

# Monthly Economic Indicator Report

July 2025



Employment	May-25	May-24	% Change
Labor Force - Buffalo Co.	29,359	28,893	1.6%
Employed - Buffalo Co.	28,625	28,280	1.2%
Unemployed - Buffalo Co.	734	613	19.7%
Unemployment Rate - Buffalo Co.	2.5%	2.1%	0.40%
Nebraska	2.9%	2.6%	0.30%

Source: Nebraska Department of Labor

Taxable Retail Sales	Apr-25	Apr-24	% Change
Buffalo County	\$90,280,936	\$87,782,720	2.85%
Kearney	\$83,930,061	\$81,898,952	2.48%
Nebraska - Taxable Retail Sales	\$3,810,438,391	\$3,543,688,293	7.53%
Motor Vehicle Sales - Buffalo Co.	\$16,162,361	\$13,820,012	16.95%
Nebraska - Motor Vehicle Sales	\$605,834,065	\$566,580,014	6.93%

Source: Nebraska Department of Revenue

Hospitality Sales	May-25	May-24	% Change
Lodging Tax - Buffalo Co.	\$156,971	\$143,293	9.5%

Source: Nebraska Department of Revenue

Enplanements	Jun-25	Jun-24	% Change
Kearney Regional Airport	2,078	1208	72.0%

Source: City of Kearney

Real Estate Sales	2025 YTD	2024 TOTALS
City of Kearney		
< \$250,000	45	120
\$250,000 - \$325,000	37	99
\$325,000 to \$400,000	21	80
>\$400,000	35	62
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>361</b>

Source: Century 21 & Realtors of Greater Mid-Nebraska MLS

Building Permits	Jun-25	Permits	YTD 2025
Single Family	\$6,932,476	9	\$21,813,999
Multi Family (permits/unit)	\$2,614,873	4   4	\$5,052,727
Commercial	\$110,000	1	\$20,308,932
Com. Remodel/Additions	\$302,000	3	\$20,260,164

Source: City of Kearney