

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 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.

DEMOGRAPHICS

County Population	64,760
Total Housing Units	33,828
Median Home Value	\$77,200
Home Ownership Rate	69.8%
Median Household Income	\$36,993

Source: U.S. Census

LABOR FORCE 2005

Total Labor Force	35,892
Unemployment	5.6%

Source: MI Dept. of Labor and Economic Growth

EDUCATIONAL & TRAINING

K-12 schools	10,000 students
Marquette-Alger Regional Educational Service Agency	

UNIVERSITIES

Northern Michigan University	9,400 students
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WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Michigan Works! The Job Force
Lake Superior Community Partnership

HEALTHCARE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

Marquette General Health System
Bell 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 3 cities, 19 townships and villages.

FINANCIAL SERVICES

Banks/Credit Unions	15
Revolving Loan Funds	3
Economic Development Corp.	1

KEY MANUFACTURERS

	# of Employees
Argonics	85
Cleveland-Cliffs	1300
Jilbert's Dairy	50
Potlatch	180
Pioneer Surgical	120
Superior Extrusion	40

OTHER MAJOR EMPLOYERS

A.C.N. Call Center	165
American Eagle	225
Bell Hospital	335
Dept. of Corrections	425
Marquette County	283
Marquette General Health System	2,398
Marquette Public Schools	425
Northern Michigan University	1,155
Peninsula Medical Center	630
Taystee Bakery	250
We Energies	205
Westwood Mall Merchants	500

TELKITE TECHNOLOGY PARK

1.5 million sq ft of office/industrial space
1,500 developable acres
Renaissance Zone status
International Airport and Rail Service

4 INDUSTRIAL PARKS

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, Midwest Express, Air Charter, and leading overnight freight carriers.

Ground Service:

Bus, taxi, and limousine

Rail Carriers:

Canadian National

Marine:

Deep-water port currently shipping iron ore and coal.

UTILITIES

Electricity:

Wisconsin Public Service
Upper Peninsula 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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