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Dubuque Surges Up on 'Best Business' List

DUBUQUE, IOWA — The May 2005 issue of *Inc. Magazine* ranks Dubuque number 62 on the list of the "Best Cities to Do Business in America." The ranking measures job growth and diversity of industry using data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor statistics.

Dubuque made the greatest positive gain of all 270 metros measured, climbing 177 spots from 239th last year. Dubuque ranked second highest against other major cities in Iowa with Davenport coming in a distant third at 133. Dubuque also ranked ahead of other major areas across the country such as Tampa, Florida, San Antonio, Texas, Milwaukee, Wisconsin and Seattle, Washington.

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