

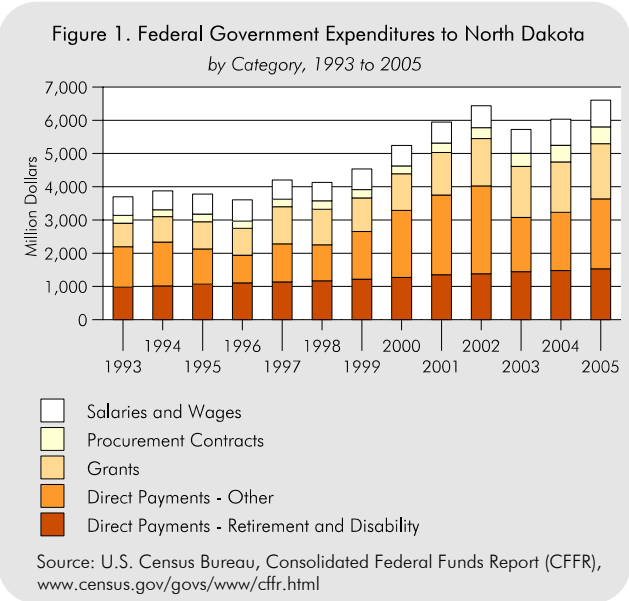
## Federal Government Expenditures to North Dakota: Fiscal Year 2005

According to the *Consolidated Federal Funds Report (CFFR)* published by the U. S. Census Bureau, North Dakota received \$6.6 billion of the \$2.3 trillion in funds the federal government distributed nationally in 2005. The CFFR categorizes federal expenditures into direct payments, grants, procurement contracts, and salaries and wages (Figure 1).

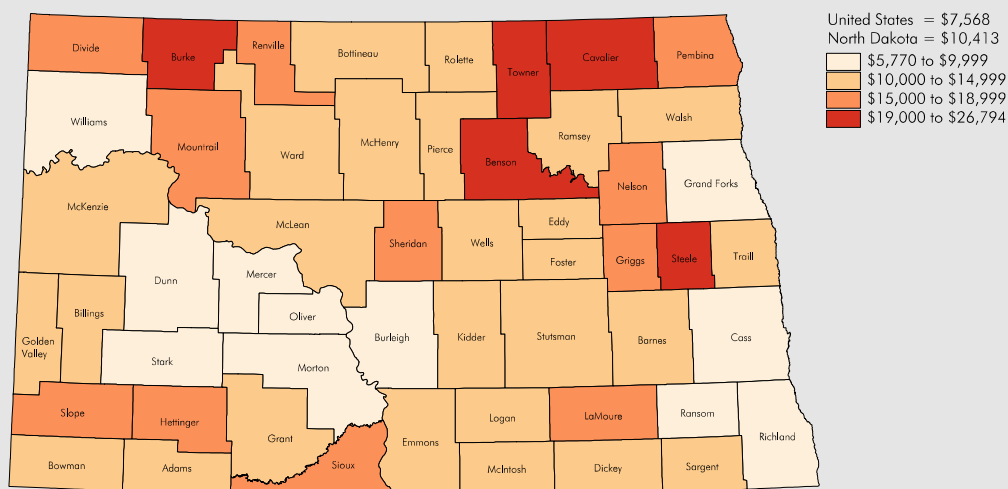
*Direct payments to individuals for retirement and disability* include Social Security, veteran benefits, various federal retirement and disability payments, and other compensation funds. Social Security alone accounted for \$1.2 billion of North Dakota funds in 2005. Examples of *other direct payments* include crop insurance, agricultural assistance programs, Medicare, Food Stamps, unemployment compensation, housing assistance, federal employee life and health insurance, and various Native American programs. Combined, Medicare and crop insurance accounted for \$1.3 billion of North Dakota funds in 2005.

*Grants* include block, formula, project, and cooperative agreement grants. They represent the federal obligation incurred at the time the grant was awarded and do not represent actual expenditures. Of the more than 400 grant programs receiving federal funds in North Dakota, three programs accounted for \$882 million of all federal funds North Dakota received in 2005 (Medicaid, crop disaster program, and highway planning and construction). *Procurement contracts* refer to governmental purchases and contractual outlays. *Salaries and wages* include payroll expenditures for the military, postal employees, and the FBI among others.

North Dakota, with a relatively small population base, ranks well nationally on a per-capita basis for federal funds received. Per-capita federal expenditures to North Dakota totaled \$10,413 in 2005 (Table 1), ranking North Dakota fifth in the nation. Nationally, per-capita federal expenditures totaled \$7,568 in 2005, 27 percent below North Dakota's level. Per-capita federal funds to North Dakota ranged from a low of \$5,770 in Mercer County to a high of \$26,794 in Steele County (Figure 2).



**Figure 2. Per Capita Federal Government Expenditures to North Dakota by County: Fiscal Year 2005**  
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Consolidated Federal Funds Report (CFFR), [www.census.gov/govs/www/cffr.html](http://www.census.gov/govs/www/cffr.html)



**Table 1. Federal Government Expenditures to North Dakota by County: Fiscal Year 2005**

Note: NA indicates that data are not applicable. \*Undistributed represents funds for which no specific geographic destination in North Dakota was reported.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Consolidated Federal Funds Report (CFFR), [www.census.gov/govs/www/cffr.html](http://www.census.gov/govs/www/cffr.html)

Area	Total Expenditures (Dollars)	Per-Capita Expenditures (Dollars)	Total Expenditures by Category (Dollars)				
			Direct Payments		Grants	Procurement Contracts	Salaries and Wages
			Retirement and Disability	Other			
North Dakota	6,608,031,887	10,413	1,530,661,943	2,101,749,756	1,666,287,324	503,699,048	805,633,816
Adams	32,050,654	13,388	7,883,061	13,147,382	8,894,084	272,074	1,854,053
Barnes	138,552,629	12,589	33,035,410	58,562,370	32,583,799	1,610,090	12,760,960
Benson	140,495,471	20,005	14,792,622	44,067,898	65,282,154	9,865,436	6,487,361
Billings	10,614,796	12,882	1,126,455	2,622,404	4,451,651	682,778	1,731,508
Bottineau	92,305,888	13,695	20,543,971	42,680,453	20,361,522	3,867,509	4,852,433
Bowman	33,306,820	10,996	9,031,136	13,338,580	9,569,993	259,549	1,107,562
Burke	40,931,686	20,243	7,096,310	19,479,667	8,683,623	403,524	5,268,562
Burleigh	696,324,246	9,423	178,166,833	102,295,615	314,866,921	14,265,305	86,729,572
Cass	804,550,571	6,167	245,290,622	146,035,467	171,558,611	102,862,456	138,803,415
Cavalier	98,998,507	23,163	13,869,519	53,466,925	28,845,500	414,729	2,401,834
Dickey	69,116,624	12,663	14,220,511	38,067,284	13,320,876	454,592	3,053,361
Divide	40,411,496	18,831	6,809,524	22,065,672	9,194,622	831,388	1,510,290
Dunn	30,949,588	9,015	6,375,365	13,772,335	8,347,002	1,249,578	1,205,308
Eddy	33,838,894	13,121	8,673,368	16,700,551	6,694,907	357,506	1,412,562
Emmons	49,028,106	13,043	11,544,409	23,541,013	12,386,629	345,493	1,210,562
Foster	52,079,615	14,679	10,487,718	23,230,555	9,762,800	6,402,537	2,196,005
Golden Valley	21,631,615	12,547	5,680,943	8,969,743	6,370,616	105,787	504,526
Grand Forks	600,500,279	9,209	115,064,321	105,926,779	121,627,387	98,938,741	158,943,051
Grant	39,011,660	14,794	7,194,205	17,740,906	12,470,401	367,095	1,239,053
Griggs	42,271,957	16,963	8,272,500	24,058,967	7,232,163	1,553,256	1,155,071
Hettinger	44,498,892	17,457	8,694,804	21,368,617	11,650,432	262,986	2,522,053
Kidder	31,012,531	12,617	6,599,894	15,758,449	6,799,379	424,738	1,430,071
LaMoure	71,121,335	16,338	13,928,515	40,366,923	13,667,079	565,220	2,593,598
Logan	25,811,755	12,579	5,999,949	12,859,883	5,887,182	193,942	870,799
McHenry	65,549,030	11,955	17,940,504	27,972,722	15,297,255	705,406	3,633,143
McIntosh	43,063,026	14,330	10,700,435	19,722,832	10,785,361	246,836	1,607,562
McKenzie	67,571,901	12,043	11,136,256	15,663,398	18,375,258	19,454,409	2,942,580
McLean	113,097,413	13,152	28,927,711	39,030,467	25,761,049	13,946,535	5,431,651
Mercer	48,022,411	5,770	18,679,053	15,183,109	10,783,552	704,827	2,671,870
Morton	195,567,701	7,670	61,094,651	42,415,224	41,940,150	43,314,462	6,803,214
Mountrail	101,684,630	15,572	17,712,083	35,021,648	41,993,328	1,440,228	5,517,343
Nelson	63,901,872	18,729	13,508,983	36,148,637	12,107,664	428,481	1,708,107
Oliver	14,844,000	8,156	3,294,087	5,849,328	5,418,815	35,262	246,508
Pembina	135,686,694	17,001	23,460,028	57,597,059	22,275,412	18,789,035	13,565,160
Pierce	49,678,516	11,659	12,353,490	23,535,045	11,521,874	368,290	1,899,817
Ramsey	164,199,876	14,462	34,791,582	64,698,038	43,160,440	9,157,347	12,392,469
Ransom	56,106,711	9,714	15,268,376	27,622,629	9,256,087	673,258	3,286,361
Renville	44,643,352	18,222	8,055,656	22,098,718	10,161,931	2,974,485	1,352,562
Richland	133,187,800	7,705	36,966,143	67,043,646	22,837,030	1,818,090	4,522,891
Rolette	165,515,833	11,945	28,726,307	43,702,095	58,644,439	4,632,885	29,810,107
Sargent	54,902,295	13,210	10,770,461	29,059,359	12,041,881	632,233	2,398,361
Sheridan	23,308,186	16,141	4,674,486	11,866,053	6,154,334	105,787	507,526
Sioux	67,901,940	16,183	6,761,215	21,904,399	28,037,797	3,034,748	8,163,781
Slope	11,585,407	16,317	1,141,900	6,615,656	3,644,670	50,673	132,508
Stark	132,414,212	5,986	54,780,243	42,174,167	25,126,092	1,412,478	8,921,232
Steele	54,016,111	26,794	6,047,692	35,737,019	10,259,191	1,440,683	531,526
Stutsman	211,235,985	10,172	55,760,985	76,561,691	56,336,165	6,971,497	15,605,647
Towner	54,843,020	21,832	7,834,950	31,933,416	12,937,082	386,010	1,751,562
Traill	94,351,739	11,365	22,567,183	54,654,972	12,847,900	981,033	3,300,651
Walsh	125,141,436	10,843	33,665,169	59,903,269	26,464,387	918,022	4,190,589
Ward	644,323,032	11,566	151,955,039	86,264,896	72,367,089	120,128,338	213,607,670
Wells	65,118,175	14,296	16,597,910	32,665,864	13,397,591	756,212	1,700,598
Williams	132,287,725	6,865	54,954,530	45,837,039	24,273,717	1,635,189	5,587,250
Undistributed*	234,866,243	NA	152,870	143,142,923	91,570,450	0	0

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## Federal Dollars to North Dakota Up in 2005

North Dakota received \$6.6 billion of the \$2.3 trillion in funds the federal government distributed nationally in 2005, an increase of 9.6 percent from 2004. "North Dakota continues to pull in significant federal dollars to fund an increasingly diverse set of changes and opportunities. More than 400 federal grants were awarded to the state and \$1.2 billion was given to North Dakota in the form of Social Security, most of which goes to serve our growing elderly population," said Richard Rathge, Director of the State Data Center.

This month's "Population Bulletin," a monthly publication from the North Dakota State Data Center at North Dakota State University, focuses on federal expenditure data obtained from the 2005 *Consolidated Federal Funds Report* (CFFR) published by the U.S. Census Bureau. During the mid- to late 1990s, federal dollars flowing into North Dakota showed little variation, averaging approximately \$4 billion per year. Between 1999 and 2002, federal expenditures to North Dakota increased 12.4 percent per year on average. Federal expenditures decreased 11.0 percent between 2002 and 2003, and then increased 5.4 percent in 2004 and another 9.6 percent in 2005.

A sizeable proportion of North Dakota's increase in 2005 can be attributed to an increase in crop insurance payments and in grant funds for the crop disaster program. In 2005, 10 percent of all federal funds entering North Dakota were for crop insurance (\$630 million), up from 7 percent in 2004 (\$441 million). Grant funds for the crop disaster program totaled \$260 million in 2005, up from \$131 million in 2004.

Of the \$6.6 billion the federal government spent in North Dakota in 2005, nearly one-fourth of the monies went to Social Security (\$1.2 billion). Medicare and crop insurance payments each accounted for 10 percent of total funds to North Dakota. Direct payments and grant monies associated with agriculture (other than crop insurance) amounted to \$764 million in 2005, or 12 percent of total federal expenditures to North Dakota. Procurement contracts (governmental purchases and contractual outlays) to North Dakota totaled \$504 million and salaries/wages for federal employees in North Dakota totaled \$806 million.

While North Dakota received less than half a percent of all federal funds distributed nationally, the state fared better on a per-capita basis. Per-capita federal expenditures to North Dakota totaled \$10,413 in 2005, ranking North Dakota fifth in the nation for per-capita federal expenditures. Nationally, per-capita federal expenditures totaled \$7,568 in 2005, 27 percent below North Dakota's level. Per-capita federal funds to North Dakota ranged from a low of \$5,770 in Mercer County to a high of \$26,794 in Steele County.

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