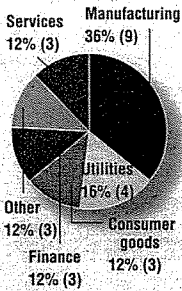


# Wisconsin's fastest-growing public companies

Ranked by annual revenue growth

## Industry sectors

Wisconsin's fastest-growing companies, by industry



## Regal-Beloit generates growth

Regal-Beloit Corp., the maker of power-generation components, heads The Business Journal's list of Wisconsin's 25 fastest-growing companies.

The Beloit-based company, with 5,700 employees, posted a nearly 90 percent jump in revenue between 2004 and 2005. Regal-Beloit was founded in 1955.

WPS Resources Corp., the utility holding company based in Green Bay, ranked second.

Joy Global Inc., which makes surface-mining equipment, is the first Milwaukee-based company on the list. It is followed by Briggs & Stratton Corp., Wauwatosa.

	Name Address	Telephone Web site	Revenue growth 2004-2005	Total revenue latest fiscal year	Total revenue previous fiscal year	Primary business	Chief management officer	Employees Year est.
1	<b>Regal-Beloit Corp.</b> 200 State St. Beloit, 53511	(608) 364-8800 www.regal-beloit.com	88.8%	\$1,428,707,000	\$756,557,000	Manufactures industrial electric motors and power generation components	Henry Knueppel president, chief executive officer	5,700 1955
2	<b>WPS Resources Corp.</b> 700 N. Adams St. Green Bay, 54307	(920) 433-4901 www.wpsr.com	40.6%	\$6,962,700,000	\$4,950,800,000	Holding company for units in utility and energy-related businesses	Larry Weyers chairman, president, chief executive officer	3,064 1883
3	<b>Joy Global Inc.</b> 100 E. Wisconsin Ave. Milwaukee, 53202	(414) 319-8500 www.joyglobal.com	37.7%	\$1,927,474,000	\$1,399,357,000	Manufactures and distributes equipment for surface mining	John Nils Hanson chairman, president, chief executive officer	7,700 1884
4	<b>Briggs &amp; Stratton Corp.</b> 12301 W. Wirth St. Wauwatosa, 53222	(414) 259-5333 www.briggsandstratton.com	36.3%	\$2,654,900,000	\$1,947,364,000	Manufactures air-cooled gasoline engines and outdoor power equipment	John Shiely chairman, president, chief executive officer	7,732 1908
5	<b>Actuant Corp.</b> 6100 N. Baker Road Glendale, 53209	(414) 352-4160 www.actuant.com	34.3%	\$976,066,000	\$726,851,000	Manufactures industrial products and systems	Robert Arzbacher chairman, president, chief executive officer	3,600 1910
6	<b>Gehl Co.</b> 143 Water St. West Bend, 53095	(262) 334-9461 www.gehl.com	32.3%	\$478,214,000	\$361,598,000	Manufactures light-construction and agricultural equipment	William Gehl chairman, chief executive officer	908 1859
7	<b>Oshkosh Truck Corp.</b> 2307 Oregon St. Oshkosh, 54902	(920) 235-9150 oshkoshtruckcorporation.com	30.8%	\$2,959,900,000	\$2,262,305,000	Manufactures heavy-duty vehicles for the defense and other industries	Robert Bohn chairman, president, chief executive officer	6,820 1917
8	<b>Ladish Co. Inc.</b> 5481 S. Packard Ave. Cudahy, 53110	(414) 747-2611 www.ladishco.com	27.9%	\$266,841,000	\$208,700,000	Manufactures components for the jet engine and aerospace markets	Kerry Woody chairman, president, chief executive officer	1,075 1905
9	<b>Marshall &amp; Ilsley Corp.</b> 770 N. Water St. Milwaukee, 53202	(414) 765-7801 www.micorp.com	27.3%	\$3,962,890,000	\$3,112,300,000	Financial services corporation	Dennis Kuester chairman, chief executive officer	13,345 1847
10	<b>Bucyrus International Inc.</b> 1100 Milwaukee Ave. South Milwaukee, 53172	(414) 768-4000 www.bucyrus.com	26.6%	\$575,042,000	\$454,186,000	Manufactures walking draglines and other products for the surface mining industry	Timothy Sullivan president, chief executive officer	1,725 1893
11	<b>Midwest Air Group Inc.</b> 6744 S. Howell Ave. Oak Creek, 53154	(414) 570-4000 www.midwestairlines.com	25.9%	\$522,989,000	\$415,246,000	Holding company for Midwest Airlines	Timothy Hoeksema chairman, president, chief executive officer	3,200 1978
12	<b>Associated Banc-Corp<sup>1</sup></b> 1200 Hansen Road Green Bay, 54304	(920) 491-7000 www.associatedbank.com	22.9%	\$1,013,482,000	\$824,637,000	Holding company for Associated Bank	Paul Beideman president, chief executive officer	5,158 1970
13	<b>The Manitowoc Co. Inc.</b> 2400 S. 44th St. Manitowoc, 54221	(920) 684-4410 www.manitowoc.com	22.2%	\$2,254,097,000	\$1,844,868,000	Manufactures cranes and related products	Terry Growcock chairman, president, chief executive officer	7,600 1920
14	<b>Anchor Bancorp Wisconsin Inc.</b> 25 W. Main St. Madison, 53703	(608) 252-8700 www.anchorbank.com	22.1%	\$334,843,000	\$274,149,000	The savings bank holding company for AnchorBank f.s.b.	Douglas Timmerman chairman, president, chief executive officer	956 1918
15	<b>Brady Corp.</b> 6555 W. Good Hope Road Milwaukee, 53223	(414) 358-6600 www.bradycorp.com	21.6%	\$816,447,000	\$671,219,000	Manufacturer of identification and graphics products	Frank Jaehner president, chief executive officer	4,500 1914
16	<b>Marten Transport Ltd.</b> 129 Marten St. Mondovi, 54755	(715) 926-4216 www.marten.com	21.1%	\$460,202,000	\$380,048,000	Temperature-sensitive truckload carrier	Randolph Marten chairman, president	2,179 1946
17	<b>MGE Energy Inc.</b> 133 S. Blair St. Madison, 53703	(608) 252-7000 www.mgeenergy.com	20.8%	\$513,370,000	\$424,881,000	Generates and distributes electricity to customers in southern Wisconsin	Gary Wolter chairman, president, chief executive officer	738 1896
18	<b>Plexus Corp.</b> 55 Jewelers Park Drive Neenah, 54957	(920) 722-3451 www.plexus.com	18.1%	\$1,228,882,000	\$1,040,858,000	Develops electronic products for companies in the medical and computer markets	Dean Foate president, chief executive officer	6,000 1980
19	<b>Twin Disc Inc.</b> 1328 Racine St. Racine, 53403	(262) 638-4000 www.twindisc.com	17.4%	\$218,472,000	\$186,089,000	Manufactures heavy-duty, off-highway power transmission equipment	Michael Batten chairman, chief executive officer	860 1926
20	<b>Alliant Energy Corp.</b> 4902 N. Biltmore Lane Madison, 53707	(608) 458-3311 www.alliantenergy.com	16.9%	\$3,279,600,000	\$2,804,800,000	Provides electricity and natural gas services to customers in four Midwestern states	Erroll Davis Jr. chairman, chief executive officer	5,239 1998
21	<b>National Presto Industries Inc.</b> 3925 N. Hastings Way Eau Claire, 54703	(715) 839-2121 www.gopresto.com	15.4%	\$184,565,000	\$159,956,000	Manufactures and distributes small appliances and housewares	Maryjo Cohen chairwoman, president, chief executive officer	551 1905
22	<b>Kohl's Corp.</b> N56 W17000 Ridgewood Drive Menomonee Falls, 53051	(262) 703-7000 www.kohls.com	14.5%	\$13,402,217,000	\$11,700,000,000	Operates 741 specialty department stores in 41 states	R. Lawrence Montgomery chairman, chief executive officer	95,000 1962
23	<b>Rockwell Automation Inc.</b> 1201 S. Second St. Milwaukee, 53204	(414) 382-2000 www.rockwellautomation.com	13.4%	\$5,003,200,000	\$4,411,100,000	Provides industrial automation power control and information services	Keith Nosbusch chairman, president, chief executive officer	21,000 1909
24	<b>Johnson Controls Inc.</b> 5757 N. Green Bay Ave. Glendale, 53201	(414) 524-1200 www.johnsoncontrols.com	11.7%	\$27,479,400,000	\$24,603,000,000	Makes automotive systems, and facility management and control systems	John Barth chairman, president, chief executive officer	123,000 1885
25	<b>Wisconsin Energy Corp.</b> 231 W. Michigan St. Milwaukee, 53203	(414) 221-2345 www.wisconsinenergy.com	11.2%	\$3,815,500,000	\$3,431,100,000	Holding company with units engaged in electric generation and other businesses	Gale Klappa chairman, president, chief executive officer	5,445 1896

Notes: Information was gathered from annual reports and financial statements available for each company. Revenues stated for bank and savings institution holding companies reflect the total of interest income plus other income.

<sup>1</sup> — Includes acquisition of State Financial Services Corp., in an October 2005 stock deal valued at \$278 million.

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