

LUCE COUNTY

Luce County is located in Michigan's Eastern Upper Peninsula. The county is a four season recreational mecca with over 300,000 acres of public access land, 15,000 acres of inland lakes, 658 miles of rivers and streams, 31 miles of Lake Superior shoreline, and the Tahquamenon Falls. The county's economy is primarily based on forest products, and tourism. The county has highway, rail, air and fiber optic telecommunication access. A progressive economic development program provides support services to new and existing business including loans, industrial sites and infrastructure development.

POPULATION 2004

County 6,850

LABOR FORCE 2005

Total Labor Force 2,950
Employed 2,675
Unemployment Rate 9.6

EDUCATION & TRAINING

K- 12 Schools Enrollment

Tahquamenon 760 elementary
Area Schools 350 secondary

Colleges & Universities

LSSU 3,125
Bay Mills 320
Sault Career Center 691

Workforce Development Agencies Michigan Works!

HEALTHCARE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

Helen Newberry Joy Hospital

86 Beds
Also have walk-in clinic, dialysis center, and wellness center on site

Assisted Living Facility (1) Home Health Providers (2)

Public Safety & Fire Personnel: Newberry Fire Dept. Class 6

Ambulance/EMT Basic Service

CLIMATE

Average Temperatures
Summer High 76 Low 53
Winter High 23 Low 8
Snowfall: Average 108 inches

KEY MANUFACTURERS

Louisiana Pacific
Newberry Lumber Company
Newberry Wood Enterprises
Banks Hardwoods

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

State of Michigan 365
LMAS Health Dept. 215
Tahquamenon Area Schools 143
Helen Newberry Joy Hospital 280
Luce County/Village of Nby 220

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

First National Bank of St. Ignace
M Bank
Tahquamenon Area Credit Union

INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL

Retail Trade 46
General Building Contractors 11
Wholesale Establishments 8
Truck & Courier 10
Computer & Data Processing 1
Legal Services 4
Acctg, Auditing & Bkpg 3
Engineering & Architectural 2
Mgmt & Public Relations 1

INDUSTRIAL PARK

115 Acre Park, Class A Road, water & sewer, natural gas, electric, telephone, rail spur and protective covenants. 183 acre park expansion planned for 2008.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Local: SBC
Long Distance:
SBC, AT&T, MCI, Sprint, & Others

TRANSPORTATION

Air Service: Luce County Airport – General Aviation Facility

Trucking Companies

E. Bowler Trucking
Ed Groh Trucking
French Trucking
John D. Roach Trucking
Littlejohn Trucking, LTD
Matelski Trucking
Melvin Holbrook Trucking
Nakladny Trucking
William N Burton Trucking
Zellar Bark & Trucking

Rail Carriers

Canadian National Railway

UTILITIES

Electricity
Cloverland Electric

Natural Gas : Semco Energy

Water & Sewer:

Pentland Township, Village of
Newberry - well and septic in outlying areas

Cable TV

Charter Communications

CULTURAL/RECREATIONAL

Within Luce County
Tahquamenon Falls, Whitefish Point
Shipwreck Museum, 300,000 acres of public access forest lands, 658 miles of rivers and streams including Hemingway's Big Two-Hearted River, 31 miles of agate strewn Lake Superior shoreline, 200 miles of groomed snowmobile trails, 20 miles of groomed cross country ski trails, Tahquamenon Logging Museum, Luce County Historical Museum, and Newberry County Club Golf Course.

Within 60 mile radius of Luce County
Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore,
Seney National Wildlife Refuge, Bay Mills and Kewadin Casinos, Soo Locks, and Mackinac Island.