

Welcome to Minnesota



- Heard of Minnesota?
- Been here before?
- Wanted to come here?

Where are you now?



- 1,000 miles to an ocean
- 833 feet above sea level
- Where summer is just 3 months of bad sledding

Old and New Language



- Dakota language
 - Minne = water
 - Sota = blue
 - Tonka = big
- Scandinavian
 - Yah sure, you betcha!
 - For cripes sakes!
 - Don't yah know?

Habitats - 3 Biomes



- Coniferous forest
- Deciduous forest
- Prairie grassland
- Weather extremes
 - + 114 F to - 60 F

69,200 Miles of Rivers & Streams



3 continental divides

- St. Lawrence River
 - Atlantic Ocean
- Mississippi River
 - Gulf of Mexico
- Red River
 - Hudson Bay

11,842 Lakes



- Lake Superior world's largest lake
- 201 Mud Lakes, 154 Long Lakes, and 123 Rice Lakes
- 90,000 total miles of shoreline
- What's left over after draining for agriculture

Trees and Plants



- State flower: Lady-slipper
- State mushroom: Morel
- State tree: Red/Norway Pine
- State muffin: Blueberry

Minnesota is Famous



- Boundary Waters Canoe Area
- The Mayo Clinic
- Twins, Vikes, Twolves, & Wild
- Mary Tyler Moore
- Snowmobiles, rollerblades, waterskis, Tonka Toys
- Scotch tape & Post It notes
- 3M = Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing
- Gold Bond Stamps
- SPAM

Historic Location



- Fort Snelling
- Mississippi River
- Voyageurs fur trade
- St. Anthony Falls
- Mill City flour
- Lumber (Boom Island)

Famous Minnesotans



- Judy Garland
- Jane Russell
- The Andrews Sisters
- Paul Wellstone
- F. Scott Fitzgerald
- Bob Dylan
- Prince
- Garrison Keillor
- Jesse Ventura

82 Mammal Species



- >7,200 moose
- >3,000 wolves
- >30,000 black bear
- >1.5 million deer

432 Bird Species



- State bird: 12,000 Loons (NOT the mosquito)
- 205 resident species
- >2,000 trumpeter swans
- >872 bald eagle nests
- >36 peregrine falcon nests (78 young falcons in 2006)

Minnesota Fishing



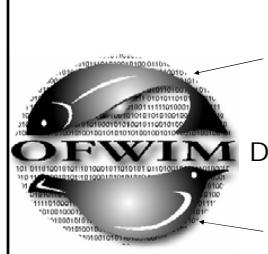
- State fish: Walleye
- 1900 miles of trout streams
- 36% of Minnesotan's fish
- \$2 billion per year
- 160 fish species

Minnesota Hunting



- 110 game species
- 1.1 million WMA acres
- Annual harvest
 - 866,000 waterfowl
 - 255,736 deer
 - 3,203 black bear
 - 145 moose

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