

Performance Measure Results

State Standard Measures Program 2014



BACKGROUND

In 2010, the state Legislature created the Council on Local Results and Innovation to develop standard performance measures for cities and counties. In February 2011, the Council released a standard set of performance measures to help residents, taxpayers, and elected officials determine whether counties provide services efficiently and effectively, and to measure residents' opinions of those services. In 2011, Dakota County voluntarily agreed to participate in the program. To meet 2014 program requirements, the following results are reported for the 10 adopted measures using the most recent data available.

PUBLIC SAFETY

PART I AND II CRIME

Part I crimes include murder, rape, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and arson. Part II crimes include other assaults, forgery/counterfeiting, embezzlement, stolen property, vandalism, weapons, prostitution, other sex offenses, narcotics, gambling, family/children crime, D.U.I., liquor laws, disorderly conduct, and other offenses. The figures are rates per 1,000 residents (2012).

Part I:	24.31
Part II:	29.40

PUBLIC WORKS

AVERAGE COUNTY PAVEMENT CONDITION RATING

The Minnesota Department of Transportation rates Dakota County roads every two years on a scale from 0 (poor) to 100 (excellent) based on the types of pavement distresses and the smoothness of the surface (2012).

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PUBLIC HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES

WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION RATE AMONG MFIP AND DWP RECIPIENTS

The Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) workforce participation rate is the percent of MFIP recipients in countable employment-related activities, which include workshops, job club, and job fairs. The Diversionary Work Program (DWP) measures how many participants are still receiving cash assistance through MFIP in the 5th and 12th months following their DWP eligibility.

MFIP: Average workforce participation rate (2013).	60.7%
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DWP: Percent of clients who were no longer receiving cash assistance five months post-eligibility (January-December 2012).	75.7%
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DWP: Percent of clients who were no longer receiving cash assistance 12 months post-eligibility (January-December 2012).	80.4%
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PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WHERE THERE IS A RECURRENCE OF MALTREATMENT WITHIN 12 MONTHS FOLLOWING AN INTERVENTION

This measure is calculated on a rolling 12 month period (January 2012 through December 2012). It looks at all maltreatment (abuse or neglect) findings in the reporting period and then counts the number of cases that had a subsequent maltreatment finding within 12 months of the first. **5.7%**

PROPERTY RECORDS, VALUATION, ASSESSMENT

LEVEL OF ASSESSMENT RATIO (MEDIAN BETWEEN 90% AND 105% IS ACCEPTABLE)

The level of assessment ratio measures how the accuracy of County assessments by comparing the actual market value of homes (as measured by the sales/purchase price) with the County-assigned assessed value (2013). **97%**

ELECTIONS

ACCURACY OF POST-ELECTION AUDIT

The percentage of ballots counted correctly in the last election (2012). **100%**

VETERANS SERVICES

DOLLARS BROUGHT INTO COUNTY FOR VETERANS' BENEFITS

The state Department of Veteran Affairs tracks and publishes yearly program and service expenditures for veterans. The dollars spent on veterans includes health care, insurance and indemnity, educational benefits, and compensation and pension (2012). **\$131,349,000**

BUDGET, FINANCIAL

BOND RATING

Moody's Investors Service annually assesses the quality of the County's financial management, current financial condition, and financial outlook (2013). **Aaa**

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PARKS, LIBRARIES

CITIZENS' RATING OF THE QUALITY OF COUNTY PARKS, RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS, AND/OR FACILITIES

In a biannual, statistically valid mailed survey, residents rated the quality of County parks and recreation from poor to excellent (2013).

Parks and Recreation Rating	Percent of Respondents
Excellent	44%
Good	42%
Fair	4%
Poor	0%
Don't Know	9%

ENVIRONMENT

AMOUNT OF HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD WASTE AND ELECTRONICS COLLECTED

Properly disposing of leftover chemicals, household products, and electronic devices helps protect the environment and people's health. In 2013, Dakota County collected electronics and household hazardous waste (paints, pesticides, acids/bases, solvents, batteries, fluorescent bulbs, and other miscellaneous chemicals) at The Recycling Zone and during four, one-day collection events.

Hazardous Waste:

1,917,131 lbs.

Electronics:

1,809,687 lbs.

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