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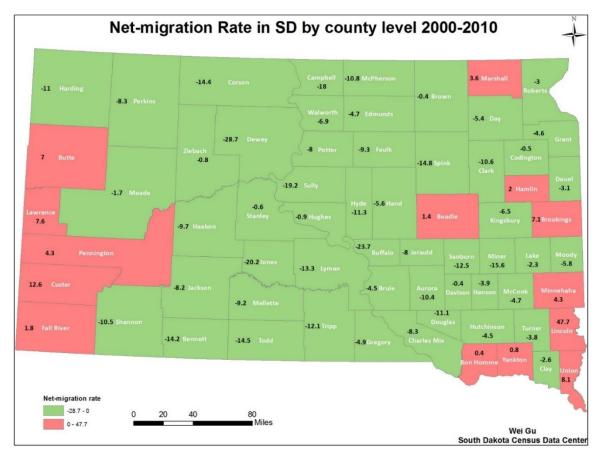
Introduction

According to Philippine Statistics Authority, the net-migration defined as "the ratio of the difference between the in-migrants and out-migrants in a population to the mid-year population during the same period". It also can be represented as below formula:

 $NMR = [(IM - OM) / POP_m] \times 100$

Where, IM =Total number of in-migrants; OM =total number of out-migrants; POPm =Mid-year population size.

In South Dakota, the net-migration pattern was different in different counties in the period from 2000 to 2010. The map below shows the differences of the net migration rate in South Dakota by counties. The areas shaded with red denote counties with positive net migration, while the green areas represent counties with negative migration. In addition, the migration rate for each county is displayed on the map. The map indicates that most counties in South Dakoda had more population moved out than moved in. However, some Southeastern counties and Western counties had relatively high positive net migration rate, which means more people moved in than moved out. Besides, it seems that most of those red zones that represent positive rates were metropolitan counties and green zones with negative rates were rural counties and Indian reservation counties.



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Hence, I divided South Dakota counties in three groups according to the USDA 2004 County Typology codes and American Indian population proportion. These three types of counties are farm dependence counties—named as group 1; main Indian population counties (Indian population over 30%)—named as group 2; other counties which include metro counties, manufacturing-dependent counties, State government-dependent counties, services-dependent counties—named as group 3. This paper will introduce the net-migration rates of three different county typologies, and whether they have some differences and similarities.

By using the census data, I found that farm dependence counties and majority Indian population counties had more population moved out than moved in between 2000 and 2010. On the contrary, other code counties had more people moved in than moved out.

Net-migration rate in farm dependence counties (group 1)

In group 1 -- farm dependence counties, almost all counties had more moved out migrations. Specifically, the total net-migration rates of all the farm dependence counties were -6.73 in the decade from 2000 to 2010, which meant that they lost about 7 migrations averagely per 100 persons in these areas. While, there were only three counties (Bon Homme, Hamlin, Marshall) gain small numbers of migrations in the same decade.

Note: The columns explanation for below three net migration rate tables, '2000' and '2010'mean the population in this year; 'midpoint' means the average population of the year 2000 and 2010; 'nature increase' equals the birth population minus the death population from 2000 to 2010; 'potential 2010 pop' represents the potential population only considering nature increase; the difference of the actual population in 2010 and the potential population in 2010 represents 'net migration' between 2000 and 2010.

Farm dependence Counties										
Counties Name	2000	2010	midpoint	natural increase	potential 2010 pop	net- migration	net- migration rate			
Jones County	1,193	1006	1099.5	35	1,228	-222	-20.19			
Sully County	1,556	1373	1464.5	98	1,654	-281	-19.19			
Campbell County	1,782	1466	1624	-23	1,759	-293	-18.04			
Miner County	2,884	2389	2636.5	-83	2,801	-412	-15.63			
Spink County	7,454	6415	6934.5	-15	7,439	-1024	-14.77			
Corson County	4,181	4050	4115.5	463	4,644	-594	-14.43			
Bennett County	3,574	3431	3502.5	353	3,927	-496	-14.16			
Lyman County	3,895	3755	3825	367	4,262	-507	-13.25			
Sanborn County	2,675	2355	2515	-5	2,670	-315	-12.52			
Tripp County	6,430	5644	6037	-57	6,373	-729	-12.08			
Hyde County	1,671	1420	1545.5	-77	1,594	-174	-11.26			
Douglas County	3,458	3002	3230	-98	3,360	-358	-11.08			
Harding County	1,353	1255	1304	46	1,399	-144	-11.04			
McPherson County	2,904	2459	2681.5	-156	2,748	-289	-10.78			
Clark County	4,143	3691	3917	-38	4,105	-414	-10.57			
Aurora County	3,058	2710	2884	-49	3,009	-299	-10.37			
Haakon County	2,196	1937	2066.5	-59	2,137	-200	-9.68			
Faulk County	2,640	2364	2502	-44	2,596	-232	-9.27			
Perkins County	3,363	2982	3172.5	-119	3,244	-262	-8.26			
Potter County	2,693	2329	2511	-163	2,530	-201	-8.00			
Jerauld County	2,295	2071	2183	-50	2,245	-174	-7.97			
Kingsbury County	5,815	5148	5481.5	-308	5,507	-359	-6.55			
Moody County	6,595	6486	6540.5	268	6,863	-377	-5.76			
Hand County	3,741	3431	3586	-108	3,633	-202	-5.63			
Day County	6,267	5710	5988.5	-231	6,036	-326	-5.44			
Gregory County	4,792	4271	4531.5	-297	4,495	-224	-4.94			
Edmunds County	4,367	4071	4219	-98	4,269	-198	-4.69			
McCook County	5,832	5618	5725	53	5,885	-267	-4.66			
Grant County	7,847	7356	7601.5	-139	7,708	-352	-4.63			
Brule County	5,364	5255	5309.5	129	5,493	-238	-4.48			
Hutchinson County	8,075	7343	7709	-387	7,688	-345	-4.48			
Hanson County	3,139	3331	3235	317	3,456	-125	-3.86			
Turner County	8,849	8347	8598	-176	8,673	-326	-3.79			
Deuel County	4,498	4364	4431	3	4,501	-137	-3.09			
Roberts County	10,016	10149	10082.5	438	10,454	-305	-3.03			
Stanley County	2,772	2966	2869	210	2,982	-16	-0.56			
Bon Homme County	7,260	7070	7165	-219	7,041	29	0.40			
Hamlin County	5,540	5903	5721.5	250	5,790	113	1.98			
Marshall County	4,576	4656	4616	-87	4,489	167	3.62			
Total	170,743	159579	165161	-56	170,687	-11108	-6.73			

Net-migration in majority Indian population counties (group 2)

In group 2 – main Indian population counties, each county in group 2 had negative migration rates which meant that every county in group 2 experienced more people moved out comparing to the moved in population. In general, the total net-migration rate in all these counties were -11.57 from the same period, it represented that in every 100 person there were approximately 15 migration gone. So, the net-migration in group 2 counties have one similarity with farm dependence counties, that is both of them experienced migrant population missing in the same period. However, the total net migration rate of group 2 was almost as twice as that of group 1. Therefore, the migrant population losing strength of main Indian population counties was much higher than the farm dependence counties.

Note: The Indian population proportion calculated based on the 2010 Census Summary File 1.

Indian Population over 30% Counties								
Counties Name	2000	2010	midpoint	natural increase	potential 2010 pop	net- migration	net- migration rate	
Dewey County	5,972	5301	5636.5	944	6,916	-1615	-28.65	
Buffalo County	2,032	1912	1972	347	2,379	-467	-23.68	
Todd County	9,050	9612	9331	1911	10,961	-1349	-14.46	
Corson County	4,181	4050	4115.5	463	4,644	-594	-14.43	
Bennett County	3,574	3431	3502.5	353	3,927	-496	-14.16	
Lyman County	3,895	3755	3825	367	4,262	-507	-13.25	
Shannon County	12,466	13586	13026	2487	14,953	-1367	-10.49	
Mellette County	2,083	2048	2065.5	154	2,237	-189	-9.15	
Charles Mix County	9,350	9129	9239.5	547	9,897	-768	-8.31	
Jackson County	2,930	3031	2980.5	344	3,274	-243	-8.15	
Roberts County	10,016	10149	10082.5	438	10,454	-305	-3.03	
Ziebach County	2,519	2801	2660	302	2,821	-20	-0.75	
Total	68,068	68805	68436.5	8657	76725	-7920	-11.57	

Net-migration in other code counties (group 3)

Unlike farm dependence counties and main Indian population counties, the average total net-migration rate of other code counties which including metro counties, manufacturing-dependent counties, state government-dependent counties and services-dependent counties was a positive value -- 5.69. It meant that they gain averagely 6 people per 100 persons on migration. Although most of group 3 counties had positive net-migration rates, some counties still had negative net-migration rates (such as Clay, Lake, Meade and Walworth counties). Moreover, some counties had extremely high migration rate such as Lincoln (NMR=47.68). Custer also had a relatively high net-migration rate than other counties in this group (NMR=12.58).

Other dependence codes counties (Metro, Manufacturing, State government, Services)							
Counties Name	2000	2010	midpoint	natural increase	potential 2010 pop	net- migration	net- migration rate
Lincoln County	24,131	44828	34479.5	4257	28,388	16440	47.68
Custer County	7,275	8216	7745.5	-33	7,242	974	12.58
Union County	12,584	14399	13491.5	721	13,305	1094	8.11
Lawrence County	21,802	24097	22949.5	540	22,342	1755	7.65
Brookings County	28,220	31965	30092.5	1596	29,816	2149	7.14
Butte County	9,094	10110	9602	341	9,435	675	7.03
Minnehaha County	148,281	169468	158874.5	14360	162,641	6827	4.30
Pennington County	88,565	100937	94751	8338	96,903	4034	4.26
Fall River County	7,453	7094	7273.5	-493	6,960	134	1.84
Beadle County	17,023	17398	17210.5	137	17,160	238	1.38
Yankton County	21,652	22438	22045	607	22,259	179	0.81
Davison County	18,741	19504	19122.5	835	19,576	-72	-0.38
Brown County	35,460	36531	35995.5	1209	36,669	-138	-0.38
Codington County	25,897	27227	26562	1465	27,362	-135	-0.51
Hughes County	16,481	17022	16751.5	688	17,169	-147	-0.88
Meade County	24,253	25456	24854.5	1633	25,886	-430	-1.73
Lake County	11,276	11200	11238	182	11,458	-258	-2.30
Clay County	13,537	13864	13700.5	680	14,217	-353	-2.58
Walworth County	5,974	5438	5706	-143	5,831	-393	-6.89
Total	537,699	607192	572445.5	36920	574,619	32573	5.69

Summary

In summary, both farm dependence counties and main Indian population counties had more people moving out than moving in during this decade. Additionally, the out-migration from reservation counties doubled the extent of the out-migration from farm dependence counties. The other counties had more people moved in than moved out on average. More interestingly, there were still some counties of group 3 lost population on migration such as Lake, Clay, and Walworth County. A few counties had significantly large volume of inmigration compared to their counterparts in group 3.

Why the migration rate in South Dakota were so different between those three different typologies counties? Why reservation counties had higher negative net-migration rate than farm dependence counties? Why some counties in other code group still had negative migration rate based on an average relatively high migration rate in this group, but some others had extremely high positive rate in net migration? What's the possible factors influence those differences? In next Issues of the New Letter, I will look further into these factors.

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