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**Table 1. Demographic Characteristics** 

	Zip Cod	e 58365	Towner County					
						Projec	ctions	
Demographics	1990	2000	1990	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020
Total population	508	449	3,627	2,876	2,666	2,521	2,440	2,382
AGE								
Ages 0 to 19	158	131	1,048	754	664	536	532	543
% of total population	31.1	29.2	28.9	26.2	24.9	21.3	21.8	22.8
Ages 65 and Older	139	97	818	673	608	618	644	686
% of total population	27.4	21.6	22.6	23.4	22.8	24.5	26.4	28.8
RACE*								
White	504	430	3,573	2,796				
% of total population	99.2	95.8	98.5	97.2				
Black	0	0	4	2				
% of total population	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1				
American Indian or Alaska Native	4	15	50	55				
% of total population	0.8	3.3	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	2	0	2				
% of total population	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.1				
Two or more races	-	2	-	21				
ETHNICITY								
Hispanic Origin of any race	0	2	0	6				
% of total population	0.0	0.4	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 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 P7.

- The boundaries for zip code 58365 changed significantly between 1990 and 2000 (see boundary maps). Therefore, an assessment of change between 1990 and 2000 using these data is not appropriate.
- In 1990, zip code 58365 encompassed most of the northeast corner of Towner County and had 508 residents. A boundary change in 2000 shifted the territory to the north central and western side of the county which had 449 residents.
- Towner County experienced a significant 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.
- In 2000, 29 percent of residents in zip code 58365 and 26 percent in Towner County were youth under 20 years of age. In addition, 22 percent in zip code 58365 and 23 percent in Towner County were elderly ages 65 and older. Towner County experienced a decline in the proportion of youth and an increase in the proportion of elderly between 1990 and 2000. Projections for Towner County indicate that this loss of youth and gain in elderly will likely continue over the next couple decades.
- In 2000, nearly all residents in both zip code 58365 and Towner County were white.

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**Table 2. Housing Characteristics** 

	Zip Code 58365			Towner County					
	199	1990		2000		1990		2000	
Housing	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total housing units	273	100.0	264	100.0	1,770	100.0	1,558	100.0	
Occupied housing units	200	73.3	189	71.6	1,433	81.0	1,218	78.2	
Owner-occupied housing units	158	57.9	140	53.0	1,015	57.3	912	58.5	
Renter-occupied housing units	42	15.4	49	18.6	418	23.6	306	19.6	
Vacant housing units	73	26.7	75	28.4	337	19.0	340	21.8	
For rent	NA	NA	2	0.8	60	3.4	89	5.7	
For sale only	NA	NA	7	2.7	40	2.3	47	3.0	
Rented or sold, not occupied	NA	NA	5	1.9	16	0.9	32	2.1	
For seasonal or recreational use	NA	NA	35	13.3	61	3.4	89	5.7	
For migrant workers	NA	NA	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Other vacant	NA	NA	26	9.8	160	9.0	83	5.3	
Median value for specified owner-occupied									
housing units (2000 inflation adjusted dollars)	\$21,871		\$25,300		\$39,130		\$42,200		
Median year housing structure built (all housing									
units)	1959		1961		1958		1958		
Median price asked for specified vacant-for-									
sale-only housing units (dollars)	NA		\$10,000-		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/.

- The boundaries for zip code 58365 changed significantly between 1990 and 2000 (see boundary maps). Therefore, an assessment of change between 1990 and 2000 using these data is not appropriate.
- Towner County experienced a decline in total housing units between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, 53 percent of housing units in zip code 58365 and 59 percent in Towner County were owner-occupied.
- Towner County experienced little change in the number of vacant housing units between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, 22 percent of housing was vacant in Towner County compared to 28 percent in zip code 58365.
- In 2000, the median value of an owner-occupied home in zip code 58365 was \$25,300, compared to \$42,200 in Towner County.
- In 2000, half of all housing units in zip code 58365 were built before 1961; half of all housing units in Towner County were built before 1958.

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**Table 3. Income and Poverty Characteristics** 

	Zip Cod	e 58365	Towner County		
Income and Poverty	1990	2000	1990	2000	
Median household income (2000 inflation					
adjusted dollars)	\$18,321	\$27,188	\$24,516	\$32,740	
Per capita income (2000 inflation adjusted					
dollars)	\$8,104	\$13,456	\$12,491	\$17,605	
Persons for whom poverty is determined	508	449	3,526	2,794	
Living below poverty	168	51	758	249	
% of all persons	33.1	11.4	21.5	8.9	
Ages 0 to 17 below poverty	51	19	261	70	
% of all persons below poverty	30.4	37.3	34.4	28.1	
Ages 65 and older below poverty	64	2	180	54	
% of all persons below poverty	38.1	3.9	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 boundaries for zip code 58365 changed significantly between 1990 and 2000 (see boundary maps). Therefore, an assessment of change between 1990 and 2000 using these data is not appropriate.
- The median household income in zip code 58365 was \$27,188 in 2000, compared to \$32,740 in Towner County. When the 1990 median values are adjusted for inflation, the 2000 median household income represents a significant increase in purchasing power for Towner County residents.
- Towner County experienced a significant decline in the number and proportion of people living below poverty between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, 9 percent of Towner County residents were impoverished compared to 11 percent in zip code 58365.
- Towner County experienced a significant decline in the number of both impoverished children and impoverished elderly between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, 28 percent of the impoverished residents in Towner County were children and 22 percent were elderly. In contrast, 37 percent of impoverished residents in zip code 58365 were children and 4 percent were elderly in 2000.

**Table 4. Religious Congregation and Membership Characteristics** 

	Zip Cod	e 58365	Towner County			
Religion	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** 

	Towner County							
Health	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 up from 5.56 in 2004, but down from 8.69 in 2002.
- Towner County reported 37 deaths in 2005, down from 50 in 2003. Major contributors to death were heart disease and cancer.
- In 2005, there were seven foster care placements in Towner County.

**Table 6. Labor Force Characteristics** 

	Zip Cod	e 58365	Towner County			
Labor Force	1990	2000	1990	2000		
Persons 16 years and older	376	358	2,739	2,287		
In the labor force	170	207	1,488	1,375		
Armed Forces	0	0	0	3		
Civilian employed	159	196	1,439	1,341		
Civilian unemployed	11	11	49	31		
Unemployment rate (unemployed as a %						
of civilian labor force)	6.5	5.3	3.3	2.3		
Not in the labor force	206	151	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/

- The boundaries for zip code 58365 changed significantly between 1990 and 2000 (see boundary maps). Therefore, an assessment of change between 1990 and 2000 using these data is not appropriate.
- Towner County saw a decline in both the labor force and the number of persons 16 years and older between 1990 and 2000.
- In 2000, the unemployment rate was 2.3 percent in Towner County and 5.3 percent in zip code 58365.

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**Table 7. Employment Characteristics** 

	Zip Code 58365			Towner County				
	199	90	2000		1990		2000	
Employment	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total employed (in civilian labor force)	159	100.0	196	100.0	1,439	100.0	1,341	100.0
GENDER								
Females	64	40.3	89	45.4	600	41.7	632	47.1
Males	95	59.7	107	54.6	839	58.3	709	52.9
INDUSTRY								
Agriculture, forestry, mining	55	34.6	51	26.0	357	24.8	277	20.7
Manufacturing	1	0.6	7	3.6	144	10.0	121	9.0
Retail Trade	18	11.3	20	10.2	200	13.9	115	8.6
Services	57	35.8	63	32.1	420	29.2	458	34.2
Other	28	17.6	55	28.1	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/.

- The boundaries for zip code 58365 changed significantly between 1990 and 2000 (see boundary maps). Therefore, an assessment of change between 1990 and 2000 using these data is not appropriate.
- Total employment decreased slightly for Towner County between 1990 and 2000.
- The percentage of employment that was female increased in Towner County between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, females comprised 45 percent of all employed in zip code 58365 and 47 percent in Towner County.
- Between 1990 and 2000, there was little change in the distribution of employment by industry in Towner County. In 2000, the service sector was the largest industry in both zip code 58365 and Towner County, employing approximately one-third of all workers in both areas.

**Table 8. Educational Attainment Characteristics** 

		Zip Code 58365				Towner County			
	19	1990		2000		1990		2000	
Educational Attainment	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Persons 25 years and older	322	100.0	300	100.0	2,449	100.0	2,057	100.0	
Less than High School	101	31.4	62	20.7	687	28.1	372	18.1	
Less than 9th grade	77	23.9	32	10.7	449	18.3	191	9.3	
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	24	7.5	30	10.0	238	9.7	181	8.8	
High school graduate (or equivalency)	93	28.9	90	30.0	775	31.6	695	33.8	
Some college, no degree	42	13.0	69	23.0	449	18.3	474	23.0	
College degree	86	26.7	79	26.3	538	22.0	516	25.1	
Associate degree	48	14.9	29	9.7	227	9.3	184	8.9	
Bachelor's degree	34	10.6	46	15.3	258	10.5	281	13.7	
Graduate or professional degree	4	1.2	4	1.3	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 boundaries for zip code 58365 changed significantly between 1990 and 2000 (see boundary maps). Therefore, an assessment of change between 1990 and 2000 using these data is not appropriate.
- Towner County experienced an increase in the proportion of persons 25 years and older with some college education but no degree and in the proportion with a college degree between 1990 and 2000. In 2000, approximately one-fourth of residents in both zip code 58365 and Towner County had a college degree.

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**Table 9. School District Characteristics** 

	North Central Public School District								
Enrollment, Achievement, and Proficiency	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005					
Total K-12 enrollment	72	69	69	69					
GRADE									
Kindergarten to 6th grade	29	30	34	37					
7th to 8th grade	12	8	10	8					
9th to 12th grade	31	31	25	24					
RACE*									
% White	97.2	100.0	85.5	78.3					
% Black	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0					
% American Indian	1.4	0.0	13.0	20.3					
% Asian	0.0	0.0	1.4	1.4					
% Hispanic	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0					
High school graduation rate	NA	NA	NA	NA					
High school dropouts	0	0	0	0					
Student to classroom teacher ratio	6.5	6.9	6.3	5.8					
% of students who scored at the proficient or									
advanced achievement level in reading	68.4	66.6	53.3	54.0					
% of students who scored at the proficient or									
advanced achievement level in math	57.9	50.0	53.4	56.7					

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.

- The total K-12 enrollment for North Central Public School District remained quite steady over the past few years, totaling 69 students in 2004-2005.
- In 2004-2005, 54 percent of students in the North Central Public School District were proficient or advanced in reading, down from 68 percent in 2001-2002. In addition, 57 percent of students were proficient or advanced in math in 2004-2005, basically unchanged from 58 percent in 2001-2002.