

## LABOR

Job Service ND and MN Department of Employment and Economic Development

| MEASURE   |         | MONTH                  | MOST RECENT                 | YEAR EARLIER                | % CHANGE     |
|---|---------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Unemployment Rate                                       | F-M MSA | Mar -13                | 4.2%                        | 4.2%                        |              |
|   | ND      | Mar -13                | 3.9%                        | 3.7%                        |              |
|   | MN      | Mar -13                | 5.8%                        | 6.4%                        |              |
|   | US      | Mar -13                | 7.6%                        | 8.4%                        |              |
| Labor Force   | F-M MSA | Mar -13                | 119,675                     | 118,611                     | 0.9%         |
|   | ND      | Mar -13                | 394,426                     | 385,073                     | 2.4%         |
|   | MN      | Mar -13                | 2,959,806                   | 2,958,938                   | 0.0%         |
|   | US      | Mar -13                | 154,512,000                 | 154,316,000                 | 0.1%         |
| Employed  | F-M MSA | Mar -13                | 114,669                     | 113,629                     | 0.9%         |
|   | ND      | Mar -13                | 379,090                     | 370,698                     | 2.3%         |
|   | MN      | Mar -13                | 2,787,766                   | 2,770,974                   | 0.6%         |
|   | US      | Mar -13                | 142,698,000                 | 141,412,000                 | 0.9%         |
| Wage Growth - Quarterly Total and Average Annual Salary | Cass    | 3rd Qtr-12 Annualized* | \$1,153,967,279<br>\$43,056 | \$1,098,470,849<br>\$42,796 | 5.1%<br>0.6% |
|   | Clay    | 3rd Qtr-12 Annualized* | \$151,114,776<br>\$33,436   | \$149,139,831<br>\$33,332   | 1.3%<br>0.3% |

Notes: Unemployment Rate, Labor Force, & Employed data are not seasonally adjusted. Most recent labor statistics are estimates generated monthly through the LAUS program with frequent revisions as updated data becomes available.

\*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.

## PROPERTY

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



| YEAR TO DATE  | MAR 2013 | MAR 2012 | % CHANGE |
|---------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Total Units   | 174      | 278      | -37%     |
| Single Family | 56       | 75       | -25%     |
| Multi-Family* | 118      | 203      | -42%     |

\*Twinhomes are included in multi-family numbers

## TRANSPORTATION

Hector International Airport – Total Passengers

| MAR 2013 | MAR 2012 | % CHANGE | YTD 2013 | YTD 2012 | % CHANGE |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 82,528   | 77,319   | 6.7%     | 214,336  | 198,942  | 7.7%     |

## CONSUMERS

Taxable Sales and Purchases (Cass County) — ND Office of State Tax Commissioner

| 3RD QTR 2012  | 3RD QTR 2011  | % CHANGE | YTD 2012        | YTD 2011        | % CHANGE |
|---------------|---------------|----------|-----------------|-----------------|----------|
| \$824,200,648 | \$753,397,860 | 9.4%     | \$2,223,534,375 | \$1,979,112,341 | 12.4%    |

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

These economic indicators have been compiled by the Greater Fargo Moorhead Economic Development Corporation.

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