

# LOCATION

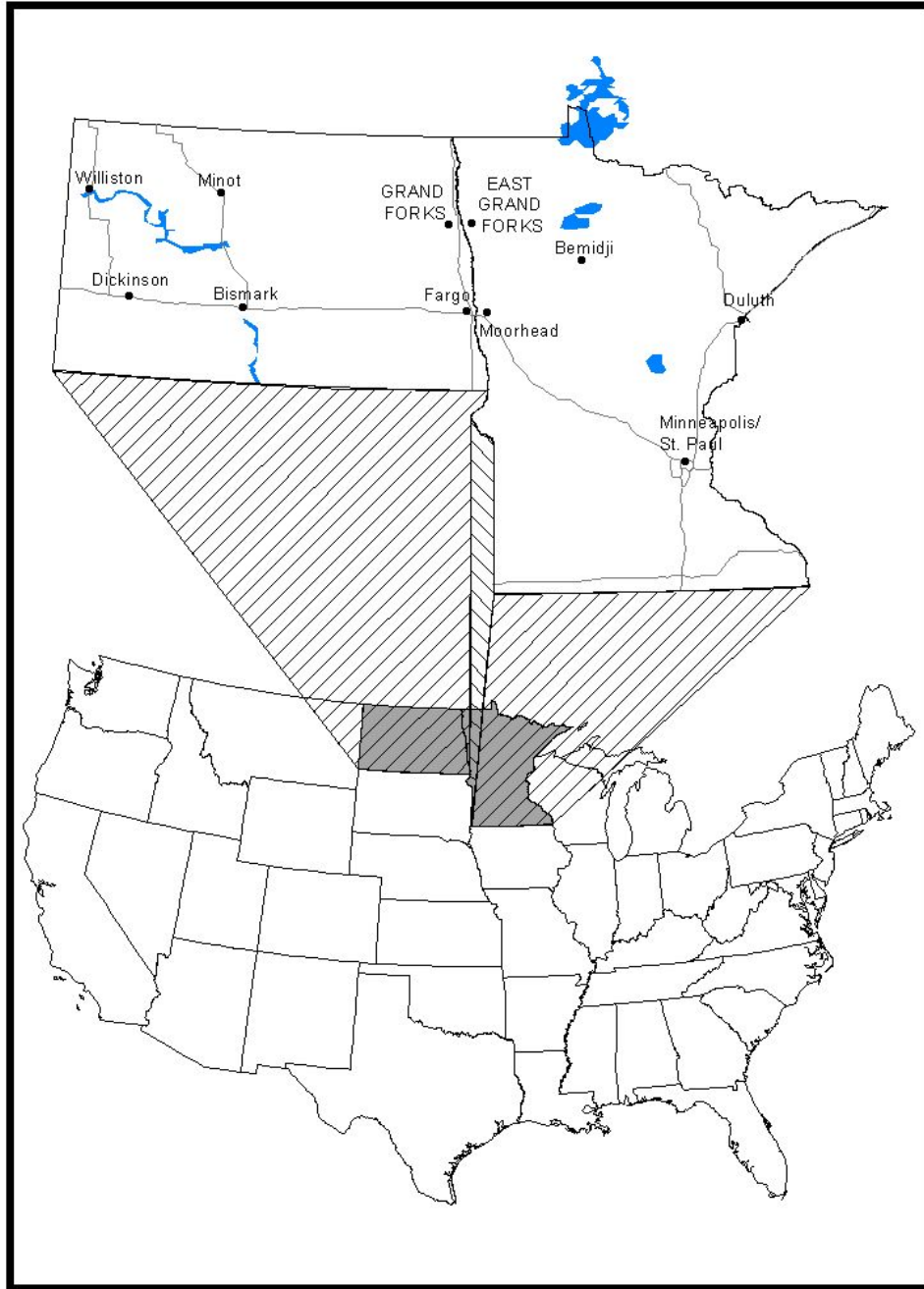
Greater Grand Forks includes the Cities of Grand Forks, North Dakota, which is North Dakota's third-largest city and is located on the eastern border of Northeastern North Dakota; and East Grand Forks, Minnesota, which lies at the confluence of the Red Lake River and the Red River of the North (See Map 1). The area has grown to become the trade area for more than 300,000 people and is the American gateway to Winnipeg, Manitoba, a major commerce and trade center 150 miles to the north in Canada. With grassland prairie to the west and Minnesota lake country to the east, Greater Grand Forks is about 300 miles northwest of Minneapolis-St. Paul.

The quality of life in Greater Grand Forks has been ranked among the top in the nation. Short commutes, few traffic problems, safety, low crime, fine restaurants, parks and theatres, and a cost of living considerably below that found in large American cities are just a few of the pluses that make Greater Grand Forks feel like home.

With the Red Lake River and the Red River of the North running through the two cities, Greater Grand Forks also enjoys excellent catfish fishing, boating, and other recreational opportunities. In the heart of the Red River Valley, it produces an abundance of grains, sugar beets, and potatoes each year. It is a well-rounded community. Recreation is available through the Greenways on either side of the Red River, and through the North Dakota and Minnesota State Park Systems.

# MAP 1

## Location Map Of Grand Forks, North Dakota And East Grand Forks, Minnesota



# COMMUNITY OF GRAND FORKS FACT SHEET

	<u>1995</u>	<u>2000</u>
Land Area (Square Miles)	16.52 Sq. Mi.	19.23 Sq. Mi.
Treated Water (Billion Gallons/Year)	2,500	2,870
Water Storage Capacity (Millions of Gallons)	13.25	13.70
Water Treatment Plant Capacity (Millions Of Gallons/Day)	16.5	16.5
Sanitary Sewer Lines	104.3 Miles	121.24 Miles
Storm Sewer Lines	80.9 Miles	98.10 Miles
Watermain	182.2 Miles	215.03 Miles
Forcemain	No Data	35.73 Miles
Miles of Paved Alleys	4.04 Miles	4.32 Miles
Miles of Paved Streets	156.9 Miles	178.12 Miles
Miles of Unpaved Roads	4.3 Miles	4.3 Miles
Fire Stations	3	3
Fire Department Employees	63	65
Police Stations	1	1
Police Officers	65 Sworn	80 Sworn
Attorneys	187	156 <sup>1</sup>
Optometrists	21	13
Dentists	32	25
Chiropractors	9	14

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Source: City of Grand Forks Departments

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<sup>1</sup> According to the Board of Law Examiners this is the number of attorneys licensed to practice law in Grand Forks and who list their address as Grand Forks.

# COMMUNITY OF EAST GRAND FORKS FACT SHEET

	<u>1995</u>	<u>2000</u>
Land Area (Square Miles)	No Data	5 Sq. Mi.
Treated Water (Million Gallons/Year) <sup>2</sup>	548	446
Water Storage Capacity (Millions Gallons)	4.1	4.1
Water Treatment Plant Capacity (Millions of Gallons/Day)	4.0	4.0
Sanitary Sewer Lines	Total Miles – 63	39.7
Storm Sewer Lines	Total Feet – 60	39.4
Watermain	No Data	51.2 Mi.
Forcemain	30,000 Feet	30,000 Feet
Miles of Paved Alleys	No Data	0.69
Miles of Paved Streets	16	40 (Does Not Include Hwys)
Miles of Unpaved Roads	No Data	0.92
Fire Stations	2	2
Fire Department Employees	14	11
Police Station	1	1
Police Officers	23 Sworn	23 Sworn
Attorneys	15	10 <sup>3</sup>
Optometrists	No Data	5
Dentists	5	4
Chiropractors	2	2

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Source: City of East Grand Forks Departments

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<sup>2</sup> Treated water (million gallons/year) is the amount of river water metered into the water treatment plan. East Grand Forks' Water Treatment Plant was downsized in 1994 to 2 mgd due to present water standards. An addition to the present water treatment plant was completed in late 1995 to bring the original design capacity of this plant back to 4 mgd.

<sup>3</sup> According to the Board of Law Examiners this is the number of attorneys licensed to practice law in East Grand Forks and who list their address as East Grand Forks.

# BUSINESS

With a healthy manufacturing and business climate, Grand Forks and East Grand Forks offer excellent business and industry opportunities. Technology parks and a development business incubator allow businesses to build and expand in the best possible environment, while city and state growth funds encourage business and industrial development.

The University Technology Park in Grand Forks, currently being developed, is affiliated with, and adjacent to the University of North Dakota. It is devoted to allowing access to the technology and talent of a research university. A patent depository library, Energy and Environmental Research Center, Center for Aerospace Sciences, Center for Rural Health, and, of course, access to top-notch scientists are just a few of UND's offerings. The Cray Supercomputer, one of only 20 computers at universities in the country, is available for scholarly and business research.

Greater Grand Forks is in the heart of the Red River Trade Corridor, an international effort by North Dakota, Minnesota, and Manitoba to link manufacturers, financiers, legal counsel, transportation services, economic developers, and media into a trade and economic development network. With 1.5 million people, the Trade Corridor has been formed to take advantage of today's global economy.

Excellent transportation links by rail, road, and air allow cost-effective delivery of goods and services. Many newcomers remark on the ease of getting into, out of, and around the area. But probably the biggest advertisement for business and industry are the people of the area. A large pool of educated, hard-working, highly motivated workers is one of our major attractions.

Source: Greater Grand Forks Convention and Business Bureau

# MAJOR EMPLOYERS

## GRAND FORKS

University of North Dakota	
Full-Time Employees.....	2,171
Part-Time Employees.....	<u>2,847</u>
TOTAL.....	5,018
City of Grand Forks	
Full-Time Employees.....	411
Part-Time Employees.....	<u>169</u>
TOTAL.....	580
Grand Forks Public Schools	
Full-Time Employees.....	560
Teachers.....	<u>740</u>
TOTAL.....	1,300
Grand Forks County	
Full-Time Employees.....	250
Altru Hospital/Rehab/Parkwood	
Full-Time Employees.....	1,375
Part-Time Employees.....	<u>964</u>
TOTAL.....	2,339
Altru Clinics	
Physicians.....	117
Salaried Employees.....	45
Hourly Employees.....	<u>480</u>
TOTAL.....	642
Grand Forks Air Force Base	
Military Personnel.....	2,630
Civilian Personnel.....	<u>1,230</u>
TOTAL.....	3,860
Simplot	
Full-Time Employees.....	50
Hourly Employees.....	<u>514</u>
TOTAL.....	564

## EAST GRAND FORKS

Northwest Technical College	
Full-Time and Part-Time Instructors .....	75
Full-Time Classified Employees .....	50
Miscellaneous Full-Time and Part-Time Employees .....	<u>100</u>
TOTAL .....	225
 American Crystal	
Permanent Non-Union Employees .....	40
Permanent Union Employees .....	250
Seasonal Union Employees .....	265
Campaign (September through May) .....	75
Harvest (September through October) .....	190
TOTAL .....	555
 City of East Grand Forks	
Full-Time Employees .....	103
Part-Time Employees .....	<u>24</u>
TOTAL .....	127

# CULTURE/RECREATION

	<u>Grand Forks</u>	<u>East Grand Forks</u>
Parks	33	9
Golf Courses	3	2
Indoor Hockey Rinks	4	2
Outdoor Hockey Rinks	9	3
Indoor Swimming Pools	2	0
Outdoor Swimming Pools	2	1
Outdoor Tennis Courts	28	4
Indoor Tennis Courts	5	1
Softball/Baseball Fields	29	8
Water Slide Parks	1	0
Radio Controlled Airplane/ Model Airplane Fields	1	0
Curling Clubs	1	0
Arboretum Area	1	0
Churches	53	11
Theaters	15	0
Museums	3	1
Soccer Fields	6	2
Stock Car Race Tracks	1	0
Go Cart Track	1	0

# CLIMATE

The climate of Grand Forks/East Grand Forks is characterized by a wide variation in temperature, caused by a nearly continuous air movement, and light to moderate precipitation. Temperatures drop to 0 degrees Fahrenheit, or below, an average of 60 days each year. April has an average monthly temperature of 18 degrees Fahrenheit, higher than that of March. The average day of last frost is May 19, but freezing temperatures have been recorded as late as June. The summers are warm, but not hot; a maximum temperature of 90 degrees Fahrenheit or more occurring on an average of only 12 days a year. The first fall frost usually occurs in mid- to late September. Average frost depth is 4.5 feet, but in some cases it may reach 7 feet.

The lowest temperature on record at the Grand Forks weather station was -44 degrees Fahrenheit on February 1, 1893; and the highest temperature on record was 109 degrees Fahrenheit on July 13, 1936. The mean annual precipitation of 20-inches is distributed in the form of rain or snow. The average rainfall amounts to approximately 17-inches per year with the balance of three inches of precipitation per year in the form of snow or sleet (approximately 20-inches annually).

Source: Grand Forks Planning Department.

# 2000 CENSUS FACTS

## POPULATION

A community's population is determined by an analysis of past trends, current status, and future projection of population, and can serve as a guide to anticipating the community's future needs in land use, housing, transportation, and community facilities.

### Population Trends For Grand Forks

Table 1 summarizes the population trends for Grand Forks over the last two decades. Grand Forks' growth rate between 1980 and 1990 was slightly higher than for the previous decade, however, there was a decrease in population in Grand Forks between 1990 and 2000, due to a major flood event that occurred in 1997.

**TABLE 1**  
**Population Trends For Grand Forks**  
**1980-2000**

JURISDICTION	POPULATION			POPULATION CHANGE	
	1980	1990	2000	1980-1990	1990-2000
Grand Forks	43,765	49,425	49,366*	+5,660	-59

\*NOTE: This number reflects the corrected population figures to include an additional 45 people.

Total Population ..... 49,321

Breakdown by Gender:

Male ..... 24,904  
Female ..... 24,417

Breakdown by Age Group:

Under 5 Years..... 2,910	45 to 54 Years ..... 5,867
5 to 9 Years ..... 2,819	55 to 59 Years ..... 1,747
10 to 14 Years ..... 2,924	60 to 64 Years ..... 1,394
15 to 19 Years ..... 5,012	65 to 74 Years ..... 2,317
20 to 24 Years ..... 8,174	75 to 84 Years ..... 1,768
25 to 34 Years ..... 6,981	85 Years and over ..... 751
35 to 44 Years ..... 6,657	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Median Age ..... 28.3

## **Population Statistics For Grand Forks**

The City of Grand Forks had 45 percent of Grand Forks County's population in 1910. By 1990, this had increased to 70 percent. The City grew fastest in the 1940s, at the rate of 3.27 percent per year. This rate slowed to 2.83 percent per year in the 1950s. Between the 1960s and 1990s, the City of Grand Forks grew between 1.2 and 1.3 percent per year, then after 1997 there was a slight decrease in population.

With the University of North Dakota, which had an enrollment figure of 11,764 students in 2001, the Grand Forks Air Force Base, and greater employment opportunities than surrounding rural areas, Grand Forks has a much younger population than the overall region. Only 9.2 percent of the City of Grand Forks' population is 65 years or age or over, whereas that number climbs to about 14.2 percent for the State of North Dakota.

Source: Grand Forks Planning Department

**Population Trends For Grand Forks Air Force Base**

Table 2 summarizes the population trends for the Grand Forks Air Force Base (GFAFB) over the last two decades. The growth rate slightly declined throughout the 1980s, reaching a figure of 9,343 in 1990, then, following the flood of 1997, and the reduction of the missile mission, there was a loss of 4,511 persons.

**TABLE 2**  
**Population Trends For Grand Forks Air Force Base**  
**1980-2000**

JURISDICTION	POPULATION			POPULATION CHANGE	
	1980	1990	2000	1980-1990	1990-2000
Grand Forks Air Force Base	9,390	9,343	4,832	-43	-4,511

Total Population ..... 4,343

Median Age.....21.9

Breakdown by Gender:

Male ..... 2,585

Female..... 2,247

Breakdown by Age Group:

Under 5 Years..... 665

5 to 9 Years ..... 585

10 to 14 Years ..... 456

15 to 19 Years ..... 372

20 to 24 Years ..... 764

25 to 34 Years ..... 1,112

35 to 44 Years ..... 791

45 to 54 Years ..... 79

55 +..... 8

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau

**Population Trends For East Grand Forks**

Table 3 summarizes the population trends for East Grand Forks over the last two decades. East Grand Forks' growth rate continued to climb throughout the 1980s, reaching a figure of 8,658 in 1990, then, following the flood of 1997, there was a loss of population of about 1,157 persons.

**TABLE 3  
Population Trends For East Grand Forks  
1980-2000**

JURISDICTION	POPULATION			POPULATION CHANGE	
	1980	1990	2000	1980-1990	1990-2000
East Grand Forks	8,537	8,658	7,501	+121	-1,157

Total Population ..... 7,501

Median Age.....34.1

Breakdown by Gender:

Male ..... 3,713

Female..... 3,788

Breakdown by Age Group:

Under 5 Years..... 516

5 to 9 Years ..... 580

10 to 14 Years ..... 646

15 to 19 Years ..... 706

20 to 24 Years ..... 526

25 to 34 Years ..... 865

35 to 44 years..... 1,219

45 to 54 Years ..... 971

55 to 59 Years ..... 324

60 to 64 Years ..... 269

65 to 74 Years ..... 456

75 to 84 Years ..... 321

85 Years and Over..... 102

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau

## **Population Statistics For East Grand Forks**

The population of the City of East Grand Forks was 7,501 in the Year 2000. Although this was a decrease from the Year 1990 population figure of 8,658, it was directly related to the Flood of 1997, and even though these numbers seem significant, East Grand Forks has in reality steadily increased in population over the last few years.

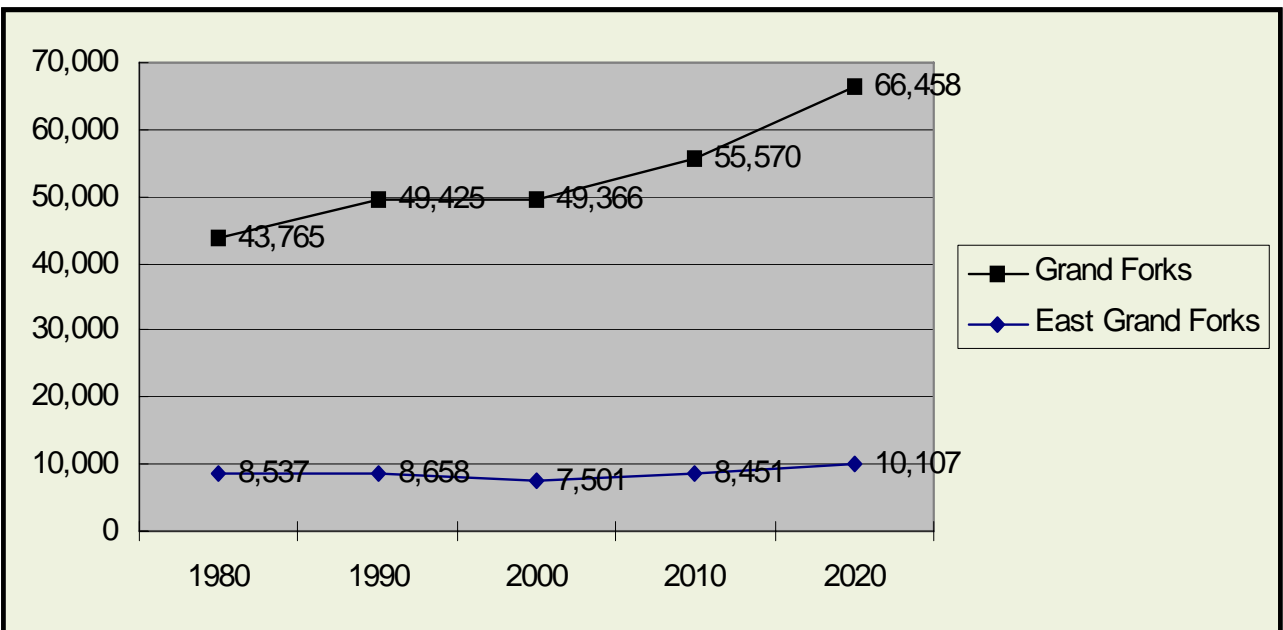
The State's population continues to grow, as there are more births than deaths. However, many Minnesota counties have been losing population, according to Minnesota Planning, as people move into urban areas and suburbs. This will continue to affect the population as people move from the rural areas to East Grand Forks.

Source: East Grand Forks Planning Office

## Population Projections For Grand Forks/East Grand Forks, 1980-2020

Figure 1 shows the projected population figures for Grand Forks and East Grand Forks from 1980 to 2020, however, please note that because of inaccurate and non-existent data due to the flood of 1997, the graph does not show population figures for those years between 1990 and 2000.

**FIGURE 1**  
**Population Forecasts For Grand Forks And East Grand Forks**  
**1980-2020**



# EDUCATION

Greater Grand Forks' pride in its school system shows in support from the community, and in the students themselves. Grand Forks and East Grand Forks boast strong public and private schools. The Grand Forks Public School District, and the Grand Forks Air Force Base, offer twelve elementary schools, four middle schools, three high schools, and an adult education center. Across the river in East Grand Forks, fully accredited public and private schools enroll over 2,000 students. Each school curriculum includes standard subjects, as well as non-traditional subjects and remedial reading programs. High School students are offered a wide variety of electives to enhance their learning experience. Advanced placement and post-secondary courses are also available.

Considered the finest in the State of North Dakota, the special education department provides service to all disabled children ages three to twenty-one. A majority of the students enrolled in special education are taught in classrooms with non-disabled peers. The district also offers a variety of opportunities to all students in elementary, middle and high schools to participate in extracurricular activities.

Private schooling options include Grand Forks Christian School, Holy Family School, St. Mary's School, St. Michael's School, and Sacred Heart School. Greater Grand Forks offers post-secondary education through the University of North Dakota and the Northwest Technical College. UND offers 146 academic programs of study and is the oldest institution in North Dakota. The Northwest Technical College in East Grand Forks is the youngest of the five NTC campuses, and offers a wide range of majors and specializes in health-related career opportunities.

## **UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA, GRAND FORKS**

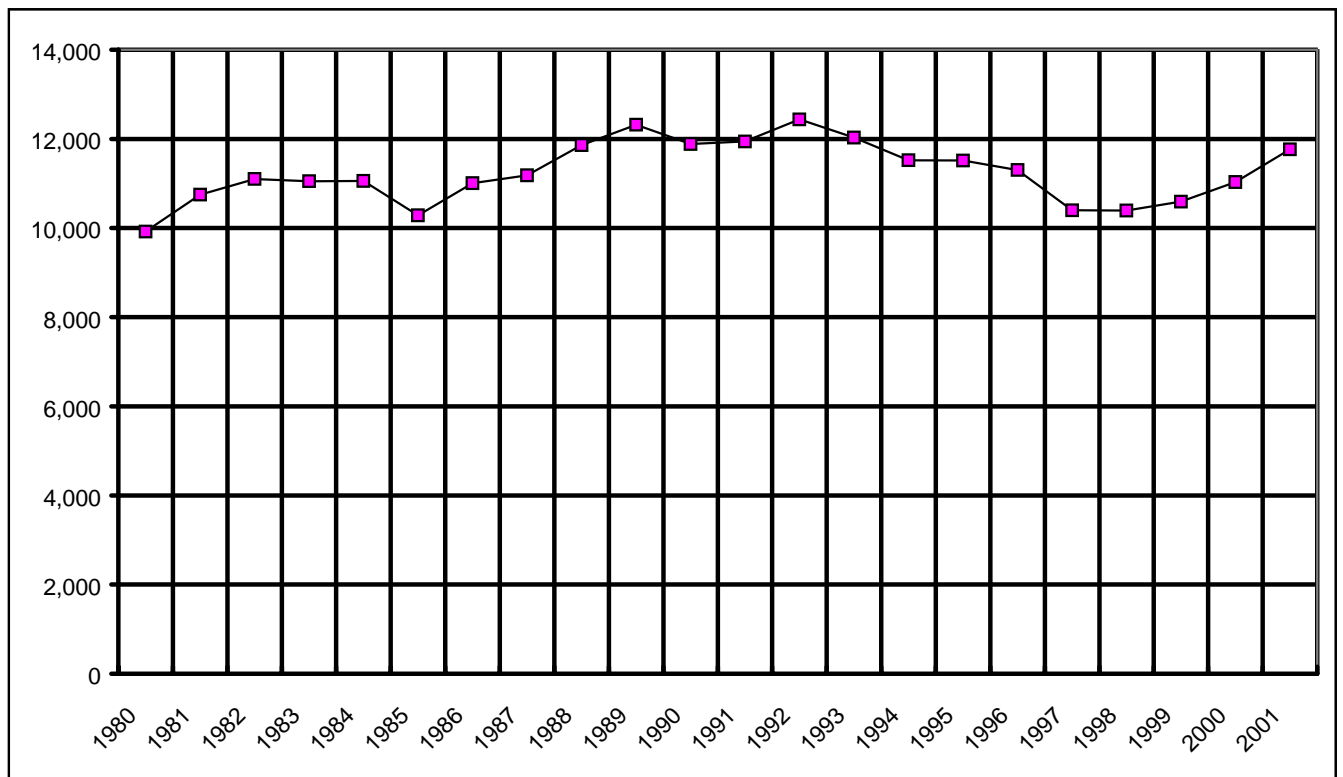
The University of North Dakota, founded in 1883, is the largest university in the Dakotas, Montana, Wyoming, and Western Minnesota. With a mission of teaching, research, and service, UND offers cultural and educational opportunities to people of all ages in the community and region. Offering about 170 major fields of study, UND's colleges and schools include University College (freshman division), College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business and Public Administration, Center of Aerospace Sciences, Center for Teaching and Learning, School of Engineering and Mines, College of Fine Arts, College of Nursing, College for Human Resources Development, Graduate School, School of Law, School of Medicine, and Division of Continuing Education.

Figure 2 shows enrollment figures at the University of North Dakota from 1980 through 2001. In 2001, UND had an enrollment figure of 11,764. Tuition and fees for the 2001/2002 school year were \$1,377 per semester for residents and \$3,688 per

semester for non-residents. Table 4 shows how the University of North Dakota compares to other North Dakota Universities in the areas of tuition costs and enrollment figures.

Sources: University of North Dakota and Greater Grand Forks Convention and Visitors Bureau.

**FIGURE 2**  
**UND ENROLLMENT 1980-2001**



**TABLE 4****North Dakota Universities  
Enrollment, Tuition, and Fees**

<b>UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>ENROLLMENT*</b>	<b>2001-2002 TUITION*</b>
Bismarck State College	2,744	\$1,048/Semester/Resident \$2,448/Semester/Non-Res.
Dickinson State University	2,101	\$1,232/Semester/Resident \$1,304/Semester/Minn. \$1,490/Sem./Border States
Mayville State College	755	\$1,034/Semester/Resident \$2,760/Semester/Non-Res.
Minot State University	3,515	\$1,276/Semester/Resident \$3,150/Semester/Non-Res.
North Dakota State University – Fargo	10,538	\$1,377/Semester/Resident \$3,676/Semester/Non-Res.
University of North Dakota – Grand Forks	11,764	\$1,377/Semester/Resident \$3,688/Semester/Non-Res.

\*Sources for Enrollment – Respective School

\*\*Sources for Tuition – Respective School

**NORTHWEST TECHNICAL COLLEGE IN EAST GRAND FORKS**

The Northwest Technical College in East Grand Forks has 32 major offerings, including health, trades, agriculture, and business. The college had an enrollment figure of 1,150 students in 2001. In a 1993 report, the college determined that while completion rates vary by type of student, most of the technical college students are almost equally likely to complete their program, regardless of their background: either socio-economic, racial, gender, age or academic history. The completion rate was fifty-two percent for those in two-year programs and fifty-one percent for those in three-year programs.

Sources: Northwest Technical College and Great Grand Forks Convention and Visitors Bureau.

**TABLE 5****Grand Forks Public Schools and Grand Forks Air Force Base  
Enrollment for 2001**

SCHOOL	NUMBER	ENROLLMENT	GRADES
Elementary	12	3,602	K-5 & Special Ed.
Middle School	4	1,896	Gr. 6-8 & Special Ed.
High School	3*	2,537	9-12 & Special Ed.
N. D. School for the Blind	1	320**	K-12
UND	1	11,764	***
Lake Region State College (GFAFB – Includes Cavalier Air Force Station and Fargo International Guard)	1	500-700 Per Term/5 Terms Per Yr.	***
Park University (GFAFB)	1	293 Per Term/5 Terms Per Yr.	***
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University (GFAFB)	1	40-50 Per Term/5 Terms Per Yr.	***
Central Michigan University (GFAFB)	1	65-70 Per Term/8 Terms Per Yr.	***
Josef's For Hair	1	55 to 60 Enrollment 6 Times a Year	

\* 2 High Schools, 1 Alternative

\*\* 300 Students Served Through Outreach Program

\*\*\* Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees To Ph.D.

**TABLE 6**

**Grand Forks Parochial and Private Schools  
Enrollment for 2001**

<b>SCHOOL</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ENROLLMENT</b>
Grade Schools - K-6 Holy Family (129) St. Mary's (65) St. Michael's (120)	3	314
Private School <sup>4</sup>	1	92

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<sup>4</sup> The Private School numbers are from the Grand Forks Christian School (K-8).

**TABLE 7**

**East Grand Forks Public Schools  
Enrollment For 2001**

<b>SCHOOL</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ENROLLMENT</b>	<b>GRADES</b>
Elementary	2	780	K-5
Middle School	1	438	6-8
High School	1	594	9-12

Source: Individual Schools

**TABLE 8**

**East Grand Forks Parochial And Private Schools  
Enrollment For 2001**

<b>SCHOOL</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ENROLLMENT</b>	<b>GRADES</b>
Grade School	1	198	Preschool-6
High School	1	171	7-12

Source: East Grand Forks Sacred Heart

# LAND USE

## **GRAND FORKS EXISTING LAND USE**

Map 2 shows the 1992 Generalized Existing Land Uses from the Grand Forks 2015 Land Use Plan. Residential density is relatively low with multiple family units generally adjacent to the major activity centers.

Grand Forks is bisected by the Burlington Northern Railroad yard, adjacent to DeMers Avenue. Industrial usage predominates north of Gateway Drive and on the western edge of Grand Forks near Interstate 29, between DeMers Avenue and 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

The University of North Dakota and the Medical Park Complex comprise a major portion of Grand Forks' west central area. Major retail centers currently include Columbia Mall, the Market Place Shopping Center, the Downtown, the Grand Cities Mall, and the Gateway corridor around Stanford Road and Highway 81. Most of the major roadways, such as Washington Street, Gateway Drive, DeMers Avenue, and Columbia Road, are also lined with commercial strips.

## **EAST GRAND FORKS EXISTING LAND USE**

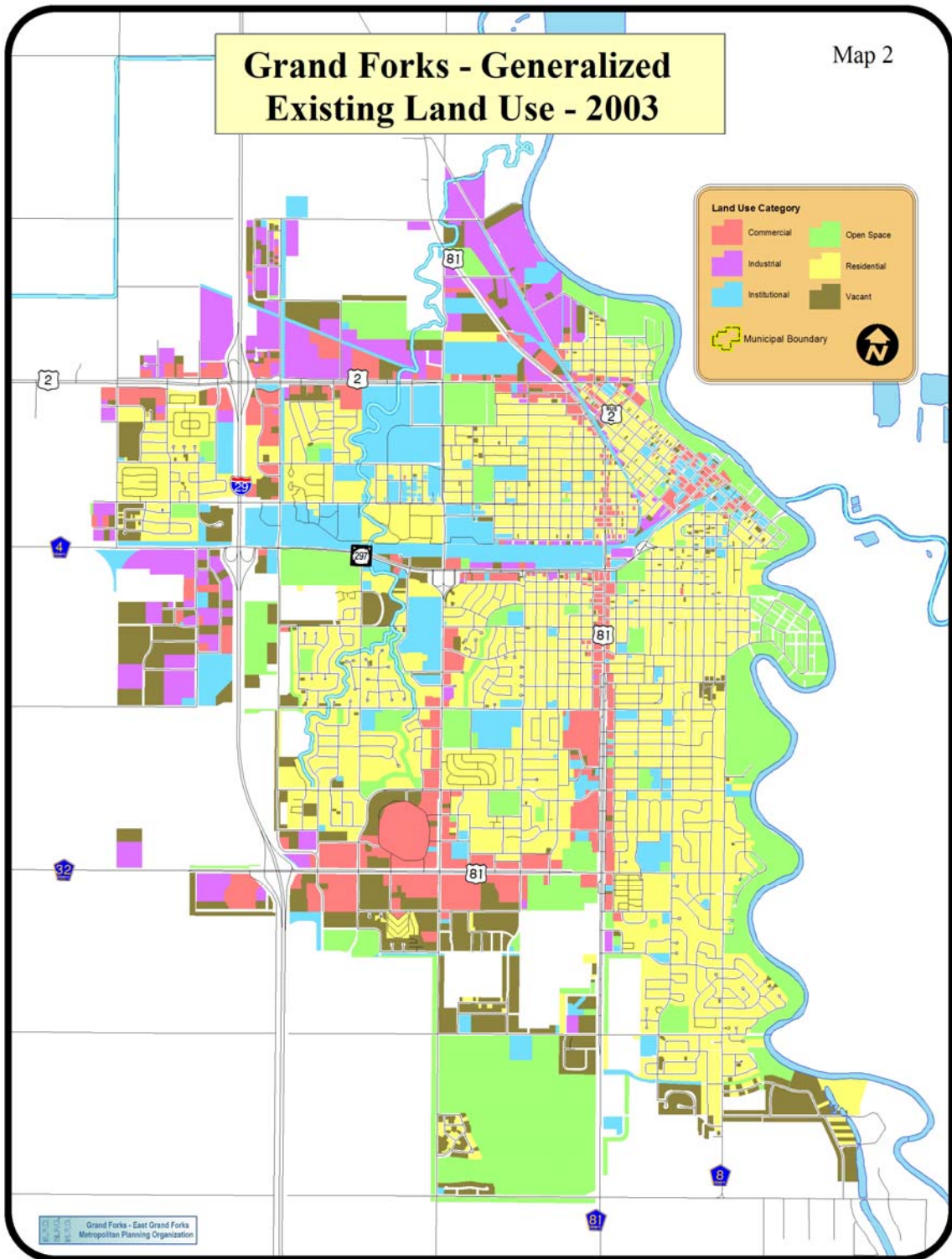
Map 3 shows the 2002 existing land uses for East Grand Forks, based on May 1, 2002 land use inventory. Historically, residential land usage in East Grand Forks has hovered around 20 percent and been predominantly single family (90% in single family versus 10% for multi-family).

The American Crystal Sugar plant, a number of potato warehouses, and the Burlington Northern Rail Yards, with its agricultural related storage facilities, account for the bulk of East Grand Forks' large industrial base. Over 14 percent of the physical space lying within East Grand Forks City limits is occupied by various industrial uses. Consequently, the City's industrial tax base is fairly large.

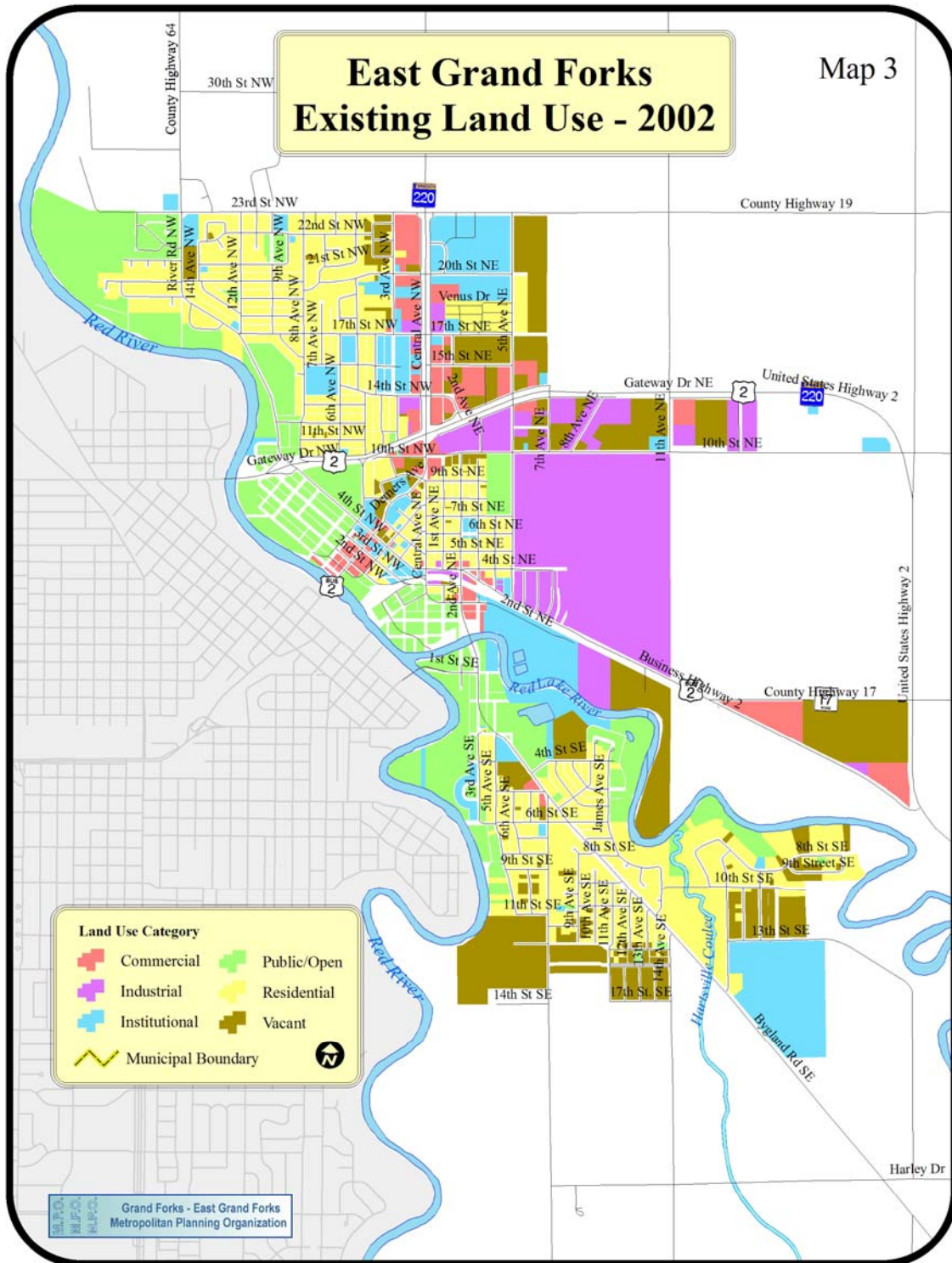
East Grand Forks has two primary commercial districts. The Central Business District (CBD) is concentrated around DeMers Avenue, and the other is focused on Minnesota Highway 220 North (Central Avenue). There are smaller clusters of commercial activity in various areas throughout the city.

Source: Grand Forks/East Grand Forks Metropolitan Planning Organization

Map 2



Map 3



## **GRAND FORKS FUTURE LAND USE**

New development is encouraged and is expected to be mainly in the southwestern portion of the community. As indicated on Map 4, the staged growth approach found in the Year 2015 Land Use Plan encourages additional residential development adjacent to the existing city limits and encourages infill of vacant areas within the City.

New industrial development to the north of Gateway Drive is anticipated. To the southwest, east of Interstate 29, a mix of residential, commercial, and public uses are planned, with the area west of Interstate 29 to be dominated by industrial and commercial development.

The Plan Update projected population to increase at an annual rate of 1.2%. This growth rate would result in future population of 64,116 by the Year 2025. The breakdown of how land is used by number of acres and acres per capita is shown in Table 9.

**TABLE 9**  
**Land Use Breakdown By Acres For Grand Forks**

	<b>2002 ACRES</b>	<b>ACRES PER CAPITA</b>	<b>2025 ACRES</b>	<b>ACRES PER CAPITA</b>
Residential	2,781	0.05	3,919	0.06
Industrial	709	0.01	1,285	0.02
Commercial	830	0.01	1,199	0.01
Public/Semi-Public	1,001	0.02	1,001	0.01
Parks/Recreation	1,230	0.02	1,378	0.02
Vacant/Agricultural	1,497	0.03	0	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,049</b>	<b>0.16</b>	<b>8,782</b>	<b>0.13</b>

## **EAST GRAND FORKS FUTURE LAND USE**

The overall future land use of the City of East Grand Forks can be identified by analyzing the different land uses individually. In 2002, the City of East Grand Forks adopted an update to its Land Use Plan (see Map 5). The philosophy behind the update was a continuation of a staged growth concept in a fiscally responsible manner. The primary objective of the staged growth concept is to accommodate future population growth and economic expansion utilizing urban land use demand standards to guide land use development. Two additional objectives of the Staged Growth Concept include:

1. Encourage compact development in order that public services, utilities, and facilities may be efficiently and economically provided.
2. Encourage redevelopment of land within East Grand Forks in order to maintain and enhance existing property values.

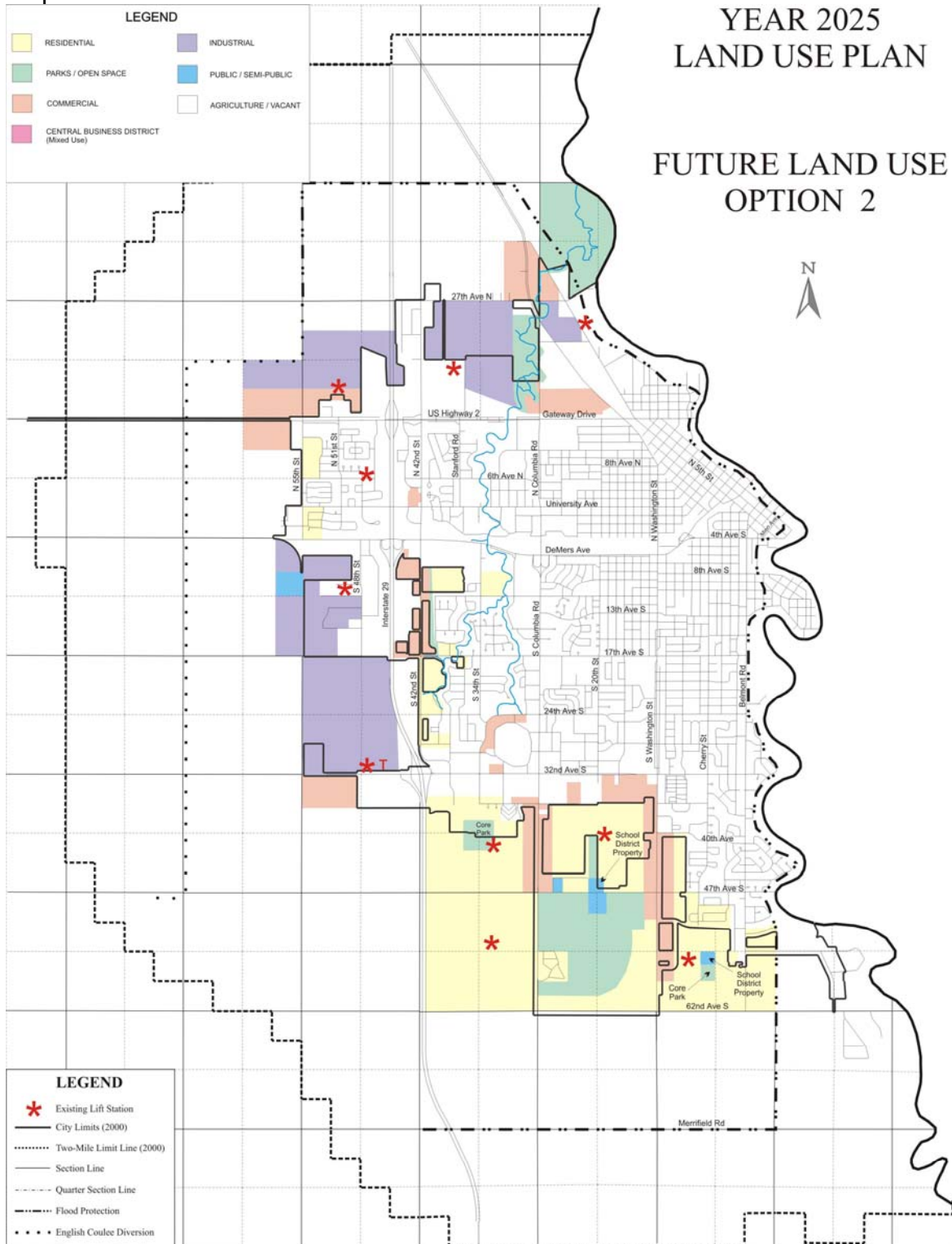
The Plan Update projected population to increase at an annual rate of 1.2%. This growth rate would result in future population of 10,107 by the Year 2025. The breakdown of how land is used by number of acres and acres per capita is shown in Table 10.

**TABLE 10**  
**Land Breakdown By Acres For East Grand Forks**

	<b>1993 ACRES</b>	<b>ACRES PER CAPITA</b>	<b>2015 ACRES</b>	<b>ACRES PER CAPITA</b>
Residential	627	0.08	808	0.08
Industrial	411	0.05	505	0.05
Commercial	140	0.02	304	0.03
ROW/Utilities	630	0.07	703	0.07
Public/Semi-Public	354	0.05	508	0.05
Parks/Recreation	490	0.06	506	0.05
Vacant/Agricultural	477	0.06	503	0.05
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3129</b>	<b>0.39</b>	<b>3837</b>	<b>0.38</b>

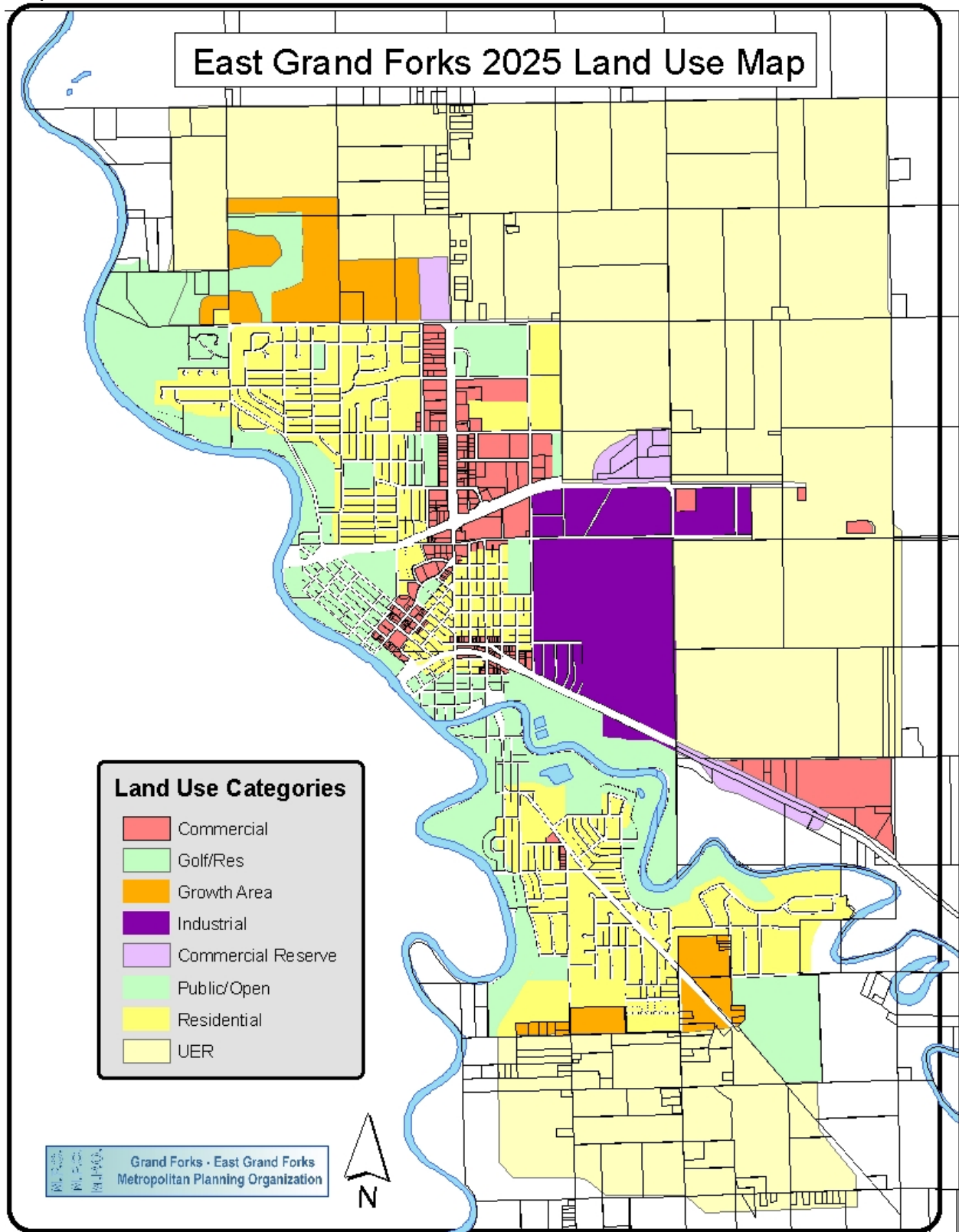
Source: East Grand Forks Land Use Plan

Map 4



Attachment F

Map 5



# HOUSING

## HOUSING TRENDS FOR GRAND FORKS/EAST GRAND FORKS

Housing unit estimates are based on the assumption that 2.3 people will occupy each housing unit in the Year 2020. The total housing units, as reported by the 1990 Census, was 19,589 for Grand Forks and 3,159 for East Grand Forks. The 2000 Census reported the total housing units for Grand Forks was 20,838 and 3,108 for East Grand Forks.

### Housing Statistics – Grand Forks

Housing construction in Grand Forks has gone through many cycles of boom and bust. See Figure 3. In the late 1970's apartments were over-built. New construction almost stopped in the early 1980's due to high interest rates for single family and high vacancy rates for apartments. In the mid-1990's the fear of base closings put apartment construction on a two-year cycle.

New housing starts from 1980 to 1989 averaged 209 per year, but ranged from a low of 14 in 1981 to 404 in 1987. From 1990 to 1996 new housing starts again averaged 209 per year ranging from 63 in 1990 to 405 in 1995. Large numbers of new single family were constructed in the three years after the 1997 flood. Then housing construction slowed to 57 in 1999 and 99 in 2000. This is still higher than many years in the recent past.

The 1990 census reported 19,589 housing units in Grand Forks. The 2000 census reported 20,838, an increase of 1,249. This is a remarkable increase considering that the City lost about 800 units due to the 1997 flood. The number of housing units increased, but the population did not. Average household size declined from 2.43 in 1990 to 2.31 in 2000. If household size had remained constant, the City would have had a substantial increase in population in spite of the flood.

Affordable housing is a difficult subject. There is little agreement on what constitutes affordable, and no real consensus on how to achieve it. The Census Bureau defines affordable housing as costing no more than 2.5 times household income. In 1989 the median family income was \$32,417. Using the Census criteria, half of the families in Grand Forks could not afford to buy a house costing more than \$81,425.

Another approach to the subject is to consider overall housing costs as a percent of household income. The Census Bureau reported the number of owner-occupied housing units cross-tabulated by household income and percentage of that income used for selected owner costs. These include mortgage payments, property taxes, property and flood insurance, utilities, and heating fuels.

## **FIGURE 3**

### **Grand Forks Housing Units**

Note: SFA – Single Family Attached  
SF – Single Family  
MF – Multi-Family

Very few households with incomes over \$50,000 spend over 20 percent of their income on housing. Over 60 percent of households with incomes under \$10,000 spend at least 35 percent of their income on housing. It is apparent that housing costs consume a very large part of the resources of low-income households.

Source: Grand Forks Planning Department

#### **Housing Statistics – East Grand Forks**

The U.S. Census Bureau defines reasonable housing costs as no more than 2.5 times household income. Median family income was \$31,140 in East Grand Forks in 1989. Using the U.S. Census formula, half of the families in East Grand Forks could not afford to buy a house that costs more than \$77,850. The median dollar value of a house in Polk County was \$47,200, according to the 1990 Census.

Through September of 1995, 16 single family home building permits were issued. In 1994, there were 26 new single family homes and in 1993, there were 39 permits issued. The median monthly housing/rent costs in Polk County was \$558 (home owners with mortgages) and \$293, (median gross rent).

Most homeowners in East Grand Forks who have an income of less than \$10,000, spend 35 percent of their income on housing. Among those earning between \$10,000 and \$19,999, there is a wide range, with many spending less than 20 percent of their income on housing while 69 paid 35 percent or more of their income on housing. In the \$20,000 to \$34,999 income bracket, 231 spent less than 20 percent, 125 spend 25 to 29 percent and 79 spent 30 to 34 percent. In the \$35,000 to \$49,000 income bracket, 405 spent less than 20 percent on housing, 778 spent 20 to 24 percent on housing, and 34 spent 25 to 29 percent on housing. In the highest income bracket, \$50,000 and higher, 359 people said they spent less than 20 percent on their housing, 17 said they spent 20 to 24 percent, and 15 said from 25 to 29 percent of their income went for housing. Just two said they spend more than 35 percent of their income on housing.

Source: The Minnesota Department of Trade and Economic Development – Community Profile

**Grand Forks Housing Counts By Type**

Single – Detached .....	8,600
Single – Attached .....	1,311
2-4 Units .....	2,082
5-9 Units .....	956
10 or More Units .....	6,932
Mobile Homes .....	949
 TOTAL OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS.....	 19,674
TOTAL VACANT HOUSING UNITS .....	1,156

Source: 2000 Census of Population and Housing For North Dakota

**East Grand Forks Housing Counts By Type**

Single – Detached .....	2,070
Single – Attached .....	54
2-4 Units .....	275
5-9 Units .....	160
10 or More Units .....	732
Mobile Homes .....	194
 TOTAL OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS.....	 2,929
TOTAL VACANT HOUSING UNITS .....	179

Source: 2000 Census of Population and Housing for Minnesota

**Housing Costs For Grand Forks**

Apartments:

Average Monthly Rentals:

1 – Bedroom .....	\$250 to \$425 (Plus Electricity)
2 – Bedroom .....	\$350 to \$550 (Plus Electricity)
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Single-Family Homes

Average Purchase Price:

Condominium .....	\$93,170
Residential.....	\$109,290

Source: Grand Forks Board of Realtors

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Condominium .....	\$119,433
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Source: Grand Forks Board of Realtors

# DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

## GRAND FORKS

The total valuation of building construction in Grand Forks in 2000 was \$119,204,526. The total number of permits issued was 1,281. Table 10 breaks down the permits obtained for new structures by type and value. Table 11 breaks down the permits obtained for repairs and/or additions to existing structures by type and value.

**TABLE 11**  
**2000 Grand Forks Building Permits/New Structures**

MONTH	SINGLE DWELLING	TOWNHOUSE DWELLING	MULTIPLE DWELLING	RES. GARAGE	COMM'L	OTHER	PUBLIC	TOTAL	TOTAL PERMITS	TOTAL UNITS
January							34,000 (1 Per*)	34,000	1	1
February	164,617 (1 Per*)					1GH		164,617	1	1
March				7,776 (1 Per*)	2,282,000 (2 FF**)	1,079,000 (2 Per*)	3,227,634 (1 FF**)	6,596,410	6	3
April	993,699 (7 Per)	241,428 (2 Per*)		31,024 (4 Per*)	28,741,000 (2 Per*) (1 FF**)	6,632 (4 Per*) (6 GH****)		30,013,783	20	19
May	406,547 (3 Per*)	250,413 (2 Per*)		130,848 (12 Per*)	(1 Per*) (1 FF**)	47,500 (6 Per*) (2 GH****)		835,308	25	24
June	1,298,747 (8 Per*)	411,516 (6 Per*)		68,484 (7 Per*)	7,150,000 (1 Per*) (1 FF**)	64,800 (6 Per*) (1 GH****)		8,993,547	29	28
July	661,471 (4 Per*)	140,000 (2 Per*)		79,638 (6 Per*)	1,893,387 (1 Per*) (2 FF**)	280,700 (5 Per*)		3,055,196	20	18
August	381,650 (2 Per*)			73,332 (8 Per*)	1,587,664 (1 Per*) (1 FF**)	8,300 (4 Per*)		2,050,946	16	15
September	783,058 (6 Per*) (1 FF**)		50,000 (1 FF**)		31,035,000 (2 Per*) (1 FF**)	330,000 (5 Per*)	4,909,000 (2 Per*) (1 FF**)	37,107,058	19	15
October	1,632,044 (9 Per*) (4 FF**)			58,050 (5 Per*)	636,000 (1 Per*) (3 FF**)	(2 Per*) (1 XM****)	1,295,000 (1 Per*)	3,621,094	25	18
November	685,994 (5 Per*)			8,424 (1 Per*)	4,410,044 (4 Per*)	(2 Per*) (3 XM****)		5,104,462	12	12
December				9,720 (1 Per*)	719,900 (1 Per*)	(3 XM****)		729,620	2	2
<b>TOTAL MONIES</b>	7,007,827	1,043,357	50,000	467,296	78,454,995	1,816,932	9,465,634	98,306,041		
<b>TOTAL PERMITS</b>	50	12	1	45	26	36	6		176	
<b>TOTAL UNITS</b>	45	12	0	45	14	36	4			156

Source: Grand Forks City Engineering Department

\* - "Per" is an abbreviation for Permit. \*\* - "FF" is an abbreviation for Footing and Foundation. \*\*\* - "GH" is an abbreviation for Greenhouse. \*\*\*\* - "XM" is an abbreviation for Christmas Tree Stands.

**TABLE 12**  
**2000 Grand Forks Building Permits**  
**Repair And/Or Additions To Existing Structures**

MONTH	DWELLING	COMM'L	PUBLIC	OTHER	MOVE DWELLING OTHER	DEMO DWELLING OTHER	TOTAL	TOTAL PERMITS
January	127,131 (26 Per*)	1,127,480 (12 Per*)	4,100 (1 Per*)	6,300 (4 Per*)	1	3 2	1,265,011	49 Permits
February	442,167 (50 Per*)	925,000 (12 Per*)	70,000 (2 Per*)	7,400 (1 Per*)	1	3	1,444,567	69 Permits
March	326,998 (56 Per*)	4,152,902 (21 Per*)	398,226 (8 Per*)	7,000 (1 Per*)	2 4	1 3	4,885,126	96 Permits
April	234,230 (53 Per*)	345,160 (11 Per*)	58,000 (1 Per*)	21,820 (4 Per*)	3 6	4 5	659,210	87 Permits
May	413,725 (87 Per*)	3,875,485 (12 Per*)	28,404 (1 Per*)	28,310 (7 Per*)	3	6	4,345,924	116 Permits
June	298,292 (78 Per*)	156,600 (12 Per*)	232,521 (7 Per*)	11,068 (5 Per*)	3	12 8	698,481	125 Permits
July	360,588 (80 Per*)	383,020 (14 Per*)	68,900 (2 Per*)	32,837 (4 Per*)	2 8	3	845,345	113 Permits
August	387,477 (79 Per*)	461,423 (20 Per*)	58,000 (5 Per*)	62,474 (9 Per*)	6	1	969,374	120Permits
September	343,829 (87 Per*)	1,125,110 (21 Per*)	268,250 (5 Per*)	46,985 (5 Per*)	2 7	3 2	1,784,174	132Permits
October	321,155 (61 Per*)	345,960 (12 Per*)		29,465 (5 Per*)	7 2	2 1	696,580	90 Permits
November	103,744 (16 Per*)	889,456 (13 Per*)	98,000 (1 Per*)	1,500 (1 Per*)	2 4	13 4	1,092,700	54 Permits
December	103,107 (17 Per*)	2,520,402 (16 Per*)			5 1	2 2	2,623,509	43 Permits
<b>TOTAL MONIES</b>	3,462,443	16,307,998	1,284,401	255,159			21,310,001	
<b>TOTAL PERMITS</b>	690	176	33	46	23 46	40 40		1094

Source: Grand Forks City Engineering Department

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## EAST GRAND FORKS

The total valuation of building construction in East Grand Forks in 1995 was \$10,753,700. The total number of permits issued was 296. Table 12 shows the construction record.

**TABLE 13**  
**East Grand Forks New Construction Records for 2000**

MONTH	DWELLING Single/# of Permits	DWELLING Multiple/# of Permits	GARAGE # of Permits	COMM'L # of Permits	OTHER # of Permits	PUBLIC # of Permits	TOTAL VALUE	TOTAL PERMITS
January				\$1,689,000 (1 Per*) Pracs Institute			\$1,689,000	1
February							\$0	0
March	\$115,000 (1 Per*)			\$1,200,000 (1 Per*) Boardwalk	\$24,000 (1 Per*)		\$1,339,000	3
April	\$893,000 (7 Per*)		\$27,000 (2 Per*)	\$378,000 (1 Per*) Burger King		\$2,700,000 (1 Per*) City Hall	\$3,998,000	11
May	\$664,000 (5 Per*)		\$30,000 (2 Per*)	\$132,000 (1 Per*)		\$1,200,000 (1 Per*) Library	\$2,026,000	9
June	\$494,000 (5 Per*)		\$20,000 (2 Per*)				\$514,000	7
July	\$42,000 (1 Per*)				\$13,000 (1 Per*)		\$55,000	2
August	\$448,000 (4 Per*)		\$12,000 (2 Per*)				\$460,000	6
September	\$594,000 (6 Per*)		\$36,000 (3 Per*)	\$219,000 (1 Per*)			\$849,000	10
October	\$168,000 (2 Per*)						\$168,000	2
November	\$184,000 (1 Per*)						\$184,000	1
December	\$79,000 (2 Per*)						\$79,000	2
<b>TOTAL MONIES</b>	\$3,681,000	\$0	\$125,000	\$3,618,000	\$37,000	\$3,900,000	\$11,361,000	
<b>TOTAL PERMITS</b>	34	0	11	5	2	2		54

Source: East Grand Forks City Planning Department

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**TABLE 14**  
**East Grand Forks Repair Records for 2000**

MONTH	DWELLING # of Permits	COMM'L # of Permits	OTHER #of Permits	MOVE/ SIDEWALK # of Permits	SIGNS # of Permits	FENCE # of Permits	TOTAL VALUE	TOTAL PERMITS
January	\$9,000 (2 Per*)	\$212,000 (1 Per*) VFW			\$6,000 (2 Per*)		\$227,000	5
February	\$45,000 (3 Per*)	\$1,234,000 (3 Per*)			\$1,000 (1 Per*)		\$1,280,000	7
March	\$32,000 (6 Per*)	\$15,000 (1 Per*)		(3 Per*)	\$21,000 (2 Per*)		\$68,000	12
April	\$140,000 (16 Per*)	\$15,000 (1 Per*)	\$1,000 (1 Per*)		\$15,000 (1 Per*)		\$171,000	19
May	\$122,000 (15 Per*)		\$5,000 (2 Per*) Temp Grn HS	(2 Per*)	\$31,000 (3 Per*)	\$1,000 (1 Per*)	\$159,000	23
June	\$62,800 (12 Per*)			(2 Per*)	\$19,000 (2 Per*)	\$3,000 (3 Per*)	\$84,800	19
July	\$84,800 (13 Per*)	\$264,000 (3 Per*)		(2 Per*)	\$1,000 (1 Per*)	\$6,000 (2 Per*)	\$355,800	21
August	\$43,500 (14 Per*)	\$180,000 (2 Per*)		(5 Per*)	\$15,000 (6 Per*)	\$1,000 (1 Per*)	\$239,500	28
September	\$70,500 (16 Per*)	\$417,000 (2 Per*)		(1 Per*)	\$4,500 (3 Per*)	\$1,000 (1 Per*)	\$493,000	23
October	\$55,500 (12 Per*)	\$74,000 (2 Per*)		(3 Per*)	\$2,000 (1 Per*)		\$131,500	18
November	\$7,000 (4 Per*)			(5 Per*)	\$6,500 (3 Per*)		\$13,500	12
December	\$5,000 (1 Per*)			(3 Per*)	\$1,000 (1 Per*)		\$6,000	5
<b>TOTAL MONIES</b>	\$677,100	\$2,411,000	\$6,000		\$123,000	\$12,000	\$3,229,100	
<b>TOTAL PERMITS</b>	114	15	3	26	26	8		192

Source: East Grand Forks City Planning Department

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# REAL PROPERTY VALUATION

## GRAND FORKS

**TABLE 15**  
**Grand Forks Property Valuation**

YEAR	ESTIMATED MARKET	VALUATION RATIO	TAXABLE VALUATION
1992	\$1,153,873,750	4.66%	\$53,740,028
1993	\$1,208,781,920	4.68%	\$56,582,579
1994	\$1,277,777,052	4.69%	\$59,907,130
1995	\$1,368,637,756	4.68%	\$64,093,452
1996	\$1,438,710,214	4.68%	\$67,369,714
1997	\$1,420,394,560	4.65%	\$66,021,559
1998	\$1,510,022,360	4.69%	\$70,890,779
1999	\$1,620,990,422	4.69%	\$76,067,977
2000	\$1,728,705,346	4.70%	\$81,247,473
2001	\$1,772,173,700	4.70%	\$83,368,517
<b>PROJECTIONS</b>			
2002	\$1,844,750,200	4.70%	\$86,703,258
2003	\$1,918,540,200	4.70%	\$90,171,388
2004	\$1,995,281,800	4.70%	\$93,778,244
2005	\$2,075,093,100	4.70%	\$97,529,374
2006	\$2,158,096,800	4.70%	\$101,430,549

Source: City of Grand Forks Assessing Department

Note: The following assumptions were used in making the projected market and taxable valuations:

1. That the net growth rate from inflation and new construction will be 4% compounded annually.
2. That the tax laws, especially relating to property classification rates, remain as applicable in 1995.

### Taxable Value

2001 Grand Forks Real Property ..... \$83,368,517

## **Tax Exemptions and Credits**

Any new or expanded revenue producing business project may negotiate with the City of Grand Forks or the County of Grand Forks for up to five years full or partial exemption from local real property taxes and state income taxes. Projects that produce or manufacture a product from agricultural commodities grown in North Dakota may qualify for an additional five-year partial property tax exemption. If the previously-noted tax exception is not claimed, a new business or industry may claim a state income tax credit equivalent to 1% of the firm's expenditure of wages and salaries the first three years and .5% the fourth and fifth years of its operation.

## **Corporate Income Tax Credits to New Industry**

North Dakota law also provides for a corporate income tax credit to new industries. In order for a domestic corporation to qualify for this deduction, it must have been incorporated after January 1, 1969, cannot be a reorganization of a previously existing corporation, nor be receiving the tax exemption noted above in the chapter "Property and Income Tax Exemption for New Industry." Foreign corporations qualifying for this credit must also have been first granted a certificate of authority to transact business in the state after January 1, 1969. The credit is equal to 1% of the gross expenditures for wages and salaries during each of the first three years. For the fourth and fifth years, the credit is  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1% of such expenditures.

## **Income Tax: Personal, Partnership**

Every resident of North Dakota who has a gross income of \$750 or more per year (\$3,200 for age 65 or over) is required to file a North Dakota State return. This applies even if all or part of a resident's income comes from sources outside North Dakota. Income residents earn outside of the state is taxed by North Dakota, but a tax credit, subject to certain limitations is given for taxes paid to the state in which the income is derived or earned.

## **Sales and Use Tax**

North Dakota places a sales tax on the gross receipts from retail sales of tangible personal property, gas, communication service, electricity, water, magazines and other periodicals, the renting of tangible hotel and motel accommodations, recreation and amusement tickets, alcoholic beverages, cigarettes and other tobacco products, and oleo margarine. Also, there is a use tax on the sale price of tangible personal property purchased out of this state for storage, use, or consumption within the state. A use tax collection responsibility is imposed on any retailer maintained in this state either permanently or temporarily. There is a 5.0% sales and use tax imposed by the state. There is a 1  $\frac{3}{4}$ % city sales tax.

Receipts from the sale of tangible personal property for the purpose of “resale” or “processing” by the purchaser, are not subject to sales tax. The seller must determine at the time of sale whether the buyer is purchasing for the purpose of “resale” or “processing” or for final use and consumption. When purchasing for “resale” or “processing”, a buyer should sign a certificate of resale or of processing in a form suggested by the Tax Commissioner.

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**EAST GRAND FORKS**

**TABLE 16**  
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<b>YEAR</b>	<b>ESTIMATED MARKET VALUE</b>	<b>TAX CAPACITY</b>	<b>TAX CAPACITY RATE %</b>	<b>MARKET VALUE RATE</b>
1999	190,112,200	2,900,050	52.455%	N/A
2000	211,076,000	3,208,277	50.958%	N/A
2001	239,959,200	3,578,896	47.962%	N/A

Source: City of East Grand Forks Assessing Office

\*Real Property Only – Personal Property Not Included.

**2001 Tax Capacity Rate Breakdown:**

City of East Grand Forks .....	47.962
East Grand Forks Schools .....	36.558
Red Lake Watershed.....	2.995
Ambulance .....	1.294
Polk County.....	62.936
Northwest Regional Development Commission .....	0.201
TOTAL.....	151.946

**Taxable Value**

2001 East Grand Forks Real Property ..... \$3,305,045

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Source: City of East Grand Forks Assessing Department

# EMPLOYMENT

## LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS – GRAND FORKS

### Total Employment Up 2.8%

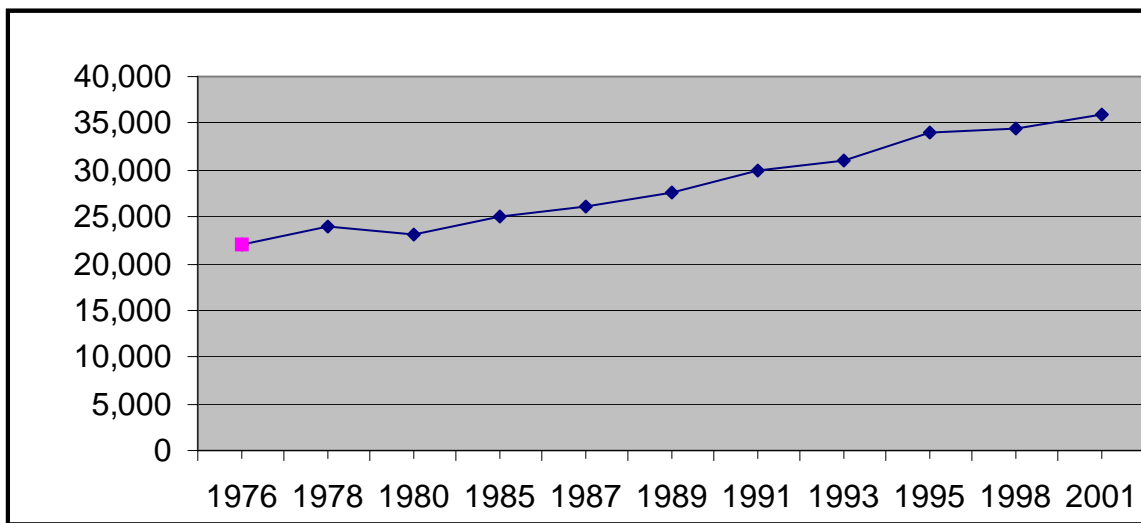
The Local Employment Survey conducted by Job Service North Dakota, in cooperation with the Grand Forks Chamber of Commerce, showed a total wage and salary employment of 36,247 in Grand Forks as of September 12, 2001. This represents an increase of 5.0 percent from the 34,537 employees reported on the last employment survey conducted on October 12, 1998.

There were 18,363 female employees, up 953 from the previous survey. Women comprise 50.7 percent of the total employment, up slightly from 1998's 50.4 percent.

The survey showed the number of part-time employees (those working less than 30 hours per week) was down 117, while the percentage of part-time workers declined from 37.7 percent in 1998 to 35.6 percent in 2001. Of the 12,888 part-time workers in 2001, 60.1 percent were female.

A total of 799 self-employed persons and 141 unpaid family members were also reported in the survey. Grand Forks had a total of 1,824 businesses in September 2001. The average firm had 19.9 employees.

**FIGURE 4**  
**Grand Forks Total Employment**  
**1976 to 2001**

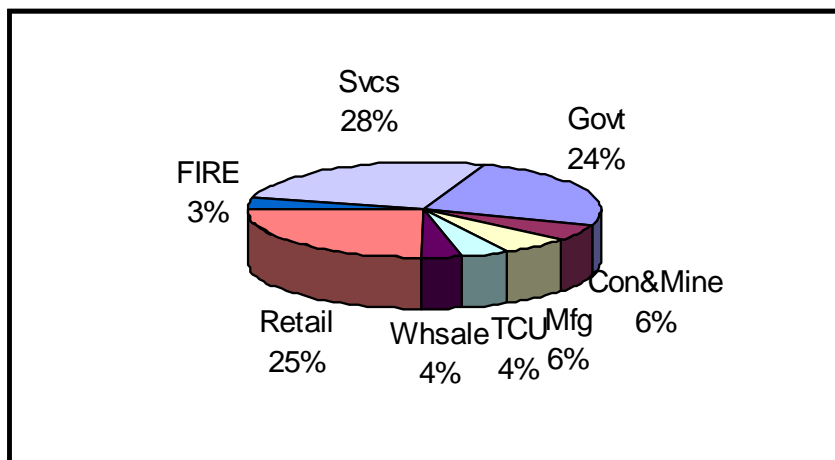


**Services Remains City’s Largest Employer**

SERVICES remains the largest employer in Grand Forks, with 9,692 employees in September 2001. This compares to an employment level in October of 1998 of 9,417. The MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES sector continues to lead employment in the industry.

The SERVICES industry showed a percentage increase of 2.9 percent since 1998, with changes ranging from an increase of 158.0 percent in the AGRICULTURAL SERVICES sector, to a decrease of -36.9 percent in the MISCELLANEOUS REPAIR SERVICES sector. The SOCIAL SERVICES sector had the largest numeric increase of 261, while the HOTELS, MOTELS, AND LODGING sector had the largest numeric decrease of -110.

**FIGURE 5  
2001 Wage & Salary Employment**



Key to Industry Abbreviations:

Construction and Mining.....	Con&Mine
Manufacturing .....	Mfg
Transportation, Communication and Utilities.....	TCU
Wholesale Trade .....	Whsale
Retail Trade.....	Retail
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate .....	FIRE
Services .....	Svcs
Government .....	Govt

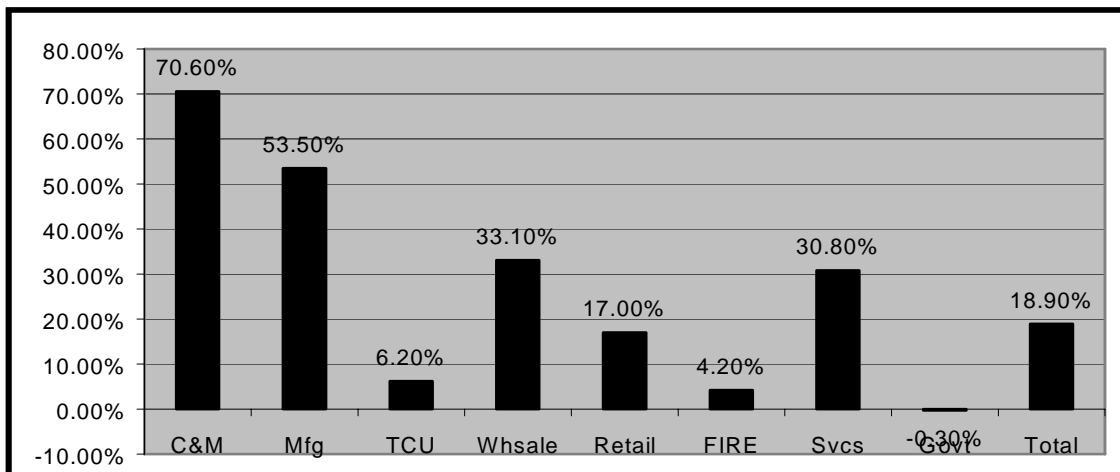
## **Grand Forks Employment Increases 18.9% In Last 10 Years**

Employment in Grand Forks has increased 18.9 percent since 1991's local employment survey. The changes ranged from -0.3 percent in GOVT., to 70.6 percent in CONSTRUCTION & MINING. Please refer to Figure 6 below for the changes in each industry.

Grand Forks' 10-year gain was about average when compared to other cities in the region. Grand Forks' increase of 18.9 percent compares to the growth in Fargo of 44.0 percent\*, Jamestown of 27.7 percent\*, Mandan of 26.9 percent and Valley City of 18.2 percent\*.

Note: \*10-year survey period was from 1990 to 2000.

**FIGURE 6  
Percentage Employment Change By Industry  
1991-2001**



### Key to Industry Abbreviations:

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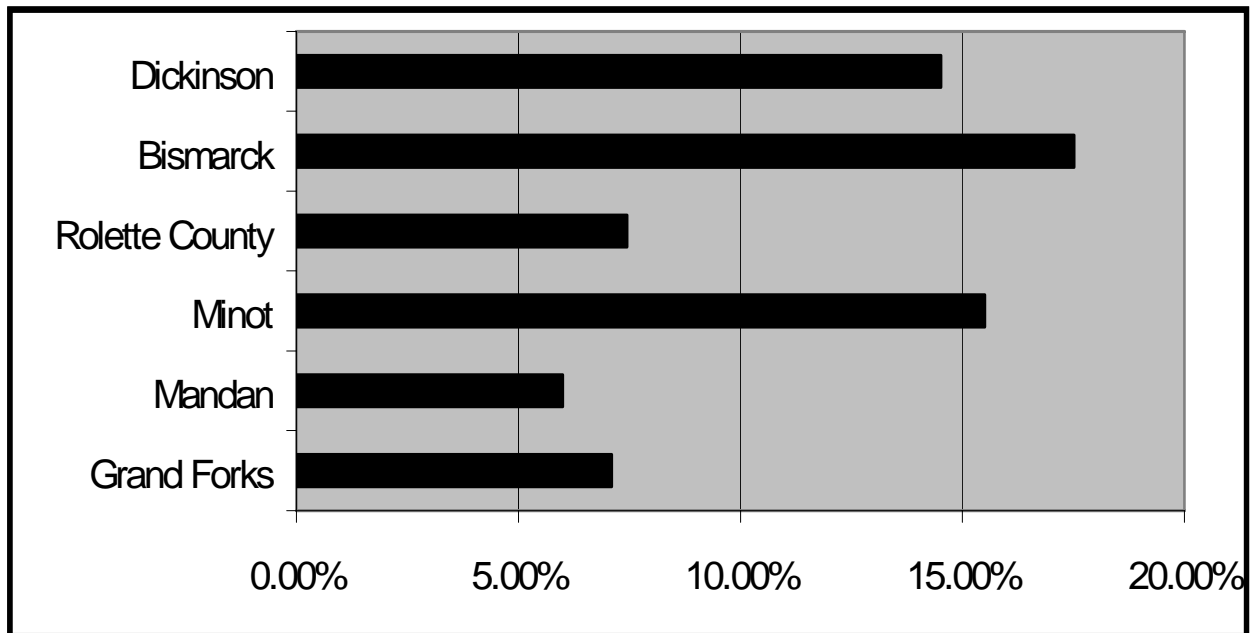
## Grand Forks' Employment Continues To Grow

At 36,247, Grand Forks' employment is at its highest level ever. The employment level in 1998 was 34,537, followed by 34,013 in 1995, and 31,600 in 1993.

Four of the eight industries in Grand Forks showed employment increases since 1998.

Figure 7 shows the Grand Forks percentage employment growth over the past 6 years as compared to other cities in the state.

**FIGURE 7**  
**Percentage Employment Change By City**  
**1994/1995 to 2000/2001**

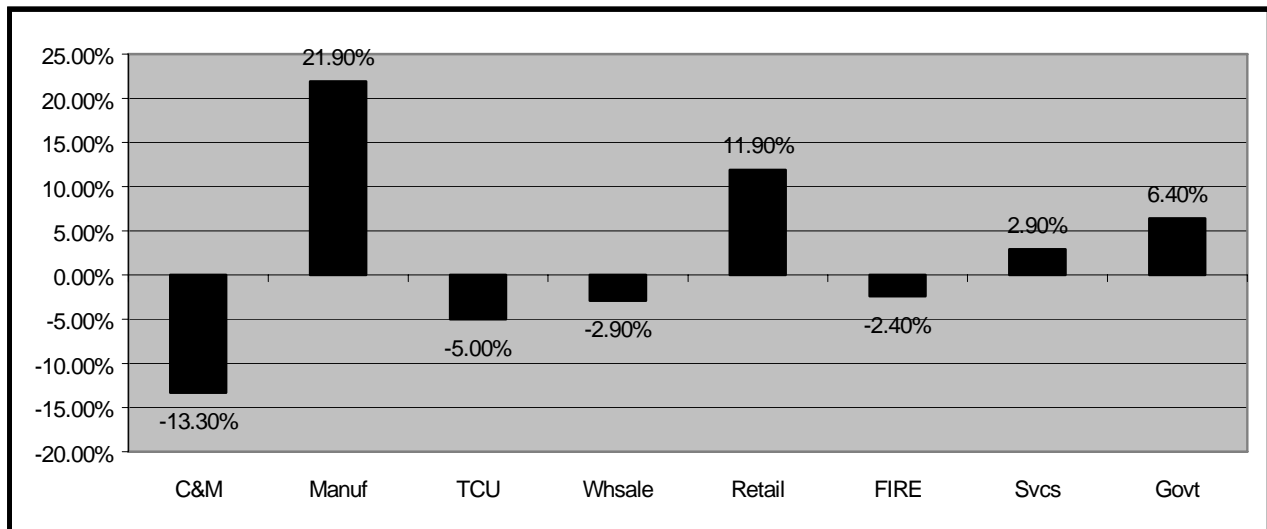


## Grand Forks' Employment Shifts In Flood Aftermath

The MANUFACTURING industry led all Grand Forks' industries in rate of growth since 1998, shown by an increase of 21.9 percent (412 employees). Other gains were in RETAIL TRADE, up 11.9 percent (975), GOVERNMENT, increasing 6.4 percent (528), and SERVICES, rising by 2.9 percent (275).

The largest decrease was in the CONSTRUCTION & MINING industry, which declined -13.3 percent (-329). Much of this can be attributed to the decline of the special trades contractors, which had increased dramatically in 1998 due to restoration work after the 1997 flood. Other decreases were in TCU, down -5.0 percent (-83). WHOLESALE TRADE, down -2.9 percent (-40) and FIRE, down -2.4 percent (-28).

**FIGURE 8**  
**Percent Change – Employment By Industry**  
**1998 to 2001**



Key to Industry Abbreviations:

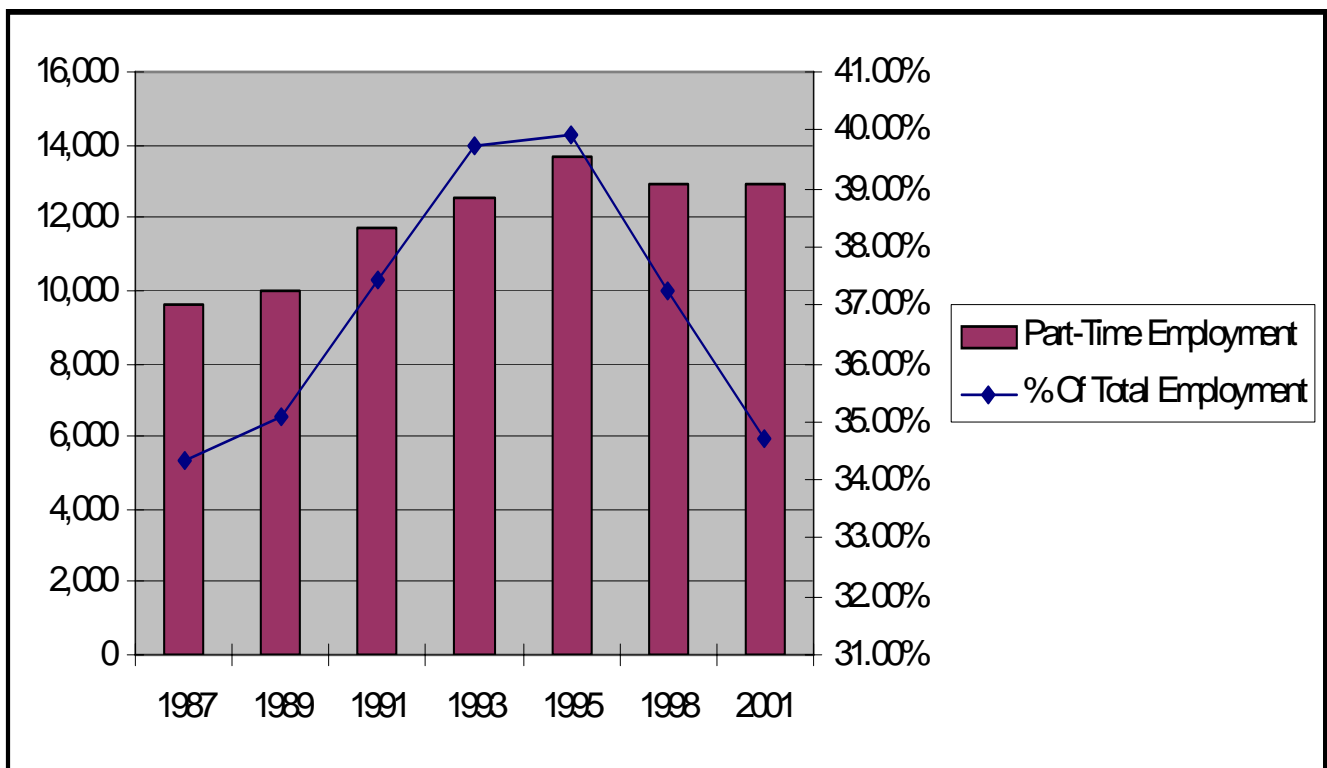
Construction and Mining.....	Con&Mine
Manufacturing .....	Mfg
Transportation, Communication and Utilities.....	TCU
Wholesale Trade .....	Whsale
Retail Trade.....	Retail
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate .....	FIRE
Services .....	Svcs
Government .....	Govt

## Part-Time Employment Steady

Grand Forks' part-time employment (those working less than 30 hours per week) increased only slightly since 1998. The number of part-time employees was down 117, while the percentage of part-timers decreased from 37.7 percent in 1998 to 35.6 percent in 2001.

The highest level of part-time employees was reported in 1995 (13,657), which also had the highest percentage of part-timers (40.2 percent). Grand Forks had its lowest level of part-timers in 1987 (9,459). Low percentages of part-timers occurred in 1987 (35.0 percent), 1989 and 2001 (35.6 percent each).

**FIGURE 9**  
**Part-Time Employment**

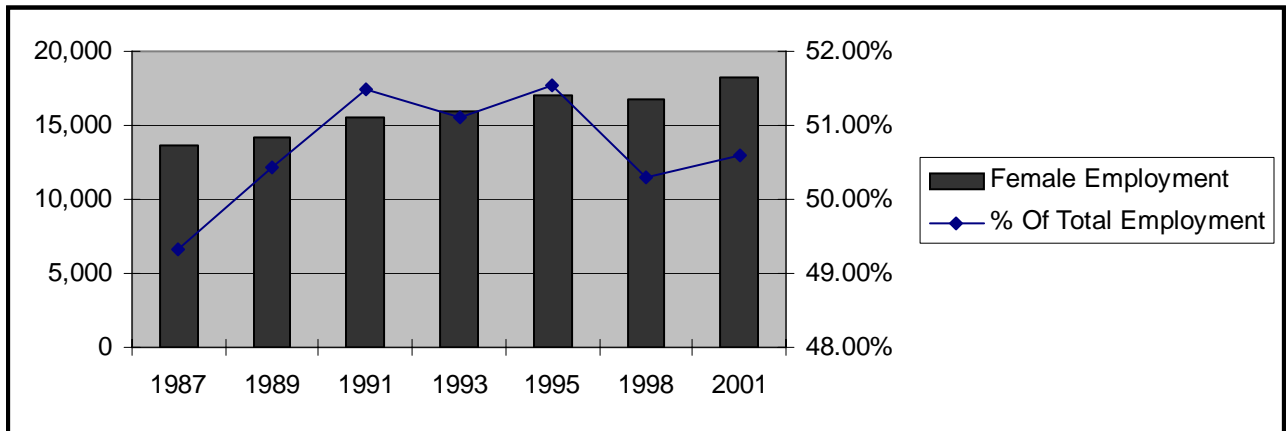


## Female Employment Increases

The female employment percentage in Grand Forks was 50.7 percent, up slightly from 1998. The number of female employees was up 953, to 18,363. This results in 2001 having the highest level of female employees. Other high years were 1995 (17,570) and 1998 (17,410). The highest percentage of female employment was in 1995 (51.7 percent). The historic low level and percentage of female employment was 1987 (13,365 and 49.4 percent, respectively).

In Grand Forks 60.1 percent of the part-time workers were female in 2001.

**FIGURE 10**  
**Female Employment**



# **LABOR FORCE REPORT – EAST GRAND FORKS**

## **Workforce And Availability**

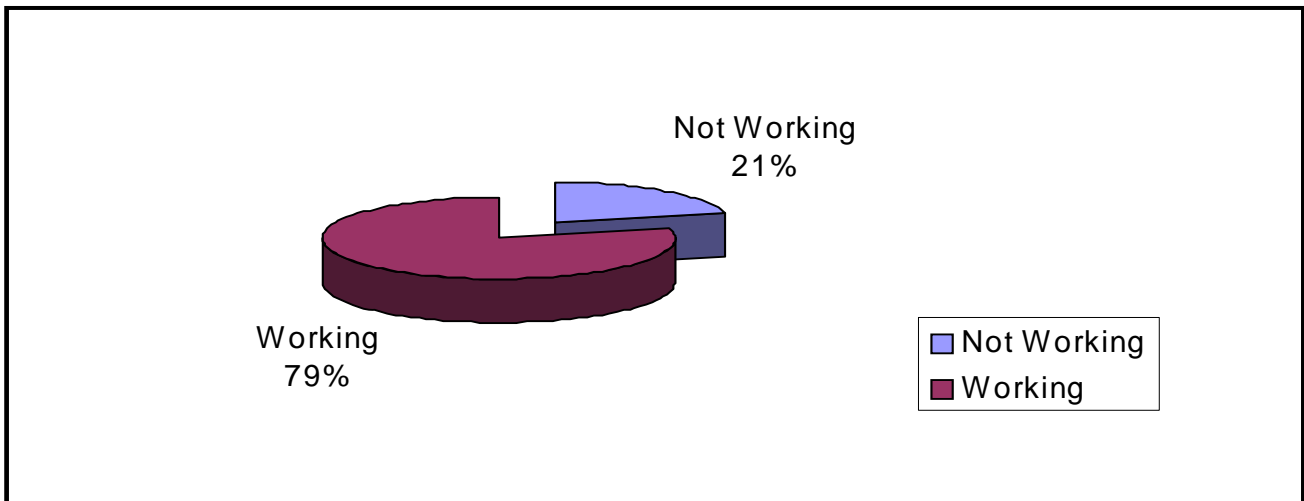
### **Employment Status**

In the East Grand Forks area (the area within 45-miles of East Grand Forks), there is an estimated:

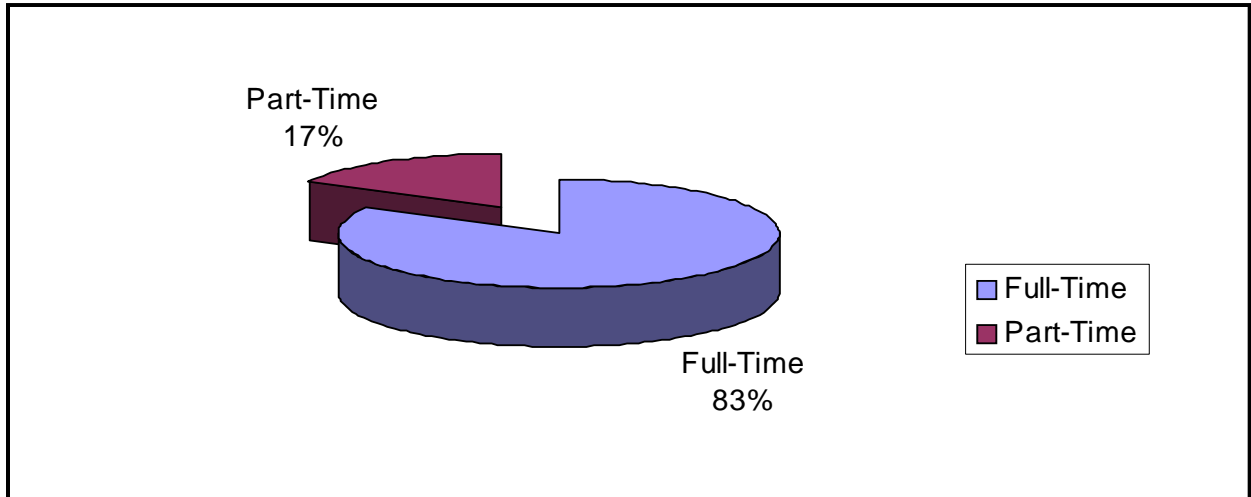
- 73,800 employed
- 13,673 underemployed
- 3,946 unemployed

The underemployed are employed workers that want a different job. The underemployed and unemployed workers taken together are available for a new or expanding employer. Thus, there are an estimated 17,619 available workers. Figure 11 displays the percentage and estimated number of these individuals working and not working. Figure 12 breaks down the employed into full-time (defined as at least 35 hours per week) and part-time.

**FIGURE 11**  
**East Grand Forks Employment Status**



**FIGURE 12**  
**East Grand Forks Full-Time And Part-Time Employees**

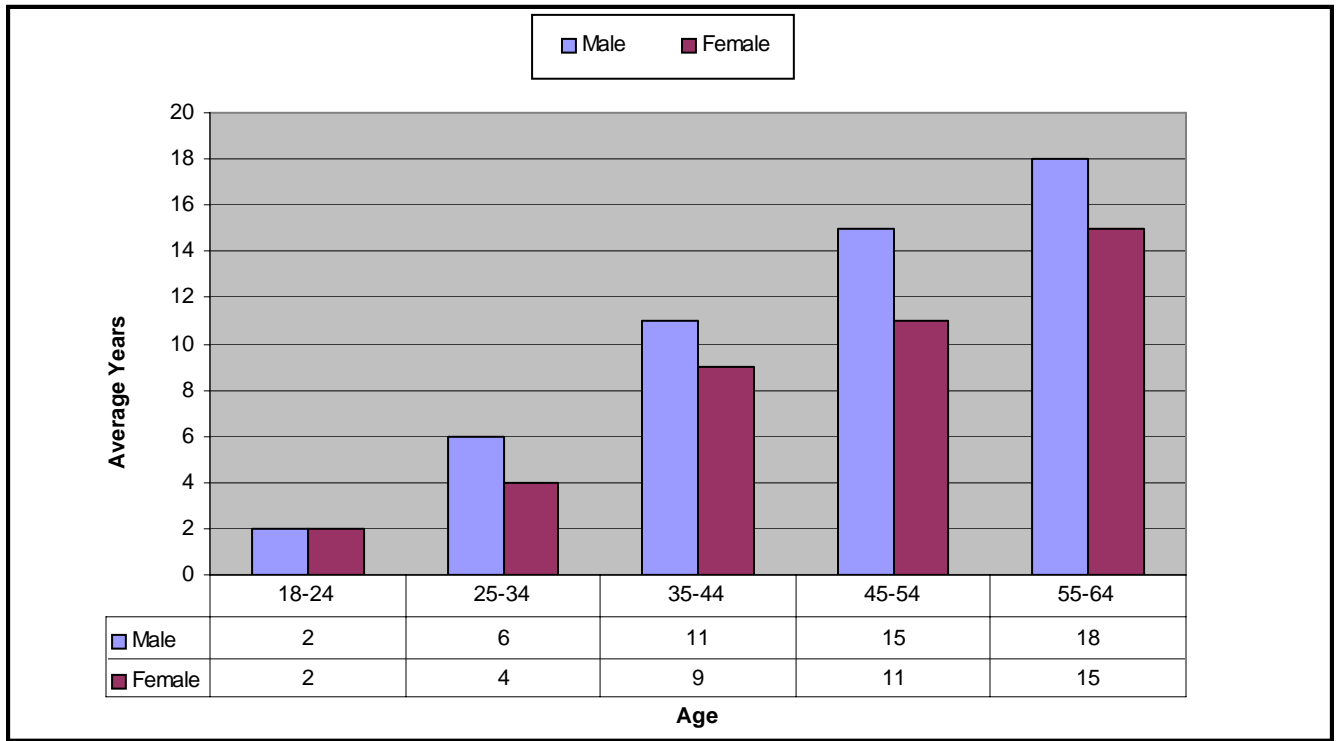


Employees in the East Grand Forks area have a reputation of being loyal employees, which the data supports. Figure 13 presents the average years the employees have been at their job by age and gender. The estimated average years at the same job for the entire 18 to 64-year old working population is nine years. Those approaching retirement age, that is, 55 to 64-year olds, have been at their jobs and estimated 17 years on average.

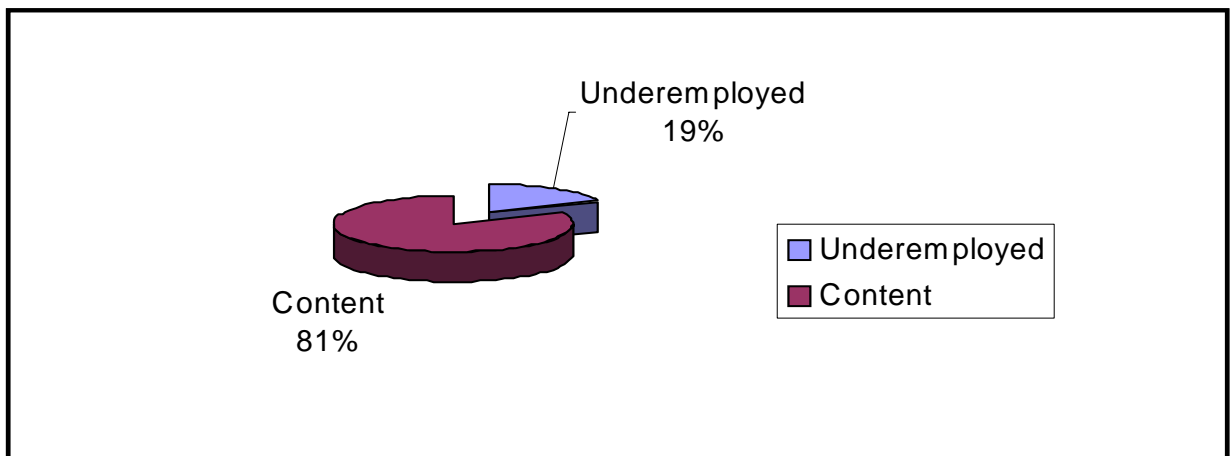
#### Underemployed

Although East Grand Forks area workers tend to stay at their jobs for a long period of time, the vast majority of available workers are nevertheless from the so-called underemployed. We define underemployed as currently working and want a different job. Thus, the underemployed are regarded as available for a new employer, or for their current employer in a different capacity. Figure 14 displays the proportion and number of underemployed workers and workers that do not currently want a different job, that is “content” workers. Note that all of the data refer to the 18 to 64-year old currently employed population.

**FIGURE 13**  
**East Grand Forks Job Tenure**



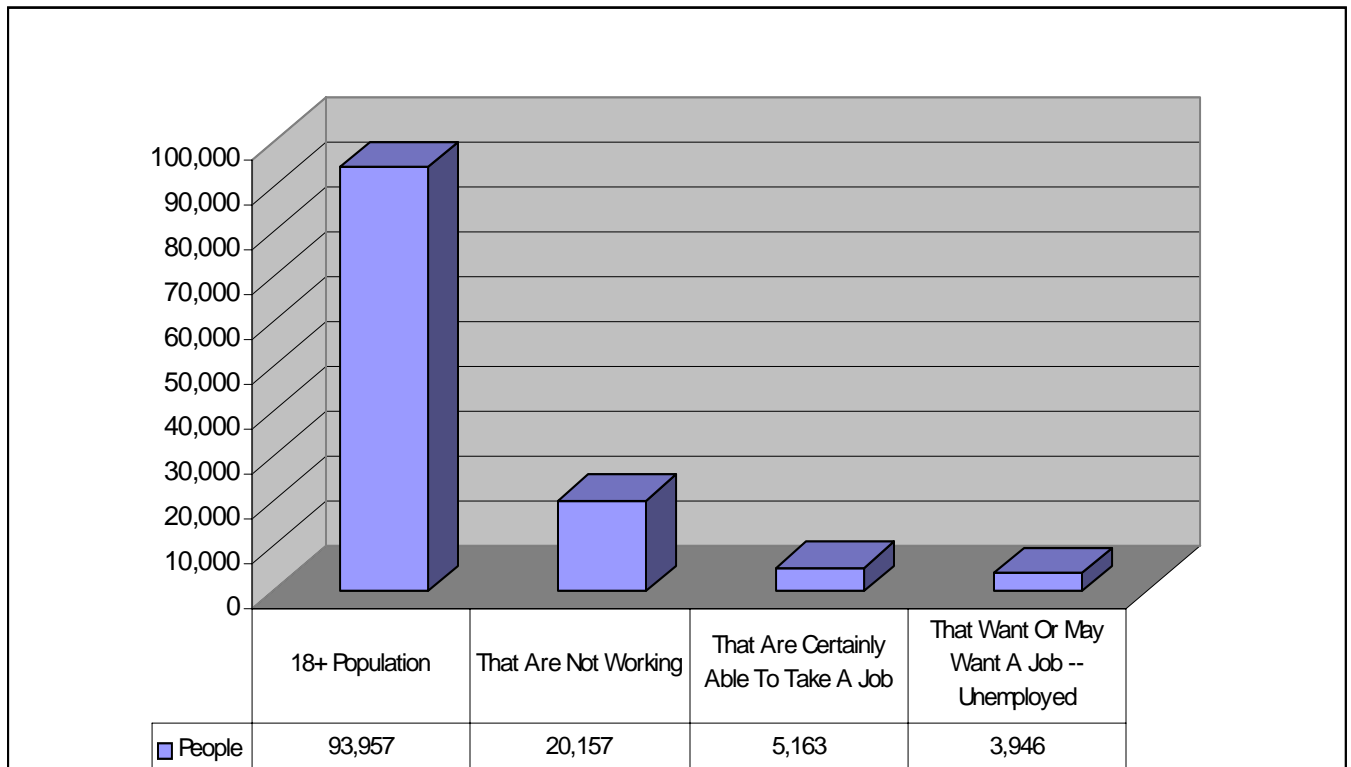
**FIGURE 14**  
**East Grand Forks Underemployed And Content**



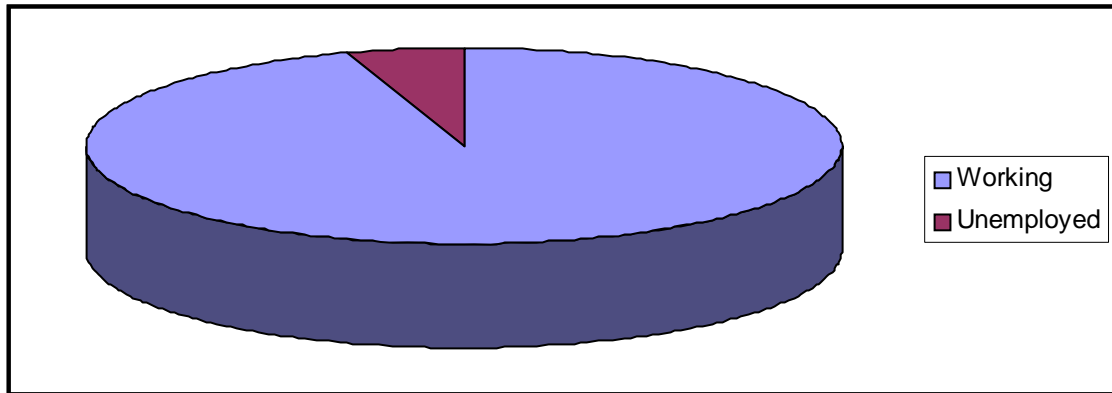
## Unemployed

In addition to the underemployed, workers are available from the pool of unemployed as well. Our definition of unemployed has three conditions: (1) currently not working; (2) able to take a job, and (3) want a job. This is different from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) official measure of unemployment. One significant difference is that to be unemployed by our definition, a person need not be actively looking for work. Figure 16 shows the number of 18 years and older people in terms of our three conditions of unemployment. Figure 17 shows the unemployment rate, as defined for this study.

**FIGURE 15**  
**East Grand Forks Breakdown Of Unemployed**



**FIGURE 16**  
**East Grand Forks Unemployment Rate**



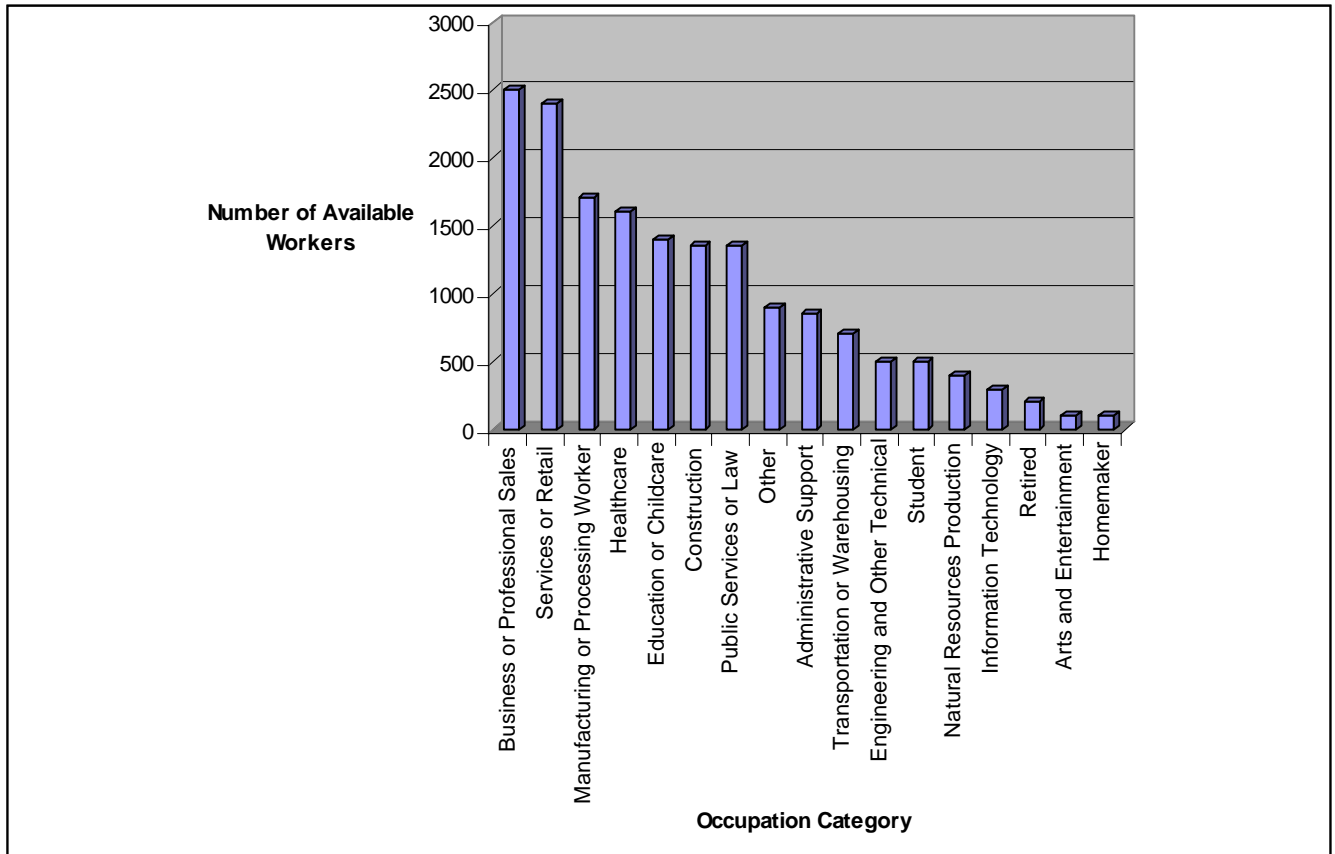
### **Work Experience, Training, and Skills**

#### Occupation

The first aspect of work experience to be considered is occupation. All workers in the labor force, including unemployed, were asked their primary job or occupation. The responses were tabulated into occupational categories. Figure 18 displays the number of available workers by the occupational category that best matches their primary occupation.

- Available workers appear to have a similar mix of occupations as all employed workers.
- The most common occupational categories of available workers are business or professional sales, with about 2,600 estimated available.
- Services or retail occupations were a close second, with close to 2,400 estimated available.
- There are close to 1,700 estimated available healthcare workers.
- There are around 930 administrative support workers, an estimated 580 in engineering and other technical fields, and an estimated 400 in information technology.
- For the purposes of assessing skills, workers from the following categories were combined into a broader production/operation category:
  - Manufacturing or Processing, with around 1,700 estimated available
  - Construction, with about 1,300 estimated available
  - Transportation or Warehousing, with about 800 estimated available
  - Natural Resources Production (e.g., agriculture), with about 500 estimated available

**FIGURE 17**  
**East Grand Forks Primary Occupation Of Available Workers**



**Education and Certification**

Just over 50 percent of available workers have a degree, which translates to over 9,000 estimated available workers with a degree. Also, even though nearly half of available workers do not have a degree, many have formal training. About 71 percent of available workers have at least some post-secondary education. Furthermore, a substantial number of workers without post-secondary schooling hold certifications or licenses for their occupations. About one-quarter of available workers with no post-secondary education hold an occupational certification or license. This is essentially the same percentage as all workers in the labor force.

Source: Labor Force Assessment for the East Grand Forks, MN Laborshed Area

# SAFETY

## **PUBLIC SAFETY – GRAND FORKS POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The Grand Forks Police Department's Mission states: "The Grand Forks Police Department, in partnership with a diverse community, is dedicated to upholding the highest professional standards in order to equitably serve and protect all individuals with respect and dignity."

The Grand Forks Police Department is staffed as follows:

- Chief of Police - John Packett
- Captains (2)
- Lieutenants (6)
- Sergeants (13)
- Officers (60)
- Community Service Officers (6 – 3 of which are grant funded)
- Building Maintenance (2 full-time and 1 part-time)
- Records Supervisor (1)
- Records Technicians (4 full-time and 3 part-time)
- Administrative Specialist (1)
- Crime Analyst (1 – grant funded)
- Property and Evidence Technician (1)

While 1999 was a year of tremendous growth and change for the department, 2000 was a year where staff began to mature in their roles and to become more comfortable in the Bureau reorganization that the department underwent. In 2000, roles became clearer and the department began running smoother and more effectively. It is felt that these changes have brought the department to the point of providing the most effective, professional police service in the history of Grand Forks. In fact, there has been a significant decrease in both the Uniform Crime Index total and in motor vehicle crashes, actually attaining their lowest total in over a decade!

The department's presence in, and partnership with, the community continues to grow. The Neighborhood Resource Officers have developed and implemented additional programs that we feel are valuable for the entire community. The entire department has worked hard at becoming more responsive to the needs to the community and have set high goals that are rapidly becoming a reality.

The Grand Forks Police Department continues to look ahead to new challenges, not with fear or dread, but with eager anticipation because they believe they have a staff that can reach any goals set for it, and a community that will support their efforts.

## **ACCIDENTS – GRAND FORKS**

Statistics indicate a 13% decrease in the total number of crashes within the City of Grand Forks in 2000, as compared to 1999. This represents the lowest totals in the past decade for the second year in a row. While this is certainly due, in part, to the unusually mild weather Grand Forks experienced over the past year, it is also believed that the enforcement effort of its officers, along with its public information efforts, has had a positive impact as well.

## **CRIME STATISTICS: TYPES AND TRENDS**

Yearly statistics on reported crimes are gathered together by the Grand Forks Police Department (GFPD) and are available for the ten year period of 1991 to 2000 (see Table 16).

These crime statistics show that the number of certain non-property crimes such as robberies and assaults has fluctuated, with the number of robberies remaining fairly consistent, but showing that the number of assaults decreased for several years then went back up in 2000. There have been ten murders in Grand Forks since 1991. Domestic violence was on the rise from 1991 to 1994, then began to decrease, almost by half in the last six years.

Among property crimes, those such as burglary, criminal trespass, fraud and forgery have all remained fairly consistent since 1995, fluctuating only slightly. The number of automobile thefts increased 39 percent from 1992 to 1994, reaching its highest level in 1997, then decreasing somewhat thereafter. On the other hand, the number of non-auto thefts has decreased consistently, reaching its lowest level in ten years in 2000. Unfortunately, the number of drug violations in Grand Forks continued to increase in the last five years, with its highest level of violations occurring in 1999.

North Dakota has one of the lowest crime rates in the nation, and is below the national average for the occurrence of both property and non-property crimes. During the past several years there has been a great deal of change in the nature of local police work, and in the types of crimes occurring in the City of Grand Forks. At the same time, Grand Forks' population has grown and calls for service to the police department have shown a steady increase. As this community continues to grow, this trend will continue as well. What steps, if any, need to be taken now to ensure that the police department will be able to maintain past levels of service? Will the needed resources, expertise and training be available to help the police department deal with changes in criminal activity? If not, Grand Forks' reputation as a safe, stable environment may be in jeopardy.

**TABLE 17**  
**Reported Offenses In Grand Forks**

CATEGORY	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Murder	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	4	2
Forcible Rape	21	19	21	26	6	10	13	18	17	33
Robbery	15	12	19	12	18	13	14	15	13	12
Agg. Assault	24	42	27	54	30	28	23	27	31	44
Burglary	470	462	324	279	429	208	294	360	311	274
Theft	2051	2293	2025	1788	2062	2366	2047	2400	1884	1693
Auto Theft	165	136	183	189	222	204	242	217	206	188
Arson	9	23	10	6	17	13	13	14	12	8
Threats/Intim,	118	135	161	186	190	142	122	146	135	140
Simple Assault	455	525	465	448	424	461	421	438	412	486
Fraud/Forgery	310	297	126	106	124	143	138	135	112	139
Misc. Sex Off.	69	67	55	56	50	30	17	34	33	29
Criminal Mischief	1003	1236	1276	1719	1829	1705	1375	1813	1499	1326
Drug/Narcotics	72	35	58	64	70	86	218	323	324	267
Domestic Violence	954	1078	1094	1112	1080	478	470	531	527	492
Loud Parties								470	365	471
Other Reports	3239	4004	3113	3206	3383	3992	3271	4987	5270	5859
TOTAL REPORTS	8976	10364	8947	9251	9934	9881	8678	11929	11155	11463

Source: Grand Forks City Police Department

## **PUBLIC SAFETY – GRAND FORKS FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The Grand Forks Fire Department provides fire protection, emergency medical and rescue service, hazardous materials response, and disaster control to all persons and property within our jurisdiction. All services are provided as part of an integrated incident management system, with educational and preventive services provided as part of an integrated incident management system, with educational and preventive services provided in advance of incident, direct and immediate emergency response service delivered during incidents , and investigative and recovery services provided during the post-incident process. The Fire Department continuously seeks to improve and expand these services so that public safety and security may be enhanced.

The Grand Forks Fire Department is staffed as follows:

- Fire Chief – Pete O’Neill
- Deputy Chief – Mike Flermoen
- Training Officer – Orlin Anderson
- Battalion Chief – Vincent Liddy
- Administrative Specialist (1)
- Secretary (1)
- Battalion Chiefs (4)
- Captains (9)
- FAS/SO (12)
- Firefighter IIIs (14)
- Firefighter IIs (9)
- Firefighter Is (7)
- Mechanics (3)
- Fire Marshals (3)

The Grand Forks Fire Department responded to 2660 calls in the Year 2000. Of those 2660 responses, two stand out as significant fires, the historic Viet’s Hotel and the 32<sup>nd</sup> Eatery. These two fires accounted for \$810,000.00 in direct fire losses, as well as the indirect losses of a historical landmark and a well-known and well-liked local business.

Throughout the Year 2000, approximately 1622 inspections were conducted through the prevention office. 814 of these were annual type inspections of occupancies that require a fire permit to do the type of activities associated with the business. The remaining 808 involved inspections/activities ranging from re-inspections, substandard buildings, building plan review, sprinkler plan review, building system tests, public education, fire and complaint investigations, etc.

**Grand Forks Fire Department – Fire Loss Data**

**TABLE 18  
Grand Forks Fire Department  
1982 – 2000 Total Estimated Losses**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>LOCATION OF MAJOR CONTRIBUTOR</b>	<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED LOSSES</b>
1982		\$453,055.00
1983		\$1,171,570.00
1984		\$308,460.00
1985		\$443,300.00
1986		\$308,928.00
1987	Home of Economy - \$6,000,000.00 Simplot - \$250,000.00	\$6,900,000.00
1988	UND Memorial Union - \$1,800,000.00 American Woods - \$700,000.00	\$2,800,000.00
1989		\$732,814.00
1990		\$664,140.00
1991		\$440,987.00
1992		\$398,850.00
1993		\$603,505.00
1994	American Woods - \$250,000.00	\$1,025,252.00
1995		\$582,677.00
1996	Kinko's	\$1,165,595.00
1997	Downtown Conflagration - \$50,000,000.00	\$51,512,925.00
1998	Belmont South - \$950,000.00 South Jr. High School - \$155,000.00	\$1,938,852.00
1999	Simplot - \$16,000,000.00 Gallery Apartments - \$1,500,000.00	\$18,796,410.00
2000	32 <sup>nd</sup> Street Eatery - \$750,000.00 Viet's Hotel - \$60,000.00	\$1,036,115.00

Source: Grand Forks Fire Department's Year 2000 Annual Report

**TABLE 19**  
**Fire Loss Analysis**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>ESTIMATED FIRE LOSS</b>	<b>ESTIMATED MARKET VALUE OF PROPERTY PROTECTED</b>	<b>LOSS AS A PERCENTAGE OF VALUE</b>
1970	\$2,109,000.00	\$354,720,000.00	0.5946%
1971	\$304,000.00	\$383,527,000.00	0.0793%
1972	\$1,630,000.00	\$394,787,000.00	0.4129%
1973	\$383,000.00	\$442,894,000.00	0.0865%
1974	\$1,167,000.00	\$476,682,000.00	0.2448%
1975	\$892,000.00	\$622,571,000.00	0.1433%
1976	\$1,197,000.00	\$731,985,000.00	0.1635%
1977	\$735,000.00	\$892,915,000.00	0.0823%
1978	\$608,000.00	\$1,046,836,000.00	0.0581%
1979	\$1,400,000.00	\$1,218,020,000.00	0.1149%
1980	\$478,000.00	\$1,279,224,000.00	0.0374%
1981	\$557,000.00	\$1,404,966,000.00	0.0396%
1982	\$453,000.00	\$1,412,620,000.00	0.0321%
1983	\$1,172,000.00	\$1,420,786,000.00	0.0825%
1984	\$308,000.00	\$1,470,086,000.00	0.0210%
1985	\$443,000.00	\$1,538,233,000.00	0.0288%
1986	\$309,000.00	\$1,622,550,000.00	0.0190%
1987	\$6,914,000.00	\$1,683,440,000.00	0.4107%
1988	\$2,800,000.00	\$1,784,700,000.00	0.1569%
1989	\$733,000.00	\$1,815,413,000.00	0.0404%
1990	\$664,140.00	\$1,912,430,870.00	0.0347%
1991	\$440,9987.00	\$1,956,958,256.00	0.0224%
1992	\$398,850.00	\$2,006,338,553.00	0.0199%
1993	\$603,505.00	\$2,095,229,001.00	0.0288%
1994	\$1,025,252.00	\$2,726,833,950.00	0.0376%
1995	\$576,962.00	\$2,890,884,433.00	0.0200%
1996	\$1,165,595.00	\$3,018,793,483.00	0.0386%
1997	\$51,512,925.00	\$3,499,295,607.00	1.4721%
1998	\$1,934,652.00	\$3,533,980,845.00	0.0547%
1999	\$18,796,410.00	\$3,734,418,898.00	0.5033%
2000	\$1,036,115.00	\$3,919,106,502.00	0.0264%

Source: Grand Forks Fire Department's Year 2000 Annual Report

## **PUBLIC SAFETY – EAST GRAND FORKS POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The East Grand Forks Police Department is staffed by 23 full-time police officers, including the Chief, as follows:

Chief of Police – Michael Lealos  
Sergeants (8)  
Patrolman (14)  
Secretaries (2)  
Building Maintenance (1 Part-time)  
Volunteer (1 Part-time)

The City is not a county seat so it must staff its own dispatchers. Typically, a police department combines dispatching with other civilian employees. Most cities in Minnesota that border another community are the county seat for that area.

East Grand Forks is a border city with a bigger city on the other side of the river. In effect, the east Grand Forks Police Department is statistically overstaffed, however, this staff size is necessary to do the amount of work created from being located next to Grand Forks.

## **INVESTIGATIONS – EAST GRAND FORKS**

In 2001 the East Grand forks Police Department investigated 1,739 Part One<sup>5</sup> and Part Two<sup>6</sup> offenses. Investigations determined 183 complaints to be unfounded, leaving 1,556 committed.

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<sup>5</sup> Part One Offenses Include: Criminal Homicide – Murder, Manslaughter, Death by negligence; Forcible Rape – Rape by Force, Assault to Rape-Attempts; Robbery – Armed Robbery, Strong Arm Robbery; Aggravated Assault - any assault with intent to rob or rape, or simple assaults and battery, fighting; Burglary – Any unlawful entry or attempted forcible entry of any structure to commit a felony or larceny; Larceny-Theft – Any theft that is not a robbery or any theft that does not result from a breaking and entering; Motor Vehicle Theft – All vehicles which can be registered as a motor vehicle in Minnesota; Arson – Any willful or malicious burning.

<sup>6</sup> Part Two Offenses Include: Other Assaults – All assaults that are considered simple or minor in nature; Forgery and Counterfeiting – All offenses dealing with the making, altering, uttering or possession with intent to defraud; Fraud – Fraudulent conversion and obtaining money by false pretense; Embezzlement – Misappropriation or misapplication of money or property entrusted to one's care; Stolen Property – All offenses of buying, receiving, possessing or concealing stolen property; Vandalism – Any willful or malicious destruction, injury, disfigurement or defacement of any public or private property; Weapons – Any violation of weapons laws; Prostitution – All sex offenses of a commercialized nature; Sex Offenses – All sex offenses other than forcible rape, prostitution and commercialized vice; Narcotic Drug Laws – All offenses for violation of state and local ordinances relating to unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacture, and making of narcotic drugs; Gambling – All offenses relating to promoting, permitting, or engaging in gambling; Offenses Against Family and Children – All offenses of non-support, neglect, or abuse of family and children; Driving Under the Influence – All offenses relating to driving or operating any vehicles while under the influence of liquor or narcotic drugs; Liquor Laws – All violations of state or local liquor laws except driving under the influence and drunkenness; Disorderly Conduct – Disturbing the Peace – All disorderly offenses that cannot be classified under offenses of criminal homicide, forcible rape, drunkenness or vagrancy; Vagrancy – Failure of an individual to give a good account of himself, begging, loitering, etc.; All Other Offenses – All other state and local offences not included, except traffic.

Of these offenses, 362 were Part One offenses, an increase of 34% from 2000. Only one category of Part One offenses dropped in 2001, that was auto theft. Of the other seven categories, two did not see any change in the last year. All other offenses went up in 2001. Reported rapes, robberies, and arson all doubled in the last year. The other two offenses saw a raise of 57% for burglaries and 35% for larceny.

Part Two offenses saw an increase in 2001. In 2001 the Police Department received 1194 complaints dealing with Part Two offenses, this was a 20% increase from 2000. Gambling complaints saw the largest decrease, down 100% since 2000. Three Part Two offenses saw an increase of more than 100% from last year. Complaints of family/children offenses went up 400%, prostitution complaints went up 200%, and fraud saw an increase of 183%. The department saw a decrease in six of the eighteen categories for Part Two offenses. Vandalism, weapons complaints, other sex offenses, D.U.I., liquor law violations, vagrancy and gambling all saw decreases. The twelve categories that saw an increase, other than those already mentioned, were other assaults, forgery/counterfeit, stolen property, narcotics, disorderly conduct and other. Embezzlement and drunkenness stayed the same as last year.

Beside being initially assigned to most Part One and Part Two crime reports the patrol division responded to 2,539 calls for service in 2001, a 2% increase from 2000.

In 2001, the Patrol Division of the East Grand Forks Police Department made 1,697 traffic stops for violations of traffic laws. One thousand two-hundred eighty-six citations were issued and 411 warnings were issued for those traffic offenses.

Patrol officers also investigated 228 motor vehicle accidents in 2001. This is a 25% increase in motor vehicle accidents from 2000.

## **PROGRAMS – EAST GRAND FORKS**

The East Grand Forks Police Department continues to host a variety of programs for citizens. Officers in the department have been involved with these programs for a number of years and continue to look forward to putting on these programs in years to come.

### **Bicycle Safety**

The bicycle safety program involves an Officer from East Grand Forks Police Department to contact the elementary schools in East Grand Forks each spring. The Officer will then go into each elementary school to give a presentation on bicycle safety, and after talking at each school, the Officer will arrange for a bicycle rodeo to be held. This gives all who participate a chance to ride a course and develop good riding habits.

## **CounterAct**

CounterAct is a drug resistance program taught to fifth grade students in East Grand Forks. The program consists of six classroom sessions. Each session covers a different topic, but the programs intent is to give fifth grade students the skills to resist the pressures to use alcohol and other drugs.

## **Explorers**

The Explorer Program is for any youth in the community between the ages of 14 and 21. The Police Department is the host to the program, which is part of the Boy Scouts of America. The program gives those youths interested in law enforcement a chance to interact with officers through many different activities. Participants meet twice a month. At these meetings participants are given the opportunity to participate in all different activities a police officer does.

## **Internship**

The East Grand Forks Police Department has, and will continue to allow college students to do an internship. Students must be in a law enforcement program in college. Most internships are for a nine or twelve-week period during which the intern will be assigned to a patrol shift, and can participate in most activities that a patrol officer does.

## **Job Shadowing**

National Job Shadow day has been February 2<sup>nd</sup> for the past few years. The Police department has joined with the schools in East Grand Forks allowing students to job shadow officers during the day. Students are usually with an officer only a few hours, but it does give them the chance to see what it is like to be a patrol officer.

## **Police Academy**

The East Grand Forks Police Department has held a number of Citizen Police Academies. This program allows those adults who wish to participate a chance to go through a mini academy. A different officer instructs each session in the department depending on their area of expertise. Many Citizens have participated in previous classes, and the department looks forward to putting on more academies.

## **Safe and Sober**

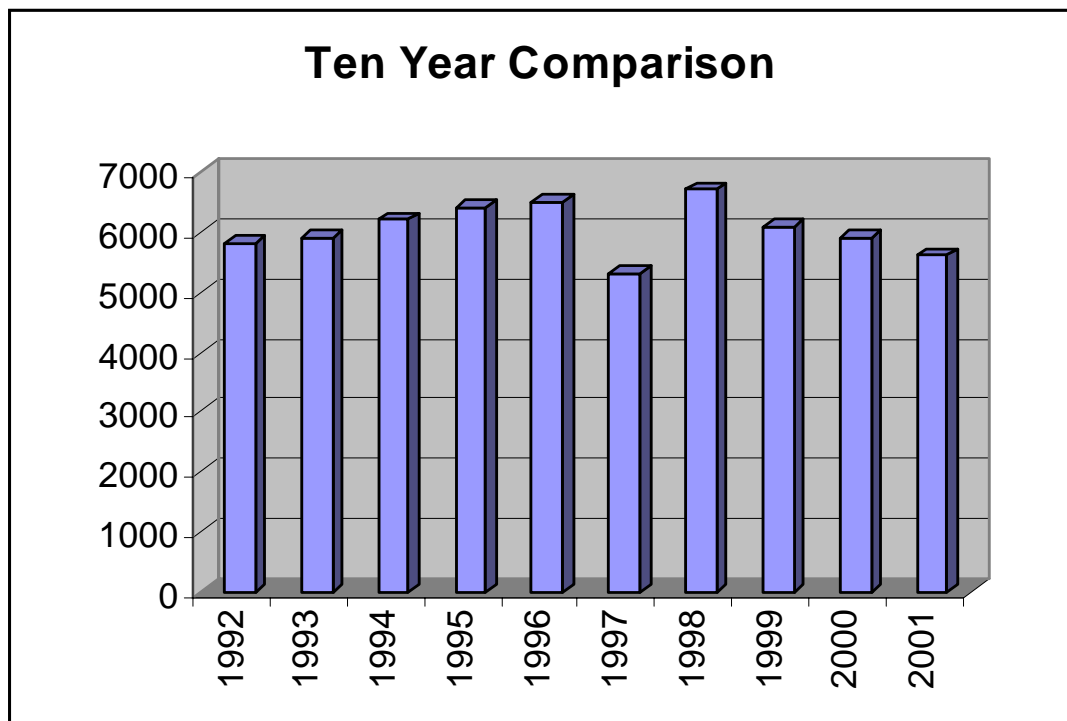
The Police Department, in cooperation with the Crookston Police Department, participate in the Minnesota Department of Public Safety's Safe and Sober Campaign. The Department receives federal funds to allow officers to work certain "windows" during the year. This allows extra personnel to work during certain times to promote traffic safety through enforcement and education.

### School Liaison Officer

With assistance from a federal grant the Police Department was able to hire an officer to allow another officer to work in the school systems in East Grand Forks. This officer works within the school system during the school year and his duties include being assigned all criminal cases arising within the school setting, participating in classroom activities when requested by teachers, and being a resource for faculty and students.

**Figure 18**

**Initial Complaint Reports For East Grand Forks**



**Table 20**  
**Accidents – East Grand Forks**

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE</b>										
Fatal			2		1	1	1			1
Personal Injury	24	35	32	30	27	29	13	27	16	15
Hit & Run (Personal Injury)						2	2			1
Property Damage	224	215	227	252	258	246	183	172	143	178
Hit & Run (Property Damage)						82	64	51	35	33
Leaving The Scene	62	62	73	74	63					
<b>MOTORCYCLE</b>										
Motorcycle Personal Injury (W/Out Helmet)							1	1		
<b>BICYCLE</b>										
Bicycle Accident (No Motor Vehicle Involved)							1	1		
<b>SNOWMOBILE</b>										
Personal Injury						1				
Property Damage						1		1	2	
<b>PUBLIC ACCIDENTS</b>										
Drowning							1			
Falls						19	10	1	9	15
Burns						1	1	1	2	
Cuts						1	3	1	2	1
All Other						1	5	2	1	1
Electrical Shock							1			
Firearm						1			1	
Home Accidents (All Other)	17	17	9			3	7	1		
Occupational (All Other)						4	7	3	1	
Occupational (Police Officer)						6	5	8	5	3

**TABLE 21**  
**Uniform Crime Report For East Grand Forks**  
**1992-2001**

<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>1992</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>
Murder/Non-Neg	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Rape	4	3	3	8	4	5	4	6	1	2
Robbery	0	1	5	4	0	1	0	1	0	1
Assault	37	49	40	40	27	12	16	12	13	13
Burglary	80	53	59	71	64	92	44	37	30	47
Larceny	401	382	436	385	387	324	289	271	211	284
Auto Theft	21	23	31	34	22	25	21	17	18	11
Arson	1	2	3	7	3	4	4	0	2	4
Other Assaults	173	170	186	162	144	121	118	81	72	78
Forgery/Counterfiet	51	19	45	47	66	10	14	11	18	29
Fraud	61	64	98	90	167	99	85	70	75	212
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Stolen Property	3	3	7	3	6	10	12	3	7	8
Vandalism	221	300	251	256	234	163	160	148	133	110
Weapons	41	46	37	49	33	10	19	24	17	16
Prostitution	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Other Sex Offenses	10	7	7	5	4	3	2	4	12	8
Narcotics	17	22	30	66	50	43	59	52	51	72
Gambling	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Family/Children	33	41	34	21	45	31	31	10	2	10
D.U.I.	61	59	70	95	98	74	134	155	143	124
Liquor Laws	19	35	30	40	76	48	66	66	69	56
Drunkenness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disorderly	736	772	739	735	672	491	356	285	268	296
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Other (Ex. Traffic)	75	82	73	113	135	88	120	118	128	173
<b>TOTAL REPORTS</b>	<b>2047</b>	<b>2134</b>	<b>2184</b>	<b>2232</b>	<b>2237</b>	<b>1654</b>	<b>1555</b>	<b>1374</b>	<b>1274</b>	<b>1556</b>

\*Source: East Grand Forks Police Department 2001 Year End Report

## **PUBLIC SAFETY – EAST GRAND FORKS FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The City of East Grand Forks' Fire Department provides service to between 7,500 and 8,000 residents at any given time, with a coverage area of 188 square miles which includes seven (7) surrounding townships. The fire department has also agreed to provide aid to all of Polk County, and parts of Grand Forks and Marshal Counties as well. There are approximately 3,000 homes and 900 apartment units in the city.

The City of East Grand Forks' Fire Department has thirty-one (31) staff members, and operates under the Minnesota Incident Management System. The Emergency Operations Center for the city is also housed in Station #1, located at 415 4<sup>th</sup> Street N.W. Station #2 is located at 243 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue S.E.

The East Grand Forks Fire Department is staffed as follows:

Fire Chief/Emergency Manager – Frank Ringstad  
 Fire Marshal/Assistant Emergency Manager (1) – Randy Gust  
 Assistant Fire Chiefs (3)  
 Firefighters (3)  
 Paid On-Call Firefighters (20)

The East Grand Forks Fire Department responds to approximately 900 calls per year, which consist of fire responses, medical responses, hazardous material responses, and public service responses.

### **East Grand Forks Fire Department – Fire Loss Data**

**TABLE 22**  
**East Grand Forks Fire Department**  
**1996 – 2001 Total Estimated Losses**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>TYPE(S) OF LOSSES</b>	<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED LOSSES</b>
1996	62 Fire Responses 725 Other Responses	\$217,620.00
1997	41 Fire Responses 644 Other Responses	\$230,510.00
1998	35 Fire Responses 476 Other Responses	\$135,673.00
1999	44 Fire Responses 901 Other Responses	\$5,158,410.00 (\$5,000,000.00 Was For Farmer's Finest Bean Company Fire Loss)
2000	33 Fire Responses 842 Other Responses	\$73,695.00
2001	27 Fire Responses 889 Other Responses	\$521,640.00 (\$138,500.00 Was For One Piece Of Farm Equipment and \$200,000.00 Was For Rural Truck Shop Blaze)

Source: East Grand Forks Fire Department