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Census Releases New Data for Mid-sized Cities

St. Paul, Minn. (December 9, 2008) – Today, the United States [Census Bureau released new data](#), which includes the first new data since the 2000 census for geographies with populations between 20,000 and 64,999. Updated information is now available for 35 new counties and 43 new cities in Minnesota.

Minnesota Housing Partnership is available to answer the following questions in regards to specific areas.

- o What portion of families (owners and/or renters) were paying at least 30% of their income for housing? How many were paying half or more of their income for housing?
- o Has the percentage of owners paying too much of their income for housing increased since 2000?
- o What were the monthly housing costs for owners and renters in the 2005-2007 period?
- o How much did income and poverty change between 2000 and the 2005-2007 period?
- o How did the county compare to the state in 2005-2007 on housing costs?
- o What portion of home owners were paying over \$1,000 monthly for their housing? Was there an increase since 2000?

Please note: the three-year-averaged data covers 2005 through 2007. The data will not reflect changes in the economy in recent months.

| Cities | Counties |
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| Andover | Becker |
| Apple Valley | Beltrami |
| Austin | Benton |
| Blaine | Blue Earth |
| Brooklyn Center | Brown |
| Burnsville | Carlton |
| Champlin | Cass |

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| Chanassen | Chisago |
| Chaska | Clay |
| Coon Rapids | Crow Wing |
| Cottage Grove | Douglas |
| Crystal | Fillmore |
| Eagan | Freeborn |
| Eden Prairie | Goodhue |
| Edina | Isanti |
| Elk River | Itasca |
| Faribault | Kandiyohi |
| Fridley | Le Sueur |
| Golden Valley | Lyon |
| Hastings | McLeod |
| Inver Grove Heights | Martin |
| Lakeville | Meeker |
| Mankato | Mille Lacs |
| Maple Grove | Morrison |
| Maplewood | Mower |
| Minnetonka | Nicollet |
| Moorhead | Nobles |
| New Brighton | Otter Tail |
| New Hope | Pine |
| Oakdale | Polk |
| Owatonna | Rice |
| Prior Lake | Steele |
| Ramsey | Todd |
| Richfield | Wabasha |
| Rosemount | Winona |
| Roseville | |
| St. Louis Park | |
| Savage | |
| Shakopee | |
| Shoreview | |
| White Bear Lake | |
| Winona | |
| Woodbury | |

The Minnesota Housing Partnership is a statewide nonprofit organization that advances the preservation and creation of housing affordable to low- and moderate-income people as a means of strengthening communities and families. MHP provides local governments and nonprofit housing organizations access to loans, grants, and technical expertise to plan and construct housing, in addition to advocating and educating people on sound housing policies. MHP's work in Greater Minnesota is primarily supported by The McKnight Foundation.

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