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## Article Reminds Us There is Much to be Thankful for in Nebraska

On this, the day before Thanksgiving, we would like to take a moment to pass along some information which Nebraskans can be thankful for.

An article which appeared in Forbes Magazine last week, the Omaha metropolitan area has been able to weather the economic recession better than any of the other 100 largest metropolitan areas in the United States.

The story cited Omaha's fairly healthy gross metropolitan product as well as the area's low foreclosure rate (one in every 3,246 housing units), but said it, "sailed to the top spot in our list because of its unemployment rate: At 5%, the lowest of the metros we surveyed." The story indicated that Omaha's low unemployment rate was tied to the fact that its economy is less dependent on manufacturing

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than other Midwestern cities.

[Here is a link to the full story.](#)

[Here is a link to the rankings of the 100 largest metropolitan areas.](#)

It's a reminder that being a Nebraskans is something worth being thankful for. Nebraska is a state rich in resources and unsurpassed in its quality of people and life. Being a Nebraskans comes with an incredible number of benefits.

Being a Nebraskans also means bearing the responsibility to preserve our strengths, fortify our weaknesses and uphold the proud heritage of the state. This is no easy task to be sure. The battle to grow the state's population, increase job opportunities and keep our best and brightest residents from leaving is daunting.

We wish everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving weekend. There is much to be thankful for in the great state of Nebraska.

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