



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

POPULATION

(Job Service North Dakota)	2024	2023
Stark County	33,767	33,001
Dickinson	25,695	25,130
North Dakota	796,568	783,926

Median Age: 34.7
Largest City: Dickinson

Median Household Income: \$80,744
May Job Openings: 641

WORKFORCE

(Job Service North Dakota)	May 2025	May 2024
Stark County Labor Force	17,200	17,052
Stark County Unemployment	2.0%	2.1%
Dickinson Unemployment	2.1%	2.1%
ND Unemployment	2.1%	2.1%
US Unemployment	4.0%	3.7%

BIRTH RATES

(CHI St. Alexius Health Dickinson)	May 2025	May 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Live Births	42	53	235	240

LODGING

(Dickinson Convention & Visitors Bureau - STR)	May 2025	May 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Occupancy Rate	54.0%	61.5%	43.0%	43.9%
Average Daily Rate (ADR)	\$108.88	\$96.18	\$96.92	\$89.91

TRANSPORTATION

Airport Boardings (Dickinson Theodore Roosevelt Airport)	May 2025	May 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Airport Passenger Enplanements	2,281	2,304	10,014	10,637
Airport Passenger Deplanements	2,321	2,369	10,312	10,984

REAL ESTATE

(Badlands Board of Realtors, Inc.)	May 2025	May 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Dickinson # of MLS Units Sold (Does not include "for sale by owner" transactions)	35	39	128	146
Dickinson MLS Average Sale Price - Single Family	\$322,903	\$311,903	\$323,741	\$286,828
Stark County # of MLS Units Sold (Does not include "for sale by owner" transactions)	37	32	184	198
Stark County MLS Average Sale Price - Single Family	\$348,272	\$284,444	\$317,183	\$278,841

BUILDING PERMITS

Stark County/Dickinson (City of Dickinson)	May 2025		May 2024		YTD 2025		YTD 2024	
	Permits	Total Value	Permits	Total Value	Permits	Total Value	Permits	Total Value
Commercial	1	\$408,816	1	\$3,200,000	5	\$53,567,238	7	\$9,759,683
Public	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Single Family	9	\$5,084,804	3	\$1,302,883	29	\$14,861,815	26	\$13,506,085
Duplex	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Multi-Family	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Alteration/Additions	10	\$561,418	10	\$2,394,931	46	\$70,358,969	43	\$5,890,059
Misc. Permits/Fees	65	\$70,775	45	\$77,709	317	\$952,707	234	\$314,377

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ECONOMY AT A GLANCE

TAX COLLECTIONS

City Sales Tax (Office of ND State Treasurer)	May 2025	May 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Belfield	\$39,267.12	\$67,183.17	\$242,691.53	\$227,826.71
Dickinson	\$912,897.40	\$1,137,999.73	\$4,716,313.01	\$4,414,267.76
Richardton	\$27,091.51	\$31,250.91	\$119,627.68	\$106,029.99
South Heart	\$6,912.12	\$6,356.55	\$32,331.53	\$30,766.68
Stark County Total	\$986,168.15	\$1,242,790.36	\$5,110,963.75	\$4,778,891.14
City Occupancy Tax (Office of ND State Treasurer)	May 2025	May 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Belfield	\$476.81	\$751.19	\$3,572.29	\$5,782.04
Dickinson	\$26,052.20	\$23,674.98	\$114,909.61	\$111,159.78
Stark County Total	\$26,529.01	\$24,426.17	\$118,481.90	\$116,941.82
City Restaurant/Lodging (Office of ND State Treasurer)	May 2025	May 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Dickinson	\$95,740.06	\$96,638.93	\$463,489.49	\$451,127.56

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 May 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)	May 2025	May 2024
WTI Oil (Price/Barrel)	\$62.17	\$80.02

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)	May 2025	May 2024
Farmers Prices Received	140.01%	123.8%
Farmers Prices Paid	149.2%	140.2%

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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