

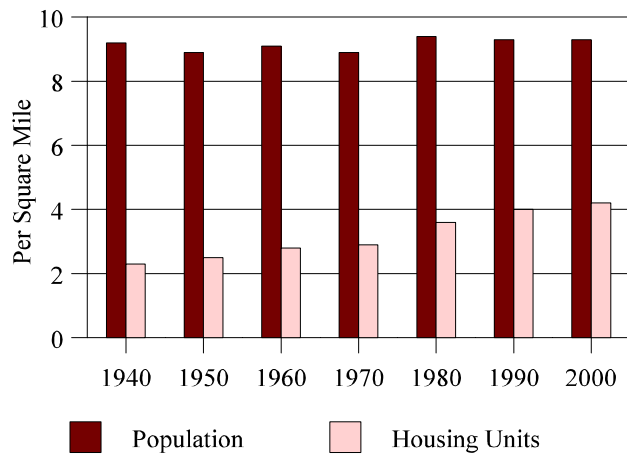
Population and Housing Density in North Dakota: 2000

Population density in North Dakota remained unchanged between 1990 and 2000 at 9.3 persons per square mile, the 4th lowest density in the nation. Nationally, population density rose to 79.6 persons per square mile in 2000, up from 70.3 in 1990, and 64.0 in 1980.

While population density in North Dakota has been relatively stable over the past several decades, housing density has been rising steadily, reaching 4.2 housing units per square mile in 2000.

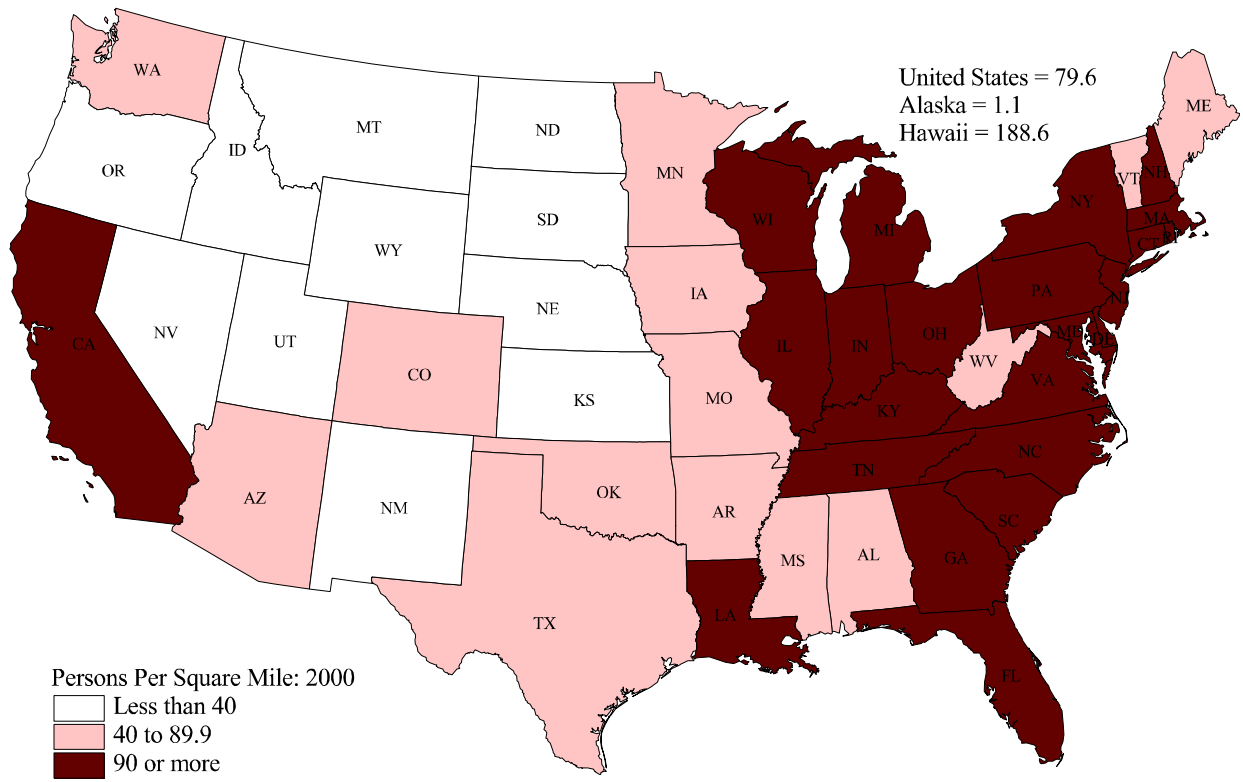
Between 1990 and 2000, only six North Dakota counties showed an increase in population density. Slope and Billings counties, both located in the southwestern part of the state, had less than one person or housing unit per square mile in 2000.

Population and Housing Units Per Square Mile
North Dakota: 1940 to 2000



Population Density by State: 2000

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 Census, Summary File 1 (SF1).



Population and Housing Density in North Dakota by County: 2000

Area	Land Area		Population		Housing Units	
	Square Meters	Square Miles	Total	Per Square Mile	Total	Per Square Mile
Adams	2,558,684,113	988	2,593	2.6	1,416	1.4
Barnes	3,863,348,387	1,492	11,775	7.9	5,599	3.8
Benson	3,575,736,164	1,381	6,964	5.0	2,932	2.1
Billings	2,982,138,140	1,151	888	0.8	529	0.5
Bottineau	4,321,617,291	1,669	7,149	4.3	4,409	2.6
Bowman	3,009,687,265	1,162	3,242	2.8	1,596	1.4
Burke	2,858,127,164	1,104	2,242	2.0	1,412	1.3
Burleigh	4,229,680,404	1,633	69,416	42.5	29,003	17.8
Cass	4,571,921,620	1,765	123,138	69.8	53,790	30.5
Cavalier	3,855,089,893	1,488	4,831	3.2	2,725	1.8
Dickey	2,929,276,466	1,131	5,757	5.1	2,656	2.3
Divide	3,262,166,014	1,260	2,283	1.8	1,469	1.2
Dunn	5,204,838,326	2,010	3,600	1.8	1,965	1.0
Eddy	1,631,999,466	630	2,757	4.4	1,418	2.3
Emmons	3,910,577,808	1,510	4,331	2.9	2,168	1.4
Foster	1,645,161,743	635	3,759	5.9	1,793	2.8
Golden Valley	2,595,140,943	1,002	1,924	1.9	973	1.0
Grand Forks	3,723,901,402	1,438	66,109	46.0	27,373	19.0
Grant	4,297,986,823	1,659	2,841	1.7	1,722	1.0
Griggs	1,835,009,761	709	2,754	3.9	1,521	2.1
Hettinger	2,932,518,654	1,132	2,715	2.4	1,419	1.3
Kidder	3,498,518,492	1,351	2,753	2.0	1,610	1.2
LaMoure	2,971,174,319	1,147	4,701	4.1	2,271	2.0
Logan	2,570,928,524	993	2,308	2.3	1,193	1.2
McHenry	4,853,874,147	1,874	5,987	3.2	2,983	1.6
McIntosh	2,525,740,874	975	3,390	3.5	1,853	1.9
McKenzie	7,101,792,799	2,742	5,737	2.1	2,719	1.0
McLean	5,464,757,467	2,110	9,311	4.4	5,264	2.5
Mercer	2,707,803,083	1,045	8,644	8.3	4,402	4.2
Morton	4,989,009,949	1,926	25,303	13.1	10,587	5.5
Mountrail	4,723,964,515	1,824	6,631	3.6	3,438	1.9
Nelson	2,542,387,857	982	3,715	3.8	2,014	2.1
Oliver	1,873,912,360	724	2,065	2.9	903	1.2
Pembina	2,897,555,082	1,119	8,585	7.7	4,115	3.7
Pierce	2,636,137,042	1,018	4,675	4.6	2,269	2.2
Ramsey	3,068,736,114	1,185	12,066	10.2	5,729	4.8
Ransom	2,234,504,725	863	5,890	6.8	2,604	3.0
Renville	2,265,632,815	875	2,610	3.0	1,413	1.6
Richland	3,721,067,608	1,437	17,998	12.5	7,575	5.3
Rolette	2,337,344,616	902	13,674	15.2	5,027	5.6
Sargent	2,224,161,390	859	4,366	5.1	2,016	2.3
Sheridan	2,516,824,487	972	1,710	1.8	924	1.0
Sioux	2,833,757,845	1,094	4,044	3.7	1,216	1.1
Slope	3,154,448,913	1,218	767	0.6	451	0.4
Stark	3,465,824,800	1,338	22,636	16.9	9,722	7.3
Steele	1,845,007,373	712	2,258	3.2	1,231	1.7
Stutsman	5,753,406,412	2,221	21,908	9.9	9,817	4.4
Towner	2,653,578,321	1,025	2,876	2.8	1,558	1.5
Traill	2,232,278,186	862	8,477	9.8	3,708	4.3
Walsh	3,319,697,441	1,282	12,389	9.7	5,757	4.5
Ward	5,213,344,262	2,013	58,795	29.2	25,097	12.5
Wells	3,292,593,360	1,271	5,102	4.0	2,643	2.1
Williams	5,362,459,986	2,070	19,761	9.5	9,680	4.7
North Dakota	178,646,833,011	68,976	642,200	9.3	289,677	4.2

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 Census, Summary File 1 (SF1).