

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

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Table 1. Demographic Characteristics

Demographics	Cooperstown		Griggs County					
	1990	2000	1990	2000	Projections			
					2005	2010	2015	2020
Total population	1,270	1,074	3,303	2,754	2,557	2,418	2,271	2,099
AGE								
Ages 0 to 19	321	257	907	696	603	550	553	537
% of total population	25.3	23.9	27.5	25.3	23.6	22.7	24.4	25.6
Ages 65 and Older	377	315	795	706	660	672	684	708
% of total population	29.7	29.3	24.1	25.6	25.8	27.8	30.1	33.7
RACE*								
White	1,256	1,070	3,285	2,739				
% of total population	98.9	99.6	99.5	99.5				
Black	0	0	0	0				
% of total population	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0				
American Indian or Alaska Native	14	4	18	8				
% of total population	1.1	0.4	0.5	0.3				
Asian, Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	0	0	0	3				
% of total population	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1				
Other	0	0	0	0				
% of total population	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0				
Two or more races	-	0	-	4				
ETHNICITY								
Hispanic Origin of any race	5	0	5	1				
% of total population	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.0				

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 Cooperstown and Griggs County experienced a decline in population between 1990 and 2000.
- Population projections for Griggs County indicate that population declines are likely to continue over the next two decades.
- The city of Cooperstown experienced a slight decline in the proportion of both youth under 20 years of age and the elderly ages 65 and older between 1990 and 2000. At the same time, Griggs County experienced a decline in the proportion of youth and an increase in the proportion of elderly. Projections for Griggs 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 Cooperstown and Griggs County between 1990 and 2000; nearly all residents were white in 2000.

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Table 2. Housing Characteristics

Housing	Cooperstown				Griggs County			
	1990		2000		1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total housing units	587	100.0	571	100.0	1,660	100.0	1,521	100.0
Occupied housing units	522	88.9	489	85.6	1,294	78.0	1,178	77.4
Owner-occupied housing units	374	63.7	366	64.1	982	59.2	923	60.7
Renter-occupied housing units	148	25.2	123	21.5	312	18.8	255	16.8
Vacant housing units	66	11.2	82	14.4	366	22.0	343	22.6
For rent	23	3.9	23	4.0	33	2.0	45	3.0
For sale only	13	2.2	23	4.0	28	1.7	54	3.6
Rented or sold, not occupied	8	1.4	4	0.7	55	3.3	9	0.6
For seasonal or recreational use	2	0.3	17	3.0	149	9.0	142	9.3
For migrant workers	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other vacant	20	3.4	15	2.6	101	6.1	93	6.1
Median value for specified owner-occupied housing units (2000 inflation adjusted dollars)	\$47,958		\$45,400		\$37,681		\$36,000	
Median year housing structure built (all housing units)	1963		1960		1950		1952	
Median price asked for specified vacant-for-sale-only housing units (dollars)	NA		\$41,300		NA		\$11,500	

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 Cooperstown and Griggs County experienced modest declines in the total number of housing units between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, 64 percent of housing units in Cooperstown and 61 percent in Griggs County were owner-occupied.
- The number of vacant housing units increased in the city of Cooperstown and declined slightly in Griggs County between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, vacant housing comprised 14 percent of all housing in Cooperstown and 23 percent in Griggs County.
- In 2000, the median value of an owner-occupied home in the city of Cooperstown was \$45,400, compared to \$36,000 in Griggs County. These 2000 values were actually lower than the 1990 median values after adjusting for inflation.
- In 2000, half of all housing units in the city of Cooperstown were built before 1960; half of all housing units in Griggs County were built before 1952.

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Table 3. Income and Poverty Characteristics

Income and Poverty	Cooperstown		Griggs County	
	1990	2000	1990	2000
Median household income (2000 inflation adjusted dollars)	\$25,472	\$28,705	\$25,582	\$29,572
Per capita income (2000 inflation adjusted dollars)	\$11,953	\$17,334	\$11,615	\$16,131
Persons for whom poverty is determined	1,214	1,017	3,247	2,690
Living below poverty	194	107	505	272
% of all persons	16.0	10.5	15.6	10.1
Ages 0 to 17 below poverty	65	27	200	64
% of all persons below poverty	33.5	25.2	39.6	23.5
Ages 65 and older below poverty	67	29	99	67
% of all persons below poverty	34.5	27.1	19.6	24.6

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 Cooperstown was \$28,705 in 2000, compared to \$29,572 in Griggs County. When the 1990 median values are adjusted for inflation, the 2000 median household incomes represent an increase in purchasing power for the city of Cooperstown and Griggs County.
- The city of Cooperstown and Griggs County experienced declines in the number and proportion of persons living below poverty between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, approximately 10 percent of residents in both Cooperstown and Griggs County were impoverished.
- The number of both impoverished children and impoverished elderly declined significantly in Cooperstown and Griggs County between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, children comprised 24 percent of all impoverished residents in Griggs County and 25 percent in Cooperstown. Elderly comprised 25 percent of all impoverished residents in Griggs County and 27 percent in Cooperstown in 2000.

Table 4. Religious Congregation and Membership Characteristics

Religion	Cooperstown		Griggs County	
	1990	2000	1990	2000
Number of churches, synagogues, mosques, and temples	NA	NA	20	18
Full-time members	NA	NA	1,587	1,376
Number of attendees	NA	NA	NA	737

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 Griggs 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	Griggs County			
	2002	2003	2004	2005
Total resident births	19	19	17	20
Birth rate (births per 1,000 persons)	6.90	6.90	6.17	7.26
Births to teenage mothers	NR	NR	NR	NR
Total resident deaths	59	48	39	46
Death rate (deaths per 1,000 persons)	21.42	17.43	14.16	16.70
Deaths due to suicide	0	0	0	0
Deaths due to cancer	9	NR	12	10
Deaths due to heart disease	18	23	14	18
Foster care placements	1	0	0	3

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.

- Griggs County reported 20 births in 2005, a rate of 7.26 per 1,000 persons. This rate was up from 6.90 in 2002.
- The number of reported deaths occurring in Griggs County was 46 in 2005, down from 59 in 2002. Major contributors to death were heart disease and cancer.

Table 6. Labor Force Characteristics

Labor Force	Cooperstown		Griggs County	
	1990	2000	1990	2000
Persons 16 years and older	1,002	870	2,545	2,229
In the labor force	501	504	1,466	1,323
Armed Forces	2	0	2	3
Civilian employed	463	499	1,396	1,278
Civilian unemployed	36	5	68	42
Unemployment rate (unemployed as a % of civilian labor force)	7.2	1.0	4.6	3.2
Not in the labor force	501	366	1,079	906

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/>.

- The city of Cooperstown experienced little change in the labor force between 1990 and 2000 while Griggs County experienced a decline in the labor force.
- The unemployment rate declined significantly for the city of Cooperstown between 1990 and 2000. Griggs County saw a slight decline in the unemployment rate during this time period.

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Table 7. Employment Characteristics

Employment	Cooperstown				Griggs County			
	1990		2000		1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total employed (in civilian labor force)	463	100.0	499	100.0	1,396	100.0	1,278	100.0
GENDER								
Females	219	47.3	244	48.9	552	39.5	577	45.1
Males	244	52.7	255	51.1	844	60.5	701	54.9
INDUSTRY								
Agriculture, forestry, mining	28	6.0	17	3.4	432	30.9	204	16.0
Manufacturing	48	10.4	69	13.8	90	6.4	124	9.7
Retail Trade	94	20.3	78	15.6	199	14.3	144	11.3
Services	163	35.2	184	36.9	357	25.6	449	35.1
Other	130	28.1	151	30.3	318	22.8	357	27.9

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 increased in the city of Cooperstown between 1990 and 2000 and declined in Griggs County.
- The percentage of Cooperstown's employment that was female remained relatively unchanged between 1990 and 2000, comprising 49 percent in 2000. In Griggs County, females comprised 45 percent of all employed in 2000, up from 40 percent in 1990.
- The city of Cooperstown experienced modest changes in the employment distribution by industry between 1990 and 2000. Griggs County experienced significant growth in service industry employment and a significant decline in agricultural employment during the same time period. In 2000, the service sector was the largest industry in both Cooperstown and Griggs County, employing approximately one-third of workers in both areas.

Table 8. Educational Attainment Characteristics

Educational Attainment	Cooperstown				Griggs County			
	1990		2000		1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and older	898	100.0	791	100.0	2,285	100.0	1,993	100.0
Less than High School	303	33.7	193	24.4	733	32.1	424	21.3
Less than 9th grade	207	23.1	117	14.8	515	22.5	254	12.7
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	96	10.7	76	9.6	218	9.5	170	8.5
High school graduate (or equivalency)	231	25.7	234	29.6	637	27.9	650	32.6
Some college, no degree	157	17.5	195	24.7	410	17.9	483	24.2
College degree	207	23.1	169	21.4	505	22.1	436	21.9
Associate degree	87	9.7	47	5.9	228	10.0	123	6.2
Bachelor's degree	98	10.9	95	12.0	245	10.7	256	12.8
Graduate or professional degree	22	2.4	27	3.4	32	1.4	57	2.9

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 Cooperstown and Griggs County experienced an increase in the number and proportion of persons 25 years and older having some college education but no degree between 1990 and 2000 and a decline in the proportion who received less than a high school education.

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Table 9. School District Characteristics

Enrollment, Achievement, and Proficiency	Griggs County Central Public School District			
	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005
Total K-12 enrollment	348	341	335	336
GRADE				
Kindergarten to 6th grade	169	179	168	165
7th to 8th grade	55	39	52	62
9th to 12th grade	124	123	115	109
RACE*				
% White	99.7	99.7	98.2	98.8
% Black	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
% American Indian	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0
% Asian	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3
% Hispanic	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.6
High school graduation rate	90.3	90.9	100.0	100.0
High school dropouts	1	0	0	0
Student to classroom teacher ratio	15.5	15.9	15.6	17.7
% of students who scored at the proficient or advanced achievement level in reading	70.7	74.4	82.1	82.4
% of students who scored at the proficient or advanced achievement level in math	51.3	62.2	61.2	75.4

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 Griggs County Central Public School District has remained relatively stable over the past few years, with total K-12 enrollment at 336 students in 2004-2005.
- In 2004-2005, 82 percent of students in the Griggs County Central Public School District were proficient or advanced in reading, up from 71 percent in 2001-2002. In addition, 75 percent of students were proficient or advanced in math in 2004-2005, up from 51 percent in 2001-2002.