

MARQUETTE COUNTY



Welcome to beautiful Marquette county, Michigan, located on the shimmering shores of Lake Superior. In Marquette County, you and your family will do more than live, you will thrive in an environment rich in natural beauty, local history, cultural diversity and economic well-being.

Visit www.marquette.org or call **906.226.6591** for more information on why Marquette County is a first-rate place to live, work and play!

WHY MARQUETTE COUNTY?

- #1 State in America – Michigan (Thrillist)
- 10 Underrated U.S. Adventure Destinations – Upper Peninsula (Yahoo Travel)
- #8 State for Innovation – Michigan (CNBC)
- Best Paddling Towns - Marquette (Canoe & Kayak)
- #8 Best Small City in America – Marquette (NerdWallet)
- #23 Best Place for Millennial Job Seekers in the Midwest – Marquette (NerdWallet)
- #10 Best Place for Young Families – Ishpeming (NerdWallet)
- 25 Best Places to Travel in 2015 – Marquette (Gear Patrol – The Adventure List)



DEMOGRAPHICS

Marquette County Population: 66,481
Upper Peninsula Population: 297,489
Unemployment Rate: 5.6%
Median Household Income: \$50,008
Median Home Sale Price: \$165,000

EDUCATION

Marquette County has nine public school districts.

Northern Michigan University has a population of about 7,700 undergraduate and graduate students. It offers 180 degree programs, including 25 graduate programs.



The county of Marquette was first settled in the mid-1800s. Marquette was established in 1848 and was named after Jacques Marquette, a Jesuit priest.



Marquette County is in the central Upper Peninsula on the south shore of Lake Superior.



Milwaukee, WI: 294 miles
Chicago, IL: 384 miles
Minneapolis, MN: 401 miles
Detroit, MI: 455 miles



SUPERIOR FUN

- ▶ Bike, run, or walk on the Iron Ore Heritage Trail spanning 48 miles from Chocolay Township to Republic Township.
- ▶ Stop and taste locally brewed beer from our many breweries.
- ▶ Spend the day beachside along 55 miles of Lake Superior shoreline or hiking to one of the 77 picturesque waterfalls.
- ▶ The Downtown Showdown ski and snowboard rail jam provides a glorious setting for tricks, spins, and flips every February.
- ▶ Black Rocks at Presque Isle hosts many scenic spots to hike or relax and gaze upon the beautiful Lake Superior waters.
- ▶ Cheer on sled dog teams at the start of the U.P. 200 and Midnight Run in downtown Marquette and the Jack Pine 30 in Gwinn.
- ▶ The Downtown Marquette Farmers Market brings joy to the community Saturdays at the Marquette Commons.
- ▶ Discover Sawyer Family Fun Day is a chance to check out Sawyer International Airport up close each summer.



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