ADMINISTRATION DEPT

Program: GOVT AND CITIZEN SERVICES

Activity: STATE DEMOGRAPHER Narrative

Activity at a Glance

- Prepares annual population and household estimates for counties, cities, and towns
- Plans for 2010 Census data for legislative and congressional redistricting
- Prepares 10 and 50 year population projections and budget impacts of trends
- Projects population by age and sex, births and deaths, labor force and household type by county, and high school graduates by region
- Prepares reports and articles on Minnesota's population, education, housing, income, migration, foreign-born population, and aging.
- Updates Minnesota Milestones indicators
- Prepares report on Minnesota state plan in odd numbered fiscal years
- Makes more than 100 presentations annually
- Provides Minnesota input on technical matters involving federal demographic programs

Activity Description

The State Demographer's Office provides demographic services as outlined in M.S. 4A.02 and below in "Services Provided." This program is a unit within the Office of Geographic and Demographic Analysis.

Beginning in November 2010, the State Demographer will prepare annual long run projections of population and demographic characteristics and project the budget impact of major demographic changes.

The State Demographer's Office also annually updates Minnesota Milestones indicators and prepares a biennial report on the state plan.

Population Served

The state demographer serves state elected officials, state agencies, legislators, local governments, private citizens, and private sector organizations.

Services Provided

Major service categories include

- prepare annual population and household estimates of counties, cities, and townships
- prepare or review other estimates, including for school districts and municipal boundary changes
- periodically prepare population and related projections for the state and sub areas
- analyze the impact of demographic change on state government budgets and programs
- act as liaison with the U.S. Census Bureau
- continuously monitor demographic data and trends and prepare reports
- work with the U.S. Census Bureau and legislature on the data for 2010 redistricting
- provide demographic and related information on request.

Historical Perspective

The State Demographer's Office was created in 1973 by statute. For over 37 years, the state demographer has provided early identification of critical trends and their implications on subjects such as aging, rural population decline, workforce supply issues, K-12 enrollment, higher education enrollment, infrastructure needs, changing diversity, state government workforce, housing, households, revenue collections, people with disabilities, and structural issues in the state budget.

Annual population and household estimates made by the state demographer are a major component in a number of state programs and funding formulas, including local government aid, transportation aid, levy limits, and community education levy. Population estimates and projections are also used to site and size major government infrastructure investments including roads, water treatment, schools, and other facilities.

Key Activity Goals & Measures

Admin Goal – To provide our customers with valuable services, products, advice, and expertise (http://www.admin.state.mn.us/admin.html)

Measure: The state demographer provides official statistics and estimates that are used in funding formulas and other operational efforts necessary for efficient and effective government operations.

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Measure: The state demographer makes between 100 and 150 public appearances per year, at the request of customers, to explain demographic trends and their impact on government operations.

Measure: The state demographer provides, on request, estimates and forecasts of demographic characteristics to departments of state government, to meet their operational needs.

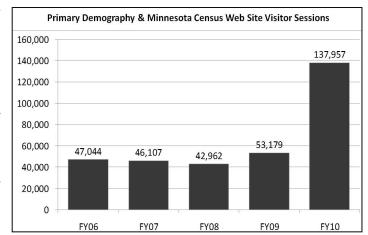
Minnesota Milestones Statewide Goals - Government in Minnesota will be cost-efficient, and services will be designed to meet the needs of the people who use them.

(http://server.admin.state.mn.us/mm/goal.html)

Measure: The state demographer makes forecasts of population and demographic characteristics to guide funding for major capital expenditures and to anticipate the financial impact of existing and proposed programs

Measure: The state demographer anticipates changes in major demographic trends and their future impact on state government budgets.

Measure: The state demographer makes information available to all Minnesotans by updating Minnesota Milestones, maintaining a website, preparing publications, responding to phone requests, and outreach.



Activity Funding

The program operates through a general fund appropriation.

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Budget Activity Summary

	Dollars in Thousands				
	Current		Governor's Recomm.		Biennium
	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	2012-13
Direct Appropriations by Fund					
General				ļ	
Current Appropriation	250	170	170	170	340
Technical Adjustments					
Operating Budget Reduction			(2)	(2)	(4)
Subtotal - Forecast Base	250	170	168	168	336
Governor's Recommendations				i ! !	
Operating Budget Reductions		0	0	(70)	(70)
Total	250	170	168	98	266
Expenditures by Fund		ı		!	
Direct Appropriations					
General	653	615	593	523	1,116
Statutory Appropriations				!	,
Miscellaneous Special Revenue	0	5	0	0	0
Federal	14	0	0	0	0
Total	667	620	593	523	1,116
Expenditures by Category				! !	
Total Compensation	481	479	458	410	868
Other Operating Expenses	186	141	135	113	248
Total	667	620	593	523	1,116
Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	5.5	5.5	5.3	4.7	