

# Rochester Top 100: Manning & Napier Advisors leads the list

The Rochester Top 100 hits the 25-year mark with a new No. 1 [company](#) -- [Manning & Napier Advisors](#), an [investment](#) advisory firm in Perinton that has been in the prestigious ranking 14 times but never before topped the list.

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And in all likelihood, this will be Manning & Napier's only year on top because the company is planning to go public, which would make it ineligible for future Top 100s. [The Top 100](#) program is exclusively for privately held [companies](#).

The Top 100 has had only one company make the ranking all 25 years, and it's one of the best-known in the Rochester area -- [Wegmans](#). The supermarket company was the very first No. 1 company in 1987. It's No. 52 this year.

Companies apply to be in the Top 100, and the accounting firm KPMG reviews several years' worth of [financial](#) statements to determine which 100 are the fastest-growing. The other co-sponsor of the program is the [Rochester Business Alliance](#).

This year's companies have combined revenues of more than \$9 billion and they employ a total of more than 90,000 people.

There is no [video](#) of the No. 1 company, Manning & Napier, because it is in the process of going public. A company that has filed for an initial public offering with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission is prohibited from giving interviews that might sway investors.

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