

PHASE 1

Identifying High-Potential Non-Metropolitan Municipalities for Youth Economic Development

Province: North West

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Objective

Identify the two largest non-metropolitan municipalities in North West Province (2018–2024) based on workforce size (FTE).

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Rationale

A larger workforce indicates stronger employment opportunities and higher potential for youth economic development initiatives.

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Dataset used

Municipality FTEs, 2018–2024.

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Relevance

Findings will guide targeted youth development initiatives and form the foundation for later project phases.

DATA DASHBOARD

North West Province Workforce Analysis (2018–2024) OBS 370 – Phase 1

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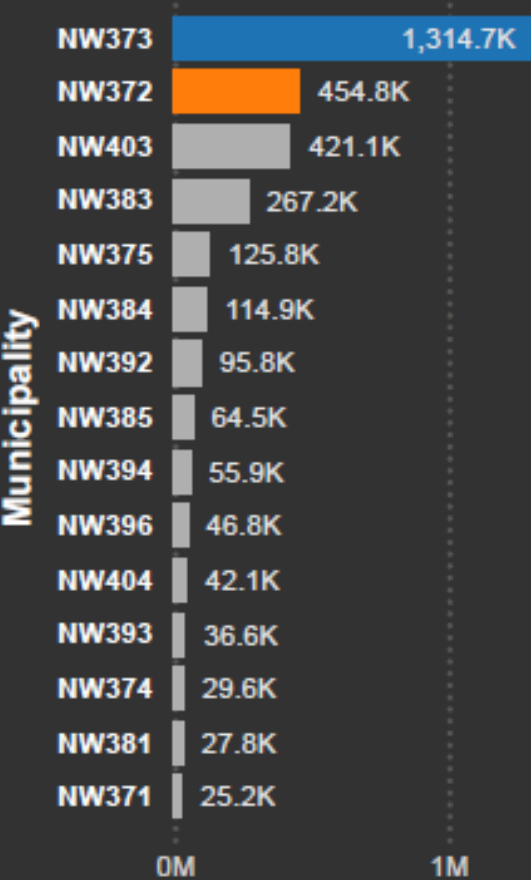
Total FTE (2018-2024)

Rustenburg (NW373) dominates with 42% of provincial workforce; NW372 follows at 14.6%. Together, they account for 57% of North West's workforce (2018–2024).

NW373
1,314,679.74

NW372
454,816.78

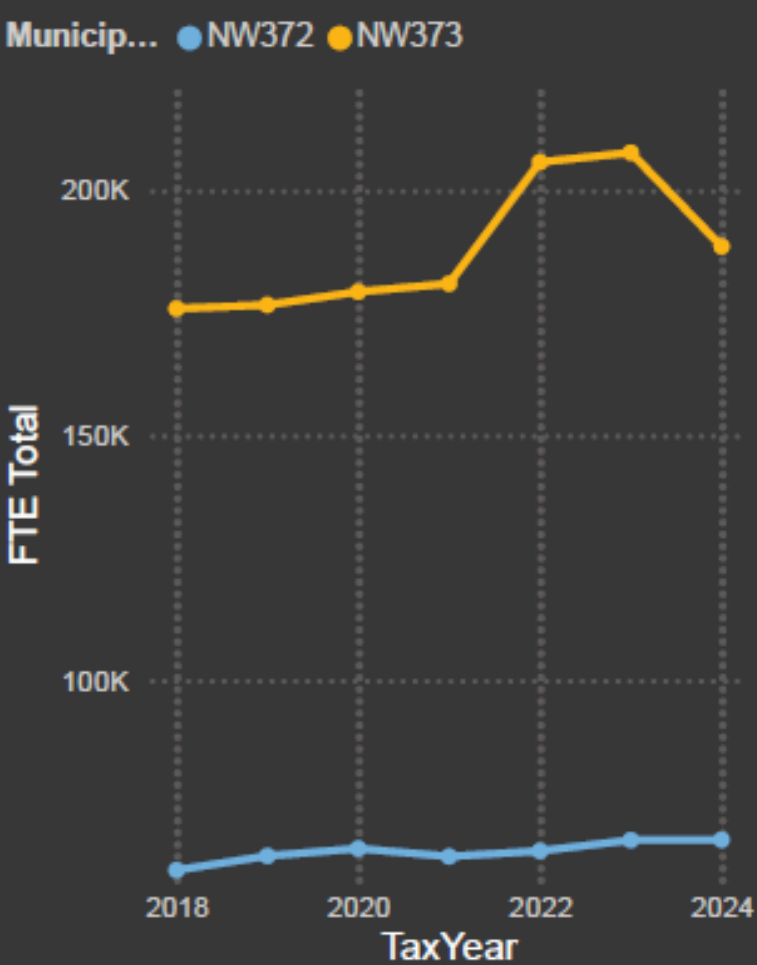
Municipality Workforce Totals (2018–2024)



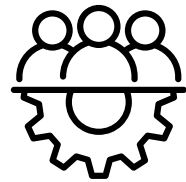
Ranked Municipalities (2018–2024)

Municipality	FTE 2018-2024	Rank by FTE	FTE % of Province
NW373	1,314,680	1	42.1%
NW372	454,817	2	14.6%
NW403	421,098	3	13.5%
NW383	267,222	4	8.6%
NW375	125,753	5	4.0%
NW384	114,923	6	3.7%
NW392	95,805	7	3.1%
NW385	64,477	8	2.1%
NW394	55,947	9	1.8%
NW396	46,834	10	1.5%
NW404	42,089	11	1.3%
NW393	36,620	12	1.2%
NW374	29,648	13	0.9%
NW381	27,803	14	0.9%
NW371	25,177	15	0.8%
Total	3,122,893	1	

Top 2: FTE by Year (2018-2024)



MUNICIPALITY ANALYSIS



NW373

- **Workforce size:** 1.31 million FTEs (2018–2024).
- **Share:** 42.1% of province total.
- **Key Observation:** Major employment hub; leading across the province and a strong foundation for youth economic initiatives.



NW372

- **Workforce size:** 454,800 FTEs (2018–2024).
- **Share:** 14.6% of province total.
- **Key Observation:** While significantly smaller than Rustenburg (NW373), NW372 still represents a major employment hub. This shows that it's an important area on its own and could help spread out opportunities instead of everything being focused in Rustenburg.