

COMMUNITY FACTS

WAYNE, NEBRASKA

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POPULATION (Official U.S. Census)

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2006 Est.</u>
Wayne	5,583	5,176
Wayne County	9,851	9,196
Labor Market*	92,717	90,531

*Includes Wayne County and contiguous counties

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INTRODUCTION

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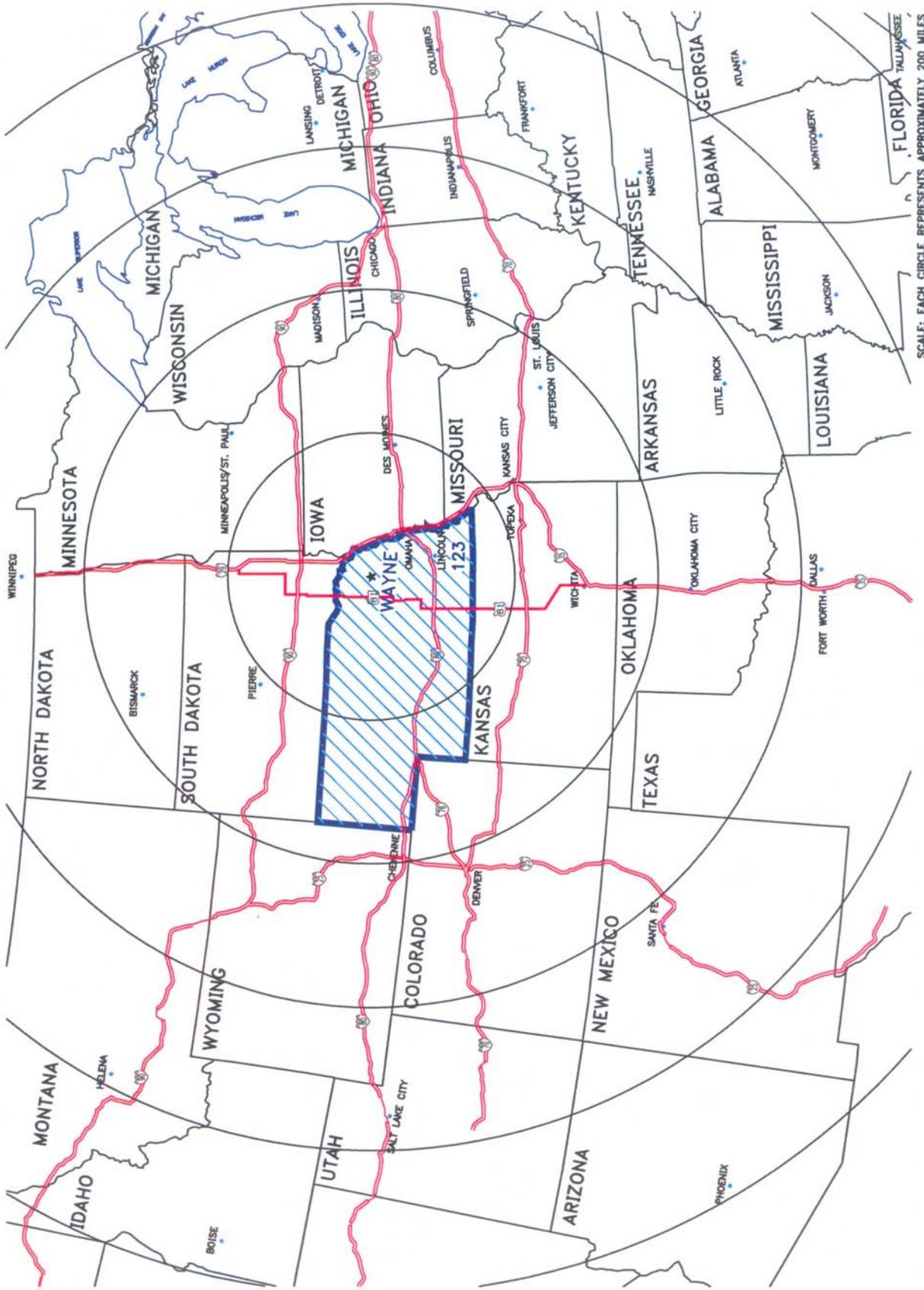
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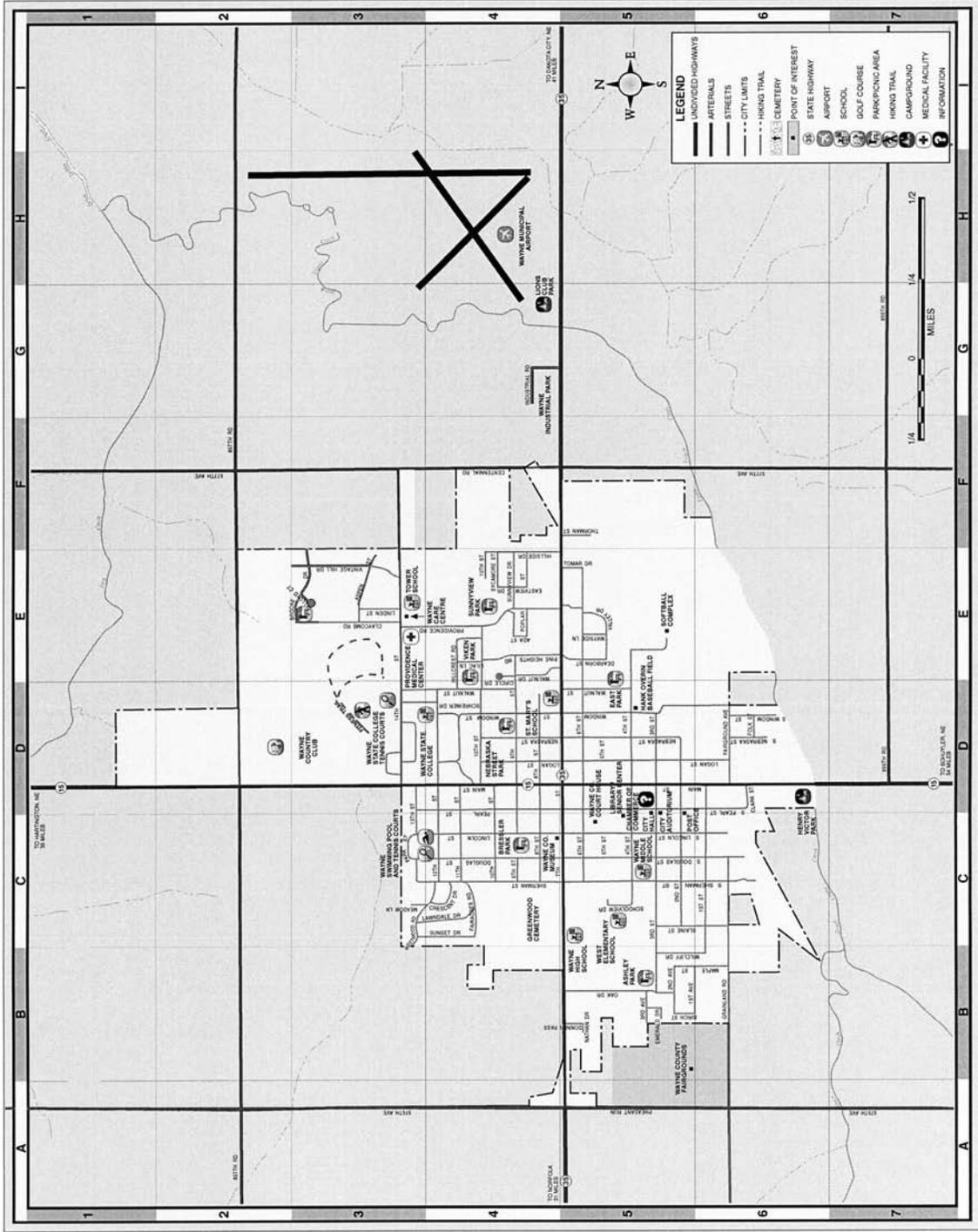
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SCALE: EACH CIRCLE REPRESENTS APPROXIMATELY 200 MILES

Wayne, Nebraska



LOCAL ECONOMY

Basic economic activities of Wayne, a county seat and college community, include farming, cattle feeding, manufacturing, wholesaling, and retailing.

The primary retail trade area extends 13 miles northeast, 16 miles southeast, 8 miles southwest, and 19 miles northwest and contains approximately 11,610 people. Firms with retail sales tax permits in Wayne reported 2006 net taxable retail sales of \$53,949,254, while Wayne County reported retail sales of \$56,441,352. Wholesale firms in the community distribute truck trailers, electronic components, and pillows and mattress covers.

ELEVATION

Wayne is 1,457 feet above sea level.

TOPOGRAPHY

The terrain in Wayne and the surrounding area is gently to moderately rolling, with level valleys and no steep hills.

The entire area is covered by fertile loess soil with good drainage. The subsoil is firm stable clay. The area is located within the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resource District and conservation practices are widespread.

HISTORY

Lured by a desire to acquire a tract of land upon which they could build homes of their own, the early settlers of northeast Nebraska crossed the wide Missouri and turned their prairie schooners toward the vast rolling hills of a new land. They continued westward undaunted by the extremes of summer heat or winter blizzards, the threat of unfriendly Indians, the lack of food and fuel, illness, and other perils.

The first settlers in the Wayne area arrived from Lee County, Illinois, in the spring of 1869 and

were joined by a second group in 1870. The prairie village of Wayne saw its beginning in 1881 when the railroad extended a line through the county linking Norfolk, Nebraska, and Sioux City, Iowa. The attraction of the railroad induced many settlers to move to the new community.

Wayne was originally named Brookdale by railroad officials, but the settlers prevailed upon the company to name the community the same as the county, in memory of General "Mad" Anthony Wayne of Revolutionary War fame.

The influx of families soon provided the settlement of Wayne with a population of 200 persons, thereby enabling the community to be incorporated as a village on February 2, 1884. A report to the village board in March 1889 showed that Wayne had 1,130 residents.

The desire to provide opportunities for higher education prompted efforts to found colleges in several communities. Residents of Wayne pinned their hopes on a Lutheran academy, which was established in 1887. Unfortunately, this effort was short-lived and the academy died in 1889. Interest continued to grow, nonetheless; and in November 1891, Professor J. M. Pile, with the help of a number of local citizens, was able to open the Nebraska Normal College at Wayne. This successful attempt marked the beginning of what is now Wayne State College.

From the turn of the century, the community experienced a stable growth pattern. A library was constructed in 1910 and replaced in 1997. The community's first hospital was opened in 1935 and was replaced by a new 31-unit hospital in 1974; the hospital expanded in 1989.

Industry began its emerging role in the late 1960s with the first industrial park located adjacent to the community along Nebraska Highway 35.

Wayne has evolved into a community with a unique balance between agriculture, education, and industry, providing a stable environment for all three.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

MANUFACTURERS

<u>Company/Year Established</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Market</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Union</u>
Carhart Lumber Co. 1920	Building components, lumber & hardware	Regional	9 3*	None
D. V. Fyre-Tech, Inc. 1991	Steel framed windows	National	19	None
Felix Industries 2005	Home furnishings	National	10	None
Gerhold Concrete Company, Inc. 1985	Redi-mix concrete, brick & block products	Regional	7	None
Great Dane Trailers 1985	Refrigerated semi-trailers	International	500 4*	None
Heritage Homes of Nebraska, Inc. 1978	Modular homes & light commercial buildings	Regional	106 1*	None
Heritage Industries, Inc. 1985	ATM kiosks	National	55	None
Heritage Manufacturing 1985	Stainless steel enclosures	National	20	None
Innovative Protectives 1987	Sports protective equipment	National	6 5*	None
John's Welding & Tool 1992	Agricultural & commercial products, repairs	Regional	3 2*	None
Pacific Coast Feather Co. 1983	Mattress pads	International	142	None
Sand Creek Post & Beam 2005	Post & beam barn kits	Regional	9 2*	None

*Part-time and/or seasonal

MAJOR NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYERS (employing 20 or more)

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Type of Activity</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Union</u>
Ameritas	Insurance processing, incoming call center, work site benefits	75 5*	None
City of Wayne	Government	49 19*	None
City Schools	Education	116 11*	WEA
Concord Components	Wholesale electronic components	37 7*	None
Dairy Queen	Food service	1 20*	None
First Bankcard Center	Credit card collections	74 12*	None
Godfather's Pizza	Food service	2 29*	None
Homestead Homes	Home building product sales	21	None
McDonalds	Food service	9 34*	None
MidStates School Bus Inc.	Transportation services	7 50*	None
NorthStar Services (22 counties)	Support services for developmentally disabled	196 408*	None
Northeast Equipment	Agricultural sales & products	24 1*	None
Northeast Public Power District	Electric utility	30 1*	None
The Oaks Retirement Community	Assisted living	9 40*	None

*Part-time and/or seasonal

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Type of Activity</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Union</u>
Pac 'N' Save	Grocery store	11 32*	None
Pamida	Discount & pharmacy	18 29*	None
Pizza Hut	Food service	4 30*	None
Premier Estates Senior Living Community	Senior living, long & short-term care	36 28*	None
Providence Medical Center	Medical	65 90*	None
Quality Foods	Grocery	12 20*	None
Vakoc Builders Resource & Building Center	Building materials	18 8*	None
Wayne County	Government	40 1*	None
Wayne East	Convenience Store	4 16*	None
Wayne Herald Publishing Co.	Commercial printing & newspaper	14 7*	None
Wayne Mercy Medical Clinic Medical	Medical	29 10*	None
Wayne State College	Education	342 86*	NSEA/ NSCPA/ NAPE
Western Wats	Market research	150	None

*Part-time and/or seasonal

OTHER MAJOR AREA EMPLOYERS (within 40 miles and employing 100 or more)

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Type of Activity</u>	<u>Employees</u>		<u>Union</u>
		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
Wakefield, 11 miles				
Michael Foods, Inc.	Egg products	432	262	None
Pender, 24 miles				
Blue Ox	RV towing accessories	120 Total		None
Pender Community Hospital	Medical	4	69 32*	None
Norfolk, 36 miles				
Affiliated Foods Cooperative, Inc.	Food distribution	503 55* Total	155	Teamsters
City of Norfolk	Government	142 2*	58 11*	Firefighters
COVIDIEN (formerly Tyco HealthCare)	Disposable syringes, blood tubes & thermometer probe covers	202	300	None
Faith Regional Health Services	Medical	115 45*	702 305*	None
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	High pressure/hydraulic hose	273 14*	69 14*	None
Nebraska Public Power District	Electric utility	56	44	None
Norfolk Daily News	Daily newspaper & newspaper products	65 Total 36* Total		None
Norfolk Iron & Metal Co.	Steel products, distribution & steel service center	297	38	None
Norfolk Public Schools	Education	133 12*	513 166*	NSEA/ NCEA
Norfolk Regional Center	State psychiatric hospital	71	177	NAPE/ AFSCME

*Part-time and/or seasonal

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Type of Activity</u>	<u>Employees</u>		<u>Union</u>
		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
Norfolk Veteran's Home	Medical	160 Total 20* Total		AFSCME
Northeast Community College	Education	224 Total 45* Total		NSEDA
Nucor Steel Division of Nucor Corporation	Steel angles, rounds, flats & channels	396	20	None
St. Joseph Rehabilitation & Care Center	Medical	5 3*	60 51*	None
State of Nebraska (Madison County)	Government	782 Total		None
Sterling Computers	Customized computer hardware	140 Total		None
Vulcraft Division of Nucor Corporation	Steel joists, metal deck & cold drawn bar	408	51 4* Total	None
Wal-Mart	Retail	325 Total		None
Wis-Pak of Norfolk	Soft drinks, flavored waters & teas	80 8*	20	None
United States of America	Government	216 Total		None
Wal-Mart	Retail	325 Total		None
Wiese Research Associates, Inc.	Market research	140 Total		None
West Point, 36 miles				
Franciscan Care Services	Health care	226 Total		None
Wimmer Meat Products, Inc.	Processed meat products	140 Total		None

*Part-time and/or seasonal

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS

Wayne Area Economic Development, Inc. (WAEDI) strives to promote activities that center on improving the local business climate, helping existing businesses expand, and attracting new businesses to the region. Investment in WAEDI provides:

1. Membership in four organizations.
2. Support for business retention and expansion in the region.
3. Support for business attraction activities in the region.
4. Support for entrepreneurial activities in the region.

5. Support for marketing the region.
6. Representation at statewide events and organizations.
7. Confidential services.
8. Business planning and start-up assistance.
9. Business financial packaging assistance.
10. Grant consulting.
11. World Wide Web presence.
12. Referrals to and support for member businesses.
13. Access to TEAM Wayne functions.

INDUSTRIAL SITES AVAILABLE

Click [here](#) to go to Nebraska Public Power District's [searchable sites and building database](#).



Carhart Lumber Co.



D. V. Fyre-Tech, Inc.



Gerhold Concrete Company, Inc.



Great Dane Trailers



Heritage Industries, Inc.



Heritage Industries, Inc.



John's Welding & Tool



Pacific Coast Feather Co.



Concord Components



First Bankcard Center



NorthStar Services



Quality Foods



Northeast Equipment



Pamida



Pac 'N' Save Discount Foods



Herman Chiropratic/Western Wats

LABOR

LABOR SUPPLY

- A. Employment in the Wayne labor market, which is defined as the whole of Wayne County and the total labor market consisting of Wayne County and the contiguous counties of Cedar, Cuming, Dixon, Madison, Pierce, Stanton, and Thurston. (annual average, 2007)

	Wayne County	Total
<u>Nonfarm Employment</u> (wage and salary workers)		
Goods-Producing	1,218	9,560
Manufacturing	(D)	(D)
Natural Resources & Construction	84	(D)
Wholesale Trade	234	(D)
Retail Trade	325	(D)
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	194	(D)
Information	(D)	(D)
Financial Activities	183	(D)
Professional & Business Services	(D)	(D)
Education & Health Services	424	(D)
Leisure & Hospitality	386	(D)
Other Services	85	(D)
Government	1,128	8,896
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY WORKERS	4,435	40,694
Farm Employment	689	6,528
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT	5,367	48,070
B. Commuting Out of County	1,724	N/A
C. Unemployment	139	1,574
TOTAL LABOR FORCE	5,505	49,642
D. 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.	2,207	
E. Estimated number of county high school graduates annually	96	
TOTAL POTENTIAL LABOR SUPPLY (B, C, D & E)	4,166	

(D) Data not available due to disclosure suppression.

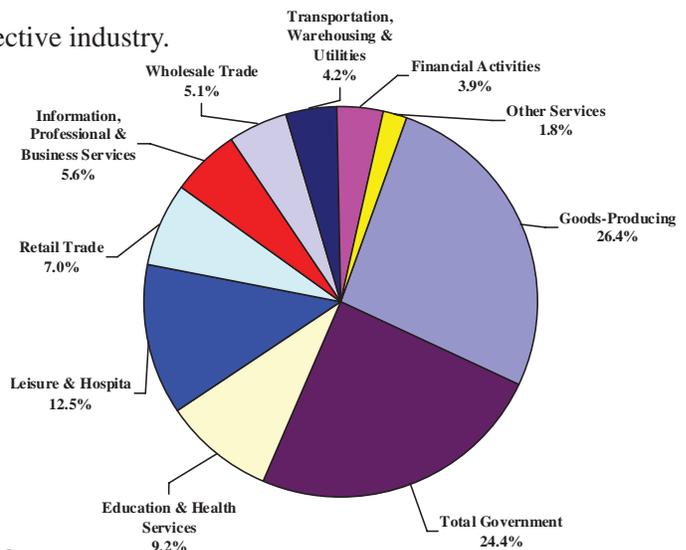
Source: Nebraska Workforce Development

U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), data for 2003

U.S. Census

Wayne is willing to conduct a labor survey for prospective industry.

**NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
WAYNE COUNTY
ANNUAL AVERAGE, 2007**



POPULATION DATA

Location	2000		2006		2007	
	Density/ Sq. Mile	% High School Graduate or Higher	% Bachelor's Degree or Higher	% 65 Yrs. & Over	Median Age	County Median Family Income
Wayne Co.	22.2	87.0	28.0	13.9	27.9	\$53,100
Nebraska	22.3	86.6	23.7	13.3	36.0	\$58,200
U.S.	79.6	80.4	24.4	12.4	36.4	\$59,000

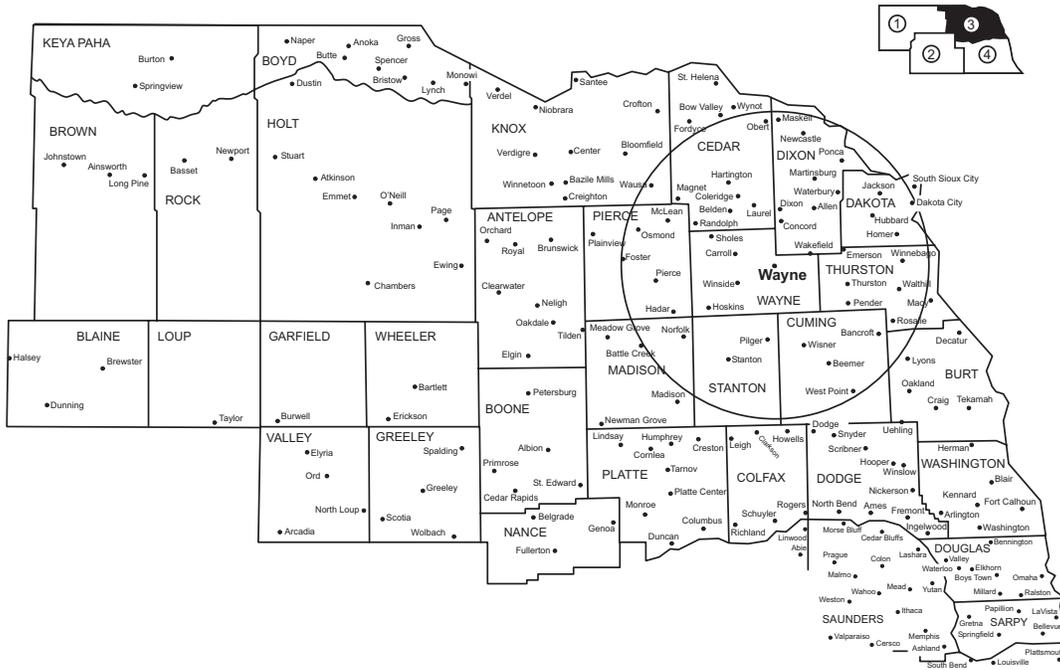
Wayne County had 6,613 eligible voters in 2004; 62.2 percent voted in the national election compared to 68.3 percent in Nebraska.

Source: U.S. Census, www.census.gov

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2007

Statewide General Election 2004 Results, www.sos.state.ne.us/elec/canvass/general2004/General2004

LABOR POTENTIAL IN THE WAYNE AREA



POPULATION DATA U.S. Census Estimates

2006 Estimate		
City of Wayne	—	5,176
Wayne County	—	9,196
30-Mile Radius	—	80,137

Wayne County Population by Age/Gender, 2006		
Ages	Male	Female
18–24	1,179	1,354
25–44	874	865
45–64	1,017	892

UNIONIZATION

Nebraska has a right-to-work provision in its constitution. In 2004, 10.8 percent of Nebraska's manufacturing workers were members of labor unions compared to a national figure of 12.9 percent. Union membership in Nebraska is concentrated in the railroad and packinghouse industries.

Labor organizations operating in the Wayne area:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Union</u>
Qwest	Communications Workers of America
Wayne Community Schools	Wayne Education Association
Wayne State College - Faculty	Nebraska State Education Association
Professional Staff	Nebraska State College Professional Association
Support Staff	Nebraska Association of Public Employees

Less than 2 percent of the total nonagricultural labor force in Wayne is unionized. There have been no known strikes in Wayne.

WAGES

Occupation Title	Hourly Wage (\$)/Percentile		
	10th	50th	90th
Professional			
Accountants & Auditors	16.51	22.68	36.31
Engineers			
Civil Engineers	20.02	29.95	37.72
Electrical Engineers*			
Industrial Engineers	20.26	28.66	40.16
Mechanical Engineers	20.15	27.51	38.92
Computer Programmers	15.28	28.05	37.63
Computer Systems Analysts	19.08	30.38	44.53
Registered Nurses	16.61	23.29	30.16
Retail			
Hotel, Motel & Resort Desk Clerks	6.05	7.73	11.23
Retail Salespersons	6.08	8.55	21.92
Truck Drivers-Light or Delivery Services	7.69	12.15	18.99
Driver/Sales Workers	6.71	11.46	28.16
Stock Clerks & Order Fillers	6.56	9.77	14.37
Shipping, Receiving & Traffic Clerks	8.32	13.94	17.96

*Wage information taken from Balance of the State (nonmetropolitan areas)

Occupation Title	Hourly Wage (\$)/Percentile		
	10th	50th	90th
Clerical			
Bookkeeping, Accounting & Auditing Clerks	7.96	11.91	17.23
Customer Service Representatives	7.12	10.13	15.93
Data Entry Keyers	8.35	11.00	13.89
Secretaries, excl. Legal, Medical & Executive	7.87	11.22	15.57
Office Clerks, General	6.64	9.87	14.23
Receptionists & Information Clerks	7.20	10.14	12.56
Telemarketers	7.31	8.21	9.14
Unskilled			
Laborers & Freight, Stock & Material Movers, Hand	7.49	11.00	14.07
Packers & Packagers, Hand	6.23	10.54	13.92
Assemblers & Fabricators, All Other	8.73	12.07	14.50
Nursing Aides, Orderlies & Attendants	7.50	10.01	12.69
Semi-Skilled			
Industrial Truck & Tractor Operators	9.55	12.44	16.69
Truck Drivers, Heavy or Tractor-Trailer	9.46	14.98	22.94
Maintenance Workers, Machinery	11.10	15.37	21.81
Machine Operators			
Drilling & Boring Machine Tool Setters/Oper.	6.47	11.67	17.21
Milling & Planing Machine Setters/Oper.	12.20	13.53	14.88
Grinding, Lapping, Polishing & Buffing Mach. Oper.	11.03	13.19	15.31
Cutting & Slicing Machine Setters/Oper.*	8.26	11.30	14.38
Cutting, Punching & Press Machine Setters/Oper.	8.59	12.53	17.24
Multiple Machine Tool Setters/Oper.*	11.66	15.76	18.28
Skilled			
Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	8.99	13.39	22.63
Electricians	11.60	18.00	22.98
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	12.22	16.40	21.66
Machinists	10.68	14.66	18.59
Tool & Die Makers	13.16	19.68	23.13
Welders, Cutters, Solderers & Brazers	10.10	13.54	17.47
Welding, Soldering & Brazing Machine Setters	10.88	13.74	15.88
Technical			
Electrical & Electronic Engineering Technicians	15.28	26.30	34.65
Medical & Clinical Laboratory Technologists	17.86	23.67	30.38
Computer Operators	9.80	13.37	20.06

*Wage information taken from Balance of the State (nonmetropolitan areas)

Source: Nebraska Workforce Development, Occupational Employment Statistics Program, Third Quarter 2007 wage estimates, All Industries, Northeast Region, www.dol.state.ne.us/Lmiwages/toc000.htm

Most production workers are paid on a straight-time basis rather than an incentive basis; however, production workers at Great Dane Trailers, Heritage Homes of Nebraska, and Pacific Coast Feather Company are paid on a straight-time basis plus incentives.

FRINGE BENEFITS

Local industries estimate fringe benefits to range from 20 to 50 percent of wages.



Downtown Wayne



Wayne County Museum

TRANSPORTATION

RAILROADS

The BNSF Railway Company provides rail service at Dixon, 14 miles northeast, and Laurel, 16 miles northwest of Wayne. Nebraska Central Railroad serves Norfolk, 36 miles southwest of Wayne.

MOTOR

Highways

Nebraska Highways 35 (east-west) and 15 (north-south) serve Wayne. There are no local load restrictions. Four-lane U.S. Highways 275 and 81 are located within 25 miles. Interstate 29 is located 42 miles northeast and Interstate 80 is 100 miles south of Wayne.

Highway mileage to major cities:

Destination	Mileage
Lincoln	138
Omaha	113
Chicago	576
Dallas	724
Denver	549
Detroit	843
Kansas City	294
Los Angeles	1,562
Minneapolis	323
New York	1,351
St. Louis	545
San Francisco	1,679
Sioux City	51

Trucklines

More than 8,000 licensed motor carriers with worldwide connections are based in Nebraska and serve businesses throughout North America.

Local trucking firms:

Name	Trucks Daily
Glassmeyer Trucking	4
Lutt Trucking	9
T & S Trucking	Varies

Bus Line

Bus service is available at Norfolk, 36 miles southwest, and Sioux City, Iowa, 51 miles northeast of Wayne.

The city of Wayne provides handi-van service for senior citizens, school aged children, and NorthStar clients. Appointments can be made by calling the Senior Center. This service is funded by a grant through the Department of Roads, related federal programs, contributions, and the city of Wayne.

AIR

The Wayne Municipal Airport, managed by Becker Flying Service, is located one mile east of Wayne. The airport has two paved and lighted runways (4,200 foot and 3,407 foot) and a 2,073-foot turf runway. Other facilities include ground-to-air radio communication, hangars, tie-downs, non-directional radio beacon, flight training, and maintenance. The elevation at the airport is 1,431 feet, the latitude is 42°14.51' N, the longitude is 96°58.89' W.

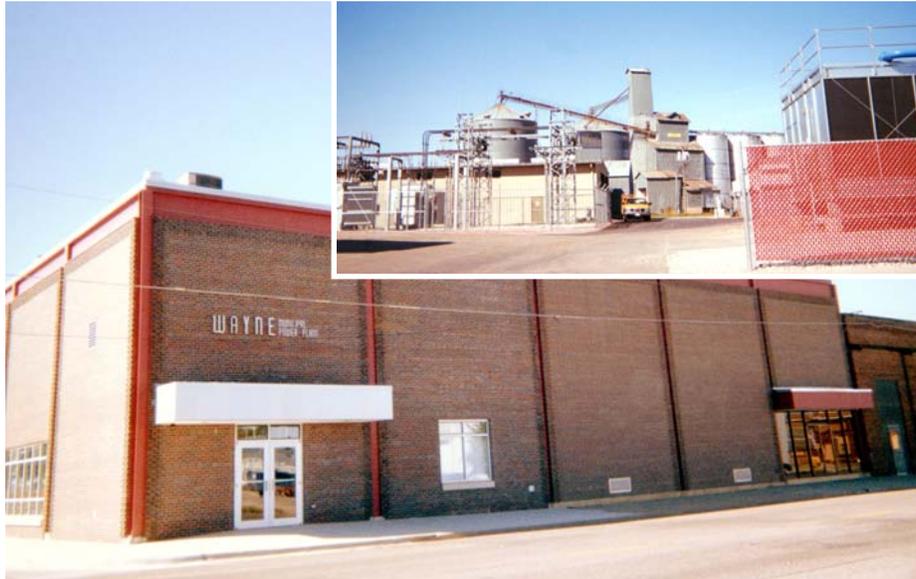
Current services provided by FBO (fixed base operator) include major and minor repairs, 100 low-lead aviation fuel, pilot lessons, and crop spraying. An automated weather system was installed in 2005.

The nearest commercial air services is available at Sioux Gateway Airport, in Sioux City, Iowa, 51 miles (50 minutes), and Eppley Airfield near Omaha, 113 miles (120 minutes).

WATER

Barge service is available at 10 barge terminal facilities on the Missouri River in Nebraska. These river ports are navigable approximately eight months per year. The Sioux City river port is 51 miles northeast of Wayne. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers maintains a 9-foot deep, 300-foot wide channel for 735 navigable miles from Sioux City to the mouth of the Missouri River. Commodities transported by towing companies are grain, grain products, fertilizer,

feed ingredients, cement, rock-aggregate, and salt.



Wayne Municipal Power Plant



Wayne Water Tower



Wayne Water Pollution Control Plant

UTILITIES

ELECTRICITY

The city of Wayne owns and operates its distribution system and owns generating equipment consisting of six dual-fueled and two diesel-powered generators with a total generating capacity of 21,500 kW. The city purchases its total power requirements over and above its Western Area Power Association allocation from Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) at wholesale and leases its power plant capacity to NPPD. NPPD utilizes the city's plant capacity as part of their required reserves and operates it mainly for system peaking support and occasionally for general system support.

Electric power for the industrial site is supplied by NPPD through the city of Wayne's existing distribution circuits operated by the city. A portion of the city-owned distribution system is served by 13.8 kV from a 20 MVA/69/13.8 kV transformer. The remainder is served at 4.16 kV through a 10 MVA and a 7 MVA 13.8/4.16 kV transformer. NPPD's transmission facilities are tied directly to the statewide 115 kV grid.

BASE ELECTRIC RATES—CITY OF WAYNE

Summer bills run from June–September.
Winter bills run from October–May.

Residential Service: (effective 10/07)

Customer Charge: \$9.10 per month		
Summer	Winter	
\$0.07083	\$0.07137	per kWh for the first 700 kWh used per month
\$0.08076	\$0.03400	per kWh for all additional use
Minimum Bill: \$9.10 per month		

This rate is subject to application of the Retail Production Cost Adjustment (PCA).

General Service:

Customer Charge: \$19.43 per month		
Summer	Winter	
\$0.08207	\$0.07428	per kWh for the first 1,300 kWh used per month
\$0.08519	\$0.03563	per kWh for all additional use
Minimum Bill: \$19.43 per month		

This rate is subject to application of the Retail Production Cost Adjustment (PCA).

General Service Demand

(less than 1,000 kWh):

Customer Charge:		
Single Phase		\$25.97 per month
Three Phase		\$32.00 per month
Demand Charge:		
Summer	Winter	
\$12.41	\$5.76	per kWh per month of billing demand
Energy Charge: \$0.04166 per kWh for all use		
Minimum Bill: The Customer Charge		

This rate is subject to application of the Retail Production Cost Adjustment (PCA).

Sample Cost per kWh:

kW	kWh	Annual Average ¢/kWh
100	30,000	7.30
100	36,000	6.78
300	90,000	7.23
300	150,000	6.00
500	150,000	7.22
500	180,000	6.72

Large Power (1,000 kW or more):

Customer Charge:	\$43.64 per month
Demand Charge:	
Summer	Winter
\$14.55	\$7.95
per kWh per month of billing demand	
Energy Charge:	\$0.03522 per kWh for all use
Minimum Bill:	\$43.64 per month

This rate is subject to application of the Retail Production Cost Adjustment (PCA).

Sample Cost per kWh:

kW	kWh	Annual Average ¢/kWh
150	30,000	9.29
150	100,000	5.25
500	100,000	9.19
500	300,000	5.41
1,000	200,000	9.17
1,000	650,000	5.26

Prospective customers should contact Betty McGuire, city clerk, city of Wayne, (402) 375-1733, www.waynene.com, for further information regarding electric rates and service.

The Northeast Nebraska Public Power District, a wholesale power customer of Nebraska Public Power District, serves the rural area surrounding Wayne. For information regarding electrical services in the Northeast Nebraska Public Power District service area, contact Mark Shults, manager, Wayne, Nebraska, (402) 375-1360, www.nnppd.com.

NATURAL GAS

Aquila is the retail supplier of natural gas in Wayne. The transmission provider is Northern Natural Gas. Aquila is a full-service natural gas distribution company with Nebraska headquarters in Lincoln.

Natural gas with an average value of 1,000 BTU per cubic foot is available for residential, commercial, and industrial customers for base

and peak use on a firm basis. Interruptible service is available for customers with alternate fuel capability. Annual curtailment of interruptible customers varies with the type of service selected by the customer.

Wayne is served with a 6-inch line size and 60 pounds of pressure.

Rates vary slightly due to seasonal and commodity price fluctuation. Current rates for the commercial/light industrial class customer, as well as one year’s history for the Nebraska Area 3, can be found on Aquila’s web site at www.aquila.com.

Aquila has open access on their system. Transportation rates are negotiated on a case-by-case basis. All marketers must be certified by the Nebraska Public Service Commission.

Contact the Economic Development Department of Aquila at (800) 232-2850 for further information regarding gas rates and services available.

OTHER FUELS

LP Gas

LP gas is available for residential, commercial, and industrial uses at Zach Propane Service in Wayne.

Oil

Oil is available for residential, commercial, and industrial uses at Zach Oil Service and Fredrickson Oil Company in Wayne.

WATER

The existing water system in Wayne is characterized as a groundwater source system serving approximately 5,300 residents. The system has six operational production wells averaging approximately 225 feet in depth. The two primary wells each have a production capacity of 1,100–1,200 gallons per minute, as compared to the other wells with a capacity of 400–500 gpm each. The system, serving 100 percent of the city’s population, has a combined pumping capacity of 2,600 gallons per minute and an overhead storage

capacity of 1,250,000 gallons. The average daily demand is 850,000 gallons, and the historic peak daily demand is 2,000,000 gallons. The system has a maximum capacity of 6,434,000 gallons per day. The static pressure is 85 pounds and the residual pressure is 60 pounds per square inch.

The quality of water in Wayne does not necessitate a water treatment plant; however, fluoride is added. The water table has not changed significantly during the past five years.

The water is moderately hard at 23–25 grains per gallon or 350 milligrams per liter. The average tap water temperature varies from 58° in winter to 62° in summer.

Chemical Analysis (parts per million)

Hydrogen Ion Concentration	7.85
Calcium	153
Total Solids	692
Magnesium	35.7
Iron	N/D
Nitrate	2.5
Manganese	N/D
Chloride	30
Fluoride	1.0
Sulfate	155
Total Alkalinity	N/A
Sodium	42.3
Total Hardness	23–25 gpg
Potassium	N/A

N/D - Not detectable
 N/A - Not available
 gpg - grains per gallon

WATER RATES (effective 10/07)

Water connection fees of \$500 or \$1,500 are charged for residential or commercial/ industrial properties respectively in districts not established.

Residential, Commercial & Industrial:

<p>Customer Service Charge: Based on meter size from 3/4" meter at \$10.00 to a 6" meter at \$380.51 Commodity: \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons Minimum Bill: Customer Service Charge</p>
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SEWERAGE

The city of Wayne has a municipal sanitary sewerage system and a storm sewer system. The bio-disc treatment plant was built in 1985 and has a daily capacity of 850,000 gallons. The average daily flow is 600,000 gallons, and the historic peak daily discharge is 954,000 gallons.

SEWER-USE CHARGES (effective 10/07)

Sewer connection fees of \$500 or \$1,500 are charged for residential or commercial/ industrial properties respectively in districts not established.

Residential, Commercial & Industrial:

<p>Customer Service Charge: \$6.50 per month</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Summer</td> <td>Winter</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$1.50</td> <td>\$1.16</td> <td>per 1,000 gallons</td> </tr> </table> <p>Minimum Bill: \$6.50 per month</p>	Summer	Winter		\$1.50	\$1.16	per 1,000 gallons
Summer	Winter					
\$1.50	\$1.16	per 1,000 gallons				

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Privately owned waste disposal services are available in Wayne. The city has a solid waste transfer station. Refuse is dumped at the station and trucked to the Jackson, Nebraska regional landfill, 26 miles, with fees for dumping.

SOLID WASTE REMOVAL RATES (effective 2007)

Residential, Commercial & Industrial:

<p>Dependent upon dumpster size, number of pickups, and selection of waste disposal services</p>
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RECYCLING

Items available for recycling include aluminum cans, newspapers, cardboard, plastic, and paper. A recycling center is located near the trash

compactor and the city has a wood recycling center for branches and brush. The Boy Scouts and NorthStar Services provide recycling services. Subscribers to private waste haulers receive free recycling.



Northeast Public Power District

COMMUNICATIONS

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Qwest Communications with a digital central office served by fiber provides telecommunication services to the Wayne area. T-1 lines are employed in the area. Wayne is an equal access community and local measured service is available. Installation and maintenance personnel are located in the city.

INTERNET

Local Internet service is provided in Wayne by the following:

Company	Services Offered
Connecting Point (402) 371-4530 www.conpoint.com	DSL
Huntel (402) 375-1120 www.huntelcablevision.com	Cable
Internet Nebraska (402) 371-6897 www.inebraska.com	DSL, dial-up
Qwest Communications (800) 244-1111 www.qwest.com	DSL

POST OFFICE

The post office in Wayne provides house-to-house delivery and has one mail receipt and one dispatch daily.

PACKAGE DELIVERY SERVICES

Overnight express service availability:

	Federal Express	UPS	U.S. Postal Service
Latest Pick-up Time	1:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
Earliest Delivery	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	8:00 a.m.

	Federal Express	UPS	U.S. Postal Service
Next Day Delivery Guarantee	Yes	Yes	Yes
Saturday Delivery Guarantee	Limited	Limited	Yes

NEWSPAPER

The Wayne Herald is published weekly and has 2,000 subscribers. The Morning Shopper, a weekly shopping guide printed by the Wayne Herald, has a circulation of 9,500. Other daily papers delivered locally include the Omaha World-Herald, Sioux City Journal, and Norfolk Daily News.

RADIO

KTCH Radio in Wayne operates on an AM frequency of 1590 KHz and a stereo FM frequency of 104.9 MHz. Regional stations carrying local news:

Call Letters	Frequency	Location
WJAG - AM	780 KHz	Norfolk
KNEN - FM	94.7 MHz	Norfolk
KPNO - FM	90.9 MHz	Norfolk
KWPN - FM	107.9 MHz	West Point

TELEVISION

Television stations carrying local news include:

Call Letters	Channel	Location
KTIV	4	Sioux City, IA
KCAU	9	Sioux City, IA
KMEG	12	Sioux City, IA
KPTH	44	Sioux City, IA

Cable television is available on 54 basic channels, 20 tier channels, 3 premium channels, and 10 pay-per-view channels.



Wayne Herald Publishing Co.



City Hall/Police Department



Wayne Volunteer Fire Department

TAX STRUCTURE

VALUES FOR TAX LEVY PURPOSES—CITY OF WAYNE

All real property is subject to tax at market value. Agricultural land is valued at 75 percent of its actual value. Personal property that is used in a trade or business and is depreciable is subject to tax at its “net book value.” All other personal property is exempt from taxation.

	Actual Valuation		
	2005	2006	2007
Real Estate	\$143,450,565	\$147,558,855	\$152,084,125
Personal Property	3,760,824	3,440,412	3,337,515
Special (railroad and utilities)	1,325,243	1,265,854	1,197,101
TOTAL	<u>\$148,536,632</u>	<u>\$152,265,121</u>	<u>\$156,618,741</u>

TAX RATE (Dollars and cents per \$100 of actual value)

	2005	2006	2007
City	\$0.47625400	\$0.4533730	\$0.4611200
County	.41580900	.3993010	.3899290
School District	1.26310419	1.1673605	1.2021450
Community College	.08271100	.0896220	.0904210
Educational Service Unit	.01782200	.0176470	.0168010
Natural Resource District	.03335360	.0368988	.0354323
Agricultural Society	.00624100	.0057610	.0053610
Fire District	.05162800	.0483040	.0473120
TOTAL	<u>\$2.34692279</u>	<u>\$2.2182673</u>	<u>\$2.2485213</u>

The 2007 tax rate at the industrial sites outside the city limits is \$1.704264 per \$100 of actual value.

CITY SALES TAX

Wayne imposes a 1 percent city sales tax.

LOCAL BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

City—Revenue Bonds (as of 9/30/07)	\$3,665,000
City—General Obligation Bonds (as of 9/30/07)	\$1,800,000
School District (as of 11/07)	\$5,700,000
County (as of 11/07)	\$185,000

CITY BOND ISSUES

Type	Date Issued	Original Amount	Unpaid Balance As of 9/30/07	Interest Rate (%)	Date Due
Revenue					
Sales Tax Revenue Bonds	2000	\$3,000,000	\$1,820,000	4.7–5.25	2016
Refunding Water Revenue	2002	\$966,000	\$177,000	2.2–3.9	2008
Refunding Sewer Revenue	2002	\$184,000	\$33,000	2.2–3.9	2008
Electric Refunding Bonds	2003	\$2,980,000	\$1,635,000	1.25–4.35	2015
General Obligation					
Public Safety Tax Anticipation Bonds	2005	\$700,000	\$575,000	4.25–5.35	2021
Various Purpose Series	2005	\$720,000	\$425,000	2.25–4.80	2011
Various Purpose Series	2006	\$640,000	\$800,000	1.70	2018

SCHOOL BOND ISSUES

Type	Date Issued	Original Amount	Unpaid Balance As of 11/07	Interest Rate (%)	Date Due
Building	1/7/99	\$7,000,000	\$5,700,000	4.00	2023

COUNTY BOND ISSUES

Type	Date Issued	Original Amount	Unpaid Balance As of 11/07	Interest Rate (%)	Date Due
Courthouse Improvement	7/15/02	\$400,000	\$185,000	4.03	2013



Wayne Courthouse

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Wayne County has 13 precincts and is governed by three county commissioners, elected by popular vote for four-year terms. The next election will be held in 2008. The county belongs to the Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District with 15 other counties. The county is not zoned. Wayne County was designated a livestock friendly county as of August 15, 2007. The 2007–08 actual budget for Wayne County is \$10,371,066.

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Wayne, a first-class city, has a mayor-council form of government with a city administrator. The next election will be held in 2008. The 2007–08 actual budget is \$35,686,019. Municipal officials are:

Title	Term of Office
Elected	
Mayor	4 Years
Council Members (8)	4 Years
Appointed	
City Administrator	Indefinite
City Clerk	Indefinite
Treasurer	Indefinite
City Attorney	Indefinite

FIRE PROTECTION

The Wayne Volunteer Fire Department has been in active service for 90 years, always utilizing dedicated volunteer citizens of Wayne County. The department serves both the city of Wayne and the Wayne Rural Fire District #2. Fire protection is provided in the community by a 40-member volunteer fire department. There are eight emergency medical technicians and eight first responders in the Wayne Fire Department. The department also operates the Rural Fire District's equipment in providing protection outside the city limits.

There are 278 fire hydrants in Wayne. The fire insurance classification inside the corporate limits is 6; outside it is 9–10. Annual expenditures for fire protection for the past three years averaged \$65,000.

Equipment in the fire department:

Year/Make	Description
City	
2001 Ford	Command vehicle
1987 GMC	Suburban
1992 ICH	Pumper
1991 Ford	Van
1986 GMC	Pumper
1976 Ford	Aerial ladder
1980 Chevrolet	Mini pumper
1976 GMC	Tanker
1985 Chevrolet	Tanker
1999 Ford	Equipment truck
2003	Freightliner tanker

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Police Department

The Wayne Police Department is staffed by seven sworn police officers and a support staff of five full-time dispatchers. The Wayne Police Department is the 911 center for the Wayne County Sheriff's Office and the villages of Carroll and Winside. The department has three patrol cars and one command car. Annual expenditures averaged \$769,035 for the last three years.

Crime rates per 1,000 population, 2006:

Location	Violent Crimes	Property Crimes
Wayne	2.3	25.6
Wayne County	1.3	15.5
Nebraska	2.9	34.2
U.S.	4.7	34.3

Sheriff's Department

The Wayne County Sheriff's Department consists of five sworn officers and one full-time and one part-time support staff. Equipment includes radio communications system, radar, four patrol cars, and other standard equipment. Protection is provided to industries by regular patrol of the police and the sheriff's departments.

State Patrol

Troop B of the Nebraska State Patrol is headquartered in Norfolk, 36 miles southwest of Wayne. One patrolman is stationed in Wayne and one in rural Wayne County.

STREETS

Wayne has 30 miles of streets all of which are hard-surfaced with concrete, brick, or asphalt overlay. There are no local load restrictions. Ninety-nine percent of the streets have curbs and eighty percent have sidewalks.

Street maintenance includes sweeping, patching, crack sealing, snow removal, and replacement as needed.

Contemplated improvements in the next five years include expansion of streets in the Kardell Industrial Subdivision, developing the Western Ridge housing subdivision, and improving 10th Street from Main Street to Windom Street.

BUILDING AND ZONING

REGULATIONS

Building codes and regulations enforced in the community include the Life Safety Code; the Residential, Building, Energy, and Plumbing

International 2000 Codes; and the National Electrical Code. Zoning regulations control the use and location of buildings. Local zoning classifications are:

- R-1 Single-Family Dwelling
- R-2 Multiple-Family Dwelling (1 to 6 units)
- R-3 Multiple-Family Dwelling (more than 6 units)
- R-4 Planned Development (townhouses or condos)
- R-5 Planned Unit Development
- B-1 Highway Business
- B-2 Central Business District
- B-3 Neighborhood Business District
- I-1 Light Industry and Manufacturing
- I-2 Heavy Industry and Manufacturing
- A-1 Agricultural District
- A-2 Small Agriculture Area

There are also special districts for floodplain and airport hazard areas.

PLANNING

Wayne has a nine-member planning commission. Three members are appointed each year by the mayor with consensus of the city council for alternating three-year terms.

The Comprehensive Plan for Wayne prepared by RDG was adopted in November of 2006.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Wayne School System

Type of School	Classrooms	Students	Teacher/ Pupil Ratio	Computer/ Pupil Ratio
Elementary K-4	20	309	1:13	1:6
Elementary* K-6	6	13	1:5	1:2
Middle School 5-8	29	266	1:12	1:3
High School 9-12	25	265	1:11	1:2

*Catholic

School District 17 in Wayne, Dixon, and Cedar Counties covers approximately 97 square miles and has an actual 2006-07 valuation of \$426,732,033. This Type K-12 district is accredited by the State Board of Education and the North Central Association.

The 2006-07 school operating expenses totaled \$7,385,798, with an average cost per pupil of \$9,215. The actual valuation per pupil was \$502,629.

The public elementary school, with a maximum capacity of 350, was built in 1959 and renovated in 1999. The maximum capacity of the elementary school is 350. The middle school, built in 1908 and renovated in 2001, has a maximum capacity of 450. The high school, built in 1967 and renovated in 1999, has a maximum capacity of 400.

Test Results

Name	% Students Taking Test	Average Score
8 th Grade		
Terra Nova	100	62
ACT	74	23

It is estimated that 95 percent of the eighth grade students finish high school, 95 percent of the graduating seniors pursue a college degree, and 5 percent of the seniors enter the job market or military immediately after graduation.

Vocational/tech prep programs offered include Business Education, Family Consumer Science, Industrial Technology, and Computer Technology. Internet is available in the classrooms.

The school district provides services for the mildly handicapped students. Services for the severely handicapped are contracted with Educational Service Unit 1, NorthStar Services, and other providers.

Northeast Community College offers dual credit courses and adult educational programs in the high school. Wayne State College has a full complement of evening and off-campus courses.

Preschools and Daycare Providers

Rainbow World is a preschool and childcare center formed in 1993. The center is a nonprofit organization governed by a board of directors. Rainbow World will begin a new construction project in the spring of 2008 that will add capacity to their current facility.

Golden Rod Hills Head Start is a center serving children ages 3-4, providing an opportunity for children to learn. Wayne has a number of preschools including those operated by individuals as well as two church preschools and **Kiddie College** at Wayne State College.

The community has many licensed home daycare providers who participate in the food program and care for infants through school-age children.

Special Schools

NorthStar Services is an agency providing services to people with developmental disabilities living in the 22 counties of northeast Nebraska. The agency has service sites in 10 communities including Wayne. The Wayne office operates an

Adult Developmental Center and eight residential settings.

Educational Service Unit

Educational Service Unit 1 (ESU), headquartered in Wakefield, serves 24 K–12 school districts in a six-county area. Available special education services include: deaf education, program supervision, physical therapy, occupational therapy, psychological education and evaluations, speech therapy, audiological testing, transition consulting, vision consulting, and early childhood special education services. Other services include staff development, teacher in-services, Internet services, technology training, media and teacher resource library, media delivery, computer and equipment repair, and the Nebraska cooperative purchase program. ESU also provides a Severe and Profoundly Handicapped Program and Behaviorally Disordered Program located at ESU 1 Tower School in Wayne, which is designed to meet the educational, emotional, social, and physical needs of students from area school districts.

Community College

Wayne is part of the **Northeast Community College (NECC)** service area. The college, governed by an 11-member elected board, serves 20 counties in northeast Nebraska from the main campus located in Norfolk, 36 miles southwest of Wayne, and through regional education centers located in O'Neill, South Sioux City, and West Point. Enrollment at NECC for 2006–07 included 7,586 students taking credit courses and 16,063 students taking noncredit, continuing education classes. Northeast also provided Adult Basic Education classes for 1,140 students that year. Those students were taking classes for basic skills, English as a Second Language, General Educational Development (GED) for a high school diploma, or preparation for the Naturalization Test.

NECC offers more than 80 majors and transfer concentrations preparing students for immediate employment or transfer to a four-year college or university. In May 2007 the college awarded a record number 836 diplomas and degrees, a dramatic increase from 747 the year before.

According to the latest Graduate Employment Report, approximately 98 percent of the 2006 graduates seeking employment found jobs.

The Graduate Employment Report also showed that 35 percent of the 2006 graduates chose to continue their education, with 88 percent transferring to a Nebraska institution of higher learning. Other data confirms that college transfer students from NECC who continue their educations at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln do as well as or better than native and other transfer students.

The Business and Industry Division of NECC works with area industries, retail and service establishments, agriculture, and other agencies in planning employee development and training. The programs can be delivered on site at the company or at the state-of-the-art facilities at NECC. Training is arranged at any time of the day or evening to meet the organization's special needs.

The Business and Industry Division served 256 employers and trained more than 6,400 employees through customized training workshops and seminars in fiscal year 2006–07. The division also worked with 18 communities on strategic planning and economic development initiatives. More than 60 individuals seeking to start or expand their businesses received assistance through this division. An additional eight minority-owned businesses were provided startup assistance and consulting services. NECC also assisted in recruiting several new companies and divisions to the region.

The 205-acre main campus includes 22 buildings with classroom, shop, and lab facilities; library/resource center; student center; an activities center with gym and theatre; the Lifelong Learning Center; residence hall for students; and two apartment buildings for student living. Northeast also owns a 566-acre college farm with all facilities necessary for teaching farm operations.

Northeast Community College continues to grow. Following the 2004 renovation of Simons Hall, construction of Burkhardt Hall, and completion of the \$2.4 million Agriculture Complex one mile



Wayne Elementary School



Wayne Middle School



Wayne High School



Educational Service Unit 1 Tower School



Wayne State Collage

**Northeast Community College
Representative Sample of the Class of 2006**

Program	Degree/Certificate	Conferred
Accounting	A.A. & A.A.S.	16
Administrative Assistant (Medical)	A.A., A.A.S. & 1-year diploma	21
Agriculture	A.A.S. & A.S.	79
Audio Recording Technology	A.A.S. & 1-year diploma	9
Audio Recording Technology	Certificates	15
Auto/Auto Body Technology	A.A.S.	44
Building Construction	A.A.S.	26
Diesel Technology	A.A.S.	21
Electrical Construction & Control	A.A.S.	19
Nursing-LPN (Licensed Practical)	1-year diploma	59
Nursing-ADN (Registered Nursing)	A.D.N.	64
Utility Line	A.A.S.	35

east of the main campus, a \$2.6 million addition to the Cox Activities Center was completed in 2005. The addition houses the radio/TV broadcasting, audio recording technology, and music departments. In September 2007, the new Utility Line Building was dedicated. The \$2.7 million, 36,800-square-foot building will accommodate more than 100 full-time UL students on a daily basis and up to 48 truck driving students a year. Northeast's professional truck driver training program is also located in that facility.

Another proposed, unique partnership between Northeast Community College and the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) College of Nursing calls for construction of an \$11 million facility on Northeast's campus in Norfolk. The facility will house all of Northeast's nursing programs including the basic nurse aide (commonly called the certified nurse aide); licensed practical nursing and associate degree nursing; and bachelor's, master's, and doctoral nursing programs from the UNMC College of Nursing. Tentative opening date for that facility is 2010.

Plans are also being finalized for a new College Welcome Center on the Northeast campus in Norfolk. The \$6-7 million building, with a projected size of 35,000 square feet, is tentatively set to open in late summer of 2009. It will house all Student Services' and most Administration

Services' functions. It is designed to be a "one-stop shop" that will include a welcome/reception area, testing and academic advertisement area, financial aide offices, student counseling facilities, and the business offices for payment of tuition and fees.

Enrollment continues to grow at the 10,000-square foot Northeast Community College Education Center in South Sioux City, opened in 2005. Students can earn associate's degrees in academic transfer, administrative assistant-general, administrative assistant-medical, business administration, business management, criminal justice-corrections, elementary education, and behavioral science at that facility. Nursing students are also able to take many of their classes in South Sioux City.

Plans continue for the College Center at South Sioux City where students will be able to take their freshman- and sophomore-classes from Northeast Community College and continue for a bachelor's or graduate-level degree from Wayne State College, all in the same location. The center will be built on 57 acres of prime real estate along Highway 77, donated to Northeast by South Sioux City Community Development Agency. The Nebraska Legislature appropriated \$3.5 million for Wayne State's share of the facility last session. Tentative opening date of the College Center is 2010.

Northeast also offers vocational classes, continuing education, and customized training for business and industry at this location. To meet the growing demands for business-industry training in South Sioux City, the Northeast Community College Board of Governors approved a one-year lease on a 6,240-square foot building near Highway 77 in August of 2007 as a training site for the coming year.

Progress continues on the \$5.4 million Donald E. Nielsen Community Center in West Point. Upon its completion in mid-2008, Northeast will lease the 8,000-square foot Shirley and Jake Weber Education Center. Construction of NECC's portion of the building is being financed with a \$500,000 grant from the Louis and Abby Faye Dinklage Foundation. The education wing will house five classrooms, including a science lab, computer lab, distance-learning classroom, Technology Academy of Northeast Nebraska (TANN) classroom, and a general-purpose classroom. There will also be a room for advising and testing, as well as a student lounge. Classes may include some clinical courses in nursing, business and accounting courses, expanded English as a Second Language classes, and other college-credit courses.

Northeast Community College's existing library in Norfolk, with its 27,000 books (approximately 31,000 electronic books and 162 magazines and journals), is open to the residents of Northeast's 20-county service area. The library also offers 55 different newspapers, including those published in the 20 counties in northeast Nebraska. The library is part of the ONE Library Consortium which includes the public libraries of Columbus, Norfolk, South Sioux City, Scottsbluff, Schuyler, and Wayne and the libraries of Central Community College and Northeast Community College.

For more information on Northeast Community College, call (800) 348-9033 or visit the web site at www.northeastcollege.com.

Lifelong Learning Center

The **Lifelong Learning Center** at Northeast Community College in Norfolk serves the business and professional community through a variety of

uses. The 20,000-square-foot educational wing includes two classrooms which can be opened into one large room, two distance learning classrooms, a computer center for software training, and the conference center that can be divided into six rooms and accommodate up to 700 people. Full technology, including video conferencing, and food services are available to make the center a highly desirable location for meetings, training activities, and conferences.

In addition to the associate degree and continuing education programs offered through NECC, the Lifelong Learning Center serves as a clearinghouse for educational offerings from Educational Service Unit 8, Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District, UNL Northeast Research and Extension Center, University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension Madison County, and Wayne State College, as well as other public and private institutions. Using state-of-the-art, distance-education technology and live instruction, several bachelor's, master's, and doctorate degrees are offered, including computer science and engineering, industrial management systems engineering, and two MBA programs.

For more information on the Lifelong Learning Center, its programs and facilities, call the facility's coordinator at (402) 844-7246.

Wayne State College

Wayne State College (WSC), located in Wayne, serves approximately 3,500 students from throughout Nebraska and Iowa as well as more than 24 other states and 19 foreign countries. At the undergraduate level, WSC offers more than 70 nonteaching majors and minors plus 39 various teaching endorsements in four academic schools including arts and humanities, business and technology, education and counseling, and natural and social sciences. Masters degrees are also available in business and education.

Of those undergraduate students declaring a major, approximately 13 percent major in the arts and humanities, 18 percent in education and counseling, 29 percent in business and technology, and 40 percent in natural and social sciences.

Wayne State College				
Program	Undergraduate		Graduate	
	Majors*	Degrees**	Majors*	Degrees**
Applied Human & Sport Physiology	26	7	—	—
Art	54	7	—	—
Business	536	124	66	17
Chemistry	50	18	—	—
Computer Information Systems	58	16	—	—
Computer Science	29	9	—	—
Counselor Education/Counseling	—	—	56	33
Criminal Justice	159	44	—	—
Curriculum & Instruction	—	—	352	128
Early Childhood	21	9	—	—
Early Childhood Education	81	10	—	—
Elementary Education	305	66	—	—
English	85	21	—	1
Exercise Science	58	15	3	2
Family & Consumer Sciences	59	10	—	—
French Education	1	1	—	—
Geography	26	8	—	—
Graphic Design	45	5	—	—
Health & PE	77	7	—	—
History	68	7	—	—
Human Service Counseling	74	23	—	—
Industrial Technology	118	15	—	—
Interdisciplinary Studies	2	2	—	—
Life Sciences	104	31	—	—
Mass Communications	44	14	—	—
Mathematics	28	8	—	—
Middle Level Education	18	4	—	—
Modern Language and Culture	2	—	—	—
Music	63	8	—	—
Natural Sciences	7	2	—	—
Organizational Management-Sport/Rec. Man.	—	—	18	—
Physical Science	2	—	—	—
Political Science	31	6	—	—
Pre-Professional	250	—	—	—
Psychology	81	17	—	—
School Administration	—	—	102	28
Social Sciences	51	11	—	—
Sociology	17	9	—	—
Spanish	34	8	—	—
Special Education	46	5	3	—
Speech Communications	45	21	—	—
Sport Management	121	16	2	7
Technology	11	5	—	—
Theatre	23	3	—	—
Undeclared	316	—	—	—

*Includes first and second majors for fall 2007 (as of 10/01/07)

**Includes Degrees Awarded December 2006 through August 2007

Founded in 1891, the college became a State College in 1909. The picturesque 128-acre campus serves as a state arboretum and features a walking/jogging trail, numerous indoor and outdoor recreation facilities, a renovated and expanded Student Center, a state-of-the-art business building, and a new studio arts building.

The Office of Continuing Education at Wayne State College offers undergraduate and graduate coursework via Internet and distance learning. In addition, a variety of courses are also offered onsite in several area cities. Schedules and course offerings vary.

For more information contact Wayne State College at (800) 228-9972 or visit www.wsc.edu.

Other Schools

Colleges, universities, and community colleges frequently attended by Wayne High School graduates include:

Community/ College or University	Mileage
Norfolk, NE Northeast Community College	36
Sioux City, IA Briar Cliff College Morningside College Western Iowa Tech Community College	51
Vermillion, SD University of South Dakota	52
Fremont, NE Midland College	70
Columbus, NE Central Community College, Columbus Campus	80
Omaha, NE Creighton University College of St. Mary's University of Nebraska at Omaha	106
Lincoln, NE University of Nebraska-Lincoln Nebraska Wesleyan University Union College	138

CHURCHES

Denomination	Number of Churches
Assembly of God	1
Baptist	2
Campus Ministry	5
Catholic	1
Church of Christ, Christian	1
Evangelical	2
Jehovah's Witness	1
Lutheran, ELCA	1
Lutheran, Missouri Synod	1
United Methodist	1
United Presbyterian	1

HEALTH CARE

Hospital

Providence Medical Center (PMC) in Wayne first opened its doors to residents in northeast Nebraska in 1975 under the operation of the Missionary Benedictine Sisters. The 25-bed, acute care, critical access hospital provides quality health care in response to the needs of more than 15,000 people served and employs more than 160 individuals. PMC furnishes acute, skilled/swing-bed and intermediate care, as well as Medicare certified home health, hospice, and private pay personal care. Palliative care is also available.

Thirteen specialty clinics and more than fifty visiting specialists are available on a regular basis. Five local physicians and two physician assistants are available at the adjoining Wayne Mercy Medical Clinic.

The Radiology Department has state-of-the-art radiology equipment and a high-speed, quad-slice CT scanner. The radiologic technologists are registered in radiography, mammography, CT, ultrasound, and vascular imaging. Mobile MRI and nuclear medicine are regularly accessible.



Providence Medical Center



Wayne Mercy Medical Center



Premier Estates Senior Living Community



Robert B. and Mary Y. Benthack Library/Senior Center

The hospital has a hospice family room, coronary care units for intensive care patients, and an ancillary services wing that includes laboratory and emergency/outpatient services as well as radiology. A Lifeline Emergency Response System is provided for people who qualify and reside within a 25-mile radius of Wayne.

The 3,000-square foot Providence Physical Therapy provides an opportunity for the staff of six physical therapists, two occupational therapists, and two PTAs to practice excellent care. Therapists are certified in adult neuro-developmental techniques, lymphedema therapy, and mechanical and diagnosis therapy.

Medical nurses are specifically trained in advanced skills related to labor and delivery process. Other services offered include mental health assessments and evaluations, individual and marriage therapy, home counseling and support services, drug and alcohol evaluations and treatments, crisis intervention, grief counseling, oncology management sessions, and bereavement support groups. All services are provided by an on-staff certified mental health practitioner.

Providence Wellness Center, staffed with a professional, personal trainer and director, offers the latest in exercise technology to its members. Membership is open to the public.

Providence Medical Center was the 2007 recipient of the WELCOA Gold Award and was named "One of America's Healthiest Companies."

For more information on Providence Medical Center, visit the web site at www.providencemedical.com.

Clinics

The **Wayne Mercy Medical Clinic**, staffed by five physicians and two physician assistants, is located at the hospital.

Rescue Squad

The hospital-based Providence Medical Center Ambulance Service, with three ambulances, is capable of providing basic life support as well as advanced cardiac life support. At least one Emergency Medical Technician and

one registered nurse certified in advanced cardiac life support respond to all calls.

The fire department has two rescue vehicles that must have an emergency medical technician (EMT) or first responder on board. There are eight EMTs and eight first responders in the Wayne Fire Department.

Home Health Care Services

Providence Home Health Care, located at PMC, is certified by the state of Nebraska as a home health agency and participates in Medicare and Medicaid programs. Registered nurses and certified therapists make home visits to provide nursing care; supervise medication; and provide physical, speech, and occupational therapies. Health aids and homemakers provide bathing, personal care, and homemaking services for those needing assistance. A licensed, private pay, personnel care service is also available.

NURSING HOMES

The **Premier Estates Senior Living Community** has been in operation for more than 30 years. Designed to meet the special needs of senior citizens, the facility, built in 1994, has 72 rooms available for short-term and long-term nursing care. Premier Estates, certified for Medicare and Medicaid, provides skilled and non-skilled care, hospice care, respite care, short-term stays, rehabilitation programs, 9-bed Alzheimer's unit, adult day care, and 18 assisted living units. A professional nursing staff is available 24 hours a day. Premier Estates has activity and selective dining programs. Some amenities include a full service barber/beauty shop, chapel, formal dining rooms, and the largest resident rooms in the area.

LIBRARY

The **Robert B. and Mary Y. Benthack Library** provides materials for community residents in a variety of formats for recreational and leisure pursuits as well as accurate and current information for daily problem-solving. Access to other materials or information may be obtained through interlibrary loan or online database services.

The library has approximately 30,000 items available for check-out including books, audio books on cassette and CD, video tapes and DVDs, large print books, periodicals, and art reproductions. There is a large reference section, Nebraska genealogy, and 100 years of the Wayne Herald on microfilm for use in the library. The library sponsors fall and winter story times for preschoolers, a summer reading program for ages 4–12, and the “Grandmapa Storytime” volunteer program for day cares and preschools in addition to periodical adult programs. Other services include fax, photocopy, and public access to the Internet.

Conn Library on the Wayne State College campus contains more than 350,000 books, bound periodicals, and government documents. It subscribes to more than 600 paper serials (magazines and newspapers), and has electronic access to another 17,000 journal titles through a variety of online databases. One hundred laptops and 50 desktop computers are available for patron use. Conn Library is also home to “Jitters” coffee shop.

RECREATION AND PARKS

Wayne has 12 parks covering 24.2 acres. Facilities include shelters; grills; picnic tables; band stand; softball and baseball diamonds; swimming pool; rest rooms; horseshoe pits; fireplaces; football, rugby, and soccer fields; and basketball and volleyball courts. Wayne has two campgrounds with water and electrical hookups—Victor Park and Lions Club Park.

The Wayne Community Activity Center was constructed with funding from city sales tax, grants, and private donations. The activity center, opened in 2002, includes a gymnasium, youth center, fitness room, community room, locker rooms, volleyball courts, basketball courts, a multipurpose cage that can be used for golf, baseball, and softball, walking/jogging track, game room with ping pong, pool and video games, and an exercise equipment/weight room. The center also houses the city’s recreation department.

Phase I of the three-mile biking/hiking trail around the city was completed in 2004. Phase II

construction of an additional three miles is anticipated for the 2007–08 fiscal year.

The ten unsupervised playgrounds have playground equipment and other game areas. Wayne has a full-time recreation director and many seasonal employees. The annual budget for the last three years average \$132,500. Programs offered include the summer park program for children, golf, baseball, softball, swim team, swimming instructions, tennis, volleyball, basketball, soccer, and football. Additional programs offered are badmitten for all ages, CPR classes, jazzercise, step aerobics, personal trainer, weight watchers, dances, kick boxing, walk/run club, and other assorted activities.

Area facilities:

- Biking/Hiking — Approximately 3 miles of trails around the city of Wayne with an additional 3 miles to be completed in 2008
- Boating — Willow Creek State Recreation Area (35 miles) and Lewis & Clark Lake (60 miles)
- Bowling — Bowling alley with 12 lanes
- Dancing — Riley’s and the city of Wayne’s auditorium
- Fishing — Willow Creek State Recreation Area (35 miles), Lewis & Clark Lake and Gavins Point Dam (60 miles), Elkhorn River, farm ponds, and soil conservation lakes
- Golf — Public 18-hole grass greens course with clubhouse
- Hunting — Excellent hunting for pheasants, quail, ducks, geese, squirrels, rabbits, and deer
- Rugby — Fields available next to the softball complex



Bressler Park



Sunnyview Park



Hank Overin Field



Wayne Swimming Pool



“Wayne Chicken Show”

Soccer/Youth Football	—	Field at activity center
Square Dancing	—	Auditorium
Swimming	—	Municipal pool in the park and indoor pool at Wayne State College
Tennis	—	Six courts at Wayne State College
Theatres	—	One twin indoor theatre seating 360, including 4 handicap seats
Other	—	Jogging and walking track on Wayne State College campus and the elementary school has new track facilities open to the public for walking, running, or roller blading

Athletic events, speakers, dramas, and other programs at Wayne State College and the Providence Fitness Center are open to the public.

Annual events include the Wayne Henoween and Chicken Shows in July; Wayne County Fair in late July; Wayne State College band day and homecoming in the fall; and the Parade of Lights, Living Windows, and Fantasy Forest at Christmas.

The Senior Citizens Center is located in a separate wing of the building that also houses the library. The Senior Citizens Center has daily activities, special events, on-call handi van, and Meals-on-Wheels program.

Cultural activities include the Wayne Community Theater, Wayne State College Black and Gold Series, Plains Humanities Lecture Series, Wayne State College Artists Series, Wayne Historical Society Museum, and Garden Perennials.

HOUSING

New Construction

Twelve new homes were constructed in 2006 and 2007 and it is estimated that six will be built in 2008. New home construction averages \$98,000 per square foot.

Housing Market (as of 10/07):

Number of Homes on the Market

Single Family - 98

Avg. Selling Prices (New and Existing)

Single Family Home \$82,568

Number of Single Family Homes for Sale by Price (New and Existing)

Less than \$100,000 58

\$100,001–\$150,000 24

\$150,001–\$250,000 14

\$250,001 and over 2

Rentals

Executive Style Home - 3,000 sq. ft. \$550

Apartment - 2 bedroom >\$650

Apartment Vacancy Rate less than 8%

Low Cost and/or Retirement Housing

Eastview Apartments, built in 1995, is a federally assisted complex with 12 apartments. These one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments are available for either families or the elderly.

Leisure Apartments, built in 1981, is a subsidized-rent housing facility with 12 family units and 8 elderly units.

Meadowview Estates, completed in 1998, has 16 units designed for family housing. These two- and three-bedroom units have parking as well as playground/green space. One of the two-bedroom units is fully equipped for wheel chair access and another is equipped for hearing impaired. Laundry facilities and office/community room are handicapped accessible.

Ridge Point Apartments, completed in 1996, has 16 units including 2 handicapped units. The units consists of one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments. Laundry facilities and cable are available for residents.

Sunnyview Apartments, completed in 1986, is a federally assisted 12-unit complex. These one- and two-bedroom apartments are available to either families or the elderly.

Sunnyhill Villa, completed in 1987, has 15 one-bedroom units with 1 handicapped unit, all designed for one or two persons with rent adjusted

for the elderly. The complex includes a community room, two laundry facilities, recreation lawn area with horseshoe and shuffleboard, and cable TV. All entrances are at ground-level.

The **Oak's Retirement Community**, opened in 1997, offers quality, affordable, and independent living with 46 one- and two-bedroom and expanded one-room apartments. Along with the apartments, there is an ice cream parlor, billiard room, and beauty/barber shop available for the residents. The Oak's offers a wide array of services and daily activities.

Villa Wayne, a low-rent housing facility for the elderly, was completed in 1971. The complex contains 38 units designed for one or two persons. Other facilities include spacious lawn areas, a large community building, and central laundry facilities.

Assisted Living

The **Oak's Retirement Community** for assisted living, completed in 2001, offers 34 units for

people who need assistance with daily living tasks.

The **Premier Estates Senior Living Community**, built in 1994, has 18 assisted living units. This facility also has 72 rooms available for long-term care.

FINANCIAL

As of September 2007:

Name	Capital		
	Accounts	Deposits	Loans
	----- thousand dollars -----		
Bank First*	\$23,515	\$186,832	\$170,000
Farmers & Merchants State Bank	\$3,000	\$36,000	\$29,000
First National Bank	\$3,550	\$30,000	\$25,000
State National Bank and Trust Company	\$12,423	\$64,983	\$50,413

*Branch office in Wayne; figures represent headquarters.



Bank First



First National Bank



State National Bank & Trust Company



Farmers & Merchants State Bank



Meadowview Estates



Ridge Point Apartments



Sunnyview Apartments



The Oaks Retirement Community



Wayne Country Club



Wayne Community Activity Center

COMMUNITY SERVICES

PROFESSIONAL

Architects	1
Attorneys	3
Certified Public Accountants	3
Chiropractors	2
Dentists	5
Medical Doctors (residing in Wayne)	
—general practitioners	5
Medical Doctors (on hospital consulting staff)	
—anesthesiologists	2
—cardiologists	12
—ear, nose & throat	1
—gastroenterologists	2
—general practitioners	2
—general surgeons	5
—licensed mental health practitioners	2
—neurologists	1
—obstetricians/gynecologists	2
—oncologists	1
—ophthalmologists	1
—orthopedic surgeons	2
—pathologists	5
—pulmonologists	3
—radiologists	13
—urologists	4
Nurse Practitioners	2
Nurses, Licensed Practical	13
Nurses, Registered	32
Optometrists	3
Orthodontists	2
Pharmacists	5
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	1
Veterinarians	2

BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL

Accounting/Bookkeeping Agencies	3
Advertising Agencies	1
Agricultural Implement Dealers	3
Antique Shops	1
Apparel Stores—children’s	1
—women’s	1
Appliance Stores	1
Auto Repair & Service	7
Auto Supply Parts	2
Automobile Dealers	4

Automobile Renting & Leasing	1	
Aviation Seeding & Spraying	1	
Bakeries.....	4	
Banquet Facilities, Halls & Auditoriums	5	
Barber Shops.....	4	
Beauty Salons.....	8	
Carpet & Rug Dealers	3	
Caterers	9	
Child Care Services.....	24	
Contractors—building.....	8	
—carpentry.....	8	
—concrete	2	
—electric	3	
—excavating.....	2	
—general	8	
—heating & air conditioning.....	3	
—painting.....	1	
—plumbing.....	3	
—remodeling & repairing	8	
—roofing	8	
Convenience Stores.....	6	
Convention, Meeting & Event Facilities	10	
Copying & Duplicating Services	1	
Craft Stores	2	
Dance Studios	1	
Department Stores.....	1	
Discount Stores	2	
Drug Stores	2	
Dry Cleaning & Laundry	1	
Fast Food Establishments	5	
Feed & Seed.....	3	
Floral Shops	2	
Funeral Homes.....	1	
Furniture Stores.....	1	
Garbage Collectors.....	2	
Gift Shops	3	
Grocery Stores	2	
Hardware Stores.....	3	
Health Clubs.....	3	
Heavy Equipment Repair.....	2	
Insurance Companies	14	
Interior Decorators & Designers.....	2	
Jewelry Stores	2	
Landscaping Equipment & Supplies.....	1	
Laundromats	2	
Lawn Services.....	2	
Lumberyards	2	
Machine Shops.....	2	
Motels	3	(74 rooms)
Nurseries & Garden Centers	3	

Photography Studios	1
Preschools	6
Printers	2
Real Estate Firms	3
Restaurants	9
Service Stations.....	8
Shoe Stores.....	3
Specialized Shops (cellular phone store).....	3
Television & Radio Repair.....	1
Theatres.....	1
Travel Agencies & Bureaus	1
Variety Stores	1
Welding Equipment.....	2



Rainbow World



Wayne Veterinary Clinic

AGRICULTURE & RAW MATERIALS

AGRICULTURE

2002 Statistics	Wayne County	State of Nebraska
Number of Farms	623	49,355
Land in Farms (acres)	281,408	45,903,116
Average Size of Farms (acres)	452	930
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$116,515	\$9,703,657,000
Market Value Per Farm	\$187,022	\$196,609
Total Acres Irrigated	30,482	7,625,170
Percent of Farmland Irrigated	10.8%	16.6%
Five-Year Average Production of Leading Crops (2002–2006)		
Hay Alfalfa (Dry)	78,262 tons	4,516,600 tons
Corn for Grain	14,528,460 bu.	1,166,640,000 bu.
Oats	85,560 bu.	3,794,000 bu.
Soybeans	4,078,420 bu.	212,582,000 bu.
Five-Year Average Livestock Population (2003–2007)		
Cattle & Calves	61,600	6,400,000

During the past five years, Wayne County ranked in the top ten counties in Nebraska in the production of oats four of five years.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2002–2007
2002 Census of Agriculture

RAW MATERIALS

There are no metallic minerals available in the area; however, nonmetallic minerals of sand, crushed rock, limestone, and clay are available in the immediate area. Some cottonwood timber is available in the area.

CLIMATE

TEMPERATURE, PRECIPITATION, AND HUMIDITY

Month	AVERAGES						
	Temperature			Precipitation		Humidity*	
	Min.	Mean	Max.	Rain (Inches)	Snow (Inches)	Morning	Afternoon
January	11.4	21.3	31.3	0.57	6.3	76	65
February	16.3	27.1	37.2	0.83	6.5	79	65
March	23.4	35.0	46.7	1.80	7.4	80	62
April	35.0	47.7	60.3	2.58	1.7	79	52
May	46.7	58.6	70.4	4.12	0.0	80	53
June	57.6	68.8	80.0	4.35	0.0	82	55
July	62.5	73.5	84.6	3.15	0.0	84	56
August	60.2	71.7	83.1	2.94	0.0	86	58
September	50.0	62.8	75.5	2.51	0.0	83	54
October	37.6	50.3	63.1	1.68	0.5	79	52
November	24.1	34.7	45.5	1.21	3.7	80	60
December	14.4	24.1	33.9	0.61	5.8	79	66
Annual	36.6	48.0	59.3	26.35	31.9	81	58

*Recorded at Norfolk Weather Station

FROST DATA

Average date of spring freeze probability	May 1
Average date of fall freeze probability	October 2
Average length of freeze free season probability	155 days
Average number of heating degree days based on 65° Fahrenheit	6,979
Average number of cooling degree days based on 65° Fahrenheit	798
Wind speed in miles per hour (annual average)	12
Prevailing wind direction (annual average)	South

Source: High Plains Regional Climate Center, University of Nebraska, 1948–2006, www.hprcc.unl.edu