

MINNESOTA

Nickname.....	The North Star State
Motto.....	<i>L'Etoile du Nord (The North Star)</i>
Flower.....	Pink and White Lady-Slipper
Bird.....	Common Loon
Tree.....	Red Pine
Song.....	<i>Hail! Minnesota</i>
Entered the Union.....	May 11, 1858
Capital.....	St. Paul

STATISTICS

Land Area (square miles).....	79,627
Rank in Nation.....	14
Population.....	5,489,594
Rank in Nation.....	21
Density per square mile.....	68.9
Capital City.....	St. Paul
Population.....	297,640
Rank in State.....	2
Largest City.....	Minneapolis
Population.....	407,207
Number of Representatives in Congress.....	8
Number of 2016 Electoral Votes.....	10
Number of County Governments.....	87
Number of Municipal Governments.....	853
Number of School Districts.....	338
Number of Special Districts.....	610

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Legislative Body.....	Legislature
President of the Senate.....	Sandra Pappas
President Pro Tem of the Senate.....	Ann Rest
Secretary of the Senate.....	JoAnne Zoff
Speaker of the House.....	Kurt Daudt
Speaker Pro Tem of the House.....	Tim O'Driscoll
Clerk of the House.....	Al Mathiowetz (Chief)
2016 Regular Session.....	March 8 – May 23, 2016
Number of Senatorial Districts.....	67
Number of Representative Districts.....	67

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Governor.....	Mark Dayton
Lieutenant Governor.....	Tina Smith
Secretary of State.....	Steve Simon
Attorney General.....	Lori Swanson
Treasurer.....	Myron Frans (Commissioner of Finance)
Auditor.....	Rebecca Otto
Governor's Present Term.....	1/2011 – 1/2019
Number of Elected Officials in the Executive Branch.....	5
Number of Members in the Cabinet.....	25

JUDICIAL BRANCH

Highest Court.....	Supreme Court
Supreme Court Chief Justice.....	Lorie Skjerven Gildea
Number of Supreme Court Judges.....	7
Number of Intermediate Appellate Court Judges.....	19
Number of U.S. Court Districts.....	1
U.S. Circuit Court.....	8th Circuit