



Minnesota Leads!

Building on the Goals of the Pawlenty Administration

■ *Improve Educational Achievement* ■ *Increase Jobs and Economic Opportunity* ■ *Ensure Public Safety* ■ *Enhance Transportation*

Minnesota Jobs and Economy

- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in the region and 12th in the nation in annual per capita income.
US Bureau of Economic Analysis, State Annual Personal Income, 2007
<http://www.bea.gov/regional/spi/default.cfm?selfable=SA04>
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in the region and 9th in the country for median household income.
US Census Bureau 2007
<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/income/income07/statemhi2.xls>
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in the country in Fortune 500 companies per capita.
Calculated from 2009 Fortune 500 list
http://money.cnn.com/magazines/fortune/fortune500/2009/full_listand_US_Census_Bureau_data
- ▶ **Minnesota** is 1st in the region and 13th in the nation in Inc. 500 Companies per capita. The Inc. 500 is made up of the fastest growing private firms in the country.
Calculated from 2007 Inc. 500 list and US Census Bureau data
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 2nd in the region and 13th among states in the nation for annual pay.
US Bureau of Labor Statistics, QCEW, 2007
- ▶ **Minnesota** is one of 7 states on the 2007 Development Report Card for the States Honor Roll, earning A's in economic performance and development capacity, and a B in business vitality.
Corporation for Enterprise Development 2007 Report Card For The States
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 3rd in the region and 9th in the nation for the number of patents issued to state residents and companies.
US Patent Office 2006
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in the region and 3rd in the nation for the number of international patent applications.
Kauffman Foundation 2006
- ▶ MarketWatch ranks Minneapolis-St. Paul 1st among metro centers for businesses.
MarketWatch.com

- ▶ **Minnesota** is one of the nation's "hardest working" states, with the 2nd highest labor force participation rate (72.9 percent) of working-aged people in the labor force. US Bureau of Labor Statistics 2006

- ▶ Popular Science ranked Minneapolis the top city in 2005 for technology on the basis of the number of high-tech jobs per capita, use of technology in schools and use of cell phones, computers and satellite cable, among other indicators. Popular Science 2005

- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in the nation in the production of medical devices according to a study by the University of Massachusetts. Minnesota ranks among the top five in value of shipments, employment, payroll and value added. University of Massachusetts

- ▶ **Minnesota** ranked 14th in the country in venture capital investments in 2006, with \$322 million. Minnesota surpassed all other Midwest states in venture capital investments per capita (\$62) in 2006, ranking 13th nationally. Price Waterhouse Coopers Moneytree Survey

- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 8th in "Manufacturing Momentum" based on the manufacturing change between 2002-2004 in number of manufacturing businesses, workers, value of shipments and value added. Business Facilities (July 2007)

- ▶ Forbes ranks **Minnesota** as the overall 10th best state for businesses - ranking 1st in quality of life, 13th for labor and 19th for regulatory environment. Forbes

- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in taconite production in 2008. Mineral Commodity Summaries 2008, United States Geological Survey.
<http://minerals.usgs.gov/minerals/pubs/mcs/2008/mcs2008.pdf>

- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 3rd in horticultural peat production in 2008. Mineral Commodity Summaries 2008, United States Geological Survey.
<http://minerals.usgs.gov/minerals/pubs/mcs/2008/mcs2008.pdf>

- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks as the 2nd best state for creating a fair and reasonable litigation environment. U.S. Chamber of Commerce 2007 State Liability Systems Ranking Study.

Minnesota Education

- ▶ **Minnesota** has the highest average ACT test scores in the nation at 22.6, of states where substantial numbers of students take the ACT test. 2008, ACT, Inc.
<http://www.act.org/news/data/08/states.html>

- ▶ Only one state outperformed **Minnesota** in fourth- and eighth-grade math on the 2007 National Assessment of Educational Progress.
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 2nd in percentage of residents over 25 with high school diplomas (91.0 percent).
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in the region and 11th in the nation for residents over 25 with at least a Bachelor's degree.
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 3rd in the nation in the opportunity to attend college by age 19. 54.6 percent of ninth graders attend college four years later, compared to 38.1 percent nationally.
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 9th in the percentage of its high school graduates who enroll immediately in postsecondary education.(68.4 percent).
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 6th in the nation for students' chances for success based on education and family factors.

National Center for Ed. Statistics 2007

US Census Bureau 2007
<http://www.census.gov/acs/www/>

US Census Bureau 2007
<http://www.census.gov/acs/www/>

Postsecondary Education Opportunity, June 2006, based on 2004 data

National Center for Higher Education Management Systems www.nchems.org

Education Week
http://www.edweek.org/media/ew/qc/2009/17sos_h28.chance.pdf

Minnesota Health

- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in the nation with the lowest rate of heart disease-related death.
- ▶ **Minnesota** has the 2nd lowest rate of people without health insurance, after Massachusetts.
- ▶ **Minnesota** has the 2nd longest life expectancy in the nation, after Hawaii.
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 4th in the country for the healthiest population. Minnesota has ranked among the five healthiest states every year since the rankings began in 1990.
- ▶ **Minnesota** is the Healthiest State in America according to CQ Press.
- ▶ **Minnesota** has the 3rd lowest infant mortality rate in the nation for 2005.

American Heart Association, 1999-2005 data, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

Census Bureau's August 2008 publication, "Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance in the United States: 2007"
<http://www.census.gov/prod/2008pubs/p60-235.pdf>

U.S. Census Bureau, National Center for Health Statistics (2001-2003)

United Health Foundation - America's Health Rankings 2008
<http://www.americashealthrankings.org/2008/index.html>

"Health Care State Rankings 2008: Health Care Across America"

Center for Disease Control, 2005

- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in the region and 9th in the nation for the number of primary care physicians per 100,000 population.
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 16th in the nation in funding programs to protect kids from tobacco.

United Health Foundation - America's Health Rankings 2008
<http://www.americashealthrankings.org/2008/index.html>

A Broken Promise to Our Children, 2009
<http://tobaccofreekids.org/reports/settlements/>

Minnesota Quality of Life

- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 4th as America's most livable state for 2008. **Minnesota** has ranked in the top four every year since 1996.
- ▶ **Minnesota** has the 9th lowest rate of poverty in the nation for 2007.
- ▶ **Minnesota** is ranked 2nd in the nation in child well-being for 2007.
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranked 1st in the nation in 2007 for volunteerism as measured as the percentage of people who volunteered during a three-year period.
- ▶ Minneapolis-Saint Paul are rated the 3rd best metropolitan area in the country for fishing. (Population over 200,000 people.)
- ▶ **Minnesota's** transportation technology – such as highway sensors and electronic surveillance of intersections – earned the state 1st place in innovative transportation solutions, according to *Popular Science*. **Minnesota** also ranked fourth in energy technology.
- ▶ The Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport ranked 16th in passenger traffic and 12th in number of aircraft operations for United States airports in 2008. The airport served more than 34 million passengers and accommodated 450,044 landings and takeoffs.
- ▶ Minneapolis-St. Paul International has been recognized as the 3rd best airport in the world among airports serving 25 to 40 million passengers a year. MSP also ranks as the Best Airport in North America in that size category.
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 8th in the nation in the number of people per capita covered by long term care insurance.

Morgan Quitno Press, Most Livable State 2008
http://os.cqpress.com/StateRank2008_Rankings.pdf

US Census Bureau
www.census.gov/hhes/www/poverty/detailedpvotabs.html

The Annie E. Casey Foundation
<http://datacenter.kidscount.org/databook/2008/Default.aspx>

Corporation for National & Community Service, 2008

Field and Stream Magazine June 2006

Popular Science 2005

Airports Council International-North America (ACI-NA) 2008 Statistics
http://www.aci-na.org/static/entransit/2008_NA_Final%20Rankings.xls

2008 Airports Council International-North America (ACI-NA) Airport Service Quality Awards
http://www.aci.aero/aci/aci/file/Press%20Releases/2009/PR_100309_ASQ%20Awards.pdf

National Association of Insurance Commissioners

- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 11th in total state and local spending per capita. Governing Sourcebook 2007
- ▶ **Minnesota** is ranked 13th in state and local highway spending per capita. Governing Sourcebook 2007
- ▶ Minnesota ranks 6th in state and local parks and recreation spending per capita. Governing Sourcebook 2007
- ▶ **Minnesota** is one of only 13 states in the nation currently meeting all air quality standards established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in the nation for number of boats per capita (866,000). U.S. Coast Guard
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranked 4th in the nation for both total number of anglers and angling days in 2006. USFWS and US Census Bureau, National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife-associated Recreation, 2006 <http://www.census.gov/prod/www/abs/fishing.html>
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranked 1st in the nation for economic retail contributions from freshwater anglers and 3rd nationally for overall 2006 angler expenditures, about \$2.7 billion each year in direct expenditures to the state's economy. USFWS and US Census Bureau, National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife-associated Recreation, 2006 <http://www.census.gov/prod/www/abs/fishing.html>
- ▶ **Minnesota** has the second oldest state park system in the U.S. Itasca State Park was established in 1891. Since that time, the system has grown to include 74 state parks and recreation areas, 54 state forest campgrounds and day use recreation areas, and eight state waysides. Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 2nd in the nation for percentage of municipal waste recycled. Governing Sourcebook 2007

Minnesota Public Safety

- ▶ **Minnesota's** crime rate has decreased 4.1 percent from 2002 to 2006, ranking the state at 31st nationally; Minnesota's population rate rank is 21. The crime rate is based on the seven index offenses of murder, robbery, assault, rape, burglary, larceny, and motor vehicle theft reported to law enforcement. FBI Uniform Crime Reports
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 37th in per capita spending on state and local corrections at \$140, compared to \$200 nationally. Governing Sourcebook 2007

- ▶ **Minnesota's** ranks 48th in incarceration of state prisoners at 179 per 100,000 population, compared to 488 nationally
- ▶ **Minnesota** has the 5th lowest fatality rate in the nation at less than one fatality per 100 million vehicles miles traveled.

Governing Sourcebook 2007

US Traffic Deaths by State, 2000-2006, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Minnesota Energy

- ▶ **Minnesota** is ranked 1st with 360 E85 fuel stations.
- ▶ **Minnesota** is a pioneer in the production of renewable energy, ranking 4th nationwide in wind energy installed capacity (1804 MW).
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in the percentage of consumption of energy generated from wind (7.5 percent).
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 4th in ethanol production capacity with an annual production of nearly 861.6 million gallons. (2009)
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in ENERGY STAR Leader awards for the Schools for Energy Efficiency Program (SEE), having 5 recipients out of only 7 nationwide in 2008.
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in ENERGY STAR Leader awards for the Schools for Energy Efficiency Program (SEE), having 13 recipients out of only 32 nationwide.
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 7th in state energy efficiency programs and policies by the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy in the 2008 State Energy Efficiency Scorecard.

American Lung Association

American Wind Energy Association
<http://www.awea.org/publications/reports/AWEA-Annual-Wind-Report-2009.pdf>

American Wind Energy Association
<http://www.awea.org/publications/reports/AWEA-Annual-Wind-Report-2009.pdf>

Renewable Fuels Association

SEE
www.seeprograms.com/partners/energystar.htm

Schools for Energy Efficiency® (SEE)

ACEEE
www.aceee.org/pubs/e086_es.pdf

Minnesota Agriculture

- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 1st in the production of:
 - Turkeys
 - Sugar Beets
 - Green Peas
- ▶ **Minnesota** ranks 2nd in the production of:
 - Spring Wheat
 - Oats
 - Canola
 - Sweet Corn

National Agricultural Statistics Service, August 2008
http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Minnesota/Publications/Annual_Statistical_Bulletin/agstatbk2008/page002.pdf

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▶ **Minnesota** ranks 3rd in the production of:

- Soybeans
- Hogs
- Dry edible beans
- Flaxseed

National Agricultural Statistics Service,
August 2008

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Minnesota/Publications/Annual_Statistical_Bulletin/agstatbk2008/page002.pdf

▶ **Minnesota** ranks 4th in the production of:

- Corn
- Sunflowers

National Agricultural Statistics Service,
August 2008

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Minnesota/Publications/Annual_Statistical_Bulletin/agstatbk2008/page002.pdf

▶ **Minnesota** ranks 5th in the production of:

- Cheese

National Agricultural Statistics Service,
August 2008

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Minnesota/Publications/Annual_Statistical_Bulletin/agstatbk2008/page002.pdf

▶ **Minnesota** ranks 6th in the production of:

- Milk
- Potatoes
- Red Meat
- Honey
- Barley

National Agricultural Statistics Service,
August 2008

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Minnesota/Publications/Annual_Statistical_Bulletin/agstatbk2008/page002.pdf

- Unless otherwise noted, any reference to region is the Midwest Region as defined by US Census and includes North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio.