

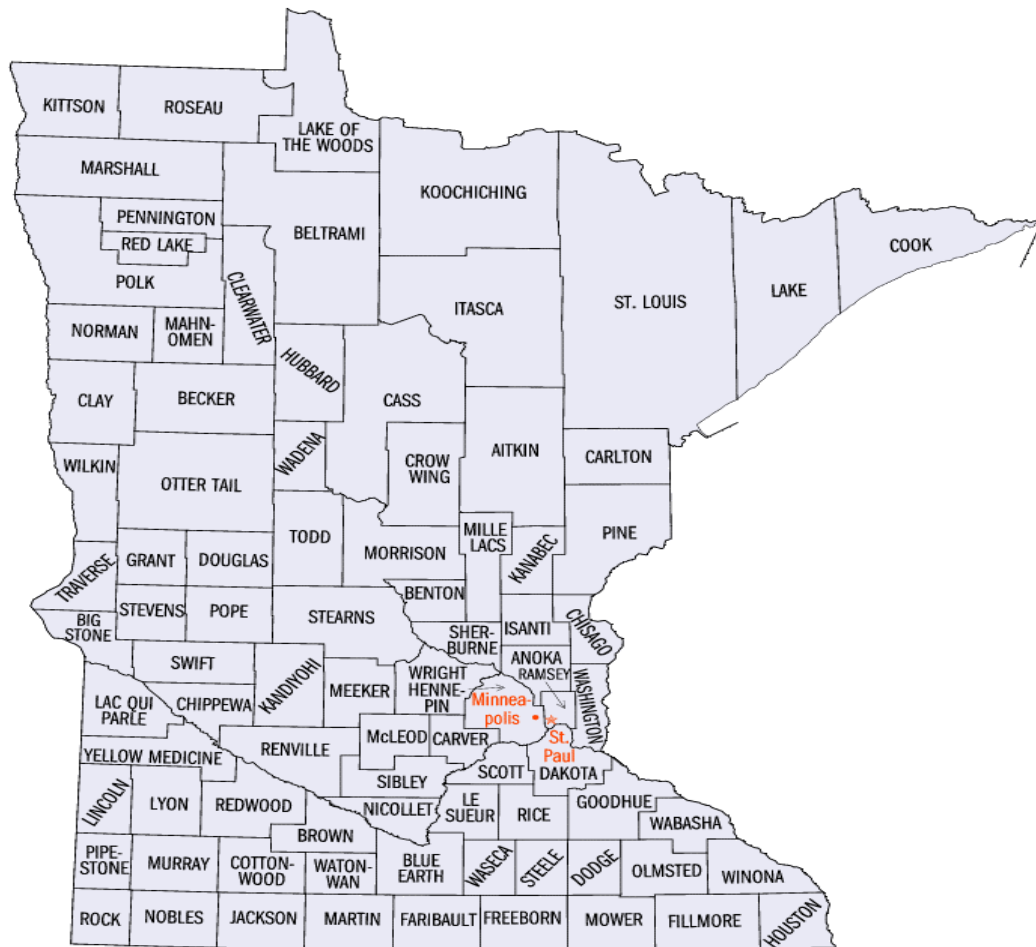
# Office of National Drug Control Policy

## Drug Policy Information Clearinghouse

### Bloomington, Minnesota

#### Profile of Drug Indicators

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## **Bloomington, Minnesota**

The following profile contains information on demographics, political figures, programs, crime, drug use, drug trafficking, and enforcement statistics.

### **Demographics<sup>1</sup>**

- Population (2000 Census): 85,172
- Race/Ethnicity (2000 Census): 86.9% white; 3.4% black/African American; 0.3% American Indian/Alaska Native; 5.1% Asian; 0.0% Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander; 0.2% other race; 1.5% two or more races; 2.7% Hispanic/Latino (of any race)
- Bloomington is located in Hennepin County

### **Politics**

- Mayor: Gene Winstead<sup>2</sup>
- City Council (District): Steve Peterson (1); Heather Harden (2); Steve Elkins (3); Vern Wilcox (4); Dave Abrams (at large); Mike Fossum (at large)<sup>3</sup>
- City Manager: Mike Bernhardson<sup>4</sup>
- Chief of Police: John Laux<sup>5</sup>
- Hennepin County Sheriff: Patrick D. McGowan<sup>6</sup>

### **Programs/Initiatives**

- Bloomington Crime Free Multi-Housing Program<sup>7</sup>  
This program is a partnership between the Bloomington Police Department, rental property owners/managers, and tenants. The purpose is to provide a safer living environment and reduce crime and nuisance problems in rental properties.
- Community Prevention Coalition of Hennepin County (CPC)<sup>8</sup>  
CPC is a coalition of more than 100 agencies and organizations providing a wide variety of programs and services related to the prevention of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use problems.
- Tri-City Partners for Healthy Youth and Communities<sup>9</sup>  
Tri-City Partners is a coalition of individuals, school, and agency representatives from Bloomington, Edina, and Richfield, who work together to promote health and reduce risks in area youth and communities.

### **Federal Funding**

- Drug-Free Communities Support Program<sup>10</sup>  
Since funding was first available through the Drug-Free Communities Support Program in FY 1998, only one coalition in Bloomington has received funding. In FY 2002, \$100,000 was awarded to the Tri-City Partners for Healthy Youth and Communities.
- Executive Office for Weed and Seed<sup>11</sup>  
No sites in Bloomington have been recognized as Weed and Seed sites.
- There were no Bloomington recipients of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) FY 2001 Discretionary Funds.<sup>12</sup>

- Bloomington did not receive any funding through the FY 2002 Office of Justice Programs Drug Court Grant Program.<sup>13</sup>
- There were no Bloomington recipients of the FY 2002 Office of Community Oriented Policing Services Methamphetamine Grant.<sup>14</sup>
- There were no Bloomington recipients of the FY 2001 Housing and Urban Development Drug Elimination Grant.<sup>15</sup>
- FY 2001 Office of Justice Programs and Community Oriented Policing Services grant amounts received by Bloomington recipients:<sup>16</sup>
  - \$52,881 in formula funds
  - \$0 in discretionary funds

### **Crime and Drug-Related Crime**

- During 2001, there were 252 drug offenses known to police in Bloomington.<sup>17</sup>

Number of Offenses Known to Police, Select Offenses, Bloomington, 1997-2001

<b>Offense</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>
Criminal homicide	--	1	1	--	2
Forcible rape	46	42	48	42	31
Robbery	68	69	62	56	86
Aggravated assault	106	102	115	101	90
Burglary	516	460	394	337	367
Larceny/theft	4,239	4,358	3,991	3,947	3,843
Motor vehicle theft	445	371	310	314	420
Arson	20	17	20	25	10
Drug abuse	153	195	171	245	252
Driving under influence	410	528	589	595	665

- There were 334 drug arrests in Bloomington in 2001.<sup>18</sup>

Number of Drug Arrests, Bloomington, 2001

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Arrests</b>
Opium/cocaine	68
Marijuana	214
Synthetic	16
Other	36
Total	334

- During 2001, there were 1,017 adult Part 1 arrests and 2,438 adult Part 2 arrests in Bloomington.<sup>19</sup>

### **Drugs**

- The Bloomington Police Department reports that crack cocaine is the most commonly encountered drug and costs \$50 per rock. Powder cocaine costs \$25,000 per kilogram.<sup>20</sup>

### Juveniles

- During 2001, the Bloomington Police Department reported 638 juvenile Part 1 arrests, 689 juvenile Part 2 arrests, and 386 “other” juvenile arrests (includes juvenile status offenses of runaways and curfew/loitering).<sup>21</sup>

### Consequences of Use

- During 2001, there were 76 drug abuse deaths reported to the Drug Abuse Warning Network by medical examiners (ME) in Hennepin County. Cocaine was mentioned in 10 of the deaths.<sup>22</sup>

Number of Drug Abuse Deaths and ME Drug Mentions, Hennepin County, 1997-2001

Drug Type	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Alcohol-in-combination	24	27	24	28	40
Cocaine	27	8	13	6	10
Heroin/morphine	18	21	16	7	2
Marijuana	--	--	--	--	1
Amphetamines	1	--	--	--	1
Methamphetamine	2	2	2	--	1
Club drugs	--	1	1	2	--
Hallucinogens	--	--	--	--	1
Inhalants	1	--	--	--	--
Narcotic analgesics	16	13	8	25	49
Other analgesics	2	2	2	6	6
Benzodiazepines	6	1	2	7	5
Antidepressants	10	23	15	7	6
All other substances	15	12	4	11	9
Total drug deaths	57	56	45	52	76
Total drug mentions (all drugs)	122	110	87	99	131

### Enforcement

- As of October 31, 2001, there were 143 full-time law enforcement employees in Bloomington (108 officers and 35 civilians).<sup>23</sup>

### Trafficking and Seizures

- The primary cocaine transporters in Bloomington are independent dealers and Asian criminal groups. Hispanic gangs are also involved in the distribution of powder cocaine in Bloomington.<sup>24</sup>
- Traffickers often use Interstates 35 and 94 to transport drugs into the Bloomington area.<sup>25</sup>
- In 2001, the Hennepin County Sheriff’s Office Narcotics Unit seized illegal drugs worth \$32 million.<sup>26</sup>
- In February 2000, Bloomington law enforcement intercepted a parcel from Los Angeles containing 1.5 kilograms of cocaine.<sup>27</sup>

## Courts

### ➤ Drug Courts<sup>28</sup>

As of January 8, 2003, there were no drug courts in existence or being planned in Bloomington.

## Corrections

- Twenty-nine percent of the Minnesota Department of Corrections adult inmate population in July 2002 was from Hennepin County.<sup>29</sup>
- Approximately 29.4% of the juvenile commitments were from Hennepin County on July 1, 2002.<sup>30</sup>

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