



La Plata County, CO

Colorado

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Report Parameters

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8067 La Plata County, CO

Class of Worker

QCEW Employees, Non-QCEW Employees, and Self-Employed

The information in this report pertains to the chosen geographical area.

Economy Overview

56,932

Population (2020)

Population **grew by 2,245** over the last 5 years and is projected to **grow by 2,911** over the next 5 years.

28,741

Total Regional Employment

Jobs **decreased by 694** over the last 5 years but are projected to **grow by 334** over the next 5 years.

\$68.7K

Median Household Income (2019)

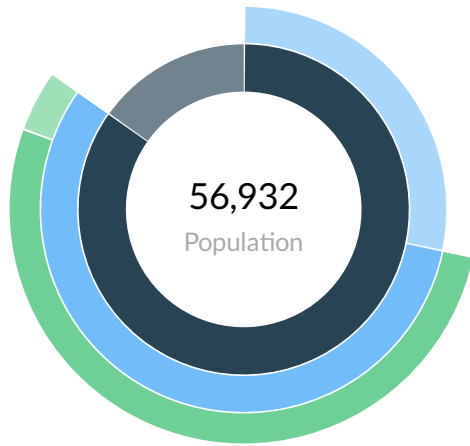
Median household income is **\$5.8K above** the national median household income of \$62.8K.

Takeaways

- As of 2020 the region's population **increased by 4.1%** since 2015, growing by 2,245. Population is expected to **increase by 5.1%** between 2020 and 2025, adding 2,911.
- From 2015 to 2020, jobs **declined by 2.4%** in La Plata County, CO from 29,435 to **28,741**. This change **fell short of the national growth rate of 1.3% by 3.7%**. As the number of jobs declined, the **labor force participation rate increased from 64.3% to 66.7% between 2015 and 2020**.
- Concerning educational attainment, **28.1% of La Plata County, CO residents possess a Bachelor's Degree** (8.1% above the national average), and **6.7% hold an Associate's Degree** (1.9% below the national average).
- The top three industries in 2020 are Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals, Restaurants and Other Eating Places, and Education and Hospitals (Local Government).

	Population (2020)	Labor Force (2020)	Jobs (2020)	Cost of Living	GRP	Imports	Exports
Region	56,932	32,189	28,741	108.3	\$3.19B	\$3.65B	\$3.62B
United States	330,591,441	159,724,262	160,385,413	100.0	\$20.70T	\$0	\$9.99T

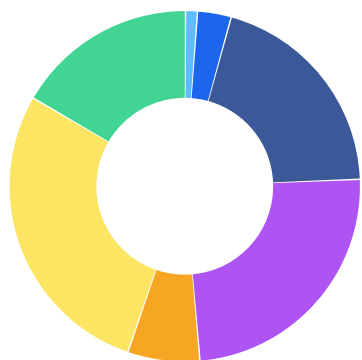
2020 Labor Force Breakdown



	Population
● Total Working Age Population	48,242
● Not in Labor Force (15+)	16,053
● Labor Force	32,189
● Employed	29,767
● Unemployed	2,422
● Under 15	8,690

Educational Attainment

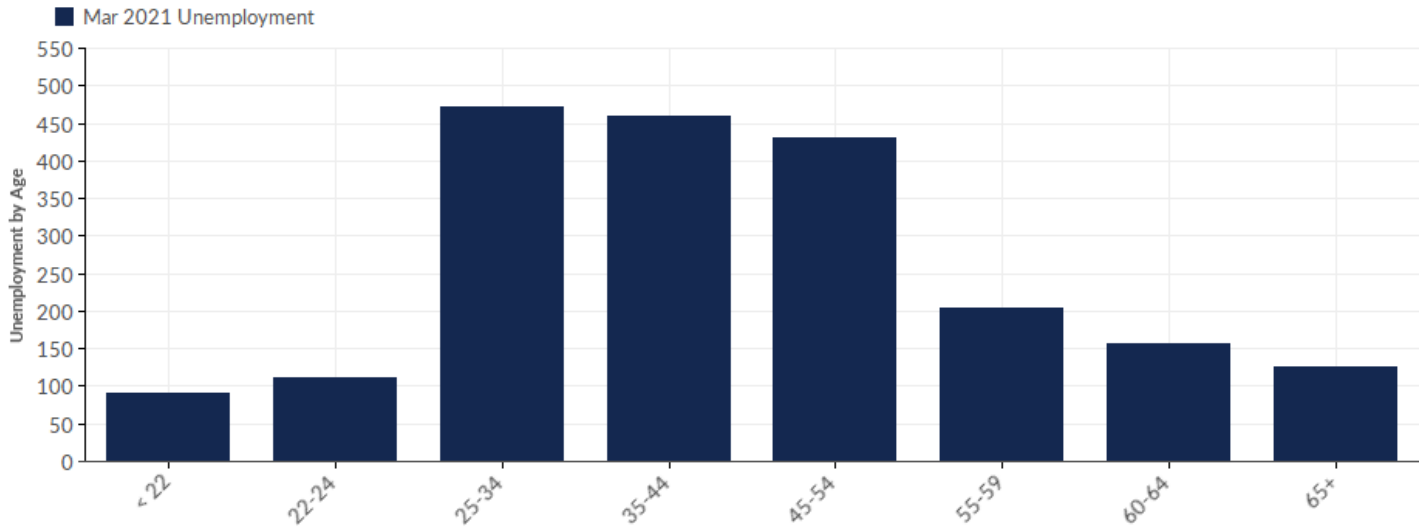
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	% of Population	Population
● Less Than 9th Grade	1.1%	451
● 9th Grade to 12th Grade	3.1%	1,282
● High School Diploma	20.1%	8,291
● Some College	24.3%	10,006
● Associate's Degree	6.7%	2,744
● Bachelor's Degree	28.1%	11,604
● Graduate Degree and Higher	16.7%	6,881

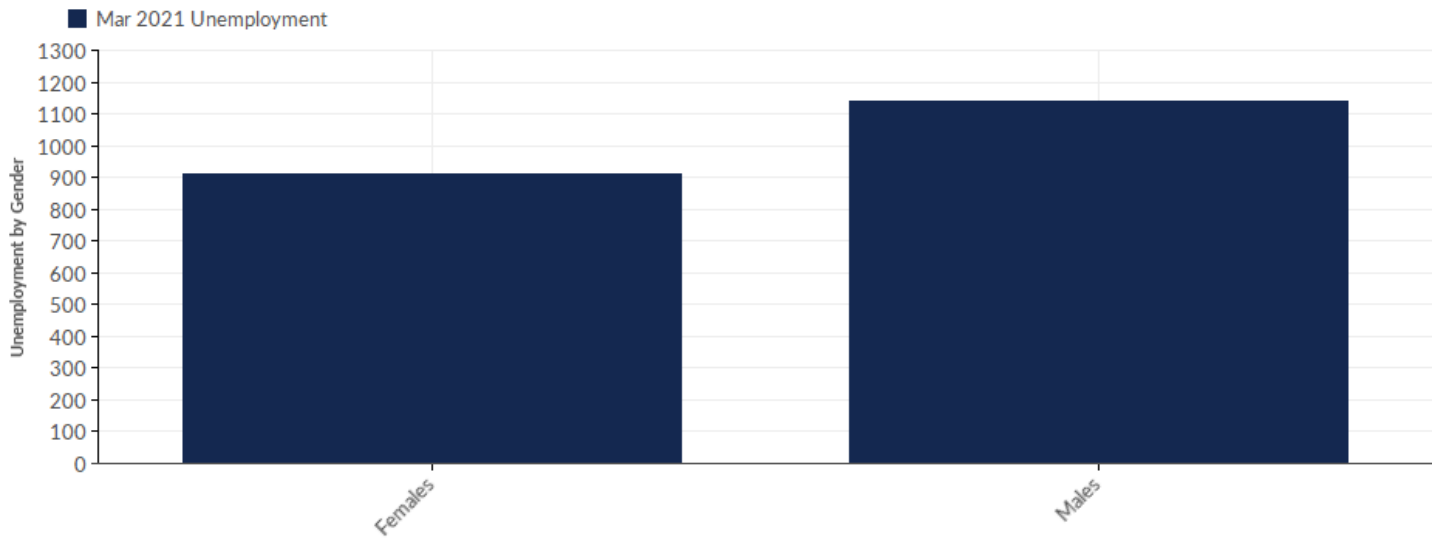
Unemployment by Demographics

Unemployment by Age



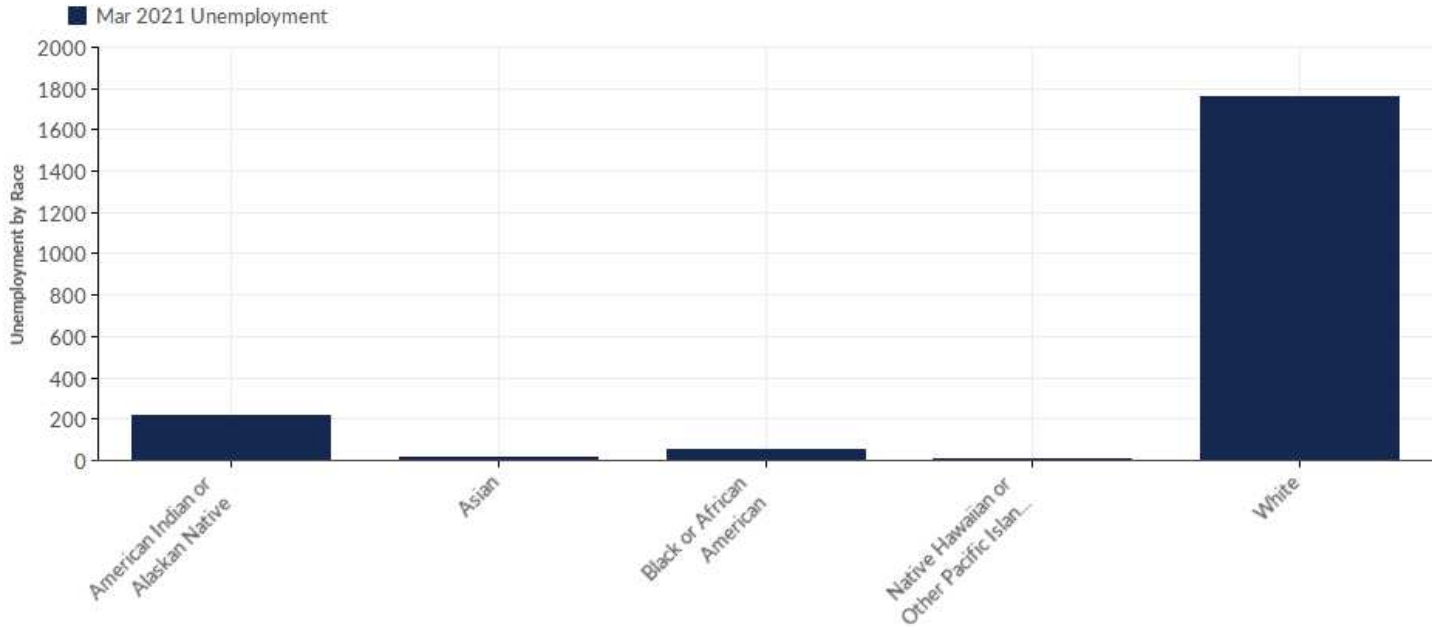
Age	Unemployment (Mar 2021)	% of Age Cohort
< 22	91	4.44%
22-24	112	5.46%
25-34	471	22.98%
35-44	460	22.44%
45-54	430	20.98%
55-59	204	9.95%
60-64	157	7.66%
65+	126	6.15%
Total	2,050	100.00%

Unemployment by Gender



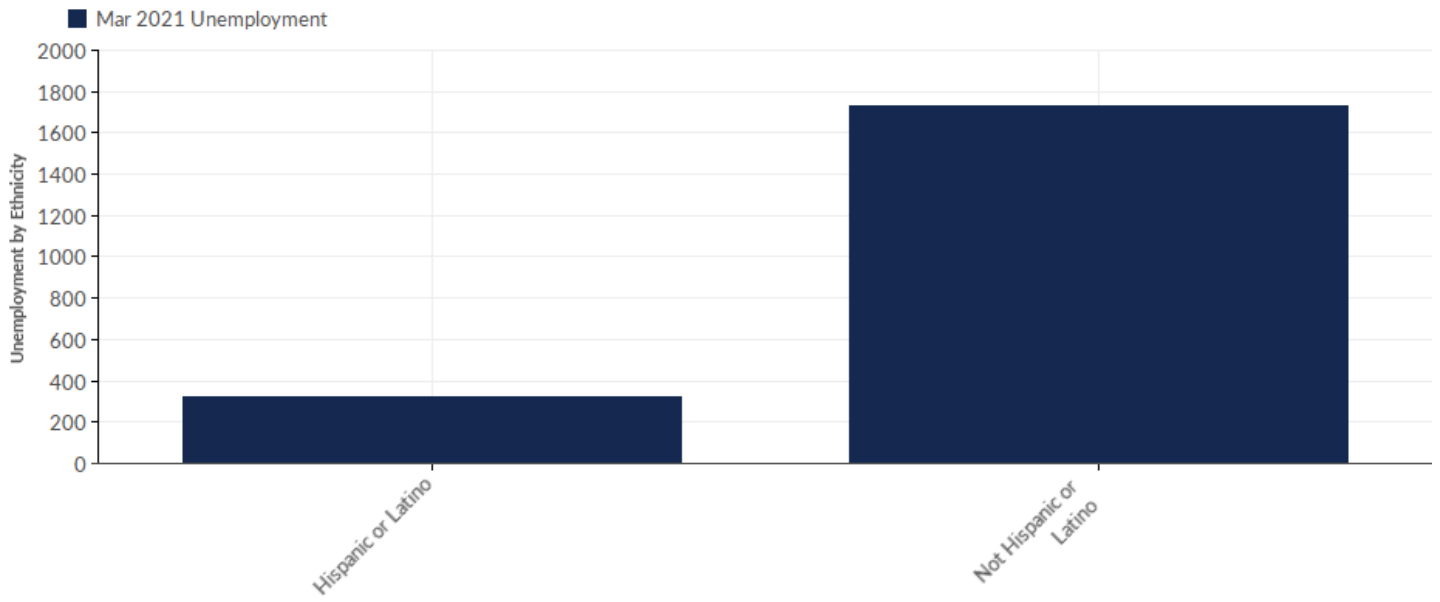
Gender	Unemployment (Mar 2021)	% of Age Cohort
Females	910	44.39%
Males	1,140	55.61%
Total	2,050	100.00%

Unemployment by Race



Race	Unemployment (Mar 2021)	% of Age Cohort
American Indian or Alaskan Native	218	10.63%
Asian	15	0.73%
Black or African American	49	2.39%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	5	0.24%
White	1,764	86.05%
Total	2,050	100.00%

Unemployment by Ethnicity

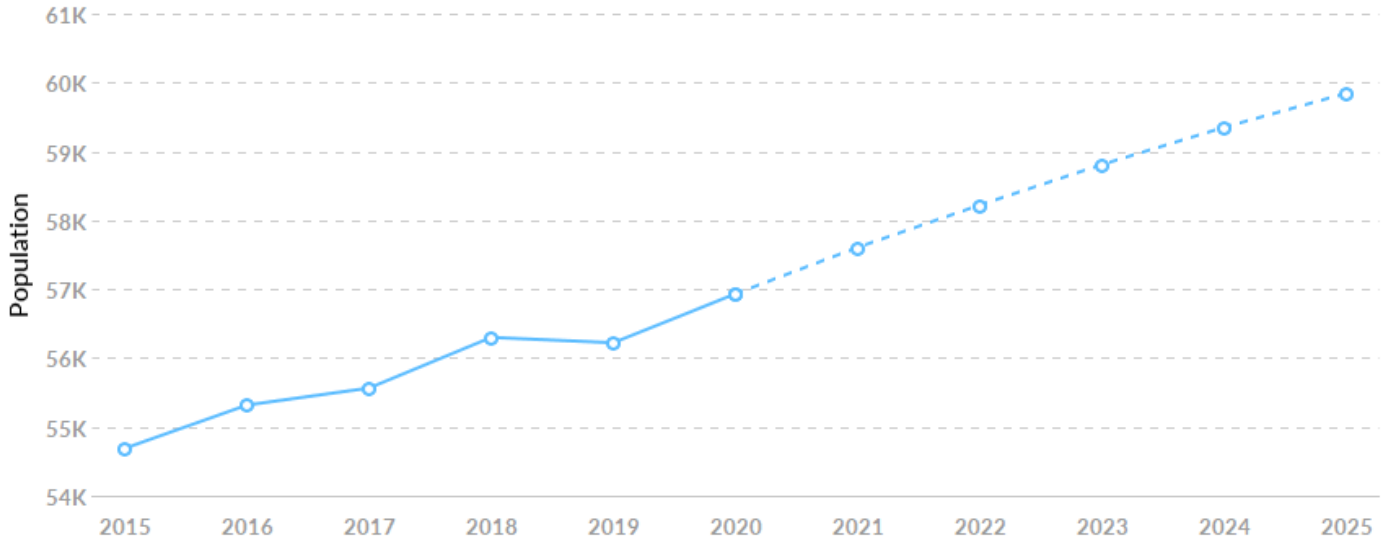


Ethnicity	Unemployment (Mar 2021)	% of Age Cohort
Hispanic or Latino	320	15.61%
Not Hispanic or Latino	1,730	84.39%
Total	2,050	100.00%

Historic & Projected Trends

Population Trends

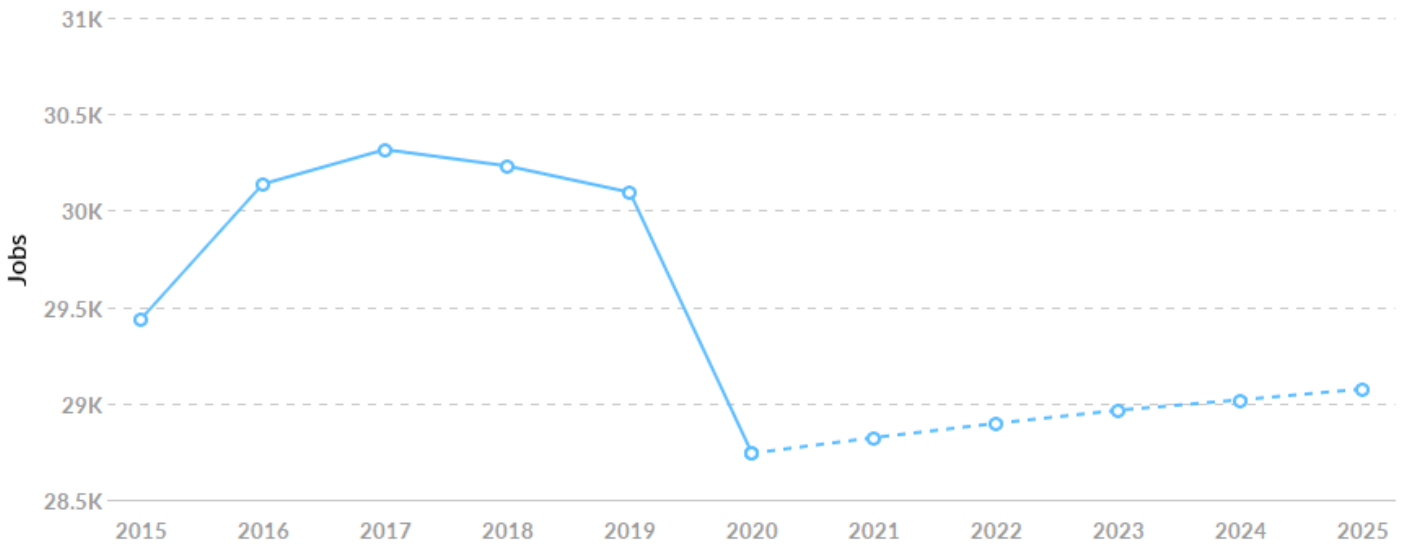
As of 2020 the region's population **increased by 4.1%** since 2015, growing by 2,245. Population is expected to **increase by 5.1%** between 2020 and 2025, adding 2,911.



Timeframe	Population
2015	54,687
2016	55,316
2017	55,563
2018	56,299
2019	56,221
2020	56,932
2021	57,606
2022	58,221
2023	58,809
2024	59,350
2025	59,844

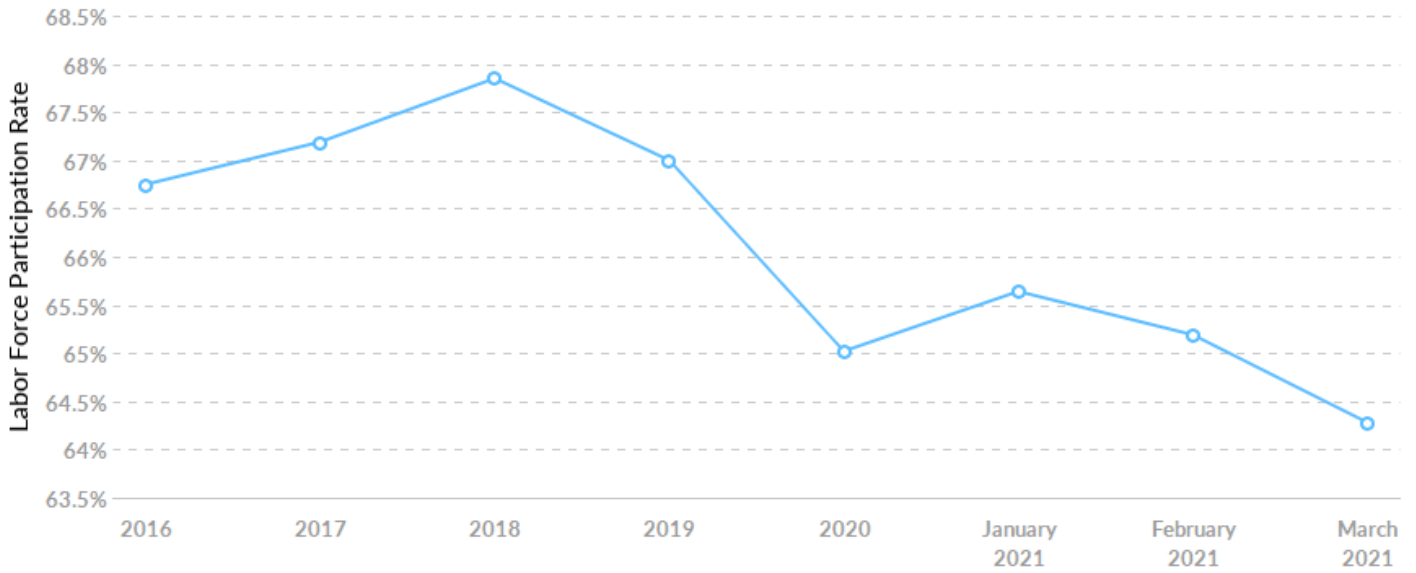
Job Trends

From 2015 to 2020, jobs declined by 2.4% in La Plata County, CO from 29,435 to 28,741. This change fell short of the national growth rate of 1.3% by 3.7%.



Timeframe	Jobs
2015	29,435
2016	30,137
2017	30,316
2018	30,231
2019	30,095
2020	28,741
2021	28,822
2022	28,896
2023	28,964
2024	29,018
2025	29,074

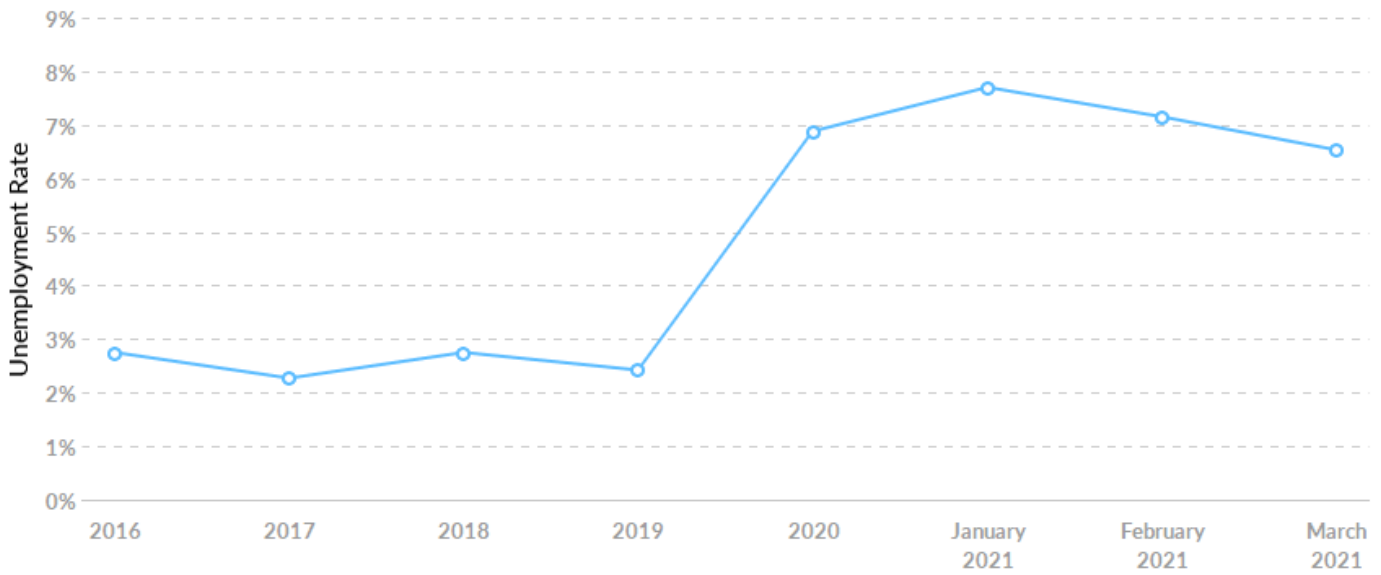
Labor Force Participation Rate Trends



Timeframe	Labor Force Participation Rate
2016	66.75%
2017	67.19%
2018	67.85%
2019	67.00%
2020	65.02%
January 2021	65.64%
February 2021	65.19%
March 2021	64.28%

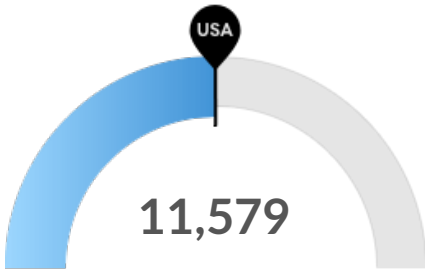
Unemployment Rate Trends

La Plata County, CO had a March 2021 unemployment rate of 6.53%, **increasing from 2.75%** 5 years before.



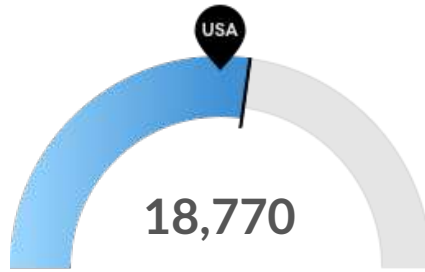
Timeframe	Unemployment Rate
2016	2.75%
2017	2.27%
2018	2.75%
2019	2.42%
2020	6.88%
January 2021	7.70%
February 2021	7.15%
March 2021	6.53%

Population Characteristics



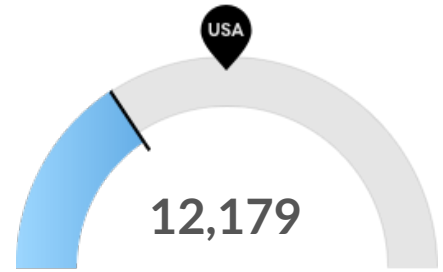
Millennials

La Plata County, CO has 11,579 millennials (ages 25-39). The national average for an area this size is 11,592.



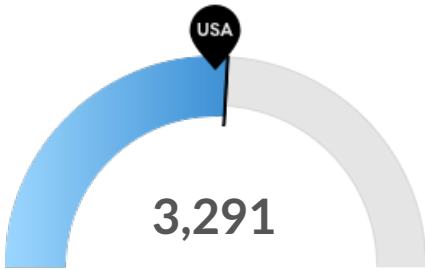
Retiring Soon

Retirement risk is high in La Plata County, CO. The national average for an area this size is 16,530 people 55 or older, while there are 18,770 here.



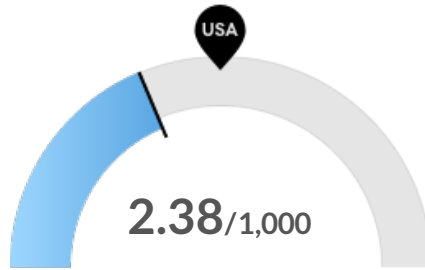
Racial Diversity

Racial diversity is low in La Plata County, CO. The national average for an area this size is 22,426 racially diverse people, while there are 12,179 here.



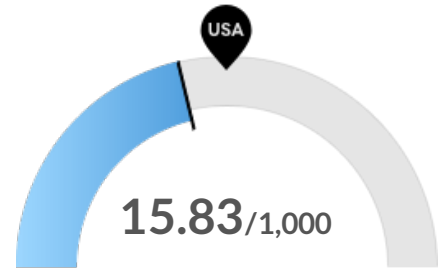
Veterans

La Plata County, CO has 3,291 veterans. The national average for an area this size is 3,122.



Violent Crime

La Plata County, CO has 2.38 violent crimes per 1,000 people. The national rate is 3.53 per 1,000 people.

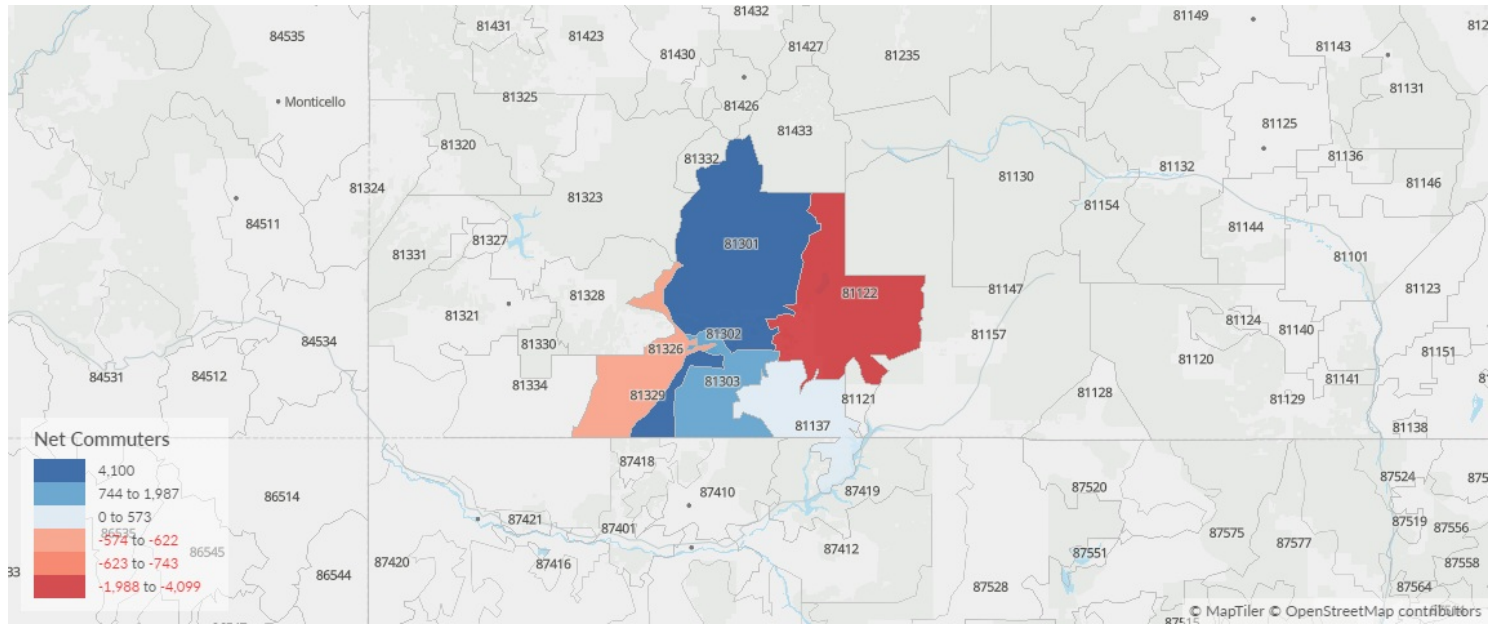


Property Crime

La Plata County, CO has 15.83 property crimes per 1,000 people. The national rate is 19.79 per 1,000 people.

Place of Work vs Place of Residence

Understanding where talent in La Plata County, CO currently works compared to where talent lives can help you optimize site decisions.



Where Talent Works

Where Talent Lives

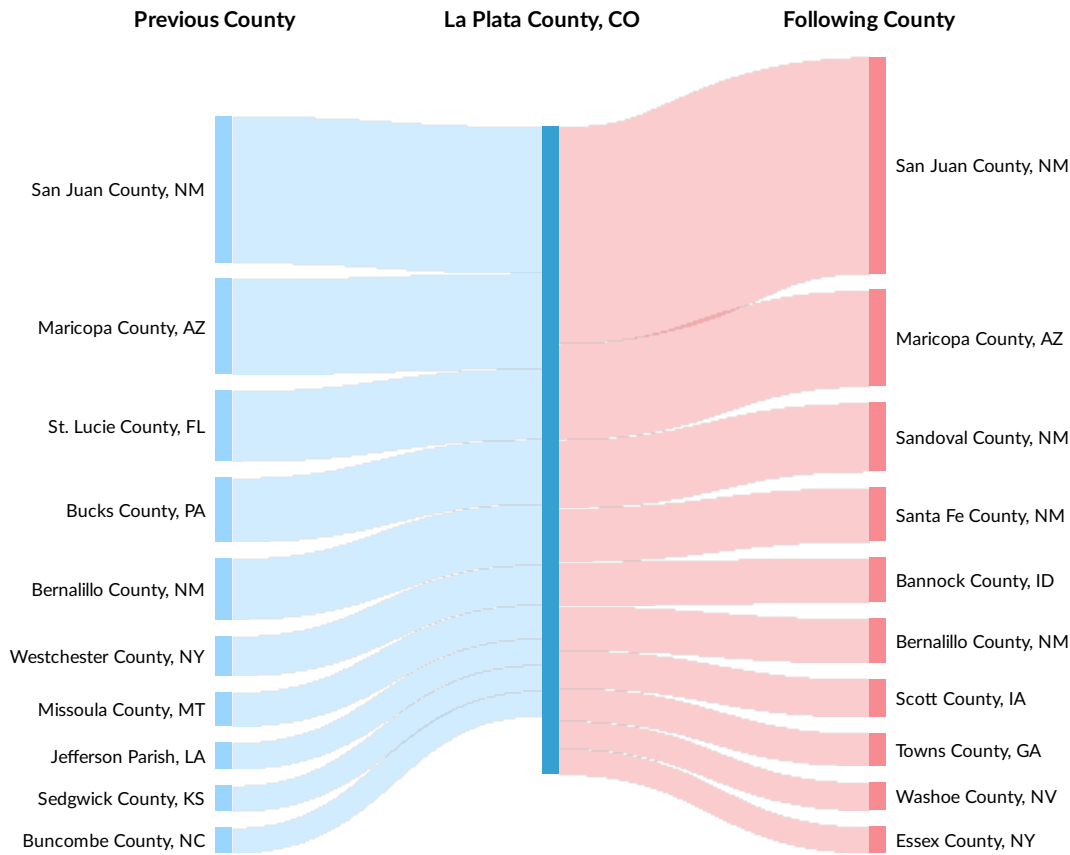
ZIP	Name	2020 Employment
81301	Durango, CO (in La Plat...	19,170
81303	Durango, CO (in La Plat...	4,494
81122	Bayfield, CO (in La Plata...	2,221
81137	Ignacio, CO (in La Plata ...	1,757
81302	Durango, CO (in La Plat...	568

ZIP	Name	2020 Workers
81301	Durango, CO (in La Plat...	15,071
81122	Bayfield, CO (in La Plata...	4,209
81303	Durango, CO (in La Plat...	3,750
81137	Ignacio, CO (in La Plata ...	1,720
81302	Durango, CO (in La Plat...	1,191

Inbound and Outbound Migration

The table below analyzes past and current residents of La Plata County, CO. The left column shows residents of other counties migrating to La Plata County, CO. The right column shows residents migrating from La Plata County, CO to other counties.

As of 2018, 90 people have migrated from St. Lucie County, FL to La Plata County, CO. In the same year, 57 people left La Plata County, CO migrating to Bannock County, ID. The total Net Migration for La Plata County, CO in 2018 was -67.

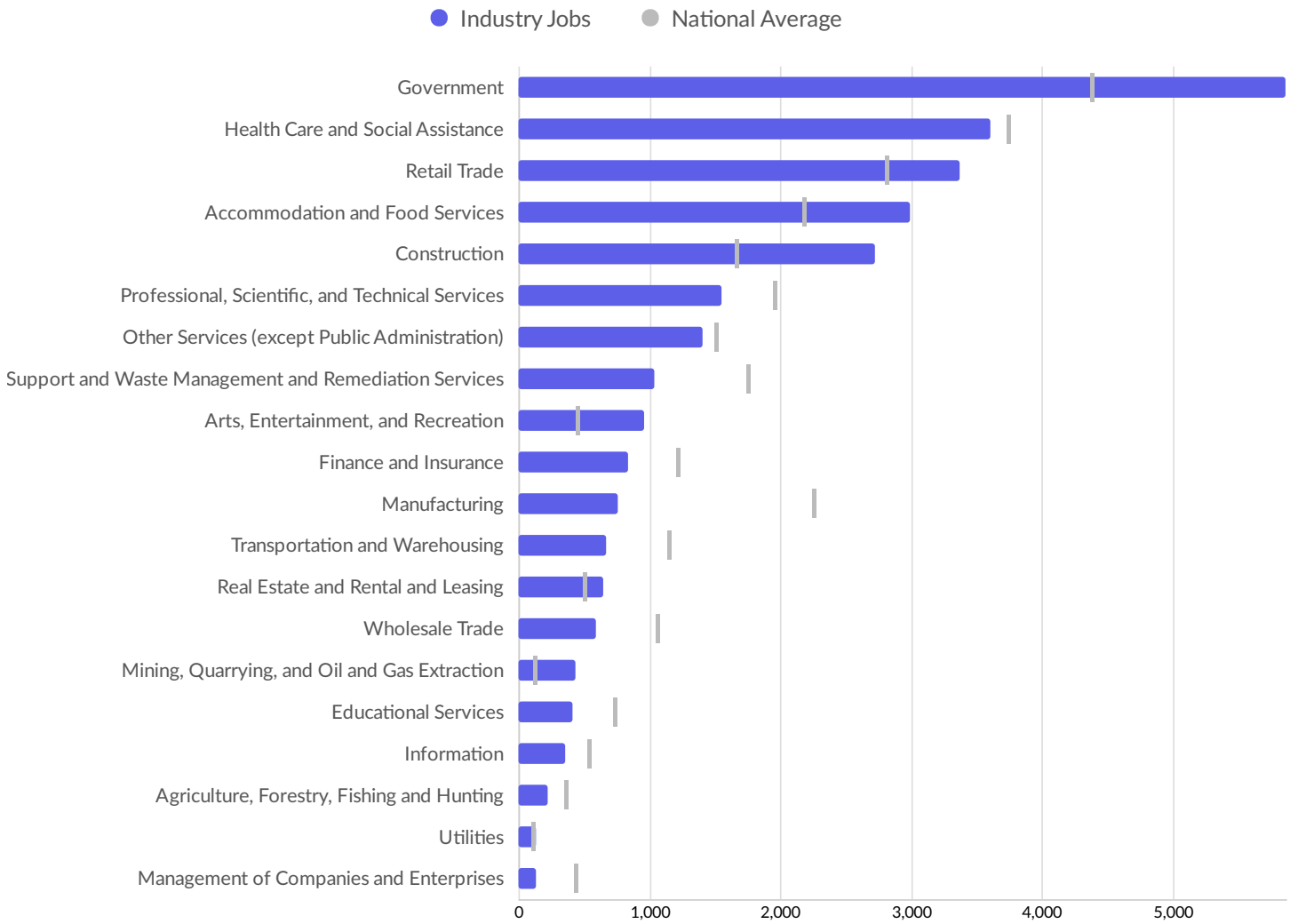


Top Previous Counties	Migrations
St. Lucie County, FL	90
Sedgwick County, KS	33
Lowndes County, GA	19
Volusia County, FL	19
Lake County, FL	16
Walton County, FL	14

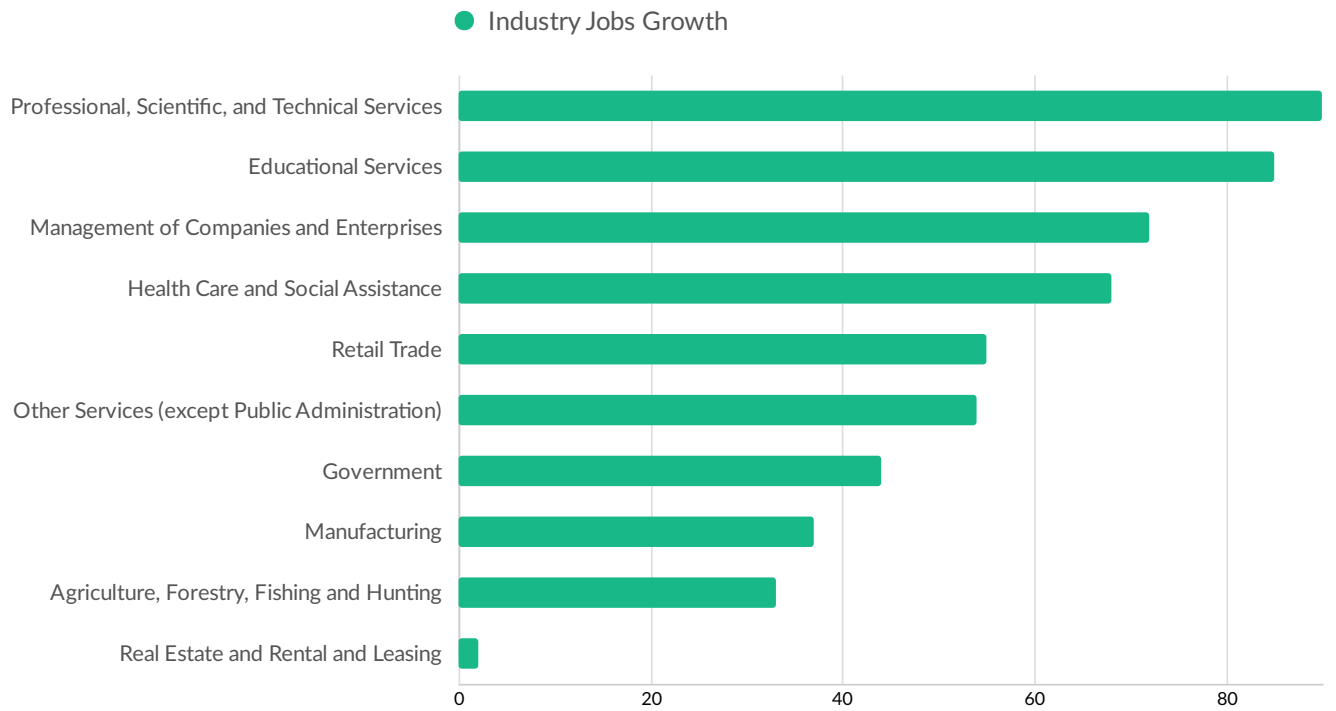
Top Previous Counties	Migrations
Muscogee County, GA	11
Bibb County, GA	10
Power County, ID	9
Palm Beach County, FL	7
Winneshiek County, IA	6
Douglas County, KS	4
Ellis County, KS	4
Montgomery County, IN	2
Hendry County, FL	0
Top Following Counties	Migrations
Bannock County, ID	57
Scott County, IA	48
Towns County, GA	42
Reno County, KS	33
Leon County, FL	30
Lake County, FL	21
Anchorage Borough County, AK	19
Hawaii County, HI	15
Madison County, AL	13
Cook County, IL	11
Honolulu County, HI	10
Winnebago County, IL	5
Seward County, KS	4
Latah County, ID	3
Madison County, GA	2

Industry Characteristics

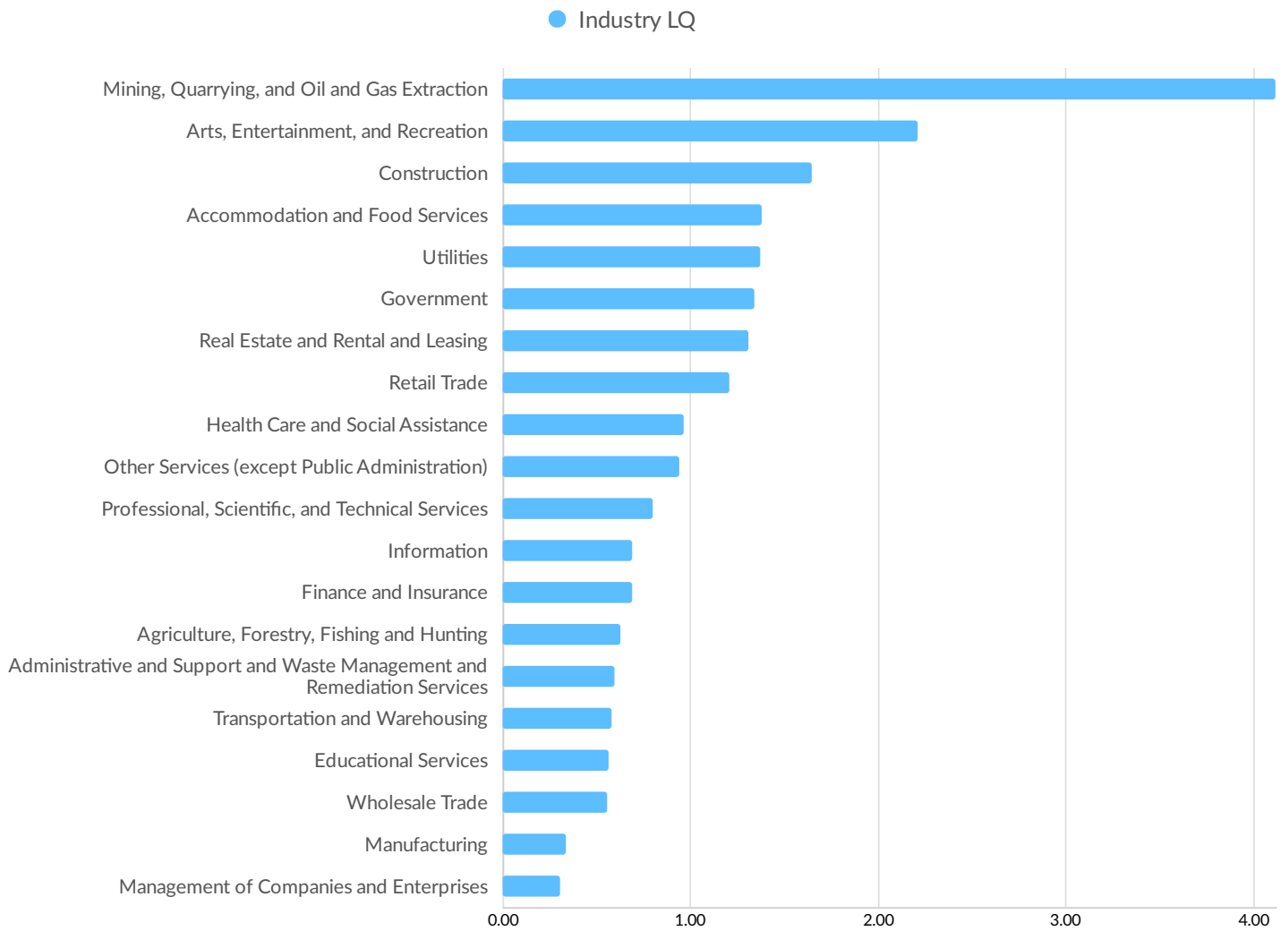
Largest Industries



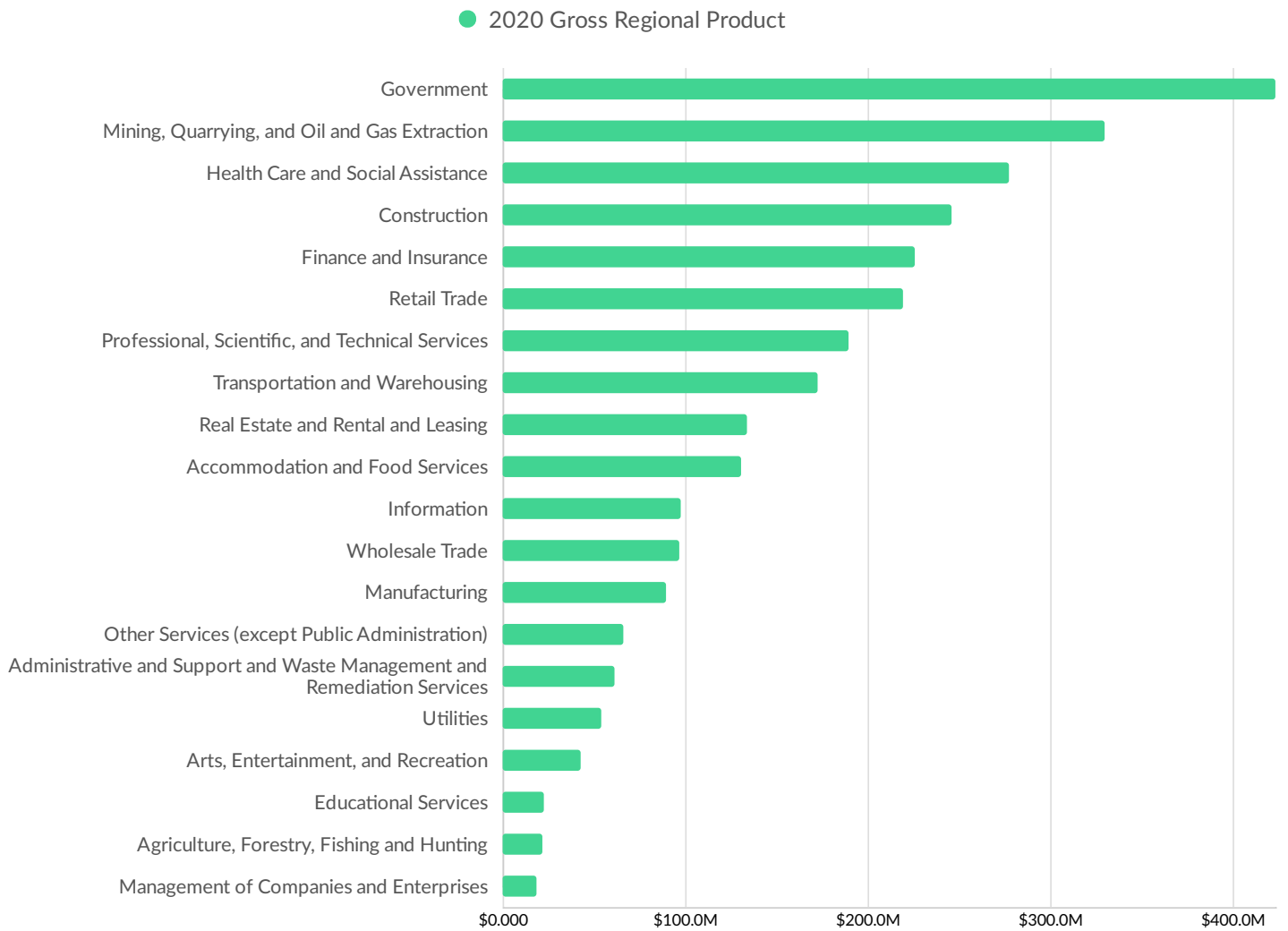
Top Growing Industries



Top Industry LQ



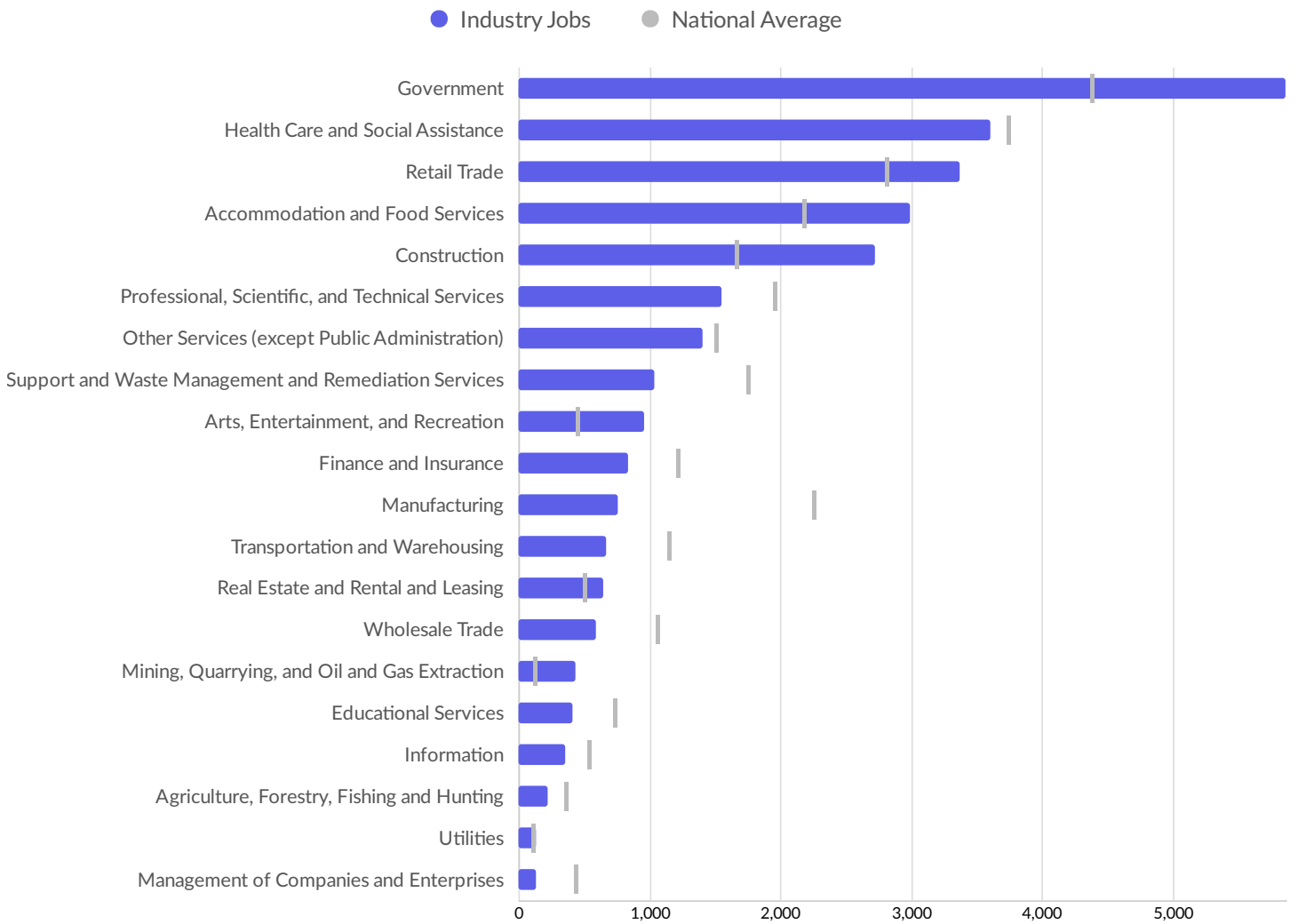
Top Industry GRP



Top Industry Earnings























Largest Industries



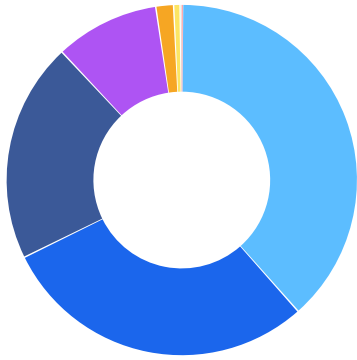
Business Characteristics

6,218 Companies Employ Your Workers

Online profiles for your workers mention 6,218 companies as employers, with the top 10 appearing below. In the last 12 months, 1,309 companies in La Plata County, CO posted job postings, with the top 10 appearing below.

Top Companies	Profiles	Top Companies Posting	Unique Postings
Fort Lewis College	468 	Centura Health	428 
Southern Company	264 	Colorado Hospital Association	116 
Durango School District 9-R, Inc	241 	City of Durango	115 
Mercy Regional Medical Center	230 	La Plata County	101 
La Plata County	174 	C.R. England, Inc.	90 
Centura Health	146 	Care.com, Inc.	74 
City of Durango	136 	Savaseniorcare, LLC	74 
Purgatory	111 	Wal-Mart, Inc.	72 
State of Colorado	98 	Durango School District 9-R, Inc	71 
Choctaw Casino & Resort	95 	Soliant Health, Inc	69 

Business Size

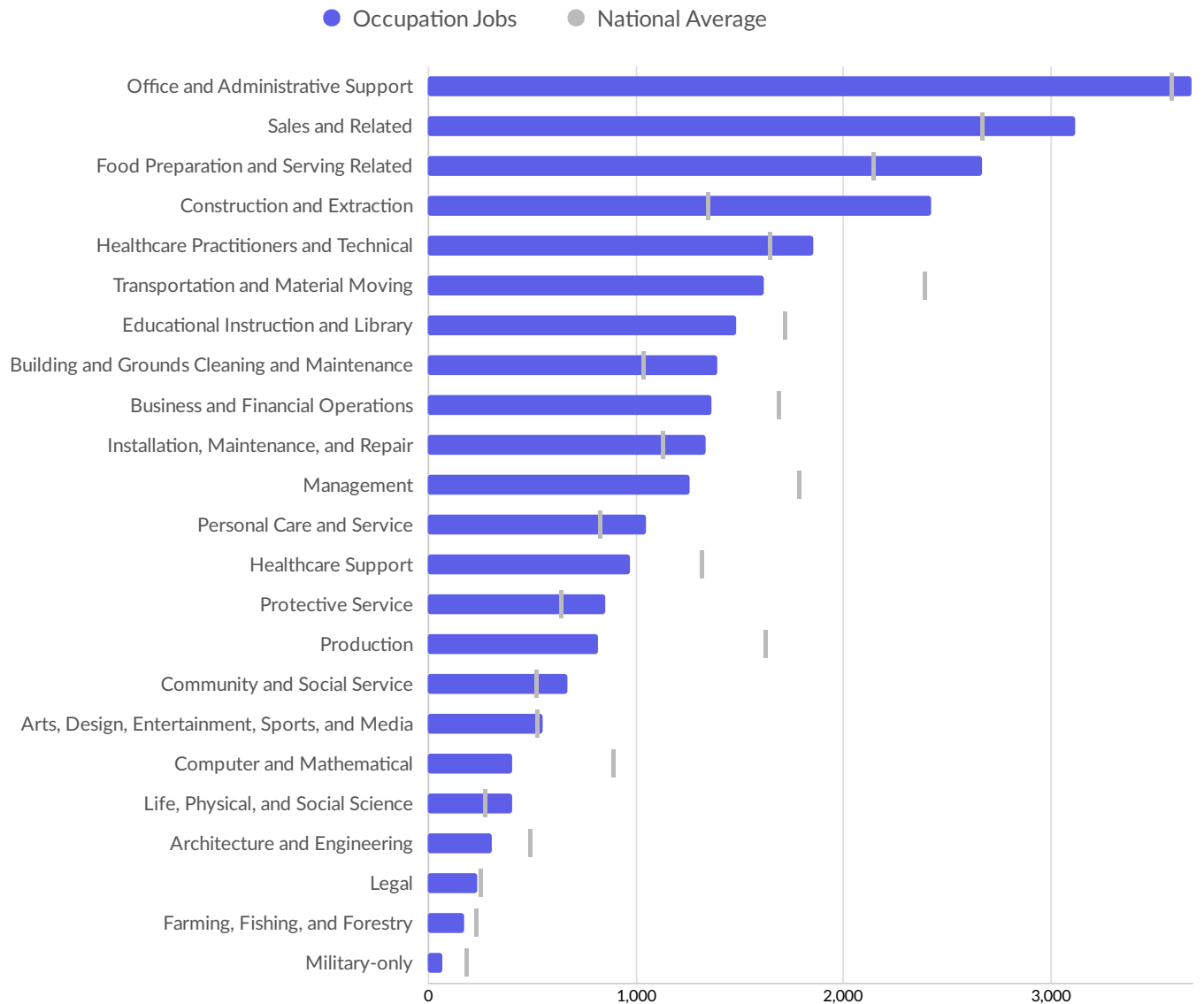


	Percentage	Business Count
1 to 4 employees	38.4%	1,552
5 to 9 employees	29.3%	1,184
10 to 19 employees	20.3%	820
20 to 49 employees	9.6%	388
50 to 99 employees	1.6%	66
100 to 249 employees	0.6%	24
250 to 499 employees	0.1%	6
500+ employees	0.1%	3

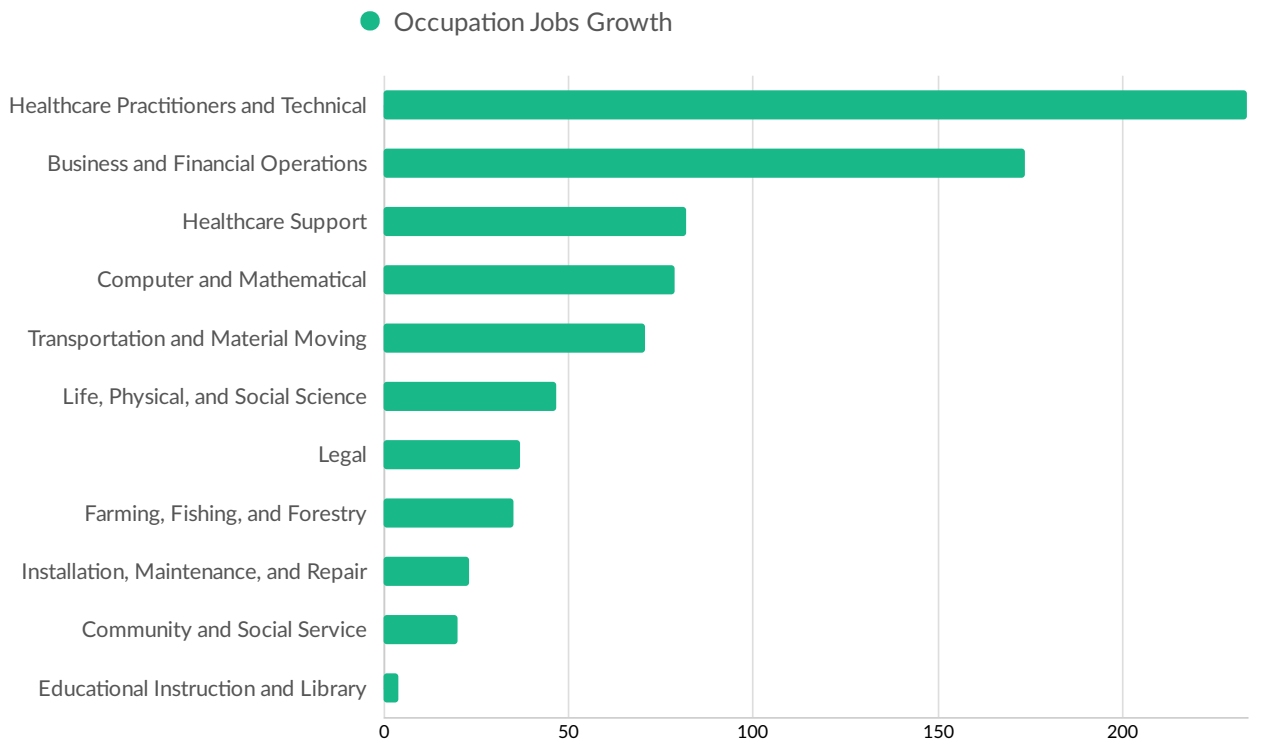
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Workforce Characteristics

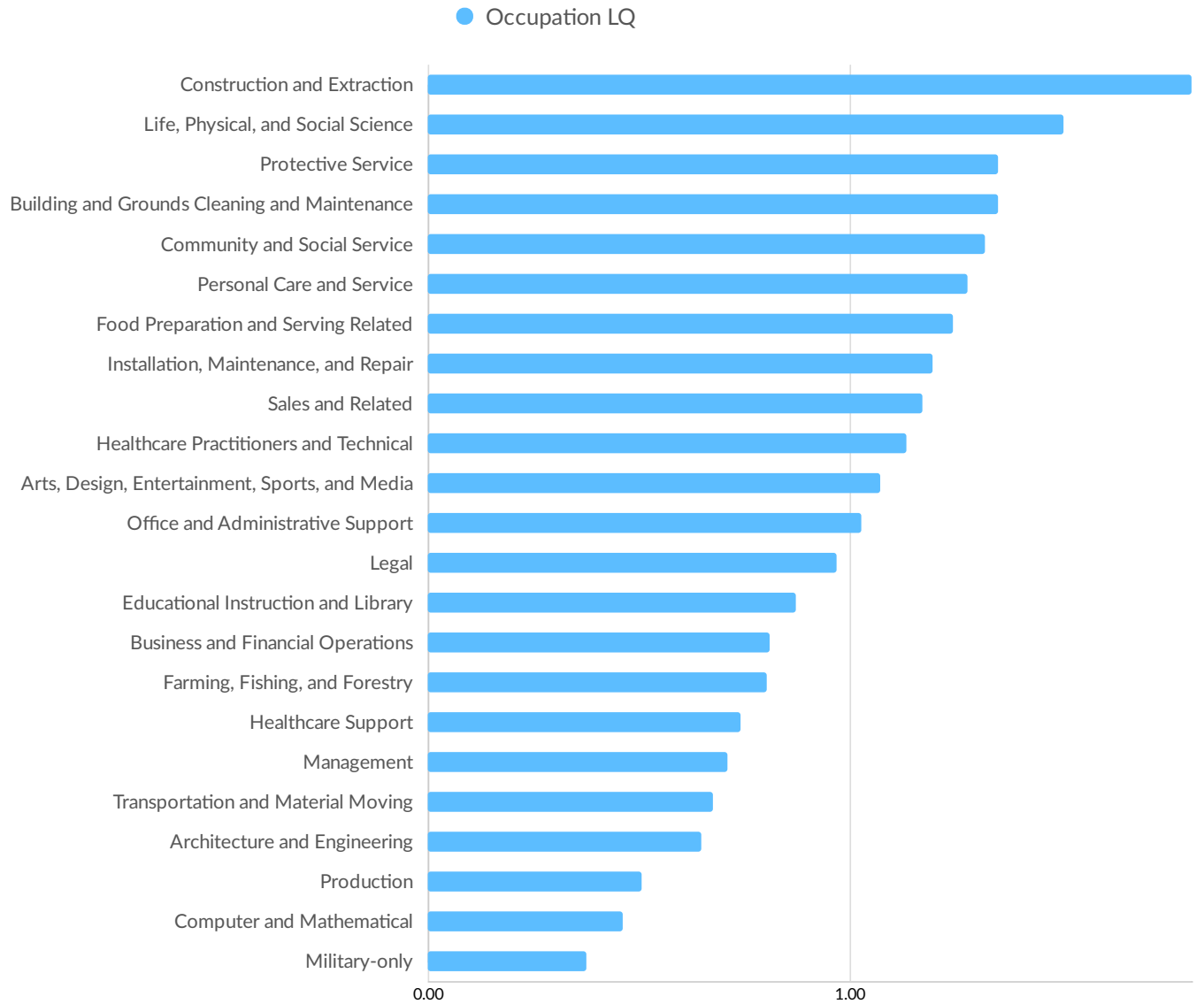
Largest Occupations



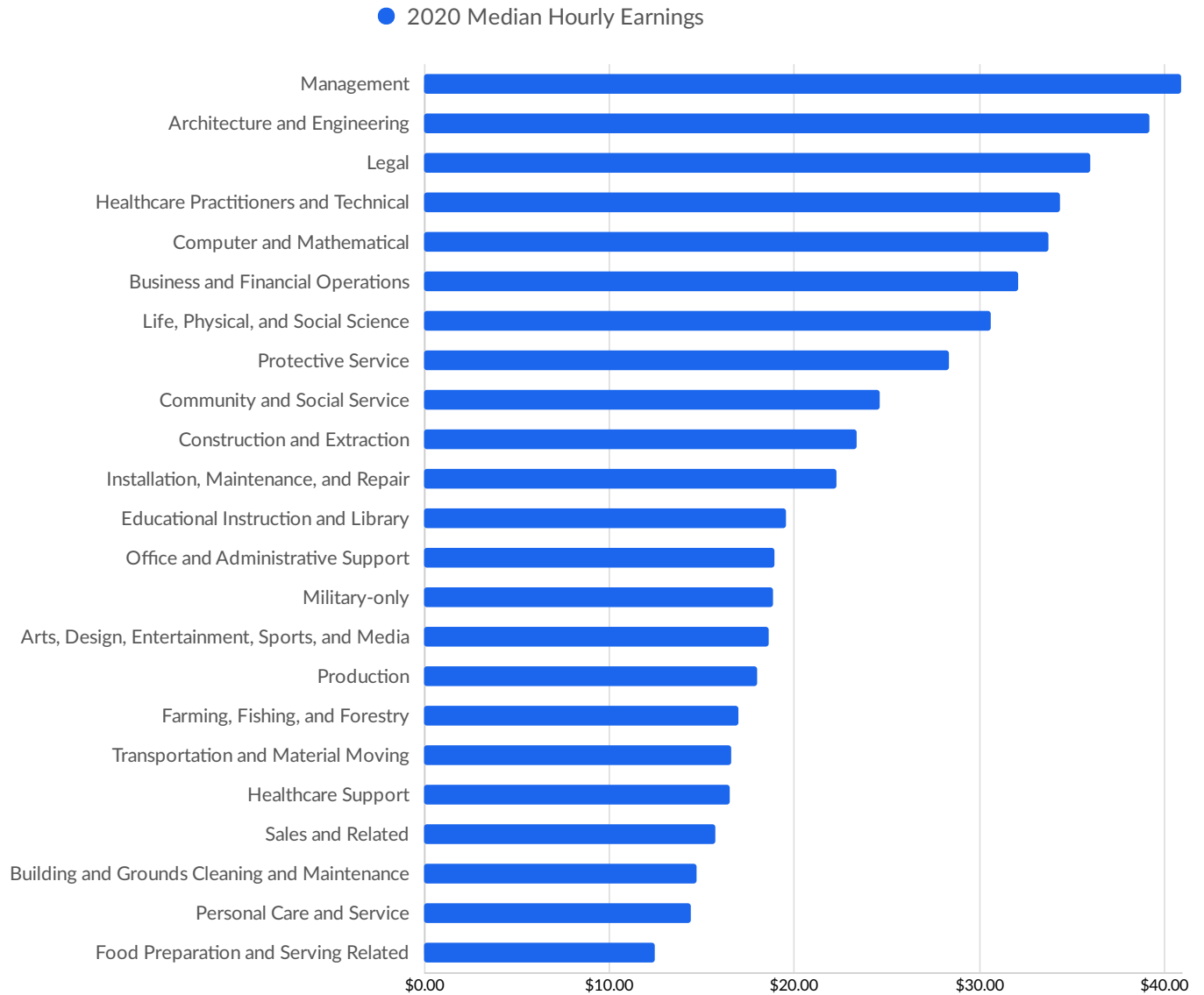
Top Growing Occupations



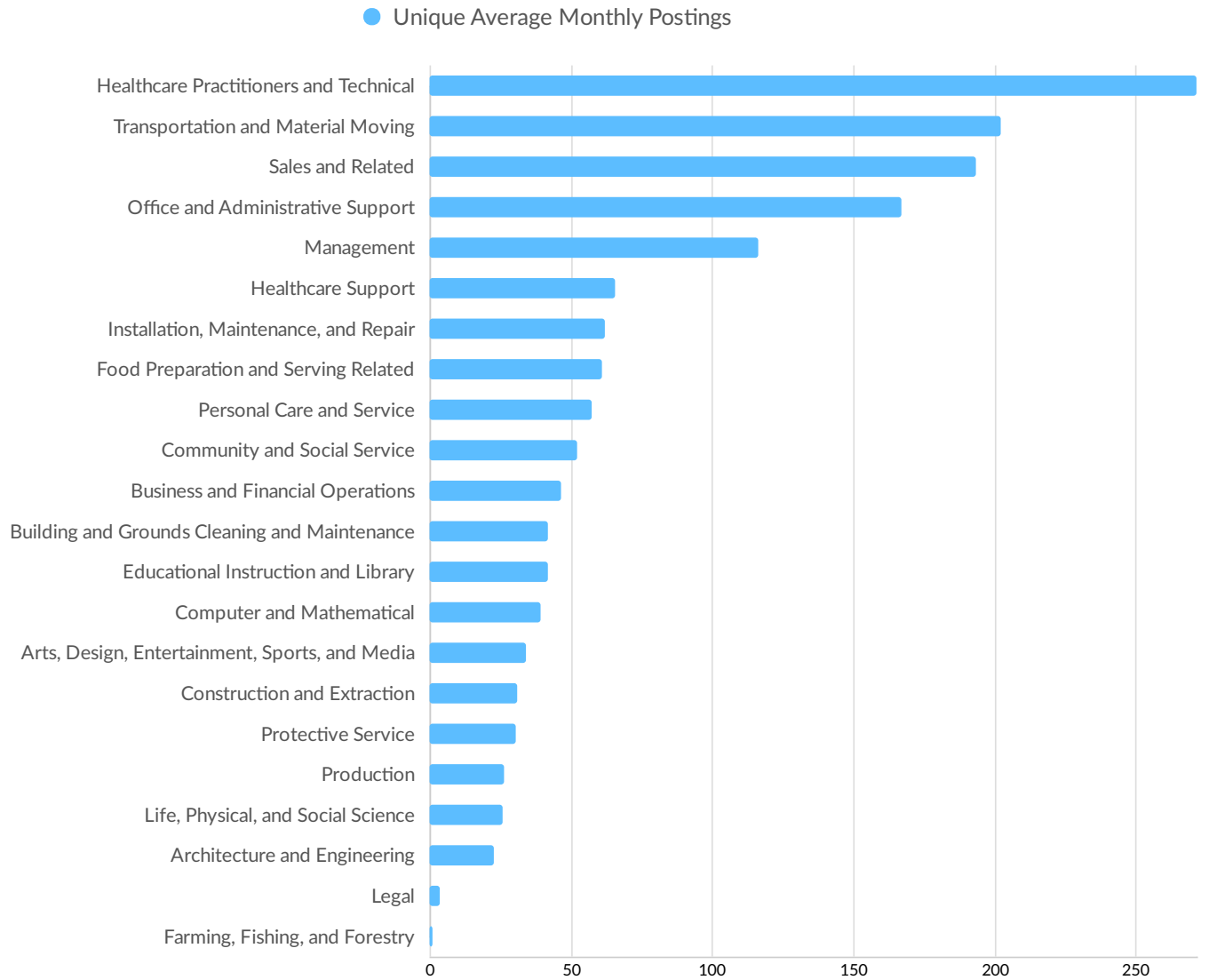
Top Occupation LQ



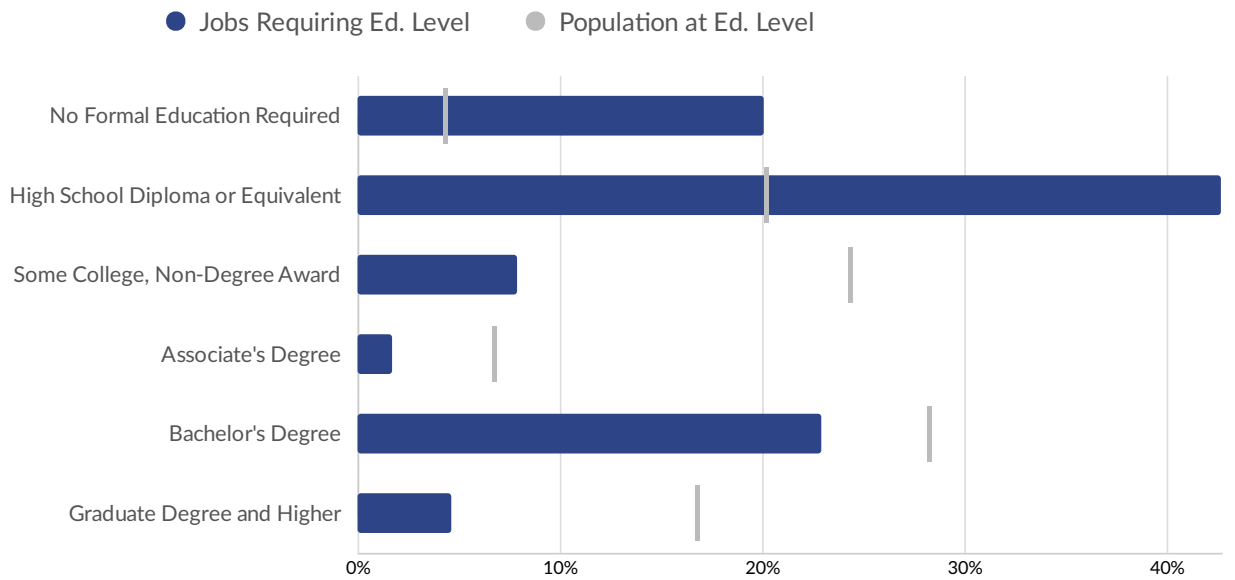
Top Occupation Earnings



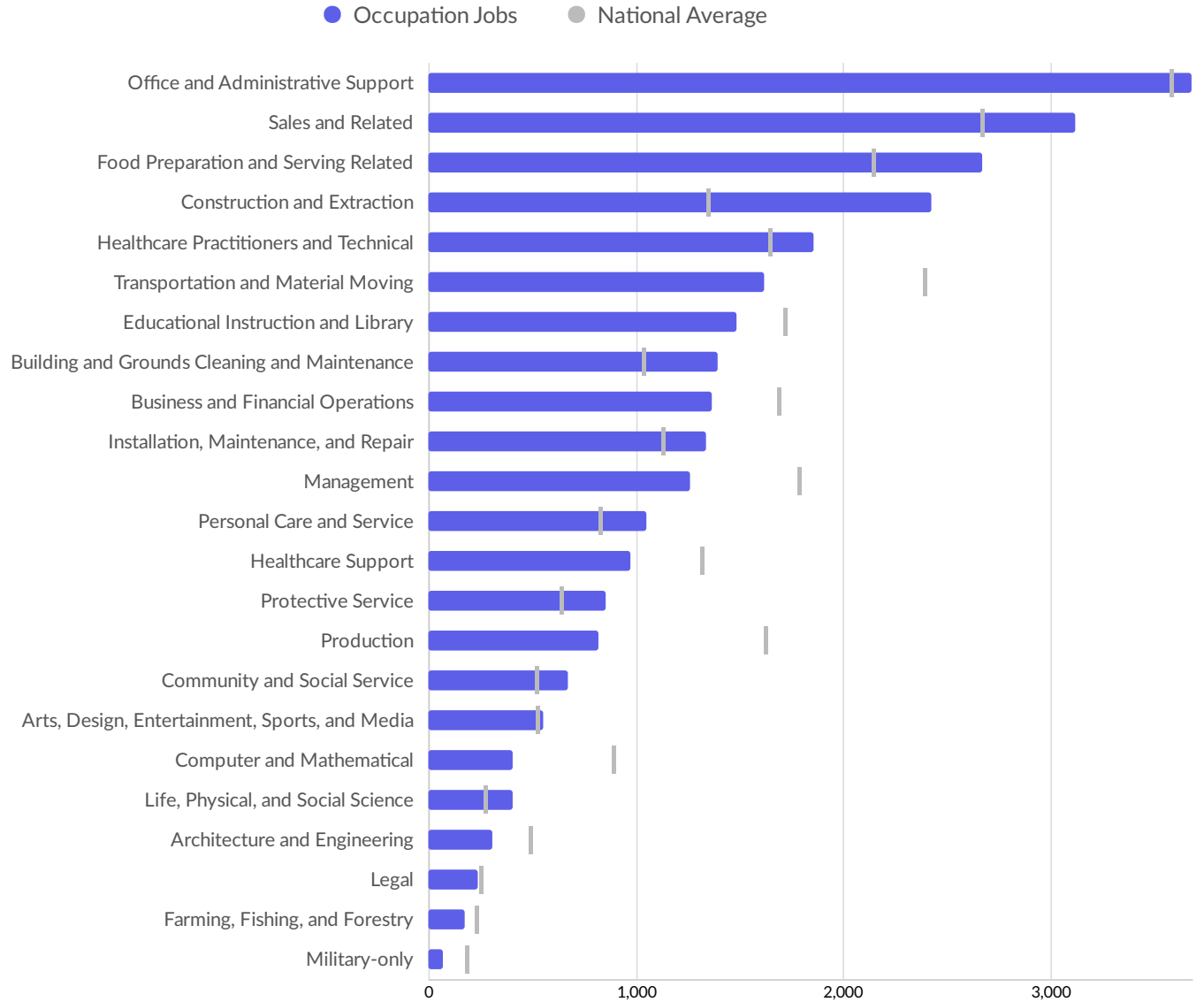
Top Posted Occupations



Underemployment

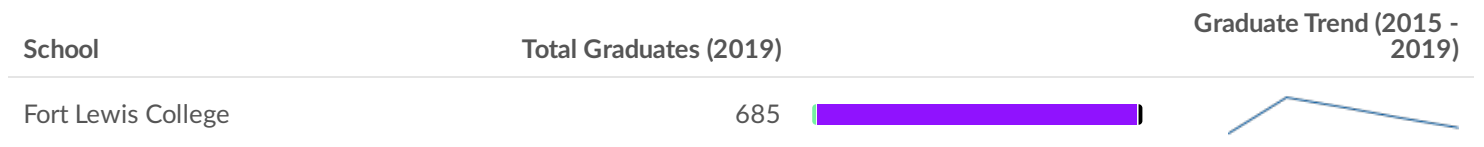


Largest Occupations



Educational Pipeline

In 2019, there were 685 graduates in La Plata County, CO. This pipeline has grown by 3% over the last 5 years. The highest share of these graduates come from "Business/Commerce, General", Kinesiology and Exercise Science, and "Psychology, General".



- Certificate
- Associate's
- Bachelor's
- Master's or Higher

In-Demand Skills

