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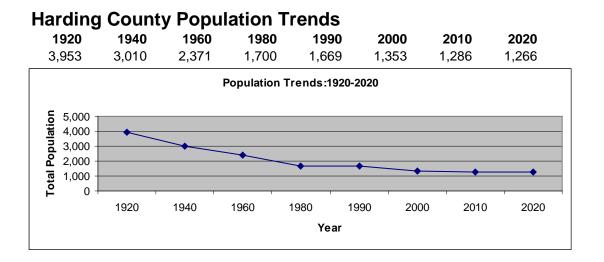
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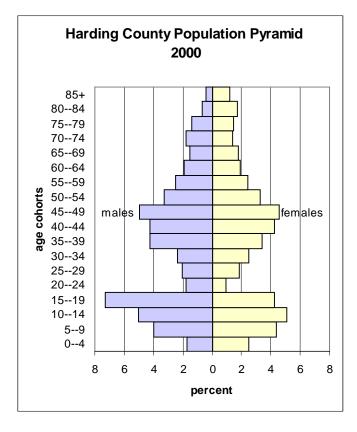
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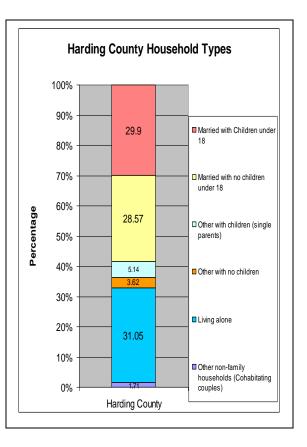
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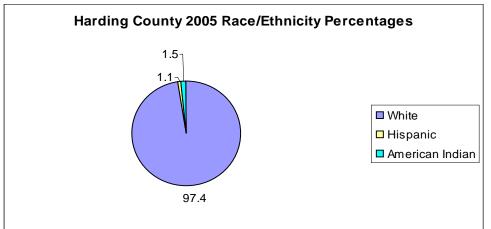


Where People Live: 2000					
	South Dakota	Harding	Butte	Perkins	
Urban	51.92	0	47.87	0	
Rural-Farm	7.72	39.99	12.58	26.40	
Rural-Non farm	40.36	60.01	39.55	73.60	

# **Harding County Population Highlights**

- From 1990 to 2000, Harding County **lost 316 residents**, which was an **18.9% decrease** in its total population.
- From 1990 to 2000, Harding County lost 407 residents to out-migration, which was a 24.4% decrease in its total population. This is the largest decrease due to out-migration in the state of South Dakota.
- From the population pyramid, we can see that many of Harding County's residents aged 20-34 are leaving the county.
- 32.52% of Harding County's residents are **under the age of 18**, while 13.38% are **aged 65+**.
- Harding County's **median age is 37.6**. This is younger than both Butte and Perkins counties.
- Harding County's **sex ratio is 104.69**, meaning there are about 105 males for every 100 females. This is much higher than both Butte and Perkins counties.
- Harding County's **fertility rate is 53.4** births for every 1,000 females aged 15-44. This is lower than Butte, but slightly higher than Perkins.

## **Race/Ethnicity in Harding County**



## Harding County Agriculture in 2002

- Harding County had **223 farms**, which was a **15.9% decrease** since 1997.
- Harding County's **average farm size was 7,507 acres**, which was much larger than both Butte and Perkins counties.
- Harding County's **average net farm income was \$39,266**. This is higher than both Butte and Perkins counties.

### Harding County Economics in 2000

- Harding County's **per capita income was \$12,794**. This is lower than Butte and Perkins counties.
- Harding County's **median household income was \$25,000**. This is lower than both Butte and Perkins counties.
- **17.8%** of Harding County's **residents aged 25+ had received a B.S. degree or higher.** This is higher than both Butte and Perkins counties.
- 21.13% of Harding County's residents are living at or below the official poverty line. This compares with 13.18% for the state of South Dakota, 12.80% for Butte County, and 16.92% for Perkins County.
- **38.18%** of Harding County's **children under the age of 5** are living **at or below the official poverty line.** This compares with 19.77% for the state of South Dakota, 22.30% for Butte County, and 25.26% for Perkins County.
- **5.3%** of workers in Harding County **commute into work from another county.** This is lower than both Butte and Potter counties.

#### Harding County Employment by Industry

Total Employed	Percentage	Number
Agriculture	54.33	370
Educational, health, and	10.28	70
social services		
Retail	6.75	46
Public Administration	5.43	37
Construction	4.85	33
Manufacturing	.76	5
Total		681

	South	Harding	Butte	Perkins
	Dakota			
Total:	290,336	522	3,526	1,434
Less than				
\$10,000	30,881	114	376	230
\$10,000 to				
\$14,999	22,421	67	419	140
\$15,000 to				
\$19,999	22,190	39	402	146
\$20,000 to				
\$24,999	24,633	41	321	131
\$25,000 to				
\$29,999	22,190	45	283	133
\$30,000 to				
\$34,999	21,694	44	289	103
\$35,000 to				
\$39,999	19,408	27	272	73
\$40,000 to				
\$44,999	19,077	34	224	127
\$45,000 to				
\$49,999	16,675	19	212	62
\$50,000 to				
\$59,999	27,809	31	242	98
\$60,000 to				
\$74,999	26,008	26	201	87
\$75,000 to				
\$99,999	20,150	17	173	39
\$100,000 to	7 507	-		10
\$124,999	7,597	7	55	16
\$125,000 to	0.400		0.4	~~~
\$149,999	3,493	4	24	26
\$150,000 to	0.070		0.4	
\$199,999	2,872	1	24	7
\$200,000 or	0.000	0	•	10
more	3,238	6	9	16

# **Income Distribution**

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# Sources:

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