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WAKEFIELD, NEBRASKA

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POPULATION
(Official U.S. Census)

	<u>2010</u>
Wakefield	1,451
Dixon County	6,000
Labor Market*	80,656
Sioux City, IA-NE-SD Metro**	143,577

*Includes Dixon County and contiguous counties

**Sioux City, IA-NE-SD Metropolitan Area is comprised of Dixon and Dakota Counties in Nebraska; Woodbury County, Iowa; and Union County, South Dakota

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INTRODUCTION

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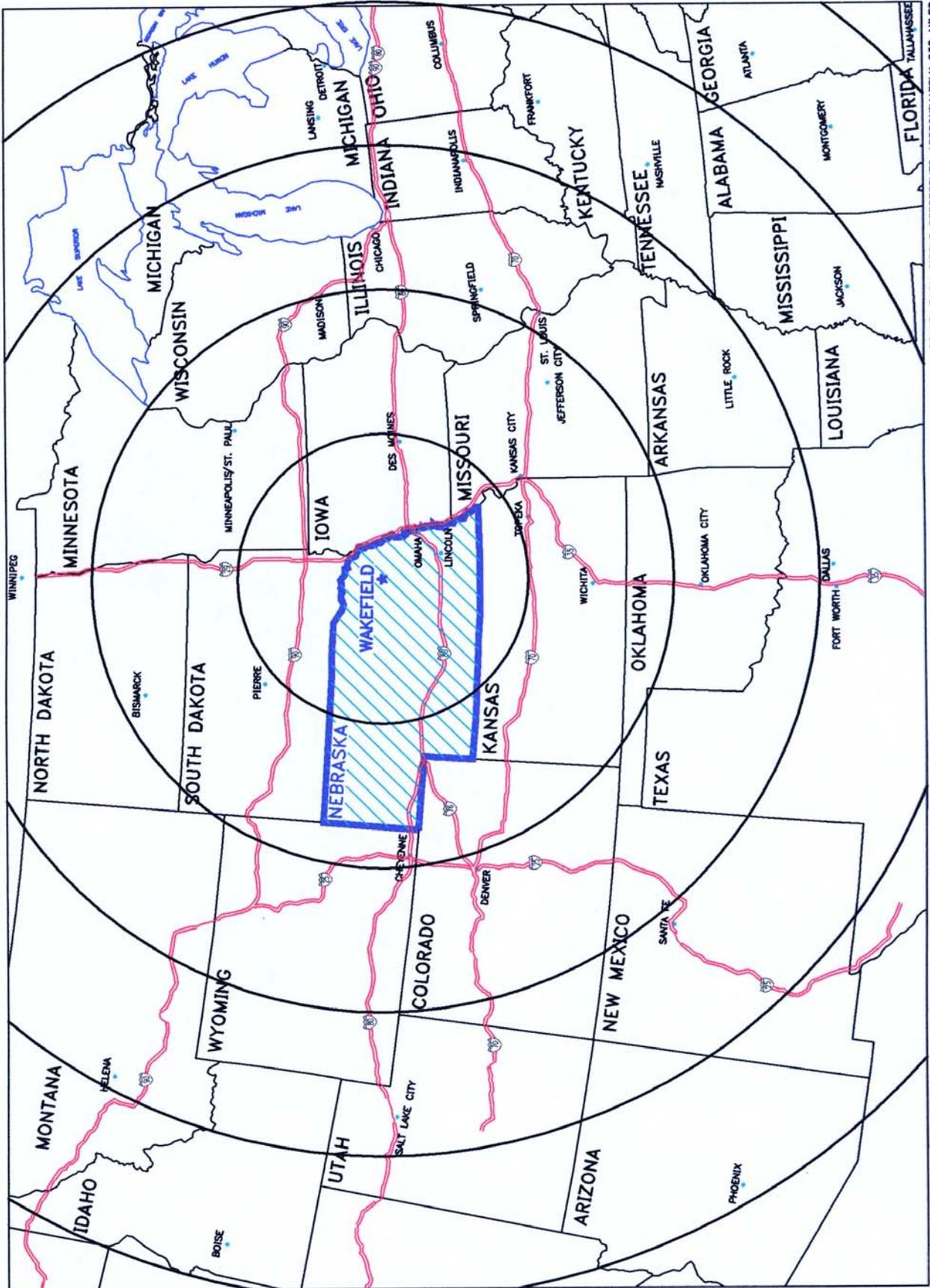
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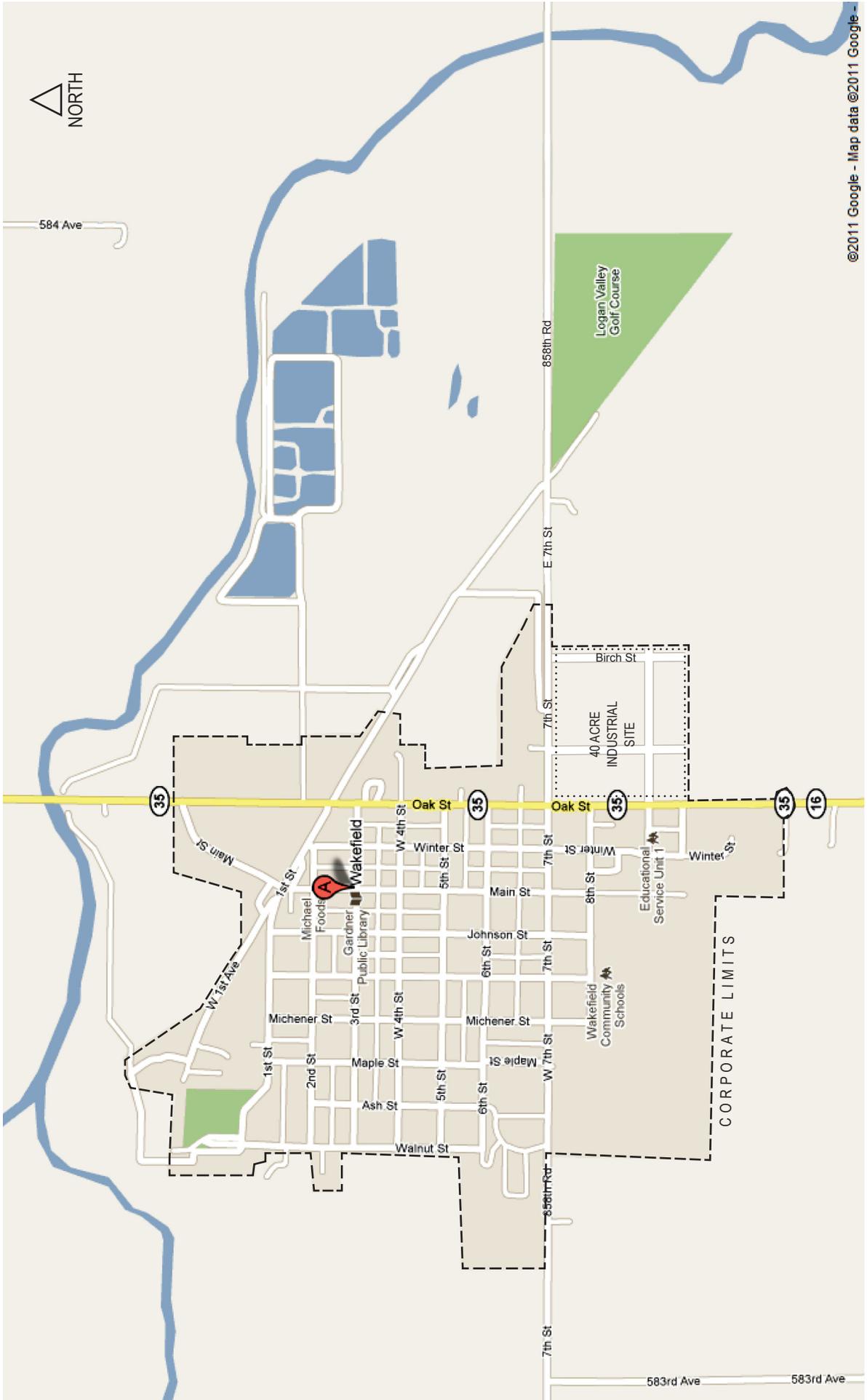
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SCALE: EACH CIRCLE REPRESENTS APPROXIMATELY 200 MILES



GENERAL INFORMATION

LOCATION

Wakefield is located in northeast Nebraska on the border of Dixon and Wayne Counties. Wakefield, served by Nebraska Highways 16 and 35, is 41 miles southwest of Sioux City, Iowa; 47 miles northeast of Norfolk, Nebraska; and 132 miles northwest of Omaha, Nebraska.

Dixon and Dakota Counties in Nebraska are part of the Sioux City, IA-NE-SD Metropolitan Area along with Woodbury County in Iowa and Union County in South Dakota. The 2010 U.S. Census reported the population of the metro area at 143,577.

POPULATION (U.S. Census)

Year	Wakefield	Dixon County	Wayne County
1970	1,160	7,453	10,400
1980	1,125	7,137	9,858
1990	1,167	6,143	9,364
2000	1,411	6,339	9,851
2010	1,451	6,000	9,595

Population by Race and Hispanic Origin, 2010 U.S. Census		
	Dixon County	Wayne County
One Race		
White	92.5%	94.7%
Black	0.3%	1.3%
American Indian & Alaska Native	0.4%	0.3%
Asian	0.2%	0.5%
Native Hawaiian & Other Pacific Islander	0.1%	0.2%
Some Other Race	5.6%	1.8%
Two or More Races	1.0%	1.1%
Hispanic or Latino Origin	10.4%	4.2%
White Persons Not Hispanic	88.2%	92.7%



The 2010 U.S. Census estimates 80,656 people live in Dixon County and the contiguous Nebraska counties of Cedar, Dakota, and Wayne, as well as Clay and Union Counties in South Dakota.

Approximately 30 percent of the Wakefield population is of Hispanic/Latino descent who fluently speak another language.

LOCAL ECONOMY

Basic economic activities of Wakefield include dairy farming, farming, and egg production.

Firms in Wakefield reported 2009 net taxable retail sales of \$5,891,677, while Dixon County reported retail sales of \$11,903,898 and Wayne County reported \$59,009,775. Four wholesale firms in the community distribute eggs, vegetables, and plants.

Wakefield has grown significantly in the last ten years, largely due to continued growth of Michael Foods and its egg production industry. Bonnie Plants, a commercial plant and flower grower and distributor, opened the company's first facility in Nebraska in Wakefield in 2008.

ELEVATION

Wakefield is 1,380 feet above sea level.

TOPOGRAPHY

The terrain in the area is flat to gently rolling. The silty clay loam soils are well drained.

HISTORY

The Wakefield area was settled primarily by Swedish and German families. Wakefield, incorporated in 1881, was named after L. W. Wakefield, a railroad surveyor who platted the original townsite. Because of the area's abundant water supply and rolling fertile hills, crop and livestock production quickly prospered.

Along with the increase in farming came the need for irrigation and well digging, which led to the Salmon Well Company that has operated in Wakefield for more than 75 years. In 1882 the local newspaper and other businesses were established. The Wakefield Brickyard produced many of the bricks used for the buildings. The J. O. Milligan Roller Mills was built on nearby Logan Creek and became a regional business, drawing various other trades to Wakefield. Two branch lines of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha railroads converged at Wakefield. The large amount of stock and grain shipped and passenger traffic made it one of the busiest rail districts in northeast Nebraska.

Milton G. Waldbaum bought a local creamery in 1950. He and his partner, Dan Gardner, built the Waldbaum Company into a \$200 million international egg producer and frozen food business in Wakefield. Known for its product innovation, Waldbaum developed the first extended shelf life (ESL) egg. The patented process and product gives their ESL product an advantage in quality and consistency. In 1990 Waldbaum's and Gardener sold the company to Michael Foods, Inc., who continues producing dried, liquid, frozen, and hard boiled egg products. The company, Wakefield's largest employer, raises approximately six million hens in the Wakefield area.

The need for schools, churches, and activities increased with the number of new businesses and growing population. Baseball, churches, and an excellent school system became Wakefield's priorities.

In 1988 Governor Ben Nelson named Wakefield the "Baseball Capital of Nebraska." More than 100 baseball games are played in Wakefield each summer.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

MANUFACTURERS

<u>Company/Year Established</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Market</u>	<u>Employees</u>		<u>Union</u>
			<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
Michael Foods, Inc. (formerly M. G. Waldbaum Company 1950) 1990	Egg products	National & Export	409 85*	213 63*	None
Gene Schroeder/Jones Grinding 1977	Agriculture grinding	Regional	2	1	None
Wakefield Republican 1882	Newspaper & commercial printing	Regional	1 1*	0 2*	None

*Part-time and/or seasonal

MAJOR NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYERS (employing 5 or more)

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Type of Activity</u>	<u>Employees</u>		<u>Union</u>
		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
Bonnie Plants	Wholesale greenhouse	5 5*	0 6*	None
Central Valley Ag	Farm supplies	9 4*	1	None
City of Wakefield	Government	4 3*	3 3*	None
Educational Service Unit 1	Education	9 3*	69 18*	None
Miller Building Supply	Building supplies	3 1*	0 1*	None
Roses Transport	Freight hauling	12 7*	1 1*	None
Salmon Well Company	Water well drilling	9 2*	0 1*	None

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Type of Activity</u>	<u>Employees</u>		<u>Union</u>
		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
Wakefield Health Care Center	Nursing home	5	36	None
		3*	23*	
Wakefield Public Schools	Education	14	42 17*	NEA
Wakefield Truck & Auto	Vehicle maintenance & repair	3	0	None

*Part-time and/or seasonal

OTHER MAJOR AREA EMPLOYERS (within 50 miles and employing 100 or more)

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Type of Activity</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Union</u>
Wayne, 11 miles			
First National Bank of Omaha— Wayne Service Center	Credit card collections	100	None
Great Dane Trailers	Refrigerated semitrailers	502	None
Heritage Homes of Nebraska, Inc.	Modular homes & light commercial buildings	107	None
NorthStar Services	Support services for developmentally disabled	400	None
Providence Medical Center	Medical	97 91*	None
Pacific Coast Feather Company	Bedding for the hospitality industry	142	None
Wayne Public School Systems	Education	81 31*	WEA
Wayne State College	Education	392 566*	NSEA, NSCPA & NAPE
Pender, 19 miles			
Automatic Equipment Manufacturing Co. (Blue Ox)	Agricultural & recreational equipment, trailers for towing	110	None

*Part-time and/or seasonal

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Type of Activity</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Union</u>
West Point, 38 miles			
St. Francis Memorial Hospital	Health care	200	None
West Point Beemer High School	Education	130	NSEA
South Sioux City/Dakota City, 40 miles			
BPI, Inc.	Beef processing	199	UFCW
Gerkin Windows & Doors	Windows & doors	135	None
Sara Lee Bakery Group	Bakery products	135	BCW
Sioux City Foundry, Inc.	Ductile gray iron foundry	168 6*	IAM
Tyson Fresh Meats	Beef slaughter & processing	5,256	UFCW
City of South Sioux City	Government	87 60*	AFSCME
South Sioux City Schools	Education	474	NSEA, UE801, UE1199
Great West Casualty Co./ Joe Morten & Son, Inc.	Insurance	393	None
Marina Inn	Motel/restaurant	150	None
Phillips Kiln	Industrial rotary equipment repair	113 40*	None

Sioux City, Iowa, 41 Miles

There are numerous firms in Sioux City employing more than 100.

Norfolk, 47 Miles

Affiliated Foods Cooperative, Inc.	Food distribution	656 5*	Teamsters
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*Part-time and/or seasonal

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Type of Activity</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Union</u>
City of Norfolk	Government	199 9*	Firefighters
Coviden	Medical devices	443	None
Faith Regional Health Services	Medical	1,152 311*	None
Madison County	Government	158	None
Nebraska Public Power District	Electric utility	109 3*	None
Norfolk Iron & Metal Co.	Steel products, distribution & steel service center	407	None
Norfolk Public Schools	Education	647 8*	NSEA/ NCEA
Norfolk Regional Center	State psychiatric hospital	204 25*	NAPE/ AFSCME
Norfolk Veteran's Home	Medical	233	ASCME
Northeast Community College	Education	298 325*	NSEDA (faculty only)
Nucor Steel Division of Nucor Corporation	Steel angles, rounds, flats & channels	423	None
Research Associates, Inc.	Market research	125	None
St. Joseph Rehabilitation & Care Center	Medical	122 57*	None
State of Nebraska (Madison County)	Government	782	None
Veyance Technologies	Industrial hydraulic hose	369 30*	None
Vulcraft Division of Nucor Corporation	Steel joists, metal deck & cold drawn bar	478 1*	None

*Part-time and/or seasonal

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Type of Activity</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Union</u>
U.S. Government Branches	Government	216	None
Wal-Mart	Retail	438 154*	None
Wis-Pak of Norfolk	Soft drinks, flavored water & teas	110 4*	None

*Part-time and/or seasonal

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS

The city of Wakefield, Wakefield Development Group, and the Wakefield Community Club work together to promote economic development within and around the community. A 1 percent city sales tax was passed in 2007, which allows assistance for existing businesses and future economic development.

The Wakefield Development Group is a non-profit organization with a five-member Board of Directors.

The city owns approximately 40 acres of land on the east side of Wakefield for commercial and

industrial development. The 40 acres are zoned commercial and light industry and frontage is directly along Nebraska Highway 35. Utility infrastructure at the site was completed in 2009.

Bonnie Plants, an Alabama-based commercial plant and flower grower and distributor, broke ground on 10 acres in the industrial site in 2008.

Approximately 98 acres of land in and adjacent to the community are zoned for industry. The price of industrially zoned land ranges from \$3,000 to \$5,000 per acre.

INDUSTRIAL SITES AVAILABLE

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



Eaton's Greenhouse



The Hatchery Business Incubator



Michael Foods Dried Egg Products Facility



La Michuacana Restaurant

LABOR

LABOR SUPPLY

- A. Employment in the Wakefield labor market, which is defined as the whole of Dixon and Wayne Counties and the total labor market consisting the Sioux City, IA-NE-SD Metropolitan Area (MSA) (annual average, 2010):

	Dixon & Wayne Co.	MSA
<u>Nonfarm Employment</u> (wage and salary workers)		
Goods-Producing	1,640	15,233
Manufacturing	(D)	12,342
Natural Resources & Construction	88	N/A
Wholesale Trade	241	N/A
Retail Trade	361	9,008
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	(D)	14,992
Information	(D)	N/A
Financial Activities	318	N/A
Professional & Business Services	(D)	8,025
Education & Health Services	(D)	4,508*
Leisure & Hospitality	(D)	6,717
Other Services	131	N/A
Government	1,921	9,233
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY WORKERS	6,013	72,392
Farm Employment	1,187	N/A
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT	8,247	72,600
B. Commuting Out of Dixon and Wayne Counties	3,171	N/A
C. Unemployment	367	5,400
TOTAL LABOR FORCE	8,614	78,000
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.	184	
E. Estimated number of county high school graduates annually	227	
TOTAL POTENTIAL LABOR SUPPLY (B, C, D & E)	3,949	

(D) Data not available due to disclosure suppression.

* Local Government Educational Services

Source: Nebraska Department of Labor, www.dol.nebraska.gov

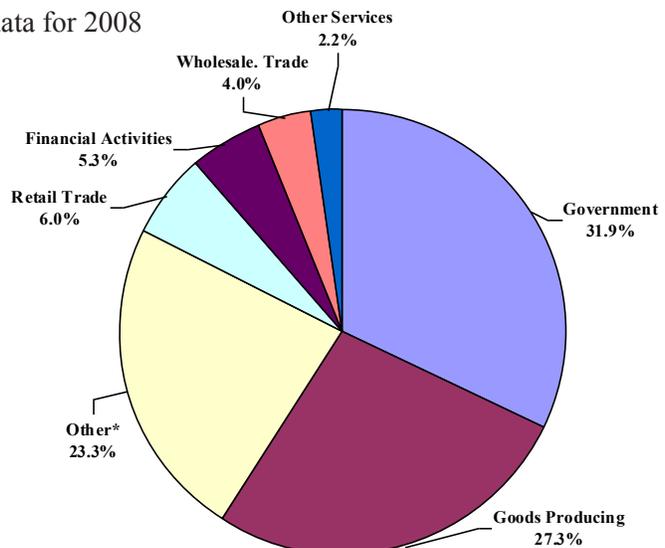
U.S. Department of Commerce,

Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), data for 2008

U.S. Census

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

**NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
DIXON AND WAYNE COUNTIES
ANNUAL AVERAGE, 2010**



*Other--Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities; Information; Professional & Business Services; Education & Health Services; and Leisure & Hospitality

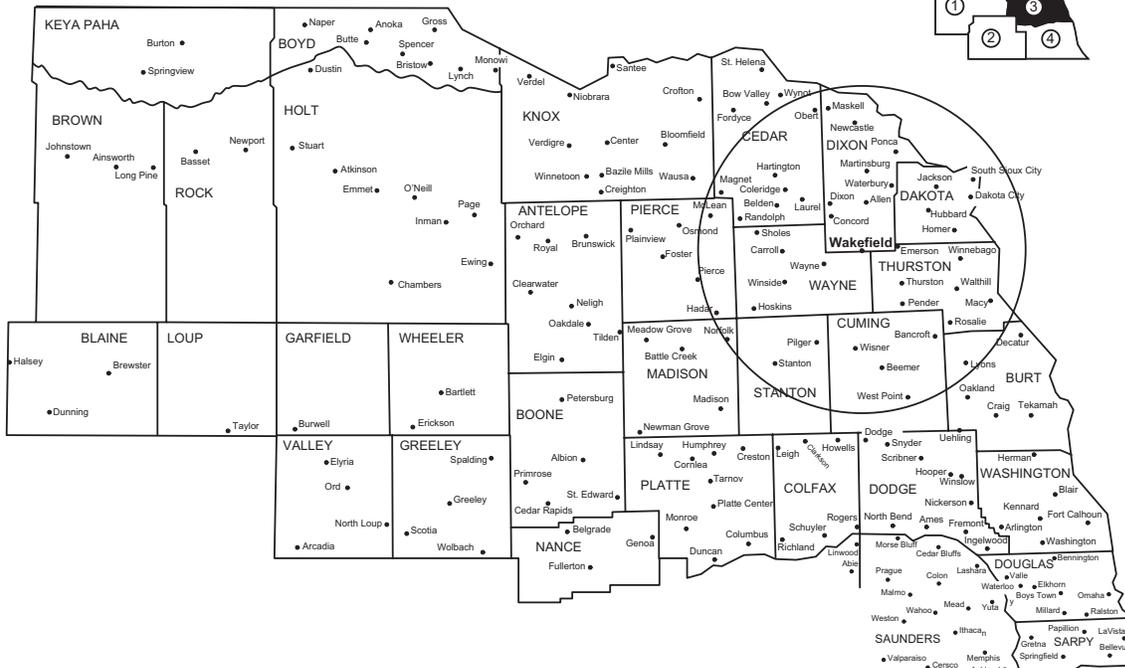
POPULATION DATA

Location	2000		2009		2010 (est.)	
	Density/Sq. Mile	% High School Graduate or Higher	% Bachelor's Degree or Higher	% 65 Yrs. & Over	Median Age	County Median Family Income
Dixon Co.	13.3	82.1	14.1	21.9	44.2	N/A
Wayne Co.	22.2	87.0	28.0	13.4	24.6	\$57,100
Nebraska	22.3	86.6	23.7	13.4	35.8	\$62,600
U.S.	79.6	80.4	24.4	12.9	36.8	\$64,400

In 2008 Dixon County had 3,958 registered voters and Wayne County had 5,502; 72.1 percent of the registered voters in Dixon County and 70.2 percent of the registered voters in Wayne County voted in the national election compared to 70.2 percent in Nebraska.

Source: U.S. Census, www.census.gov
 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2010
 Statewide General Election 2008 Results, www.sos.state.ne.us

LABOR POTENTIAL IN THE WAKEFIELD AREA



POPULATION DATA

U.S. Census

2010	
City of Wakefield	1,451
Dixon County	6,000
Wayne County	9,245
30-Mile Radius	155,378

Population by Age and Gender, 2009 (est.) Dixon and Wayne Counties		
<u>Ages</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
18-24	1,691	1,839
25-44	1,338	1,298
45-64	1,839	1,748

UNIONIZATION

Nebraska has a right to work provision in its constitution. In 2008, 4.2 percent of Nebraska's private sector wage and salary workers were members of labor unions compared to a national figure of 7.6 percent.

Labor organizations operating in the Wakefield area:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Union</u>
Wakefield Public Schools	Nebraska Education Association

It is estimated that less than 1 percent of the total nonagricultural labor force in Wakefield is unionized. There have been no known strikes.

WAGES

Occupation Title	Hourly Wage (\$)/Percentile		
	10th	50th	90th
Professional			
Accountants & Auditors	16.30	23.90	44.58
Engineers			
Civil Engineers	19.84	33.37	46.61
Electrical Engineers	27.59	33.21	40.82
Industrial Engineers	22.88	30.91	43.60
Mechanical Engineers	16.69	28.83	46.06
Computer Programmers	14.45	30.07	43.21
Computer Systems Analysts	28.24	38.13	48.49
Registered Nurses	18.70	24.84	33.21
Retail			
Hotel, Motel & Resort Desk Clerks	6.94	7.73	9.12
Retail Salespersons	7.14	8.94	15.59
Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	7.34	12.87	21.17
Driver/Sales Workers	7.64	17.10	26.21
Stock Clerks & Order Fillers	7.13	9.03	15.03
Shipping, Receiving & Traffic Clerks	9.35	13.67	19.62
Clerical			
Bookkeeping, Accounting & Auditing Clerks	8.14	12.72	18.61
Customer Service Representatives	7.70	13.09	20.42
Data Entry Keyers	7.76	11.07	15.85
Secretaries, excl. Legal, Medical & Executive	8.36	11.71	17.07
Office Clerks, General	7.19	10.15	15.62
Receptionists & Information Clerks	7.57	10.81	15.21
Telemarketers	7.81	10.37	12.32

*Wage information taken from Balance of State

Occupation Title	Hourly Wage (\$)/Percentile		
	10th	50th	90th
Unskilled			
Laborers & Freight, Stock & Material Movers, Hand	8.30	12.36	17.62
Packers & Packagers, Hand	7.27	10.84	14.93
Assemblers & Fabricators, All Other	10.87	14.51	17.49
Nursing Aides, Orderlies & Attendants	8.48	10.83	14.08
Semi-Skilled			
Industrial Truck & Tractor Operators	11.02	14.18	18.42
Truck Drivers, Heavy or Tractor-Trailer	10.50	17.72	25.28
Maintenance Workers, Machinery	13.91	22.03	25.77
Machine Operators			
Drilling & Boring Machine Tool Setters/Oper.*	9.86	12.91	19.32
Milling & Planing Machine Setters/Oper.	13.58	16.32	18.44
Grinding, Lapping, Polishing & Buffing Mach. Oper.	13.18	15.32	20.88
Cutting & Slicing Machine Setters/Oper.	7.41	11.19	18.28
Lathe & Turning Machine Tool Setters/Oper.	14.68	17.86	22.01
Cutting, Punching & Press Machine Setters/Oper.	8.34	12.36	18.01
Multiple Machine Tool Setters/Oper.*	11.90	15.30	19.80
Skilled			
Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	9.68	16.34	24.15
Electricians	11.06	17.36	31.38
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	13.93	19.00	34.20
Machinists	10.29	16.89	37.11
Tool & Die Makers	14.90	19.22	24.93
Welders, Cutters, Solderers & Brazers	10.36	13.63	19.57
Welding, Soldering & Brazing Machine Setters	11.92	14.72	18.78
Technical			
Electrical & Electronic Engineering Technicians*	15.42	27.77	35.99
Medical & Clinical Laboratory Technologists	17.67	25.37	31.86
Computer Operators	8.75	12.80	19.78

*Wage information taken from Balance of State

Source: Nebraska Workforce Development, Occupational Employment Statistics Program, Fourth Quarter 2010 wage estimates, All Industries, Northeast Region, <http://neblswages.nwd.ne.gov>..

Production workers are, for the most part, paid on a straight-time basis rather than an incentive basis.

FRINGE BENEFITS

Local industries estimate fringe benefits to range up to 28 percent of wages.

TRANSPORTATION

RAILROADS

The nearest rail service is provided by BNSF Railway Company at Allen, approximately 11 miles northwest of Wakefield.

MOTOR

Highways

Nebraska Highways 16 (north/south) and 35 (east/west) pass through Wakefield. There are no local load limits imposed on these highways. Interstate 29 is approximately 30 miles east and Interstate 80 is approximately 100 miles south of Wakefield.

Highway mileage to major cities:

Destination	Mileage
Lincoln	143
Omaha	132
Chicago	567
Dallas	733
Denver	561
Detroit	833
Kansas City	314
Los Angeles	1,572
Minneapolis	316
New York	1,340
St. Louis	565
San Francisco	1,688
Sioux City	41

Trucklines

More than 11,500 licensed motor carriers with worldwide connections are based in Nebraska and serve businesses throughout North America.

Roses Transport, with ten trucks, has a terminal in Wakefield.

Bus Line

The nearest bus services are located in Sioux City, Iowa, 41 miles northeast, and in Norfolk, Nebraska, 47 miles southwest of Wakefield.

Van Service

The Wakefield Senior Center provides van transportation for senior citizens in Wakefield and surrounding communities.

AIR

The Wayne Municipal Airport, nine miles west of Wakefield, has two paved and lighted runways (4,200 feet and 3,400 feet) and a 1,674-foot turf runway. Other facilities include ground-to-air radio communications, hangars, tie-downs, non-directional radio beacon, CTAF Unicom 122.8, flight training, and maintenance. The elevation at the airport is 1,430 feet, the latitude is 42-14N, and the longitude is 096-59W.

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 are:

Sioux Gateway Airport

Distance: 41 miles northeast (45 minutes)

Airlines: Delta Air Lines

Destination: Minneapolis

Eppley Airfield near Omaha

Distance: 132 miles southeast (2 1/2 hours)

Airlines: Airtran (via Skywest)

American Airlines

Continental Airlines

Delta Air Lines

Frontier/Midwest

Southwest Airlines

United Airlines

US Airways

Destination: Nationwide

WATER

Barge service is available at four barge terminal facilities on the Missouri River in Nebraska. The Sioux City, Iowa river port is 41 miles northeast of Wakefield. These river ports are navigable approximately eight months per year. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers maintains a 9-foot deep, 300-foot wide channel for

735 navigable miles from Sioux City, Iowa, to the mouth of the Missouri River near St. Louis, Missouri. Commodities transported by towing

companies are fertilizers, feeds, grain, steel, lumber, salt, steel coils, steel bar, and steel plate.



Christian Church



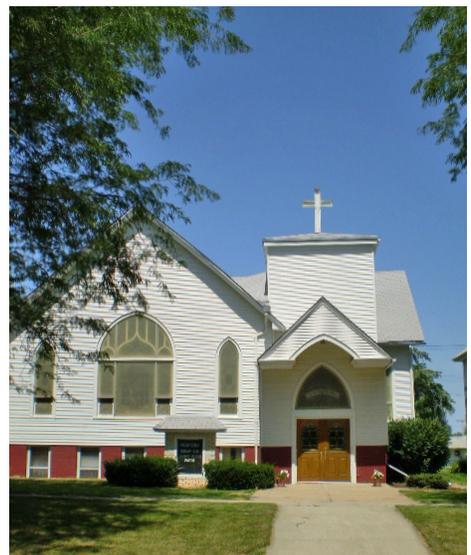
Salem Lutheran Church



Evangelical Covenant Church



St. John's Lutheran Church



Presbyterian Church

UTILITIES

ELECTRICITY

The city of Wakefield owns their electrical system and has an agreement with Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) for its operations and maintenance. The city purchases their total power requirements from NPPD at wholesale and has leased their plant capacity of 3,700 kW to NPPD. NPPD utilizes the plant for reserve and emergency operations. In 2007 Wakefield completed a \$2.5 million electrical distribution upgrade throughout the city.

Power is delivered to the city by means of a 69 kV line connecting to substations at Wayne and Emerson. The distribution substation capacity is 10 MVA and the distribution voltage is 7,200/12,470 volts.

BASE ELECTRIC RATES—CITY OF WAKEFIELD (effective 4/1/10)

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

Residential Service:

Customer Service Charge: \$9.62 per month		
Summer	Winter	
\$0.0867	\$0.0822	per kWh for the first 500 kWh used
\$0.0687	\$0.0665	per kWh for the next 500 kWh used
\$0.0620	\$0.0610	per kWh for over 1,000 kWh used
Minimum Bill: The Customer Service Charge		

This rate is subject to application of Production Cost Adjustment.

Residential All Electric Service:

Customer Service Charge: \$9.62 per month		
Summer	Winter	
\$0.0867	\$0.0822	per kWh for the first 500 kWh used
\$0.0687	\$0.0649	per kWh for the next 500 kWh used
\$0.0620	\$0.0552	per kWh for over 1,000 kWh used
Minimum Bill: The Customer Service Charge		

This rate is subject to application of Production Cost Adjustment.

Commercial Service (Single Phase):

Customer Service Charge: \$11.76 per month		
Summer	Winter	
\$0.1036	\$0.1036	per kWh for the first 500 kWh used
\$0.0920	\$0.0920	per kWh for the next 2,500 kWh used
\$0.0665	\$0.0620	per kWh for over 3,000 kWh used
Minimum Bill: The Customer Service Charge		

This rate is subject to application of Production Cost Adjustment.

Commercial Service (Three Phase):

Customer Service Charge: \$14.43 per month		
Summer	Winter	
\$0.1048	\$0.1048	per kWh for the first 500 kWh used
\$0.0932	\$0.0932	per kWh for the next 2,500 kWh used
\$0.0670	\$0.0625	per kWh for over 3,000 kWh used
Minimum Bill: The Customer Service Charge		

This rate is subject to application of Production Cost Adjustment.

Sample Cost per kWh for Commercial Service (three phase):

kW	kWh	Annual Average ¢/kWh
100	30,000	6.76
100	50,000	6.62
300	90,000	6.52
300	150,000	6.47
500	150,000	6.47
500	180,000	6.46

Industrial (Demand):

Customer Service Charge: \$213.78 per month	
Summer	
Demand Charge	\$10.14 per kW
All kWh Energy	\$0.0451 per kWh
Winter	
Demand Charge	\$6.48 per kW
All kWh Energy	\$0.0406 per kWh
Minimum Bill: The minimum billing demand charge	

This rate is subject to application of Production Cost Adjustment.

Sample Cost per kWh for Industrial Service:

kW	kWh	Annual Average ¢/kWh
1,000	300,000	6.91
2,500	750,000	6.87
2,500	1,250,000	5.81
5,000	1,500,000	6.86
5,000	2,500,000	5.80
10,000	6,400,000	5.45

For further information regarding electric rates and service, prospective customers should contact Jim Litchfield, city administrator, Wakefield, (402) 287-2080, www.ci.wakefield.ne.us.

The Northeast Nebraska Public Power District, a wholesale power customer of Nebraska Public Power District, serves the rural area surrounding Wakefield. For more information regarding

electrical services in the Northeast Nebraska Public Power District service area, contact Mark Shults, general manager, Wayne, Nebraska, (402) 375-1360, www.nppd.com.

NATURAL GAS

Black Hills Energy is the retail supplier of natural gas in Wakefield, Nebraska. The transmission provider is Northern Natural Gas.

Black Hills Energy is a full-service natural gas distribution company with Nebraska headquarters in Lincoln.

The community is served by two 4-inch steel lines with 40 and 116 pounds of pressure.

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.

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

Prospective customers should contact the Economic Development Department at Black Hills Energy, (800) 232-1850, for further information regarding gas rates and services.

OTHER FUELS

LP Gas

LP gas is available for residential, commercial, and industrial uses at Zach Propane Service and Farmer’s Co-Op Elevator in Allen.

Oil

Oil is available for residential, commercial, and industrial uses at Cubby’s and Korner Mart in Wakefield.

WATER

The municipal water system in Wakefield is supplied by three wells, which have an average depth of 100 feet. The system, serving 99 percent of the population in Wakefield, has a combined pumping capacity of 900 gallons per minute and an overhead storage capacity of 200,000 gallons. The average daily demand is 300,000 gallons and the historic peak daily demand is 650,000 gallons. The system has a maximum capacity of 1,496,000 gallons per day. The static pressure is 65 pounds per square inch and the residual pressure is 60 pounds.

The water treatment plant (oxidation/sand pressure filter) has a capacity of 900 gallons per minute and adds chlorine to the water. A 120-foot well will produce approximately 1,000 gallons of water per minute. The water table has not changed significantly in the past 10 years.

The color of the water is clear and the hardness, in grains per gallon, is 22.1. The tap water temperature varies from 52 degrees in the winter to 54 degrees in the summer.

Chemical Analysis (parts per million)

Hydrogen Ion Concentration	7.3
Calcium	112
Total Solids	448
Magnesium	23.9
Iron	N/D
Nitrate	0.4
Manganese	N/D
Chloride	7
Fluoride	0.3
Sulfate	61
Total Alkalinity	N/A
Sodium	24.0
Total Hardness	22.1 gr./gal.
Potassium	N/A

N/D - not detected

N/A - not available

gr./gal. - grains per gallon

WATER RATES (effective 10/11/06)

A \$100 tapping fee is charged for new water connections.

Residential, Commercial & Industrial:

Monthly User Fee	\$8.50
All usage @	\$1.30 per 1,000 gallons
Minimum Bill:	\$8.50 per month

Improvements to the water system since 2007 include a new well, fire hydrants, valves, and water main improvements.

SEWERAGE

Wakefield has a municipal sanitary sewerage system and a storm sewer system. The lagoon-type treatment plant was built in 1987 with an expansion in 1999. Domestic and industrial average daily flow is 72,000 gallons and the historic peak daily discharge is 500,000 gallons.

SEWER-USE CHARGES (effective 10/1/08)

A \$100 connection fee is charged for new service.

Residential:

Customer Charge:	\$10.00 per month
Volume Rate Charge:	\$1.50 per thousand gallons of water
Minimum Bill:	Customer charge

Volume charge is based upon the monthly average of water usage, per gallons, during the previous months of January, February, and March.

Commercial:

Customer Charge:	\$10.00 per month
Volume Rate Charge:	\$1.50 per thousand gallons of water
Minimum Bill:	Customer charge

Volume charge is based upon the current water usage, per gallons, during the current billing cycle.

Industrial:

For sewer discharge into the domestic lagoon system, the same rate applies as for commercial customers.

Commercial, Industrial & Apartment Complexes (3 or more apartments):

Contract with licensed haulers of choice

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

The city contracts with a privately owned waste removal service for all residential pick-ups. Waste is transported and disposed at Gill Landfill in Jackson, 30 miles northeast of Wakefield.

RECYCLING

The city's contracted garbage hauler offers curbside recycling for residential customers. The city also has a recycling trailer located in the city.

SOLID WASTE REMOVAL RATES
(effective 2008)

Residential:

\$12.00 per month for senior citizens
\$13.25 per month for 90-gallon tote



Wakefield Community Rec Center

COMMUNICATIONS

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Qwest provides telecommunication services to the Wakefield area with a digital central office served by fiber. Installation and maintenance personnel are located in Wayne, 11 miles west of Wakefield. Qwest can provide the following services:

Facilities—DSO, DS1, DS3, and OC3 facilities with option for protected path Sharp services to central office.

Voice—DMS 1/20 Switch. Digital T1 local and long distance voice service, advanced DSS, standard business lines, voicemail, calling cards, audio conferencing, toll free, and advanced call routing services. Nortel, Cisco, and NEC Key, PBX voice equipment design, sales, installation, and maintenance.

Data—Private line DS1 and DS3, frame relay, dedicated Internet access, VPN, and IQ Networking (MLPS) services. Cisco, Adtran, Tasman, and Nokia data equipment design, sales, installation, and maintenance.

American Broadband serves the Wakefield area providing telephone service, long distance, cable TV, and Internet services. Special calling features such as voice mail, caller ID, and essential telemarketing block are available.

INTERNET

Qwest can provide DS1, NxT1, DS3 (45 Mbps) and OC# (155 mBPS), dedicated Internet solutions riding the Qwest OC-192 nationwide backbone.

American Broadband, offers high speed Internet via cable modem as well as wireless service reaching much of the rural area. Speeds up to 5 meg are available. Visit www.ABBNebraska.com.

POST OFFICE

The post office in Wakefield has one mail receipt and one mail dispatch daily. Special services

include delivery and signature confirmation, certified and registered mail, return receipts, and insurance.

PACKAGE DELIVERY SERVICES

Overnight express service availability:

	Federal Express	UPS	U.S. Postal Service
Latest Pick-up	11:00 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	5:00 p.m.
Earliest Delivery	N/A	N/A	10:00 a.m.
Next Day Delivery Guarantee	Yes	No	Yes
Saturday Delivery Guarantee	N/A	N/A	Yes

N/A - Not available

NEWSPAPER

The Wakefield Republican, the local weekly newspaper, has 1,125 subscribers. Daily papers delivered locally include the Norfolk Daily News, Omaha World-Herald, and Sioux City Journal.

RADIO

Radio stations carrying local news:

Call Letters	Frequency	Location
KTCH-AM	1590 KHz	Wayne
KTCH-FM	104.9 MHz	Wayne
KNEN-FM	94.7 MHz	Norfolk
KEXL-FM	106.7 MHz	Norfolk

TELEVISION

Television stations carrying local news:

Call Letters	Channel	Location
KTIV	4	Sioux City, IA
KCAU	9	Sioux City, IA

Cable television service is available from American Broadband. Satellite TV is available through DIRECTV.



Wakefield Post Office



Main Street

TAX STRUCTURE

VALUES FOR TAX LEVY PURPOSES—CITY OF WAKEFIELD

All real property is subject to tax at market value. Agriculture land is valued at 80 percent of its market 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.

Dixon County	Actual Valuation		
	2008	2009	2010
Real Estate	\$31,979,650	\$34,281,419	\$34,353,730
Personal Property*	1,336,846	1,599,121	1,536,886
TOTAL	<u>\$33,316,496</u>	<u>\$35,880,540</u>	<u>\$35,890,616</u>

*Includes Special (railroads & utilities)

Wayne County	Actual Valuation		
	2008	2009	2010
Real Estate	\$8,260,600	\$8,805,415	\$8,345,265
Personal Property	13,731	11,019	38,815
Centrally Assessed (real estate & personal property)	39,595	76,698	75,313
TOTAL	<u>\$8,313,926</u>	<u>\$8,893,132</u>	<u>\$8,459,393</u>

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

Dixon County	2008	2009	2010
	Township	\$0.094937	\$0.094802
City	.490026	.480193	.4847800
County	.352630	.404934	.4081230
School District	1.090238	1.025524	1.1088500
Community College	.090000	.093540	.0985000
Educational Service Unit	.015999	.015000	.0150000
Natural Resource District	.033857	.034111	.0379497
Agricultural Society	.005654	.005328	.0050770
TOTAL	<u>\$2.173341</u>	<u>\$2.153432</u>	<u>\$2.2716187</u>

Wayne County	2008	2009	2010
	City	\$0.490026	\$0.480193
County	.328085	.338236	.3575300
School District	1.090238	1.089910	1.1088500
Community College	.090000	.093540	.0985000
Educational Service Unit	.015999	.015000	.0150000
Natural Resource District	.033857	.034111	.0379497
Agricultural Society	.004990	.004775	.0064170
TOTAL	<u>\$2.053195</u>	<u>\$2.055765</u>	<u>\$2.1090267</u>

CITY SALES TAX

The city of Wakefield imposes a 1 percent city sales tax.

LOCAL BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

As of December 13, 2010:

City—Revenue Bonds	\$260,000
City—General Obligation Bonds	\$475,000
Pool Debt Service (Lease Financing)	\$610,000
School District	\$735,982
Dixon County	None
Wayne County (as of November 2010)	\$280,000

CITY BOND ISSUES

Type	Date Issued	Original Amount	Unpaid Balance As of 12/13/10	Interest Rate (%)	Date Due
Revenue					
Sewer/Electric/Water	1999	\$585,000	\$260,000	3.21	2014
General Obligation					
Water	1999	\$600,000	\$475,000	4.13	2021
Pool Debt Service	2007	\$650,000	\$610,000	4.47	2022

SCHOOL BOND ISSUES

Type	Date Issued	Original Amount	Unpaid Balance As of 9/10	Interest Rate (%)	Date Due
Environmental Hazard/ Accessibility Barrier	3/15/04	\$550,000	\$283,931	1.5–3.65	6/1/14
School Bond	7/15/03	\$825,000	\$452,051	0.8–3.75	6/15/16

COUNTY BOND ISSUES

Type	Date Issued	Original Amount	Unpaid Balance As of 11/10	Interest Rate (%)	Date Due
Wayne County Courthouse Improvement	7/15/02	\$400,000	\$145,000	4.03	2013
Wayne County Courthouse Improvement	6/15/06	\$200,000	\$135,000	3.79	2014

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Dixon County has 13 townships and is governed by a six-member board of supervisors, elected by popular vote for four-year terms. The county belongs to the Siouland Interstate Metropolitan Council (SIMPCO) along with seven other counties. The county budget for 2010–11 is \$7,715,169. The county is not zoned.

Wayne County has 13 precincts and is governed by three county commissioners, elected by popular vote for four-year terms. 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 2007. The county budget for 2010–11 is \$10,353,608.

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Wakefield, a second-class city, has a mayor–council form of government with a city administrator. The actual 2010–2011 budget is \$7,488,016.

Municipal officials are:

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

FIRE PROTECTION

Fire protection is provided in Wakefield by a 24-member volunteer fire department. The department provides protection for areas outside the city limits by operating the rural fire district's

equipment. Mutual aid is also provided to other fire districts.

Wakefield has 130 fire hydrants. The fire insurance classification inside the corporate limits is 5; outside it is 9. Approximately \$50,000 was spent annually for fire protection during the last three years.

Equipment in the fire department:

Year/Make	Description
Rural/City	
2008 Chevrolet	Command unit
2006 Ford	Rescue unit
2004 GMC	Rescue pumper, 1,250 gal. per min.
1995 Chevrolet	1,250 gal. per min.
1991 Ford	Rescue unit
1971 Chevrolet	Command unit
Rural	
2000 Chevrolet	2,000 gal. tanker
1978 IHC	3,500 gal. tanker

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Police Department

The city of Wakefield contracts with the Dixon County Sheriff's Department for 24-hour law enforcement coverage in the city.

Sheriff's Department

The **Dixon County Sheriff's Department**, located in Ponca, is staffed by ten sworn officers and nine support personnel. Equipment includes teletype, radio, paging system, intoxilizer, and other standard equipment. The department has an Enhanced 911 System. Patrol is provided to existing industries.

The **Wayne County Sheriff's Department** in Wayne, 11 miles west, 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 sheriff's departments.

Crime rates per 1,000 population, 2009:

Location	Violent Crimes	Property Crimes
Dixon County	0.8	8.6
Wayne County	0.4	11.6
Nebraska	2.7	26.7
U.S.	4.3	30.4

State Patrol

Troop B of the Nebraska State Patrol is headquartered in Norfolk and serves 23 counties. Four troopers are stationed in the Wakefield area.

The Staet Patrol provides a variety of services including traffic enforcement; motor vehicle accident; safety education programs; Gang Reduction Education and Training (GREAT) instruction; and liquor, criminal, and drug investigations with the assistance of two canines.

STREETS

Wakefield has 12.5 miles of streets, all of which are hard-surfaced with asphalt, concrete, or brick. Local load restrictions do not exist. All of the paved streets have curbs and 67 percent have sidewalks.

Street maintenance includes street sweeping, snow removal, and street repair.

BUILDING AND ZONING REGULATIONS

The National Electric Code, Uniform Plumbing Code, Uniform Building Code, and Uniform Mechanical Code are enforced within the community.

Local zoning classifications are:

- A-1 Agricultural
- R-1 Low Density Residential
- R-2 Medium Density Residential
- R-3 High Density Residential
- C-1 Central Commercial
- C-2 General Commercial
- C-3 Highway Commercial
- I-1 Light Industrial
- I-2 Heavy Industrial

PLANNING

Wakefield has a five-member planning commission. Members are appointed by the Mayor and approved by the city council and serve a three-year term.

The Wakefield Planning and Zoning Board and Hanna:Keelan of Lincoln, Nebraska, updated the comprehensive plan in 2005.



Wakefield City Offices

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Wakefield City Schools

Type of School	Classrooms	Students	Teacher/ Pupil Ratio	Computer/ Pupil Ratio
Elementary (Pre-6)	19	220	1:11	1:3
Jr.-Sr. High School (7-12)	24	210	1:12	1:3

School District No. 90-0560 in Wayne, Dixon, and Thurston Counties covers 92.5 square miles and had a 2010 assessed valuation of \$227,665,022, with an average valuation of \$507,049 per student. This Class 3, Type K-6, 6 district is accredited by the Nebraska Department of Education and the North Central Association.

The 2009-10 school operating expenses totaled \$4,029,191, with an average cost per student of \$8,974.

The maximum capacity of the public elementary school is 350. The elementary school was built in 1966 and the junior/senior high school, with a capacity of 350, was built in 1976 attached to the elementary school. The school was remodeled in 1999 and an addition completed in 2001.

Vocational courses offered in the high school include business, family consumer science, and industrial technology. Adult education programs are available in the high school in cooperation with the Northeast Community College.

2009-2010 Standardized Test Results % Students Above U.S. Average			
Test	4th	8th	11th
Reading	55.18	46.43	55.56
Mathematics	65.52	53.57	63.89

On average, 35 percent of the students took the ACT test during the last three years; the composite score was 20.8.

It is estimated that 98 percent of the eighth grade students finish high school, 80 percent of the graduating seniors pursue a college degree, and

20 percent of the seniors enter the job market or military after graduation.

Special Schools

NorthStar Services provides support services to children and adults living in the 24 counties of northeast Nebraska. The agency has service sites in 10 communities, including Wayne, 11 miles west of Wakefield. The Wayne office operates an Adult Development Center and eight residential settings.

Educational Service Unit

Wakefield is the headquarters for Educational Service Unit 1 serving school districts in Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, Knox, Thurston, and Wayne Counties. Services available in special education include program supervision, physical therapy, occupational therapy, psychological education evaluations, speech therapy, audiological testing, transition consultant, vision consultant, behaviorally disordered student program, mentally handicapped student program, and early childhood special education services. Other services include staff development, teacher in-service, Internet, technology training, media and teacher resource library, media delivery, computer and equipment repair, and cooperative purchase program.

Community College

Wakefield 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, 47 miles southwest of Wakefield, and through

regional education centers located in O'Neill, South Sioux City, and West Point. Enrollment at NECC for 2009–10 included 7,390 students taking credit courses and 18,181 students taking noncredit classes or 3,368 full-time equivalent students. Northeast also provided adult education classes for 1,088 students in 2009–10. Those students were taking classes for the acquisition of basic math and English skills, English as a Second Language, English language civics, General Educational Development (GED) for a high school diploma, or preparation for the Naturalization Test.

NECC offers more than 95 program options preparing students for immediate employment or transfer to a four-year college or university. Some 750 students completed their studies for a certificate, diploma, or degree during the 2009–10 academic year. According to the latest Graduate Employment Report, 97 percent of the 2009 graduates seeking employment found jobs.

The most-recent Graduate Employment Report also showed that 273 of the 2009 graduates chose to continue their education, with 87 percent of those transferring to a Nebraska institution of higher learning. Other data confirm that college transfer students from NECC who continue their education 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, 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 189 employers and trained more than 5,000 employees through customized training workshops and seminars in fiscal year 2009–10. The division also worked with 12 communities on strategic planning and economic development initiatives. More than 20 individuals seeking to start or expand their businesses received

assistance through this division. An additional six minority-owned businesses were provided startup assistance and consulting services. NECC also assisted in recruiting several new companies and divisions to the region. Seven area manufacturing plants were assisted with training through Nebraska Advantage customized training and Nebraska Worker Training Grants.

The **205-acre main campus in Norfolk** includes 24 buildings with classroom, shop, and lab facilities; library/resource center; student center; an activities center with gym and theater; the Lifelong Learning Center; and residence halls and 2 apartment buildings for student living. Northeast also owns a 566-acre college farm with all facilities necessary for teaching farm operations.

Northeast Community College's library in Norfolk, with its 26,338 books, approximately 40,000 electronic books, and 138 magazines and journals, is open to the residents of Northeast's 20-county service area. The library also offers 57 different newspapers, including those published in the 20 counties in northeast Nebraska, and 871 videotapes and DVDs. The library is part of the ONELibrary 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.

Northeast Community College continues to grow. A unique partnership between Northeast Community College and the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) College of Nursing came to fruition in August 2010 when the 43,747-square-foot J. Paul and Eleanor McIntosh College of Nursing opened. The facility houses all Northeast's nursing programs including the basic nurse aide (commonly called the certified nurse aide), medication aide, practical nursing, and associate degree nursing, and bachelor's and graduate nursing programs from the UNMC College of Nursing Northern Division. An \$11.9 million capital campaign, believed by some to be the largest capital campaign in northeast Nebraska history, was completed with



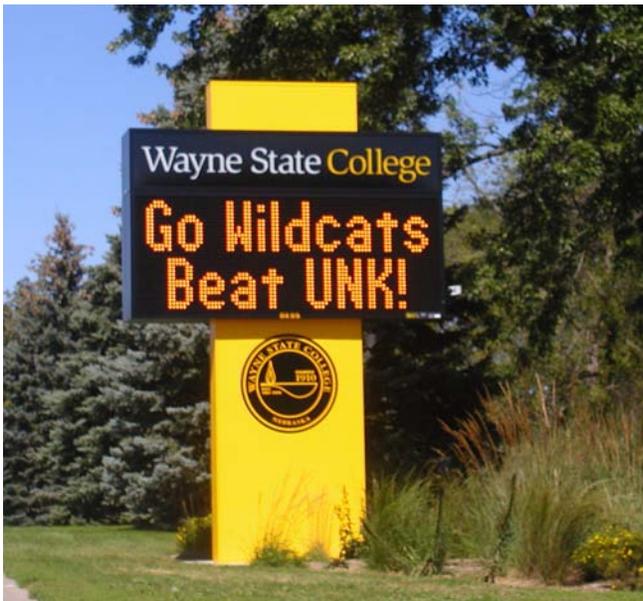
Wakefield High School



Wakefield Elementary School



Educational Service Unit 1



Wayne State College

a donation of well over \$1,000,000 from J. Paul and Eleanor McIntosh.

The \$7.9 million, 40,025-square-foot College Welcome Center on the Northeast campus in Norfolk opened in October 2009. It houses most Student Services' and Administrative Services' functions. Designed to be a "one-stop shop," the facility includes a welcome/reception area, testing and academic advisement area, financial aid offices, student counseling facilities, and the business offices for payment of tuition and fees.

The College Welcome Center is also home to recruitment/admissions, disabilities services, adaptive technology center, career services, registration and records, and veteran's services. Prospective students begin their college tours from this facility, which also has conference rooms.

Enrollments continue to grow at the 10,000-square-foot **Northeast Community College Education Center in South Sioux City**, which opened in 2005. Currently students can earn associate degrees in academic transfer, administrative assistant-general, administrative assistant-medical, business administration, business management, behavioral science, criminal justice-corrections, and elementary education. Nursing classes are also offered, as are vocational classes, continuing education, and customized training for business and industry at this location.

Construction continues on the College Center at South Sioux City. The center is being built on 57 acres of prime real estate along U.S. Highway 77, donated to Northeast by the South Sioux City Community Development Agency. Students will be able to take their freshman and sophomore classes from Northeast Community College and continue their education from Wayne State College, all in the same location. The Nebraska Legislature appropriated \$3.5 million for Wayne State's share of the facility. The College Center will open during the spring semester 2011.

Northeast tentatively plans to offer associate of arts degrees with an emphasis in academic

transfer, accounting, behavioral science, business administration, criminal justice/corrections, early childhood education, elementary education, industrial facility drafting, journalism, and library technical assistant. Associate of applied science degrees in administrative assistant-medical or general, business-marketing option, and accounting are also tentatively planned. These programs may be delivered via a combination of traditional classes, interactive television classes, and online classes.

A 5,750-square-foot Industrial Training Building on the College Center grounds in South Sioux City opened in July 2010. Approximately 50 percent of the funds for the Industrial Training Building project are federal funds from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration. Northeast's one-year welding and industrial technician programs are housed in that facility.

The **Northeast Education Center in West Point** is comprised of 8,000 square feet in the Shirley and Jake Weber Education Center, part of the \$5.4 million Donald E. Nielsen Community Center, dedicated in August 2008. Construction of NECC's portion of the building was financed with a \$500,000 grant from the Louis and Abby Faye Dinklage Foundation and a \$250,000 gift from Hank and Mona Stalp.

The Northeast Education Center contains six classrooms (two ITV classrooms, two computer labs, a science lab, and a general purpose classroom), four offices, student lounge, registration area, lobby area, workroom, and storeroom. General education, nursing, business English as a Second Language, computer training, business/industry training, and continuing/community education classes are offered in West Point.

Northeast Community College programming continues to increase at the **Northeast Education Center in O'Neill**. In May 2010, 15 students who took most of their classes at the O'Neill Education Center joined more than 700 others who earned Northeast degrees or diplomas. A total of 86 students, including 12 nursing students, were registered in 64 different credit

classes at the O'Neill Education Center at the beginning of the fall 2010 semester.

A recently completed Economic Impact Study by Economic Modeling Specialists Inc./CCbenefits Inc. of Moscow, Idaho, showed that taxpayers in Northeast's 20-county service area see a return of 9.8 percent on their annual investments in Northeast and recover all investments in 12.9 years. The study also showed that Northeast's workforce training increased the output of local

industries (where former Northeast students are employed) by \$190.5 million annually. Using the multiplier effect, Northeast's annual payroll and benefits of \$18 million turns into \$25 million. Additionally, the study also showed that for every \$1 a student invests in Northeast education, he or she will receive a cumulative \$6.10 in higher future earning for the next 30 years.

For more information on Northeast Community College, visit www.northeast.edu or call (800) 348-9033.

Northeast Community College 2009–10 Academic Year			
Program	Degree	Diploma	Certificate
Academic Transfer & General Studies	58	NA	NA
Administrative Assistant	27	12	0
Agriculture	73	1	NA
Art	4	NA	NA
Associate Degree Nursing	49	NA	NA
Audio Recording	15	0	13
Auto Body Repair Technology	12	NA	NA
Automotive Technology	19	0	NA
Biology	1	NA	NA
Broadcasting	6	NA	NA
Building Construction	17	NA	NA
Business	57	4	2
Criminal Justice	6	NA	NA
Diesel Technology	25	NA	NA
Drafting	38	NA	NA
Early Childhood Education	7	1	NA
Education	22	NA	NA
Electrical Construction and Control	26	NA	NA
Electromechanical Technology	20	0	0
EMT Paramedic	2	0	NA
English	3	NA	NA
Graphic Design	5	NA	NA
Health, Physical Education, and Recreation	3	NA	NA
Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning	6	NA	NA
Industrial Maintenance	NA	7	NA
Information Technology	18	0	0
Journalism	2	NA	NA
Music	3	NA	NA
Practical Nursing	NA	41	NA

NA-Not available

Northeast Community College 2009–10 Academic Year			
Program	Degree	Diploma	Certificate
Paralegal	3	0	1
Physics	1	NA	NA
Pre-Professional Studies	31	NA	NA
Physical Therapy	13	NA	NA
Renewable Fuels	5	2	0
Behavioral Science	29	NA	NA
Utility Line	35	NA	NA
Welding	NA	25	NA
TOTAL	641	93	16

NA-Not available

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, one distance-learning classroom, computer center for software training, general purpose classroom, 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, University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) Northeast Research and Extension Center, UNL Extension in Madison County, and Wayne State College, as well as other public and private institutions.

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

Colleges and Universities

Wayne State College (WSC) located in Wayne, 11 miles west of Wakefield, serves approximately 3,600 students from throughout Nebraska and Iowa as well as more than 28 other states and 24 foreign countries. At the undergraduate level, WSC offers more than 70 nonteaching majors and minors plus 38 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, education, and organizational management.

Of those undergraduate students declaring a major, approximately 12 percent major in the arts and humanities, 22 percent in education and counseling, 26 percent in business and technology, and 40 percent in natural and social sciences.

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.

Wayne State College				
Program	Undergraduate		Graduate	
	Majors*	Degrees**	Majors*	Degrees**
Applied Human & Sport Physiology	42	4	—	—
Art	45	11	—	—
Business	380	122	82	20
Chemistry	46	21	—	—
Computer Information Systems	77	16	—	—
Computer Science	34	4	—	—
Counselor Education/Counseling	—	—	60	18
Criminal Justice	189	28	—	—
Curriculum & Instruction	—	—	206	102
Early Childhood	25	7	—	—
Early Childhood Education	111	19	—	—
Elementary Education	389	47	—	—
English	79	20	—	—
Exercise Science	83	13	8	2
Family & Consumer Sciences	62	16	—	—
French Education	1	1	—	—
Geography	28	5	—	—
Graphic Design	43	8	—	—
Health & Physical Education	86	11	—	—
History	61	6	—	—
Human Service Counseling	96	25	—	—
Industrial Technology	120	20	—	—
Interdisciplinary Studies	4	1	—	—
Life Sciences	102	40	—	—
Mass Communication	46	9	—	—
Mathematics	37	4	—	—
Middle Level Education	34	3	—	—
Music	70	10	—	—
Natural Sciences	9	1	—	—
Organizational Management	—	—	24	11
Physical Science	6	0	—	—
Political Science	26	9	—	—
Pre-Professional	263	0	—	—
Psychology	69	10	—	—
School Administration	—	—	140	24
Social Sciences	59	10	—	—
Sociology	19	4	—	—
Spanish	27	11	—	—
Special Education	90	6	5	40
Speech Communication	40	18	—	—
Sport Management	107	23	—	—
Technology	6	6	—	—
Theatre	9	2	—	—
Undeclared	312	0	—	—
TOTAL	3,332	571	525	177

*Includes first and second majors for fall 2010 (as of 10/15/10)

**Includes degrees awarded December 2009 through August 2010

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 on-site in several area cities. Schedules and course offerings vary.

Ground breaking for the College Center of South Sioux City was held in 2009. The College Center of South Sioux City will partner with Northeast Community College and Wayne State College in the same building. Northeast and Wayne State will offer additional opportunities for students to earn associate, baccalaureate, and master's degrees without having to relocate; a combination of customized training for businesses and industry, continuing education, licensing programs, and career and technical training. The 39,600-square-foot facility is scheduled to open the spring semester of 2011.

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 Wakefield High School graduates include:

Community/ College or University	Mileage
Wayne, NE Wayne State College	11
Sioux City, IA Morningside College Western Iowa Community College	41
Norfolk, NE Northeast Community College	47
Vermillion, SD University of South Dakota	53
Fremont, NE Midland University	72
Omaha, NE Creighton University College of St. Mary's University of Nebraska at Omaha	132

Community/ College or University	Mileage
Lincoln, NE University of Nebraska-Lincoln	143

CHURCHES

Denomination	Number of Churches
Evangelical Christian	1
Evangelical Covenant	1
Lutheran, ELCA	1
Lutheran, Missouri Synod	2
Presbyterian	1

HEALTH CARE

Clinic

Wakefield Mercy Medical Clinic is an outpatient clinic staffed by two physicians, one physician assistant, two licensed practical nurses, and one part-time registered nurse.

Rescue Squad

The **Rescue Squad** in Wakefield is comprised of 23 volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians who respond to calls with two fully equipped ambulances; one with a defibrillator. The ambulances are owned by the Wakefield Volunteer Fire Department.

Dental

The **Wakefield Dental Clinic** is staffed with one dentist and one dental hygienist offering family dentistry.

Nursing Home

Wakefield Health Care Center is a 49-bed, city-owned, nursing facility. The facility is Medicare and Medicaid certified and offers adult care and respite care. The Wakefield Health Care Center, with social and recreational programs, enjoys active local support from the community.

Assisted Living

Wakefield Health Care Assisted Living adjoins the Wakefield Health Care Center with 16 studio assisted living apartments. The facility also contains 6 one-bedroom independent living apartments.

Hospital

Providence Medical Center (PMC) in Wayne, 11 miles west of Wakefield, first opened its doors to residents in northeast Nebraska in 1975. PMC, a critical access 25-bed, non-profit hospital remains one of the best small rural hospitals in northeast Nebraska, employing nearly 170 individuals and providing state-of-the-art health care to more than 15,000 area residents. PMC offers acute, skilled/swing-bed care, as well as Medicare certified home health, hospice, and private pay personal care. Palliative care is also available.

The surgical department is equipped with the newest standard in today's operation room. State-of-the-art instrumentation allows physicians improved visualization and detailed images. A full-time, certified, registered nurse anesthetist stands ready to work with physicians and their patients. X-ray guided lumbar epidural injections are available.

In-house Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) and mobile Positron Emission Tomography (PET) services were added in 2009. Radio frequency Ablation for pain management was also recently added.

Providence Medical Center leases space to Mercy Medical- Sioux City, Iowa, for usage by five local physicians and two PA-Cs. Named Wayne Mercy Medical Clinic, it is an independent doctor's clinic attached to the hospital. The local physicians and PA-Cs are employees of Mercy Medical-Sioux City and serve PMC as well as the outreach clinics in Wisner, Laurel, and Wakefield.

The PCM Outpatient Department, served by approximately 50 specialty physicians, has grown from 300 patients per month to approximately 1,000 patients a month during the past 20 years.

Providence Medical Center boasts one of the largest rural therapy departments in the region, offering physical, occupational, speech, and aquatic therapies. Clinics are located at PMC, on the campus of Wayne State College in Wayne, and at the Laurel Therapy Outreach clinic.

For more information on Providence Medical Center, visit www.providencemedical.com.

LIBRARY

The **Gardner Public Library** was built in 2004. The library contains 15,114 children's, young adult, and adult books; audio tapes; periodicals; and videos. The library has an average annual circulation of 7,000. Library activities include children's holiday reading programs, a summer reading program, story time for preschool children, as well as computer classes and an adult book club. The 7,000-square-foot library features a meeting room seating up to 50 people, computer work stations (with wireless connections), and separate children and adult reading areas.

RECREATION

The city park in Wakefield covers 12 acres and has picnic shelters, two sand volleyball courts, swimming pool, overnight camping, horseshoe pits, baseball and softball fields (lighted and irrigated), T-ball field, batting cage, and basketball court. The Logan Creek Trail is a 1.5-mile asphalt trail open to walkers and bikers. An aquatic center, built in 2008, features zero depth entry, toddler slide, swimming lanes, diving board, and water slide.

Two unsupervised playgrounds in Wakefield have playground equipment. The average annual budget for Parks and Recreation is \$30,000. Programs include T-ball, Little League and Legion baseball, softball, football, and basketball.

Area facilities:

- Boating — Boating on the Missouri River, 35 miles
- Bowling — Bowling alley with 8 lanes



Providence Medical Center in Wayne, 11 Miles



Wakefield Health Care Center



Wakefield Mercy Medical Clinic



Baseball Field

Park Facilities



Veteran's Park



Logan Valley Golf Course



Hot Air Balloon Festival



Gardner Public Library



Gardner Senior Center



The Depot Museum



Little Red Hen Theatre

- Fishing — Excellent fishing at Logan Creek, 1/2 mile; the Missouri River, 35 miles; and Lewis & Clark Lake and Gavins Point Dam, 65 miles
- Golf Courses — Public, 9-hole grass greens course with clubhouse
- Hunting — Excellent hunting for pheasant, quail, deer, turkey, and small game
- Skating — Roller skating rink in Wakefield
- Swimming — Municipal pool in park
- Theaters — Indoor theater seating 140
- Volleyball — 2 sand volleyball courts
- Walking Trail — 1.5 miles

Annual events in Wakefield include the Mid-Summer Classic and the Wooden Bat Tour in June, Hot Air Balloon Festival in October, and Taste of Wakefield the Monday after Thanksgiving.

The Wakefield Community Rec Center contains a weight room, walking track, and full-size gym.

The Wakefield Senior Center provides entertainment, meals, social and educational activities, health care clinics, and daily telephone checks for seniors in the community. The senior center also offers public transportation.

Local attractions include the Graves Library Museum and The Depot, a restored train depot. Cultural activities are provided by the Community Chorus and the Little Red Hen Community Theatre.

The Little Red Hen Theatre (LRHT) was built in 2005. It is a black box theatre with flexible, tiered seating for up to 140. Four major productions are offered annually, with a variety of guest performers and other fine arts activities presented between productions. LRHT's Young Actor's Association (*YAAA!!*) is involved in a variety of theatre activities behind the scenes and on the stage.

HOUSING

New Construction

One new home was constructed in the past two years and it is estimated two will be built in 2011. The cost of new home construction averages \$120 per square foot.

Wakefield has two housing developments with available lots. Gustafson Estates First Addition, located on South Main Street, has thirteen 75- x 150-foot lots. The Muller Addition, directly west of the school, has two various sized lots for sale.

Wakefield Residential Development Group, Inc., has down payment assistance funds available to help eligible first-time home buyers in Wakefield.

Wakefield Housing Market (as of 1/11):

Number of Homes on the Market

Single Family - 10

Avg. Selling Prices (New and Existing)

Single Family Home	
2,500 sq. ft. - 3 bedroom	\$150,000
1,550 sq. ft. - 3 bedroom	\$94,000
1,000 sq. ft. - 3 bedroom	\$55,000

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

Less than \$100,000	7
\$100,001–\$150,000	3

Rentals

2 bedroom home	\$350–\$600
Apartment - 2 bedrooms	\$350–\$600

Low Cost and/or Retirement Housing

Name	Units	Year Built
Casey Apartments	10	1990
Wakefield Smith Apartments	11	1967*
Wakefield Villa	13	1976
Wakefield Village Apts.	12	1994
Winter Street Complex	4	1995

*Expanded in 1975

Independent Living

The **Ash Street Apartments** offer six 1-bedroom independent living apartments. A call light system, with actuators in each room of the apartment are connected to the Wakefield Health Care Center in case of an emergency.

In addition to the 16 studio assisted living apartments at **Wakefield Health Care Assisted**

Living, the facility also contains six 1-bedroom independent living apartments.

FINANCIAL

Financial institution in Wakefield:

Iowa-Nebraska State Bank



New Home Construction



Iowa-Nebraska State Bank

COMMUNITY SERVICES

PROFESSIONAL

Attorneys.....	2
Auctioneers	1
Certified Public Accountants	1
Dentists	1
Medical Doctors (practicing in Wakefield) —family practice physicians	2
Medical Doctors (living in Wakefield, practice elsewhere) —pediatricians.....	1
Nurses, Registered	6
Physician Assistants.....	1

BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL

Accounting/Bookkeeping Agencies.....	1
Advertising Agencies	1
Antique Shops.....	2
Apparel Stores—combination.....	1
Auto Body Repair	3
Auto Repair & Services	4
Auto Supply Parts	1
Automobile Dealers	1
Bakeries.....	1
Banquet Facilities, Halls, Auditoriums & Meeting Rooms	3
Beauty Salons/Barber Shops.....	5
Caterers	3
Child Care Services.....	5
Computer Services	1
Contractors—concrete	1
—electric	3
—flooring	1
—general (commercial).....	5
—general (residential).....	5
—gravel.....	1
—heating & air conditioning.....	2
—painting.....	3
—plumbing.....	2
—remodeling.....	4
—roofing	4
—well digging.....	1
Convenience Stores.....	2
Copying & Duplicating Services	1
Craft Stores	1
Dry Cleaning & Laundries.....	1
Electric Motor Repair	1

Fertilizers	1
Floral Shops	1
Funeral Homes	2
Gift Shops	2
Grain Dealers	3
Grocery Stores	2
Hardware Stores.....	1
Hatcheries	1
Insurance Companies	3
Laundromats	1
Lawn Services.....	1
Lumberyards	1
Machine Shops.....	1
Nurseries & Garden Centers	2
Pet Boarding/Grooming Services	1
Photography Studios	2
Preschools	1
Printers	1
Real Estate Firms	1
Restaurants.....	3
Service Stations.....	2
Theatres.....	1
Welding Shops	1

AGRICULTURE & RAW MATERIALS

AGRICULTURE

2007 Statistics	Dixon County	Wayne County	State of Nebraska
Number of Farms	568	573	47,712
Land in Farms (acres)	248,506	276,578	45,480,358
Average Size of Farms (acres)	438	483	953
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$143,307,000	\$177,911,000	\$15,506,035,000
Market Value per Farm	\$252,301	\$310,491	\$324,992
Total Acres Irrigated	21,583	42,736	8,558,559
Percent of Farmland Irrigated	8.7%	15.5%	18.8%
Five-Year Average Production of Leading Crops (2005-2009)			
Corn for Grain	14,892,640 bu.	17,727,700 bu.	1,377,890,000 bu.
Hay Alfalfa (Dry)	36,158 tons	65,906 tons	4,008,400 tons
Oats	60,060 bu.	42,300 bu.	2,612,000 bu.
Soybeans	3,302,440 bu.	4,461,320 bu.	233,518,000 bu.
Five-Year Average Livestock Population (2006-2010)			
Cattle & Calves	47,400	61,000	6,450,000

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2005–2010
2007 Census of Agriculture

RAW MATERIALS

Metallic minerals are not available in the area; however, nonmetallic minerals of sand, crushed rock, limestone, and clay are available. 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	9.0	20.0	31.0	0.64	6.4	76	66
February	12.9	24.2	35.4	0.91	6.4	78	66
March	24.1	35.9	47.7	1.64	6.4	79	64
April	36.2	49.5	62.8	2.70	1.8	77	55
May	47.7	60.7	73.7	3.80	0.2	79	56
June	57.7	70.3	82.9	4.36	0.0	81	58
July	62.5	75.3	88.1	3.20	0.0	82	59
August	60.3	73.0	85.8	3.26	0.0	85	61
September	50.8	64.3	77.8	2.89	0.0	82	58
October	38.8	52.4	66.1	1.86	0.8	78	55
November	24.9	36.5	48.2	1.21	3.4	78	62
December	13.7	24.1	34.6	0.82	6.5	78	67
Annual	36.5	48.9	61.2	27.29	32.0	80	61

*Recorded at Norfolk Weather Station

FROST DATA

Average date of spring freeze probability	May 4
Average date of fall freeze probability	September 28
Average length of freeze free season probability	148 days
Average number of heating degree days based on 65° Fahrenheit	6,804
Average number of cooling degree days based on 65° Fahrenheit	950
Wind speed in miles per hour (annual average)	11
Prevailing wind direction (annual average)	South

Source: High Plains Regional Climate Center, University of Nebraska, 1894–2010, www.hprcc.unl.edu