

**CITY OF IRON MOUNTAIN  
COMMUNITY PROFILE**

**General**

The City of Iron Mountain is a rural-suburban community located 50 miles west of Escanaba and 100 miles south of Marquette on the Wisconsin State Line. Iron Mountain is the County Seat of Dickinson County and has long been a center of governmental services, medical services, shopping, and recreation in Dickinson County. Iron Mountain was founded in 1879 and operated under the "Mayor-Aldermanic" form of government until 1986 when a new charter was adopted and the form of government was changed to the "Council-Manager" form.

**Commercial/Industrial**

Iron Mountain was once an active mining town, which led to the establishment of numerous area-wide services in the City. Today there is no active mining in the City and employment hinges on various service uses and small diversified industries.

**Transportation**

Iron Mountain is located on US-2 for major east-west travel, M-95 north to Marquette and US-141 south to Green Bay, Wisconsin. Also, Iron Mountain is only 10 minutes from Dickinson County Ford Airport with daily flights to and from Chicago. Iron Mountain is also served by local bus services with connections to major U.P. Cities, Green Bay Wisconsin and the Lower Peninsula.

**Utilities**

The City provides water and sewer service to its residents. DTE provides natural gas service. WE Energies provides electricity and Charter Communications and Northside Cable TV provide cable television.

**Medical**

Numerous private physicians as well as Dickinson County Hospital serve Iron Mountain. The Marquette Medical Clinic and the Dickinson Occupational Clinic provide medical specialists. The Veterans Administration Medical Care Facility is located in the City and serves qualified military veterans from all areas of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and Northern Wisconsin.

**Schools**

Iron Mountain has two school districts located within the City limits, however, the majority is served by Iron Mountain Public Schools, which has approximately 1,300 students enrolled and 78 teaching positions. Other education services include adult education, Community Schools, and college classes provided by Bay De Noc Community College, Escanaba, and Northern Michigan University, Marquette.

**POPULATION**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
1960 U.S. Census	9,299	(3.0)
1970 U.S. Census	8,702	(6.4)
1980 U.S. Census	8,341	(4.1)
1990 U.S. Census	8,525	2.2
2000 U.S. Census	8,106	(4.9)