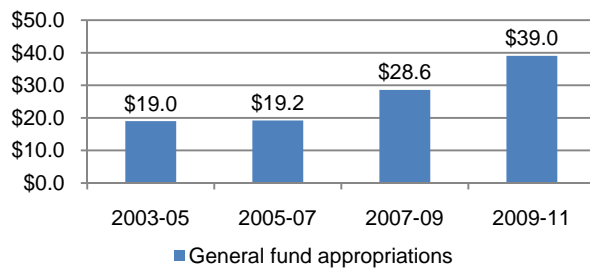
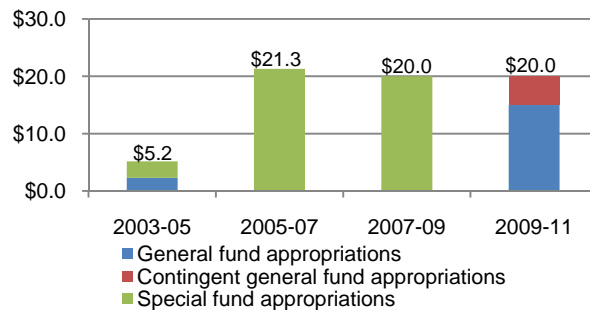


**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS
(Amounts Shown in Millions)**



NOTE: The general fund appropriation for the 2009-11 biennium does not include funding for centers of excellence (shown separately below).

**CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE
LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS
(Amounts Shown in Millions)**



Biennium	General Fund	Special Funds	Total
2003-05	\$2,300,000	\$2,850,000 ¹	\$5,150,000
2005-07		\$21,300,000 ²	\$21,300,000 ²
2007-09		\$20,000,000 ³	\$20,000,000 ³
2009-11	\$20,000,000 ⁴		\$20,000,000 ⁴

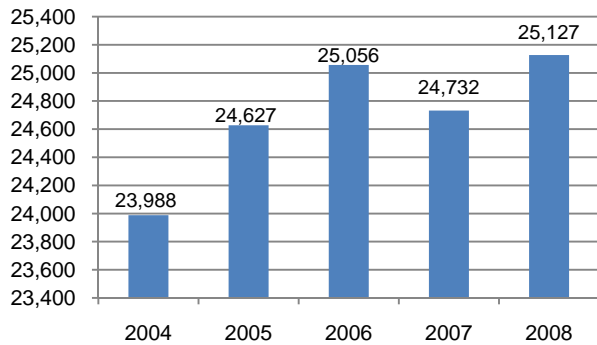
¹The 2003 Legislative Assembly provided funding of \$2,050,000 from the Development Fund and funding of \$800,000 from the Ag PACE fund for centers of excellence.

²The 2005 Legislative Assembly authorized the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to borrow up to \$20 million from the Bank of North Dakota for centers of excellence. The 2005 Legislative Assembly provided funding of \$16 million from the permanent oil tax trust fund and the 2007 Legislative Assembly provided funding of \$5.3 million from the permanent oil tax trust fund to OMB for repaying the loan and accrued interest.

³The 2007 Legislative Assembly appropriated \$15 million from the permanent oil tax trust fund to OMB for centers of excellence and authorized OMB to borrow up to \$5 million from the Bank for providing additional funding for centers of excellence if the \$15 million appropriated was committed.

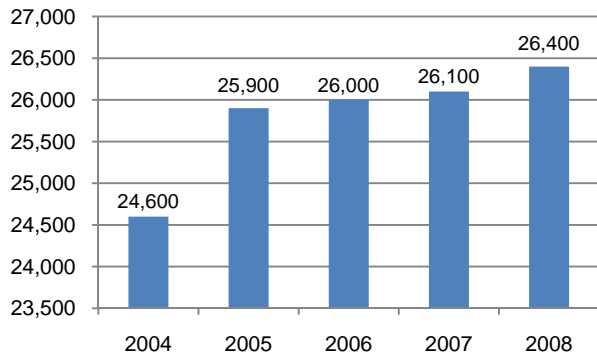
⁴The 2009 Legislative Assembly appropriated \$15 million from the general fund for funding centers of excellence and provided a contingent general fund appropriation of \$5 million for providing additional centers of excellence funding for the 2009-11 biennium.

PRIVATE SECTOR BUSINESSES



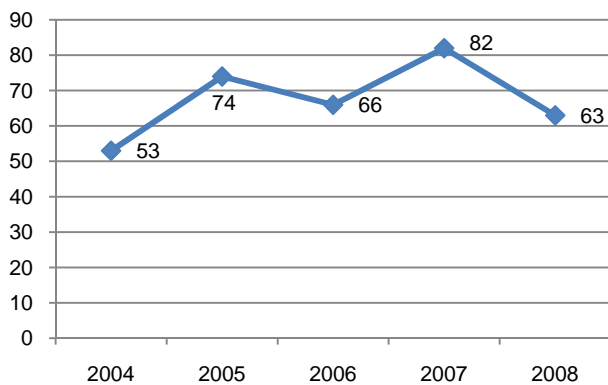
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