



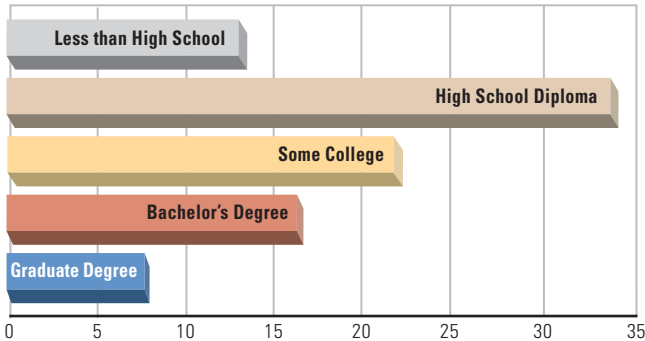
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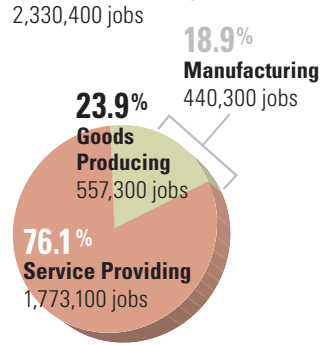


**Governor: Jim Doyle (D)** [commerce.state.wi.us](http://commerce.state.wi.us)  
**Population 2009: 5,617,519** **Population growth forecast 2009-2013: 2.75%** **Median household income: \$55,743**

## Work Force Education by Percentage



## Private Sector Employment



Employment by Majority-Owned U.S. Affiliates of Foreign Firms in 2007: **81,800**  
Percent of Total State Employment: **3.3**

Median Hourly Wage for Production Occupations: **\$15.01**  
Right-to-work state? **NO**

U.S. Recovery Act Highlight: Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development **\$25.5 million**

## Legislative Update

- Senate Bill 185 creates more uniform standards for siting wind projects and strengthening Wisconsin's wind industry. The bill requires the Public Service Commission to establish uniform standards regulating the construction and operation of wind energy systems. It allows proposed wind energy systems that are one megawatt or larger to appeal decisions by local authorities with the PSC.
- Senate Bill 371 requires the University of Wisconsin System, the Wisconsin Technical College System and the Department of Public Instruction to establish a system to share and track student achievement data from preschool programs through postsecondary education. The bill allows agencies to use data to evaluate the success of education programs and improve student achievement.