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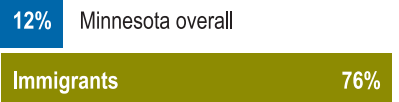
Minnesota Compass looks at key measures in a number of topic areas to promote cradle-to-career success for all of Minnesota's youth, a strong and vibrant economy and workforce, and healthy communities throughout the state.

Notable Trends

FOREIGN-BORN RESIDENTS LEAD STATE'S POPULATION GROWTH

Immigrants are among the fastest growing populations in Minnesota, growing by 76 percent since 2000, compared with a 12 percent growth rate for our state's population overall. While more than 3 in 4 of Minnesota's immigrants reside in the Twin Cities 7-county region, Nobles County in southern Minnesota has the highest proportion of immigrants among counties.

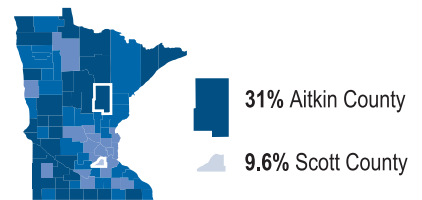
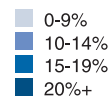
Population growth rate since 2000



MINNESOTA'S POPULATION IS AGING, BUT AT DIFFERENT RATES

Currently at 15 percent, older adults are expected to make up 21 percent of Minnesota's population by 2030, but the pace of change varies by county. More than 30 percent of residents are 65+ in Aitkin County, while less than 10 percent of Scott County residents are age 65 or older.

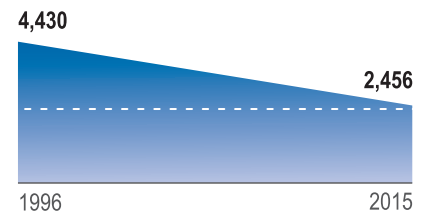
Population age 65 years and older



MINNESOTA'S CRIME RATE EDGES DOWN, AGAIN

Our state's serious crime rate has steadily declined over the past two decades and now stands at just over half of what it was in 1996, with the highest rate in the Twin Cities region and lowest in the Southwest. One caveat: Violent crimes, which typically make up less than 10 percent of all serious crimes in Minnesota, did increase somewhat in 2015.

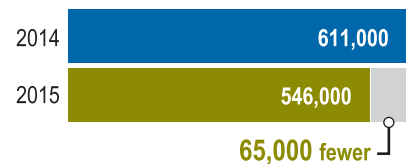
Serious crime rate per 100,000 in Minnesota



POVERTY RATES DROP ACROSS THE STATE

After remaining steady the past few years, Minnesota's poverty rate declined more than a percentage point in 2015, meaning there were nearly 65,000 fewer people living in poverty in Minnesota. The Northland, Twin Cities, and West Central regions saw the sharpest decreases in poverty rates.

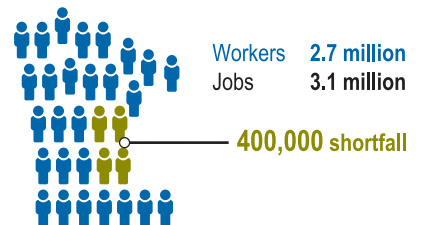
1 year change in poverty



MINNESOTA WILL NEED WORKERS TO FILL JOB OPENINGS

Minnesota is expected to have about 2.7 million working-age adults (age 18-64) employed in 2024. But, projections show Minnesota will have 3.1 million jobs in 2024, leaving a potential shortfall of about 400,000 workers. We need to take full advantage of our state's human capital, including boosting employment among residents of color, adults with disabilities, and adults of all ages to make up this shortfall.

2024 employment projections



Compiled from MN DEED and State Demographer's Office projections.

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Minnesota's population at a glance

	2000	2015
Overall population	4.9 million	5.5 million
Twin Cities	2.6 million	3.0 million
Greater Minnesota	2.3 million	2.5 million
Children and youth (age 0-17)	1.3 million	1.3 million
Twin Cities	698,000	714,000
Greater Minnesota	589,000	571,000
Working-age residents (age 18-64)	3.0 million	3.4 million
Twin Cities	1.7 million	1.9 million
Greater Minnesota	1.3 million	1.5 million
Older adults (age 65+)	594,000	806,000
Twin Cities	255,000	382,000
Greater Minnesota	339,000	425,000
Foreign-born residents	260,000	457,000
Twin Cities	206,000	360,000
Greater Minnesota	54,000	98,000
People of color	582,000	1 million
Twin Cities	444,000	784,000
Greater Minnesota	138,000	260,000

Numbers may not add up to totals due to rounding.

New on Compass . . .

ARTS AND CULTURE TOPIC

Find a host of data and resources to help better understand how individuals, organizations, and communities contribute to and participate in artistic, creative, and cultural traditions in our state.

RISK AND REACH EARLY CHILDHOOD MEASURES

An enhancement to the Early Childhood topic, Risk and Reach gives you a county by county look at potential risks to the healthy development of young children and the reach of public services to address areas of need.

CITY PROFILES ENHANCED AND UPDATED

Profiles for cities with populations of 1,000+ now contain more information about the people who live there and more context within topic areas. New data include population forecasts, worker earnings, and household size for renters and owners.

TWIN CITIES REGION "BUILD YOUR OWN GEOGRAPHY" TOOL

Now you can create customized profiles for your area of interest throughout the Twin Cities region. For example, find out how many children live within a mile of a school, or the number of households within a half-mile of a transit stop.

	CURRENT	RECENT TREND	NATIONAL RANK (1=BEST)
NEW TOPIC! ARTS AND CULTURE	55% Adults age 18+ who attended a cultural event in the past year	SAME	5
	45% Adults age 18+ who created or performed art in the past year	SAME	13
	86% Families whose children participated in arts in the past year	--	--
CHILDREN & YOUTH	60% Students who are connected to a caring adult	--	--
	65% Students participating in enrichment activities (3X/week)	--	--
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT	70% Voted in presidential election	WORSE	2
	36% Residents age 16+ who volunteer	SAME	3
	70% Adult neighbors who help neighbors	SAME	10
EARLY CHILDHOOD	81% Children screened before age 5	SAME	--
	7% Low-weight births	SAME	7

Dig deeper. . .find data for specific populations, geographic areas, and where disparities occur at mncompass.org.

Also find data sources, years, margins of error, and additional notes.

Updated February 2017 with the most recent data compiled by Minnesota Compass.



	CURRENT	RECENT TREND	NATIONAL RANK (1=BEST)
ECONOMY	\$54,400 Per-capita Gross Domestic Product (2009 dollars)	BETTER	11
	2.9 M Number of available jobs	BETTER	18
	\$63,500 Median household income	BETTER	12
	10% Poverty rate	BETTER	3
EDUCATION	57% 3rd graders who are proficient in reading	SAME	--
	58% 8th graders who are proficient in math	SAME	--
	82% Students who graduate high school on time	BETTER	32
ENVIRONMENT	53% Days air quality was rated "good" (Twin Cities)	WORSE	1*
	29 Tons of green house gas emissions per person	BETTER	--
HEALTH	26% Adults age 18+ who are obese	SAME	12
	5% Residents under age 65 who are uninsured	BETTER	4
	8% Adults age 18+ with diabetes	SAME	6
	7 Psychiatric hospital admissions per 1,000 residents age 14+	SAME	--
HOUSING	9,300 People experiencing homelessness	SAME	--
	27% Households who pay 30% or more of income for housing	BETTER	10
	37% Homeownership gap (white, of color)	SAME	49
PUBLIC SAFETY	25 Serious crimes committed per 1,000 residents	BETTER	--
	17% Adults who are victims of crime	SAME	--
	87% Adults who feel safe on their street after dark	SAME	--
	554 Traffic injuries and fatalities per 100,000 residents	SAME	--
TRANSPORTATION	4% Highway miles rated in poor condition	SAME	--
	23% Average household income spent on transportation	--	--
	35% Roads congested during peak driving times (Twin Cities)	SAME	--
	17,700 Average number of jobs reachable within 30-minute commute by foot or transit (Twin Cities)	--	11*
WORKFORCE	78% Proportion of adults age 16-64 who are working	BETTER	2
	35% Adults age 25+ with bachelor's degree	BETTER	10
	63% Graduation rate at 4-year institutions (within 6 years)	BETTER	15

* 25 largest U.S. metros

Spotlight on: Minnesota's population of color

Nearly all of Minnesota's recent population growth is from populations of color. By 2035, 1 in 4 of our residents is projected to be a person of color. Yet, Minnesota continues to be challenged with some of the worst racial gaps in the nation. On a positive note, nine key measures tracked by Compass show improvement for populations of color.

Topic	Population of color		Recent trend population of color	White/of color percentage point gap
CHILDREN & YOUTH	56%	Students who are connected to a caring adult	--	6
	57%	Students participating in enrichment activities (3X/week)	--	11
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT	47%	Voted in 2012 presidential election	BETTER	27
	16%	Residents age 16+ who volunteer	WORSE	24
	53%	Adult neighbors who help neighbors	SAME	19
EARLY CHILDHOOD	7%	Low-weight births	SAME	3
ECONOMY	\$42,400	Median household income	BETTER	\$22,600*
	23%	Poverty rate	BETTER	15
EDUCATION	38%	3rd graders who are proficient in reading	SAME	28
	38%	8th graders who are proficient in math	SAME	28
	68%	Students who graduate high school on time	BETTER	19
HEALTH	23%	Adults age 18+ who are obese	SAME	NO GAP
	11%	Residents under age 65 who are uninsured	BETTER	8
	9%	Adults age 18+ with diabetes	SAME	NO GAP
HOUSING	64	Rate of homelessness (per 10,000 adults)	BETTER	58**
	44%	Households who pay more than 30% of income for housing	BETTER	18
	39%	Homeownership rate	SAME	37
WORKFORCE	69%	Proportion of adults age 16-64 who are working	BETTER	11
	27%	Adults age 25+ with bachelor's degree	SAME	10
	55%	Graduation rate at 4-year institutions (within 6 years)	BETTER	10

* Difference in dollars

** Difference in rate

Note. Minnesota's population of color is made up of residents who identify as: African American (6% of the state's population), Hispanic or Latino (5%), Asian American (5%), American Indian (1%), and who identify with multiple races (2%). See www.MNCompass.org/disparities for information about gaps between particular racial and ethnic groups.

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