



Iron County is located in the west central region of the Upper Peninsula and borders Wisconsin to the south. Geographically, it is the fourth largest in the state by square miles. Primary sectors of the economy include forestry, tourism and long-time key manufacturers all centered around the bountiful resources within the county. These resources include northern hardwood and pine forests, numerous lakes rivers and streams and a dedicated workforce. The county boasts an economic development-friendly environment with a variety of incentives to businesses for creating new jobs in safe clean communities.

LABOR FORCE (DEC 2010)

| | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Total Labor Force..... | 5,475 |
| Employed..... | 4,875 |
| Unemployment..... | 11% |

EDUCATION & TRAINING

| PUBLIC SCHOOLS | ENROLLMENT |
|--|------------|
| Forest Park District | 405 |
| West Iron District | 905 |

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

(Within a 50-mile radius)

| | |
|---|-------|
| Gogebic Community College | 5,979 |
| Bay de Noc, Iron Mountain | 1,106 |

LIBRARIES

- Amasa Community
- [Crystal Falls Community](#)
- [West Iron District](#)
- [Porter School Library and Resource Center](#)

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES

- [Western Upper Peninsula Michigan Works!](#)

LICENSED DAYCARE FACILITIES

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Family Facilities (4-8 children)..... | 15 |
| Group Facilities (8+children)..... | 5 |

HEALTH CARE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

- [NORTHSTAR Health System](#)
- [Dickinson-Iron District Health Department](#)

CLINICS

- [Marquette Medical Clinic](#)
- Iron County Internal Medicine
- Marquette Medical Clinic
- [Northpoint Behavioral Health Care](#)

BASIC NURSING FACILITY

- Iron River Care Center
- [Iron County Medical Care Facility](#)

ASSISTED LIVING

- Victorian Heights Assisted Living

AMBULANCE

- Greater Iron County EMS/Marquette GHS
- [NORTHSTAR Health System](#)

LAW ENFORCEMENT

- [Sheriff Department](#)
- [Michigan State Police](#)
- [Department of Natural Resources](#)
- Caspian Police
- [Crystal Falls Police](#)
- [Iron River Police](#)
- UPSET

CLIMATE

| AVERAGE TEMPERATURES | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Summer..... | High 79.....Low 52 |
| Winter..... | High 22.....Low 1 |

| AVERAGE PRECIPITATION | |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Snow..... | .78 Inches |
| Rain..... | .32 Inches |
| Growing Season..... | .84 Days |

TAX FREE SITES

[The Crystal Falls Industrial Park](#) is designated as a Renaissance Zone
 Tax Abatements & Incentives available in Iron River and Caspian as Core Communities & under Brownfield laws. Other communities by project.

KEY MANUFACTURERS

- [Oldenburg Group](#)
- [Connor-AGA Sports Flooring](#)
- [Lester Deterbeck Enterprises](#)
- [Pine River Hardwoods, LLC](#)
- [Magigli Inc.](#)
- [Dina Mia Kitchens Inc.](#)
- [Northeastern Products Corp.](#)
- [John's Industries, Inc.](#)
- [Connor Hardwood Courts](#)
- Christiansen's Custom Wood Working and Mfg.

OTHER MAJOR EMPLOYERS

- [NORTHSTAR Health System](#)
- [Iron County Medical Care](#)
- [Angeli Foods Co](#)
- [Forest Park School District](#)
- [Global Response North Corp.](#)
- [West Iron County Public Schools](#)
- Aramark

FINANCIAL SERVICES

- [First National Bank of Crystal Falls](#)
- Wells Fargo
- Citizens Bank
- [Miners State Bank](#)
- [CoVantage Credit Union](#)
- [Iron County Revolving Loan Fund](#)
- [Superior Iron Range Community Federal CU](#)

INDUSTRIAL PARKS

- [Crystal Falls](#)
- [Caspian](#)
- [Iron River](#)
- Amasa Industrial Development District
- Class A roads
- Municipal Water & Sewer, Natural Gas, Electric

| Census | 2000 | 2010 | % Change |
|-------------------|-----------------------|--------|----------|
| Population | 13,129 | 11,817 | -10.0% |
| Land Area | 1,166.36 Square Miles | | |

- Telephone
- Rail service
- High-speed cable internet available.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

LOCAL

[AT&T](#)

CELLULAR

AT&T

[Verizon](#)

COMMUNICATIONS

- WIKB Radio 99.1 FM 12.30 AM
- Iron County Reporter
- Iron Mountain Daily News

ISPS

[UP.net](#)

[UPlogon.com](#)

[Diisd.org](#)

[Iron River Co-op T.V.](#)

[Fast Air Internet](#)

ACCESSIBILITY

US 2, US 141, M-69, M-73, M-189, Forest Route 16

TRANSPORTATION

MOTOR CARRIER

[UP Special Delivery](#)

AIR SERVICE

Commercial Carriers through the Ford Airport in Iron Mountain and two county airports

AIRLINES

United Sky West airlines

GOVERNMENT

- [Iron County Government Directory](#)
- [Public Records](#)

UTILITIES

ELECTRICITY

- [Upper Peninsula Power Company](#)
- [Wisconsin Electric](#)
- [City of Crystal Falls](#)

NATURAL GAS

[DTE Energy](#)

WATER

Municipal, Private Wells

OTHER

- [Iron County Chamber of Commerce](#).....[www.iron.org](#)
- Groomed Snowmobile Trails.....250 Miles
- Blue Ribbon Trout Streams.....4
- Lakes.....150+

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