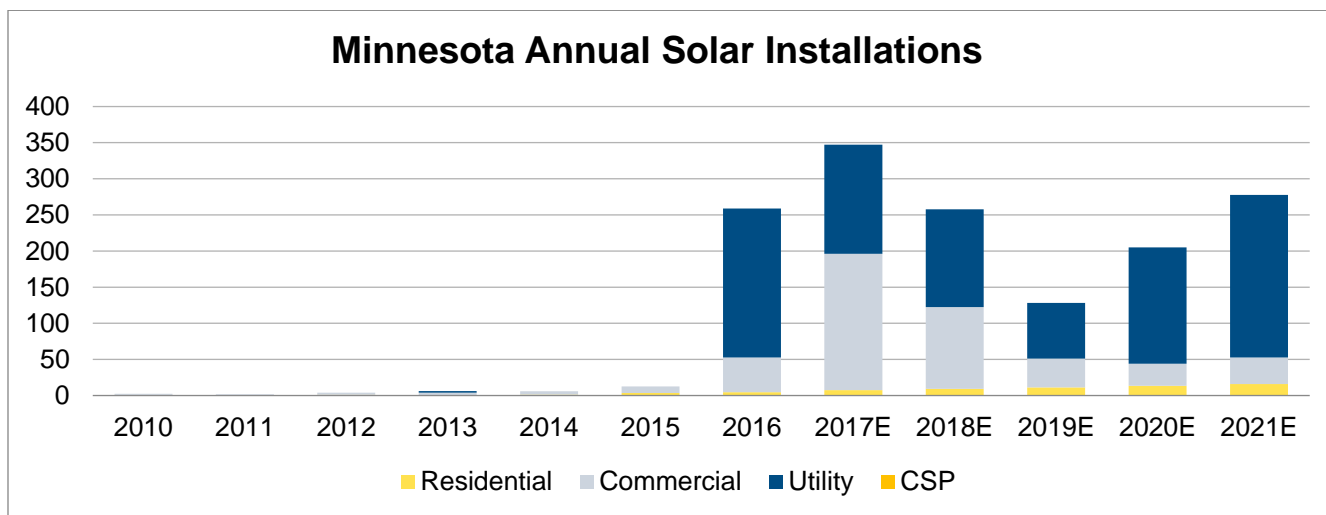


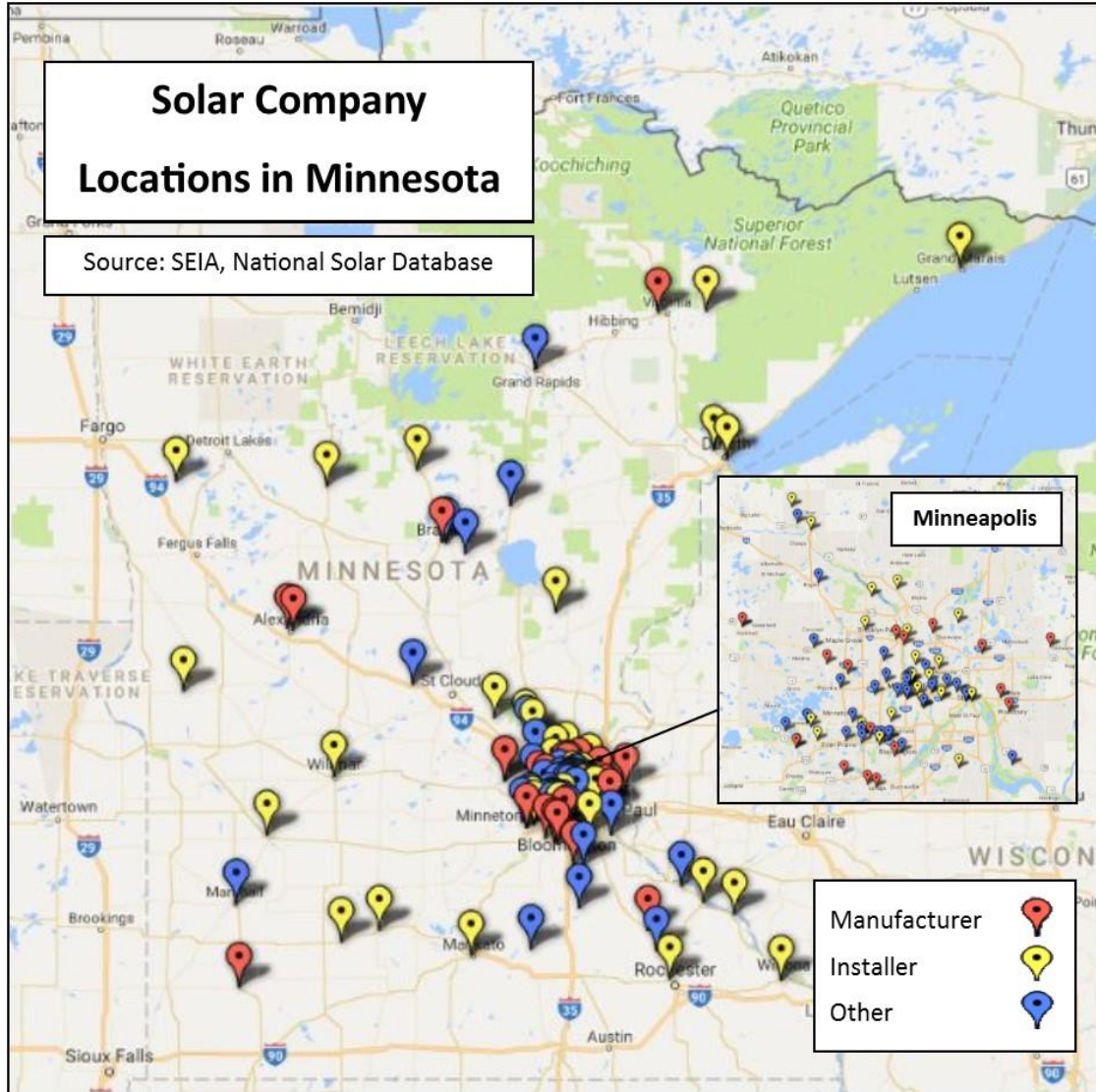
## AT A GLANCE

- **Solar Installed:** 431.6 MW (258.9 MW in 2016)<sup>i</sup>
- **National Ranking:** 16th (14th in 2016)
- **State Homes Powered by Solar:** 57,000
- **Percentage of State’s Electricity from Solar:** 0.18%<sup>ii</sup>
- **Solar Jobs and Ranking:** 2,872 (25th in 2016)<sup>iii</sup>
- **Solar Companies in State:** 159 companies total; 30 Manufacturers, 63 Installers/Developers, 62 Others<sup>iv</sup>
- **Total Solar Investment in State:** \$461.43 million (\$336.49 million in 2016)
- **Price Declines:** 64% over last 5 years
- **Growth Projections and Ranking:** 1,214 MW over next 5 years (ranks 21st)



## NOTABLE PROJECTS

- Slayton Solar was completed in 2013. This photovoltaic project is among the largest solar installations in Minnesota and has the capacity to generate 2 MW of electricity -- enough to power over 263 homes.<sup>v</sup>
- Several large retailers in Minnesota have gone solar including IKEA, Mortenson Construction and Target. IKEA has installed one of the largest such installations with 1 MW of solar capacity at their location in Bloomington.<sup>vi</sup>



<sup>i</sup> All data from SEIA/GTM Research *U.S. Solar Market Insight* unless otherwise noted: <http://www.seia.org/research-resources/us-solar-market-insight>

<sup>ii</sup> Energy Information Administration, *Electric Power Monthly*: <http://www.eia.gov/electricity/monthly/#generation>

<sup>iii</sup> The Solar Foundation, *State Solar Jobs Census*: <http://www.thesolarfoundation.org/solar-jobs-census/states/>

<sup>iv</sup> SEIA, *National Solar Database*: <http://www.seia.org/research-resources/national-solar-database>

<sup>v</sup> SEIA, *Major Solar Projects List*: <http://www.seia.org/research-resources/major-solar-projects-list>

<sup>vi</sup> Ibid

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