

# NEBRASKA

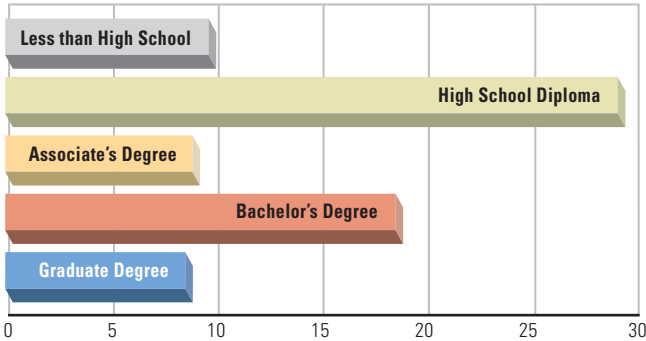


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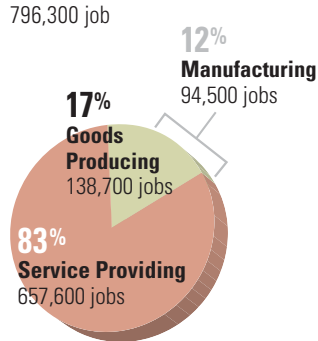
*"Nebraska now has one of the strongest public policy strategies in place to advance business recruitment and development of new, technology-focused companies here in Nebraska."*  
— Gov. Dave Heineman

**Governor:** Dave Heineman (R) [neded.org](http://neded.org)  
**Population 2011:** 1,838,104 **Population growth forecast 2011-2015:** 2.98% **Median household income:** \$56,461

## Work Force Education by Percentage



## Private Sector Employment



Property tax rank: **24**  
Top corporate tax rate: **7.81**  
Unemployment insurance burden rank by least percent of taxable wages: **31**  
Worker's comp rank by lowest index: **30**  
Industrial power prices (per million BTU): **\$16.86**  
Ranked by low price: **16**

Median hourly wage for production occupations: **\$14.20**  
Right-to-work state? **YES**

## Legislative Update

- The Governor proposed and signed into law a balanced two-year budget that closed a projected budget shortfall of nearly \$1 billion without raising taxes. Funding for education is prioritized in the budget with state funding for K-12 education increasing to \$822 million in FY12 and \$880 million in FY13.
- Additionally, the Governor proposed and lawmakers supported providing a \$25 million infusion of state funds for the initial development of the

- University of Nebraska Innovation Campus in Lincoln.
- Lawmakers passed the Talent & Innovation Initiative, a four-part proposal including bills to increase internship opportunities for college-age students, promote new R&D opportunities, create new commercial and industrial sites ready for business development, and encourage private investment in high-tech and start-up businesses in Nebraska with the creation of an Angel Investment Tax Credit.



Global market access. Excellent labor force. Centralized transportation routes. Low energy costs. Thousands of businesses have already discovered what makes Nebraska a place of unequalled potential. There's ample opportunity for you, too. Consider this your personal invitation to enjoy everything that makes business in Nebraska great.



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