

**MINNESOTA**  
**Winner: Democrat**

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The state of Minnesota is as blue as the great lakes it resides beside. The state has been voting Democrat on the presidential level for over 5 past elections and does not seem to change anytime soon. The amount of reasons as to why this state has voted like it has been so far in the past elections is numerous. The state has huge urban areas that are home to many businesses and workers that are in Unions. A candidate with a republican view normally does not stand a chance in this state.

Minnesota has been voting democratic for the past few elections because of the amount of urban areas that are in the state. The democrats are supporters of unions and the state has many factories and jobs that the unions are in. The elections of the state level candidates are for the same reason, to help out more of the state. The amount of businesses went up recently in the state of Minnesota and it has affected the democratic parties vote and not in a bad way. As the amount of businesses go up the bigger need for the union to help maintain these jobs.

Due to the weather in the areas of the state more government funding is needed so that the state can stay operational. While the state is able to deal with snowstorms better than other states, like the southern areas, they still need the funding to be able to keep the equipment in working order so that roads stay clear and the state can stay operational for production of the items that it exports. Grants are given to the state to help formulate plans on how to deal with the problem.

Minnesota is a blue state and I do not believe that it will change anytime soon. With the overwhelming areas of urban cities and Unions the Republicans will be hard pressed to somehow gain control of the state and gain the states support.

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