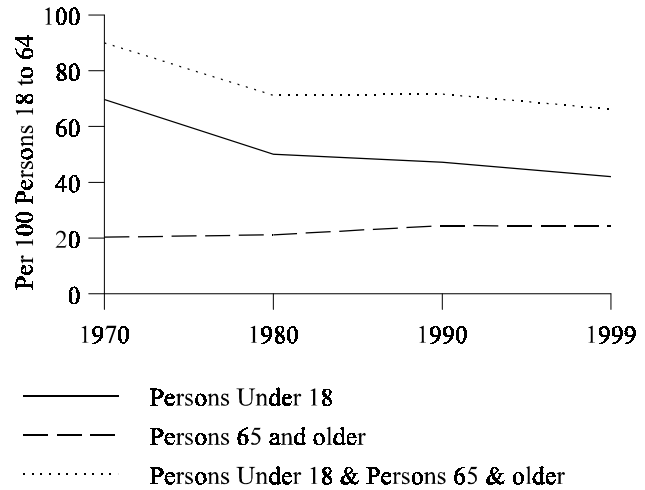


Dependency Ratios by State: 1999

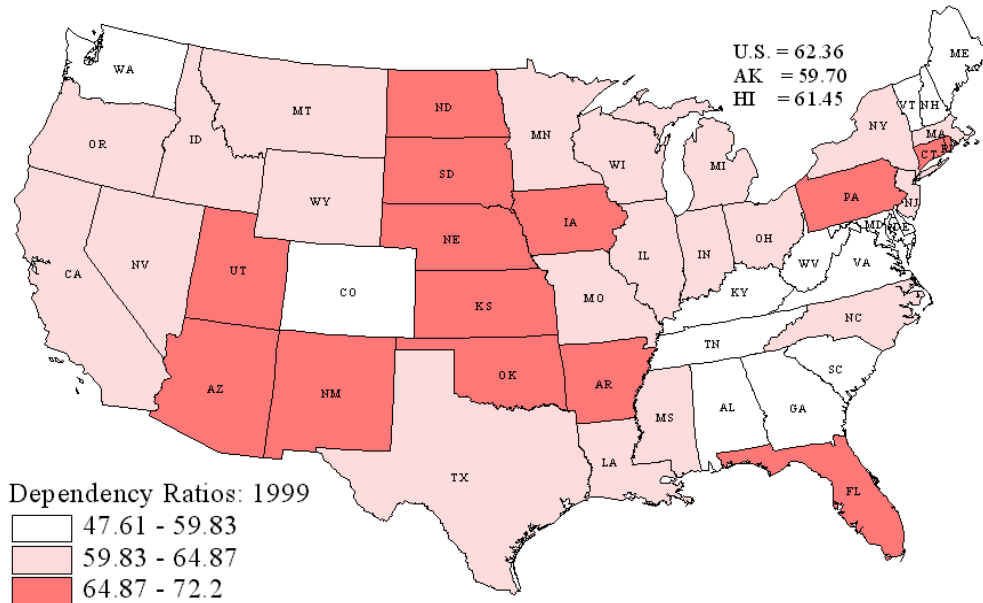
The total dependency ratio is the number of persons in non-working age groups (persons less than 18 years old and persons 65 years and older) per one hundred persons of working-age (ages 18 through 64). The elderly or retirement-age dependency ratio is the number of persons 65 and older per 100 persons 18 to 64. The child or preschool and school age dependency ratio is the number of persons less than 18 years old per 100 persons 18 to 64.

In 1970, North Dakota's dependency ratio was nearly 1 to 1, with 90 dependents for every 100 working age persons. For the last three decades, the number of children, the largest age dependent group, has declined. This has resulted in a current ratio of 66 dependents per 100 workers, the 10th highest ratio in the nation in 1999. Along with the decline of children, there has been a gradual increase in elderly. The child dependency ratio has dropped from nearly 70 in 1970 to 42 in 1999 while the elderly ratio has risen from 20 in 1970 to 24 in 1999.

Dependency Ratios: North Dakota



Dependency Ratios by State: 1999
Persons 0 to 17 and 65 and older per 100 persons 18 to 64



Dependency Ratios by State: 1970, 1980, 1990, and 1999

Area	Total Dependency Ratio				Preschool and School Age Dependency Ratio				Retirement Age Dependency Ratio			
	1970	1980	1990	1999	1970	1980	1990	1999	1970	1980	1990	1999
United States	78.94	65.07	61.81	62.36	61.35	46.45	41.59	41.80	17.59	18.62	20.22	20.57
Alabama	82.65	69.92	64.50	59.73	65.46	50.72	43.33	38.97	17.20	19.20	21.17	20.76
Alaska	72.25	54.82	54.91	59.70	68.39	50.37	48.69	50.74	3.87	4.45	6.22	8.96
Arizona	83.34	67.86	66.38	69.74	66.70	48.88	44.77	47.41	16.64	18.98	21.61	22.33
Arkansas	86.53	75.53	70.56	66.78	63.57	51.54	45.26	43.16	22.96	23.99	25.30	23.62
California	73.13	59.22	58.01	61.10	57.59	42.98	41.49	43.37	15.54	16.24	16.51	17.73
Colorado	77.16	57.59	56.74	57.04	62.16	44.11	41.11	41.25	15.00	13.49	15.62	15.79
Connecticut	75.98	61.87	57.30	65.33	59.30	42.86	36.07	41.72	16.69	19.01	21.23	23.60
Delaware	78.37	61.26	57.97	59.33	64.17	45.20	38.93	38.58	14.20	16.06	19.04	20.75
District of Columbia	63.77	51.78	47.60	47.61	48.55	34.12	28.85	27.10	15.22	17.66	18.75	20.51
Florida	83.82	71.01	68.06	71.73	57.14	41.40	37.46	40.57	26.67	29.61	30.60	31.16
Georgia	78.04	65.54	58.34	56.70	63.86	49.88	42.43	41.38	14.18	15.66	15.90	15.31
Hawaii	70.81	57.38	57.72	61.45	61.05	44.96	40.11	39.41	9.76	12.42	17.61	22.05
Idaho	86.66	73.65	74.65	64.87	69.01	56.41	53.67	46.16	17.65	17.23	20.97	18.71
Illinois	78.45	65.09	62.37	62.78	60.96	46.85	42.07	42.70	17.49	18.23	20.31	20.08
Indiana	81.53	67.05	63.57	61.89	64.35	49.24	43.09	41.65	17.18	17.81	20.47	20.24
Iowa	88.32	71.37	70.30	66.71	65.04	48.57	44.19	41.81	23.28	22.79	26.11	24.89
Kansas	81.96	67.83	68.28	65.74	60.49	46.08	45.06	43.63	21.47	21.75	23.23	22.11
Kentucky	82.04	68.84	62.82	58.30	63.05	49.94	42.28	38.59	19.00	18.90	20.54	19.71
Louisiana	86.87	70.20	67.42	63.10	71.23	53.84	48.91	44.39	15.64	16.36	18.51	18.71
Maine	85.56	69.80	62.68	59.17	64.25	48.52	41.10	36.89	21.31	21.28	21.58	22.27
Maryland	74.94	58.90	54.28	58.38	61.65	43.99	37.68	40.10	13.30	14.91	16.60	18.28
Massachusetts	78.96	62.98	56.66	60.52	59.04	42.34	35.44	38.18	19.92	20.64	21.22	22.35
Michigan	82.13	65.46	62.41	62.26	66.76	49.16	43.12	42.13	15.37	16.30	19.29	20.13
Minnesota	88.80	68.11	64.51	63.64	68.58	48.33	43.99	43.58	20.22	19.78	20.52	20.06
Mississippi	92.54	77.87	71.04	64.77	73.34	57.46	49.83	44.81	19.21	20.42	21.21	19.97
Missouri	82.37	69.19	66.01	64.55	60.60	46.88	42.79	42.11	21.77	22.30	23.21	22.44
Montana	86.33	67.30	69.98	62.96	67.96	49.31	47.39	41.32	18.38	17.98	22.59	21.64
Nebraska	87.09	71.20	70.52	67.62	64.08	48.77	46.46	44.65	23.01	22.43	24.06	22.97
Nevada	69.86	54.26	54.76	62.94	59.16	41.58	38.45	44.26	10.70	12.67	16.30	18.68
New Hampshire	82.03	64.52	57.35	59.70	62.76	46.12	39.69	40.48	19.27	18.40	17.66	19.22
New Jersey	75.33	63.15	57.94	61.83	58.37	44.10	37.04	39.81	16.96	19.05	20.91	22.02
New Mexico	88.37	69.41	67.56	66.61	75.35	54.34	49.66	47.46	13.02	15.07	17.91	19.15
New York	74.66	63.95	58.38	60.66	55.97	43.77	37.78	39.21	18.68	20.18	20.60	21.45
North Carolina	74.64	62.44	57.31	60.90	60.48	45.78	38.32	40.82	14.15	16.66	18.99	20.08
North Dakota	89.99	71.19	71.67	66.23	69.64	50.09	47.23	42.00	20.35	21.10	24.44	24.24
Ohio	79.96	65.26	63.46	62.87	63.19	47.36	42.32	41.15	16.78	17.90	21.14	21.72
Oklahoma	79.80	68.61	67.08	65.64	58.81	47.64	44.62	43.51	20.98	20.96	22.47	22.13
Oregon	79.13	63.88	64.71	61.48	59.80	45.00	42.13	40.30	19.33	18.88	22.59	21.19
Pennsylvania	76.61	64.56	63.80	65.60	57.65	43.32	38.69	39.39	18.96	21.23	25.11	26.22
Rhode Island	74.37	64.04	60.15	66.44	55.30	42.06	36.25	40.51	19.06	21.98	23.90	25.93
South Carolina	79.27	64.96	60.88	58.19	66.14	49.77	42.70	38.92	13.14	15.18	18.18	19.27
South Dakota	93.23	75.26	76.24	70.63	69.94	52.17	50.38	46.09	23.28	23.09	25.86	24.54
Tennessee	77.10	65.45	60.50	58.41	59.86	46.80	40.22	38.74	17.24	18.65	20.28	19.67
Texas	80.38	66.39	63.01	62.85	64.47	50.35	46.62	46.47	15.91	16.03	16.40	16.38
Utah	89.79	79.99	82.44	72.20	75.98	66.54	66.61	57.19	13.80	13.46	15.83	15.01
Vermont	84.98	66.07	59.29	55.64	65.30	47.19	40.64	36.53	19.68	18.89	18.65	19.11
Virginia	72.52	58.79	54.09	55.03	58.90	43.79	37.62	37.55	13.62	15.01	16.47	17.48
Washington	76.80	61.33	60.77	59.34	60.18	44.48	41.85	41.14	16.61	16.85	18.93	18.19
West Virginia	79.82	69.22	66.00	59.83	59.85	48.57	41.21	35.69	19.97	20.65	24.79	24.14
Wisconsin	86.99	69.04	65.86	63.53	67.07	48.78	43.82	41.99	19.92	20.27	22.04	21.53
Wyoming	82.39	63.71	67.57	61.39	65.89	50.75	50.22	42.67	16.51	12.96	17.35	18.72