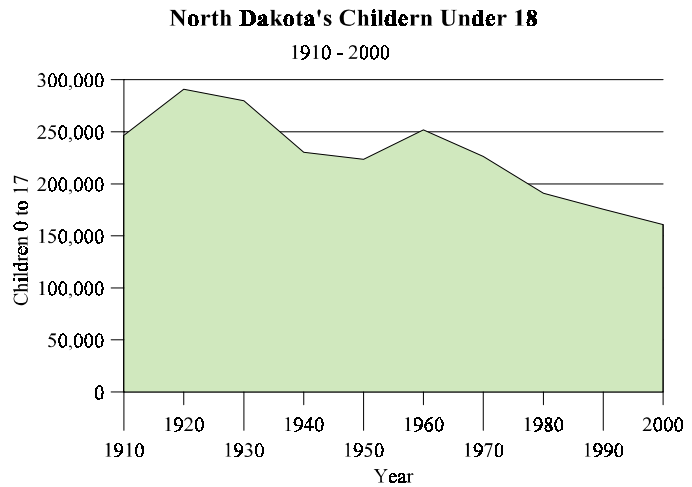


2000 Census - Children Under 18 Years of Age

According to the 2000 Census, North Dakota has 160,849 children ages 0 to 17. These children comprise 25 percent of the state's total population. The number of children in North Dakota declined 8 percent from 175,385 in 1990 and 36 percent from 251,633 in 1960. In 1960, children comprised nearly 40 percent of the state's total population.

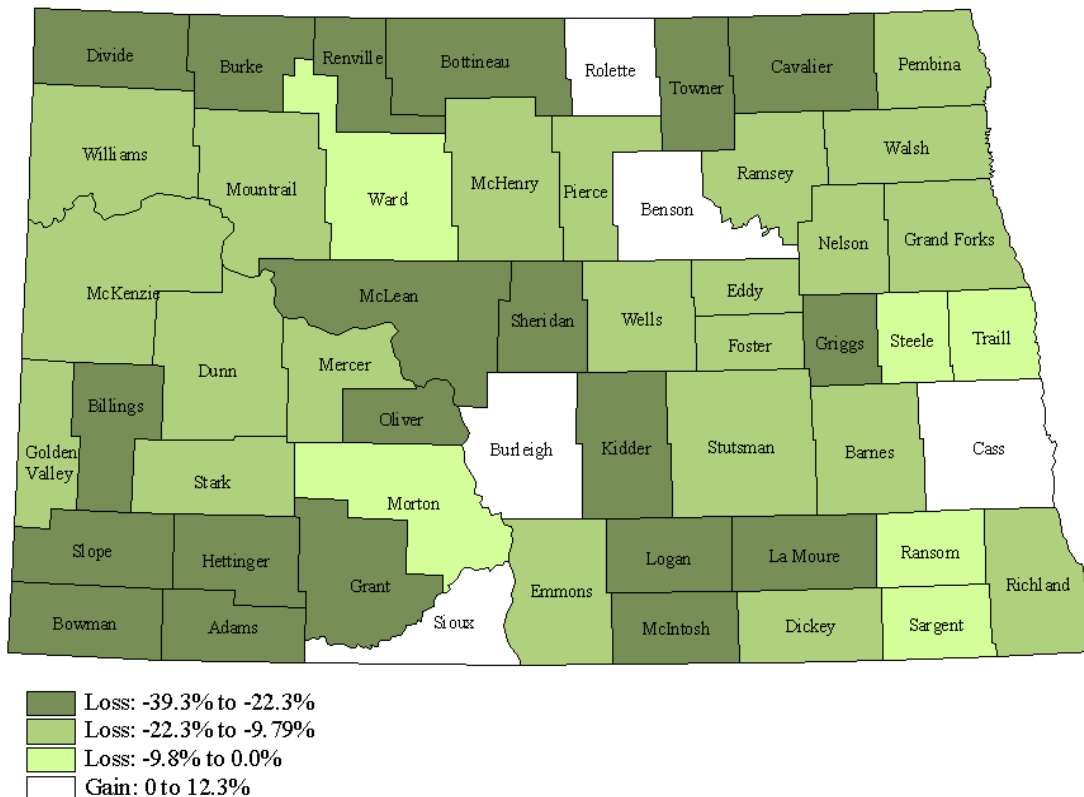
Of the 53 counties in the state, only five showed increases in children under 18 between 1990 and 2000; Cass, Burleigh, Rolette, Sioux, and Benson.

Counties showing the largest decline in children under 18 were Billings, Burke, Divide, Kidder, and Renville; all losing 30 percent or more between 1990 and 2000.



Percentage Change in Children Under 18 Years of Age

North Dakota by County: 1990 to 2000



Population Trends of Children Under Age 18 in North Dakota: 1950 to 2000

Area	1950	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	Change: 1990-2000	
							Number	Percent
Adams	1,886	1,822	1,394	1,021	827	601	-226	-27.3
Barnes	5,666	6,349	4,747	3,644	3,092	2,624	-468	-15.1
Benson	4,136	3,945	3,351	2,845	2,502	2,513	11	0.4
Billings	689	675	490	380	364	221	-143	-39.3
Bottineau	4,428	4,521	3,252	2,601	2,063	1,587	-476	-23.1
Bowman	1,387	1,690	1,499	1,361	1,009	780	-229	-22.7
Burke	2,332	2,298	1,686	1,040	742	467	-275	-37.1
Burleigh	8,869	13,494	15,497	16,383	16,744	17,175	431	2.6
Cass	18,068	24,826	24,792	23,021	25,690	28,848	3,158	12.3
Cavalier	4,656	4,176	3,176	2,263	1,633	1,188	-445	-27.3
Dickey	3,279	3,112	2,386	2,090	1,527	1,369	-158	-10.3
Divide	2,088	2,153	1,542	897	692	462	-230	-33.2
Dunn	3,072	2,958	2,055	1,493	1,237	986	-251	-20.3
Eddy	1,947	2,011	1,546	980	738	651	-87	-11.8
Emmons	4,125	3,811	3,124	1,940	1,243	1,075	-168	-13.5
Foster	1,935	2,250	1,979	1,415	1,094	985	-109	-10.0
Golden Valley	1,326	1,312	966	752	651	545	-106	-16.3
Grand Forks	12,554	17,675	20,856	18,276	18,377	15,735	-2,642	-14.4
Grant	3,138	2,748	1,972	1,341	942	666	-276	-29.3
Griggs	1,881	1,969	1,393	958	857	621	-236	-27.5
Hettinger	3,008	2,847	2,105	1,269	900	634	-266	-29.6
Kidder	2,506	2,324	1,708	1,201	916	638	-278	-30.3
LaMoure	3,548	3,514	2,632	1,893	1,465	1,138	-327	-22.3
Logan	2,656	2,353	1,706	1,034	706	522	-184	-26.1
McHenry	4,945	4,642	3,401	2,311	1,770	1,434	-336	-19.0
McIntosh	2,845	2,585	1,923	1,145	873	656	-217	-24.9
McKenzie	2,612	3,081	2,354	2,382	2,111	1,756	-355	-16.8
McLean	7,367	5,884	4,211	3,832	3,053	2,212	-841	-27.5
Mercer	3,554	2,739	2,218	2,928	3,179	2,513	-666	-21.0
Morton	7,504	8,993	8,404	8,275	7,161	6,823	-338	-4.7
Mountrail	3,392	4,279	3,266	2,392	2,108	1,860	-248	-11.8
Nelson	2,711	2,458	1,876	1,304	1,027	820	-207	-20.2
Oliver	1,292	1,163	938	842	800	566	-234	-29.3
Pembina	5,241	5,335	3,901	3,033	2,591	2,140	-451	-17.4
Pierce	3,470	3,183	2,482	1,935	1,287	1,115	-172	-13.4
Ramsey	5,187	5,348	4,729	3,811	3,345	3,019	-326	-9.7
Ransom	3,000	2,987	2,374	1,911	1,531	1,471	-60	-3.9
Renville	2,020	1,905	1,441	1,097	873	609	-264	-30.2
Richland	6,869	7,009	5,876	4,805	4,917	4,437	-480	-9.8
Rolette	4,902	5,143	5,616	4,899	4,877	4,985	108	2.2
Sargent	2,915	2,771	2,182	1,681	1,224	1,155	-69	-5.6
Sheridan	2,109	1,766	1,120	777	516	366	-150	-29.1
Sioux	1,744	1,869	1,831	1,602	1,621	1,630	9	0.6
Slope	919	861	654	367	272	194	-78	-28.7
Stark	6,469	8,035	7,758	7,443	6,773	5,781	-992	-14.6
Steele	1,826	1,715	1,335	895	632	624	-8	-1.3
Stutsman	7,687	9,215	8,128	6,743	5,785	5,005	-780	-13.5
Towner	2,323	2,254	1,734	1,118	975	708	-267	-27.4
Traill	3,758	3,616	2,855	2,525	2,244	2,104	-140	-6.2
Walsh	6,458	6,713	5,738	4,343	3,817	3,091	-726	-19.0
Ward	11,814	18,282	21,681	17,918	16,252	15,423	-829	-5.1
Wells	3,791	3,613	2,956	1,973	1,434	1,149	-285	-19.9
Williams	5,743	9,356	7,514	6,606	6,326	5,172	-1,154	-18.2
North Dakota	223,647	251,633	226,350	190,991	175,385	160,849	-14,536	-8.3

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Decennial Censuses.

