Child Care in North Dakota: Supply, Demand and Cost



Fiscal Year 2010: July 2009 to June 2010

North Dakota Families Rely on Child Care

North Dakota's economy continues to thrive, with parents of young children a significant portion of the ever-growing workforce. For North Dakota's working parents, child care has become a major part of family life and a critical support system. This report, prepared by ND Child Care Resource & Referral, provides data on the licensed child care programs currently operating in North Dakota. It also identifies the challenges families face when searching for affordable child care.

Today, in North Dakota:

- 75% of working mothers who have children ages 0-12 years rely on some form of child care for an estimated 80,460 children
- 61% of mothers with infants and toddlers rely on child care

to keep their babies safe, healthy, and happy

- 78% of single parents rely on child care to help them provide for their family
- The many parents who work two jobs rely on child care to help them make ends meet. (9.7% of employed residents in North Dakota worked more than one job in 2008, the highest in the nation)

During FY 2010, 5,864 families turned to ND Child Care Resource & Referral (ND CCR&R) as the trusted resource to help them efficiently navigate their child care options. 23% of parents who searched for care through ND CCR&R needed child care during nontraditional hours (before 7:00

Child Care Arrangements

Parents select from two major types of care arrangements:

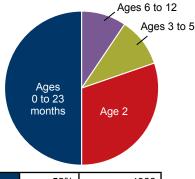
- 1. Care provided by unlicensed caregivers, family members or friends.
- 2. Care provided by regulated facilities

If individuals care for six or more children, including their own under 12 years of age, the provider must, by state law, be licensed. Licensed providers receive annual inspections and comply with minimum health and safety regulations.

For the 48,501 children not in licensed child care, parents may arrange care with family or friends, work alternate shifts to allow them to cover their own care needs or find unlicensed care. Many parents feel comfortable asking friends or relatives, however, many may not or do not have family living in close proximity. Regardless, the demand outpaces the supply.

Highest demand for care is for children under the age of two.





Ages 0 - 23 months	52%	4986
Age 2	14%	1355
Ages 3 to 5	23%	2182
Ages 6 to 12	11%	1078
TOTAL		9601

^{*} Not all families seeking care use CCR&R's Referral Services

a.m., after 6:00 p.m. or on weekends)

Parents rely on child care to keep them in the workforce, but they also realize that child care greatly influences who their children become. Each child spends an average of 35 hours a week (nearly 50% of a child's awake hours) in child care. Parents rely on their child care provider to partner with them to promote all aspects of their child's development, enhance early brain development, and set the stage for successful school achievement.

North Dakota has 1,538 licensed facilities able to care for 31,959 children. The capacity does not meet the demand of the 80,460 children who potentially need care.

Types of Licensed Child Care

License Type	Description
Family Providers	Provider is owner/operator. Children of all ages are together in a family setting. Enrollment limited to 7 children.
Group Child Care	Home-based or in a public/private building. Enrollment limited to 18 children. Additional staff needed when the number of children exceeds adult-to-child ratios.
Center Child Care	Program cares for 19 or more children. Enrollment capacity is based on square footage of the facility.
School Age	Program cares exclusively for school-age children before or after school, during school holidays and summer.

Figure 2: Child Care Licensed
Source: ND CCR&R NaccrraWare Database

Child Care Demand Exceeds Supply

The gap between the actual child care supply and potential demand presents challenges for parents searching for child care, particularly for families searching for infant/toddler care. During FY 2010, 5,864 parents turned to ND CCR&R to help them efficiently navigate their child care options. Families using ND CCR&R needed care for 9,601 children. Of those, 52% (4,986) were under the age of two (Figure 1). This data is indicative of the increasing number of young mothers entering the workforce and a growing shortage of infant-toddler care.

North Dakota's child care supply shortage permeates the state with significant shortages in western North Dakota counties experiencing economic growth due to oil and energy development. Only five counties (Adams, Cass, Grand Forks, Ramsey, and Sheridan) meet child care industry standards that suggest local licensed child care supply exceeds 50% of the local potential demand. Although the supply in these counties exceeds 50%, they still have inadequate spaces for infants.

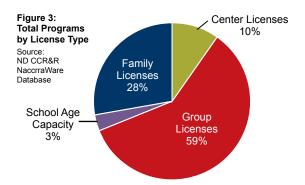
Unlike other industries that respond to market fluctuations, the supply of child care will not increase simply because parents need more care. True demand that drives a supply increase must be backed with purchasing power. Although parents pay child care fees ranging from \$6,000 to \$8,000 per year per child, this does not cover the true cost of operating a child care business.

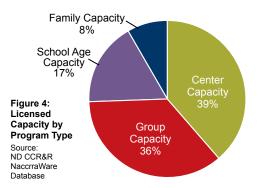
North Dakota is seeing a slight trend in child care settings, shifting capacity from family child care to child care centers (Figure 5). However, child care centers struggle to make a profit. For programs providing infant and toddler care, staff expenses are high. One staff person is needed for each group of four infants or five toddlers. A low child-to-staff ratio is required to protect the welfare of the children. Child care operators cannot increase fees to expand their profit margin because parents, their primary source of income, cannot afford to pay more (a young family enrolling their infant in care will pay more than \$30,000 in child care fees before the child enters school).

Keeping salaries low and not providing employment benefits remain the only options to reduce expenses and actualize a slight profit. Not paying staff adequately does not solve the problem. It sets the stage for high staff turnover, increases stress on owner/operators, drives away potential new business entrepreneurs, and shortens the life span of many existing child care businesses. The instability of the industry results in a churning of staff in and out of child care employment. Staff leave for better wages - often available at the local fast-food chain. Because child care centers lose one in three staff annually, children attending centers find themselves cared for by seven new people on an annual basis (this takes into account 2-3 work shifts necessary in centers).

17% of in-home child care programs close annually (approximately 250 in ND) meaning families must, again, resume their child care search often disrupting their ability to be at work or be productive while at work.

License Type	Total Programs	Total Capacity		
Family	394	2,758		
Group	844	11,900		
Center	139	12,801		
School Age	45	5,641		





Trend shows growth of center licensed facilities in North Dakota

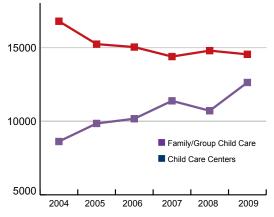


Figure 5:
Capacity Trend of Family/Group and Center Licenses
Source: ND CCR&R NaccrraWare Database

Child Care Taps Family Budgets

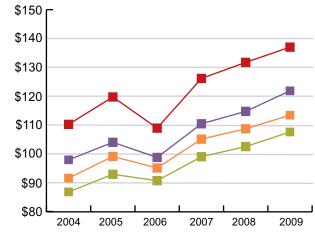
While parents want safe, stable, stimulating environments to support their children's development, quality child care comes at a price. Some parents are forced to compromise on quality in order to make ends meet. Care for one infant in a center averages \$7,503 per year, – 15.7% higher than a year's tuition at North Dakota State University (\$5,639). And unlike college tuition, families have not had years to save for child care costs. A family of four could earn no more than \$35,196 to qualify for the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP). From August 2009 to June 2010, 2,345 families with low incomes took advantage of CCAP to help offset a portion of their child care costs - an average of \$219 per month supported care for approximately 3,787 children each month. (Source: ND DHS Quarterly Budget Insight July 2009-June 2010)

Most parents receive some financial relief in the form of tax credits. Families may be eligible to set aside pre-tax dollars for child care expenses in an employer sponsored flexible spending account. Parents working or looking for work qualify for a federal child care tax credit if they paid someone to care for their children. The credit depends on the number of children, the cost of care and the family's income. Families can count up to \$3,000 in child care expenses for one child or up to \$6,000 for two or more children. The credit is a percentage of the amount spent on child care, and that percentage gradually decreases as income increases. Families that earn less than \$15,000 can claim a credit for 35% of qualifying expenses. Families that earn more than \$43,000 get the smallest credit--20% on eligible costs. Tax credits benefit all families, but come after child care fees have been paid throughout the year. Some families find it hard to make ends meet on a monthly basis while waiting for the year-end tax benefit to arrive.

In North Dakota, child care provided by centers typically costs more than care provided in homes, and care for infants costs more than care for 3 to 5 year olds. Centers tend to have higher staffing costs, facility and overhead costs. Family child care providers often charge lower fees due to fewer overhead expenses. They also have access to business tax credits and more generous USDA Child and Adult Care Food Program reimbursements.

Child care rates have increased 22% to 24% in the last six years, as providers work to attract staff, keep pace with

Average weekly cost of child care by age & care setting



Average Weekly Cost for:	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Preschooler in Family/Group	\$86.79	\$92.90	\$90.69	\$99.00	\$102.52	\$107.58
Infant in Family/Group	\$91.56	\$99.09	\$95.08	\$105.10	\$108.69	\$113.44
Preschooler in Center	\$97.91	\$104.00	\$98.75	\$110.42	\$114.73	\$121.85
Infant in Center	\$110.22	\$119.72	\$108.92	\$126.14	\$131.71	\$137.00

Figure 6 - Average Weekly Cost of Full-Time Child Care Source: ND CCR&R NaccrraWare Database

overhead costs and provide the early education that today's families want.

Specific data on child care in North Dakota is provided on the following pages including:

- · A State Profile on child care
- County by county data on child care programs and capacity, by type
- County by county data on the child care workforce
- · County by county data on child care costs

Contact ND CCR&R for more specific child care data or any child care related questions.

About Us

North Dakota Child Care Resource & Referral was established by the North Dakota State Legislature in 1991. Today, through a contract with the North Dakota Department of Human Services, we help parents connect to child care, plus work to recruit, train and retain a child care workforce that serves the needs of communities, employers and working families.

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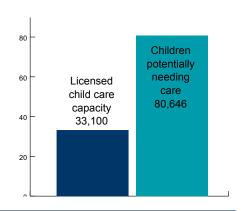
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North Dakota Child Care Data Profile - Appendix A

Children potentially needing child care

	Ages	Age	Ages	Ages	TOTAL
	0-2 years	3 years	4-5 years	6-12 years	Ages 0-12
Number / percent of children in ND by age	24,682 25%	7,791 8%	14,946 15%	52,486 52%	99,905

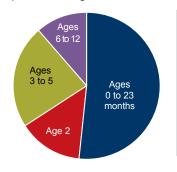
% of mothers with child	ren ages 0 to	5 in labor for	ce ¹		76.1%
% of mothers with child	ren ages 6 to	17 in labor fo	rce ¹		84.9%
Children ages 0 to 5 po	tentially need	ling child care	due to mothe	er in workforce	36,086
Children ages 6 to 12 p	otentially nee	ding child car	e due to moth	ner in workford	e 44,561
Capacity of licensed ch	ild care progr	ams (family, g	roup, center,	school-age)	33,100
Current Child Care Ass	istance Progr	am recipients	ages 0-131		8,300



Referral requests (July 2009 to June 2010 includes CCR&R phone inquires and internet searches)

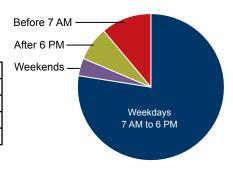
Referral requests by child's age

Ages 0 - 23 months	52%	4,986
Age 2	14%	1,355
Ages 3 to 5	23%	2,182
Ages 6 to 12	11%	1,078
TOTAL		9,601



Referral requests by time/day

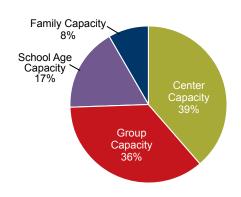
7 AM to 6 PM		77%	7,417
Before 7 AM		11%	1,073
After 6 PM		8%	724
Weekend car	е	4%	387
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School

TOTAL

Licensed Early Childhood Programs by program type, capacity and enrollment⁴



				Age	
Licensed programs	394	844	139	45	1,422
Licensed capacity	2,758	11,900	12,801	5,641	33,100
Reported enrollment⁵	2,143	8,502	8,188	1,703	20,536
Reported vacancies ⁶	385	845	684	525	2,439
Providers /Capacity added ²	91 / 637	63 / 880	8 / 439	5 / 269	167 / 2225
Providers / Capacity lost ²	67 / 469	101 / 1482	3 / 241	5 / 177	176 / 2369
Programs open before 7 AM	92	301	79	26	498
Programs open after 6 PM	23	53	13	0	89
Programs open weekends	10	17	5	0	32
Reported size of workforce	382	1,326	2,212	458	4,378

Annual Cost of Licensed Child Care by Age

	Family and	Group Care	Child Care Centers			
	Average	Highest	Average	Highest		
Ages 0-11 months	\$6,069	\$11,700	\$7,503	\$10,530		
Ages 12-23 months	\$6,046	\$11,700	\$7,464	\$10,530		
Age 2 years	\$5,839	\$11,700	\$7,130	\$10,530		
Ages 3 to 5 years	\$5,748	\$11,700	\$6,628	\$10,530		

- ¹ 2009 ND Kids Count Fact Book
- ² ND CCR&R June 2010 NACCRRAware Database
- ³ School-age care numbers reflect programs licensed exclusively as before and after school programs under Early Childhood Services rules. School-age children are also enrolled in family/ group programs and child care centers
- ⁴NDCCR&R September 2010 NACCRRAware Database
- ⁵ Not all programs surveyed reported their current enrollment. Data is based on an approximate 85% response rate.
- ⁶ Vacancies change daily and may not match the location or program characteristics desired by families needing care. A 10% vacancy rate allows families some choice among programs.

Potential demand for child care - Appendix B

County	Children ages 0 to 5*	Children ages 6 to 12*	% of women in labor force with children ages 0 to 6	% of women in labor force with children ages 6 to 17	Children ages 0 to 5 potentially needing child care	Children ages 6 to 12 potentially needing child care	Capacity of Licensed Child Care	Extent licensed care meets potencial demand
Adams	101	139	84.3%	86.4%	85	120	109	53%
Barnes	643	791	77.1%	86.8%	496	687	305	26%
Benson	819	826	67.5%	72.3%	553	597	57	5%
Billings	43	50	69.0%	81.6%	30	41	-	0%
Bottineau	365	376	79.6%	86.7%	291	326	176	29%
Bowman	165	175	92.3%	92.6%	152	162	99	31%
Burke	99	106	83.3%	91.8%	82	97	63	35%
Burleigh	5,733	6,400	79.5%	86.9%	4,558	5,562	4,826	48%
Cass	11,332	11,792	77.0%	86.2%	8,726	10,165	10,043	53%
Cass	11,332	220			137	193	10,043	32%
	413	423	70.8% 77.2%	87.8% 92.0%	319	389	283	40%
Dickey	97							
Divide		84	76.5%	90.7%	74	76	33	22%
Dunn	181	268	66.2%	87.0%	120	233	36	10%
Eddy	119	182	69.5%	83.7%	83	152	91	39%
Emmons	158	239	82.2%	88.0%	130	210	101	30%
Foster	222	265	87.2%	82.3%	194	218	77	19%
Golden Valley	79	120	71.8%	85.7%	57	103	68	43%
Grand Forks	4,979	5,267	71.3%	83.6%	3,550	4,403	5,756	72%
Grant	93	143	78.7%	83.1%	73	119	32	17%
Griggs	110	153	75.7%	95.9%	83	147	76	33%
Hettinger	91	138	67.3%	79.9%	61	110	78	45%
Kidder	123	158	77.1%	80.6%	95	127	58	26%
Lamoure	234	266	70.3%	84.2%	165	224	132	34%
Logan	84	151	83.5%	81.2%	70	123	82	43%
McHenry	290	402	73.0%	81.7%	212	328	121	22%
McIntosh	117	162	89.0%	87.8%	104	142	86	35%
McKenzie	358	480	67.8%	80.4%	243	386	74	12%
McLean	419	560	70.3%	76.6%	295	429	193	27%
Mercer	413	570	67.8%	80.3%	280	458	136	18%
Morton	1,940	2,252	83.6%	82.6%	1,622	1,860	1,173	34%
Mountrail	551	608	73.2%	76.3%	403	464	137	16%
Nelson	150	179	77.3%	86.8%	116	155	88	32%
Oliver	75	98	72.7%	82.8%	55	81	18	13%
Pembina	421	540	72.3%	84.7%	304	457	243	32%
Pierce	233	286	78.5%	89.4%	183	256	140	32%
Ramsey	774	922	86.1%	84.6%	666	780	898	62%
Ransom	367	464	71.4%	85.9%	262	399	115	17%
Renville	134	141	86.2%	86.6%	116	122	49	21%
Richland	1,124	1,381	80.8%	85.8%	908	1,185	748	36%
Rolette	1,565	1,598	61.6%	81.5%	964	1,302	190	8%
Sargent	241	322	81.5%	81.1%	196	261	138	30%
Sheridan	30	73	57.7%	65.8%	17	48	33	51%
Sioux	546	520	67.8%	73.7%	370	383	-	0%
Slope	26	47	81.3%	60.7%	21	29		0%
Stark	1,613	1,735	81.2%	84.6%	1,310	1,468	847	30%
Steele	76	137	75.9%	89.0%	58	122	18	10%
Stutsman	1,234	1,460	81.0%	89.7%	1,000	1,310	914	40%
	1,234	1,460	81.6%	89.0%	72	133	87	40%
Towner								
Traill	515	632	75.9%	83.5%	391	528	394	43%
Walsh	756	884	79.7%	86.6%	603	766	349	26%
Ward	5,382	5,352	71.0%	84.3%	3,821	4,512	2,590	31%
Wells	182	266	80.9%	86.2%	147	229	165	44%
Williams	1,322	1,534	75.7%	88.8%	1,001	1,362	470	20%
TOTAL	47,419	52,486	76.1%	84.9%	35,921	44,539	33,100	41%

Licensed early childhood programs by type, capacity & workforce - Appendix C

	Family or Group		ın	Center		School Age			Total			
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County	Number of Programs	Licensed Capacity	Size of Workforce									
Adams	9	109	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	109	15
Barnes	11	141	16	3	164	16	0	0	0	14	305	32
Benson	4	57	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	57	11
Billings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bottineau	14	176	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	176	17
Bowman	6	99	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	99	12
Burke	4	63	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	63	10
Burleigh	167	1623	189	26	2279	387	3	924	129	196	4826	705
Cass	287	3166	371	51	4587	919	28	2290	214	366	10043	1504
Cavalier	4	45	5	1	60	22	0	0	0	5	105	27
Dickey	15	234	27	1	49	5	0	0	0	16	283	32
Divide	2	33	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	33	18
Dunn	2	36	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	36	5
Eddy	5	61	6	1	30	12	0	0	0	6	91	18
Emmons	9	101	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	101	10
Foster	6	77	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	77	9
Golden Valley	4	68	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	68	4
Grand Forks	126	1360	157	11	2707	326	2	1689	62	139	5756	545
Grant	3	32	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	32	6
Griggs	2	36	2	1	40	5	0	0	0	3	76	7
Hettinger	5	78	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	78	7
Kidder	4	58	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	58	6
Lamoure	8	132	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	132	11
Logan	6	82	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	82	10
McHenry	8	121	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	121	20
McIntosh	6	86	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	86	9
McKenzie	2	29	3	1	45	14	0	0	0	3	74	17
McLean	14	193	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	193	17
Mercer	9	136	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	136	9
Morton	59	605	65	5	448	79	1	120	4	65	1173	148
Mountrail	9	137	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	137	22
Nelson	7	88	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	88	8
Oliver	1	18	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	18	5
Pembina	8	131	16	2	112	14	0	0	0	10	243	30
Pierce	6	90	7	1	50	8	0	0	0	7	140	15
Ramsey	30	420	35	4	354	42	2	124	13	36	898	90
Ransom	6	85	10	1	30	4	0	0	0	7	115	14
Renville	4	49	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	49	7
Richland	38	467	46	4	182	42	3	99	9	45	748	97
Rolette	5	70	8	2	120	15	0	0	0	7	190	23
Sargent	9	138	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	138	11
Sheridan	3	33	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	33	3
Sioux	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Slope	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stark	60	707	138	1	140	13	0	0	0	61	847	151
Steele	1	18	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	18	3
Stutsman	48	496	60	5	361	56	3	57	9	56	914	125
Towner	4	47	6	0	0	0	1	40	3	5	87	9
Traill	12	153	23	3	171	29	1	70	9	16	394	61
Walsh	20	271	26	2	78	11	0	0	0	22	349	37
Ward	126	1689	167	10	673	168	1	228	6	137	2590	341
Wells	7	120	9	1	45	6	0	0	0	8	165	15
Williams	33	394	51	2	76	19	0	0	0	35	470	70
TOTAL	1238	14658	1708	139	12801	2212	45	5641	458	1422	33100	4378

Average weekly cost of child care - Appendix D

	Avera	Average Weekly Cost of Family/Group Child Care				Average Weekly Cost of Child Care Center			
County	0 to 11 Months	12 to 23 Months	2 Years	3 to 5 Years	0 to 11 Months	12 to 23 Months	2 Years	3 to 5 Years	
Adams	79.65	78.30	77.85	76.95	_	_	_	_	
Barnes*	104.91	104.91	104.00	104.00	114.57	114.27	111.88	105.36	
Benson	101.25	101.25	101.25	101.25	_	_	_	_	
Billings	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Bottineau	115.39	113.52	111.46	110.63	_	_	_	_	
Bowman	109.64	106.76	106.76	106.76	_	_	_	-	
Burke	111.26	111.26	105.86	102.83	_	_	_	_	
Burleigh	121.87	121.08	118.23	117.42	153.33	150.44	142.57	133.84	
Cass	127.25	126.28	119.53	116.73	157.92	157.68	147.53	134.44	
Cavalier*	123.75	123.75	123.75	123.75	114.57	114.27	111.88	105.36	
Dickey*	100.28	100.28	96.09	94.19	114.57	114.27	111.88	105.36	
Divide	146.25	146.25	135.00	135.00	_	_	_	_	
Dunn	123.75	119.38	119.38	119.38	_	_	_	_	
Eddy*	115.25	115.25	115.25	115.25	114.57	114.27	111.88	105.36	
Emmons	98.55	98.55	96.75	96.75	_	_	_	_	
Foster	108.17	108.17	108.17	108.17	_	_	_	_	
Golden Valley	92.77	92.77	92.77	92.77	_	_	_	_	
Grand Forks	117.03	116.52	112.11	110.18	158.67	153.95\$	141.42	130.94	
Grant	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	_	_		_	
Griggs*	101.25	101.25	101.25	101.25	114.57	114.27	111.88	105.36	
Hettinger	97.65	97.6	95.40	95.40		- 111.27		-	
Kidder	104.17	104.17	95.83	95.83	_	_	_	_	
Lamoure	107.63	107.63	105.83	105.83		_			
	93.60	93.60\$	92.70\$	92.70		_			
Logan McHenry	104.60	103.83	101.17	97.83		_	_	_	
McIntosh	110.25	110.25	103.05	102.60	_	_	_	_	
McKenzie*	103.50	103.50	103.50	103.50	138.19	138.19	135.11	130.40	
McLean	112.79	112.79	111.26	110.94	130.19	130.19	133.11	130.40	
Mercer	125.55	126.45	121.50	121.50	_	_	_	_	
Morton	110.75	110.61	108.42	107.87	120.44	118.52	118.04	113.26	
Mountrail	103.61	103.61	103.05	97.50	120.44	110.52	110.04	113.20	
Nelson	103.61	103.61	99.40	98.08	_	_		_	
Oliver	115.47	115.47	115.47	115.47	_	_	_	_	
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Pembina*	119.23	119.23	117.20	117.20	114.57	114.27	111.88	105.36	
Pierce*	117.90	117.90	114.30	114.30	138.19	138.19	135.11	130.40	
Ramsey	111.87	111.87 104.85	109.00 101.25	106.58 99.45	120.25	120.25	117.36	115.74	
Ransom*	104.85				114.57	114.27	111.88	105.36	
Renville	115.20	115.20	107.10	107.10	400.70	400.70	445.70	407.05	
Richland	109.33	108.57	102.64	101.33	120.73	120.73	115.73	107.65	
Rolette*	112.83	112.83	103.80	101.49 101.76	114.57	114.27	111.88	105.36	
Sargent	101.76	101.76	101.76		_	_		_	
Sheridan	112.50	112.50	112.50	112.50	_	_	_	_	
Sioux	_	_	_	_	_	_		_	
Slope	-		- 440.55		-	-	- 10= ::		
Stark*	114.22	113.85	113.52	111.68	138.19	138.19	135.11	130.40	
Steele	120.00\$	120.00	110.00	110.00	_	_	_	_	
Stutsman	105.22	105.24	103.23	102.65	125.18	125.18	125.18	119.78	
Towner	117.90	117.90	112.50	107.10	_	_		_	
Traill*	121.08	119.95	115.33	115.33	114.57	114.27	111.88	105.36	
Walsh*	103.36	101.99	99.78	99.19	114.57	114.27	111.88	105.36	
Ward	112.88	112.59	108.60	106.23	139.77	138.86	134.93	128.80	
Wells*	98.10	96.30	93.15	93.15	114.57	114.27	111.88	105.36	
Williams*	124.76	124.19	117.23	116.42	132.75	132.75	130.50	123.75	

^{*}In counties with fewer than 4 centers, rates reflect a regional average

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