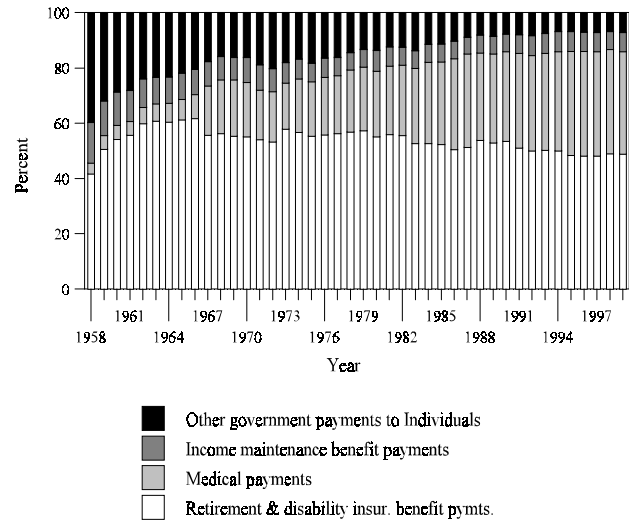


Transfer Payments in North Dakota: 1999

North Dakotans received nearly \$2.33 billion in transfer payments in 1999, an increase of 1.8 percent from the \$2.29 billion paid in 1998. Transfer payments are income received by individuals for which they did not render services. They are payments by government and business to individuals and nonprofit institutions serving individuals.

Of total transfer payments, 95 percent were government payments to individuals. Retirement and disability payments accounted for slightly less than half of individual payments in 1999. Retirement payments amounted to \$1.09 billion, an increase of 1.5 percent from the \$1.07 billion in 1998. Medical payments (consisting of Medicare, medicaid and other medical vendor payments, and military medical payments) accounted for 37.1 percent of the state's total transfers to individuals. Slightly more than \$823 million was paid to North Dakotans in 1999 in medical payments, a decrease of 0.1 percent from the \$824 million paid in 1998.

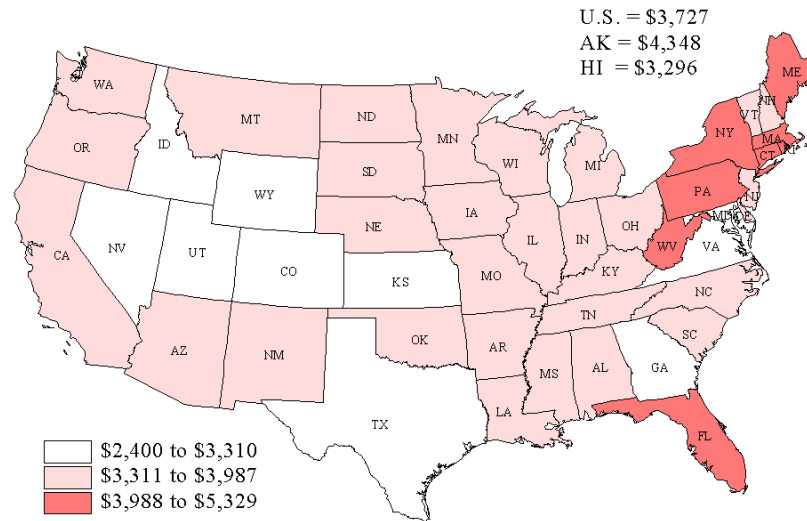
Government Transfer Payments to Individuals
Percentage Distribution in North Dakota: 1958-1999



Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, BEA, SPI 1929-1999 REIS, Table SA35, November 2000.

Income maintenance programs (such as supplementary security income, family assistance, and food stamps) comprised the third largest category of individual transfer payments accounting for 6.4 percent of the state's individual transfers. Income maintenance payments rose to \$155 million in 1999, an increase of 8.9 percent from the 1998 level. The remaining 7.1 percent of North Dakota's individual transfers included unemployment insurance benefit payments, veterans benefit payments, and federal education training and assistance payments.

Per Capita Transfer Payments by State: 1999



Transfer Payments in North Dakota by Type, 1992-1999 (Thousands of Dollars)

Type of Transfer Payment	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Total transfer payments	1,800,363	1,928,350	1,967,059	2,045,130	2,153,632	2,257,164	2,290,680	2,332,778
Government payments to individuals	1,709,113	1,834,177	1,870,417	1,940,249	2,051,847	2,151,601	2,181,524	2,219,896
Retirement & disability insur. benefit pymts.	856,579	922,613	935,189	939,193	988,410	1,037,233	1,068,630	1,085,094
Old age, survivors, & disability insur. pymts.	722,405	756,135	783,362	834,386	844,482	892,567	922,890	938,167
Railroad retirement and disability payments	43,353	44,577	46,601	47,498	48,327	49,404	49,768	49,657
Worker's compensation payments (Fed & State)	89,656	120,620	103,925	55,924	94,053	92,971	93,566	94,190
Other govt. disability insur. & ret. pymts. 1/	1,165	1,281	1,301	1,385	1,548	2,291	2,406	3,080
Medical payments	588,806	644,619	672,295	730,571	776,410	812,232	823,616	822,685
Medicare payments	326,518	364,635	378,126	420,667	449,020	476,825	471,501	467,618
Public assistance medical care 2/	254,990	273,513	287,464	302,542	319,814	327,879	344,374	347,130
Military medical insurance payments 3/	7,298	6,471	6,705	7,362	7,576	7,528	7,741	7,937
Income maintenance benefit payments	123,450	130,083	137,801	139,751	145,330	149,104	142,586	155,211
Supplemental security income (SSI) payments	24,329	27,442	29,617	30,737	31,500	31,772	32,073	31,751
Family assistance 4/	27,750	29,331	26,628	25,890	26,152	23,733	20,056	25,238
Food stamps	35,817	35,398	33,634	32,172	31,395	28,374	25,083	25,663
Other income maintenance 5/	35,554	37,912	47,922	50,952	56,283	65,225	65,374	72,559
Unemployment insurance benefit payments	42,981	40,189	31,083	30,175	31,198	31,515	28,959	33,878
State unemployment insurance compensation	38,660	36,490	28,604	28,122	29,255	29,847	27,237	32,189
Unemp. comp. for Fed. civilian empl. (UCFE)	1,906	1,380	1,206	958	848	598	793	712
Unemp. compensation for railroad employees	596	530	464	456	478	509	479	537
Unemployment compensation for veterans (UCX)	1,770	1,707	730	566	534	481	450	440
Other unemployment compensation 6/	(L)	82	79	73	83	80	0	0
Veterans benefit payments	47,711	46,807	48,029	50,866	53,895	55,508	57,054	58,931
Veterans pension and disability payments	37,353	38,736	38,742	40,697	42,922	44,403	46,422	47,639
Veterans readjustment payments 7/	3,005	3,685	4,222	5,134	5,695	6,049	5,707	6,571
Veterans life insurance benefit payments	7,326	4,361	5,057	5,009	5,263	5,041	4,909	4,705
Other assistance to veterans 8/	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)	(L)
Fed ed. & train. assist. paymts. (excl. vets) 9/	34,649	35,618	27,889	30,922	30,000	36,867	36,796	39,604
Other payments to individuals 10/	14,937	14,248	18,131	18,771	26,604	29,142	23,883	24,493
Payments to nonprofit institutions	49,169	55,299	56,045	60,354	57,155	59,245	62,074	65,225
Federal government payments	12,328	14,100	14,635	15,755	15,712	14,888	15,941	16,690
State and local government payments 11/	23,179	25,722	24,085	26,617	22,634	24,452	25,828	27,513
Business payments	13,662	15,477	17,325	17,982	18,809	19,905	20,305	21,022
Business payments to individuals 12/	42,081	38,874	40,597	44,527	44,630	46,318	47,082	47,657

Notes:

- 1/ Consists largely of temporary disability payments and black lung payments.
 - 2/ Consists of medicaid and other medical vendor payments.
 - 3/ Consists of payments made under the TriCare Management Program (formerly called CHAMPUS) for the medical care of dependents of active duty military personnel and of retired military personnel and their dependents at nonmilitary medical facilities.
 - 4/ Through 1995, consists of emergency assistance and aid to families with dependent children. For 1998, consists of benefits-- generally known as temporary assistance for needy families-- provided under the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. For 1996-97, consists of payments under all three of these programs.
 - 5/ Consists largely of general assistance, refugee assistance, foster home care and adoption assistance, earned income tax credits, and energy assistance.
 - 6/ Consists of trade readjustment allowance payments, Redwood Park benefit payments, public service employment benefit payments, and transitional benefit payments.
 - 7/ Consists largely of veterans' readjustment benefit payments, educational assistance to spouses and children of disabled or deceased veterans, payments to paraplegics, and payments for autos and conveyances for disabled veterans.
 - 8/ Consists largely of State and local government payments to veterans.
 - 9/ Consists largely of federal fellowship payments (National Science Foundation, fellowships and traineeships, subsistence payments to State maritime academy cadets, and other federal fellowships), interest subsidy on higher education loans, basic educational opportunity grants, and Job Corps payments.
 - 10/ Consists largely of Bureau of Indian Affairs payments, education exchange payments, Alaska Permanent Fund dividend payments, compensation of survivors of public safety officers, compensation of victims of crime, disaster relief payments, compensation for Japanese internment, and other special payments to individuals.
 - 11/ Consists of State and local government educational assistance payments to nonprofit institutions and other State and local government payments to nonprofit institutions.
 - 12/ Consists of personal injury payments to individuals other than employees and other business transfer payments.
- (L) Less than \$50,000, but the estimates for this item are included in the total.
(N) Data not available for this year.

Source: Regional Economic Information System, Bureau of Economic Analysis, State Personal Income 1929-1999, Table SA35, November 2000.