

## 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>Oct-10</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>3.7%</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	Oct-10	2.8%	3.4%		
	MN	Oct-10	6.4%	7.1%		
	US	Oct-10	9.0%	9.5%		
Labor Force	<b>F-M MSA</b>	<b>Oct-10</b>	<b>119,238</b>	<b>120,375</b>	<b>-0.9%</b>	
	ND	Oct-10	366,877	363,425	0.9%	
	MN	Oct-10	2,952,904	2,965,150	-0.4%	
	US	Oct-10	153,652,000	153,635,000	0.0%	
Employed	<b>F-M MSA</b>	<b>Oct-10</b>	<b>115,471</b>	<b>115,966</b>	<b>-0.4%</b>	
	ND	Oct-10	356,500	351,205	1.5%	
	MN	Oct-10	2,763,243	2,753,559	0.4%	
	US	Oct-10	139,652,000	139,088,000	0.4%	
Wage Growth - Quarterly Total & Average Annual Salary	<b>Cass</b>	<b>2nd Qtr-10 Annualized</b>	<b>\$953,338,243</b> \$38,324*	<b>\$910,962,195</b> \$36,868*	4.7%	
	<b>Clay</b>	<b>2nd Qtr-10 Annualized</b>	<b>\$139,126,260</b> 30,212*	<b>\$140,628,280</b> \$30,472*	-0.9%	

## Property

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

Year To Date	Oct 2010	Oct 2009	% Change
Total Units	1,130	1,370	-18%
Single Family	630	670	-6%
Multi-Family	500	700	-29%

## Transportation

Hector International Airport

	Oct - 2010	Oct - 2009	% Change	YTD 2010	YTD 2009	% Change
Total Passengers	54,928	59,145	-7.1%	613,873	583,996	5.1%

## Consumers

ND Office of State Tax Commissioner

	2nd Qtr 2010	2nd Qtr 2009	% Change	YTD 2010	YTD 2009	% Change
Taxable Sales & Purchases (Cass County)	\$630,411,067	\$626,442,753	0.6%	\$1,144,100,147	\$1,109,245,640	3.14%

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