

In our 21st year, the **McHenry County EDC** drives business growth in one of the fastest-growing counties in the Chicago-Rockford-Milwaukee metropolitan area.

McHenry County is home to a diversified economy ranging from, high tech, heavy manufacturing, health care, agribusiness, finance and professional services with a global reach.

McHenry County's counts many key assets:

- Strategic location at the heart of the Chicago-Rockford-Milwaukee triangle
- an affluent and growing customer base
- an educated workforce
- solid infrastructure and transportation network
- competitive tax rates
- unparalleled quality of life – view County video - <http://mchenrycountyedc.com/profile/view-county-video.html>
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### **McHenry County By The Numbers**

- \$6 billion economy
- Population growth over the last decade four times the rest of the state
- 2010 Census, 308,760
- Manufacturing continues to account for nearly **25 percent** of the county's earnings. Other significant sources of earnings as measured in the 2007 economic census were wholesale and retail trade (15%), construction (13%), health care (10%), services (9%) and finance and insurance (3%).
- 11% of Illinois' electrical equipment manufacturing and 50% of the state's surgical equipment manufacturing is in McHenry County.
- There are more than 2,500 jobs among 55 employers in plastic products manufacturing with a concentration more than 7 times the average for a similarly sized market nationally.
- More than 1600 jobs are currently provided by printing companies locally among 51 different businesses which is 4.5 times the national average for a market of similar size.
- According to census figures released in December 2010, manufacturing sales shot up nearly 35 percent in McHenry between 2002 and 2007, second-highest among Chicago's collar counties and just fourth among 13 counties in northeastern Illinois and southwestern Wisconsin.
- This sector in McHenry County has undergone a transformation toward more high-value goods over the last decade, with a heavy high-tech focus: machinery, electrical products, electronics, plastics, fabricated metals, printing and medical supplies.

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