



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
January Job Openings: 519

WORKFORCE

(Job Service North Dakota)	December 2025	December 2024
Stark County Labor Force	17,114	17,161
Stark County Unemployment	2.5%	2.3%
Dickinson Unemployment	2.6%	2.4%
ND Unemployment	2.5%	2.5%
US Unemployment	4.1%	3.8%

BIRTH RATES

(CHI St. Alexius Health Dickinson)	January 2026	January 2025	YTD 2026	YTD 2025
Live Births	50	47	50	47

LODGING

(Dickinson Convention & Visitors Bureau - STR)	January 2026	January 2025	YTD 2026	YTD 2025
Occupancy Rate	34.7%	33.9%	34.7%	33.9%
Average Daily Rate (ADR)	\$94.47	\$93.00	\$94.47	\$93.00

TRANSPORTATION

Airport Boardings (Dickinson Theodore Roosevelt Airport)	January 2026	January 2025	YTD 2026	YTD 2025
Airport Passenger Enplanements	1,702	2,030	1,702	2,030
Airport Passenger Deplanements	1,916	1,945	1,916	1,945

REAL ESTATE

(Badlands Board of Realtors, Inc.)	January 2026	January 2025	YTD 2026	YTD 2025
Dickinson # of MLS Units Sold (Does not include "for sale by owner" transactions)	12	26	12	26
Dickinson MLS Average Sale Price - Single Family	\$304,367	\$328,413	\$304,367	\$328,413
Stark County # of MLS Units Sold (Does not include "for sale by owner" transactions)	14	28	14	28
Stark County MLS Average Sale Price - Single Family	\$300,886	\$308,777	\$300,886	\$308,777

BUILDING PERMITS

Stark County/Dickinson (City of Dickinson)	January 2026		January 2025		YTD 2026		YTD 2025	
	Permits	Total Value	Permits	Total Value	Permits	Total Value	Permits	Total Value
Commercial	1	\$27,461,646	1	\$12,000	1	\$27,461,646	1	\$12,000
Public	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Single Family	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Duplex	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Multi-Family	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Alteration/Additions	5	\$197,538	5	\$202,532	5	\$197,538	5	\$202,532
Misc. Permits/Fees	22	\$158,203	52	\$4,458	22	\$158,203	52	\$4,458

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ECONOMY AT A GLANCE

TAX COLLECTIONS

City Sales Tax (Office of ND State Treasurer)	January 2026	January 2025	YTD 2026	YTD 2025
Belfield	\$45,000.11	\$41,690.61	\$45,000.11	\$41,690.61
Dickinson	\$1,319,897.41	\$1,123,005.37	\$1,319,897.41	\$1,123,005.37
Richardton	\$39,455.79	\$22,071.77	\$39,455.79	\$22,071.77
South Heart	\$6,595.16	\$6,287.09	\$6,595.16	\$6,287.09
Stark County Total	\$1,410,948.47	\$1,193,054.84	\$1,410,948.47	\$1,193,054.84

City Occupancy Tax (Office of ND State Treasurer)	January 2026	January 2025	YTD 2026	YTD 2025
Belfield	\$2,076.05	\$154.09	\$2,076.05	\$154.09
Dickinson	\$28,005.86	\$26,461.05	\$28,005.86	\$26,461.05
Stark County Total	\$30,081.91	\$26,615.14	\$30,081.91	\$26,615.14

City Restaurant/Lodging (Office of ND State Treasurer)	January 2026	January 2025	YTD 2026	YTD 2025
Dickinson	\$109,186.34	\$100,152.00	\$109,186.34	\$100,152.00

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 January 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	235	236
Dickinson Public Schools	4,081	4,087
Dickinson Trinity Catholic Schools	666	636
Hope Christian Academy	156	170
Invitation Hill Adventist School	11	11
Richardton-Taylor	321	320
South Heart	423	422
Stark County Home Education	417	365
Higher Education Enrollment (DSU)	2025-2026	2024-2025
Dickinson State University	1,374	1,410

TAXABLE SALES & PURCHASES

(Office of State Tax Commissioner)	2025 Q4	2024 Q4
Belfield	\$5,415,329	\$11,219,065
Dickinson	\$287,139,248	\$271,002,904
Stark County	\$297,286,789	\$286,302,661

OIL PRICES

(NDIC Dept. of Mineral Resources)	January 2026	January 2025
WTI Oil (Price/Barrel)	\$60.04	\$75.74

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)	January 2026	January 2025
Farmers Prices Received	116.5%	129.8%
Farmers Prices Paid	158.6%	146.9%

TOP 10 LARGEST EMPLOYERS

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



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