On Immigrants and Immigration in Minnesota:

"Immigrants are not only integral to the state's economy as workers, but also account for tens of millions of dollars in tax revenue and consumer purchasing power. Moreover, Latinos and Asians wield nearly \$10 billion in consumer purchasing power, and the businesses they own had sales and receipts of \$2.2 billion and employed more than 21,000 people at last count. At a time of economic recession, Minnesota can ill afford to alienate such a critical component of its labor force, tax base, and business community"

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The Economic Impact of Immigrants in Minnesota, 2009, by Katherine Fennelly and Ann Huart, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota www.hhh.umn.edu/people/kfennelly/pdf/eco\_impacts\_report\_2010.pdf

Energy of a Nation: Immigration Resources A project of The Advocates for Human Rights. Online library, curriculum, legislative updates, immigrant stories, resource links. http://www.energyofanation.org/Immigration\_in\_Minnesota2.html

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