

**VOLUME II:
BLAINE COUNTY**

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Blaine County

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Population Estimates

The Census Bureau’s current census estimates indicate that Blaine County’s population increased from 478 in 2010 to 484 in 2016, or by 1.3 percent. This compares to a statewide population change of 4.4 percent over the period. The number of people from 25 to 34 years of age decreased by 2.4 percent, and the number of people from 55 to 64 years of age increased by 14.5 percent. The white population remained unchanged by 0 percent, while the black population remained unchanged by 0 percent. The Hispanic population increased from 0 to 8 people between 2010 and 2016. These data are presented in Table II.5.1.

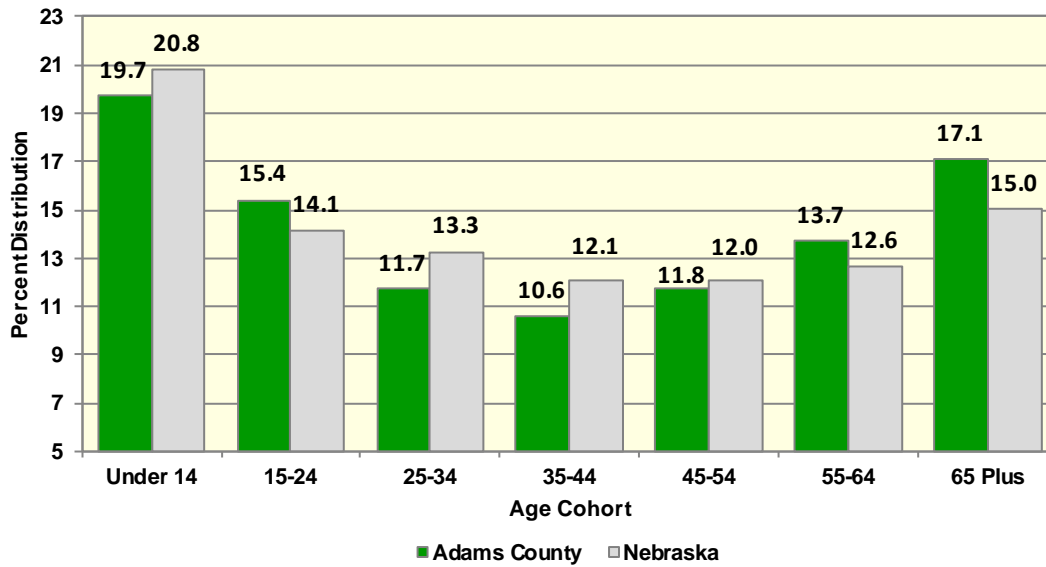
Table II.5.1						
Profile of Population Characteristics						
Blaine County vs. State of Nebraska						
2010 Census and 2016 Current Census Estimates						
Subject	Blaine County			Nebraska		
	2010 Census	Jul-16	% Change	2010 Census	Jul-16	% Change
Population	478	484	1.3%	1,826,341	1,907,116	4.4%
Age						
0 to 14 years	90	80	-11.1%	383,542	396,601	3.4%
15 to 24 years	42	59	40.5%	258,206	269,442	4.4%
25 to 34 years	41	40	-2.4%	245,176	252,946	3.2%
35 to 44 years	55	39	-29.1%	220,838	230,528	4.4%
45 to 54 years	86	62	-27.9%	258,726	229,683	-11.2%
55 to 64 years	69	79	14.5%	213,176	241,172	13.1%
65 and Over	95	125	31.6%	246,677	286,744	16.2%
Race						
White	474	474	0%	1,649,264	1,694,976	2.8%
Black	1	1	0%	85,971	94,620	10.1%
American Indian and Alaskan Native	0	1	%	23,418	27,318	16.7%
Asian	0	0	0%	33,322	47,282	41.9%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	0	0%	2,061	2,425	17.7%
Two or more races	3	8	166.7%	32,305	40,495	25.4%
Ethnicity (of any race)						
Hispanic or Latino	0	8	%	167,405	203,320	21.5%

Table II.5.2, presents the population of Blaine County by age and gender from the 2010 Census and 2016 current census estimates. The 2010 Census count showed a total of 247 males, who accounted for 51.7 percent of the population, and the remaining 48.3 percent, or 231 persons, were female. In 2016, the number of males was 251 persons, and accounted for 51.9 percent of the population, with the remaining 48.1 percent, or 233 persons being female.



Table II.5.2 Population by Age and Gender Blaine County 2010 Census and Current Census Estimates							
Age	2010 Census			2016 Current Census Estimates			% Change 10-16
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
0 to 14 years	47	43	90	48	32	80	-11.1%
15 to 24 years	25	17	42	31	28	59	40.5%
25 to 34 years	22	19	41	24	16	40	-2.4%
35 to 44 years	28	27	55	19	20	39	-29.1%
45 to 54 years	44	42	86	28	34	62	-27.9%
55 to 64 years	30	39	69	42	37	79	14.5%
65 and Over	51	44	95	59	66	125	1.3%
Total	247	231	478	251	233	484	1.3%
% of Total	51.7%	48.3%	.	51.9%	48.1%	.	

**Diagram II.5.1
Age Distribution**
Blaine County
Nebraska DOT Data: 2008 – First Half 2017



Population Migration Trends

Total population change is a combination of births, deaths, and the net migration of those arriving in and leaving the state. The result of births minus deaths is termed the “natural increase.” As calculated from data shown in Table II.5.3, from April 2000 to July 2009, Blaine County natural increase was estimated to be 14 people. Blaine County has been experiencing net out-migration, with 139 persons leaving the county in the last nine years.²⁰ The 2016 population estimates showed a natural increase of 6 persons. Between 2010 and 2016, Blaine County’s population rose to 484 persons.

The Nebraska Department of Transportation (DOT)’s Department of Motor Vehicles provides another source of information about migration trends. These data represent the net of driver’s license exchanges: licenses issued to new residents of Nebraska and licenses surrendered to other states when Nebraska residents relocate to a new state. Known as the driver’s license exchange data, these records show that the net change in Blaine County decreased from 2 persons in 2015 to -9 persons in 2016, with an additional net movement of -4 in the first six months of 2017. The driver’s license total exchanges for the last 16 years are presented in Table II.5.4.

Table II.5.3	
Population Change	
Blaine County	
1980–2010 Census and Intercensal Data	
1980 Population	867
Natural Increase 80–90	33
Net Migration 80–90	-225
1990 Population	675
Natural Increase 90–00	43
Net Migration 90–00	-135
2000 Population	583
Natural Increase 00–09	14
Net Migration 00–09	-139
2009 Population Estimate	458
2010 Population	478
Natural Increase 10–16	6
Net Migration 10–16	0
2016 Population Estimate	484

Table II.5.4			
Driver's Licenses Exchanged and Surrendered			
Blaine County			
2001–First half of 2017 DOT Data			
Year	In-Migrants	Out-Migrants	Net Change
Calendar 2001	8	9	-1
Calendar 2002	10	10	0
Calendar 2003	10	12	-2
Calendar 2004	5	7	-2
Calendar 2005	5	9	-4
Calendar 2006	9	5	4
Calendar 2007	12	8	4
Calendar 2008	7	5	2
Calendar 2009	9	5	4
Calendar 2010	6	5	1
Calendar 2011	12	6	6
Calendar 2012	8	4	4
Calendar 2013	7	3	4
Calendar 2014	0	3	-3
Calendar 2015	8	6	2
Calendar 2016	3	12	-9
First Half of 2017	1	5	-4

²⁰ Net migration includes a residual, a change the Census Bureau has not attributed to any cause.

School Age Enrollment

According to the Nebraska Department of Education (DOE), the total number of school-age children in Blaine County decreased by 11.4 percent from 88 in 2016 to 78 in 2017, as shown in Table II.5.5. The number of school-age children 5 to 11 years of age decreased from 41 in 2016 to 38 in 2017.

Census Demographic Data

In the 1980, 1990, and 2000 decennial censuses, the Census Bureau released several tabulations in addition to the full SF1 100 percent count data including the one-in-six SF3 sample. These additional samples, such as the SF3, asked supplementary questions regarding income and household attributes that were not asked in the 100 percent count. In the 2010 decennial census, the Census Bureau did not collect additional sample data, such as the SF3, and thus many important housing and income concepts are not available in the 2010 Census.

To study these important concepts the Census Bureau distributes the American Community Survey every year to a sample of the population and quantifies the results as one-, three- and five-year averages. The one-year sample only includes responses from the year the survey was implemented, while the five-year sample includes responses over a five-year period. Since the five-year estimates include more responses, the estimates can be tabulated down to the Census tract level, and considered more robust than the one or three year sample estimates.

Table II.5.5 School-Age Children Blaine County Academic Years 1992–2017 DOE Data				
Year	Age Group			Total
	5–11	11–13	14–18	
1992	75	21	51	147
1993	63	31	49	143
1994	83	22	56	161
1995	86	25	65	176
1996	67	33	63	163
1997	73	25	69	167
1998	66	23	67	156
1999	65	22	56	143
2000	59	20	52	131
2001	63	21	46	130
2002	55	10	43	108
2003	72	23	57	152
2004	61	22	53	136
2005	43	15	44	102
2006	43	15	43	101
2007	38	14	29	81
2008	42	13	38	93
2009	46	15	36	97
2010	40	14	37	91
2011	40	14	40	94
2012	40	17	45	102
2013	32	19	31	82
2014	34	10	40	84
2015	43	11	42	96
2016	41	14	33	88
2017	38	12	28	78

Population Characteristics

Table II.5.6, shows population by age for the 2000 and 2010 Census. The population changed by -18 percent overall between 2000 and 2010. Various age cohorts changed at different rates. The elderly population, or persons aged 65 or older, changed by -3.1 percent to a total of 95 persons in 2010. Those aged 25 to 34 changed by -36.9 percent, and those aged under 5 changed by -31.2 percent.



Table II.5.6					
Population by Age					
Blaine County					
2000 & 2010 Census SF1 Data					
Age	2000 Census		2010 Census		% Change 00–10
	Population	% of Total	Population	% of Total	
Under 5	32	5.5%	22	4.6%	-31.2%
5 to 19	132	22.6%	104	21.8%	-21.2%
20 to 24	12	2.1%	6	1.3%	-50%
25 to 34	65	11.1%	41	8.6%	-36.9%
35 to 54	169	29%	141	29.5%	-16.6%
55 to 64	75	12.9%	69	14.4%	-8%
65 or Older	98	16.8%	95	19.9%	-3.1%
Total	583	100.0%	478	100.0%	-18%

The elderly population is further explored in Table II.5.7. Those aged 65 to 66 changed by -45.5 percent between 2000 and 2010, resulting in a population of 12 persons. Those aged 85 or older changed by -55.6 percent during the same time period, and resulted in 8 persons over age 85 in 2010.

Table II.5.7					
Elderly Population by Age					
Blaine County					
2000 & 2010 Census SF1 Data					
Age	2000 Census		2010 Census		% Change 00–10
	Population	% of Total	Population	% of Total	
65 to 66	22	22.4%	12	12.6%	-45.5%
67 to 69	19	19.4%	22	23.2%	15.8%
70 to 74	18	18.4%	25	26.3%	38.9%
75 to 79	13	13.3%	24	25.3%	84.6%
80 to 84	8	8.2%	4	4.2%	-50%
85 or Older	18	18.4%	8	8.4%	-55.6%
Total	98	100.0%	95	100.0%	-3.1%

Population by race and ethnicity is shown in Table II.5.8, with the white population representing 99.2 percent in 2010. The black population represented 0.2 percent of the population in 2010. As for ethnicity, the Hispanic population changed by -100 percent between 2000 and 2010, compared to the -17.9 percent growth rate for non-Hispanics.

Table II.5.8					
Population by Race and Ethnicity					
Blaine County					
2000 & 2010 Census SF1 Data					
Race	2000 Census		2010 Census		% Change 00–10
	Population	% of Total	Population	% of Total	
White	577	99%	474	99.2%	-17.9%
Black	0	0%	1	0.2%	%
American Indian	3	0.5%	0	0%	-100%
Asian	0	0%	0	0%	%
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0%	0	0%	%
Other	0	0%	0	0%	%
Two or More Races	3	0.5%	3	0.6%	0%
Total	583	100.0%	478	100.0%	-18%
Hispanic	1	0.2%	0	0%	-100%
Non-Hispanic	582	99.8%	478	100%	-17.9%

Population by race and ethnicity through 2016 is shown in Table II.5.9. The white population represented 98.6 percent of the population in 2016, compared with black population accounting for 0 percent of the population.

Table II.5.9				
Population by Race and Ethnicity				
Blaine County				
2010 Census & 2016 Five-Year ACS				
Race	2010 Census		2016 Five-Year ACS	
	Population	% of Total	Population	% of Total
White	474	99.2%	572	98.6%
Black	1	0.2%	0	0%
American Indian	0	0%	0	0%
Asian	0	0%	3	0.5%
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0%	5	0.9%
Other	0	0%	0	0%
Two or More Races	3	0.6%	0	0%
Total	478	100.0%	580	100.0%
Non-Hispanic	478	100%	580	100%
Hispanic	0	0%	0	0%

The population by race is broken down further by ethnicity in Table II.5.10. While the white non-Hispanic population changed by -17.7 percent between 2000 and 2010, the white Hispanic population changed by -100 percent.

Table II.5.10					
Population by Race and Ethnicity					
Blaine County					
2000 & 2010 Census Data					
Race	2000		2010 Census		% Change 00 - 10
	Population	% of Total	Population	% of Total	
Non-Hispanic					
White	576	99%	474	99.2%	-17.7%
Black	0	0%	1	0.2%	%
American Indian	3	0.5%	0	0%	-100%
Asian	0	0%	0	0%	%
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0%	0	0%	%
Other	0	0%	0	0%	%
Two or More Races	3	0.5%	3	0.6%	0%
Total Non-Hispanic	582	100.0%	478	100.0%	-17.9%
Hispanic					
White	1	100%	0	%	-100%
Black	0	0%	0	%	%
American Indian	0	0%	0	%	%
Asian	0	0%	0	%	%
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0%	0	%	%
Other	0	0%	0	%	%
Two or More Races	0	0%	0	%	%
Total Hispanic	1	100.0%	0	100.0%	-100.0%
Total Population	583	100.0%	478	100.0%	-18%

The change in race and ethnicity between 2010 and 2016 is shown in Table II.5.11. During this time, the total non-Hispanic population was 580 persons in 2016. The Hispanic population was 0.



Table II.5.11				
Population by Race and Ethnicity				
Blaine County				
2010 Census & 2016 Five-Year ACS				
Race	2010 Census		2016 Five-Year ACS	
	Population	% of Total	Population	% of Total
Non-Hispanic				
White	474	99.2%	572	98.6%
Black	1	0.2%	0	0%
American Indian	0	0%	0	0%
Asian	0	0%	3	0.5%
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0%	5	0.9%
Other	0	0%	0	0%
Two or More Races	3	0.6%	0	0%
Total Non-Hispanic	478	100.0%	580	100.0%
Hispanic				
White	0	%	0	%
Black	0	%	0	%
American Indian	0	%	0	%
Asian	0	%	0	%
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	%	0	%
Other	0	%	0	%
Two or More Races	0	%	0	%
Total Hispanic	0	100.0	0	100.0%
Total Population	478	100.0%	580	100.0%

Households by type and tenure are shown in Table II.5.12. Family households represented 70.5 percent of households, while non-family households accounted for 29.5 percent. These changed from 76 and 24 percent, respectively.

Table II.5.12				
Household Type by Tenure				
Blaine County				
2010 Census SF1 & 2016 Five-Year ACS Data				
Household Type	2010 Census		2016 Five-Year ACS	
	Households	Households	Households	% of Total
Family Households	149	76%	177	70.5%
Married-Couple Family	137	91.9%	155	87.6%
Owner-Occupied	100	73%	93	60%
Renter-Occupied	37	27%	62	40%
Other Family	12	8.1%	22	6.8%
Male Householder, No Spouse Present	8	66.7%	16	36.4%
Owner-Occupied	2	25%	5	31.2%
Renter-Occupied	6	75%	11	68.8%
Female Householder, No Spouse Present	4	33.3%	6	18.2%
Owner-Occupied	1	25%	2	33.3%
Renter-Occupied	3	75%	4	66.7%
Non-Family Households	47	24%	74	29.5%
Owner-Occupied	33	70.2%	45	60.8%
Renter-Occupied	14	29.8%	29	39.2%
Total	196	100.0%	251	100.0%

The number of foreign born persons are shown in Table II.5.13. An estimated 0.9 percent of the population was born in Oceania n.e.c with 0.5 percent born in Malaysia.



Table II.5.13
Place of Birth for the Foreign-Born Population
 Blaine County
 2016 Five-Year ACS

Number	Country	Number of Personss	Percent of Total Population
#1 country of origin	Oceania n.e.c	5	0.9%
#2 country of origin	Malaysia	3	0.5%
#3 country of origin	Afghanistan	0	0%
#4 country of origin	Africa n.e.c	0	0%
#5 country of origin	Albania	0	0%
#6 country of origin	Argentina	0	0%
#7 country of origin	Armenia	0	0%
#8 country of origin	Asia n.e.c	0	0%
#9 country of origin	Australia	0	0%
#10 country of origin	Austria	0	0%

Limited English Proficiency and the language spoken at home are shown in Table II.5.14. An estimated 0.6 percent of the population speaks Spanish at home.

Table II.5.14
Limited English Proficiency and Language Spoken at Home
 Blaine County
 2016 Five-Year ACS

Number	Country	Number of Personss	Percent of Total Population
#1 LEP Language	Spanish	3	0.6%
#2 LEP Language	Arabic	0	0%
#3 LEP Language	Chinese	0	0%
#4 LEP Language	French, Haitian, or Cajun	0	0%
#5 LEP Language	German or other West Germanic languages	0	0%
#6 LEP Language	Korean	0	0%
#7 LEP Language	Other Asian and Pacific Island languages	0	0%
#8 LEP Language	Other Indo-European languages	0	0%
#9 LEP Language	Other and unspecified languages	0	0%
#10 LEP Language	Russian, Polish, or other Slavic languages	0	0%

Disability

The disability rate from the 2000 Census is shown in Table II.5.15. Some 10.4 percent of the population was disabled in 2000, or a total of 57 persons. The disability rate was highest for those over 65, with 30.2 percent disabled.

Table II.5.15 Disability by Age Blaine County 2000 Census SF3 Data		
Age	Total	
	Disabled Population	Disability Rate
5 to 15	2	2.1%
16 to 64	26	7.3%
65 and older	29	30.2%
Total	57	10.4%

Table II.5.16 shows disability by type in 2000. There were 34 physical disabilities in 2000, some 17 employment disabilities, and 27 go-outside-home disabilities.

Table II.5.16 Total Disabilities Tallied: Aged 5 and Older Blaine County 2000 Census SF3 Data	
Disability Type	Population
Sensory disability	13
Physical disability	34
Mental disability	22
Self-care disability	9
Employment disability	17
Go-outside-home disability	27
Total	122

Disability by age, as estimated by the 2016 ACS, is shown in Table II.5.17. The disability rate for females was 5.9 percent, compared to 11.7 percent for males. The disability rate changed precipitously higher with age, with 22.2 percent of those over 75 experiencing a disability.

Table II.5.17 Disability by Age Blaine County 2016 Five-Year ACS Data						
Age	Male		Female		Total	
	Disabled Population	Disability Rate	Disabled Population	Disability Rate	Disabled Population	Disability Rate
Under 5	2	12.5%	0	0%	2	5.6%
5 to 17	2	4.3%	0	0%	2	1.9%
18 to 34	6	10.5%	0	0%	6	6.7%
35 to 64	6	4.6%	4	3.7%	10	4.2%
65 to 74	10	40%	10	34.5%	20	37%
75 or Older	10	31.2%	2	9.1%	12	22.2%
Total	36	11.7%	16	5.9%	52	9%

The number of disabilities by type, as estimated by the 2016 ACS, is shown in Table II.5.18. Some 6.1 percent have an ambulatory disability, 1.1 have an independent living disability, and 0.7 percent have a self-care disability.

Table II.5.18
Total Disabilities Tallied: Aged 5 and Older
 Blaine County
 2016 Five-Year ACS

Disability Type	Population with Disability	Percent with Disability
Hearing disability	13	2.2%
Vision disability	3	0.5%
Cognitive disability	12	2.2%
Ambulatory disability	33	6.1%
Self-Care disability	4	0.7%
Independent living disability	5	1.1%

Education

Education and employment data, as estimated by the 2016 ACS, is presented in Table II.5.20 and Table II.5.19. In 2016, some 298 persons were employed and 3 were unemployed. This totaled a labor force of 301 persons. The unemployment rate for Blaine County was estimated to be 1 in 2016.

Table II.5.19
Employment, Labor Force and Unemployment
 Blaine County
 2016 Five-Year ACS Data

Employment Status	2016 Five-Year ACS
Employed	298
Unemployed	3
Labor Force	301
Unemployment Rate	1%

In 2016, 97.6 percent of households in Blaine County had a high school education or greater.

Table II.5.20
High School or Greater Education
 Blaine County
 2016 Five-Year ACS Data

Education Level	Households
High School or Greater	245
Total Households	251
Percent High School or Above	97.6%

As seen in Table II.5.21, 34.6 percent of the population had a high school diploma or equivalent, another 38.1 percent have some college, 15.4 percent have a Bachelor's Degree, and 7.8 percent of the population had a graduate or professional degree.

Table II.5.21 Educational Attainment Blaine County 2016 Five-Year ACS Data		
Education Level	Population	Percent
Less Than High School	18	4.1%
High School or Equivalent	151	34.6%
Some College or Associates Degree	166	38.1%
Bachelor's Degree	67	15.4%
Graduate or Professional Degree	34	7.8%
Total Population Above 18 years	436	100.0%

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Labor Force

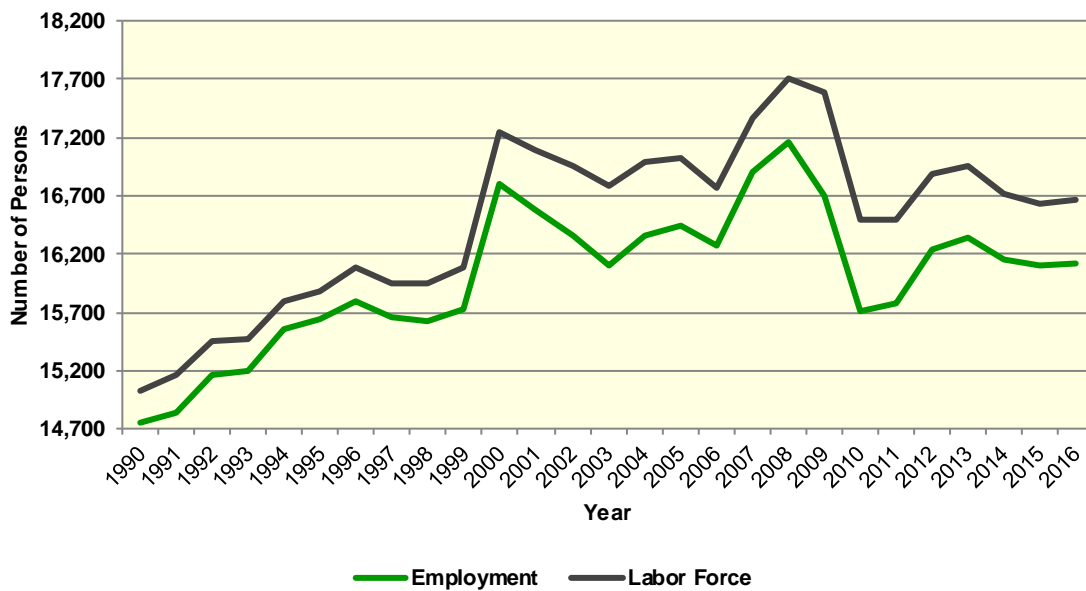
Table II.5.22, shows the labor force statistics for Blaine County from 1990 to the present. Over the entire series the lowest unemployment rate occurred in 1990 with a rate of 1.8. The highest level of unemployment occurred during 2013 rising to a rate of 5.5. This compared to a statewide low of 2.3 in 1990 and statewide high of 4.6 in 2009. Over the last year the unemployment rate in Blaine County remained unchanged from 4.5 percent in 2015 to 4.5 percent in 2016, which compared to a statewide increase to 3.2 percent.

Table II.5.22 Labor Force Statistics Blaine County 1990 - 2016 BLS Data					
Year	Blaine County				Statewide
	Unemployment	Employment	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate	Unemployment Rate
1990	7	374	381	1.8%	2.3%
1991	14	369	383	3.7%	2.7%
1992	14	352	366	3.8%	2.9%
1993	15	327	342	4.4%	2.8%
1994	14	328	342	4.1%	2.6%
1995	12	355	367	3.3%	2.6%
1996	14	348	362	3.9%	2.7%
1997	7	324	331	2.1%	2.5%
1998	8	358	366	2.2%	2.6%
1999	9	383	392	2.3%	2.8%
2000	11	308	319	3.4%	2.8%
2001	8	307	315	2.5%	3.1%
2002	10	279	289	3.5%	3.6%
2003	10	286	296	3.4%	3.9%
2004	10	275	285	3.5%	3.9%
2005	11	274	285	3.9%	3.8%
2006	8	262	270	3%	3.1%
2007	9	229	238	3.8%	3%
2008	12	232	244	4.9%	3.3%
2009	14	247	261	5.4%	4.6%
2010	13	245	258	5%	4.6%
2011	15	265	280	5.4%	4.4%
2012	15	269	284	5.3%	4%
2013	15	258	273	5.5%	3.8%
2014	12	263	275	4.4%	3.3%
2015	12	256	268	4.5%	3%
2016	12	256	268	4.5%	3.2%



Diagram II.5.2, shows the employment and labor force for Blaine County. The difference between the two lines represents the number of unemployed persons. In the most recent year, employment stood at 256 persons, with the labor force reaching 268, indicating there were a total of 12 unemployed persons.

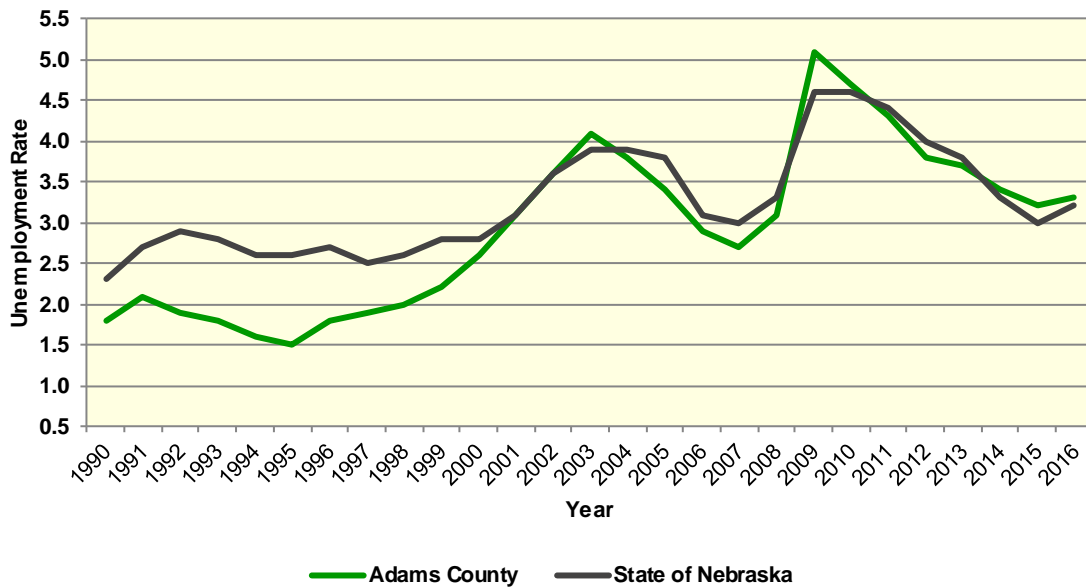
Diagram II.5.2
Employment and Labor Force
 Blaine County
 1990 – 2016 BLS Data



Unemployment

Diagram II.5.3, shows the unemployment rate for both the State and Blaine County. During the 1990’s the average rate for Blaine County was 3.1, which compared to 2.6 statewide. Between 2000 and 2010 the unemployment rate had an average of 3.7, which compared to 3.5 statewide. Since 2010 the average unemployment rate was 4.9. Over the course of the entire period Blaine County had an average unemployment rate higher than the state, 3.7 percent for Blaine County, versus 3.3 statewide.

Diagram II.5.3
Annual Unemployment Rate
 Blaine County
 1990 – 2016 BLS Data



Earnings and Employment

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (B.E.A.) produces regional economic accounts which provide a consistent framework for analyzing and comparing individual state and local area economies. Table II.5.23, shows total real earnings by industry for Blaine County. In the most recent 2016 estimate, the farm industry had the largest total real earnings, with total real earnings reaching 9,987,000 dollars. Between 2015 and 2016 the forestry, fishing, and related activities industry saw the largest percentage increase, rising to 8,006,000 dollars.

Table II.5.23
Real Earnings by Industry
 Blaine County
 BEA Table CA-5N Data (1,000's of 2016 Dollars)

NAICS Categories	2001	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	% Change 15-16
Farm earnings	2,129	5,281	9,176	6,033	7,206	17,590	15,640	9,987	-36.1
Forestry, fishing, related activities, and other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mining	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manufacturing	2,233	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wholesale trade	1,997	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Retail trade	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transportation and warehousing	0	0	0	0	0	0	510	426	-16.4
Information	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Finance and insurance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Real estate and rental and leasing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional and technical services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Management of companies and enterprises	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	374	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Educational services	165	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Health care and social assistance	198	0	0	69	0	0	0	71	0
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	98	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accommodation and food services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other services, except public administration	0	0	0	296	0	0	0	241	0
Government and government enterprises	3,807	4,328	4,293	4,110	3,897	3,768	3,929	3,926	-0.1
Total	15,758	12,318	16,564	12,816	13,347	23,780	21,554	15,687	-27.2



Table II.5.24, shows the total employment by industry for Blaine County. The most recent estimates show the farm industry was the largest employer in Blaine County, with employment reaching 157 jobs in 2016.

Table II.5.24
Employment by Industry
Blaine County
BEA Table CA25 Data

NAICS Categories	2001	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	% Change 15-16
Farm earnings	164	145	150	145	148	146	164	157	-4.3
Forestry, fishing, related activities, and other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mining	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manufacturing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wholesale trade	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Retail trade	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transportation and warehousing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Information	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Finance and insurance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Real estate and rental and leasing	0	0	0	0	11	0	12	12	0
Professional and technical services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Management of companies and enterprises	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Educational services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Health care and social assistance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accommodation and food services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other services, except public administration	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	21	0
Government and government enterprises	105	93	87	88	82	84	80	77	-3.7
Total	418	398	386	375	370	363	382	373	-2.4

Table II.5.25, shows the real average earnings per job by industry for Blaine County. These figures are calculated by dividing the Total Real Earning displayed in Table II.5.23 and Table II.5.24, by Industry. In 2016, the farm industry had the highest average earnings reaching 63,611 dollars. Between 2015 and 2016 the government and government enterprises industry saw the largest percentage increase, rising by 3.8 percent to 50,987 dollars.

Table II.5.25
Real Earnings Per Job by Industry
Blaine County
BEA Table CA5N and CA25 Data

NAICS Categories	2001	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	% Change 15-16
Farm earnings	12,982	36,423	61,172	41,609	48,691	120,482	95,368	63,611	-33.3
Forestry, fishing, related activities, and other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mining	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manufacturing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wholesale trade	153,641	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Retail trade	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transportation and warehousing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Information	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Finance and insurance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Real estate and rental and leasing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional and technical services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Management of companies and enterprises	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Educational services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Health care and social assistance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accommodation and food services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other services, except public administration	0	0	0	15,554	0	0	0	11,476	0
Government and government enterprises	36,258	46,536	49,350	46,702	47,519	44,852	49,113	50,987	3.8
Total	37,698	30,949	42,912	34,177	36,074	65,509	56,425	42,056	-25.5

Table II.5.26 shows total employment and real personal income for the years of 1969 to 2016. As can be seen in Total Real Personal Income in 2016, comprising all wage and salary earnings, proprietorship income, dividends, interest, rents, and transfer payments, was \$27,361,000 a -17.6 percent change between 2015 and 2016. The Table shows further annual data for the years 1969 through 2016. In 2010, total employment was 398 and 373 in 2016.



Table II.5.26
Total Employment and Real Personal Income
 Blaine County
 BEA Data 1969 Through 2016

Year	1,000s of 2016 Dollars						Per Capita Income	Total Employment	Average Real Earnings Per Job
	Earnings	Social Security Contributions	Residents Adjustments	Dividends, Interest, Rents	Transfer Payments	Personal Income			
1969	7,271	288	232	2,369	1,303	10,886	12,472	439	16,560
1970	7,554	298	264	2,510	1,433	11,463	13,376	411	18,381
1971	10,335	345	214	2,486	1,369	14,060	16,718	434	23,813
1972	7,720	402	129	2,887	1,589	11,923	14,739	425	18,166
1973	12,332	478	59	4,228	1,883	18,024	21,900	411	30,004
1974	8,323	470	85	4,740	1,859	14,538	17,838	408	20,400
1975	6,112	458	28	4,289	2,018	11,990	14,858	422	14,485
1976	7,376	478	27	4,230	2,321	13,476	16,315	421	17,521
1977	7,387	469	3	4,456	2,274	13,650	16,153	423	17,463
1978	8,121	498	12	4,351	2,448	14,434	18,892	427	19,019
1979	7,013	602	-148	4,733	2,206	13,203	17,419	448	15,656
1980	7,775	535	-136	4,792	2,494	14,390	16,753	456	17,049
1981	5,620	514	-106	5,085	2,255	12,340	14,922	441	12,745
1982	7,690	528	-125	5,882	2,191	15,110	18,655	433	17,760
1983	5,639	518	-62	6,213	2,197	13,469	17,006	446	12,643
1984	4,314	532	54	6,890	2,196	12,921	16,980	429	10,056
1985	5,432	592	60	5,863	2,373	13,137	18,144	420	12,934
1986	6,008	687	29	5,906	2,292	13,548	19,189	412	14,582
1987	9,764	702	39	6,185	2,230	17,515	24,951	428	22,812
1988	9,569	708	-14	5,306	2,109	16,260	22,902	440	21,746
1989	9,974	746	22	5,317	2,122	16,689	23,115	422	23,634
1990	11,066	694	165	5,174	2,316	18,027	27,231	411	26,926
1991	9,125	709	126	5,191	2,026	15,758	23,174	406	22,475
1992	9,550	685	104	4,736	2,012	15,717	23,778	407	23,463
1993	10,069	697	110	4,714	2,180	16,375	24,962	390	25,818
1994	5,359	689	133	4,588	2,012	11,403	17,020	364	14,721
1995	6,528	803	-370	4,548	2,178	12,080	17,584	414	15,767
1996	3,454	801	-321	4,704	2,236	9,272	14,465	431	8,014
1997	4,031	796	-323	4,804	2,243	9,960	15,936	418	9,644
1998	4,678	848	-420	5,071	2,212	10,692	18,467	398	11,754
1999	5,796	870	-438	4,901	2,494	11,883	20,278	404	14,347
2000	7,899	897	-610	4,944	2,403	13,740	23,567	403	19,600
2001	15,758	1,324	80	5,198	2,333	22,044	39,084	418	37,698
2002	17,092	1,276	109	5,235	2,612	23,771	43,142	401	42,624
2003	17,673	1,118	145	5,350	3,048	25,098	46,052	381	46,386
2004	13,818	875	174	5,054	2,647	20,818	40,423	362	38,171
2005	12,829	842	191	4,880	2,399	19,457	39,547	360	35,636
2006	10,045	931	226	4,925	2,866	17,130	34,746	364	27,595
2007	9,974	854	243	5,220	3,002	17,584	37,979	369	27,029
2008	10,615	897	281	6,274	3,352	19,625	43,038	371	28,613
2009	9,502	916	159	6,243	3,263	18,251	38,263	398	23,874
2010	12,318	920	95	3,622	3,706	18,820	39,872	398	30,949
2011	16,564	890	-70	8,265	4,053	27,922	56,409	386	42,913
2012	12,816	799	111	4,949	3,868	20,946	40,830	375	34,178
2013	13,347	827	257	6,112	3,935	22,825	47,354	370	36,073
2014	23,780	817	311	6,693	3,945	33,912	67,152	363	65,509
2015	21,554	780	379	7,804	4,231	33,188	67,456	382	56,425
2016	15,687	780	425	7,773	4,256	27,361	56,531	373	42,056



Diagram II.5.4, shows real average earnings per job for Blaine County from 1990 to 2016. Over this period the average earning per job for Blaine County was 29,935 dollars, which was lower than the statewide average of 46,130 dollars over the same period.

Diagram II.5.4
Real Average Earnings Per Job
 Blaine County
 BEA Data 1990 - 2016

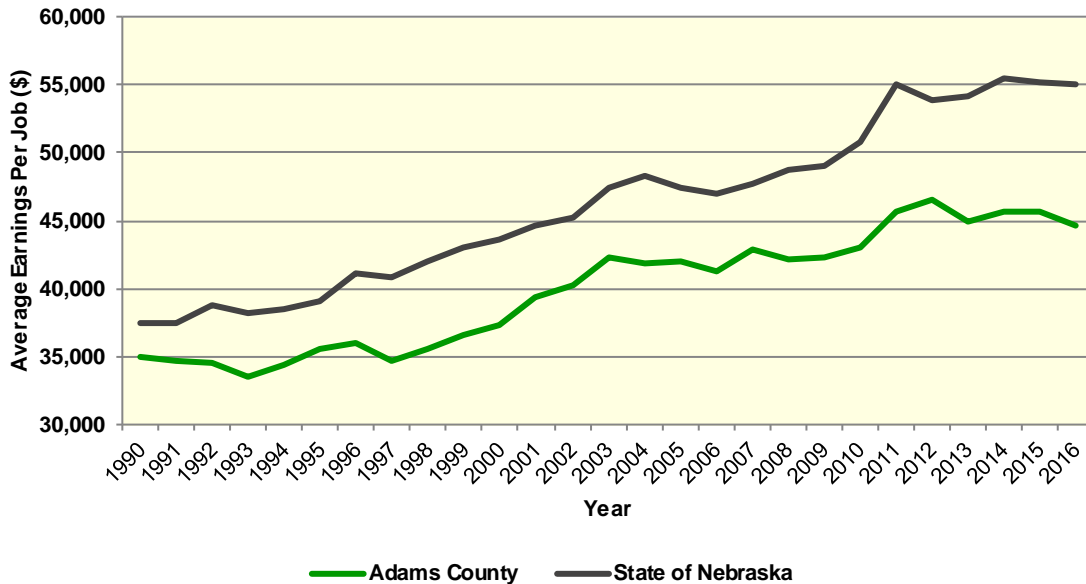
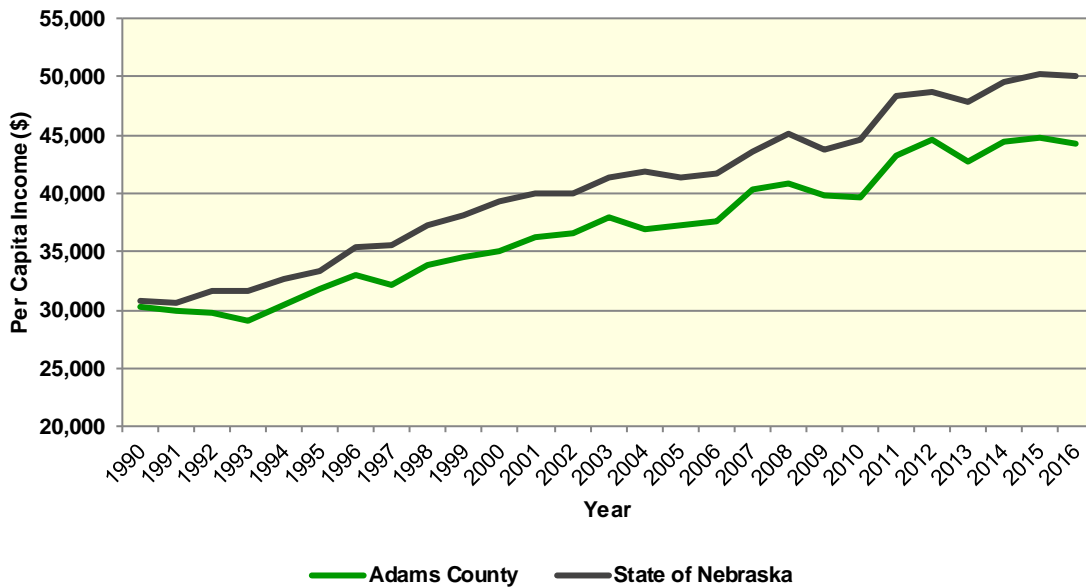


Diagram II.5.5, shows real per capita income in Blaine County from 1990 to 2016, which is calculated by dividing total personal income from all sources by population. Per capita income is a broader measure of wealth than real average earnings per job, which only captures the working population. Over this period the real per capita income for Blaine County was 35,716 dollars, which was lower than the statewide average of 40,548 dollars over the same period.

Diagram II.5.5
Real Per Capita Income
 Blaine County
 BEA Data 1990 - 2016



Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages

The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) produces the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), which reports monthly data on employment and quarterly data on wages and number of business establishments. QCEW employment data represent only filled jobs, whether full or part-time, temporary or permanent, by place of work the pay period. Data from this series are from the period of January 2006 through December 2016 and are presented in Table II.5.27 with the 2016 information considered preliminary. Between 2015 and 2016, total annual employment decreased from 129 persons in 2015 to 124 in 2016, a change of -4 percent.

Table II.5.27
Total Monthly Employment
 Blaine County
 BLS QCEW Data, 2001–2016(p)

Period	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Jan	160	143	126	142	142	135	129	144	136	120	118
Feb	159	141	119	126	140	127	141	137	141	116	122
Mar	164	136	129	132	135	124	141	143	145	117	119
Apr	179	162	142	146	168	152	148	142	148	134	119
May	169	152	146	149	168	153	157	151	160	141	122
Jun	184	173	154	159	179	152	171	156	168	136	135
Jul	175	156	152	159	158	143	162	142	139	136	129
Aug	172	144	152	153	150	144	157	147	136	133	119
Sep	181	143	152	163	152	142	153	146	133	137	127
Oct	174	146	142	140	147	150	154	144	140	131	125
Nov	169	143	135	161	144	156	165	149	147	125	125
Dec	162	134	131	148	147	144	155	137	136	126	133
Annual	171	148	140	148	153	144	153	145	144	129	124
% Change	-6%	-13%	-5%	6%	3%	-6%	6%	-5%	-1%	-10%	-4%

The QCEW also reports average weekly wages, which represents total compensation paid during the calendar quarter, regardless of when services were performed. The BLS QCEW data indicated average weekly wages were \$608 in 2015. In 2016, average weekly wages saw an increase of 4 percent over the prior year, rising to 632 dollars, or by 24 dollars. These data are shown in Table II.5.28.

Table II.5.28						
Average Weekly Wages						
Blaine County						
BLS QCEW Data, 2001–2016(p)						
Year	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Annual	% Change
2001	349	356	388	463	388	
2002	371	398	402	423	399	3%
2003	390	406	396	442	409	3%
2004	411	424	432	496	441	8%
2005	404	436	421	499	439	(ND)%
2006	490	442	435	516	470	7%
2007	415	423	460	464	440	-6%
2008	473	451	455	517	473	7%
2009	458	435	472	539	476	1%
2010	474	453	474	585	495	4%
2011	511	519	599	600	558	13%
2012	479	502	526	465	494	-11%
2013	483	500	592	494	517	5%
2014	547	468	552	1,131	670	30%
2015	613	559	636	626	608	-9%
2016(p)	610	580	652	683	632	4%

Total business establishments reported by the QCEW are displayed in Table II.5.29. Between 2015 and 2016, the total number of business establishments in Blaine County remained unchanged from 23 to 23 establishments.

Table II.5.29						
Number of Business Establishments						
Blaine County						
BLS QCEW Data, 2001–2016(p)						
Year	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Annual	% Change
2001	29	29	29	29	29	
2002	29	29	29	28	29	(ND)%
2003	28	27	27	26	27	-7%
2004	24	24	26	26	25	-7%
2005	27	26	26	26	26	4%
2006	25	25	26	26	26	(ND)%
2007	25	25	25	24	25	-4%
2008	23	24	23	22	23	-8%
2009	21	23	24	23	23	(ND)%
2010	23	23	23	24	23	(ND)%
2011	23	24	24	26	24	4%
2012	25	27	28	26	27	13%
2013	27	26	26	26	26	-4%
2014	26	26	25	25	26	(ND)%
2015	23	22	23	22	23	-12%
2016	22	22	24	24	23	(ND)%

Nebraska Department of Revenue

According to the Nebraska Department of Revenue (DOR), returns from taxpayers with adjusted gross incomes (AGIs) of less than \$10,000 decreased by 5.2 percent between 2010 and 2016. Returns from taxpayers with AGIs of \$35,001 to \$50,000 over the period. On the other hand, by 2016 there were 15 returns for AGIs of \$100,000 or more. Table II.5.31 presents AGI distribution for the years 1991 through 2016.

Table II.5.30										
Income Tax Returns by Adjusted Gross Income										
Blaine County										
1991–2016 DOR Data										
Year	Less than \$10,000	\$10,001– \$15,000	\$15,001– \$25,000	\$25,001– \$35,000	\$35,001– \$50,000	\$50,001– \$75,000	\$75,001– \$100,000	\$100,001– \$250,000	More than \$250,000	Total ²¹
1991	121	46	66	32	15	0	0	0	0	320
1992	121	44	62	28	12	0	0	11	0	308
1993	120	35	66	37	10	0	0	10	0	306
1994	136	32	62	38	12	0	0	10	0	312
1995	147	22	54	33	10	0	0	10	0	299
1996	134	26	47	36	0	0	0	0	0	289
1997	126	16	67	32	12	0	0	0	0	289
1998	135	31	50	31	15	0	0	0	0	304
1999	112	28	45	42	10	0	0	0	0	282
2000	108	21	47	40	23	0	0	0	0	282
2001	100	22	46	39	10	0	0	0	0	261
2002	107	19	42	28	10	0	0	0	0	251
2003	111	21	34	35	0	0	0	0	0	254
2004	97	21	30	30	12	0	0	0	0	240
2005	74	13	39	22	0	0	0	0	0	222
2006	68	23	39	31	0	0	0	0	0	232
2007	78	16	32	32	0	0	0	10	0	227
2008	76	21	41	26	0	0	0	0	0	225
2009	86	19	33	16	23	11	0	0	0	234
2010	77	19	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	233
2011	73	18	37	41	11	10	0	0	0	241
2012	70	16	31	11	36	0	0	15	0	235
2013	75	15	31	31	28	0	0	13	0	240
2014	61	35	32	31	20	0	0	17	0	263
2015	64	26	12	10	0	0	0	24	0	255
2016	73	23	21	26	28	10	0	15	0	261

²¹ Income levels with fewer than 10 returns were not disclosed, but are included in the totals. As a result, income levels may not sum to total.



Poverty

Poverty is the condition of having insufficient resources or income. In its extreme form, poverty is a lack of basic human needs, such as adequate and healthy food, clothing, housing, water, and health services. According to the Census Bureau’s Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates Program, the number of individuals in poverty decreased from 97 in 2010 to 75 in 2016, with the poverty rate reaching 15.5 percent in 2016. This compared to a state poverty rate of 11.3 percent and a national rate of 14 percent in 2016. Table II.5.31 presents poverty data for the county.

Year	Persons in Poverty	Poverty Rate
2000	103	18.6%
2001	98	17.5%
2002	91	16.9%
2003	80	15.2%
2004	66	13.6%
2005	86	17.7%
2006	86	17.5%
2007	79	17.6%
2008	82	19.2%
2009	101	22.1%
2010	97	20.3%
2011	83	17.5%
2012	98	19.1%
2013	87	18%
2014	79	15.7%
2015	81	16.6%
2016	75	15.5%

The rate of poverty for Blaine County is shown in Table II.5.32. In 2016, there were an estimated 94 persons living in poverty. This represented a 16.2 percent poverty rate, compared to 19.4 percent poverty in 2000. In 2016, some 11.7 percent of those in poverty were under age 6, and 5.3 percent were 65 or older.

Age	2000 Census		2016 Five-Year ACS	
	Persons in Poverty	% of Total	Persons in Poverty	% of Total
Under 6	13	11.5%	11	11.7%
6 to 17	21	18.6%	22	23.4%
18 to 64	70	61.9%	56	59.6%
65 or Older	9	8%	5	5.3%
Total	113	100.0%	94	100.0%
Poverty Rate	19.4%	.	16.2%	.

HOUSING

The Census Bureau estimates that the total number of housing units decreased by -1.2 percent in Blaine County between 2010 and 2016, from 326 to 322. This compared to an estimated 3.8 percent increase statewide, as shown in Table II.5.33.

Subject	Nebraska	% Growth Since Census	Blaine County	% Growth Since Census
2000 Census Base	722,656	.	333	.
2010 Census	796,793	10.3	326	-2.1
July 2011 Estimate	801,068	0.5	325	-0.3
July 2012 Estimate	804,586	1	325	-0.3
July 2013 Estimate	809,062	1.5	324	-0.6
July 2014 Estimate	814,835	2.3	323	-0.9
July 2015 Estimate	820,725	3	323	-0.9
July 2016 Estimate	827,156	3.8	322	-1.2



Housing Characteristics

Housing types by unit are shown in Table II.5.34. In 2016, there were 352 housing units, up from 333 in 2000. Single-family units accounted for 86.4 percent of units in 2016, compared to 82.3 in 2000. Apartment units accounted for 2.3 percent in 2016, compared to 0 percent in 2000.

Table II.5.34				
Housing Units by Type				
Blaine County				
2000 Census SF3 & 2016 Five-Year ACS Data				
Unit Type	2000 Census		2016 Five-Year ACS	
	Units	% of Total	Units	% of Total
Single-Family	274	82.3%	304	86.4%
Duplex	0	0%	0	0%
Tri- or Four-Plex	2	0.6%	0	0%
Apartment	0	0%	8	2.3%
Mobile Home	57	17.1%	40	11.4%
Boat, RV, Van, Etc.	0	0%	0	0%
Total	333	100.0%	352	100.0%

Some 60.1 percent of housing was occupied in 2010, compared to 71.5 percent in 2000. Owner-occupied housing changed -12.8 percent between 2000 and 2010, ending with owner-occupied units representing 69.4 percent of units. Vacant units changed by 36.8 percent, resulting in 130 vacant units in 2010.

Table II.5.35					
Housing Units by Tenure					
Blaine County					
2000 & 2010 Census SF1 Data					
Tenure	2000 Census		2010 Census		% Change 00-10
	Units	% of Total	Units	% of Total	
Occupied Housing Units	238	71.5%	196	60.1%	-17.6%
Owner-Occupied	156	65.5%	136	69.4%	-12.8%
Renter-Occupied	82	34.5%	60	30.6%	-26.8%
Vacant Housing Units	95	28.5%	130	39.9%	36.8%
Total Housing Units	333	100.0%	326	100.0%	-2.1%

Table II.5.36 shows housing units by tenure from 2010 to 2016. By 2016, there were 352 housing units. An estimated 57.8 percent were owner-occupied, and 28.7 percent were vacant.

Table II.5.36				
Housing Units by Tenure				
Blaine County				
2010 Census & 2016 Five-Year ACS Data				
Tenure	2010 Census		2016 Five-Year ACS	
	Units	% of Total	Units	% of Total
Occupied Housing Units	196	60.1%	251	71.3%
Owner-Occupied	136	69.4%	145	57.8%
Renter-Occupied	60	30.6%	106	42.2%
Vacant Housing Units	130	39.9%	101	28.7%
Total Housing Units	326	100.0%	352	100.0%

Households by household size are shown in Table II.5.37. There were a total of 196 households in 2010, down from 238 in 2000. One person households changed by 32.8 percent between 2000 and 2010, while two person households changed by -1.1 percent. Three and four person households changed by -27.8 and -4.8 respectively, representing 13.3 percent and 10.2 percent of the population in 2010.

Table II.5.37					
Households by Household Size					
Blaine County					
2000 & 2010 Census SF1 Data					
Size	2000 Census		2010 Census		% Change 00–10
	Households	% of Total	Households	% of Total	
One Person	64	26.9%	43	21.9%	-32.8%
Two Persons	89	37.4%	88	44.9%	-1.1%
Three Persons	36	15.1%	26	13.3%	-27.8%
Four Persons	21	8.8%	20	10.2%	-4.8%
Five Persons	20	8.4%	13	6.6%	-35%
Six Persons	7	2.9%	6	3.1%	-14.3%
Seven Persons or More	1	0.4%	0	0%	-100%
Total	238	100.0%	196	100.0%	-17.6%

Households by income is shown in Table II.5.38. Households earning more than \$100,000 per year represented 12.7 percent of households in 2016, compared to 1.7 percent in 2000. Households earning between \$50,000 and \$74,999 represented 26.7 percent of households in 2016, compared to 12.4 percent in 2000. Meanwhile, households earning less than \$15,000 accounted for 10.4 percent of households in 2016, compared to 26.4 percent in 2000.

Table II.5.38				
Households by Income				
Blaine County				
2000 Census SF3 & 2016 Five-Year ACS Data				
Income	2000 Census		2016 Five-Year ACS	
	Households	% of Total	Households	% of Total
Less than \$15,000	64	26.4%	26	10.4%
\$15,000 to \$19,999	18	7.4%	11	4.4%
\$20,000 to \$24,999	37	15.3%	5	2%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	57	23.6%	34	13.5%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	25	10.3%	46	18.3%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	30	12.4%	67	26.7%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	7	2.9%	30	12%
\$100,000 or More	4	1.7%	32	12.7%
Total	242	100.0%	251	100.0%

Table II.5.39 shows households by year home built. Housing units built between 2000 and 2009, account for 8 percent and those built in 2010 or later accounted for 0.4 percent of households. Households built in the 1970's, 1980's, and 1990's account for 12.4 percent, 10.8 percent, and 8.8, respectively. Housing units built prior to 1939 represented 25.5 percent of households in 2016.

Table II.5.39				
Households by Year Home Built				
Blaine County				
2000 Census SF3 & 2016 Five-Year ACS Data				
Year Built	2000 Census		2016 Five-Year ACS	
	Households	% of Total	Households	% of Total
1939 or Earlier	77	32.4%	64	25.5%
1940 to 1949	38	16%	52	20.7%
1950 to 1959	29	12.2%	15	6%
1960 to 1969	23	9.7%	19	7.6%
1970 to 1979	37	15.5%	31	12.4%
1980 to 1989	21	8.8%	27	10.8%
1990 to 1999	13	5.5%	22	8.8%
2000 to 2009	.	.	20	8%
2010 or Later	.	.	1	0.4%
Total	238	100.0%	251	100.0%

The distribution of unit types by race are shown in Table II.5.40. An estimated 86.6 percent of white households occupy single-family homes. Some 1.2 percent of white households occupy apartments.

Table II.5.40							
Distribution of Units in Structure by Race							
Blaine County							
2016 Five-Year ACS Data							
Unit Type	White	Black	American Indian	Asian	Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islanders	Other	Two or More Races
Single-Family	86.6%	%	%	%	0%	%	%
Duplex	0%	%	%	%	0%	%	%
Tri- or Four-Plex	0%	%	%	%	0%	%	%
Apartment	1.2%	%	%	%	100%	%	%
Mobile Home	12.2%	%	%	%	0%	%	%
Boat, RV, Van, Etc.	0%	%	%	%	0%	%	%
Total	100.0%	%	%	%	100.0%	%	%

The disposition of vacant housing units in 2000 and 2010 are shown in Table II.5.41. An estimated 15.4 percent of vacant units were for rent in 2010, a 100 percent change since 2000. In addition, some 0.8 percent of vacant units were for sale, a change of -80 percent between 2000 and 2010. "Other" vacant units represented 53.8 percent of vacant units in 2010. This is a change of 75 percent since 2000. "Other" vacant units are not for sale or rent, or otherwise available to the marketplace. These units may be problematic if concentrated in certain areas, and may create a "blighting" effect.

Table II.5.41					
Disposition of Vacant Housing Units					
Blaine County					
2000 & 2010 Census SF1 Data					
Disposition	2000 Census		2010 Census		% Change 00-10
	Units	% of Total	Units	% of Total	
For Rent	10	10.5%	20	15.4%	100%
For Sale	5	5.3%	1	0.8%	-80%
Rented or Sold, Not Occupied	7	7.4%	3	2.3%	-57.1%
For Seasonal, Recreational, or Occasional Use	32	33.7%	36	27.7%	12.5%
For Migrant Workers	1	1.1%	0	0%	-100%
Other Vacant	40	42.1%	70	53.8%	75%
Total	95	100.0%	130	100.0%	36.8%

The disposition of vacant units between 2010 and 2016 are shown in Table II.5.42. By 2016, for rent units accounted for 0 percent of vacant units, while for sale units accounted for 2 percent. "Other" vacant units accounted for 53.5 percent of vacant units, representing a total of 54 "other" vacant units.

Table II.5.42				
Disposition of Vacant Housing Units				
Blaine County				
2010 Census & 2016 Five-Year ACS Data				
Disposition	2010 Census		2016 Five-Year ACS	
	Units	% of Total	Units	% of Total
For Rent	20	15.4%	0	0%
For Sale	1	0.8%	2	2%
Rented Not Occupied	0	0%	0	0%
Sold Not Occupied	3	2.3%	3	3%
For Seasonal, Recreational, or Occasional Use	36	27.7%	42	41.6%
For Migrant Workers	0	0%	0	0%
Other Vacant	70	53.8%	54	53.5%
Total	130	100.0%	101	100.0%

Department of Property Assessment Division

The Department of Property Assessment Division (PAD) provided a database of residential property transactions over the last 19 years. Property transactions are primarily related to existing buildings, with very few for new construction. During fiscal years 1999 through 2017, there were 54 property transactions in Blaine County. Of these, 50 were for single-family homes during this 19-year period, as shown in Table II.5.43.

Table II.5.43 Residential Property Transactions Blaine County Fiscal Years 1999–2017 PAD Data						
Year	Single-Family	Mobile Home	Duplex	Townhome	Missing	Total
1999	3	0	0	0	0	3
2000	5	0	0	0	0	5
2001	6	1	0	0	1	8
2002	2	1	0	0	0	3
2003	1	0	0	0	0	1
2004	0	0	0	0	0	0
2005	2	1	0	0	0	3
2006	4	0	0	0	0	4
2007	0	0	0	0	0	0
2008	1	0	0	0	0	1
2009	4	0	0	0	0	4
2010	2	0	0	0	0	2
2011	0	0	0	0	0	0
2012	4	0	0	0	0	4
2013	4	0	0	0	0	4
2014	4	0	0	0	0	4
2015	1	0	0	0	0	1
2016	3	0	0	0	0	3
2017	4	0	0	0	0	4
Total	50	3	0	0	1	54

The PAD data also include descriptions of the quality of the building, which refers to the grade of materials and workmanship used in the original construction. Of the 32 single-family home property transactions for units built before 1930, 6.3 percent of units were of low quality and 56.3 percent were of fair quality. Conversely, of the 0 homes built from 2001 through 2010. Table II.5.44 provides details on the quality of these single-family residential dwellings by vintage of construction.

Table II.5.44 Single-Family Homes by Year Built and Quality of Materials and Workmanship Blaine County Fiscal Years 1999–2017 PAD Data										
Quality	Before 1931	1931-1960	1961-1970	1971-1980	1981-1990	1991-2000	2001-2010	2011-2017	Missing	Total
Low	2	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	7
Fair	18	3	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	26
Average	12	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	15
Good	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Very Good	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Excellent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	32	3	2	12	1	0	0	0	0	50

In regard to the current condition of residential dwellings, of the same 32 single-family homes built before 1930, 28.1 percent of the homes were worn out or badly worn, and 53.1 percent were in average condition. Table II.5.45 provides details about the condition of single-family residential dwellings by year built.

Table II.5.45 Single-Family Homes by Year Built and Condition Blaine County Fiscal Years 1999–2017 PAD Data										
Condition	Before 1931	1931-1960	1961-1970	1971-1980	1981-1990	1991-2000	2001-2010	2011-2017	Missing	Total
Worn Out	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Badly Worn	8	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	11
Average	17	2	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	25
Good	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	6
Very Good	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	6
Excellent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	32	3	2	12	1	0	0	0	0	50

Housing Costs

Between 2010 and 2017, the average price of an existing single-family home changed from \$13,000 to \$18,750, a total increase of 44.2 percent, as shown in Table II.5.46.

Single-family home prices from the PAD database also indicated a general increase in average home prices and average floor area for newer homes. The average home price for single-family homes in Blaine County ranged from \$21,519 for homes built before 1930.²² Table II.5.47, provides additional details about single-family homes.

Table II.5.46 Average Sales Price of Single-Family Homes Blaine County Fiscal Years 1999–2017 PAD Data	
Fiscal Year	Average Sales Price (\$)
1999	35,000
2000	17,840
2001	25,750
2002	13,500
2003	1,500
2004	0
2005	20,000
2006	20,625
2007	0
2008	105,000
2009	15,750
2010	13,000
2011	0
2012	67,000
2013	11,225
2014	42,000
2015	19,000
2016	34,833
2017	18,750
Average	27,462

Table II.5.47 Single-Family Homes by Year Built, Average Sales Price, Average Floor Area, and Price Per Square Foot Blaine County Fiscal Years 1999–2017 PAD Data			
Year Built	Average Sales Price (\$)	Average Floor Area (Sq. Ft.)	Price per Sq. Ft. ²³ (\$)
Before 1931	21,519	1,233	17.45
1931-1960	16,167	1,158	13.96
1961-1970	25,000	1,363	18.34
1971-1980	44,250	1,379	32.08
1981-1990	55,000	1,680	32.74
1991-2000	0	0	0
2001-2010	0	0	0
2011-2017	0	0	0
Average	27,462	1,278	21.49

Housing Problems

Households are classified as having housing problems if they face overcrowding, incomplete plumbing or kitchen facilities, or cost burdens. Overcrowding is defined as having from 1.1 to 1.5 people per room per residence, with severe overcrowding defined as having more than 1.5 people

²² When a manufactured home is placed on a permanent foundation, the Assessor considers the property a single-family dwelling. Hence, these property transactions are seen even though a single-family new construction permit was probably not issued for the manufactured home.

²³ Price per sq. ft. may not compute precisely due to rounding-off of sales price and floor area.

per room. Households with overcrowding are shown in Table II.5.48. In 2016, an estimated 1.6 percent of households were overcrowded, and an additional 0 percent were severely overcrowded.

Table II.5.48 Overcrowding and Severe Overcrowding Blaine County 2000 Census SF3 & 2016 Five-Year ACS Data							
Data Source	No Overcrowding		Overcrowding		Severe Overcrowding		Total
	Households	% of Total	Households	% of Total	Households	% of Total	
Owner							
2000 Census	154	99.4%	1	0.6%	0	0%	155
2016 Five-Year ACS	141	97.2%	4	2.8%	0	0%	145
Renter							
2000 Census	82	98.8%	0	0%	1	1.2%	83
2016 Five-Year ACS	106	100%	0	0%	0	0%	251
Total							
2000 Census	236	99.2%	1	0.4%	1	0.4%	238
2016 Five-Year ACS	247	98.4%	4	1.6%	0	0%	251

Incomplete plumbing and kitchen facilities are another indicator of potential housing problems. According to the Census Bureau, a housing unit is classified as lacking complete plumbing facilities when any of the following are not present: piped hot and cold water, a flush toilet, and a bathtub or shower. Likewise, a unit is categorized as deficient when any of the following are missing from the kitchen: a sink with piped hot and cold water, a range or cook top and oven, and a refrigerator.

There were a total of 6 households with incomplete plumbing facilities in 2016, representing 2.4 percent of households in Blaine County. This is compared to 2.1 percent of households lacking complete plumbing facilities in 2000.

Table II.5.49 Households with Incomplete Plumbing Facilities Blaine County 2000 Census SF3 & 2016 Five-Year ACS Data		
Households	2000 Census	2016 Five-Year ACS
With Complete Plumbing Facilities	233	245
Lacking Complete Plumbing Facilities	5	6
Total Households	238	251
Percent Lacking	2.1%	2.4%

There were 0 households lacking complete kitchen facilities in 2016, compared to 7 households in 2000. This was a change from 2.9 percent of households in 2000 to 0 percent in 2016.

Table II.5.50 Households with Incomplete Kitchen Facilities Blaine County 2000 Census SF3 & 2016 Five-Year ACS Data		
Households	2000 Census	2016 Five-Year ACS
With Complete Kitchen Facilities	231	251
Lacking Complete Kitchen Facilities	7	0
Total Households	238	251
Percent Lacking	2.9%	0%



Cost burden is defined as gross housing costs that range from 30.0 to 50.0 percent of gross household income; severe cost burden is defined as gross housing costs that exceed 50.0 percent of gross household income. For homeowners, gross housing costs include property taxes, insurance, energy payments, water and sewer service, and refuse collection. If the homeowner has a mortgage, the determination also includes principal and interest payments on the mortgage loan. For renters, this figure represents monthly rent and selected electricity and natural gas energy charges.

In Blaine County, 2.8 percent of households had a cost burden and 2 percent had a severe cost burden. Some 0.9 percent of renters were cost burdened, and 0.9 percent were severely cost burdened. Owner-occupied households without a mortgage had a cost burden rate of 2.6 percent and a severe cost burden rate of 1.7 percent. Owner occupied households with a mortgage had a cost burden rate of 10 percent, and severe cost burden at 6.7 percent.

Table II.5.51
Cost Burden and Severe Cost Burden by Tenure
 Blaine County
 2000 Census & 2016 Five-Year ACS Data

Data Source	Less Than 30%		30%-50%		Above 50%		Not Computed		Total
	Households	% of Total	Households	% of Total	Households	% of Total	Households	% of Total	
Owner With a Mortgage									
2000 Census	11	52.4%	8	38.1%	2	9.5%	0	0%	21
2016 Five-Year ACS	25	83.3%	3	10%	2	6.7%	0	0%	30
Owner Without a Mortgage									
2000 Census	34	75.6%	6	13.3%	2	4.4%	3	6.7%	45
2016 Five-Year ACS	101	87.8%	3	2.6%	2	1.7%	9	7.8%	115
Renter									
2000 Census	16	39%	3	7.3%	2	4.9%	20	48.8%	41
2016 Five-Year ACS	38	35.8%	1	0.9%	1	0.9%	66	62.3%	106
Total									
2000 Census	61	57%	17	15.9%	6	5.6%	23	21.5%	107
2016 Five-Year ACS	164	65.3%	7	2.8%	5	2%	75	29.9%	251



Housing Problems by Income

Table II.5.52, shows the HUD calculated Median Family Income (MFI) for a family of four for Blaine County. As can be seen in 2017 the MFI was \$56,500, which compared to \$68,200 for the State of Nebraska.

Table II.5.53 shows Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data for housing problems by tenure and income. As can be seen there are a total of 12 owner-occupied and 4 renter-occupied households with a cost burden of greater than 30 percent and less than 50 percent. An additional 8 owner-occupied 8 renter-occupied households had a cost burden greater than 50 percent of income. Overall there are 213 households without a housing problem.

Table II.5.52
Median Family Income
Blaine County
2000–2017 HUD MFI

Year	MFI	State of Nebraska MFI
2000	40,900	50,400
2001	44,700	53,400
2002	46,900	55,100
2003	33,200	55,400
2004	33,500	56,300
2005	34,450	57,400
2006	35,600	59,400
2007	34,900	58,200
2008	36,000	59,800
2009	37,300	62,000
2010	37,600	62,600
2011	37,200	63,500
2012	37,700	64,400
2013	44,300	64,600
2014	45,200	66,000
2015	44,600	66,800
2016	46,800	66,500
2017	56,500	68,200

Table II.5.53
Housing Problems by Income and Tenure
 Blaine County
 2010–2014 HUD CHAS Data

Housing Problem	Less Than 30% MFI	30% - 50% MFI	50% - 80% MFI	80% - 100% MFI	Greater than 100% MFI	Total
Owner-Occupied						
Lacking complete plumbing or kitchen facilities	0	0	4	0	0	4
Severely Overcrowded with > 1.51 people per room (and complete kitchen and plumbing)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Overcrowded - With 1.01-1.5 people per room (and none of the above problems)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Housing cost burden greater than 50% of income (and none of the above problems)	4	0	4	0	0	8
Housing cost burden greater than 30% but less than 50% of income (and none of the above problems)	0	4	4	0	4	12
Zero/negative income (and none of the above problems)	10	0	0	0	0	10
Has none of the 4 housing problems	0	4	20	15	65	104
Total	14	8	32	15	69	138
Renter-Occupied						
Lacking complete plumbing or kitchen facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0
Severely Overcrowded with > 1.51 people per room (and complete kitchen and plumbing)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Overcrowded - With 1.01-1.5 people per room (and none of the above problems)	0	4	0	0	0	4
Housing cost burden greater than 50% of income (and none of the above problems)	4	4	0	0	0	8
Housing cost burden greater than 30% but less than 50% of income (and none of the above problems)	0	4	0	0	0	4
Zero/negative income (and none of the above problems)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Has none of the 4 housing problems	15	4	35	10	45	109
Total	19	16	35	10	45	125
Total						
Lacking complete plumbing or kitchen facilities	0	0	4	0	0	4
Severely Overcrowded with > 1.51 people per room (and complete kitchen and plumbing)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Overcrowded - With 1.01-1.5 people per room (and none of the above problems)	0	4	0	0	0	4
Housing cost burden greater than 50% of income (and none of the above problems)	8	4	4	0	0	16
Housing cost burden greater than 30% but less than 50% of income (and none of the above problems)	0	8	4	0	4	16
Zero/negative income (and none of the above problems)	10	0	0	0	0	10
Has none of the 4 housing problems	15	8	55	25	110	213
Total	33	24	67	25	114	263

Home Mortgage Loans

The FFEIC The Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) was enacted by Congress in 1975. Data collected under the HMDA provide a comprehensive portrait of home loan activity, including information pertaining to home purchase loans, home improvement loans, and refinancing. For the analysis only owner-occupied originated loans for single-family units were considered. As can be seen in Table II.5.56, of the 2 loans in 2016, 1 loan was for Home Purchases, 0 were for Home Improvement and 1 was for refinancing.

Table II.5.54 Owner-Occupied Single-Family Home Loans by Loan Type Blaine County 2008 – 2016 HMDA Data				
Year	Home Purchase	Home Improvement	Refinancing	Total
2008	1	0	3	4
2009	1	0	3	4
2010	0	0	3	3
2011				
2012				
2013	0	1	2	3
2014	0	1	0	1
2015	0	0	1	1
2016	1	0	1	2

Table II.5.55 shows the average loan value by loan type. In 2008, average home purchase loans was \$52,000 and \$47,000 in 2016. Overall, average loans were \$261,000 in 2008 and \$484,500 in 2016.

Table II.5.55 Owner-Occupied Single-Family Home Loans by Average Loan Amount Blaine County 2008 – 2016 HMDA Data				
Year	Home Purchase	Home Improvement	Refinancing	Total
2008	\$52,000	\$	\$330,667	\$261,000
2009	\$28,000	\$	\$42,000	\$38,500
2010	\$	\$	\$388,667	\$388,667
2011	\$	\$	\$	\$
2012	\$	\$	\$	\$
2013	\$	\$68,000	\$215,000	\$166,000
2014	\$	\$763,000	\$	\$763,000
2015	\$	\$	\$1,392,000	\$1,392,000
2016	\$47,000	\$	\$922,000	\$484,500

Table II.5.58 shows the total volume of owner-occupied single-family loans. In 2008, average home purchase loans was \$52,000 and \$ in 2012 and \$47,000 in 2016. Overall, average loans were \$1,044,000 in 2008 and \$969,000 in 2016.

Table II.5.56 Total Volume of Owner-Occupied Single-Family Loans Blaine County 2008 – 2016 HMDA Data				
Year	Home Purchase	Home Improvement	Refinancing	Total
2008	52,000		992,000	1,044,000
2009	28,000		126,000	154,000
2010			1,166,000	1,166,000
2011				
2012				
2013		68,000	430,000	498,000
2014		763,000		763,000
2015			1,392,000	1,392,000
2016	47,000		922,000	969,000

Survey of Rental Properties

From September through December of 2017, a telephone survey was conducted with landlords and rental property managers throughout Nebraska. Table II.5.57 presents some basic statistics about the completed surveys from this and other surveys conducted from 2002 through 2017 in Blaine County. There were 0 completed surveys in 2017.

Table II.5.57 Survey of Rental Properties Blaine County 2002–2017 Survey of Rental Properties				
Year	Completed Surveys	Total Units	Vacancy Rate	Absorption Rate
2002	0	0	0	
2003	0	0	0	
2004	0	0	0	0
2005	0	0		
2006	0			
2007	0	0		0
2008				0
2009				
2010				
2011	1	58	0	7
2012	1	3	0	7
2013				
2014	0	0		
2015	1	40	0	
2016				
2017				

