

## Labor

Job Service ND and MN Department of Employment & Economic Development

Measure		Month	Most Recent	Year Earlier	% Change	
Unemployment Rate	<b>F-M MSA</b>	<b>July-10</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>		Notes: Unemployment Rate, Labor Force, & Employed data are not seasonally adjusted.  *These numbers are quarterly/weekly wages and have been prorated by GFMEDC to demonstrate an annual wage for the quarter. It is important to note there are quarterly fluctuations in wages such as 4th quarter bonuses in addition to some seasonal effects.
	ND	July-10	3.5%	4.0%		
	MN	July-10	6.8%	8.0%		
	US	July-10	9.7%	9.7%		
Labor Force	<b>F-M MSA</b>	<b>July-10</b>	<b>121,499</b>	<b>121,308</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	
	ND	July-10	377,441	374,632	0.7%	
	MN	July-10	2,993,050	3,009,472	-0.5%	
	US	July-10	155,270,000	156,255,000	-0.6%	
Employed	<b>F-M MSA</b>	<b>July-10</b>	<b>117,050</b>	<b>116,061</b>	<b>0.9%</b>	
	ND	July-10	364,190	359,540	1.3%	
	MN	July-10	2,788,049	2,767,843	0.7%	
	US	July-10	140,134,000	141,055,000	-0.7%	
Wage Growth - Quarterly Total & Average Annual Salary	<b>Cass</b>	<b>4th Qtr-09 Annualized</b>	<b>\$1,027,991,445</b> \$41,340*	<b>\$1,021,503,886</b> \$40,456*	0.6% 2.2%	
	<b>Clay</b>	<b>4th Qtr-08 Annualized</b>	<b>\$153,828,818</b> \$33,176*	<b>\$148,467,150</b> \$32,188*	3.6% 3.1%	

## Property

Nat'l Association of Home Builders - MSA Housing Units Authorized by Building Permits

Year To Date	July 2010	July 2009	% Change
Total Units	510	770	-34%
Single Family	430	360	19%
Multi-Family	80	410	-80%

## Transportation

Hector International Airport

	July - 2010	July - 2009	% Change	YTD 2010	YTD 2009	% Change
Total Passengers	69,818	71,371	-2.2%	442,271	403,323	9.8%

## Consumers

ND Office of State Tax Commissioner

	1st Qtr 2010	1st Qtr 2009	% Change	YTD 2010	YTD 2009	% Change
Taxable Sales & Purchases (Cass County)	\$513,689,080	\$482,802,887	6.4%	\$513,689,080	\$482,802,887	6.4%

For more information on N.D. state and local sales & use tax, visit [www.nd.gov/tax/salesanduse](http://www.nd.gov/tax/salesanduse).