

CHISAGO COUNTY — HRA-EDA —

A Natural Resource for Business

Transportation

Rail

Chisago County is served by the **St. Croix Valley Railroad**, a private short line railroad that has a local industrial customer base. The short line connects to the **BNSF**. Both North Branch and Rush City Industrial Parks are located on the rail.

Highway System

Interstate 35 traverses the county south and north connecting to Minneapolis St. Paul and the Duluth Markets. There are a number of industrial parks and commercial sites located just off of the freeway. In the southern portion of the county, **Highway 8** crosses east and west from I-35 to Wisconsin. State **Highway 95** also crosses the county east and west providing access to St. Cloud and Wisconsin markets. MNDot's Average Daily Traffic Counts for Chisago County may be found here.

Airports

The **Minneapolis/St. Paul International (MSP) Airport** serves the region with both passenger and cargo services. There is also a regional **Airport located in Rush City**. The airport features the longest paved and lighted runway between Anoka County and Cloquet. The runaway is 4400 feet long with paved parallel taxiway. Click <u>here</u> to visit their website.

Employers

Chisago County's major employers with over 200 employees are listed below.

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Smith Metal Products	226	<u>Website</u>
Shafer Contracting	250	<u>Website</u>
Anderson Windows		<u>Website</u>
Plastech Corporation	299	<u>Website</u>
Minnesota Correctional Facility	356	<u>Website</u>
Chisago County	406	<u>Website</u>
I.S.D. No. 138 (North Branch)	418	<u>Website</u>
Rosenbauer Minnesota	413	<u>Website</u>
I.S.D. No. 2144 (Chisago Lakes)	498	<u>Website</u>
Polaris Industries	761	<u>Website</u>
Hazelden Foundation	800	<u>Website</u>
Fairview Lakes Health Services	919	<u>Website</u>

Total Principal Employers

5,346