

MARQUETTE COUNTY

Marquette County, on the shores of Lake Superior was founded on the Iron Ore industry. Our hard working ancestors who helped create this multi-million dollar industry instilled a strong work ethic in their children, which lives strong today. Marquette County is the largest County in the State of Michigan with over 1,800 square miles of area. The city of Marquette is the largest in the Upper Peninsula and is home to Northern Michigan University and the Marquette General Health System, also the largest in the Upper Peninsula.

Built upon the growth in the Mining and Forest Product's Industries, Marquette County now provides a diverse economic base, which includes enhanced technological opportunities, a regional airport, a deep-water seaport, and expanded rail connectivity. Four-season recreational opportunities abound including a world-class point-to-point mountain bike race and cross-country ski marathon, with over 1,000 registrants each. Tourism accounts for a 75 million dollar impact annually.

POPULATION 2000

County 65,000
Region (Square Miles) 1,853

LABOR FORCE 2001

Total Labor Force 34,000
Unemployment 6%

INCOME LEVELS

Personal \$22,500
Total Personal \$1,450,000

COST OF LIVING INDEX

Marquette County 96.6
Green Bay, WI 98.7
Dallas, TX 100.6
Fresno, CA 104.2
Trenton, NJ 135.4

Source: ACCRA COL Index

Total Housing Units 32,800
Median Home Price \$92,500
Vacancy Rate – rentals 7%

EDUCATIONAL & TRAINING

K-12 schools 10,000 students

UNIVERSITIES

Northern Michigan
University 9,000 students

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Michigan Works! The Job Force
Lake Superior Community Partnership

HEALTHCARE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

Marquette General Health System
Bell Memorial Hospital
Peninsula Medical Center

CLIMATE

Average Temperatures:
Summer High 70°
Winter High 27°
Snowfall 184.7" annually

TAX FREE SITES

Renaissance Zone-Sawyer

Tax Abatements and additional incentives available in 4 cities, 19 townships and villages.

KEY MANUFACTURERS

	# of Employees
Argonics	70
Empire Mine	750
Louisiana Pacific	200
Pioneer Surgical	80
Tilden Mine	800

OTHER MAJOR EMPLOYERS

American Eagle	175
Bell Memorial Hospital	350
City of Marquette	375
Dept. of Corrections	500
Marquette County	300
Marquette General Health System	2,800
Marquette Public Schools	690
Northern Michigan University	1,000
Peninsula Medical Center	600
Taystee Bakery	250

FINANCIAL SERVICES

Institutions	15
Bidco	1
Revolving Loan Funds	3
Economic Development Corp.	1

SAWYER BUSINESS PARK

5,300-Acre Business Park
1,200 acre Tax Free Zone
2,000,000 sq.ft. existing industrial space
International Airport and Rail Service

INDUSTRIAL PARKS

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Class A Roads, Municipal Water & Sewer, Natural Gas, Electric, Telephone, High-Speed Cable Internet available at all parks.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Land Line, Cellular, High Speed Cable, and DSL

TRANSPORTATION

Sawyer International Airport: Mesaba-Northwest, American Eagle-American Airline jet services, Skyway-Midwest Express, Air Charter, and leading overnight freight carriers.

Ground Service:

Bus, taxi, and limousine

Rail Carriers:

Canadian National, LS&I Railroad

Marine:

Deep-water port currently shipping iron ore and coal.

UTILITIES

Electricity:

Wisconsin Public Service
UP Power Company
We Energies
Marquette Board of Light and Power
Alger Delta Electric Co-Op

Natural Gas:

SEMCO Energy

RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Casinos	1
Lighthouses	4
National Forest Campgrounds	13
Total Campgrounds	26
Total Campsites	567
Bed & Breakfasts	7
Hotel/Motel rooms	1,450
Miles of Great Lakes Shoreline	55
Miles of hiking, skiing, bike trails	500
Miles of snowmobile trails	500
Miles of ORV trails	57
Miles of scenic highway	81
Golf Courses	5

Complete listing of events, statistics, maps, locations, and facilities can be found at www.marquette.org.



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