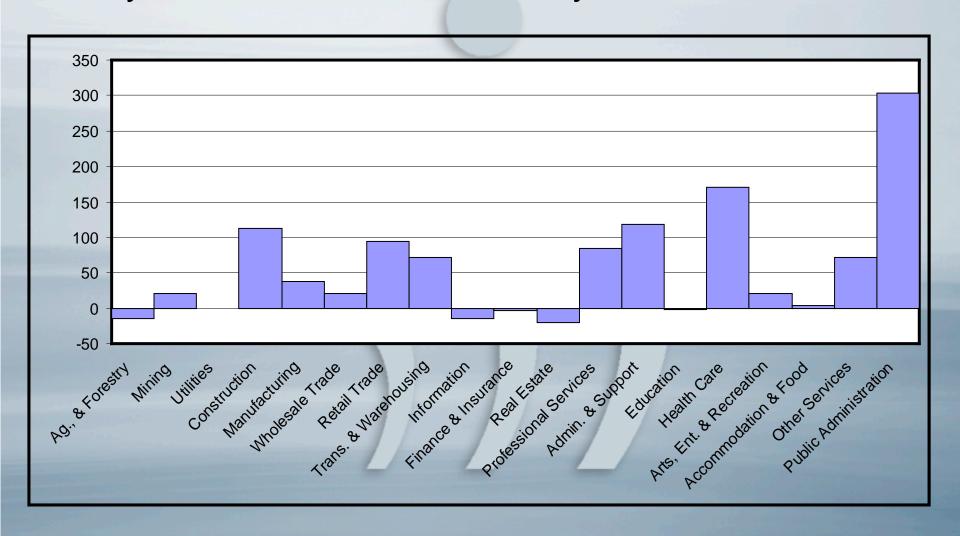
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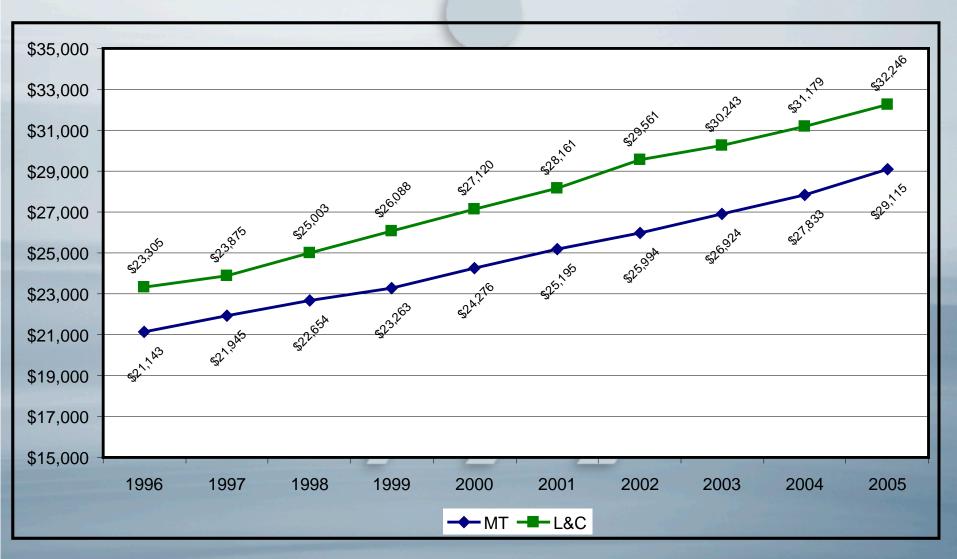
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Employment Growth by Industry July. 2005 - June 2006 vs. July 2004 - June 2005



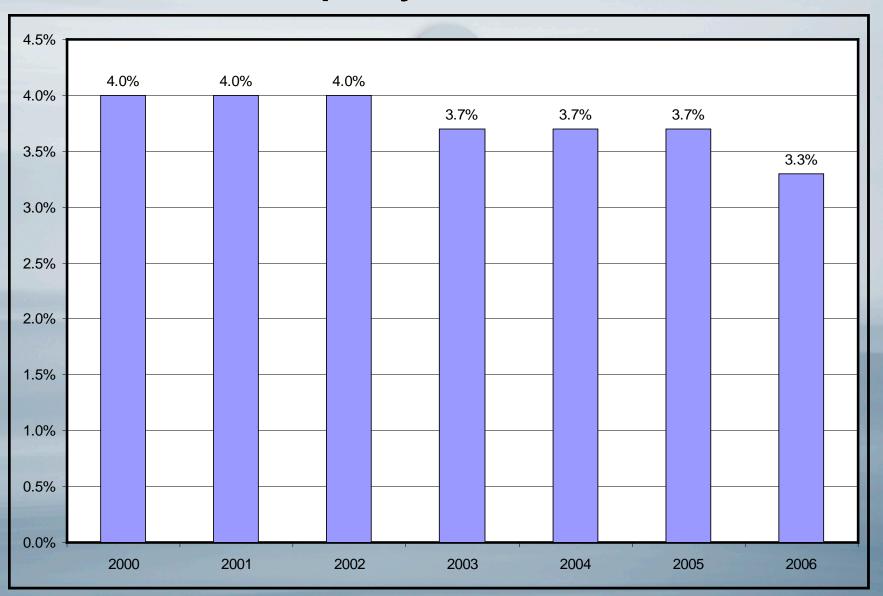
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Wage Growth



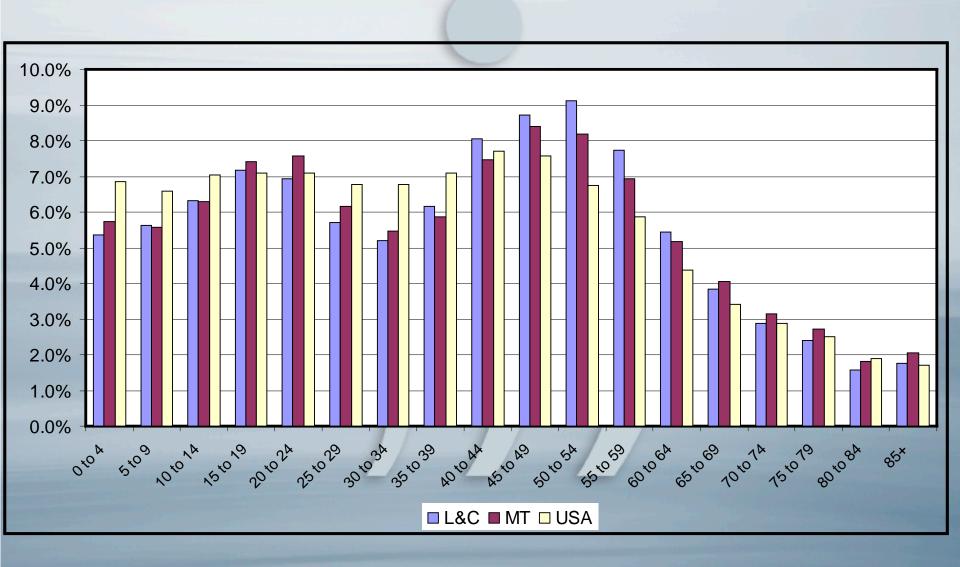
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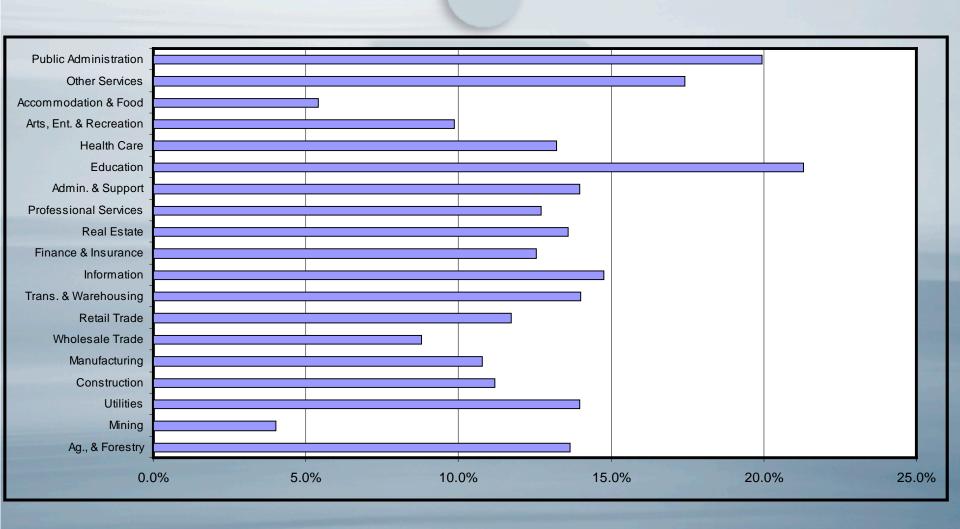
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Lewis and Clark Demographics

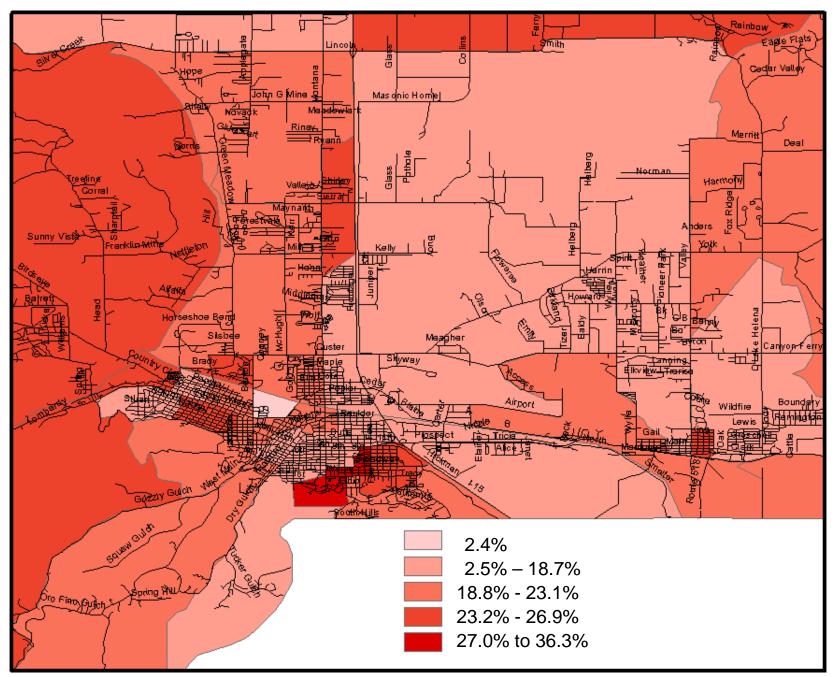


Source: Census Bureau. 2005 Population Estimates

Percent of Workers 55-64 by Industry (2004)



Source: LEHD Program, Census Bureau and BLS



Source: Applied Geographic Solutions

Conclusions

- L&C County is adding jobs at a faster pace than the state and nation
- L&C County Wages exceed the statewide average
- L&C unemployment is below the "full employment" level
- L&C County's labor force will be impacted by the County's demographics

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