

**Business Leaders - Grand Forks, ND  
Vision Exercise Results**

	Strongly Agree	Agree	No Opinion	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
North Dakota is a great place to grow my business	5	8	1	3	0
	29.4%	47.1%	5.9%	17.6%	0.0%
If venture capital were more readily available locally, there would be more business growth	0	13	4	4	0
	0.0%	61.9%	19.0%	19.0%	0.0%
Tax policies in North Dakota, are, for the most part, supportive of business growth	0	14	3	3	0
	0.0%	70.0%	15.0%	15.0%	0.0%
The cost and availability of energy is not a problem for North Dakota businesses	3	9	2	6	0
	15.0%	45.0%	10.0%	30.0%	0.0%
There is little more that ND universities could do to facilitate economic development	0	2	4	5	8
	0.0%	10.5%	21.1%	26.3%	42.1%
Most businesses are aware of state programs that can assist them	0	2	1	12	4
	0.0%	10.5%	5.3%	63.2%	21.1%
There are plenty of qualified workers available to support business growth in North Dakota	0	3	1	13	4
	0.0%	14.3%	4.8%	61.9%	19.0%
Capital is too expensive and too hard to obtain for businesses in North Dakota	1	7	4	9	0
	4.8%	33.3%	19.0%	42.9%	0.0%
North Dakota should put most of its emphasis on attracting target industries to locate in the state	3	8	3	5	1
	15.0%	40.0%	15.0%	25.0%	5.0%
North Dakota needs to commit more resources to enhancing the availability of qualified workers in the state	4	11	2	3	0
	20.0%	55.0%	10.0%	15.0%	0.0%
North Dakota has transportation constraints that hinder business growth	6	10	1	1	0
	33.3%	55.6%	5.6%	5.6%	0.0%
Government should pay more attention to housing, healthcare and other quality of life factors that affect business growth	1	11	1	4	0
	5.9%	64.7%	5.9%	23.5%	0.0%
I know which industries are being targeted by the state for expansion and attraction	1	11	1	4	0
	5.9%	64.7%	5.9%	23.5%	0.0%
Government policies and incentives have little effect on the commercialization of new technologies	0	2	0	11	4
	0.0%	11.8%	0.0%	64.7%	23.5%
There are neighboring states that have more business-friendly environments than North Dakota	3	7	6	5	0
	14.3%	33.3%	28.6%	23.8%	0.0%
State and local economic developers need more incentives to encourage business growth in the state	0	12	3	5	0
	0.0%	60.0%	15.0%	25.0%	0.0%
Government administered business finance programs do not have a big impact on business growth in North Dakota	0	1	3	14	1
	0.0%	5.3%	15.8%	73.7%	5.3%
North Dakota could do more to insure that we have a well prepared, qualified workforce	1	14	1	2	0
	5.6%	77.8%	5.6%	11.1%	0.0%
More resources need to be committed to programs that support the growth of existing businesses in North Dakota	3	15	0	1	0
	15.8%	78.9%	0.0%	5.3%	0.0%
There is little that government can do to improve the State's image to the business community inside and outside of North	0	0	0	10	9
	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	52.6%	47.4%

**Economic Developers - Fargo, ND  
Vision Exercise Results**

	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>No Opinion</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>
North Dakota is a great place to grow my business	3	9	0	0	0
	25.0%	75.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
If venture capital were more readily available locally, there would be more business growth	3	12	1	0	0
	18.8%	75.0%	6.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Tax policies in North Dakota, are, for the most part, supportive of business growth	2	10	1	0	0
	15.4%	76.9%	7.7%	0.0%	0.0%
The cost and availability of energy is not a problem for North Dakota businesses	0	9	1	4	0
	0.0%	64.3%	7.1%	28.6%	0.0%
There is little more that ND universities could do to facilitate economic development	0	2	0	10	1
	0.0%	15.4%	0.0%	76.9%	7.7%
Most businesses are aware of state programs that can assist them	0	2	0	11	0
	0.0%	15.4%	0.0%	84.6%	0.0%
There are plenty of qualified workers available to support business growth in North Dakota	2	2	0	8	2
	14.3%	14.3%	0.0%	57.1%	14.3%
Capital is too expensive and too hard to obtain for businesses in North Dakota	4	4	3	4	0
	26.7%	26.7%	20.0%	26.7%	0.0%
North Dakota should put most of its emphasis on attracting target industries to locate in the state	3	7	1	4	1
	18.8%	43.8%	6.3%	25.0%	6.3%
North Dakota needs to commit more resources to enhancing the availability of qualified workers in the state	3	8	3	0	0
	21.4%	57.1%	21.4%	0.0%	0.0%
North Dakota has transportation constraints that hinder business growth	7	7	1	0	0
	46.7%	46.7%	6.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Government should pay more attention to housing, healthcare and other quality of life factors that affect business growth	1	10	2	1	1
	6.7%	66.7%	13.3%	6.7%	6.7%
I know which industries are being targeted by the state for expansion and attraction	6	8	0	1	1
	37.5%	50.0%	0.0%	6.3%	6.3%
Government policies and incentives have little effect on the commercialization of new technologies	0	0	0	12	3
	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	80.0%	20.0%
There are neighboring states that have more business-friendly environments than North Dakota	3	6	2	6	0
	17.6%	35.3%	11.8%	35.3%	0.0%
State and local economic developers need more incentives to encourage business growth in the state	4	8	2	0	0
	28.6%	57.1%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Government administered business finance programs do not have a big impact on business growth in North Dakota	0	0	0	11	4
	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	73.3%	26.7%
North Dakota could do more to insure that we have a well prepared, qualified workforce	2	10	1	1	0
	14.3%	71.4%	7.1%	7.1%	0.0%
More resources need to be committed to programs that support the growth of existing businesses in North Dakota	7	9	0	0	0
	43.8%	56.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
There is little that government can do to improve the State's image to the business community inside and outside of North	0	0	0	11	4
	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	73.3%	26.7%

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	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>No Opinion</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>
North Dakota is a great place to grow my business	4	19	0	0	0
	17.4%	82.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
If venture capital were more readily available locally, there would be more business growth	9	15	2	0	0
	34.6%	57.7%	7.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Tax policies in North Dakota, are, for the most part, supportive of business growth	2	20	0	2	0
	8.3%	83.3%	0.0%	8.3%	0.0%
The cost and availability of energy is not a problem for North Dakota businesses	4	7	5	7	0
	17.4%	30.4%	21.7%	30.4%	0.0%
There is little more that ND universities could do to facilitate economic development	0	0	0	14	11
	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	56.0%	44.0%
Most businesses are aware of state programs that can assist them	0	0	3	18	2
	0.0%	0.0%	13.0%	78.3%	8.7%
There are plenty of qualified workers available to support business growth in North Dakota	0	2	1	15	7
	0.0%	8.0%	4.0%	60.0%	28.0%
Capital is too expensive and too hard to obtain for businesses in North Dakota	2	11	5	7	0
	8.0%	44.0%	20.0%	28.0%	0.0%
North Dakota should put most of its emphasis on attracting target industries to locate in the state	3	16	2	6	0
	11.1%	59.3%	7.4%	22.2%	0.0%
North Dakota needs to commit more resources to enhancing the availability of qualified workers in the state	12	15	0	0	0
	44.4%	55.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
North Dakota has transportation constraints that hinder business growth	6	15	6	1	0
	21.4%	53.6%	21.4%	3.6%	0.0%
Government should pay more attention to housing, healthcare and other quality of life factors that affect business growth	3	19	3	4	0
	10.3%	65.5%	10.3%	13.8%	0.0%
I know which industries are being targeted by the state for expansion and attraction	6	15	3	2	1
	22.2%	55.6%	11.1%	7.4%	3.7%
Government policies and incentives have little effect on the commercialization of new technologies	0	3	1	17	6
	0.0%	11.1%	3.7%	63.0%	22.2%
There are neighboring states that have more business-friendly environments than North Dakota	1	12	1	12	0
	3.8%	46.2%	3.8%	46.2%	0.0%
State and local economic developers need more incentives to encourage business growth in the state	2	20	3	2	0
	7.4%	74.1%	11.1%	7.4%	0.0%
Government administered business finance programs do not have a big impact on business growth in North Dakota	0	1	6	16	5
	0.0%	3.6%	21.4%	57.1%	17.9%
North Dakota could do more to insure that we have a well prepared, qualified workforce	6	20	1	1	0
	21.4%	71.4%	3.6%	3.6%	0.0%
More resources need to be committed to programs that support the growth of existing businesses in North Dakota	10	16	0	0	0
	38.5%	61.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
There is little that government can do to improve the State's image to the business community inside and outside of North	0	0	0	20	9
	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	69.0%	31.0%

**Fargo & Grand Forks, ND**  
**Compilation of the Vision Exercise Results**

	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>No Opinion</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>
North Dakota is a great place to grow my business	12	36	1	3	0
	23.1%	69.2%	1.9%	5.8%	0.0%
If venture capital were more readily available locally, there would be more business growth	12	40	7	4	0
	19.0%	63.5%	11.1%	6.3%	0.0%
Tax policies in North Dakota, are, for the most part, supportive of business growth	4	44	4	5	0
	7.0%	77.2%	7.0%	8.8%	0.0%
The cost and availability of energy is not a problem for North Dakota businesses	7	25	8	17	0
	12.3%	43.9%	14.0%	29.8%	0.0%
There is little more that ND universities could do to facilitate economic development	0	4	4	29	20
	0.0%	7.0%	7.0%	50.9%	35.1%
Most businesses are aware of state programs that can assist them	0	4	4	41	6
	0.0%	7.3%	7.3%	74.5%	10.9%
There are plenty of qualified workers available to support business growth in North Dakota	2	7	2	36	13
	3.3%	11.7%	3.3%	60.0%	21.7%
Capital is too expensive and too hard to obtain for businesses in North Dakota	7	22	12	20	0
	11.5%	36.1%	19.7%	32.8%	0.0%
North Dakota should put most of its emphasis on attracting target industries to locate in the state	9	31	6	15	2
	14.3%	49.2%	9.5%	23.8%	3.2%
North Dakota needs to commit more resources to enhancing the availability of qualified workers in the state	19	34	5	3	0
	31.1%	55.7%	8.2%	4.9%	0.0%
North Dakota has transportation constraints that hinder business growth	19	32	8	2	0
	31.1%	52.5%	13.1%	3.3%	0.0%
Government should pay more attention to housing, healthcare and other quality of life factors that affect business growth	5	40	6	9	1
	8.2%	65.6%	9.8%	14.8%	1.6%
I know which industries are being targeted by the state for expansion and attraction	13	34	4	7	2
	21.7%	56.7%	6.7%	11.7%	3.3%
Government policies and incentives have little effect on the commercialization of new technologies	0	5	1	40	13
	0.0%	8.5%	1.7%	67.8%	22.0%
There are neighboring states that have more business-friendly environments than North Dakota	7	25	9	23	0
	10.9%	39.1%	14.1%	35.9%	0.0%
State and local economic developers need more incentives to encourage business growth in the state	6	40	8	7	0
	9.8%	65.6%	13.1%	11.5%	0.0%
Government administered business finance programs do not have a big impact on business growth in North Dakota	0	2	9	41	10
	0.0%	3.2%	14.5%	66.1%	16.1%
North Dakota could do more to insure that we have a well prepared, qualified workforce	9	44	3	4	0
	15.0%	73.3%	5.0%	6.7%	0.0%
More resources need to be committed to programs that support the growth of existing businesses in North Dakota	20	40	0	1	0
	32.8%	65.6%	0.0%	1.6%	0.0%
There is little that government can do to improve the State's image to the business community inside and outside of North	0	0	0	41	22
	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	65.1%	34.9%