



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: 35
Largest City: Dickinson

Median Household Income: \$80,744
August Job Openings: 554

WORKFORCE

(Job Service North Dakota)	August 2025	August 2024
Stark County Labor Force	17,172	17,356
Stark County Unemployment	2.5%	2.3%
Dickinson Unemployment	2.6%	2.4%
ND Unemployment	2.5%	2.4%
US Unemployment	4.5%	4.4%

BIRTH RATES

(CHI St. Alexius Health Dickinson)	August 2025	August 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Live Births	62	49	400	405

LODGING

(Dickinson Convention & Visitors Bureau - STR)	August 2025	August 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Occupancy Rate	67.9%	73.9%	51.9%	55.6%
Average Daily Rate (ADR)	\$123.51	\$115.40	\$110.80	\$101.39

TRANSPORTATION

Airport Boardings (Dickinson Theodore Roosevelt Airport)	August 2025	August 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Airport Passenger Enplanements	2,157	2,271	16,494	17,298
Airport Passenger Deplanements	2,069	2,419	16,770	18,128

REAL ESTATE

(Badlands Board of Realtors, Inc.)	August 2025	August 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Dickinson # of MLS Units Sold (Does not include "for sale by owner" transactions)	39	29	242	243
Dickinson MLS Average Sale Price - Single Family	\$389,666	\$323,566	\$337,763	\$291,681
Stark County # of MLS Units Sold (Does not include "for sale by owner" transactions)	42	29	272	271
Stark County MLS Average Sale Price - Single Family	\$374,570	\$323,048	\$325,212	\$283,527

BUILDING PERMITS

Stark County/Dickinson (City of Dickinson)	August 2025		August 2024		YTD 2025		YTD 2024	
	Permits	Total Value	Permits	Total Value	Permits	Total Value	Permits	Total Value
Commercial	5	\$2,680,829	0	\$0	14	\$59,414,747	10	\$10,667,683
Public	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Single Family	4	\$2,730,000	6	\$2,628,747	47	\$23,338,152	48	\$24,069,403
Duplex	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Multi-Family	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Alteration/Additions	9	\$6,646,683	11	\$6,620,695	82	\$78,907,130	79	\$15,258,670
Misc. Permits/Fees	56	\$73,180	54	\$100,543	494	\$1,161,258	410	\$570,601

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ECONOMY AT A GLANCE

TAX COLLECTIONS

City Sales Tax (Office of ND State Treasurer)	August 2025	August 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Belfield	\$63,037.64	\$78,837.39	\$398,373.41	\$374,550.42
Dickinson	\$1,069,197.75	\$1,358,893.39	\$7,624,303.09	\$7,228,898.35
Richardton	\$30,248.37	\$29,391.39	\$261,637.74	\$176,883.33
South Heart	\$10,469.32	\$7,845.91	\$54,363.91	\$48,158.80
Stark County Total	\$1,172,953.08	\$1,474,968.08	\$8,338,678.15	\$7,828,490.90

City Occupancy Tax (Office of ND State Treasurer)	August 2025	August 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Belfield	\$2,678.69	\$2,985.23	\$7,821.15	\$10,506.80
Dickinson	\$56,545.08	\$54,475.87	\$232,730.54	\$228,284.21
Stark County Total	\$59,223.77	\$57,461.10	\$240,551.69	\$238,791.01

City Restaurant/Lodging (Office of ND State Treasurer)	August 2025	August 2024	YTD 2025	YTD 2024
Dickinson	\$119,849.40	\$128,768.84	\$793,115.22	\$771,538.71

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 August 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 Q2	2024 Q2
Belfield	\$8,728,040	\$7,757,173
Dickinson	\$291,961,280	\$272,318,991
Stark County	\$303,542,811	\$282,943,795

OIL PRICES

(NDIC Dept. of Mineral Resources)	August 2025	August 2024
WTI Oil (Price/Barrel)	\$64.86	\$76.68

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)	August 2025	August 2024
Farmers Prices Received	137.7%	128.4%
Farmers Prices Paid	152.0%	138.3%

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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