennis court, sand volleyball, and shelter.

**Hartington Community Complex** offers basement/softball field, soccer fields, football field, disc golf course, and a running/walking track.

**Hartington Senior Citizens Center** offers recreational and social activities for seniors.

**The Hartington Golf Club** one of the premier golf courses in Northeast Nebraska, is located west of Highway 57 on Clubhouse Drive. The 9-hole course features a mixture of tree-lined holes over varying terrain.

It features 2,995 yards of golf from the longest tees for a par of 36. The course rating is 69.0 and it a slope rating of 115.

The course has a couple of dogleg fairways. There are spruce trees that can alter your shots on seven holes. The greens are average in size and speed.

## Financial Institutions

- Bank of Hartington
- Cedar Security Bank
- Security Bank
- Farmers & Merchants State Bank
- First National Bank Northeast

## Housing

Eleven new homes were constructed in the past three years and it is estimated 12 will be built in 2025.



Cedar County Museum



Felber Park



Hartington Golf Club



Hartington Fire Hall



First Congregational Church



Holy Trinity Church)



Hartington Community Complex



Cobblestone Inn Hartington



Historic Hotel Hartington

## EVENTS

### **Hartington Fireman's Ball • February**

*A night of tunes, people and raffles.*

### **Cedar County Fair • July**

*Generations of family coming together to join in the fun!!*

### **Hartington Dayz • August**

*Annual event that features a variety of activities, including a vendor market, garage sales, sidewalk sales, golf tournament, and a street dance.*

### **Trunk or Treat • October (Sunday before Halloween)**

*Annual event that welcomes all ages.*

### **Hartington Candlelight Christmas • November (the Friday before Thanksgiving)**

*A tradition to the start of the Christmas season with a lighted parade and activities for the whole family.*



# Nebraska's Rank Among States

**1ST** Commercial Cattle Slaughter, 2024  
 Great Northern Bean Production, 2024  
 Beef and Veal exports, 2024  
 Harvested cropland acres, irrigated, 2022  
 Cash receipts per capita, 2023

**2ND** All cattle on feed, Jan. 1, 2025  
 All cattle and calves, Jan. 1, 2025  
 Pinto bean production, 2024  
 Proso millet production, 2024  
 Ethanol production, 2024  
 Commercial red meat production, 2024  
 No-till cropland acres, 2022  
 Popcorn production, 2022  
 Bison, 2022  
 Alfalfa hay production, 2024

**3RD** Corn for grain production, 2024  
 All hay production, 2024  
 Cash Receipts from All FarmCommodities, 2023  
 Corn Exports, 2022

**4TH** Beef Cows, Jan. 1, 2025  
 Land in Farms and Ranches, 2024  
 Dry edible bean production, 2024  
 Sunflower production, 2024  
 Light red kidney bean production, 2023  
 All hay production, 2023  
 Cash receipts from all crops, 2023  
 Cash receipts from all livestock and products, 2023  
 Total animal products exports, 2022  
 Cover crop acres, 2022

**5TH** Sugarbeet production, 2024  
 Sunflower production, 2024  
 Soybean Exports, 2022  
 Agricultural exports, 2022

**6TH** Commercial hog slaughter, 2024  
 All hogs and pigs on farms, Dec. 1, 2024  
 Pork exports, 2024  
 Harvest cropland acres, 2022

Source: Nebraska Department of Agriculture - USDA, NASS, NFO, and NBA



# Agriculture

In 2024, Nebraska ranked first among the states in beef and beef product exports; third in corn grain production. Nebraska's farms and ranches utilized 44 million acres or 89 percent of the state's total land area. In 2024, the total value of agricultural products sold was \$31.6 billion to the state's economy. Of that 58 percent originated from livestock and 42 percent from crops.

Sources: Nebraska Agriculture Rankings - USDA ERS, USDA NASS; Food Processing Status - Bureau of Labor Statistics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages

Center pivot irrigation is the most common method of providing water to row crops in the state, and as a result, four of the largest manufacturers of center pivot systems in the world are located in Nebraska. Nebraska has more than 100,000 registered irrigation wells.

## Groundwater

One of Nebraska's most vital natural resources is its massive supply of groundwater. The High Plains Aquifer, also commonly referred to as the **Ogallala Aquifer** underlies 174,000 square miles in stretches through parts of eight states, but its most abundant water resource is located in nearly two-thirds of Nebraska. This groundwater availability has been essential to the success of agriculture in the state. With the implementation of more efficient irrigation systems and other water management measures, the Ogallala Aquifer will remain a valuable resource in Nebraska.





## Surface Water

Nebraska's surface water resources are surprisingly extensive, including approximately 80,000 miles of continuously flowing rivers and streams that add to Nebraska's bountiful natural resources.

Surface water is predominantly used by grazing livestock as its source drinking water.



2022 STATISTICS		
	CEDAR COUNTY	NEBRASKA
NUMBER OF FARMS	850	44,479
LAND IN FARMS acres	451,579	43,975,693
AVERAGE SIZE OF FARMS acres	531	989
MARKET VALUE per year	3,418,794	\$3,397,806
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD	\$610,198	\$29,413,398
TOTAL ACRES IRRIGATED	157,994	7,965,938
PERCENT OF FARMLAND IRRIGATED	3%	18.1%

Source: 2022 Census of Agriculture

PRODUCTION OF LEADING CROPS 5 year average - 2019-2023		
	CEDAR COUNTY	NEBRASKA
CORN FOR GRAIN bushels	34,473,800	1,719,112,000
OATS	133,367	1,321,400
SOYBEANS bushels	7,242,800	295,390,000

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service

AVERAGE LIVESTOCK POPULATION 5 year average - 2019-2023		
	CEDAR COUNTY	NEBRASKA
ALL CATTLE	102,400	6,630,000

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service

# Climate

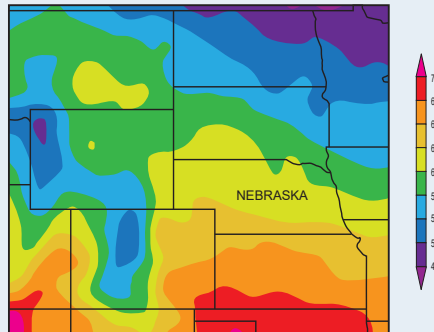
## Four Distinct Seasons

Nebraska has a continental climate, with hot summers and cold winters. Temperatures are highly variable from season to season and year to year. The majority of the state has an average annual maximum temperature of 60°F to 65°F with average annual minimum temperatures in the 30°F to 40°F range. State temperature records are -47°F and 118°F. The average number of days in excess of 100°F range from 5 (northeast) to 11 (southwest) with most of the state between 6 and 9 days. Minimum temperatures below zero occur on average 7 days per year in southeast Nebraska to 20 days in north-central Nebraska.

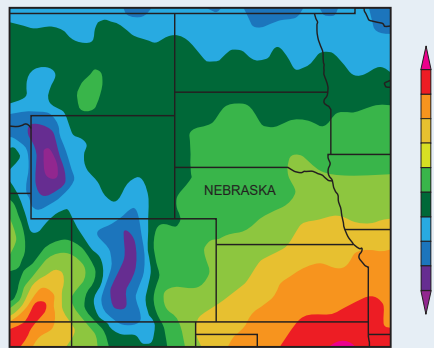
## Precipitation

Precipitation is also variable and ranges from an annual average of 15 to 20 inches in the west to 30 to 35 inches in southeast Nebraska. Approximately 75 percent of the precipitation falls as rain from April to September. Annual average snowfall ranges from 20 inches in the southeast to 50 inches in the northwest. Snowfall usually increases during late winter and reaches a maximum in March

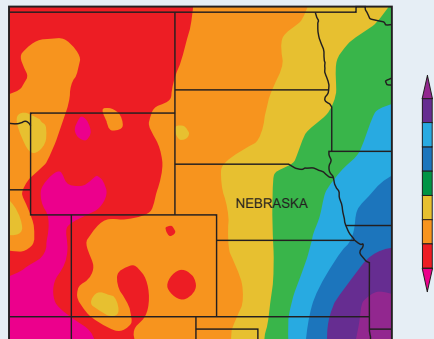
Annual Maximum Temperature (F)



Annual Minimum Temperature (F)

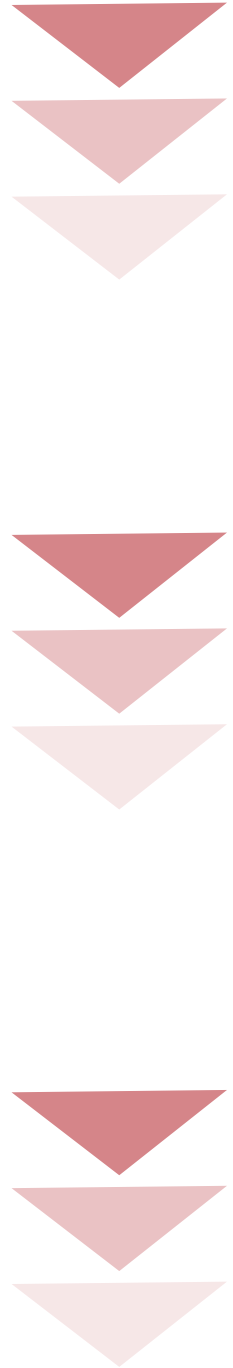


Annual Precipitation (inches)



Based on 30-year climate normals 1981–2010 data from the High Plains Climate Center, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Source: [www.hprcc.unl.edu](http://www.hprcc.unl.edu)





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