



STARK

DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
Stark County, North Dakota

ECONOMY AT A GLANCE

YOUR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE FOR DICKINSON, STARK COUNTY AND THE SURROUNDING AREA

POPULATION

(Job Service North Dakota)	2023	2022
Stark County	33,001	32,803
Dickinson	25,130	24,979
North Dakota	783,926	778,912

Median Age: 34.7
Largest City: Dickinson

Median Household Income: \$80,744
April Job Openings: 816

WORKFORCE

(Job Service North Dakota)	April 2025	April 2024
Stark County Labor Force	17,115	16,710
Stark County Unemployment	2.3%	2.3%
Dickinson Unemployment	2.4%	2.3%
ND Unemployment	2.5%	2.4%
US Unemployment	3.9%	3.5%

BIRTH RATES

(CHI St. Alexius Health Dickinson)	April 2025	April 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Live Births	56	53	193	187

LODGING

(Dickinson Convention & Visitors Bureau - STR)	April 2025	April 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Occupancy Rate	49.0%	46.7%	40.2%	39.3%
Average Daily Rate (ADR)	\$99.25	\$89.10	\$92.77	\$87.38

TRANSPORTATION

Airport Boardings (Dickinson Theodore Roosevelt Airport)	April 2025	April 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Airport Passenger Enplanements	1,985	2,422	7,733	8,333
Airport Passenger Deplanements	2,166	2,504	7,991	8,615

REAL ESTATE

(Badlands Board of Realtors, Inc.)	April 2025	April 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Dickinson # of MLS Units Sold (Does not include "for sale by owner" transactions)	27	24	93	107
Dickinson MLS Average Sale Price - Single Family	\$317,394	\$289,649	\$320,293	\$277,689
Stark County # of MLS Units Sold (Does not include "for sale by owner" transactions)	32	28	106	120
Stark County MLS Average Sale Price - Single Family	\$302,845	\$273,021	\$300,940	\$269,922

BUILDING PERMITS

Stark County/Dickinson (City of Dickinson)	April 2025		April 2024		YTD 2025		YTD 2024	
	Permits	Total Value	Permits	Total Value	Permits	Total Value	Permits	Total Value
Commercial	1	\$2,616,422	5	\$6,529,683	4	\$53,158,422	6	\$6,559,683
Public	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Single Family	7	\$3,319,712	11	\$6,453,460	21	\$10,278,898	23	\$12,203,202
Duplex	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Multi-Family	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Alteration/Additions	13	\$1,218,810	14	\$616,515	37	\$69,882,551	33	\$3,495,128
Misc. Permits/Fees	84	\$103,830	68	\$121,483	252	\$885,187	190	\$236,710

WHERE BUSINESS GOES TO GROW

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TAX COLLECTIONS

City Sales Tax (Office of ND State Treasurer)	April 2025	April 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Belfield	\$49,574.32	\$29,567.96	\$203,424.41	\$160,643.54
Dickinson	\$780,279.48	\$490,603.08	\$3,803,415.61	\$3,276,268.03
Richardton	\$15,602.69	\$12,988.13	\$92,536.17	\$74,779.08
South Heart	\$4,003.30	\$3,950.29	\$25,419.41	\$24,410.13
Stark County Total	\$849,459.79	\$537,109.46	\$4,124,795.60	\$3,536,100.78
City Occupancy Tax (Office of ND State Treasurer)	April 2025	April 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Belfield	\$811.25	\$266.11	\$3,095.48	\$5,030.85
Dickinson	\$12,809.32	\$15,177.28	\$88,857.41	\$87,484.80
Stark County Total	\$13,620.57	\$15,443.39	\$91,952.89	\$92,515.65
City Restaurant/Lodging (Office of ND State Treasurer)	April 2025	April 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Dickinson	\$78,154.01	\$72,255.52	\$367,749.43	\$354,488.63

Sales tax returns are due at the end of each month which causes large monthly swings especially when months end on weekends. Using year-to-year data collections helps mitigate these swings and April present a more accurate view of any real change that is occurring than would any given month's collection comparison.

EDUCATION

K-12 Enrollment (Dept. of Public Instruction)	2025-2026	2024-2025
Belfield	236	266
Dickinson Public Schools	4,087	3,977
Dickinson Trinity Catholic Schools	636	617
Hope Christian Academy	170	156
Invitation Hill Adventist School	11	16
Richardton-Taylor	320	312
South Heart	422	397
Stark County Home Education	365	304
Higher Education Enrollment (DSU)	2025-2026	2024-2025
Dickinson State University	1,410	1,453

TAXABLE SALES & PURCHASES

(Office of State Tax Commissioner)	2025 Q1	2024 Q1
Belfield	\$10,151,772	\$8,408,500
Dickinson	\$224,346,250	\$219,621,463
Stark County	\$236,566,338	\$230,105,358

OIL PRICES

(NDIC Dept. of Mineral Resources)	April 2025	April 2024
WTI Oil (Price/Barrel)	\$63.54	\$85.35

HOUSING RENTAL RATES

(ACS U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey)	
Stark County Rental Vacancy Rate (ACS 2019-23)	8.9%
Stark County Median Rent (ACS 2019-23)	\$966

FARMERS PRICE INDEX

(US Dept. of Agriculture)	April 2025	April 2024
Farmers Prices Received	137.7%	122.5%
Farmers Prices Paid	148.4%	140.3%

TOP 10 LARGEST EMPLOYERS

(Job Service North Dakota)	
1	Dickinson Public School District
2	Walmart
3	ND Energy Services
4	Steffes Solutions
5	Killdeer Mountain Manufacturing
6	CHI St Alexius Health - Dickinson
7	Nondisclosable
8	City of Dickinson
9	Sanford Health
10	Baker Boy Inc



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