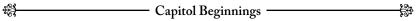
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In 1893, the construction of a new state house passed the Minnesota legislature and a commission was appointed to undertake the project. Three years later, Channing Seabury, vice president and chairman of the Capitol Commission, held the first shovel of dirt at the ceremonial groundbreaking for the new building at 9 a.m. on May 6, 1896. The building would officially open to the public on Jan. 2, 1905, one day before the 34th legislature convened.

MINNESOTA IN PROFILE

Organized as territory: March 3, 1849

Entered Union: May 11, 1858 (32nd state)

Motto: L' Étoile du Nord (The North Star)

Nicknames: "Land of 10,000 Lakes," "The Gopher State," "The North Star State"

Area: 86,938.87 square miles (12th largest state) Land area: 79,610.08 square miles Inland waters: 7,328.79 square miles

Width: 348 miles Length: 406 miles

Highest point: Eagle Mountain (Cook County), 2,301 feet above sea level

Lowest point: Surface of Lake Superior, 602 feet above sea level

Major river systems: Mississippi, Minnesota, and Red River of the North; Minnesota water flows in three directions: north to Hudson Bay, east to the Atlantic Ocean, and south to the Gulf of Mexico; no water flows into the state.

Number of lakes: 11,842 that are larger than 10 acres

Number of rivers and streams: 6,564 (69,200 miles)

Population: 5,485,238 (2015 estimate from Minnesota State Demographic Center)

Population density per square mile: 68.5 (Minnesota State Demographic Center/Minnesota Department of Natural Resources)

Largest cities: (2015 State Demographer's Office population estimates) Minneapolis 412,517; St. Paul 300,353; Rochester 111,907; Duluth 86,597; Bloomington 87,224; Brooklyn Park 80,215; Plymouth 74,592

Urban population: 69.8% (2010 U.S. Census) Rural population: 30.2% (2010 U.S. Census)

(Urban-rural populations defined by U.S. Cenus Bureau classifications)

Income:

Per capita personal income estimate: \$50,871 (2015 Bureau of Economic Analysis estimate)

2011 median household income: \$61,162 (US Census Annual Social and Economic Supplement Three-Year Average)

2011 median family income: \$71,826 (2011 American Community Survey Three-Year Average)

CLIMATE (Airport Weather Stations, 1981-2010 normals)	DULUTH	INTERNATIONAL FALLS	MINNEAPOLIS/ ST. PAUL	ROCHESTER	ST. CLOUD
Annual precipitation (inches)	31.00	23.93	30.61	31.40	27.13
Annual snowfall (inches)	83.1	70.0	54.4	52.7	47.6
Annual temperature (°F)	39.1	37.4	46.2	43.4	41.8
January min average temperature (°F)	-1.2	-8.4	7.5	3.7	-1.2
July max average temperature (°F)	76.3	74.2	83.4	80.1	81.7
Growing season (days)*	128	110	165	154	137

^{*}Days between median last spring freeze and median first fall freeze (1981-2010)

Sources: State Climatology Office, Department of Natural Resources, State Demographer's Office, U.S. Census Bureau, National Weather Service, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

MINNESOTA VITAL STATISTICAL TRENDS

SELECTED NATALITY INDICATORS	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Number of Births	68,407	68,416	68,783	69,183	69,916	69,835
Birth Rate per 1,000 Population	12.9	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.7
Low Birth Weight (less than 2,500g), singletons - Percent	4.8	4.7	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.8
Low Birth Weight (less than 2,500g), singletons - Number	3,165	3,119	3,297	3,147	3,317	3,251
Premature Birth (less than 37 wks gestation), singletons - Percent	8.1	7.9	8.4	8.1	8.2	8.2
Premature Birth (less than 37 wks gestation), singletons - Number	4,896	4,677	5,287	5,156	5,228	5,231
Receiving Prenatal Care in the 1st Trimester - Percent	86.3	84.7	83.9	83.0	82.3	82.1
Cesarean Section Births - Percent	27.5	26.5	27.0	26.9	26.5	26.5
Births to Unmarried Women- Percent	33.1	32.8	33.1	32.9	32.3	32.2
Number of Infant Deaths	309	339	347	349	352	361
Infant Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births	4.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.2

RACE/ETHNICITY OF MOTHER	2010	<u>2011</u>	2012	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
White	51,186	52,253	52,171	52,409	52,526	52,095
African American	6,590	6,553	7,049	7,556	7,885	8,111
American Indian	1,395	1,447	1,346	1,333	1,293	1,327
Asian	4,952	5,000	5,383	5,276	5,543	5,528
Latina***	5,107	4,615	4,823	4,664	4,662	4,831
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER						
U.S. Born	56,143	56,610	56,581	56,948	57,192	56,789
Foreign Born	12,165	11,724	12,020	12,178	12,667	13,046

TEEN BIRTHS	2009-2011	2010-2012	2011-2013	2012-2014	2013-2015
Teen Birth Rate per 1,000 15-19 year old females	22.0	20.1	18.2	17.0	15.3

MORTALITY	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Number of Deaths	38,857	39,799	40,020	40,981	41,271	42,652
Crude Death Rate per 100,000 population	732.6	774.6	744.0	756.1	756.3	777.0
Age Adjusted Death Rate per 100,000 population	659.3	704.3	696.8	650.8	644.1	651.4
Males - Age Adjusted Death Rate per 100,000 males	782.0	775.6	765.5	768.7	752.2	756.5
Females - Age Adjusted Death Rate per 100,000 females	561.5	563.4	555.5	555.1	555.2	563.5
Leading Causes of Death (Number of Deaths)						
Cancer	9,599	9,471	9,436	9,603	9,624	9,878
Heart Disease	7,144	7,234	7,473	7,671	7,571	7,797
Unintentional Injury	2,154	2,146	2,064	2,051	2,172	2,228
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	2,087	2,309	2,358	2,487	2,488	2,572
Stroke	2,012	2,174	2,117	2,285	2,263	2,345
Alzheimer's Disease	1,450	1,449	1,440	1,426	1,623	1,783
Diabetes	1,036	1,179	1,166	1,162	1,184	1,217
Age Adjusted Death Rates per 100,000 Population						
Cancer	166.9	160.4	156.1	155.4	152.2	152.3
Heart Disease	118.7	116.9	118.8	118.9	115.1	115.9
Unintentional Injury	35.8	34.8	32.7	31.7	33.5	33.4
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	36.4	39.7	40.0	41.3	41.0	42.0
Stroke	35.1	37.2	35.2	37.1	35.8	36.3
Alzheimer's Disease	23.4	22.7	22.1	21.5	24.1	25.9
Diabetes	17.7	20.0	19.1	18.7	18.6	18.6

NUMBER OF DEATHS BY RACE/ETHNICITY	2010	<u>2011</u>	2012	2013	2014	<u>2015</u>
White	36,793	37,701	37,730	38,576	38,792	39,955
African American	921	993	1,090	1,174	1,203	1,325
American Indian	439	463	484	488	544	584
Asian	530	480	515	602	610	662
Latino**	313	337	354	358	397	451

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POPULATION Source: U.S. Census

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	Minnesota	5,489,594	4,446,535	317,130	58,603	264,609	2,433	116,070	284,214	1,284,387	3,399,564	805,643

EDUCATION

K-12 STUDENTS								
ENROLLMENT 2016-2017								
DEMOGRAPHIC GROUP	PRE-K-12 STUDENTS	% OF TOTAL						
White, not of Hispanic origin	590,250	67.5						
Black, not of Hispanic origin	93,620	10.7						
Hispanic	79,084	9						
Asian	58,246	6.7						
American Indian/Alaskan Native	14,363	1.6						
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	613	0.1						
Two or more races	38,651	4.4						
TOTAL	874,827	100						
SPECIAL POPULATIONS								
Free/Reduced Priced Lunch	329,758	37.7						
English Learner	72,335	8.3						
Special Education	134,331	15.4						
Homeless	9,528	1.1						

LANGUAGE	STUDENTS K-12	% OF TOTAL
English	728,235	84.79%
Spanish	46,678	5.43%
Somali	23,563	2.74%
Hmong	19,793	2.30%
Vietnamese	4069	0.47%
Karen	3644	0.42%
Arabic	2842	0.33%
Chinese, Mandarin	2515	0.29%
Russian	2464	0.29%
Oromo, Afan Oromo, Oromiffa	1798	0.21%
Amharic	1590	0.19%
Lao, Laotian	1453	0.17%
240 Other Languages	20,265	2.36%

FOUR-YEAR GRADUATION RATES CLASS OF 2016									
DEMOGRAPHIC GROUP	GRADUATE	CONTINUING	DROPOUT	UNKNOWN					
White, not of Hispanic origin	87.00%	7.30%	4.00%	1.70%					
Black, not of Hispanic origin	65.10%	22.10%	9%	3.60%					
Hispanic	65.30%	19.50%	11.90%	3.20%					
Asian/Pacific Islander	83.60%	9.50%	4.50%	2.40%					
American Indian/Alaskan Native	52.60%	21.80%	19.80%	5.90%					
All students	82.20%	10.20%	5.50%	2.20%					
SPECIAL POPULATIONS									
Free/Reduced Priced Lunch	68.20%	17.70%	10.80%	3.40%					
Limited English Proficient	63.20%	21.50%	11.20%	4.10%					
Special Education	60.80%	26.30%	9.80%	3.10%					

		HI	GHER I	EDUCA	TION	,				
	State Colleges	State Universities	University of Minnesota	Total Public	Private Colleges and Universites	Private Career Schools	Private University Online Only	Private Graduate	Total Private	Total
Fall 2015 Enrollment - Enrollment nu	Fall 2015 Enrollment - Enrollment numbers as reported by Office of Higher Education (some totals may not match)									
White	81,635	49,872	45,154	176,661	47,556	7,195	33,974	1,777	90,502	267,163
American Indian	1,126	351	389	1,866	305	525	456	15	1,301	3,167
Asian & Pacific Islander	7,556	2,889	4,479	14,924	3,151	687	2,263	105	6,206	21,130
Black	14,619	3,800	2,262	20,681	3,294	1,621	31,132	120	36,167	56,848
Hispanic	7,808	2,123	2,084	12,015	2,724	454	3,558	61	6,797	18,812
Two or More Races	4,770	1,788	2,022	8,580	1,732	217	3,285	58	5,292	13,872
International Students	952	3,466	7,068	11,486	2,358	147	770	50	3,325	14,811
No Race Reported	4,198	2,235	3,193	9,626	4,872	5,446	11,723	333	22,374	32,000
Total	122,664	66,524	66,651	255,839	65,992	16,292	87,161	2,519	171,964	427,803
Graduation Rates (First-time full-time	e undergra	duate stude	nts 2014)							
Transfer Rate	22%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3-Year Graduation Rate	27%	-	-	-	-	66%	-	-	-	-
4-Year Graduation Rate	NA	23%	51%	-	63%		-	-	-	-
6-Year Graduation Rate	NA	48%	72%	-	72%		-	-	-	-
Average Full-Time Undergraduate Tuition (2016-2017)	\$5,358	\$8,179	\$14,224	-	\$38,305	\$12,830				
Financial Aid to First-Time Full-Time	e Undergra	duates (201	.3-2014)							
% Students Receiving Any Grants	57%	49%	53%	-	85%	71%	48%	-	-	61%
Average Grant Amount Received	\$3,566	\$4,591	\$7,369	-	\$19,164	\$4,276	\$3,939	-	-	\$7,697
% Students Receiving Federal Loans	45%	53%	47%	-	63%	74%	79%	-	-	52%
Average Federal Loan Amount Received	\$6,553	\$6,893	\$6,637	_	\$7,347	\$8,106	\$8,461	_	_	\$6,990
Average Loan Amount Received	\$6,715	\$6,891	\$6,697	-	\$7,283	\$7,595	\$8,461	-	-	\$7,055

EMPLOYMENT

EMPLOYMENT BY REGION—2nd Quarter 2016										
Sector	Minnesota	Seven County Mpls-St Paul, Minnesota	Central Minnesota	Northeast Minnesota	Northwest Minnesota	Southeast Minnesota	Southwest Minnesota			
Education and Health Services	684,577	380,132	72,142	45,120	58,139	79,889	45,806			
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	538,972	313,323	56,891	26,480	47,075	42,400	35,518			
Professional and Business Services	360,014	277,574	16,945	9,115	10,561	15,487	9,677			
Manufacturing	317,208	168,415	41,456	8,588	28,630	37,889	31,617			
Leisure and Hospitality	273,270	164,790	26,950	18,383	25,278	22,131	14,745			
Financial Activities	179,049	137,047	8,824	5,840	7,254	7,241	7,252			
Public Administration	128,117	68,837	12,677	10,713	15,397	10,411	9,649			
Construction	121,729	66,735	16,264	6,995	10,855	8,804	8,162			
Other Services	88,570	56,004	8,052	4,895	6,517	6,578	4,986			
Information	55,384	38,763	3,356	1,604	2,885	3,582	2,885			
Natural Resources and Mining	27,559	3,432	4,641	5,020	5,281	3,278	5,620			
Total, All Industries	2,774,451	1,675,052	268,201	142,756	217,841	237,693	175,920			

WAGE DISTRIBUTION BY REGION — 1st Quarter 2016 (wages per hour)									
Percentile Minnesota Seven County Mpls-St Paul, Minnesota M							Southwest Minnesota		
90th	\$44.78	\$49.21	\$35.92	\$36.03	\$32.06	\$39.00	\$32.50		
75th	\$29.60	\$33.13	\$24.68	\$25.76	\$22.96	\$26.49	\$23.14		
Median	\$18.88	\$20.79	\$16.90	\$16.61	\$15.90	\$17.77	\$15.98		
25th	\$12.40	\$13.28	\$11.58	\$10.84	\$11.26	\$11.88	\$11.07		
10th	\$9.38	\$9.62	\$9.16	\$8.96	\$9.11	\$9.28	\$9.05		

MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY REGION — November 2016								
Minnesota Mnls-St Paul		Northeast Minnesota	Northwest Minnesota	Southeast Minnesota	Southwest Minnesota			
Unemployment Rate	3.80%	2.90%	3.40%	5.50%	4.10%	2.80%	3.00%	

Source: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

ENERGY

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	ENERGY PRODUC	CTION			
Total Energy Production (trillion Btu)		467	0.6%	2014	
Capacity		Minnesota	Share of U.S.	Period	
Crude Oil Refinery Capacity as of Jan. 1 (barrels Electric Power Industry Net Summer Capability	/calendar day) (MWh)	378,900 16,162	2.1% 1.5%	2016 2016	
Net Electricity Generation (thousand MWh)		Minnesota	Share of U.S.	Period	
Total Net Electricity Generation Coal-Fired Nuclear Natural Gas-Fired Other Renewables Petroleum-Fired Hydroelectric		5490 2240 1268 1324 573 2 NM	1.4% 1.7% 1.8% 0.9% 2.6% < .1% NA	Aug 2016 Aug 2016 Aug 2016 Aug 2016 Aug 2016 Aug 2016 Aug 2016	
Stocks (thousand barrels unless otherwise noted)	Minnesota	Share of U.S.	Period	
Motor Gasoline (Excludes Pipelines) Distillate Fuel Oil (Excludes Pipelines) Natural Gas in Underground Storage (million cu Petroleum Stocks at Electric Power Producers Coal Stocks at Electric Power Producers (thousa		359 2238 6935 129 4048	1.9% 1.7% 0.1% 0.4% 2.5%	Dec 2016 Dec 2016 Dec 2016 Dec 2016 Dec 2016	
Nuclear Power Plants	Prairie Island (Xcel Energy) Monticello (Xcel Energy)	Ne	t Summer Capacity 1040 607	(MW)	Period 2015 2015
Major Coal Electricity Generating Plants	Sherburne County, Becker (Xcel Clay Boswell, Cohasset (ALLE) Allen S King, Oak Park Heights	ΓE, Inc)	2238 1082 511		2015 2015 2015
Major Gas Electricity Generating Plants	High Bridge, St Paul (Xcel Ener Lakefield Junction, Trimont (Or Riverside, Minneapolis (Xcel En Blue Lake, Shakopee (Xcel Ener Pleasant Valley, Dexter (Xcel En	reat River Energy) ergy)	538 516 470 453 442		2015 2015 2015 2015 2015
Major Wind Farms	Fenton Wind Project (EnXco) Lakefield Wind Project (EnXco Bent Tree Wind Farm (Alliant I Nobles Wind Farm (Xcel Energ Prairie Rose Wind Farm (Xcel I	Energy) y)	205.5 205.5 201 201 200		2015 2015 2015 2015 2015
Petroleum Refineries	Pine Bend Refinery, Rosemount St. Paul Park Refinery (Maratho	(Flint Hills Resou on Petroleum Co Ll	rces) LC)		
Electric Power Industry Emissions (metric tons Carbon Dioxide Sulfur Dioxide Nitrogen Oxide	Minnesota 32,307,000 27,245 27,760		Share of U.S. 1.5% 1.1% 1.5%		Period 2015 2015 2015
	ENERGY CONSUM	PTION			
T 17 0 1/45 P)	Minnesota		Share of U		
Total Energy Consumed (trillion Btu) By Source	1,912 Minnesota		1.9% Share of U	201 J.S. Per	
Total Petroleum (million barrels) Motor Gasoline Distillate Fuel Liquefied Petroleum Gases Jet Fuel Natural Gas (billion cu ft) Coal (million short tons)	115.6 60.0 27.8 10.7 5.4 474.3 15.4		1.7% 1.8% 1.9% 1.2% 1.0% 1.6% 1.8%	201 201 201 201 201 201 201	4 2 2 1 4
By End-Use Sector (trillion Btu) Residential Commercial Industrial Transportation	Minnesota 431 369 663 449		Share of U 2.0% 2.0% 2.1% 1.7%		iod 4 4 4
For Electricity Generation Petroleum (thousand barrels) Natural Gas (million cu ft) Coal (thousand short tons) For Home Heating (share of households) Natural Gas Fuel Oil Electricity Liquefied Petroleum Gases	Minnesota NM 3,021 1,372 Minnesota 66.5% 2.4% 16.6% 10.1%		Share of U 0.6% 0.4% 2.1% U.S. Avg. 48.6% 5.6% 37.2% 4.8%	J.S. Per Dec	iod = 2016 = 2016 = 2016 iod 5 5
Other/None *NA = Not Available	4.4%		3.8%	201	

^{*}NA = Not Available NM = Not meaningful W = Withheld to avoid disclosure of individual company data Source: Energy Information Administration

TRANSPORTATION

TRANSPORTATION FUELS								
FUELING STATIONS	MINNESOTA	SHARE OF U.S. PERCENTAGE (%)	PERIOD					
Motor Gasoline	2,147	1.9%	2011					
Liquefied Petroleum Gases	37	1.3%	2013					
Compressed Natural Gas	8	0.7%	2013					
Ethanol	360	13.9%	2013					
Other Alternative Fuels	159	0.1%	2010					
ALTERNATIVE FUELS	MINNESOTA	SHARE OF U.S. (%)	PERIOD					
Alternative-Fueled Vehicles in Use	377,000	2.2%	2014					
Ethanol Plants	21	11.2%	2014					
Ethanol Plant Capacity (million gal./year)	1,141	8.3%	2014					
Ethanol Consumption (thousand barrels)	5,900	1.9%	2012					

Source: Energy Information Administration

MOTOR VEHICLES 2015						
ROADWAYS/AUTOMOBILES	Number of Vehicles					
Registered Motor Vehicles	5.24 million					
Registered Motorcycles	238,243					
Registered Trucks (1 ton+)	235,475					
Licensed Drivers	4.12 million					
Lane Miles, all roadways	285,270					
Vehicle Miles Traveled	57.0 billion					

OTHER TRANSPORTATION 2013					
Bridges (over 10 ft long)	20,291				
Railroad Track (miles)	4,387				
Railroad Crossings	4,083				
Registered Aircraft	7,100				
Publicly Owned Airports	136				

Source: Minnesota Department of Transportation, Minnesota Department of Public Safety

PUBLIC TRANSIT								
	2014		2015					
	Total Cost (millions) \$	Total Rides	Total Cost (millions) \$	Total Rides				
Greater Minnesota	64.49	11,575,873	67.38	11,899,273				
Urbanized	26.83	7,623,481	29.17	8,217,871				
Rural	28.60	2,657,177	30.91	2,869,166				
Small Urban	4.36	1,080,202	2.57	601,477				
Elderly and Disabled	4.70	215,013	4.73	210,789				
Twin Cities Metropolitan Area	470.83	96,782,000	498.18	99,397,974				
Metro Transit – Regular Route Bus	282.68	66,557,000	293.25	62,094,090				
Metro Transit - Light Rail Transit	48.58	16,000,000	64.71	23,003,457				
Metro Transit - Commuter Rail	15.15	721,000	15.71	722,637				
Metro Mobility	55.09	1,976,000	57.16	2,065,406				
Metropolitan Council Contracted Services	24.92	3,342,000	20.84	2,829,719				
Suburban Transit Providers	38.24	4,979,000	41.29	5,344,166				
University of Minnesota Transit	6.17	3,207,000	5.24	3,338,499				
TOTAL	492.74	105,504,602	528.97	106,199,856				

 $Sources: Minnesota\ Department\ of\ Transportation\ and\ Metropolitan\ Council$

AGRICULTURE

OVERVIEW

Number of Farms — 74,542

Land in Farms — 26,035,838 acres (51% of MN land area)

Average Size of Farm — 349 acres

		(in \$1,000s)	SALES	RANK
Totals for all agricultural products sold	74,542	21,280,184	100	5
Top Farmed Commodities				
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	39,705	12,304,415	57.8	3
Hogs and pigs	3,420	2,783,049	13.1	3
Milk and other dairy products from cows	4,493	1,645,911	7.7	7
Cattle and calves	20,383	1,639,634	6.0	12
Other crops and hay	3,746	1,230,625	5.8	12
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	15,872	934,846	4.4	5
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,629	405,597	1.9	12
Poultry and eggs	939	213,335	1.0	20
Other animals and other animal products	1,238	48,271	0.2	9
Sheep, goats, and their products	2,456	25,603	0.1	12
Fruits, tree nuts and berries	1,021	17,974	0.1	33
Aquaculture	87	12,678	0.1	23
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	2,218	15,204	0.1	29
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	276	3,043	<0.1	15
LIVESTOCK	FARMS	SALES (in \$1,000s)	% OF MN SALES	U.S. RANK
Totals for all livestock, poultry, and their products	28,244	7,400,974	34.8	7
Top Livestock Inventory Items		'		
Turkeys	559	19,449,992	-	1
Layers	4,501	9,693,648	-	11
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,287	7,765,172	-	22
Hogs and pigs	3,355	7,606,785	-	3
Pullets for laying flock replacement	539	2,823,994	-	14
Cattle and calves	23,702	2,412,684	-	12
Sheep and lambs	2171	126,506	-	12
CROPS	FARMS	SALES (in \$1,000s)	% OF MN SALES	U.S. RANK
Total value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	49,591	13,879,211	65.2	4
Top Crop Items				
Corn for grain	33,198	8,316,822	-	4
Soybeans for beans	28,783	7,005,764	-	3
Wheat for grain, all	5,499	1,354,928	-	9
		4 400 504	_	15
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage and greenchop	26,994	1,499,586	-	13
	26,994 1,226	480,847	-	13

ORGANIC AGRICULTURE	FARMS	U.S. RANK	SALES (in \$1,000s)	U.S. RANK
Certified Organic Operations	523	7	67,325	9

Source: USDA 2012 Census of Agriculture

EXPORTS

	MINNESOTA EXPORTS									
Rank 2014	Rank 2015	COUNTRY	Exports, 2015 (millions \$	MN Value Change 2012-2013 (millions \$	MN (% Change 2012-2013	US (% Change 2012-2013	Distribution (%	MN as (% of the U.S.		
1	1	Canada	\$4,460	-\$1,150	-21%	-10%	22%	1.6%		
2	2	Mexico	\$2,382	\$143	6%	-2%	12%	1.0%		
3	3	China (including Hong Kong	\$2,206	-\$24	-1%	-7%	11%	1.4%		
4	4	Japan	\$1,115	-\$101	-8%	-7%	6%	1.8%		
6	5	Germany	\$835	\$90	12%	1%	4%	1.7%		
5	6	Belgium	\$825	-\$69	-8%	-2%	4%	2.4%		
7	7	Korea, South	\$771	\$58	8%	-3%	4%	1.8%		
10	8	United Kingdom	\$533	\$4	1%	4%	3%	0.9%		
9	9	Singapore	\$512	-\$20	-4%	-5%	3%	1.8%		
8	10	Philippines	\$472	-\$99	-17%	-7%	2%	6.0%		
	REST OF THE WORLD			-\$210	-3%	-11%	30%	1.1%		
		TOTAL	\$20,022	-\$1,378	-6%	-7%	100%	1.3%		

MINNESOTA'S FASTEST GROWING INTERNATIONAL MARKETS (at least \$50 million in exports)

Rank 2015	Country	Exports, 2013 (millions \$)	MN Value Change (millions \$)	MN (%) Growth	U.S. (%) Growth
2	Mexico	\$2,382	\$143	6%	-2%
5	Germany	\$835	\$90	12%	1%
7	Korea, South	\$771	\$58	8%	-3%
26	Colombia	\$135	\$47	53%	-19%
22	Saudi Arabia	\$161	\$45	38%	5%
39	Ukraine	\$54	\$38	242%	-30%
27	Poland	\$114	\$31	37%	2%
30	Austria	\$110	\$27	32%	5%
29	Costa Rica	\$113	\$24	26%	-13%
24	New Zealand	\$148	\$20	15%	-15%

EXPORTS BY CATEGORY OF PRODUCT						
INDUSTRY DESCRIPTION	Exports, 2015 (millions \$	MN Value Change 2014-2015 (millions \$	MN (% Change 2012-2013	US (% Change 2012-2013	Distribution (%	MN as (% of the U.S.
Medical, Optical	\$3,726	\$66	2%	-2%	19%	4.5%
Machinery	\$3,479	-\$105	-3%	-6%	17%	1.7%
Electrical Machinery	\$2,550	-\$175	-6%	-1%	13%	1.5%
Vehicles	\$1,768	-\$264	-13%	-6%	9%	1.4%
Plastics	\$1,132	-\$49	-4%	-4%	6%	1.9%
Food By-Products	\$633	\$17	3%	-6%	3%	5.6%
Aircraft, Spacecraft	\$465	-\$64	-12%	5%	2%	0.4%
Iron and Steel Products	\$365	\$16	5%	-13%	2%	1.9%
Pharmaceuticals	\$332	\$108	48%	8%	2%	0.7%
Misc. Grains, Seeds, Fruit	\$327	-\$26	-7%	-18%	2%	1.4%
Other	\$5,245	-\$902	-15%	-13%	26%	0.8%
TOTAL	\$20,022	-\$1,378	-6%	-7%	100%	1.3%

MINNESOTA STATE PARKS

For more information on Minnesota State Parks, visit: www.mndnr.gov/stateparks

Open year-round, Minnesota State Parks and recreation areas showcase the diverse and abundant natural resources of the "Land of 10,000 Lakes." State parks offer a variety of educational and recreational programs, and activities such as camping, swimming, fishing, hiking, picnicking, birdwatching, canoeing, kayaking, biking, and cross-country skiing. (Region of state where park is located: NW-Northwest; NE-Northeast; S-South; Metro-Twin Cities Metro Area)

Afton (Metro) - 6959 Peller Ave. S., Hastings, MN 55033 Phone: (651) 436-5391

Banning (NE) - 611101 Banning Park Road, Sandstone, MN 55072 Phone: (320) 245-2668

Bear Head Lake (NE) - 9301 Bear Head State Park Rd, Ely, MN 55731 Phone: (218) 365-7229

Beaver Creek Valley (S) - 15954 County Road 1, Caledonia, MN 55921 Phone: (507) 724- 2107

Big Bog State Recreation Area (NW) - 55716 Hwy 72, NE, Waskish, MN 56685 Phone: (218) 647-8592

Big Stone Lake (S) - 35889 Meadowbrook State Park Rd, Ortonville, MN 56278 Phone: (320) 839-3663

Blue Mounds (S) - 1410 161st St, Luverne, MN 56156 Phone: (507) 283-1307

Buffalo River (NW) - 565-155 St South - Hwy 10, Glyndon, MN 56547 Phone: (218) 498-2124

Camden (S) - 1897 Camden Park Rd, Lynd, MN 56157 Phone: (507) 865-4530

Carley (S) - c/o Whitewater State Park, 19041 Hwy 74, Altura, MN 55910 Phone: (507) 932-3007

Cascade River (NE) - 3481 West Hwy 61, Lutsen, MN 55612 Phone: (218) 387-3053

Charles A. Lindbergh (NW) - P.O. Box 364, 1615 Lindbergh Drive S., Little Falls, MN 56345 Phone: (320) 616-2525

Crow Wing (NW) - 3124 State Park Rd, Brainerd, MN 56401 Phone: (218) 825-3075

Cuyuna Country State Recreation Area (NW) - 307 Third St, P.O. Box 404, Ironton, MN 56455 Phone: (218) 546-5926

Father Hennepin (NE) - 41294 Father Hennepin Park Rd, Isle, MN 56342 Phone: (320) 676-8763

Flandrau (S) - 1300 Summit Ave, New Ulm, MN 56073 Phone: (507) 233-9800

Forestville/Mystery Cave (S) - 21071 Co 118, Preston, MN 55965 Phone: Main Park- (507) 352-5111, Mystery Cave- (507) 937-3251

Fort Ridgely (S) - 72158 County Rd 30, Fairfax, MN 55332 Phone: (507) 426-7840

Fort Snelling (Metro) - 101 Snelling Lake Rd, St. Paul, MN 55111 Phone: (612) 725-2389 Visitor Center: (612) 725-2724

Franz Jevne (NE) - State Hwy 11, Birchdale, MN 56629; c/o Zippel Bay State Park, 3684 - 54th Ave. NW, Williams, MN 56686 Phone: (218) 783-6252

Frontenac (S) - 29223 Co 28 Blvd, Frontenac, MN 55026 Phone: (651) 345-3401

Garden Island State Recreation Area (NW) - c/o Zippel Bay State Park, 3684 - 54th Ave. NW, Williams, MN 56686

Phone: (218) 783-6252

George H. Crosby Manitou (NE) - c/o Tettegouche State Park, 5702 Hwy 61, Silver Bay, MN 55614 Phone: (218) 226-6365

Glacial Lakes (NW) - 25022 County Rd 41, Starbuck, MN 56381 Phone: (320) 239-2860

Glendalough (NW) - 25287 Whitetail Lane, Battle Lake, MN 56515 Phone: (218) 864-0110

Gooseberry Falls (NE) - 3206 Hwy 61 E., Two Harbors, MN 55616 Phone: (218) 834-3855

Grand Portage (NE) - 9393 E. Hwy 61, Grand Portage, MN 55605-3000 Phone: (218) 475-2360

Great River Bluffs (SE) - 43605 Kipp Drive, Winona, MN 55987 Phone: (507) 643-6849

Greenleaf Lake State Recreation Area (S) - c/o DNR Parks and Trails Division Hutchinson Area Office, 20596 Hwy 7,

Hutchinson , MN 55350 Phone: 320-234-2564 (open for day use only while under development)

Hayes Lake (NW) - 48990 County Rd 4, Roseau, MN 56751-8745 Phone: (218) 425-7504

Hill Annex Mine (NE) - c/o Scenic State Park, 56956 Hwy 7, Big Fork, MN 56628. Phone: (218) 247-7215

Interstate (Metro) - 307 Milltown Rd, P. O. Box 254, Taylors Falls, MN 55084 Phone: (651) 465-5711

Iron Range Off-Highway Vehicle State Recreation Area (NE), 7196 Pettit Road, Gilbert, MN 55741 Phone: (218) 748-2207

Itasca (NW) - 36750 Main Park Drive, Park Rapids, MN 56470 Phone: (218) 699-7251

Jay Cooke (NE) - 780 Hwy 210, Carlton, MN 55718 Phone: (218) 384-4610

John A. Latsch (SE) - c/o Great River Bluffs State Park, 43605 Kipp Drive, Winona, MN 55987 Phone: (507) 643-6849

Judge C.R. Magney (NE) - 4051 E. Hwy 61, Grand Marais, MN 55604 Phone: (218) 387-3039

Kilen Woods (S) - 50200 860th St., Lakefield, MN 56150 Phone: (507) 662-6258

La Salle Lake State Recreation Area (NW) - c/o Itasca State Park, 36750 Main Park Drive, Park Rapids, MN 56470 Phone: (218) 699-7251

Lac qui Parle (S) - 14047 20th Street NW, Watson, MN 56295 Phone: (320) 734-4450

Lake Bemidji (NW) - 3401 State Park Rd. NE, Bemidji, MN 56601 Phone: (218) 308-2300

Lake Bronson (NW) - 3793 230th St. Box 9, Lake Bronson, MN 56734 Phone: (218) 754-2200

Lake Carlos (NW) - 2601 County Rd 38 NE, Carlos, MN 56319 Phone: (320) 852-7200

Lake Louise (S) - c/o Forestville/Mystery Cave State Park, 21071 Co 118, Preston, MN 55965; Phone: (507) 352-5111

Lake Maria (Metro) - 11411 Clementa Ave NW, Monticello, MN 55362 Phone: (763) 878-2325

Lake Shetek (S) - 163 State Park Rd, Currie, MN 56123 Phone: (507) 763-3256

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Lake Vermillion (NE) - adjacent to Soudan Underground Mine State Park Phone: (218) 753-2245

Maplewood (NW) - 39721 Park Entrance Rd, Pelican Rapids, MN 56572 Phone: (218) 863-8383

McCarthy Beach (NE) - 7622 McCarthy Beach Rd, Side Lake, MN 55781 Phone: (218) 254-7979

Mille Lacs Kathio (NE) - 15066 Kathio State Park Rd, Onamia, MN 56359 Phone: (320) 532-3523

Minneopa (S) - 54497 Gadwall Rd, Mankato, MN 56001 Phone: (507) 389-5464

Minnesota Valley State Recreation Area (Metro) - 19825 Park Blvd, Jordan, MN 55352 Phone: (952) 492-6400

Monson Lake (NE) - 1690 15th St. NE, Sunburg, MN 56289 Phone: (320) 366-3797

Moose Lake (NE) - 4252 County Rd 137, Moose Lake, MN 55767 Phone: (218) 485-5420

Myre-Big Island (S) - 19499 780th Ave., Albert Lea, MN 56007 Phone: (507) 379-3403

Nerstrand Big Woods (S) - 9700 170 St E., Nerstrand, MN 55053 Phone: (507) 333-4840

Old Mill (NW) - 33489 240th Ave. NW, Argyle, MN 56713 Phone: (218) 437-8174

Red River State Recreation Area (NW) - 515 2nd St NW, East Grand Forks, MN 56721 Phone: (218) 773-4950

Rice Lake (S) - 8485 Rose St, Owatonna, MN 55060 Phone: (507) 455-5871

St. Croix Islands State Recreation Area (Metro) - c/o William O'Brien State Park, 16821 O'Brien Trail North,

Marine on St. Croix, MN 55047 Phone: (651) 433-0500

St. Croix (NE) - 30065 St. Croix Park Rd, Hinckley, MN 55037 Phone: (320) 384-6591

Sakatah Lake (S) - 50499 Sakatah Lake State Park Rd, Waterville, MN 56096 Phone: (507) 362-4438

Savanna Portage (NE) - 55626 Lake Place, McGregor, MN 55760 Phone: (218) 426-3271

Scenic (NE) - 56956 Scenic Hwy 7, Bigfork, MN 56628 Phone: (218) 743-3362

Schoolcraft (NE) - 9042 Schoolcraft Ln NE, Deer River, MN 56636; Mailing address: c/o Scenic State Park, 56956 Scenic Hwy 7, Bigfork, MN 56628 Phone: (218) 743-3362

Sibley (S) - 800 Sibley Park Rd NE, New London, MN 56273 Phone: (320) 354-2055

Soudan Underground Mine (NE) - 1302 McKinley Park Rd., P.O. Box 335, Soudan, MN 55782 Phone: (218) 753-2245

Split Rock Creek (S) - 336 50th Ave, Jasper, MN 56144 Phone: (507) 348-7908

Split Rock Lighthouse (NE) - 3755 Split Rock Lighthouse Rd, Two Harbors, MN 55616 Phone: (218) 226-6377

 $\textbf{Temperance River} \ (NE) \ - \ 7620 \ W. \ Hwy \ 61, \ Box \ 33, \ Schroeder, \ MN \ 55613 \ \textbf{Phone:} \ (218) \ 663-7476$

Tettegouche (NE) - 5702 Hwy 61, Silver Bay, MN 55614 Phone: (218) 226-6365

Upper Sioux Agency (S) - 5908 Hwy 67, Granite Falls, MN 56241 Phone: (320) 564-4777

Whitewater (S) - 19041 Hwy 74, Altura, MN 55910 Phone: (507) 932-3007

Wild River (Metro) - 39797 Park Trail, Center City, MN 55012 Phone: (651) 583-2125 Park Naturalist: (651) 583-2925

William O'Brien (Metro) - 16821 O'Brien Trail North, Marine on St. Croix, MN 55047 Phone: (651) 433-0500

Zippel Bay (NW) - 3684 54th Ave NW, Williams, MN 56686 Phone: (218) 783-6252

NATIONAL PARKS, MONUMENTS, AND RECREATION AREAS

For more information on national parks in Minnesota visit: http://home.nps.gov/applications/parksearch/state.cfm?st=mn

Grand Portage National Monument - P.O. Box 426, 170 Mile Creek Rd, Grand Portage, MN 55605 Phone: (218) 475-0123

Mississippi National River and Recreation Area - 111 East Kellogg Blvd, Suite 105, St Paul, MN 55101 Headquarters Phone: (651) 290-4160 Visitor Center Phone: (651) 293-0200

North Country National Scenic Trail (runs through several states including Minnesota) - 700 Rayovac Dr, Suite 100, Madison, WI 53711 Phone: (608) 441-5610

Pipestone National Monument - 36 Reservation Ave, Pipestone, MN 56164 Phone: (507) 825-5464

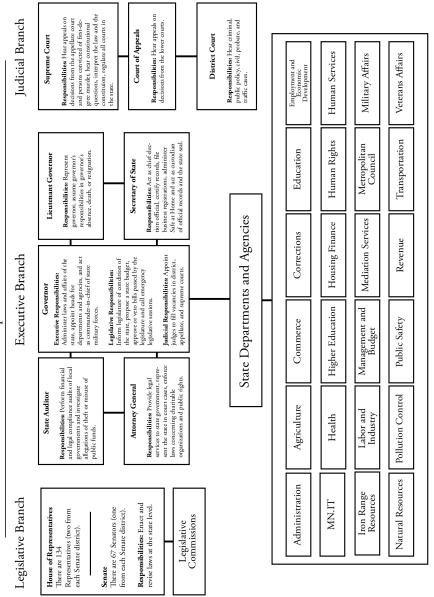
Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway (runs through Minnesota and Wisconsin) - 401 North Hamilton St., Saint Croix Falls, WI 54024 Phone: (715) 483-2274

Voyageurs National Park - 360 Highway 11 East, International Falls, MN 56649 Phone: (218) 283-6600,

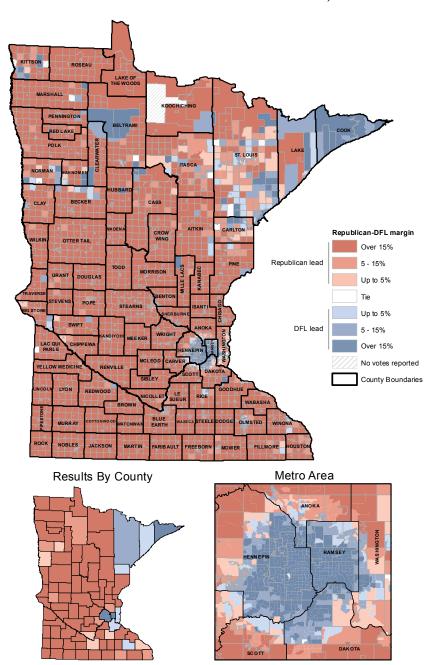
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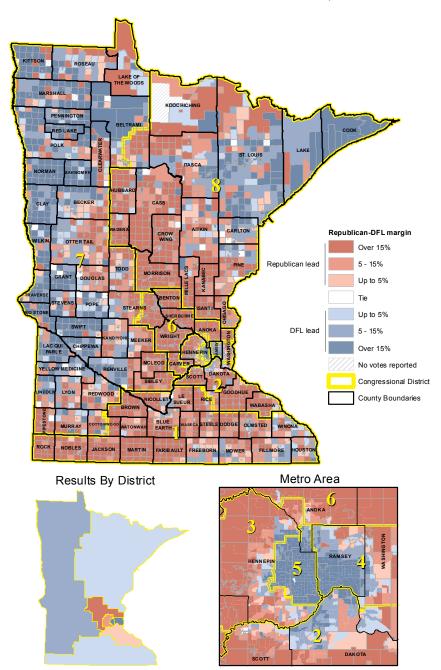
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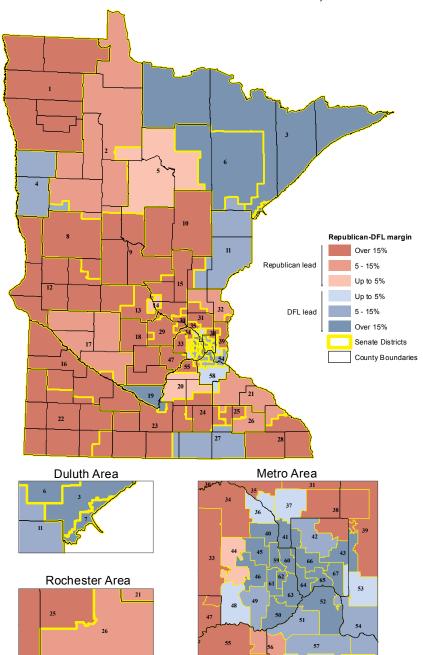
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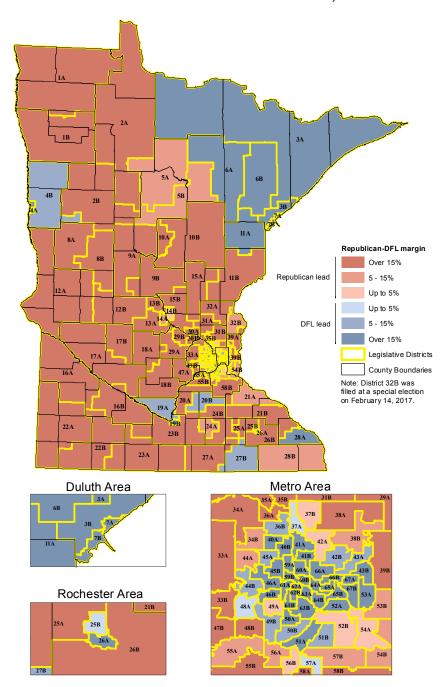
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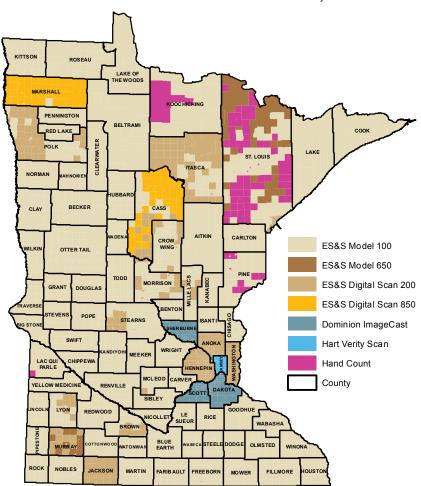
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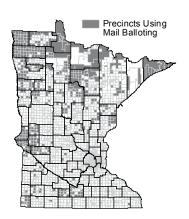


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VOTING SYSTEMS USED BY PRECINCT GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 8, 2016





The map above shows the tabulation equipment used for all 4120 precincts in the 2016 state general election, as reported by county elections offices. Polling place votes in most cases are counted at the polling place by tabulation equipment or by hand, but some precincts are counted at a central location. All of the equipment listed may be used for central count, but the ES&S M650 and DS850 are designed specifically for central count.

Absentee ballots and mail ballots are usually counted in a central location. In mail ballot precincts, ballots are mailed to all registered voters and voters do not go to a polling place. Precincts using mail balloting in the 2016 state general election are shown on the map to the left.

STATE SYMBOLS

State Song

"Hail! Minnesota," was written in 1904 by University of Minnesota students Truman E. Rickard and Arthur E. Upson. A second verse was penned in 1905. The University of Minnesota Alumni Association, owner of the copyright to the song, released its copyright to the words and music, and in 1945 the Legislature adopted "Hail Minnesota" as the state song.





The Great Seal of the State of Minnesota

The Minnesota Secretary of State is the keeper of the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota and affixes the seal to government documents to make them official. Just as people authenticate a document by signing their name to it, the state seal acts as the State's signature.

When Minnesota became a state on May 11, 1858, it did not have an official state seal despite a constitutional requirement to have one. Minnesota's first secretary of state, Francis Baasen, wrote to Governor Henry Sibley requesting direction on the matter. Sibley authorized Bassen to use Minnesota's previous territorial government's seal. In the meantime, Sibley began making design changes and correcting errors discovered when the seal was cast in metal. He replaced a misspelled Latin motto, "Quo sursum velo videre," which means "I want to see what lies beyond" with a French motto, "L'Étoile du Nord," meaning "the Star of the North." He also reversed the picture on the seal to depict the sun setting in the west instead of rising in the east. Around the seal design he placed the words, "The Great Seal of the State of Minnesota 1858." In 1861, the Legislature adopted the new design, making it the official state seal. In 1983, the Legislature altered the seal in an attempt to spell out specific design details more clearly in hopes of avoiding the wide variations that occurred in past artistic interpretations.

The Great Seal of the State of Minnesota is rich in symbolism. The sun, visible on the western horizon, signifies the flat plains covering much of the state. The cultivated ground and plow symbolize the importance of agriculture. The Mississippi River and St. Anthony Falls are depicted to note the importance of Minnesota's natural resources for trade and commerce. The three pine trees represent the state tree, the Red or Norway pine, and the three great pine regions of the state including the St. Croix, Mississippi, and Lake Superior. The tree stump symbolizes the importance of Minnesota's timber industry. The American Indian on horseback represents the great American Indian heritage of the state while the horse, spear, axe, rifle, and plow represent important tools that were used for hunting and labor.

Editor's note on the private use of the state seal, from a 1988 attorney general's interpretation of Minnesota Statutes: "Private individuals can reproduce the state seal for their own purposes... the private enlargement, reduction, or embossment of the seal by private citizens is not prohibited. There are a number of consumer protection statutes that could conceivably prohibit the use of the state seal if it is used to misrepresent the nature of a business, or if a person in the course of his business, vocation, or occupation engages in any conduct that creates a likelihood of confusion or of misunderstanding..."

State Bird

Minnesota's state bird, the common loon (Gavia immer), was adopted by the Legislature in 1961. (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.145) Loons are large black and white birds with red eyes. They have wingspans up to five feet, body lengths up to three feet, and can dive to depths of 90 feet. Its name comes from a Norwegian word that means "wild, sad cry." Approximately 12,000 loons make their summer homes in Minnesota.



State Butterfly

The monarch butterfly (Danaus plexippus), also known as the milkweed butterfly, was adopted as the state's official butterfly in 2000 (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.1497). The monarch is one of the few butterfly species that migrates with the change in seasons. Approximately four generations of monarchs are born in Minnesota each summer and live roughly four weeks; the exception is the last generation of the season, which survives for six months. Monarch caterpillars feed almost exclusively on milkweed, which grows throughout Minnesota.



State Drink and Muffin

Milk was adopted as the official state drink in 1984 (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.1495). Our state produces 9.5 billion pounds of milk a year (4.5 percent of the nation's total) and ranks eighth in dairy production among the states.

The blueberry muffin was adopted as the official muffin of the state of Minnesota in 1988 (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.1496).



State Fish



After being first proposed to be the state fish in 1953, the walleye (Stizostedion vitreum) was adopted in 1965 (Minnesota Statutes 1.146). This popular game fish is found throughout Minnesota in lakes and rivers. The largest walleye ever caught in Minnesota weighed 17 pounds, 8 ounces.

State Flag



The Minnesota state flag is royal blue with a gold fringe. In the center of the flag is the state seal. Around the state seal is a wreath of the state flower, the lady slipper. Three dates are woven into the wreath: 1819, the year Fort Snelling was established; 1858, the year Minnesota became a state; and 1893, the year the official flag was adopted. Nineteen stars ring the wreath, symbolizing that Minnesota was the 19th state to enter the Union after the original 13. The largest star

represents the North Star and Minnesota. The present state flag was adopted by the Legislature in 1957 (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.141).

State Flower

From the earliest days, the Legislature wanted the pink and white lady slipper (Cyprideum reginae) to be the state flower. However, in 1893, the Legislature passed a resolution mistakenly naming the wild lady slipper as the state flower. The 1902 Legislature passed a new resolution to correct its error. In 1967, the Legislature made the pink and white lady slipper a state symbol (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.142).

One of Minnesota's rarest wildflowers, this plant thrives in open swamps, bogs, and damp woods. Lady slippers grow slowly, taking four to 16 years to produce their first flowers, which bloom in late June or early July. The plants live for up to 50 years and grow up to four feet tall.



State Fruit

The Honeycrisp™ apple was adopted as the state fruit in 2006 (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.1475). It was produced from a 1960 cross of Macoun and Honeygold apples, as part of a University of Minnesota apple-breeding program to develop a winter-hardy tree with high quality fruit. Honeycrisp apples are about three inches in diameter, have an exceptionally crisp and juicy texture, and are harvested from mid-September to mid-October in east-central Minnesota.

State Gemstone

The Lake Superior agate was named the official state gemstone in 1969 (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.147). This beautiful quartz stone is banded with rich red and orange colors derived from iron ore in the soil. These agates are normally about the size of a pea, but can be as large as 20 pounds. Dispersed throughout Minnesota by glaciers in the last Ice Age, these agates can be found on the banks of rivers, in gravel pits, or in other places where pebbles and gravel abound.





State Grain

Wild rice (Zizania aquatica), was adopted as the official state grain in 1977 (Minnesota Statutes 1.148). This aquatic grass is not related to common rice and was a staple food for Minnesota's American Indian tribes for centuries. Wild rice is still harvested from lakes in the traditional way, by canoe. However, people interested in harvesting wild rice in Minnesota must purchase a wild ricing license, similar to a fishing or hunting license. Today, as in the past, much of the wild rice produced in the world comes from Minnesota. It's also the only cereal grain native to North America.

State Mushroom

Morchella esculenta, commonly known as the morel, sponge mushroom or honeycomb morel, was adopted in 1984 as the official state mushroom (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.149). Morels are edible and considered a rare delicacy. They grow two to six inches high, are creamy tan or shades of brown and gray in color, and boast pitted, spongy heads, smooth stems and hollow interiors. In the spring, morels can often be found in southeastern Minnesota fields and forests.



State Photograph

The photograph "Grace," depicting an elderly man bowing his head and giving thanks, taken by Eric Enstrom in 1918 in Bovey, Minnesota, was adopted as the official state photograph in 2002 (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.1498).

A copy of the photograph, presented to the state by Enstrom's daughter, Rhoda Nyberg, is on display in the Secretary of State's office in St. Paul.



State Soil

First proposed in 1939, Lester soil became the official state soil in 2012 (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.485). Lester soils are well-drained, have a dark grayish brown surface with clay loam and loam subsoils. The characteristics of this soil developed from both grasslands and forests. This soil is a valuable resouce for forage, corn, and soybean production. Lester soil can be found in 16 central and south-central Minnesota counties.

State Sport



The 2009 Legislature designated ice hockey as the official state sport of Minnesota (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.1499). Minnesota is home to the U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame Museum in Eveleth. In the 1980 Winter Olympics, St. Paul native Herbert "Herb" Brooks was the head coach of the gold medal-winning Team USA (the men's national ice hockey team). Team USA upset the Soviet Union 4-3 in what became known as the "Miracle on Ice." Brooks was inducted into the U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame in 1990.

State Tree

The Red or Norway pine (Pinus resinosa) became the official state tree in 1953 (*Minnesota Statutes* 1.143). Red pines can live to be 400 years old and can reach heights of nearly 150 feet with a trunk up to five feet in diameter. Its needles are four to six inches long and grow in pairs.

Red pines when small are popular as Christmas trees, and are harvested for use as structural timber and pulpwood when mature. They also make suitable poles, pilings, mining timbers, and railroad ties.

Governor's Residence



The governor's residence, located at 1006 Summit Avenue in Saint Paul, is the official home of the governor's family. The 20-room, 16,000-square-foot English Tudor mansion was donated to the state of Minnesota in 1965 by the family of the original owners. Designed by Minneapolis architect William Channing Whitney, the residence has nine bedrooms, eight bathrooms, nine fireplaces, and sits on 1.5 acres of land. Five people work at the residence: the manager, assistant manager, chef, housekeeper and groundskeeper. Free guided public tours are typically available during the summer months. For more information, visit mn.gov/admin/governors-residence/

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STATE HISTORIC SITES

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Lower Sioux Agency, Morton
Mille Lacs Indian Museum, Onamia
Minnehaha Depot, Minneapolis
Minnesota State Capitol, St. Paul
North West Company Fur Post, Pine City
Oliver H. Kelley Farm, Elk River
St. Anthony Falls, Minneapolis
Sibley Historic Site, Mendota
Split Rock Lighthouse, Two Harbors
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The future site of the Capitol is prepared for construction on June 15, 1896. At the time of the \$4.5 million project, the state of Minnesota was only 37 years old. The Minnesota Capitol building is now worth an estimated \$400 million.

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