

-Understanding The Community In Which We Live - Regent, ND

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Table 1. Demographics

DEMOGRAPHICS	Regent, ND		Hettinger County, ND					
	Census		Census		Projections			
	1990	2000	1990	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020
Total Population	259	228	3,445	2,715	2,432	2,228	2,046	1,877
AGE:								
Ages 0 to 19	73	54	963	679	558	446	416	399
Percent of Total Population	28.2	23.7	28.0	25.0	22.9	20.0	20.3	21.3
Ages 65 and Older	61	69	773	688	682	708	745	784
Percent of Total Population	23.6	30.3	22.4	25.3	28.0	31.8	36.4	41.8
RACE*								
White	257	228	3,429	2,690				
Percent of Total Population	99.2	100.0	99.5	99.1				
Black or African American	0	0	0	0				
Percent of Total Population	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0				
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	12				
Percent of Total Population	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4				
Asian/Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0	0	14	2				
Percent of Total Population	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.1				
Other	2	0	2	3				
Percent of Total Population	0.8	0.0	0.1	0.1				

Note: Racial reporting procedures changed with the 2000 Census, allowing persons to report multiple races. The categories listed above for 2000 represent those persons who reported 'one race only'.

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.nodak.edu/sdc/data/projections.htm>>; Minnesota Department of Administration, State and Community Services, State Demographic Center, Estimates and Projections, <http://www.demography.state.mn.us/demog_03.html>; RACE - U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 Census, Summary Tape File 3 (STF3) Table P8; 2000 Census, Summary File 3 (SF3) Table P6.

- Regent city experienced a 12 percent loss in population from 1990 to 2000. Hettinger County experienced a decline of 21 percent over the same time period.
- Population projections indicate that current declines in population in Hettinger County are likely to continue.
- Approximately 25 percent of persons in Hettinger County were age 65 and older in 2000. This percentage is projected to reach 42 percent by 2020.
- There has been little change in the racial diversity of Regent city and Hettinger County over the past decade. The racial mix in Regent city and Hettinger County remains predominantly white.

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Table 2. Housing

HOUSING	Regent, ND				Hettinger County, ND			
	1990		2000		1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Housing Units	141	100.0	127	100.0	1,637	100.0	1,419	100.0
Occupied Housing Units	110	100.0	105	100.0	1,341	100.0	1,152	100.0
Owner-Occupied Housing Units	74	67.3	87	82.9	1,100	82.0	971	84.3
Renter-Occupied Housing Units	36	32.7	18	17.1	241	18.0	181	15.7
Vacant Housing Units	29	100.0	22	100.0	296	100.0	267	100.0
For Rent	8	27.6	0	0.0	65	22.0	29	10.9
For Sale Only	5	17.2	3	13.6	49	16.6	35	13.1
Rented or Sold, Not Occupied	2	6.9	0	0.0	19	6.4	19	7.1
For Seasonal, Recreational, or Occasional Use	1	3.4	6	27.3	13	4.4	83	31.1
For Migrant Workers	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other Vacant	13	44.8	13	59.1	150	50.7	101	37.8
Median Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units (Dollars)	\$14,999		\$15,700		\$24,700		\$30,300	
Median Year Housing Structure Built (All Housing Units)	1957		1951		1954		1951	
Median Price Asked for Specified Vacant-for-sale-only Housing Units (Dollars)								

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, H35, and H88, <<http://factfinder.census.gov/>>.

- The total number of housing units declined 10 percent in Regent city and 13 percent in Hettinger County over the past decade.
- The proportion of owner-occupied housing units in Regent city increased from 67 percent in 1990 to 83 percent in 2000. During the same period of time, the proportion of owner-occupied housing units in Hettinger County remained relatively stable.
- The number and proportion of vacant housing units in Regent city and Hettinger County have declined over the past decade. The number and proportion of seasonal vacancies have increased, however.
- In 2000, the median value of an owner-occupied home was \$15,700 in Regent. In Hettinger County, the median value was nearly twice that at \$30,300.
- In 2000, half of housing units in Regent city and Hettinger County were built before 1951.

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Table 3. Income and Poverty

INCOME AND POVERTY	Regent, ND		Hettinger County, ND	
	1990	2000	1990	2000
Median Household Income (Dollars)	\$18,438	\$24,250	\$19,601	\$29,209
Per Capita Personal Income (Dollars)	\$9,831	\$11,857	\$9,203	\$15,555
Persons in Poverty	39	49	627	393
Percent of Persons in Poverty	15.1	21.5	18.5	14.8
Persons Ages 0 to 17 in Poverty	20	21	220	134
Percent of Persons 0 to 17 in Poverty	28.2	38.9	24.1	21.2
Persons Ages 65 and Older in Poverty	4	7	96	76
Percent of Persons Ages 65 and Older in Poverty	6.6	10.1	13.3	12.0

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 Regent city in 2000 was \$24,250 compared to \$29,209 in Hettinger County. When adjusted for inflation, the 2000 median household income in Regent actually represents a decline in purchasing power.
- Between 1990 and 2000, Hettinger County experienced a decline in the number and percentage of impoverished persons, children, and elderly. This county trend, however, was not reflected in the city of Regent. During the same period of time, Regent experienced an increase in the number and percentage of impoverished persons, children, and elderly.

Table 4. Spiritual

SPIRITUAL	Regent, ND		Hettinger County, ND	
	1990	2000	1990	2000
Number of Churches, Synagogues, Mosques, Temples			17	15
Full-Time Members			1,395	1,093
Number of Attendees				493

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 Hettinger County has declined by two over the past ten years and the number of full-time members has declined as well. These declines reflect population loss in the county over the past 10 years.

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Table 5. Health

HEALTH	Hettinger County, ND		
	2000	2001	2002
Total Births	18	18	15
Birth Rate (Births Per 1,000 Persons)	6.63	6.63	5.52
Births to Teenage Mothers	0	NR	0
Total Deaths	40	44	32
Death Rate (Deaths Per 100,000 Persons)	1,473.30	1,620.63	1,178.64
Deaths Due to Suicide	0	0	0
Deaths Due to Cancer	13	7	9
Deaths Due to Heart Disease	11	10	8
Foster Care Placements	3	3	
Adoptions			

Data Sources: BIRTHS and DEATHS - North Dakota Department of Health, Vital Records, "unpublished data" and <<http://www.vitalnd.com/>>; Minnesota Department of Health, Health Data and Statistics, <http://www.health.state.mn.us/stats.html>>; South Dakota Department of Health, Vital Records, "unpublished data" and <<http://www.state.sd.us/doh/Stats/vstats.htm>>; FOSTER CARE and ADOPTIONS - North Dakota Department of Human Services, Children and Family Services Division, <<http://www.state.nd.us/humanservices/info/pubs/family.html>>; Minnesota Department of Human Services, Children and Family Services, "unpublished data" and <<http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/CFS/Research/outofhome.htm>> and <<http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/default.htm>>; South Dakota Department of Social Services, <<http://www.state.sd.us/social/>>. Note: NR indicates that data are not reported (event number may be less than 5).

- The number of births in Hettinger County remained unchanged at 18 in 2000 and 2001, a rate of 6.6 births per 1,000 persons. In 2002, total births declined to 15, or 5.5 births per 1,000 persons.
- The number of deaths occurring in the county decreased from 40 to 32 between 2000 and 2002. However, the expected rise in the number of elderly may increase the number of deaths over time. Not surprisingly, therefore, major contributors to death are heart disease and cancer.

Table 6. Labor Force

LABOR FORCE	Regent, ND		Hettinger County, ND	
	1990	2000	1990	2000
Persons 16 Years and Older	195	180	2,648	2,181
In Labor Force	122	91	1,470	1,200
Civilian Employed	120	86	1,429	1,137
Civilian Unemployed	2	5	38	58
Unemployed as Percent of Civilian Labor Force	1.6	5.5	2.6	4.9
Not in Labor Force	73	89	1,178	981

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 labor force decreased by 25 percent in Regent city and by 18 percent in Hettinger County over the past 10 years.
- Unemployment increased by three people in Regent city and 20 people in Hettinger County from 1990 to 2000.

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Table 7. Employment by Gender and Industry

EMPLOYMENT BY GENDER AND INDUSTRY	Regent, ND				Hettinger County, ND			
	1990		2000		1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Employment of Persons 16 Years and Older	120	100.0	86	100.0	1,429	100.0	1,137	100.0
Females	49	40.8	39	45.3	570	39.9	464	40.8
Males	71	59.2	47	54.7	859	60.1	673	59.2
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting, and Mining	35	29.2	17	19.8	524	36.7	374	32.9
Manufacturing	2	1.7	0	0.0	43	3.0	37	3.3
Services	38	31.7	37	43.0	392	27.4	360	31.7

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 has decreased by 28 percent in Regent city and 20 percent in Hettinger County over the past decade.
- Over the past decade, the proportion of employed persons who are female in Regent increased from 41 percent to 45 percent. Hettinger County experienced little change in the proportion of employed persons who are female over the same decade.

Table 8. Educational Attainment

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT	Regent, ND				Hettinger County, ND			
	1990		2000		1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Persons 25 Years and Older	175	100.0	172	100.0	2,377	100.0	1,978	100.0
Less Than 9 th Grade	37	21.1	23	13.4	544	22.9	343	17.3
9 th to 12 th Grade, No Diploma	8	4.6	10	5.8	181	7.6	155	7.8
High School Graduate (Includes Equivalency)	56	32.0	71	41.3	756	31.8	645	32.6
Some College, No Degree	41	23.4	42	24.4	432	18.2	410	20.7
Associate Degree	9	5.1	10	5.8	175	7.4	141	7.1
Bachelor's Degree	17	9.7	12	7.0	252	10.6	246	12.4
Graduate or Professional Degree	7	4.0	4	2.3	37	1.6	38	1.9

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 proportion of residents in Regent city and Hettinger County who did not graduate from high school has declined since 1990. In Regent city, the proportion of residents who have, at most, a high school diploma increased while the proportion with at least some college declined. In Hettinger County, those with, at most, a high school diploma remained stable, while the proportion with at least some college increased slightly.

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Table 9. Enrollment by Grade Level and Race/Hispanic Origin

ENROLLMENT BY GRADE LEVEL AND RACE/HISPANIC ORIGIN	Regent, ND School District	Mott-Regent, ND School District	
	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003
Total K-12 Enrollment	98	321	294
K-8	56	208	182
9-12	42	113	112
K-12 Enrollment by Race/Hispanic Origin:	98	321	294
White	91	317	294
Black	0	1	0
American Indian	6	1	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	0	1	0
Hispanic Origin	1	1	0
High School Graduation Rates	100.0	96.3	96.0
High School Dropouts		1	1
Student/Teacher Ratio	8.2	12.5	11.3
Percent of Students Meeting Proficiency Cutpoints in Reading		56.6	56.0
Percent of Students Meeting Proficiency Cutpoints in Math		34.7	33.4

Data Sources: North Dakota Department of Public Instruction, North Dakota School District Profiles, "unpublished data" and <<http://www.dpi.state.nd.us/dpi/reports/profile/index.shtm>>; Minnesota Department of Education, School Report Cards, <http://education.state.mn.us/html/intro_mde_analysis.htm>; South Dakota Department of Education, <<http://www.state.sd.us/deca/Finance/Data/stats/statbook.htm>>.

- The Mott and Regent school districts merged prior to the 2001-2002 school year. The combined school district experienced a loss of 8 percent after the first year of operation.
- In spite of the natural fluctuation in high school graduation rates as a result of class size, the combined school district experienced a high graduation rate during its first two years of operation. The combined school district has experienced minimal dropouts during the same time period.