Minnesota Facts

• Population: 5.1 million
• “Land of 10,000 Lakes” actually 11,842!
  – 90,000 miles of shoreline, greater than CA, FL, and HI combined!
The Twin Cities of Minneapolis & St. Paul

- Mississippi River divides Mpls & St Paul
- Minneapolis
  - combination of Sioux term for "water" and Greek word for "city"
  - Early center of milling and lumber trades
  - #1 on America’s Most Literate Cities List
- Twin Cities’ Major industries: education, printing & publishing, healthcare & biomedical devices, tourism, agriculture, computing, forestry
# Climate

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Cost of Living

• Minneapolis 102.6% (2.6% above US mean)
• Compared to other US Cities:
  – Midwest: Chicago 129%
  – CA: LA 153%, SF 177%
  – East Coast: Boston 137%, NY 212%
  – West Coast: Seattle 119%, Portland 110%
Housing

• Affordable, many residents own
• Median rent in Mpls $536
• Variety of lifestyle options
  – Apartments on campus, downtown, uptown, suburbs
  – Condos, lofts downtown
  – Single family homes in nearby suburbs
  – Townhouses in the city and suburbs
Culture: Theater

www.guthrietheater.org
www.hennepintheatertrust.org
Culture: Museums

www.artsmia.org
www.garden.walkerart.org
Culture: Nightlife

Real live surgery residents... having a good time
Culture: Sports

• Metrodome is the only place in the US to host the superbowl, the world series, MLB All-Star Game, & the NCAA Final Four
  • Minnesota Vikings (NFL)
  • Minnesota Wild (NHL)
  • Minnesota Twins (MLB)
  • Minnesota Timberwolves (NBA)
  • Minnesota Gophers (Big Ten)

Surgery residents tailgating
Culture: Sports

TCF Stadium

Target Field

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The Great Outdoors
Camaraderie

Winter holiday party
Camaraderie

Chiefs’ graduation celebration
Camaraderie

- Softball game
Camaraderie

Special events
Camaraderie
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Camaraderie: Interactions with Staff

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