

Cando, North Dakota - Understanding the Community in Which We Live

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Table 1. Demographic Characteristics

Demographics	Cando		Towner County					
	1990	2000	1990	2000	Projections			
					2005	2010	2015	2020
Total population	1,557	1,358	3,627	2,876	2,666	2,521	2,440	2,382
AGE								
Ages 0 to 19	380	347	1,048	754	664	536	532	543
% of total population	24.4	25.6	28.9	26.2	24.9	21.3	21.8	22.8
Ages 65 and Older	425	354	818	673	608	618	644	686
% of total population	27.3	26.1	22.6	23.4	22.8	24.5	26.4	28.8
RACE*								
White	1,514	1,319	3,573	2,796				
% of total population	97.2	97.1	98.5	97.2				
Black	4	2	4	2				
% of total population	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1				
American Indian or Alaska Native	39	28	50	55				
% of total population	2.5	2.1	1.4	1.9				
Asian, Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0				
% of total population	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0				
Other	0	0	0	2				
% of total population	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1				
Two or more races	-	9	-	21				
ETHNICITY								
Hispanic Origin of any race	0	4	0	6				
% of total population	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2				

Note: *Racial reporting procedures changed with Census 2000, allowing persons to report multiple races.

Data Sources: AGE - U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 Census, Summary Tape File 3 (STF3) Table P13, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>; 2000 Census, Summary File 3 (SF3) Table P8, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>; North Dakota State Data Center, North Dakota Population Projections: 2005 to 2020-Including County Distributions by Age and Gender, Issued September 2002, <http://www.ndsu.edu/sdc/data/ndpopulationprojections.htm>. RACE - U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 Census, Summary Tape File 3 (STF3) Table P8; 2000 Census, Summary File 3 (SF3) Table P6. ETHNICITY - U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 Census, Summary Tape File 3 (STF3) Table P10; 2000 Census, Summary File 3 (SF3) Table P7.

- Both the city of Cando and Towner County experienced a decline in population between 1990 and 2000.
- Population projections for Towner County indicate that population declines are likely to continue over the next two decades.
- The city of Cando experienced a slight increase in the proportion of youth under 20 years of age and a slight decline in the proportion of elderly ages 65 and older between 1990 and 2000. Conversely, Towner County experienced a decline in the proportion of youth and a slight increase in the proportion of elderly during this time period. Projections for Towner County indicate that this loss of youth and gain in elderly will likely continue over the next couple decades.
- There was little change in the racial diversity of Cando and Towner County between 1990 and 2000; nearly all residents were white in 2000.

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Table 2. Housing Characteristics

Housing	Cando				Towner County			
	1990		2000		1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total housing units	720	100.0	705	100.0	1,770	100.0	1,558	100.0
Occupied housing units	659	91.5	592	84.0	1,433	81.0	1,218	78.2
Owner-occupied housing units	409	56.8	412	58.4	1,015	57.3	912	58.5
Renter-occupied housing units	250	34.7	180	25.5	418	23.6	306	19.6
Vacant housing units	62	8.6	113	16.0	337	19.0	340	21.8
For rent	23	3.2	64	9.1	60	3.4	89	5.7
For sale only	16	2.2	15	2.1	40	2.3	47	3.0
Rented or sold, not occupied	4	0.6	16	2.3	16	0.9	32	2.1
For seasonal or recreational use	1	0.1	4	0.6	61	3.4	89	5.7
For migrant workers	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other vacant	18	2.5	14	2.0	160	9.0	83	5.3
Median value for specified owner-occupied housing units (2000 inflation adjusted dollars)	\$54,545		\$53,000		\$39,130		\$42,200	
Median year housing structure built (all housing units)	1966		1963		1958		1958	
Median price asked for specified vacant-for-sale-only housing units (dollars)	NA		\$10,800		NA		\$10,000-	

Notes: "\$10,000-" indicates that the median falls below \$10,000. For 1990 data, occupied and vacant housing units may not sum to total housing units due to two different data sets used to collect 1990 data; see Data Sources. The 1990 median values for owner-occupied housing units are inflated to their 2000 values using the consumer price index. NA indicates that data are not available.

Data Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 Census, Summary Tape File 3 (STF3) Tables H1, H8, H61A, and H25A, Summary Tape File 1 (STF1) Table H5, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>; 2000 Census, Summary File 3 (SF3) Tables H1, H7, H8, H76, H37, and H88, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>.

- Both the city of Cando and Towner County experienced modest declines in the total number of housing units between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, 58 percent of housing units in Cando and 59 percent in Towner County were owner-occupied.
- The number of vacant housing units nearly doubled in the city of Cando and remained relatively unchanged in Towner County between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, vacant housing comprised 16 percent of all housing in Cando and 22 percent in Towner County.
- In 2000, the median value of an owner-occupied home in the city of Cando was \$53,000, compared to \$42,200 in Towner County. After adjusting for inflation, the median value of an owner-occupied home in Cando actually declined slightly between 1990 and 2000.
- In 2000, half of all housing units in the city of Cando were built before 1963; half of all housing units in Towner County were built before 1958.

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Table 3. Income and Poverty Characteristics

Income and Poverty	Cando		Towner County	
	1990	2000	1990	2000
Median household income (2000 inflation adjusted dollars)	\$27,281	\$31,989	\$24,516	\$32,740
Per capita income (2000 inflation adjusted dollars)	\$15,941	\$19,128	\$12,491	\$17,605
Persons for whom poverty is determined	1,462	1,286	3,526	2,794
Living below poverty	169	125	758	249
% of all persons	11.6	9.7	21.5	8.9
Ages 0 to 17 below poverty	49	31	261	70
% of all persons below poverty	29.0	24.8	34.4	28.1
Ages 65 and older below poverty	67	43	180	54
% of all persons below poverty	39.6	34.4	23.7	21.7

Note: The 1990 median household income and per capita income values are inflated to their 2000 values using the consumer price index.
Data Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 Census, Summary Tape File 3 (STF3) Tables P80A, P114A, and P117, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>; 2000 Census, Summary File 3 (SF3) Tables P53, P82, and P87, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>.

- The median household income in the city of Cando was \$31,989 in 2000, compared to \$32,740 in Towner County. When the 1990 median values are adjusted for inflation, the 2000 median household incomes represent an increase in purchasing power for both Cando and Towner County.
- The number and proportion of residents living below poverty declined for both the city of Cando and Towner County between 1990 and 2000; however, the decline in Towner County was more significant. In 2000, 10 percent of residents in Cando and 9 percent in Towner County were impoverished.
- The number of both impoverished children and impoverished elderly declined significantly in Towner County between 1990 and 2000. Declines in both impoverished children and impoverished elderly were also seen in Cando; however, not as significant. In 2000, children comprised 28 percent of all impoverished residents in Towner County and 25 percent in Cando. Elderly comprised 22 percent of all impoverished residents in Towner County and 34 percent in Cando in 2000.

Table 4. Religious Congregation and Membership Characteristics

Religion	Cando		Towner County	
	1990	2000	1990	2000
Number of churches, synagogues, mosques, and temples	NA	NA	15	13
Full-time members	NA	NA	1,688	1,481
Number of attendees	NA	NA	NA	551

Note: NA indicates that data are not available for this geography.
Data Sources: "Religious Congregations and Membership in the United States 2000: An Enumeration by Region, State, and County Based on Data Reported by 49 Religious Bodies." Nashville, TN: Glenmary Research Center, 2002; "Churches and Church Membership in the United States 1990: An Enumeration by Region, State, and County Based on Data Reported for 133 Church Groupings." Atlanta, GA: Glenmary Research Center, 1992.

- The number of churches, synagogues, mosques, and temples in Towner County declined by two between 1990 and 2000 and the number of full-time members declined as well. These declines may be a reflection of the overall population loss the county experienced during the same time period.

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Table 5. Health Characteristics

Health	Towner County			
	2002	2003	2004	2005
Total resident births	25	20	16	18
Birth rate (births per 1,000 persons)	8.69	6.95	5.56	6.26
Births to teenage mothers	NR	NR	NR	NR
Total resident deaths	39	50	39	37
Death rate (deaths per 1,000 persons)	13.56	17.39	13.56	12.87
Deaths due to suicide	0	NR	0	NR
Deaths due to cancer	9	7	10	6
Deaths due to heart disease	10	15	7	12
Foster care placements	4	6	6	7

Note: NR - Data are not reported for geographies where the number of events is five or less.

Data Sources: BIRTHS and DEATHS - Calendar year data. North Dakota Department of Health, Vital Records, <http://www.vitalnd.com/>. FOSTER CARE - Fiscal year data. North Dakota Department of Human Services, Children and Family Services Division, unpublished data.

- Towner County reported 18 births in 2005, a rate of 6.26 per 1,000 persons. This rate was down from 8.69 in 2002, but up from 5.56 in 2004.
- Towner County reported 37 deaths in 2005, down from 50 in 2003. Major contributors to death were heart disease and cancer.
- In 2005, the number of foster care placements totaled seven in Towner County, up from four in 2002.

Table 6. Labor Force Characteristics

Labor Force	Cando		Towner County	
	1990	2000	1990	2000
Persons 16 years and older	1,249	1,076	2,739	2,287
In the labor force	705	656	1,488	1,375
Armed Forces	0	3	0	3
Civilian employed	687	644	1,439	1,341
Civilian unemployed	18	9	49	31
Unemployment rate (unemployed as a % of civilian labor force)	2.6	1.4	3.3	2.3
Not in the labor force	544	420	1,251	912

Data Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 Census, Summary Tape File 3 (STF3) Table P70, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>; 2000 Census, Summary File 3 (SF3) Table P43, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>.

- Both the city of Cando and Towner County experienced a decline in the labor force between 1990 and 2000. This could be due to the decline in the number of persons 16 years and older during this same time period.
- The unemployment rate declined slightly for both the city of Cando and Towner County between 1990 and 2000.

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Table 7. Employment Characteristics

Employment	Cando				Towner County			
	1990		2000		1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total employed (in civilian labor force)	687	100.0	644	100.0	1,439	100.0	1,341	100.0
GENDER								
Females	311	45.3	318	49.4	600	41.7	632	47.1
Males	376	54.7	326	50.6	839	58.3	709	52.9
INDUSTRY								
Agriculture, forestry, mining	72	10.5	61	9.5	357	24.8	277	20.7
Manufacturing	107	15.6	86	13.4	144	10.0	121	9.0
Retail Trade	125	18.2	69	10.7	200	13.9	115	8.6
Services	214	31.1	232	36.0	420	29.2	458	34.2
Other	169	24.6	196	30.4	318	22.1	370	27.6

Data Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 Census, Summary Tape File 3 (STF3) Tables P70 and P77, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>; 2000 Census, Summary File 3 (SF3) Tables P43 and P49, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>.

- Total employment declined for both the city of Cando and Towner County between 1990 to 2000.
- The percentage of employed that was female increased for both the city of Cando and Towner County between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, females comprised 49 percent of all employed in Cando and 47 percent of all employed in Towner County.
- Both the city of Cando and Towner County experienced declines in agricultural, manufacturing, and retail trade employment and an increase in service industry employment between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, the service sector was the largest industry in both Cando and Towner County, employing approximately one-third of workers in both areas.

Table 8. Educational Attainment Characteristics

Educational Attainment	Cando				Towner County			
	1990		2000		1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and older	1,111	100.0	994	100.0	2,449	100.0	2,057	100.0
Less than High School	367	33.0	209	21.0	687	28.1	372	18.1
Less than 9th grade	236	21.2	109	11.0	449	18.3	191	9.3
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	131	11.8	100	10.1	238	9.7	181	8.8
High school graduate (or equivalency)	276	24.8	324	32.6	775	31.6	695	33.8
Some college, no degree	212	19.1	205	20.6	449	18.3	474	23.0
College degree	256	23.0	256	25.8	538	22.0	516	25.1
Associate degree	91	8.2	78	7.8	227	9.3	184	8.9
Bachelor's degree	137	12.3	151	15.2	258	10.5	281	13.7
Graduate or professional degree	28	2.5	27	2.7	53	2.2	51	2.5

Data Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 Census, Summary Tape File 3 (STF3) Table P57, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>; 2000 Census, Summary File 3 (SF3) Table P37, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>.

- The city of Cando and Towner County experienced increases in the proportion of persons ages 25 and older with some college but no degree and in the proportion with a college degree between 1990 and 2000.

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Table 9. School District Characteristics

Enrollment, Achievement, and Proficiency	Southern Public School District			
	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005
Total K-12 enrollment	295	278	259	224
GRADE				
Kindergarten to 6th grade	135	134	113	106
7th to 8th grade	49	36	41	37
9th to 12th grade	111	108	105	81
RACE*				
% White	90.3	92.5	87.6	90.2
% Black	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0
% American Indian	9.4	5.7	10.0	8.5
% Asian	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.4
% Hispanic	0.3	1.1	1.9	0.9
High school graduation rate	96.0	96.0	96.6	95.2
High school dropouts	0	2	1	0
Student to classroom teacher ratio	16.4	15.4	14.8	14.3
% of students who scored at the proficient or advanced achievement level in reading	74.0	57.6	73.8	75.4
% of students who scored at the proficient or advanced achievement level in math	46.8	47.4	62.3	74.6

Notes: *The North Dakota Department of Public Instruction classifies Hispanic origin as a separate race, not as an ethnic origin of any race. NA indicates that data are not available.
Data Sources: Academic year data. North Dakota Department of Public Instruction, North Dakota School District Profiles, <http://www.dpi.state.nd.us/dpi/reports/Profile/index.shtm>.

- Enrollment within the Southern Public School District declined over the past few years, from 295 students in 2001-2002 to 224 students in 2004-2005.

- In 2004-2005, 75 percent of students in the Southern Public School District were proficient or advanced in reading, with little change from 74 percent in 2001-2002. In addition, 75 percent of students were proficient or advanced in math in 2004-2005, up from 47 percent in 2001-2002.