

Delta County, MI (2010)



Delta County is located on the northern shore of Lake Michigan and includes 2 cities and 14 unincorporated communities. Delta County has a strong manufacturing base, averaging nearly 20%. The county has 211 miles of Great Lakes shoreline, 514 miles of rivers/streams, nearly 6,000 acres of inland lakes and ponds, and nearly 310,000 acres of public recreation land. There are 4 championship golf courses and three 9-hole courses in the county.

LABOR FORCE (DEC 2010)

Total Labor Force.....	18,575
Employed.....	16,450
Unemployment Rate.....	11.5%

EDUCATION & TRAINING

K-12 SCHOOLS	ENROLLMENT
8 Public Districts.....	7,124 students
2 Private Schools.....	358 students

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

BaydeNocCommunityCollege	2,230
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OFFERING 4 YEAR DEGREES AT BAY

Lake Superior State University
 M-TEC at Bay College – offers customized business training across UP

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES

[Michigan Works! The Job Force Board](#)

HEALTH CARE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

OSF ST FRANCIS HOSPITAL

Also has medical center, dialysis center, rehab center, ICU, home health, hospice, and several rural centers, cardiac with ER, and MRI Center.

MARQUETTE GENERAL HOSPITAL

Medical Centers in county; hospital 65 mi.

BELLIN HEALTH

Escanaba Clinic with family practitioners

PUBLIC SAFETY & FIRE PERSONNEL

Escanaba.....	35
Gladstone.....	11 + Volunteers
County Sheriff.....	42
Michigan State Police.....	12
County Wide Ambulance Service Available	

CLIMATE

	AVERAGE TEMPERATURES	
Summer.....	High 76.4.....	Low 24
Winter.....	High 28.5.....	Low 7.2

TAX-FREE SITES

[Renaissance Zone](#) at Delta County Airport features 132 acres free of state and local taxes. Tax Abatements & Incentives for real & personal property available in Escanaba and Gladstone as Core Communities.

MAJOR EMPLOYERS THAT EXPORT

21% OF EMPLOYMENT BASE	NUMBER EMPLOYED
New Page	1,200
Engineered Machined Products*	400
Besse Forest Products Group**	180
Andex Industries	140
VanAire***	75

*2001 MI Manufacturer of the Year

**2001 Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of Year

*** One of the 2005 Top 50 Small Businesses to Watch

OTHER EMPLOYERS

	NUMBER EMPLOYED
Escanaba/Gladstone Schools	690
Island Resort & Casino	550
OSF St Francis Hospital	850
Wal-Mart	175
Bay de Noc Community College	387
Marquette Medical Clinic	190
Elmer's County Market	125
City of Escanaba	175
Community Action Agency	175
Shopko (Dept. Store)	175
Forest Products Industry.....	326

FINANCIAL SERVICES

Full service banks.....	6
Credit Unions.....	7

OTHER BUSINESS FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Revolving loan funds (Escanaba, Gladstone, Perkins)
 Northern Initiatives; Shorebank BIDCO; US Rural Development, SBA

INDUSTRIAL PARKS

Escanaba.....	3
Gladstone.....	2
County.....	1

Class A Roads, Municipal Water & Sewer, Natural Gas, Electric, Telephone, High Speed Cable Internet available at all parks.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

LOCAL

[ATT, Charter Communications](#)

CELLULAR

[Alltel, Cellular One](#)

ANSWERING SERVICE

[Range Telecommunications](#)

ISPS

Five providers

CABLE INTERNET

[Charter Communications](#)

WIRELESS BROADBAND

[DSTECH](#)

TRANSPORTATION

AIR SERVICE

[Delta County Airport \(ESC\)](#)

PASSENGER SERVICE

[Northwest Airlines](#)

DAILY AIR SERVICE

[Fed Ex, UPS, USPS](#)

Census	2000	2010	% Change
Population	38,528	37,069	-3.8%
Land Area	1,170 Square Miles		

GROUND SERVICE

Bus lines

[Indian Trails](#) & [DATA \(Delta Area Transportation Authority\)](#)

Trucking Companies.....	11
Delivery Services.....	6

RAIL CARRIERS

Escanaba & Lake Superior	70
Canadian National Railway	100

MARINE

Delta County is home to 3 deep-water ports: Escanaba, Gladstone, and Wells. Escanaba ships 6 million tons of iron ore out each year. Coal, limestone, and bulk chemicals come into ports as well.

MAJOR HIGHWAYS

US-2, US-41, M-35, M-69, M-183

UTILITIES

ELECTRICITY

Escanaba and Gladstone Municipal

[Upper Peninsula Power Co](#)

[WE Energy](#)

[Alger-Delta Electric Cooperative](#)

NATURAL GAS

[DTE Energy](#)

WATER & SEWER

Municipal in Escanaba & Gladstone. Well & septic other areas.

GOVERNMENT

[Delta County Government Directory](#)

[Public Records](#)

RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

ARTS

Bonifas Fine Arts Center. Players de Noc, Bay Arts, Strings on the Bay, Bay Choral Society, Bay Jazz Band, Delta Folks, Numerous guilds.

OTHER

Fayette State Parks (historical)	
Lighthouses.....	2
National Forest Campgrounds.....	13
Campgrounds.....	26
Campsites.....	567
Bed & Breakfasts.....	4
Hotel/motel rooms.....	1350
Miles of Great Lakes Shoreline.....	211
Miles of hiking, skiing, bike trails.....	82
Miles of snowmobile trails.....	53
Miles of ORV trails.....	21
Miles of scenic highway.....	81

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