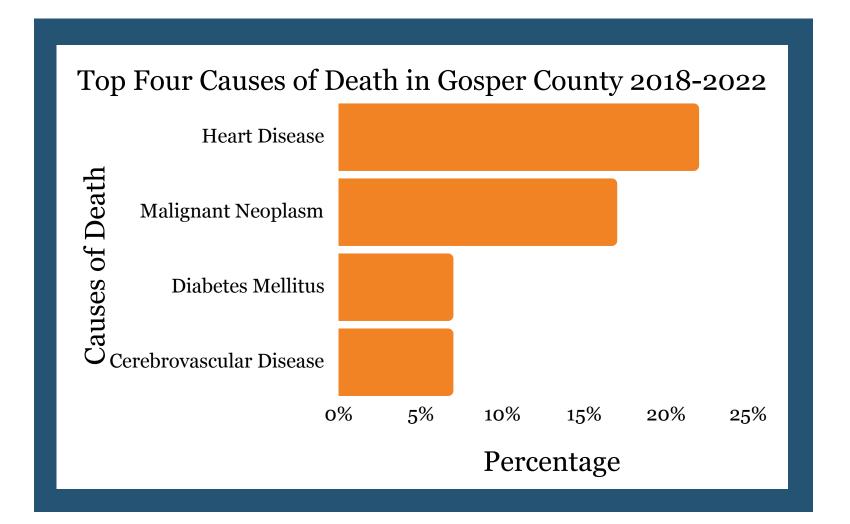


Gosper County

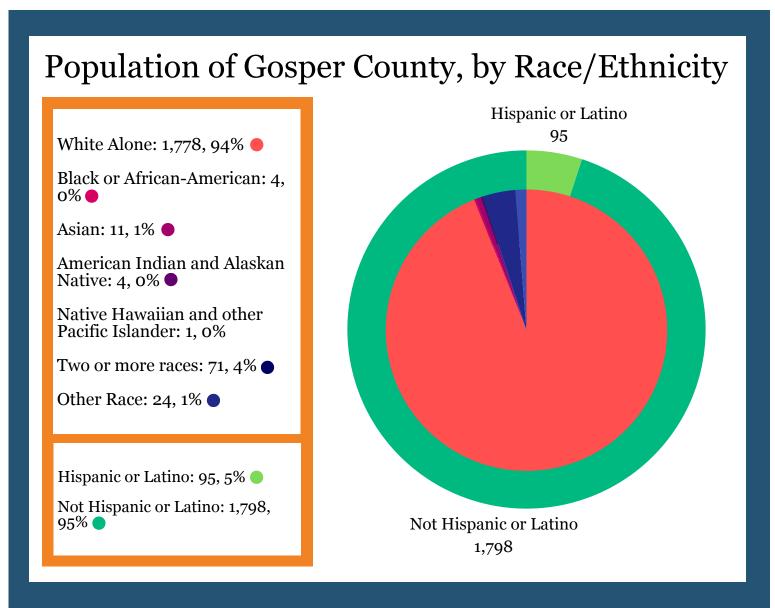
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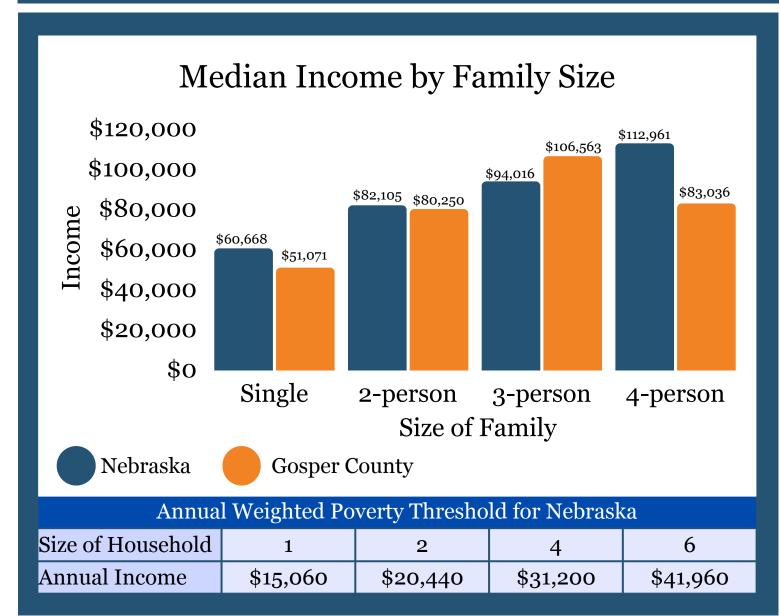
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Background			
	Gosper County	Nebraska	
Total Area	463 sq mi	772,358 sq mi	
Population	2,889	1,961,504	
Median Age The median value of ages among all residents of a location.	50 Years	37 Years	
Average Household Size Average # of people per household.	2.45	2.46	
Average Family Size Average # of people per family.	2.95	3.09	
Life Expectancy (at birth) Average # of years a person can expect to live at birth.	76 Years	78 Years	
High School Completion Percentage of adults ages 25 and over with a high school diploma or equivalent.	94%	92%	
Some College Completion Percentage of the population ages 25-44 with some post- secondary education, such as enrollment in vocational/technical school, junior college, or 4-year college.	60%	72%	
Unemployment Percentage of the populations' civilian labor force, ages 16 and older that is unemployed but still seeking work.	2.0%	2.3%	
Children in Poverty Percentage of people under age 18 living in a household whose income is below the poverty level.	17%	14%	
Children in Single Parent Household Percentage of children (under 18 years of age) living in households that are headed by a single parent.	4%	20%	
Adult Smoking Percentage of the adult population who both report that they currently smoke every day or some days and have smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their lifetime.	15%	14%	
Adult Obesity Percentage of the adult population (ages 18 and older) that reports a BMI greater than or equal to 30 kg/m2.	40%	36%	
Physical Inactivity Percentage of adults ages 18 and over reporting no leisure-time physical activity in the past month.	23%	24%	
Alcohol-Impaired Driving Deaths Percentage of driving deaths with alcohol involvement	33%	32%	
STI Rate Number of newly diagnosed chlamydia cases per 100,000 populations.	N/A	453/100,000	



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County Information

With a median age of 54 years, Gosper is the second oldest County in Nebraska. With less than 2000 residents, it is also the 8th smallest County in Nebraska. The largest cities are Elwood (county seat) and Smithfield. Johnson Lake, one of the largest recreational lake areas in the State is partly within Gosper County. Residential communities around Johnson Lake often consist of a sizeable population that may live for part of the year in Gosper County.

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