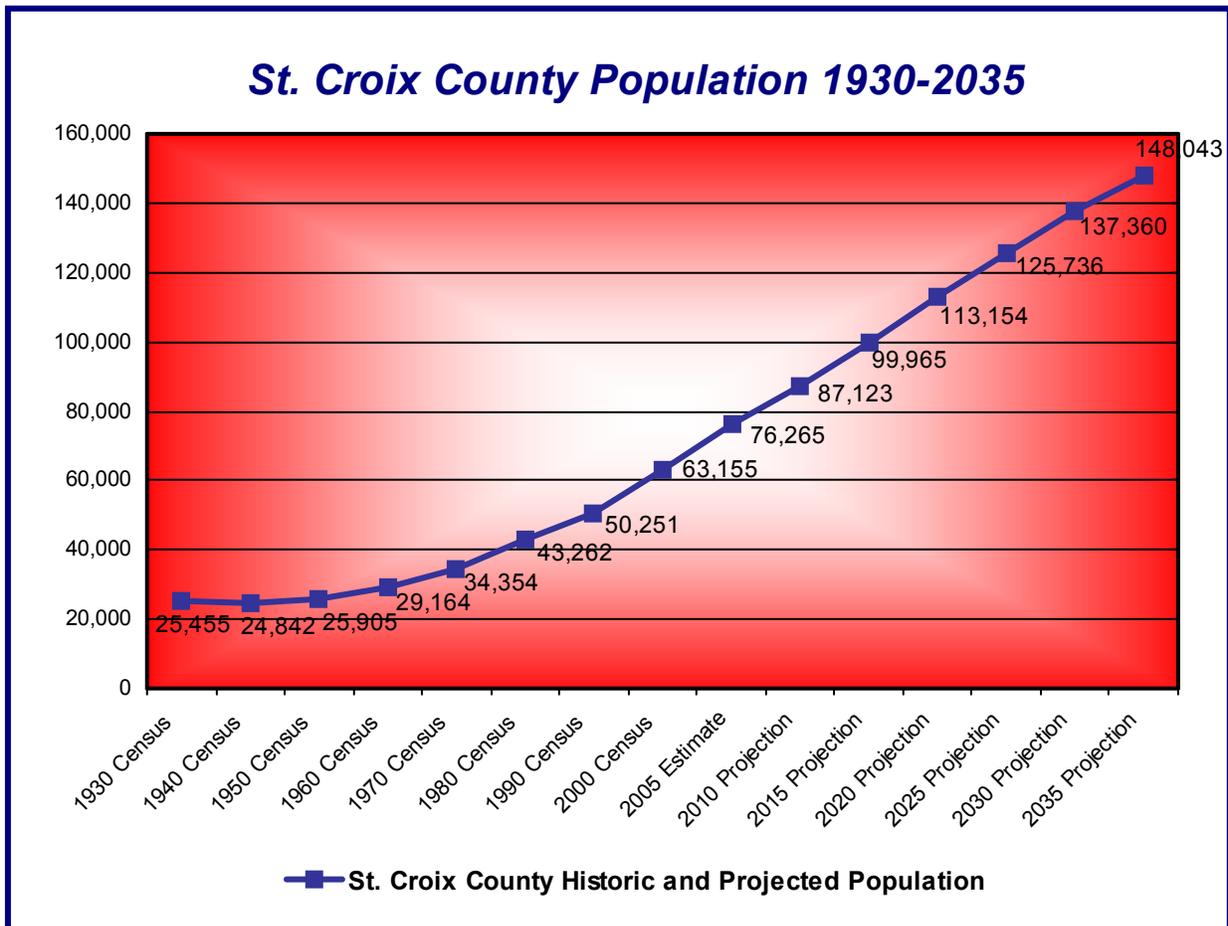


**COMMUNITY FORECASTS**

**POPULATION**



Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Wisconsin Department of Administration Population Projections - 2008

**Population Projections - 2000 to 2030**  
**St. Croix County**

MUNICIPALITY	CENSUS	EST.	PROJECTIONS					# CHG	% CHG
			2000	2005	2010	2015	2020		
<b>TOWNS</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2030</b>	<b>00-30</b>	<b>00-30</b>
T Baldwin	903	958	999	1058	1116	1164	1202	299	33.1
T Cady	710	785	846	921	997	1064	1124	414	58.3
T Cylon	629	671	696	735	772	803	826	197	31.3
T Eau Galle	882	995	1100	1209	1318	1419	1507	625	70.9
T Emerald	691	781	851	939	1027	1109	1182	491	71.1
T Erin Prairie	658	672	691	723	754	777	793	135	20.5
T Forest	590	627	651	687	722	750	773	183	31.0
T Glenwood	755	856	931	1026	1121	1210	1287	532	70.5
T Hammond	947	1523	1871	2265	2675	3074	3453	2506	264.6
T Hudson	6213	7533	8941	10,533	12,178	13,767	15,259	9046	145.6
T Kinnickinnic	1400	1629	1829	2068	2312	2542	2752	1352	96.6
T Pleasant Valley	430	480	523	579	634	684	730	300	69.8
T Richmond	1556	2441	2974	3580	4210	4822	5401	3845	247.1
T Rush River	498	526	560	604	649	688	721	223	44.8
T St. Joseph	3436	3716	4095	4561	5035	5477	5873	2437	70.9
T Somerset	2644	3252	3750	4334	4936	5513	6048	3404	128.7
T Springfield	808	916	991	1085	1181	1268	1344	536	66.3
T Stanton	1003	1014	1033	1062	1087	1101	1105	102	10.2
<b>T Star Prairie</b>	<b>2944</b>	<b>3495</b>	<b>3973</b>	<b>4539</b>	<b>5121</b>	<b>5675</b>	<b>6185</b>	<b>3241</b>	<b>110.1</b>
T Troy	3661	4385	5011	5748	6503	7224	7889	4228	115.5
T Warren	1320	1540	1747	1990	2238	2474	2691	1371	103.9
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>32,678</b>	<b>38,795</b>	<b>44,063</b>	<b>50,246</b>	<b>56,586</b>	<b>62,605</b>	<b>68,145</b>	<b>35,467</b>	<b>108.5</b>
<b>VILLAGES/CITIES</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2030</b>	<b>00-30</b>	<b>00-30</b>
V Baldwin	2667	3441	4044	4746	5470	6170	6824	4157	155.9
V Deer Park	227	224	225	229	232	234	232	5	2.2
V Hammond	1153	1649	1951	2300	2661	3009	3337	2184	189.4
V North Hudson	3463	3693	3988	4374	4763	5120	5432	1969	56.9
V Roberts	969	1362	1585	1849	2123	2386	2631	1662	171.5
V Somerset	1556	2204	2681	3225	3790	4339	4860	3304	212.3
V Star Prairie	574	634	693	768	842	912	974	400	69.7
V Spring Valley	2	3	3	3	2	3	3	1	50.0
V Wilson	176	194	209	229	249	267	282	106	60.2
V Woodville	1104	1292	1436	1630	1830	2018	2191	1087	98.5
C Glenwood City	1183	1227	1303	1405	1506	1597	1672	489	41.3
C Hudson	8775	11,432	13,473	15,865	18,337	20,725	22,967	14,192	161.7
C New Richmond	6310	7566	8638	9917	11,230	12,485	13,643	7333	116.2
C River Falls	2318	2549	2831	3179	3533	3866	4167	1849	79.8
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>30,477</b>	<b>37,470</b>	<b>43,060</b>	<b>49,719</b>	<b>56,568</b>	<b>63,131</b>	<b>69,215</b>	<b>38,738</b>	<b>127.1</b>
<b>St. Croix County</b>	<b>63,155</b>	<b>76,265</b>	<b>87,123</b>	<b>99,965</b>	<b>113,154</b>	<b>125,736</b>	<b>137,360</b>	<b>74,205</b>	<b>117.5</b>

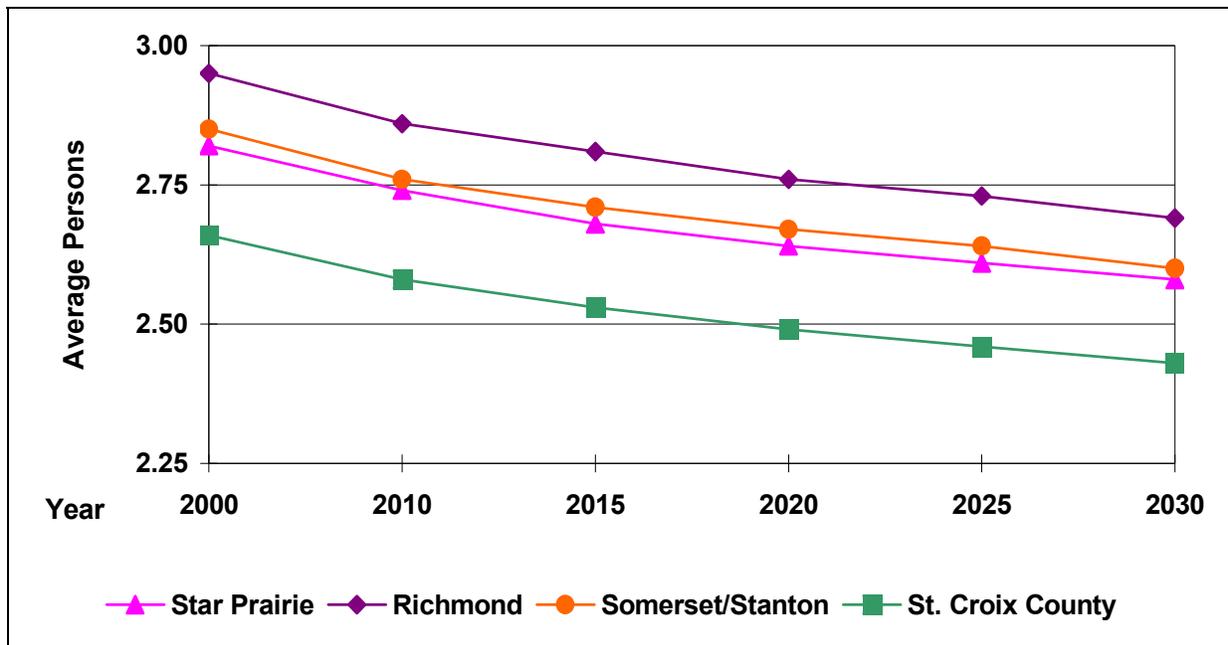
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 Project community is designated in bold type.

**HOUSEHOLD**

**Persons Per Housing Unit – 2000 to 2030  
Town of Star Prairie & Neighboring Towns**

TOWN	2000	PROJECTIONS				
		2010	2015	2020	2025	2030**
<b>Star Prairie</b>	<b>2.82</b>	<b>2.74</b>	<b>2.68</b>	<b>2.64</b>	<b>2.61</b>	<b>2.58</b>
Richmond	2.95	2.86	2.81	2.76	2.73	2.69
Somerset	2.85	2.76	2.71	2.67	2.64	2.60
Stanton	2.85	2.76	2.71	2.67	2.64	2.60
<b>St. Croix County</b>	<b>2.66</b>	<b>2.58</b>	<b>2.53</b>	<b>2.49</b>	<b>2.46</b>	<b>2.43</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Wisconsin Department of Administration  
 \*\* Unofficial Numbers



## *HOUSING UNITS & ACREAGE*

The following presumptions were used to create the growth projections for the town, which are found in the charts on the next several pages.

- The *Historic Trends* projection is the official population projection for the town from the Wisconsin Demographic Services Center. It is based on historic growth rates and assumes no changes in land use policy.
- It should be noted that from 1960-2000 the Town of Star Prairie was usually just slightly above the County growth rate.
- The *Adjusted Rate Growth* projection is based on the average population projection for the town of Star Prairie and all of St. Croix County for the period 2000-2030 from the West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission. It is based on the average annual percentage change in population for St. Croix County and each of the municipalities within the County.
- The *Accelerated Growth* projection is based on the historical population growth from 1980-2000 for the three fastest growing towns in St. Croix County. In 1980 and 1990, there was a similar starting population in these towns and in Star Prairie. This projection assumes that Star Prairie would have the same location, transportation infrastructure, amenities and shopping opportunities as the fastest growing town in the county and that existing town land use policies will not change.
- The 3.0 acres per housing unit was used to estimate acreage used for residential development. The three acres represents the residential housing site and the associated infrastructure needed. It is not intended to represent lot size or to correspond to the actual acreage owned or taxed as residential or agricultural building site property.
- In 2005, Star Prairie's current population estimate was almost exactly at the *Historic Trends* estimate – 3,471 and 3,454.

The following notes regarding calculations will make it easier to read the charts on the next pages.

- Each of the calculations is cumulative. The baseline 2000 numbers are the starting point and are the 2000 Census official numbers.
- The number in the change column is the increase or decrease expected. The number for each time period is based on the previous time period.
- The Persons Per Housing Unit (PPH) number is the official estimate from the Wisconsin Demographic Services Center. This number was not adjusted; the official number was used for all calculations.
- The Population is divided by the PPH to calculate Housing Units for all the projections.
- The Housing Units is multiplied by 3.0 acres per Housing Unit to calculate the Acreage.

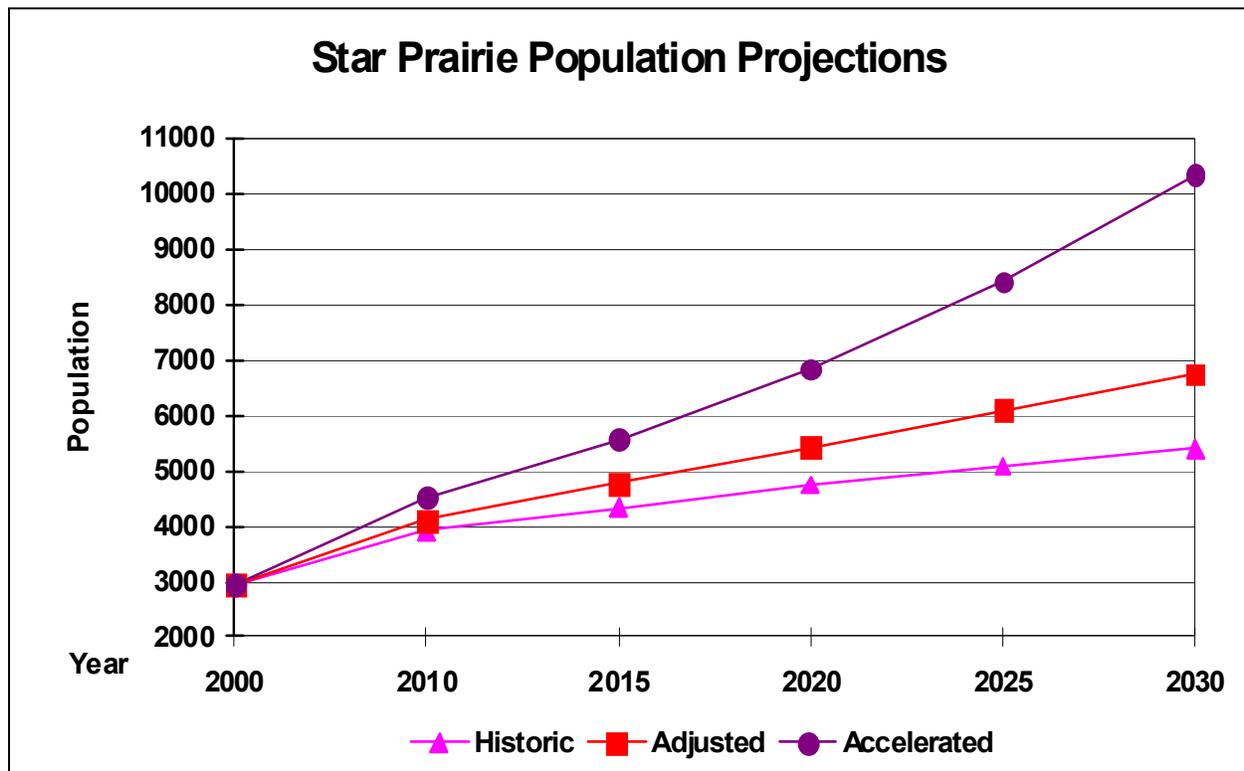
**Growth Projections -- 2000 to 2030  
Town of Star Prairie**

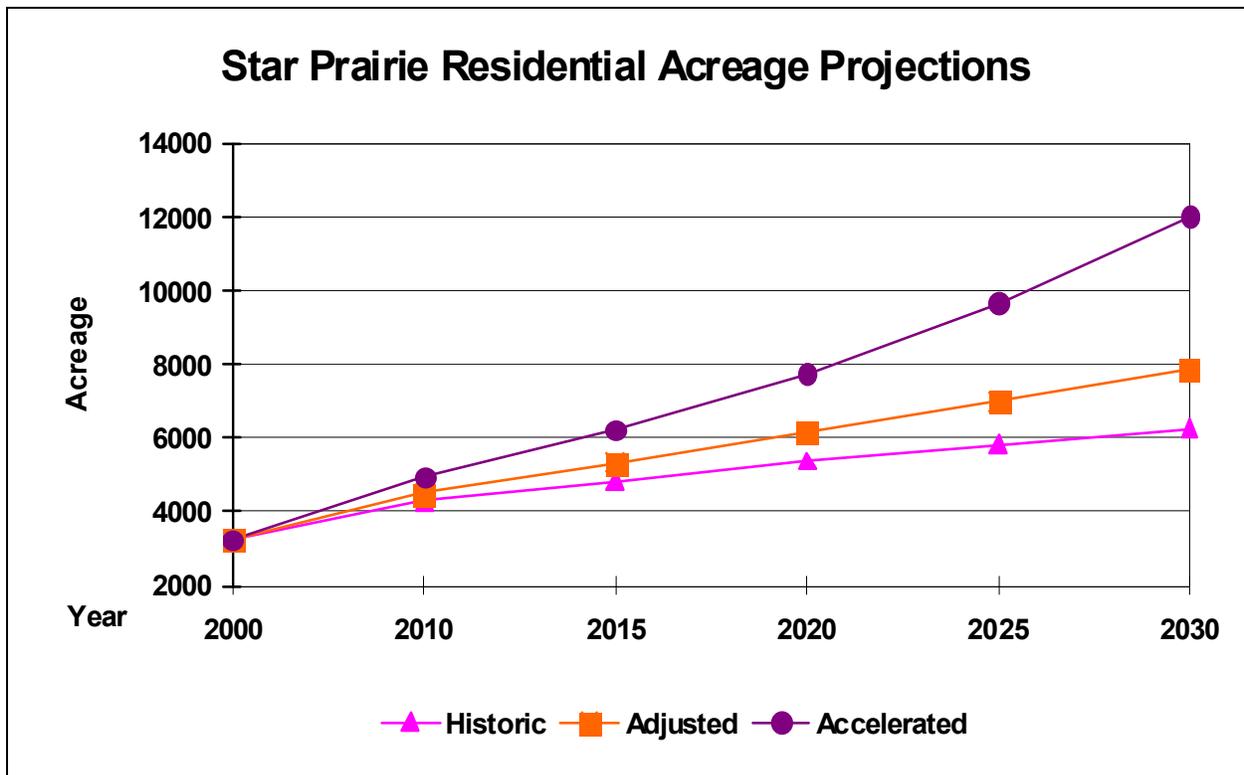
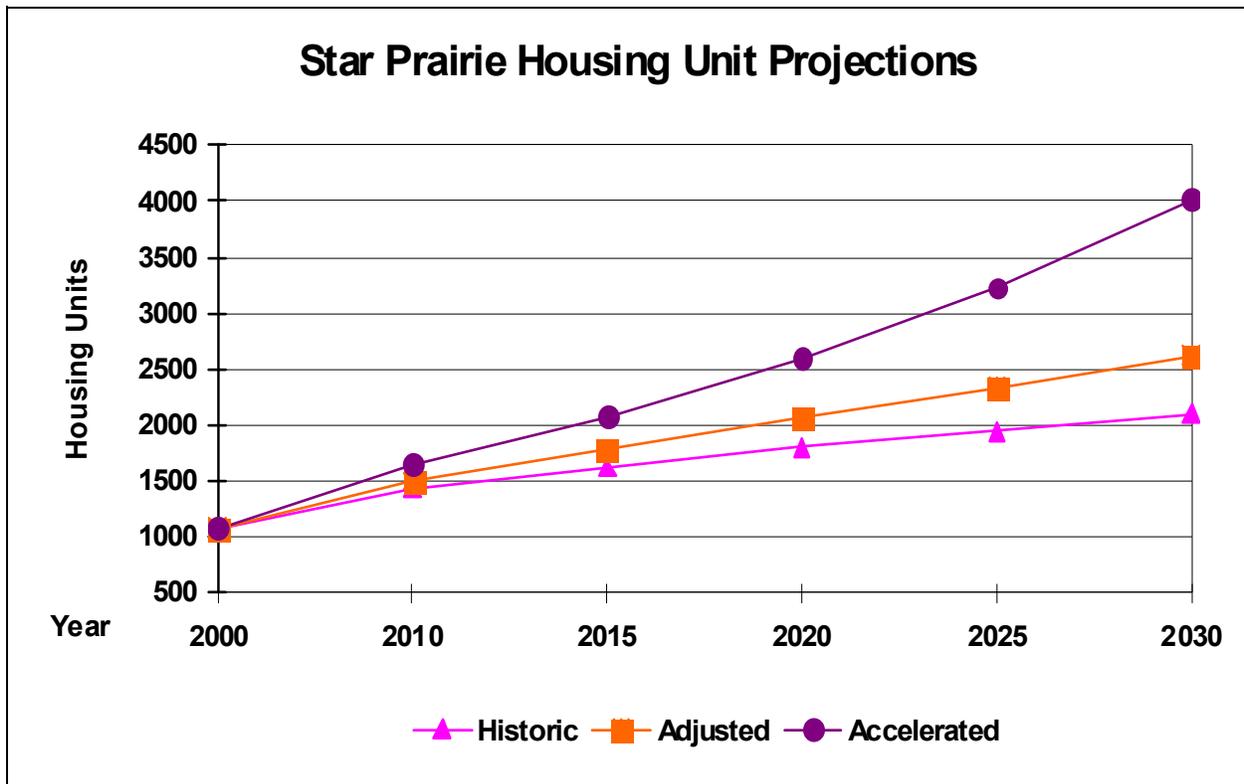
INCREASE BASED ON	PROJECTIONS						
	POPULATION		PPH	HOUSING UNITS		ACREAGE	
	CHANGE	TOTAL		CHANGE	TOTAL	CHANGE	TOTAL
<b>Baseline 2000</b>							
<b>2010</b>	2,944		2.82	1,079		3,237	
Historic Trends	981	3,925	2.74	353	1,432	1,060	4,297
Adjusted Growth	1,170	4,114		422	1,501	1,267	4,504
Accelerated Growth	1,582	4,526		573	1,652	1,719	4,956
<b>2015</b>							
Historic Trends	410	4,335	2.68	185	1,618	555	4,853
Adjusted Growth	660	4,774		280	1,781	840	5,344
Accelerated Growth	1,041	5,567		425	2,077	1,276	6,232
<b>2020</b>							
Historic Trends	412	4,747	2.64	181	1,798	542	5,394
Adjusted Growth	660	5,434		277	2,058	831	6,175
Accelerated Growth	1,281	6,848		517	2,594	1,550	7,782
<b>2025</b>							
Historic Trends	328	5,075	2.61	146	1,944	439	5,833
Adjusted Growth	660	6,094		277	2,335	830	7,005
Accelerated Growth	1,575	8,423		633	3,227	1,900	9,682
<b>2030**</b>							
Historic Trends	330	5,405	2.58	151	2,095	452	6,285
Adjusted Growth	660	6,754		283	2,618	849	7,853
Accelerated Growth	1,937	10,360		788	4,016	2,365	12,047

PPH = Persons Per Housing Unit

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Wisconsin Department of Administration and St. Croix County Planning & Zoning Department.

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## *EMPLOYMENT*

Background information and analysis for the following employment forecasts are found in the section on Economic Development.

- Area-wide economic development activities may contribute to the local employment options for residents of the town.
- Most commercial and industrial activity is expected to occur in neighboring communities and provide employment opportunities to town residents.
- Some commercial and other nonresidential land uses can be expected in the town especially at the intersection of 110<sup>th</sup> Street and STH 64.
- However, extensive commercial or industrial development would not be consistent with the rural character and community goals of the Town of Star Prairie.
- Home-based businesses will continue to be important to the economy of the Town and should be encouraged where there will be little impact on surrounding properties.
- Alternative agriculture and nontraditional farming will be important to continuing agriculture's economic future in the Town of Star Prairie.
- The existing patterns for farm and nonfarm employment will likely to continue into the future.
- Many outside factors, which the Town of Star Prairie has little ability to influence or control, affect expansion or contraction of the farm economy and employment.