# **Compass Points 2024**



## MINNESOTA'S POPULATION AT A GLANCE

	2020	2022		2020	2022
Overall population	5.7 million	5.7 million	Older adults (age 65+)	934,000	998,000
Twin Cities	3.2 million	3.1 million	Twin Cities	466,000	496,000
Greater Minnesota	2.5 million	2.6 million	Greater Minnesota	468,000	502,000
Children and youth (age 0-17)	1.3 million	1.3 million	Foreign-born residents	472,000*	499,000
Twin Cities	729,000	715,000	Twin Cities	373,000*	384,000
Greater Minnesota	589,000	579,000	Greater Minnesota	99,000*	115,000
Working-age residents (age 18-64)	3.5 million	3.4 million	People of color	1.2 Million	1.3 Million
Twin Cities	2.0 million	1.9 million	Twin Cities	905,000	939,000
Greater Minnesota	1.5 million	1.5 million	Greater Minnesota	315,000	340,000

Numbers may not add up to totals due to rounding.

\*2019 numbers

MINNESOTA'S QUALITY OF LIFE INDICATORS  CURRENT			RECENT TREND	NATIONAL RANK (1=BEST)
ARTS & CULTURE	57%	Adults age 18+ who attended a cultural event in the past year	SAME	8
	40%	Adults age 18+ who created or performed art in the past year	SAME	17
	20%	Students participating in artistic lessons at least once a week	WORSE	
CHILDREN & YOUTH	58%	Students who are connected to a caring adult	WORSE	
	64%	Students participating in enrichment activities 3 times a week	BETTER	
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT	61%	Voted in 2022 mid-term election (voting-eligible)	SAME	3
	37%	Residents age 16+ who volunteer	WORSE	5
	63%	Adult neighbors who help neighbors	SAME	6
EARLY CHILDHOOD	59%	Children screened before age 5	WORSE	
	7%	Low-weight births	WORSE	9
ECONOMY	\$61,000	Per-capita GDP (2012 chained dollars)	BETTER	15
	3 million	Number of available jobs	BETTER	19
	\$82,300	Median household income (2022 dollars)	WORSE	13
	10%	Poverty rate	SAME	6

	CURR	ENT	RECENT TREND	NATIONAL RANK (1=BEST)
EDUCATION	47%	3rd-graders who are proficient in reading	WORSE	
	40%	8th-graders who are proficient in math	WORSE	
	84%	Students who graduate high school on time	SAME	32
ENVIRONMENT	71%	Days air quality was rated "good" (Twin Cities)	SAME	5*
	24	Tons of greenhouse gas emissions per person	BETTER	
	34%	Adults age 18+ who are obese	WORSE	25
HEALTH	5%	Residents under age 65 who are uninsured	SAME	5
	10%	Adults age 18+ with diabetes	WORSE	130
HOUSING	10,522	People experiencing homelessness		
	28%	Households who pay 30% or more of income for housing	WORSE	20
	29%	Homeownership gap (white, of color)	SAME	47
PUBLIC SAFETY	23	Serious crimes committed per 1,000 residents	SAME	
	422	Traffic injuries and fatalities per 100,000 residents	BETTER	7**
TRANSPORTATION	4%	Highway miles rated in poor condition	SAME	
	18%	Household income spent on transportation (Twin Cities)	SAME	8*
	32	Annual hours of delay per auto commuter (Twin Cities)	BETTER	12*
	18,900	Average number of jobs reachable within a 30-minute commute by foot or transit (Twin Cities)	SAME	11*
	79%	Proportion of adults working	SAME	2
WORKFORCE	39%	Adults age 25+ with a bachelor's degree	BETTER	12
	68%	Graduation rate at 4-year institutions (within 6 years)	BETTER	14*
	57%	Graduation + transfer rate at 2-year institutions (within 3 years)	SAME	11*

\* 25 LARGEST U.S. METROS \*\* RANKING FOR FATALITIES ONLY

LEARN MORE ABOUT MINNESOTA'S POPULATION AND QUALITY OF LIFE TOPICS AT MNCOMPASS.ORG

### 2024 HIGHLIGHTS:



#### STRATEGIC PLAN REFRESH

In 2023, we completed a strategic four-year plan. Our updated priorities will focus on data curation, relationship building, and long-term sustainability. The document will provide Minnesota Compass staff with strategic direction and guide our work for the next three to five years.



#### PUBLIC SAFETY TOPIC ADVISORY GROUP

We convened two Public Safety Topic Advisory Group discussions to identify the most relevant and useful public safety measures for Minnesota Compass. We are updating the site with new data and resources, with plans to launch the refreshed section in summer 2024.



#### **ACS TRAINING SERIES**

In fall 2023, Minnesota Compass staff presented a free, five-part virtual training series, Advancing Equity with Data: American Community Survey. Participants learned how to find and analyze ACS data to enhance their understanding of client communities and bolster programs that promote equity. Funding from the Morgan Family Foundation made the series possible.

Our thanks to the organizations who have funded our work, and continue to support Minnesota Compass to keep it free and accessible to Minnesotans.

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