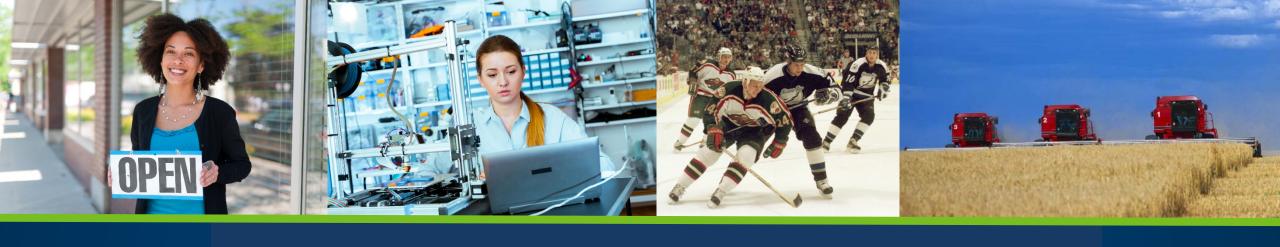


Business Opportunities in the North Star State

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Businesses Operating in Minnesota

Domestic Companies

Foreign Companies















Canadian Investment in Minnesota

Canadian companies:

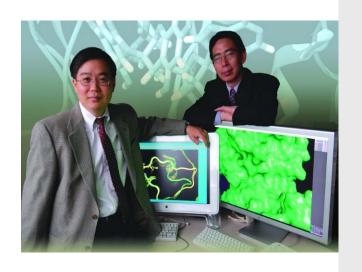
- Account for @ 25% of investments made by foreign-owned companies
- Have invested \$4.4 billion in Minnesota
- Employ about 23,000 Minnesotans
 - > Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2014



A Skilled and Educated Workforce

- 1st in Labor Force Participation
- 2nd in Education
 - > MSNBC, 2015 & 2016
- 4th in Educational Attainment
 - > U.S. News & World Report, 2017
- 4th in Technology and Science Workforce Composite Index
 - > Milken Institute 2016 State Technology and Science Index





World-Class Infrastructure

- Top 5 in Infrastructure
 - > U.S. News & World Report, 2017
 - > MSNBC, 2016
- No. 1 Airport in North America* Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport
 - Airports Council International, 2016
 *25-40 million passengers per year category



Responsive Government

2nd Best Run State in America
 24/7 Wall Street, 2016

3rd Best State Overall
 > U.S. News & World Report, 2017

• \$1.5 Billion Budget Surplus





Investments



Medical Technology

- FDA premarket approvals: 6 months faster than industry average
- 1st in number of medical device patents granted per capita



Information Technology

- Minnesota has 97,000+ people employed in computer & information technology occupations
 - > Bureau of Labor Statistics
- Hourly median wage in sector is \$39.25 (compared to \$47.68 in California and \$44.80 in Massachusetts)
 - > Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 2016



Agribusiness

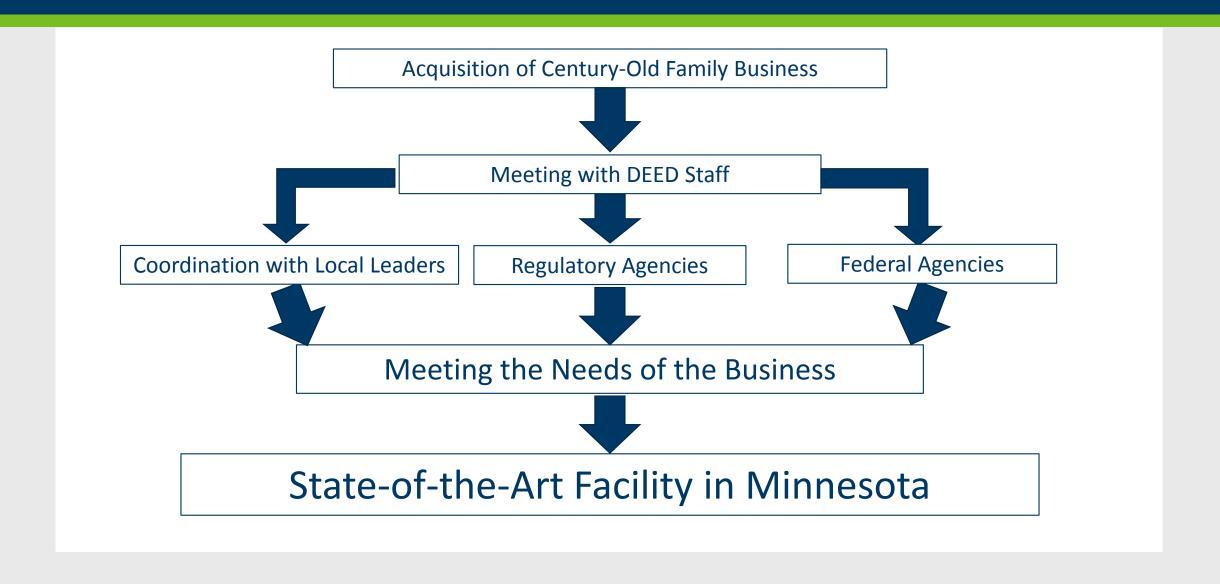
- 1st in food patents per capita
- Agricultural production grew from \$7 billion in 2000 to \$16 billion in 2016
- Minnesota agricultural industry total economic impact: \$90 billion
- Total employment impact: 340,000 jobs



Example 1: Medical Technology Firm



Example 2: Food Processing Company





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