



# Community Profile for Eitzen , Minnesota



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## Overview

Eitzen, located in southern Houston County, had its beginnings in 1865 with the opening of road house/rest stops on the wagon road between Lansing, Iowa and Spring Grove, Minnesota. The fertile soils in the area have helped Eitzen become primarily an agricultural economy. The 229 residents of Eitzen enjoy the wooded hills and creek valleys that offer very good hunting and fishing opportunities. During the winter, Eitzen benefits from being on the Southeast Minnesota snowmobile trail system.

## Location

County:	<u>Houston</u>
Region:	Southeast
Distance from Minneapolis:	180
Distance from nearest MSA*:	85 Miles from Rochester MSA
US Congressional District:	1
MN Legislative District(s):	32B
Web site:	N/A
Last Updated:	11/19/2002

## Population

Area	2007 Estimate	2006 Estimate	2000 Census	1990 Census
Community:	232	234	229	221
County:	19,779	19,869	19,718	18,497
Nearest MSA:	181,603	180,435	124,277	106,470
Minnesota:	5,263,610	5,231,106	4,919,479	4,375,099

Source: U.S. Census, State Demographer \* Metropolitan Statistical Area

## Major Employers

Employer	NAICS	Products/Services	Employee Count
Kurk Trucking	4841	General Freight Trucking	85
Eitzen State Bank	5221	Depository Credit Intermediation	11
Hammell Equipment	4442	Lawn and Garden Equipment & Supplies Stores	6
Mike's Meats	4452	Specialty Food Stores	5
D&L's Bordertown Inn	7221	Full-Service Restaurants	3
Maggie's Dugout	7221	Full-Service Restaurants	3
MC Service	8111	Automotive Repair & Maintenance	3
Wiebke Fur	3152	Cut & Sew Apparel Manufacturing	3

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**Workforce**

	<i>Houston County</i>	<u><i>Southeast (10) Econ Dev Region</i></u>
Total Employment	10,539	257,055
Available Workforce	11,176	270,787
Unemployment Rate	5.7%	5.1%

Source: DEED - Labor Market Information: LAUS Annual Average 2008

**Employment By Industry**

	<i>Houston County</i>	<u><i>Southeast (10) Econ Dev Region</i></u>
Natural Resources and Mining	100	2,482
Construction	249	8,621
Manufacturing	675	40,264
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	1,012	41,463
Information	199	3,422
Financial Activities	147	8,434
Professional and Business Services	152	13,730
Education and Health Services	848	58,835
Leisure and Hospitality	288	19,921
Other Services	160	6,477
Government	1,170	30,407

N/A - No Data Available

Source: DEED - Labor Market Information: CEW Annual Data 2008

**Occupations and Wages in Southeast Minnesota**

<i>Job Title</i>	<i>Wage/Hr</i>	<i>Job Title</i>	<i>Wage/Hr</i>
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	\$29.59	Healthcare Support Occupations	\$13.05
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations	\$17.32	Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	\$18.62
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	\$11.83	Legal Occupations	\$27.34
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	\$24.06	Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	\$26.55
Community and Social Services Occupations	\$17.82	Management Occupations	\$38.15
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	\$36.08	Office and Administrative Support Occupations	\$14.70
Construction and Extraction Occupations	\$22.04	Personal Care and Service Occupations	\$10.75
Education, Training, and Library Occupations	\$19.98	Production Occupations	\$14.84
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	\$12.72	Protective Service Occupations	\$18.61
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	\$8.76	Sales and Related Occupations	\$10.21
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	\$30.77	Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	\$13.52

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Source: DEED - Labor Market Information: OES First Quarter, 2009



**Utilities**

Utility Type	Utility Name	Utility Phone	Contact	Contact Phone
Electricity	City of Eitzen	507-495-3017	Rowland Cordes	507-495-3017
Electricity	Tri-County Electric	800-432-2285	Brian Krambeer	507-864-7783
Natural Gas	Peoples Natural Gas	800-562-1775	Greg Walters	800-280-1665
Wastewater	<u>City of Eitzen</u>	507-495-3017	Rowland Cordes	507-495-3017
Water	City of Eitzen	507-495-3017	Rowland Cordes	507-495-3017

**Water Information**

Water Source: Wells  
 Storage Capacity:  
 Pumping Capacity:  
 Average Demand:  
 Peak Demand:  
 Total Water Hardness:  
 Industrial Water Rate:

**Wastewater Information**

Treatment Type: Stabilization Pond System  
 Capacity of Plant: 24,000 gal./day  
 Average Flow:  
 Peak Flow:  
 Usage Charge: 8.50 Base + 1.30 over 5.65 (1,000 gpd)

**Communications**

**Telephone Information**

Local Telephone Company: Ace Communications  
 Telephone Number: 888-404-4940  
 Contact: Ted Kjos  
 Telephone Number: 507-864-7783  
 Digital Central Switch: Yes  
 Equal Access Market: Yes  
 Extended Area Service: Yes  
 Custom Calling Features: Yes  
 Customized Local Area Services: Yes  
 Current Technologies: Fiber Optics, Wired Building

**Internet Service**

Local Public Internet Access Site: No  
 Multiple Internet Service Providers: No  
 Speed of Service:  
 DEED Certification as E-Commerce Ready: No

**Cable TV Information**

<i>Local Company</i>	<i>Telephone</i>	<i>Website</i>
Ace Link	888-404-4940	

**Newspapers Information**

<i>Newspaper Name</i>	<i>Telephone</i>	<i>Frequency</i>
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**Additional Telecommunication Providers**

<i>Telecommunication Type</i>	<i>Provider Name</i>	<i>Phone</i>
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**Commercial Transportation & Shipping**

**Highway Information**

<i>Interstate</i>	<i>Miles From Community</i>	<i>Load Limit in Tons</i>	<i>Seasonal Limit In Tons</i>
I-90	32	10	10

<i>Four Lane</i>	<i>Miles From Community</i>	<i>Load Limit in Tons</i>	<i>Seasonal Limit In Tons</i>
I-90	32	10	10

<i>Other</i>	<i>Miles From Community</i>	<i>Load Limit in Tons</i>	<i>Seasonal Limit In Tons</i>
MN 44	6	10	10
MN 76	Within	10	10

**Truck Information**

Truck Lines: 1

Truck Terminals: 1

**Navigable Water Information**

<i>Water Name</i>	<i>Depth</i>
Mississippi River	

**Rail Information**

Inter-Modal Facility: No

Inter-Modal Facility Distance:

<i>Rail Line</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Reciprocal Switching</i>	<i>Distance to Main Line</i>	<i>Passenger Service</i>
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**Air Service Information**

	<i>International</i>	<i>Local Regional</i>	<i>Service</i>
<i>Name</i>	Mpls./St. Paul Intl. Airport	Houston County Airport	La Crosse Municipal Airport
<i>Location</i>	Bloomington	Caledonia	La Crosse, WI
<i>Miles to</i>	180	6	32
<i>Longest Runway Length</i>	10,000 Feet	3,500 Feet	8,536 Feet
<i>Surface Type</i>	Paved	Paved	Paved
<i>Lighted</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<i>Customs</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Service Type</i>	Charter, Commercial, Freight, Jet		Charter, Commercial, Freight, Jet
<i>Navigational Aids</i>	BEACON, DME, ILS, VOR/DME	BEACON	BEACON, ILS, VOR/DME
<i>Weather Info Systems</i>	AWOSA/MNWAS, SAWRS		PUBLICTV, SATVIDEOWEATHER
<i>Major Airlines</i>	American, Continental, Delta, Northwest, TWA, United Airlines, US Air		American Eagle, Midwest Express, Northwest

**Daily Flights To MSP-Minneapolis-St. Paul Intl.:**



**Additional Commercial Transportation Providers**

<i>Transportation Type</i>	<i>Provider Name</i>	<i>Phone</i>
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**Housing & Commercial Activity**

**Housing Information**

Single Family Units:	108	Percentage Owner Occupied:	
Multiple Family Units:		Median Sales Price:	---
Mobile Homes:		Median Assessed Value:	---
Number of Units Built Since Last Census:	2	Median Rent:	
Number of Residential Building Permits for :	2	Vacancy Rate:	
Value of Residential Building Permits for :			

Source:

**Commercial Activity Information**

Number of Commercial Building Permits for 2001:	2
Value of Commercial Building Permits for 2001:	
Number of Public Building Permits for :	
Value of Public Building Permits for :	

**Retail Sales Information**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Community Sales</b>	<b>County Sales</b>
2006	\$0	\$134,556,547
2005	\$0	\$128,255,406
2004	\$0	\$118,251,004

Source: MN Dept. of Revenue

**Business & Community Services**

**Financial Institutions Information**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Phone</i>	<i>Total Assets</i>	<i>Capital as % of Assets</i>
Eitzen State Bank	888-495-3321	---	---

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**Lodging & Meeting Facilities Information**

<i>Facility</i>	<i>Number of Facilities Available</i>	<i>Facility Size</i>	<i>Teleconferencing Available</i>	<i>Teleconferencing Available to Public</i>
Hotel			No	No
Motel			No	No
Conference Center			No	No

**Additional Lodging & Meeting Facilities**

<i>Facility Type</i>	<i>Facility Name</i>	<i>Phone</i>
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**Local Medical Facilities Information**

<i>Facility Type</i>	<i>Nbr of Facilities</i>	<i>Total Nbr of Beds</i>	<i>Telemedicine Available</i>
Clinic			No
Dentist			No
Doctor			No
Hospital			No
Nursing Home			No

Name of Nearest Hospital (if none in community): Waukon Community Hospital (Iowa)

Miles to Nearest Hospital: 20

**Additional Local Medical Facilities**

<i>Facility Type</i>	<i>Facility Name</i>	<i>Phone</i>	<i>Telemedicine Available</i>
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**Local Transit Information**

<i>Service</i>	<i>Available</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Available</i>
Inter-Community Bus	No	Taxi/Cab	No
Intra-Community Bus	No	Disabled Transportation	No

**Local Transit Providers**

<i>Transit Type</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Phone</i>
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**Library Information**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Phone</i>	<i>Internet Access</i>
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**Worship Information**

<i>Worship Type</i>	<i>Worship Name</i>	<i>Phone</i>	<i>Membership</i>
Lutheran	Zion Lutheran Church	507-495-3158	
United Church of Christ	St. Luke's United Church of Christ	507-495-3356	400

**Recreation Information**

*Facilities*

Tennis Courts, Ball Field, Playground, Picnic Shelter

*Festival/Arts*

Family Fun Fest: July 3rd-4th

*Service Organizations*

**Education**

**Post-Secondary Information**

<i>Nearest Technical College &amp; Specialty</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Miles To</i>
<u>Minnesota State College-Southeast Technical</u>	Red Wing / Winona	55

Minnesota State College-Southeast Technical has more than 80 diverse programs in six major career fields: business and office,



health and human services, sales and management, musical instrument repair, technical, and trade and industrial. It's located at three sites - Red Wing, Winona and Winona Airport - all along the majestic bluffs of the Mississippi River Valley and provides a welcoming college environment with small classes and instructors who know you by name. Through the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum, students can transfer approved general education courses to other Minnesota State College and Universities. A two-year registered nurse associate degree program is offered in Red Wing and Winona. The automotive technology program is certified by the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation. Trade and industrial majors include automotive; carpentry; machine tool and die; truck driving; and heating, ventilating, air conditioning and refrigeration. Technical majors include drafting, electronics, computer programming and networking with Cisco and Microsoft certification. The college is accredited as a distance learning institution by the Higher Learning Commission, offering online classes, certificates, diplomas and degrees. 8/08

<i>Nearest Community College &amp; Specialty</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Miles To</i>
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<i>Nearest Public College/University &amp; Specialty</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Miles To</i>
<u>Winona State University</u>	Winona	55

Winona State University is a premier regional university with graduate and undergraduate programs. It is enriched by a dynamic culture and is renowned for its principle-centered approach to education. Located in the high bluff country of the upper Mississippi Valley, Winona stands among the front ranks of midwestern universities and is recognized as one of the most distinctive undergraduate universities in the nation. Degrees offered: Associate of Arts; Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Science; 4 Special Licensure Programs; 10 Pre-Professional Programs; Master of Science. Winona State University is comprised of five colleges offering over 80 majors and 10 pre-professional programs: College of Business; College of Education; College of Liberal Arts; College of Nursing and Health Sciences; College of Science and Engineering. Your education will be shaped not only by extraordinary and approachable faculty, but also by our distinctive approach to teaching and learning, the way we use technology, and the rich natural beauty of this magnificent region that embraces our campus and community. 6/06

<i>Nearest Private College/University &amp; Specialty</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Miles To</i>
<u>Saint Mary's University - Winona</u>	Winona	55

In the Lasallian spirit of faith and zeal, Saint Mary's University — a global and diverse learning community — serves students through relevant and innovative educational programs, experiences, and enterprises. The university is nourished by its Catholic intellectual, moral, and cultural traditions and is inspired by excellence in teaching as modeled by Saint John Baptist de La Salle, founder of the Brothers of the Christian Schools. The hallmark of the university is its commitment to serve the needs of individual learners and promote life-long learning in a variety of contexts. SMU enrolls about 6,000 students. Of those, about 1,350 are traditional undergraduates; more than 4,600 are adult learners in the Schools of Graduate and Professional Programs. At the coeducational, residential Winona campus, located in the majestic bluffs of the Mississippi River Valley, the undergraduate College curriculum combines traditional liberal arts and sciences with career preparation in a student-centered environment. "U.S. News & World Report" (2008) ranks Saint Mary's in the National Universities category of its America's Best Colleges listing. 8/08

Telecommunications Use Available at Area Post-Secondary Institutions:	No
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**Local K-12 Information**

<i>School Type</i>	<i>Nbr of Schools</i>	<i>Enrollment</i>	<i>Grades</i>	<i>Pupil/Teacher Ratio</i>
Elementary	1	430	K-6	20/1
Middle School				
Junior High				
Senior High				
Private/Parochial				

School District:

Telecommunications Use Available at Local K-12:	Yes
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High School Graduates Attending Post-Secondary:

State Wide Average:

68%

**Education Institutions**

*Education Type*

*Name*

*Phone*

**Government**

**Structure Information**

Organization:	Mayor\Council
Budget:	\$120,000
Community Bond Rating:	
Comprehensive Land Use Plan:	No
Locally Controlled Loan Program:	Yes
Recycling:	Yes
Fire Insurance Rating:	5
Industrial Plans Approved By:	City Council

**Public Protection Services**

<i>Service Type</i>	<i>Regular</i>	<i>Part-Time</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Seasonal</i>
Fire	---	---	20	---
Police	---	---	---	---
Sheriff	---	---	---	---
EMT	---	---	20	---

**Property Taxes**

**Payable 2008**

**Property Tax Information**

State Tax Rate	45.95%
Municipal Tax Rate	73.70%
County Tax Rate	50.05%
School Tax Rate	36.16%
Misc. Tax Rate	0.33%
<b>Total Tax Rate</b>	<b>206.20%</b>

**Assessed Market Value Information**

Commercial	\$8,746,700
Residential	\$1,444,967
Other	\$1,240,033
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,431,700</b>

Minnesota commercial real estate taxes are based upon market value of taxable property as set by the local assessor. To calculate the tax for the current year, first compute the tax capacity by multiplying all property value up to \$150,000 times .015, plus any value over \$150,000 times .02. Example: net tax capacity on a \$200,000 business property: (\$150,000 X .015) + (\$50,000 X .02) = \$2,250 + \$1,000 = \$3,250. Tax capacity times the tax rate equals taxes owed. Commercial and industrial property must also pay a state property tax, which is equal to the tax capacity times the State Tax Rate.

In some localities where voters have approved referendums, an additional referendum tax must be added, calculated by multiplying the referendum tax rate times the total market value of the commercial property.

Please note: Specific property tax classifications and computations can be more complex and result in different tax amounts. This simplified explanation applies in the most general situations and will allow a business to roughly estimate its potential property tax burden. The county



assessor or auditor may be able to answer questions about specific properties and uses.

### Commercial Buildings and Land Sites

<b>Building Name</b> Address City, State Zip Code	<b>Type of Building</b> Total Bldg Sqft Total Available	<b>Contact Name</b> Organization Phone Number	<b>JOBZone</b>	 <b>Photo</b>
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<b>Land Site</b> Address City, State Zip Code	<b>Space Available</b> Build To Suit Zoning	<b>Contact Name</b> Organization Phone Number	<b>JOBZone</b>	 <b>Photo</b>
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### Economic Development Services

Economic Development Authority:	No	<b>Incentives</b>
Housing Redevelopment Authority:	No	
County Development Corporation:	No	
Chamber of Commerce:	No	
Port Authority:	No	

#### Contact Information

### Economic Development Organizations

Type	Name	Phone	Fax
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### Disaster & Emergency Services

Name	Phone Number(s)
<u>Public Safety emergency resources</u>	1-800-422-0798 or metro 651-649-5451
<u>Federal Emergency Management Agency</u>	Region V FEMA 312-408-5500
<u>Small Business Administration Disaster Resources</u>	Disaster Area Offices 404-347-3771

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