



Iowa County

City of Mineral Point, WI

“Where Wisconsin Began!”

<http://mineralpoint.com/>

Mineral Point, an architectural gem in the hills of southwest Wisconsin, is a place that is often described as magical. Historic buildings, working artists, locally owned shops and restaurants, plus relaxing places to stay and lots of friendly folks ... that is just part of what makes this a special place.

History

The first permanent settlers arrived in Mineral Point in 1827, making this the third oldest city in Wisconsin. In the 1830s, aspiring miners began to flow into the Wisconsin Territory, lured by the prospect of plentiful lead in the Driftless region. As the easy lead became scarce, greater technical knowledge was required. Immigrants from Cornwall, England filled the need. Mineral Point is “Where Wisconsin Began” with the inauguration of Henry Dodge as the first Territorial Governor of the newly formed Wisconsin Territory on July 4, 1836. From its founding days as a mining hub, through its days as the center of early Wisconsin government, Mineral Point has played an important role in the history of Wisconsin.

Mineral Point retains much of its historic character. Beginning in the 1930’s and continuing today, building preservation and restoration is evident. In 1971, Mineral Point became the first Wisconsin city to be named to the National Register of Historic Places. Several historic buildings are open seasonally for public tours, including Pendarvis, Orchard Lawn, the Railroad Depot and the Opera House.

Quick Facts

- Population: 2,560
- Median Age: 45
- Education Attainment: 28.5% Bachelor’s Degree or Higher
- Size of Labor Force: 1,363
- Job Growth Rate: 2.0%
- Median Household Income: \$53,914
- Average Family Size: 3.0
- Average Commute Time: 21.3 minutes
- Zip Code: 53565

Population:

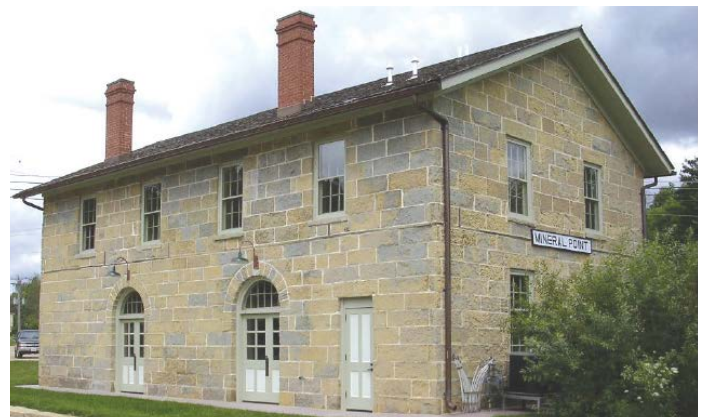
	2018	2020
City	2,560	2,530

Population Age (2018)

	2018	%
Under 20	663	25.90%
20-39	522	20.40%
40-59	687	26.80%
60-64	153	6.00%
65+	535	20.90%

Population Race

	Total	%
White	2,428	94.60%
Black	51	2.00%
American Indian & Alaska Native	21	0.80%
Asian & Pacific Islander	28	1.10%
Other	0	0.00%
Multi—Race	32	1.30%
Hispanic	6	0.20%



Largest Private Sector Employers

Employer	Number of Employees
Cummins Emission Solutions - Other motor vehicle parts manufacturing (NAICS 336390)	500-900
Hodan Community Services - Other social advocacy organization (NAICS 813319)	250-499
Sielaff Corporation - Metal household furniture manufacturing (NAICS 337124)	100-249
Atrium Post Acute Care of Mineral Point - Nursing care facilities (NAICS 623110)	50-99
Ivey Construction Inc. - Ready-mix, Aggregator & Excavator (NAICS 212312)	20-49
Quality Inn - Hotel and Motel (NAICS 721110)	20-49
Premier Cooperative - Farm supplies merchant wholesalers (NAICS 424910)	10-19
BEC Controls Corp. - Automatic environmental control manufacturing (NAICS 334512)	5-9
Hook's Cheese Company, Inc. - Cheese manufacturing (NAICS 311513)	5-9

Transportation

Highway

Located on State Hwy 23 and State Hwy 39
Nearest 4-Lane Hwy: US Hwy 151, Two exits to Mineral Point

Airports

[Iowa County Airport](#) - Mineral Point – 10 miles
[Tri-County Regional Airport](#) - Lone Rock – 23 miles
[Dane County Regional Airport](#) - Madison – 52.5 miles
[Chicago Rockford International Airport](#) - Rockford, IL – 91 miles
[Chicago O'Hare International Airport](#) - Chicago, IL – 175 miles

Rail

Not served by rail.

Proximity to Major Metro Markets

(miles/drive time)

- Madison (pop.- 627,430): 52 miles / 60 min.
- Milwaukee (pop.- 1.6 million): 132 miles / 2hrs.20 min.
- Chicago (pop.- 9.7 million): 167 miles / 3 hrs. 40 min.
- Minneapolis (pop.-2.6 million): 274 miles / 4 hrs. 30 min.

Bus Service & Other

- Aging and Disability Resource Center Care A Van – on call
- Lamers Bus - stops in Dodgeville (Green Bay to Dubuque)

Utilities

Electricity

[Alliant Energy](#) (800-255-4268)

Natural Gas

[Alliant Energy](#) (800-255-4268)

Water

City of Mineral Point Public Works (608-987-3442)

Source: Two wells

Storage Capacity: 400,000 gallons

Max. Pumping Capacity: 800-1,000 gallons/min

Peak Daily Use: 489,000 gallons/day

Telecommunications

MHTC, Charter Communications, Exede, HughesNet, Vonage, DIRECTV

Education (2014-2015 school year)

Public Schools

Elementary (PK-5th)	Mineral Point Elementary School Mineral Point , WI Enrollment: 370 students (State Report Card Scored 86.1 Significantly Exceeds Expectations)
Middle School (6th-8th)	Mineral Point Middle School Mineral Point, WI Enrollment: 168 students (State Report Card Scored 83 Significantly Exceeds Expectations)
High School (9th-12th)	Mineral Point High School Mineral Point, WI Enrollment: 225 students (State Report Card Scored 83.1 Significantly Exceeds Expectations) Graduation Rate: 100%
College/Technical Schools	UW-Platteville – 22 miles UW-Madison – 48 miles Madison Area Technical College West Campus – 44.4 miles South Campus – 50.8 miles Southwest Tech – 29.9 miles

Private Schools

PreK-8th	St. Joseph School Dodgeville, WI Enrollment: 169
College	Edgewood College – 49.2 miles



Health Care

[Upland Hills Health](#) - Mineral Point

[Dean Clinic](#) - Mineral Point

[Atrium Post Acute Care of Mineral Point](#) - Mineral Point

[Sienna Crest](#) - Mineral Point

Housing

Mean Home Value: \$165,200

Median Rent: \$743

Number of Housing Units: 1,270 units

Owner Occupied: 65.6%

Parks & Recreation

Parks, Trails, Camping

- [Governor Dodge State Park](#) – 12.5 miles, Dodgeville
- [Yellowstone State Park](#) – 12.2 miles, Blanchardville
- [Military Ridge State Trail](#) – 8 miles, Dodgeville
- [Tom's Campground](#) – 15 miles, Dodgeville
- [Blackhawk Lake Recreation Area](#) – 19.3 miles, Highland

Golf Courses

- [House on the Rock Resort](#) – 27 holes: 25 miles
- [Dodge Point Country Club](#) – 18 holes: 4 miles
- [Deer Valley Golf Course](#) – 27 holes: 20 miles

Swimming Pools

- The City of Mineral Point operates an outdoor swimming pool during the summer season. (resident and nonresident rates available)

Visitor Attractions

There are many visitor attraction and annual events held in the City of Mineral Point, including Gallery Nights, July 4th Celebration, Iowa County Fair, Cornish Festival, Fall Art Tour, and Candlelight Shopping during the Christmas holiday. For details regarding these events and a complete list of other activities, go to <http://mineralpoint.com>.

Government

Mineral Point is governed by Mayor/Council form of government. Two alder persons are elected from each of four wards for two-year terms. The Mayor is elected at large for a two-year term. City Council meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the City Hall/Community Room, 137 High Street, Suite 1.

City Hall is open Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Check <https://cityofmineralpoint.com/> for more information.

Community Contact

City of Mineral Point

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Links

[City of Mineral Point](#)

[Mineral Point Chamber of Commerce](#)

[Iowa County Economic Development](#)

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