

# NORTH DAKOTA

## Fortifying Main Street:

*The Economic Benefit of Public Pension Dollars in Rural America*

### Key Findings

Average percent of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for each county type in the state:

- Capital: 1.5%
- Metropolitan: 0.6%
- Micropolitan: 0.5%
- Rural: 0.6%

Total average percent of GDP in the state: 0.7%

Average percent of Total Personal Income (TPI) for each county type in the state:

- Capital: 1.4%
- Metropolitan: 0.6%
- Micropolitan: 0.8%
- Rural: 0.9%

Total average percent of TPI in the state: 0.8%

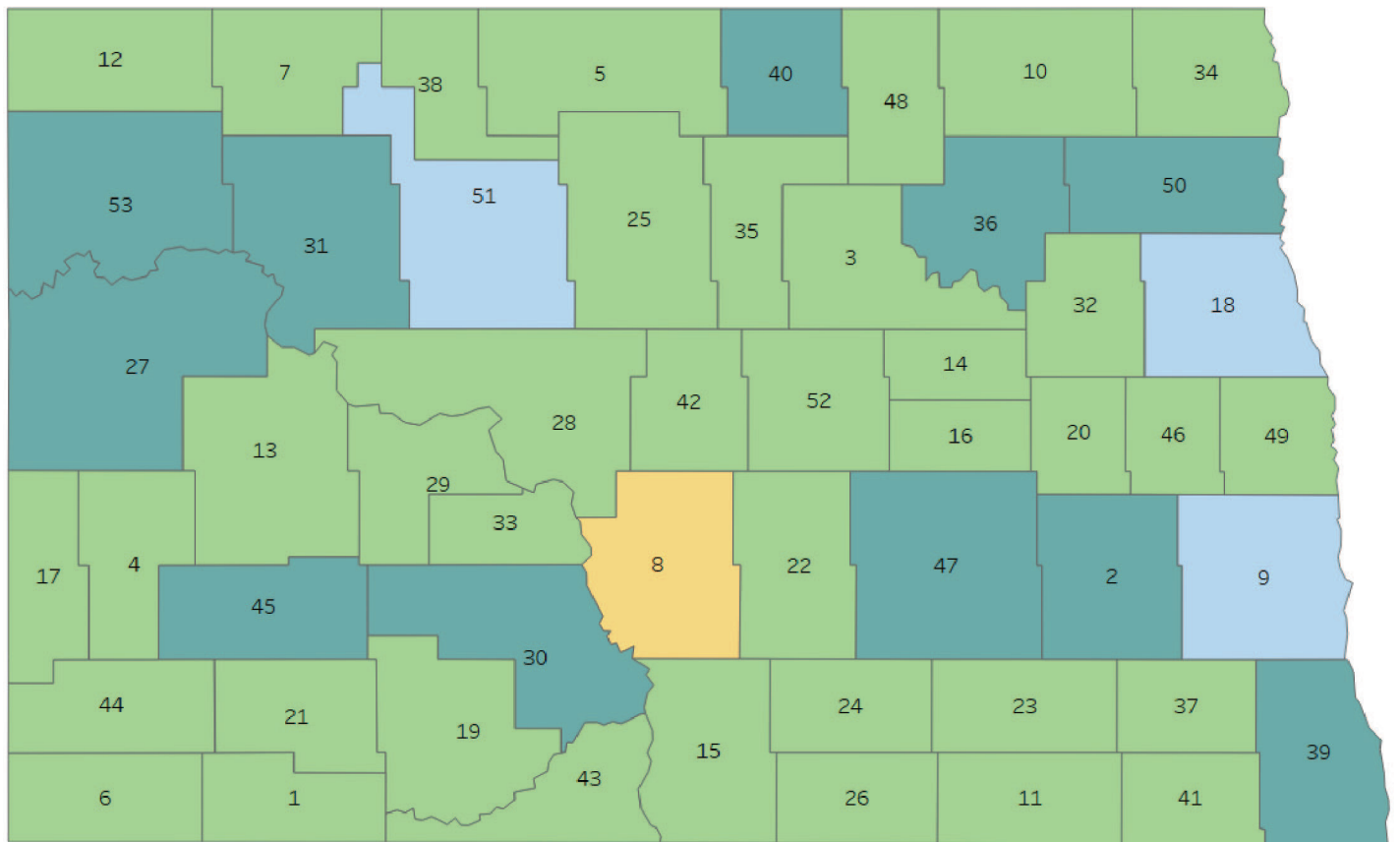
Table A27. North Dakota County Data

No.	County Name	County Type	2018 Pension Benefits	Benefits as a % of GDP	Benefits as a % of Total Personal Income	Population Change (2000 vs 2018)
1	Adams	Rural	\$915,831.48	0.56%	0.67%	-11.53%
2	Barnes	Micropolitan	\$7,032,193.68	1.07%	1.20%	-10.47%
3	Benson	Rural	\$1,908,234.24	0.90%	0.79%	-0.03%
4	Billings	Rural	\$334,375.08	0.27%	0.49%	3.49%
5	Bottineau	Rural	\$4,765,776.96	1.33%	1.26%	-10.32%
6	Bowman	Rural	\$1,673,708.88	0.68%	0.89%	-5.12%
7	Burke	Rural	\$833,190.96	0.61%	0.62%	-6.33%
8	Burleigh (Capital)	Metropolitan	\$76,292,632.92	1.46%	1.38%	37.25%
9	Cass	Metropolitan	\$53,895,501.12	0.48%	0.53%	47.41%
10	Cavalier	Rural	\$2,042,332.80	0.46%	0.78%	-20.74%
11	Dickey	Rural	\$2,243,940.96	0.77%	0.87%	-14.83%
12	Divide	Rural	\$1,137,494.16	0.59%	1.03%	0.00%
13	Dunn	Rural	\$1,560,255.00	0.16%	0.60%	20.33%
14	Eddy	Rural	\$1,286,872.80	1.11%	1.03%	-16.10%
15	Emmons	Rural	\$1,379,984.28	0.80%	0.85%	-23.92%
16	Foster	Rural	\$1,903,303.20	0.70%	0.94%	-14.45%
17	GoldenValley	Rural	\$570,468.48	0.74%	0.74%	-8.06%
18	GrandForks	Metropolitan	\$31,577,889.60	0.84%	0.87%	7.05%
19	Grant	Rural	\$901,178.88	1.10%	0.99%	-16.44%
20	Griggs	Rural	\$1,487,784.24	1.05%	1.20%	-18.95%
21	Hettinger	Rural	\$1,121,615.16	0.97%	0.87%	-7.40%
22	Kidder	Rural	\$1,067,074.68	0.79%	0.87%	-11.01%
23	LaMoure	Rural	\$2,275,844.28	0.81%	1.00%	-13.59%
24	Logan	Rural	\$919,588.20	0.48%	0.80%	-17.55%
25	McHenry	Rural	\$2,494,397.16	0.89%	0.82%	-2.86%
26	McIntosh	Rural	\$1,112,550.72	0.60%	0.72%	-23.75%
27	McKenzie	Micropolitan	\$2,547,168.36	0.09%	0.30%	137.62%
28	McLean	Rural	\$5,145,449.28	0.68%	0.99%	2.47%
29	Mercer	Rural	\$3,644,735.64	0.38%	0.76%	-4.36%
30	Morton	Micropolitan	\$16,057,048.32	1.09%	0.99%	22.89%
31	Mountrail	Micropolitan	\$2,803,301.88	0.18%	0.47%	54.09%
32	Nelson	Rural	\$1,783,212.24	1.14%	1.02%	-22.77%
33	Oliver	Rural	\$706,826.52	0.28%	0.75%	-5.47%
34	Pembina	Rural	\$4,192,647.72	1.17%	1.20%	-19.08%

**Table A27. North Dakota County Data (continued)**

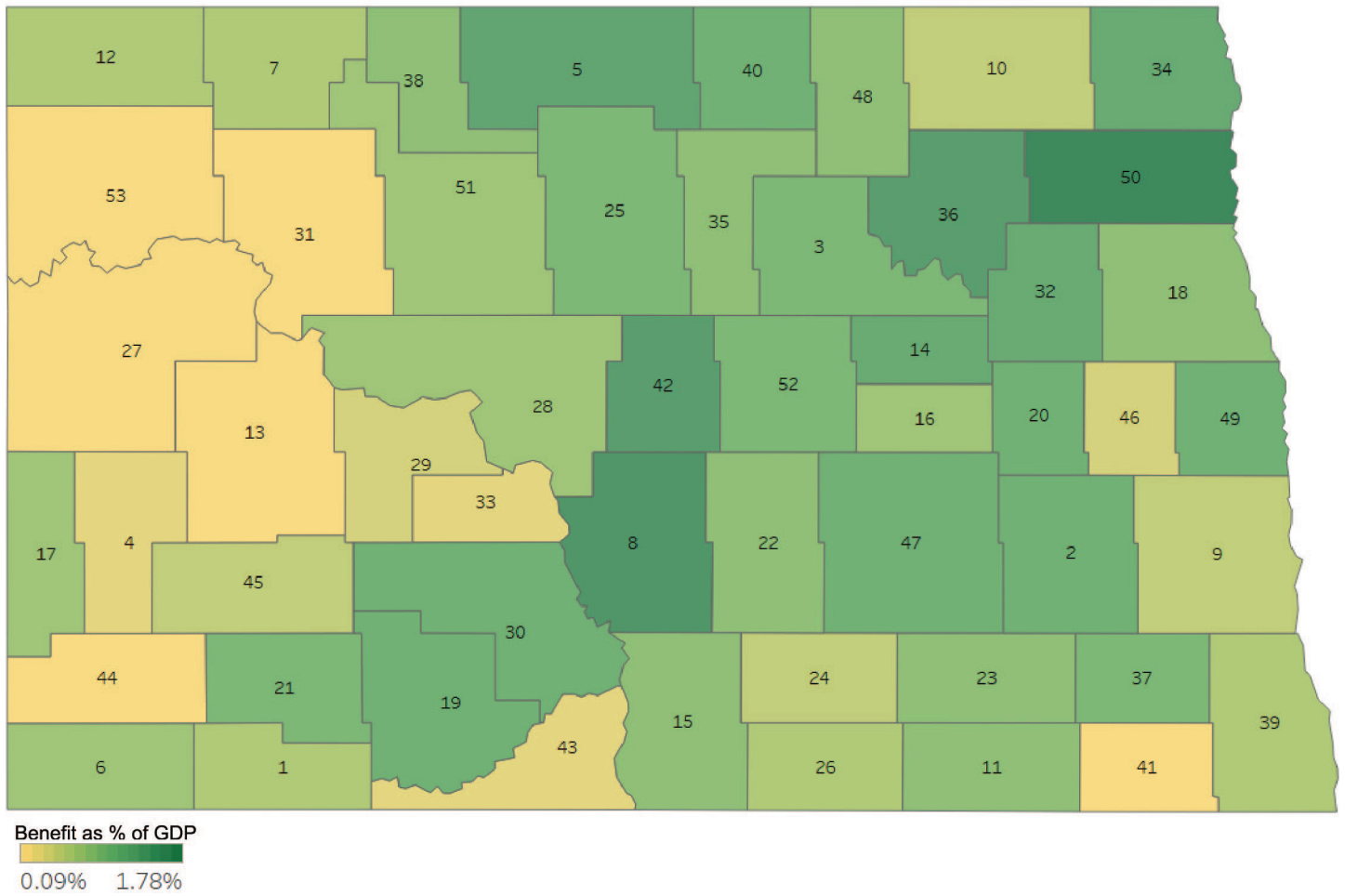
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35	Pierce	Rural	\$2,148,070.80	0.82%	1.01%	-12.71%
36	Ramsey	Micropolitan	\$7,045,423.20	1.37%	1.29%	-4.85%
37	Ransom	Rural	\$2,278,776.60	0.91%	0.78%	-11.09%
38	Renville	Rural	\$1,237,370.28	0.84%	0.85%	-9.04%
39	Richland	Micropolitan	\$6,184,629.96	0.65%	0.72%	-9.77%
40	Rolette	Micropolitan	\$3,986,553.48	1.06%	0.76%	4.59%
41	Sargent	Rural	\$1,102,960.68	0.13%	0.44%	-11.36%
42	Sheridan	Rural	\$567,650.76	1.40%	1.19%	-21.11%
43	Sioux	Rural	\$330,710.76	0.25%	0.27%	7.76%
44	Slope	Rural	\$111,987.84	0.20%	0.30%	-0.52%
45	Stark	Micropolitan	\$10,804,688.16	0.43%	0.57%	36.94%
46	Steele	Rural	\$728,813.52	0.40%	0.60%	-15.72%
47	Stutsman	Micropolitan	\$14,397,119.04	1.08%	1.26%	-4.52%
48	Towner	Rural	\$984,501.00	0.79%	0.84%	-23.78%
49	Traill	Rural	\$3,955,447.44	1.00%	0.96%	-5.19%
50	Walsh	Micropolitan	\$8,704,271.16	1.78%	1.67%	-13.90%
51	Ward	Metropolitan	\$25,931,866.68	0.69%	0.69%	15.22%
52	Wells	Rural	\$2,381,203.56	0.89%	1.09%	-22.44%
53	Williams	Micropolitan	\$9,001,977.48	0.17%	0.37%	78.89%

**Figure A79. North Dakota County Type**

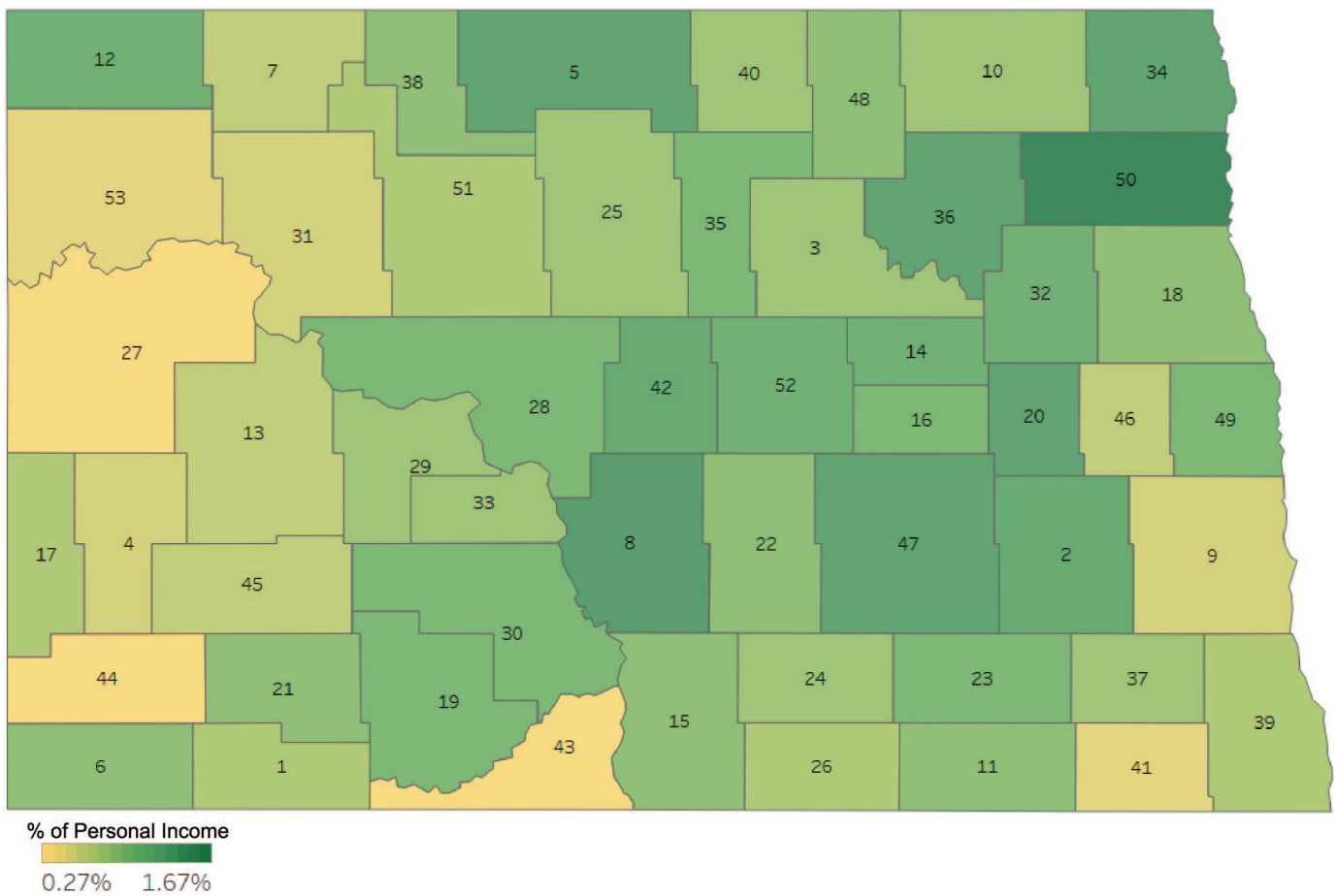


- County Categories**
- Capital - Metropolitan
  - Metropolitan
  - Micropolitan
  - Rural

**Figure A80. North Dakota Pension Benefit Dollars as Share of County GDP**



**Figure A81. North Dakota Pension Benefit Dollars as Share of County Total Personal Income**



### Overview

In North Dakota, we received data from the North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System and the North Dakota Teachers' Fund for Retirement.