

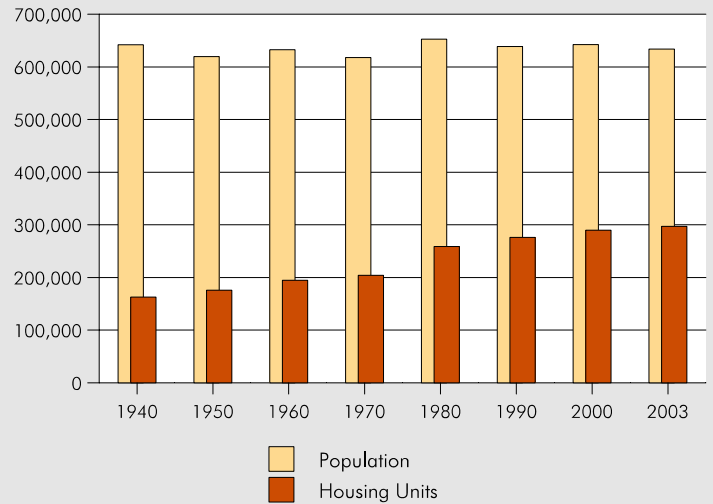
Total Housing Units in North Dakota: Census 1940 to 2000 and July 1, 2000 to 2003 Estimates

Though North Dakota's population has remained relatively stable since 1940, housing units have grown substantially (Figure 1). In 1940, housing units totaled 162,881 statewide, compared to 289,677 in 2000. This represents a 78 percent increase during this 6-decade period. Current 2003 estimates suggest an additional 2.5 percent growth during the 2000-2003 period (Table 1). Much of this overall growth may be attributed to an increase in single-person households. In 1940, only 7.9 percent of housing units were occupied by one person compared to 29.3 percent in 2000.

Growth in North Dakota housing has been largely concentrated in the larger metropolitan areas throughout the state. Nationally, housing grew 4.3 percent between 2000 and 2003, with states in the southwest and southeast having the largest percentage gains (Figure 2).

A housing unit, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau, may be a house, an apartment, a mobile home, a group of rooms, or a single room that is occupied (or, if vacant, is intended for occupancy) as separate living quarters.

Figure 1. Population and Housing Units in North Dakota
Census 1940 to 2000 and the July 1, 2003 Estimate



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Decennial Census and the Population Estimates Division, <<http://www.census.gov/popest/estimates.php>>

Figure 2. Percent Change in Housing Units by State: Census 2000 to July 1, 2003 Estimate

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, <http://www.census.gov/popest/housing/>

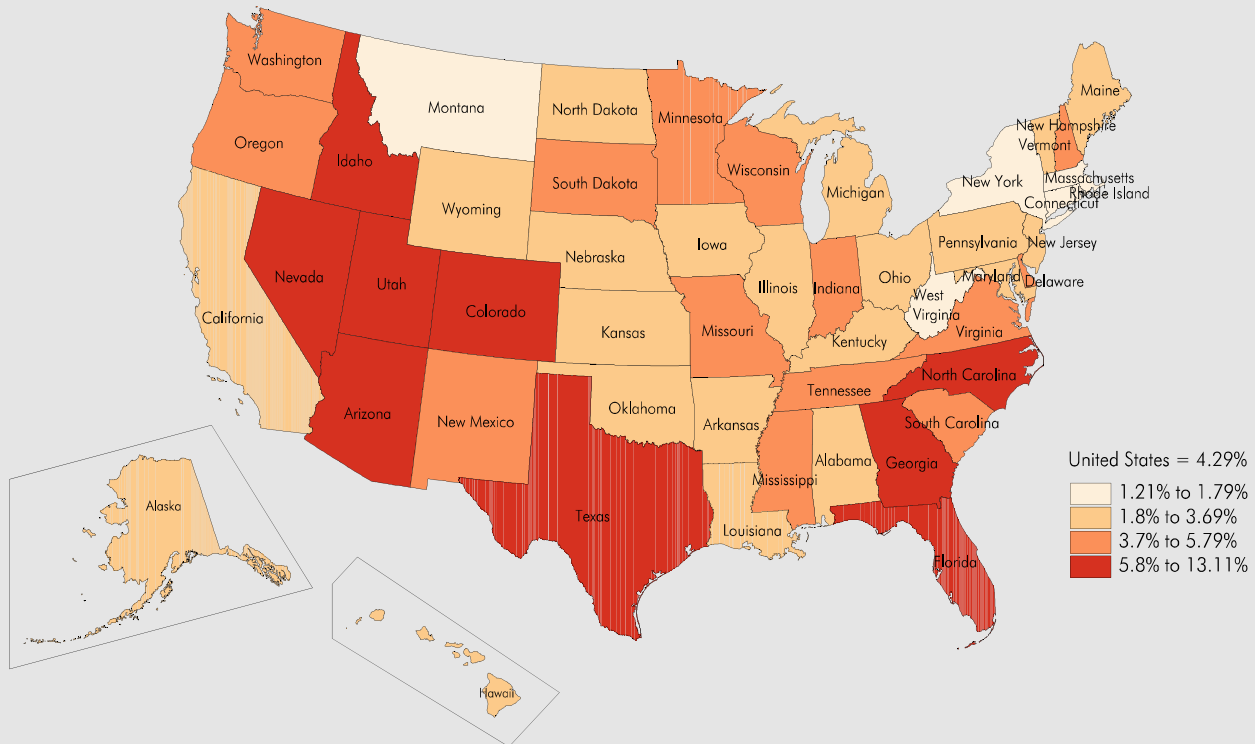


Table 1. Housing Unit Counts and Estimates in North Dakota by County: Census 1940 to 2000 and 2000 to 2003 Estimates

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, Table HU-EST2003-04-38-County Housing Unit Estimates, <http://www.census.gov/popest/housing/>

Area	April 1, Census							July 1, Estimate				Change: 4/1/00 to 7/1/03	
	1940	1950	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2000	2001	2002	2003	Numeric	Percent
North Dakota	162,881	175,769	194,597	204,235	258,772	276,340	289,677	290,149	292,014	294,175	296,959	7,282	2.5
Adams	1,372	1,454	1,418	1,317	1,563	1,504	1,416	1,417	1,422	1,416	1,413	-3	-0.2
Barnes	4,791	4,939	5,151	5,302	5,976	5,801	5,599	5,597	5,588	5,590	5,582	-17	-0.3
Benson	3,093	3,086	3,003	2,718	3,084	3,163	2,932	2,934	2,943	2,949	2,959	27	0.9
Billings	614	487	429	392	517	533	529	529	528	528	527	-2	-0.4
Bottineau	3,800	3,878	4,219	4,009	4,679	4,661	4,409	4,410	4,417	4,434	4,444	35	0.8
Bowman	1,165	1,272	1,371	1,365	1,722	1,691	1,596	1,596	1,597	1,595	1,592	-4	-0.3
Burke	2,194	2,241	2,202	1,813	1,816	1,691	1,412	1,412	1,411	1,409	1,407	-5	-0.4
Burleigh	5,790	7,185	10,311	12,983	20,848	23,803	29,003	29,106	29,510	30,134	30,747	1,744	6.0
Cass	13,722	16,506	20,679	24,278	35,215	42,407	53,790	54,040	55,039	56,212	57,748	3,958	7.4
Cavalier	3,426	3,332	3,213	2,932	3,123	3,038	2,725	2,725	2,725	2,728	2,732	7	0.3
Dickey	2,516	2,665	2,605	2,471	2,838	2,763	2,656	2,656	2,658	2,656	2,658	2	0.1
Divide	2,216	2,022	2,008	1,667	1,783	1,667	1,469	1,469	1,467	1,466	1,460	-9	-0.6
Dunn	1,973	1,869	1,851	1,605	1,849	2,057	1,965	1,965	1,966	1,964	1,961	-4	-0.2
Eddy	1,439	1,509	1,518	1,477	1,541	1,470	1,418	1,419	1,421	1,423	1,422	4	0.3
Emmons	2,379	2,478	2,317	2,167	2,322	2,200	2,168	2,170	2,175	2,177	2,174	6	0.3
Foster	1,497	1,551	1,635	1,649	1,827	1,876	1,793	1,793	1,791	1,789	1,785	-8	-0.4
Golden Valley	1,015	1,034	995	915	1,033	1,035	973	972	968	966	965	-8	-0.8
Grand Forks	9,004	10,788	14,185	18,192	24,563	27,085	27,373	27,381	27,410	27,473	27,678	305	1.1
Grant	2,002	1,875	1,886	1,649	1,969	2,011	1,722	1,723	1,726	1,729	1,733	11	0.6
Griggs	1,611	1,640	1,684	1,658	1,739	1,660	1,521	1,521	1,519	1,517	1,517	-4	-0.3
Hettinger	1,833	1,845	1,810	1,579	1,668	1,637	1,419	1,419	1,417	1,417	1,418	-1	-0.1
Kidder	1,632	1,685	1,615	1,505	1,740	1,672	1,610	1,612	1,621	1,630	1,639	29	1.8
LaMoure	2,627	2,647	2,639	2,550	2,527	2,434	2,271	2,272	2,277	2,279	2,293	22	1.0
Logan	1,637	1,616	1,586	1,384	1,422	1,335	1,193	1,193	1,193	1,193	1,195	2	0.2
McHenry	3,594	3,615	3,505	3,223	3,437	3,320	2,983	2,985	2,994	3,000	3,004	21	0.7
McIntosh	2,061	2,150	2,153	1,982	2,197	2,031	1,853	1,854	1,859	1,860	1,857	4	0.2
McKenzie	2,519	2,183	2,451	2,227	2,944	3,178	2,719	2,722	2,734	2,742	2,753	34	1.3
McLean	4,051	5,356	4,723	4,282	5,754	5,515	5,264	5,264	5,264	5,267	5,278	14	0.3
Mercer	2,197	2,375	2,336	2,253	3,978	4,496	4,402	4,405	4,419	4,434	4,442	40	0.9
Morton	4,659	5,204	6,091	6,317	9,382	9,467	10,587	10,610	10,699	10,777	10,963	376	3.6
Mountrail	3,017	3,060	3,254	3,176	3,201	3,675	3,438	3,438	3,439	3,435	3,432	-6	-0.2
Nelson	2,337	2,449	2,416	2,214	2,442	2,261	2,014	2,013	2,008	2,015	2,010	-4	-0.2
Oliver	898	813	749	753	960	968	903	903	901	898	896	-7	-0.8
Pembina	3,809	3,979	4,001	3,894	4,438	4,294	4,115	4,114	4,108	4,097	4,086	-29	-0.7
Pierce	2,108	2,271	2,185	2,076	2,376	2,355	2,269	2,270	2,275	2,275	2,281	12	0.5
Ramsey	3,981	4,049	4,121	4,387	5,259	5,616	5,729	5,733	5,748	5,749	5,751	22	0.4
Ransom	2,581	2,608	2,633	2,602	2,712	2,569	2,604	2,612	2,645	2,677	2,699	95	3.6
Renville	1,617	1,711	1,628	1,395	1,530	1,558	1,413	1,414	1,419	1,420	1,422	9	0.6
Richland	4,983	5,535	5,719	5,749	7,182	7,394	7,575	7,576	7,580	7,599	7,596	21	0.3
Rolette	2,751	2,702	2,675	3,015	3,923	4,742	5,027	5,030	5,039	5,035	5,032	5	0.1
Sargent	2,228	2,141	2,032	2,025	2,210	2,057	2,016	2,016	2,017	2,018	2,025	9	0.4
Sheridan	1,568	1,486	1,386	1,202	1,180	1,061	924	924	923	922	922	-2	-0.2
Sioux	1,043	862	851	943	1,062	1,175	1,216	1,218	1,227	1,235	1,245	29	2.4
Slope	897	702	622	477	513	481	451	451	452	452	453	2	0.4
Stark	3,599	4,194	5,103	5,748	8,487	9,585	9,722	9,731	9,769	9,824	9,879	157	1.6
Steele	1,564	1,528	1,549	1,394	1,447	1,311	1,231	1,231	1,231	1,229	1,229	-2	-0.2
Stutsman	5,676	6,285	7,037	7,741	9,663	9,770	9,817	9,825	9,857	9,850	9,852	35	0.4
Towner	1,888	1,938	1,855	1,684	1,692	1,770	1,558	1,558	1,557	1,557	1,556	-2	-0.1
Traill	3,042	3,342	3,412	3,529	3,926	3,770	3,708	3,707	3,706	3,702	3,702	-6	-0.2
Walsh	4,814	5,199	5,508	5,307	6,153	6,093	5,757	5,756	5,750	5,737	5,727	-30	-0.5
Ward	8,567	10,130	14,098	17,402	21,521	23,585	25,097	25,132	25,267	25,358	25,472	375	1.5
Wells	2,913	3,017	3,025	2,881	2,886	2,869	2,643	2,643	2,644	2,642	2,644	1	0.0
Williams	4,571	5,281	7,149	6,780	8,953	10,180	9,680	9,683	9,694	9,695	9,702	22	0.2