

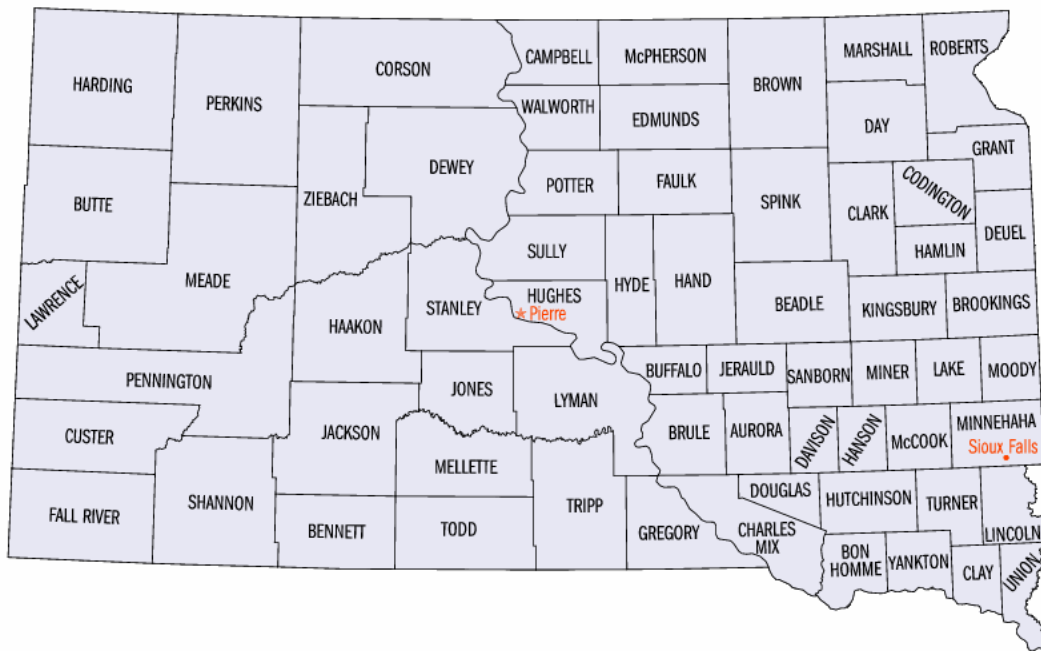
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South Dakota

The following profile contains information on demographics, political figures, programs, crime, drug use, drug trafficking, and enforcement statistics.

Demographics

- Population: 764,309 (July 2003 Census estimate);¹ 731,963 (2002 American Community Survey)²
- Race/Ethnicity (2002 American Community Survey): 93.7% white, 0.6% black/African American, 1.8% American Indian/Alaska Native, 0.6% Asian, 0.0% Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander; 0.1% other, 1.7% two or more races, 1.4% Hispanic/Latino origin³

Politics

- Governor: M. Michael Rounds⁴
- Lt. Governor: Dennis Daugaard⁵
- Attorney General: Larry Long⁶
- Secretary of State: Chris Nelson⁷
- U.S. Senate: Thomas Daschle (D); Tim Johnson (D)⁸
- U.S. Representatives: William Janklow (R)⁹
- Capital: Pierre

Programs/Initiatives

- High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA)¹⁰
Designated in 1996, the Midwest HIDTA is responsible for areas of South Dakota and 5 other states. The following South Dakota counties participate in Midwest HIDTA efforts: Beadle, Brookings, Brown, Clay, Codington, Custer, Fall River, Lawrence, Lincoln, Meade, Minnehaha, Pennington, Union, and Yankton.

Federal Funding

- Drug-Free Communities Support Program grantees in South Dakota:¹¹
 - FY 2003: no South Dakota recipients
 - FY 2002: no South Dakota recipients
 - FY 2001: \$100,000 to The Source: A Boys and Girls Club, Sisseton
 - FY 2000: \$99,958 to ASAP Coalition-Adolescent Substance Abuse Prevention, Rapid City
 - FY 1999: no South Dakota recipients
- Office of Weed and Seed¹²
There are 4 Weed and Seed sites in South Dakota: Brown County, Enemy Swim/Waubay, LaCreek/Martin, and Rapid City.
- FY 2003/2004 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Grant Summary for South Dakota:¹³
 - Formula Funding - \$6,454,702
 - Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant - \$4,807,663
 - Community Mental Health Services Block Grant - \$937,039

- Project for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) - \$300,000
 - Protection and Advocacy Formula Grant - \$410,000
- Discretionary Funding - \$3,676,142
 - Mental Health - \$1,537,407
 - Substance Prevention - \$1,740,685
 - Substance Abuse Treatment - \$398,050
- Total Mental Health Funds: \$3,184,446
- Total Substance Abuse Funds: \$6,946,398
- Total Funds for South Dakota: \$10,130,844
- FY 2004 Byrne Formula Grant Program amount awarded to South Dakota: \$2,269,185¹⁴
- FY 2003 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) for State Prisoners Formula Grant amount allocated to South Dakota: \$342,008¹⁵
- Office of Justice Programs Drug Court Grant:
 - FY 2003: no South Dakota recipients¹⁶
 - FY 2002:¹⁷
 - \$116,121 to Sisseton-Wahepeton Sioux Tribal Court
- Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Methamphetamine Grant:
 - FY 2003: no South Dakota recipients¹⁸
 - FY 2002: no South Dakota recipients¹⁹
- Office of Justice Programs and Community Oriented Policing Services total grant amounts received in South Dakota (by funding category):²⁰
 - Communities (discretionary): \$1.4 million
 - Counter-terrorism (discretionary): \$3.7 million
 - Juvenile Justice:
 - discretionary: \$4.7 million
 - formula: \$1.7 million
 - Law Enforcement:
 - discretionary: \$39.6 million
 - formula: \$1.7 million
 - Substance Abuse:
 - discretionary: \$0.4 million
 - formula: \$2.7 million
 - Victims:
 - discretionary: \$0.3 million
 - formula: \$1.5 million
 - Total OJP/COPS funds received in South Dakota in FY 2002: \$57.8 million
- There were no South Dakota recipients of the FY 2001 Housing and Urban Development Drug Elimination Grant.²¹

Crime and Drug-Related Crime

- There were 8 murders known to police in South Dakota during 2002.²²

Number of Index Offenses Known to Police, South Dakota, 2002

Offense	# of Offenses
Murder/non-negligent manslaughter	8
Forcible rape	333
Robbery	106
Aggravated assault	760
Burglary	2,635
Larceny	11,036
Motor vehicle theft	722
Arson	110
Total	15,710

- During 2002, there were 2,398 adult arrests for drug abuse violations in South Dakota.²³

Number of Adult Arrests, Select Offenses, South Dakota, 2002

Offense	# of Arrests
Murder/non-negligent manslaughter	8
Forcible rape	80
Robbery	41
Aggravated assault	422
Burglary	323
Larceny	1,492
Motor vehicle theft	90
Arson	10
Drug abuse violations	2,398
Driving under the influence	5,062
Liquor laws	6,409

- There were 2,136 adult arrests for drug possession in South Dakota during 2002.²⁴

Number of Adult Drug Arrests, South Dakota, 2002

Offense/Drug Type	# of Arrests
Sale/manufacturing	262
Opium or cocaine and derivatives	84
Marijuana	69
Synthetic narcotics	5
Other dangerous non-narcotic	104
Possession	2,136
Opium or cocaine and derivatives	63
Marijuana	1,562
Synthetic narcotics	65
Other dangerous non-narcotic	446
Total adult drug arrests	2,398

- During 2002, 1,313 offenders were suspected of drug usage while committing an offense in South Dakota.²⁵
- During 2002, there were 467 HIDTA methamphetamine arrests in South Dakota.²⁶
- During 2001, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) reported making 101 arrests for drug violations in South Dakota.²⁷

Number of DEA Drug Arrests, South Dakota, 1997-2001

Year	Arrests
1997	54
1998	46
1999	56
2000	74
2001	101

Drugs

- Cocaine
Cocaine HCL (powder cocaine) is readily available throughout all parts of South Dakota. Crack cocaine availability is increasing in South Dakota, but mainly in eastern areas of the state.²⁸
- Heroin
Heroin is available in personal use quantities in South Dakota.²⁹
- Methamphetamine
Mexican methamphetamine is increasingly available in South Dakota.³⁰
- Marijuana
Marijuana is readily available throughout South Dakota.³¹
- Club Drugs
MDMA availability is limited, but has been shown to be increasing. MDMA is more readily available in western parts of South Dakota. The number of rave parties in South Dakota remains stable. LSD availability is also limited.³²
- Diverted Pharmaceuticals
According to the South Dakota Department of Health, hydrocodone products, codeine, and Darvocet-N are the most popular abused pharmaceutical substances in the state. These drugs are obtained by forged prescriptions and by phony call-ins.³³
- According to 2000-2001 data from the National Household Survey on Drug Abuse, 1.06% of South Dakota citizens reported past year dependence on illicit drugs.³⁴

Percent of Citizens Reporting Past Year Dependence, South Dakota, 2000-2001 Data

	12-17	18-25	26 +	All ages
Illicit drug dependence	2.12	3.26	0.46	1.06
Illicit drug dependence or abuse	3.99	4.72	0.68	1.65
Alcohol dependence	3.01	7.00	1.86	2.73
Alcohol dependence or abuse	7.00	17.52	5.01	7.04
Alcohol or illicit drug dependence or abuse	8.41	19.53	5.17	7.61

- According to 2000-2001 data from the National Household Survey on Drug Abuse, 41.63% of South Dakota citizens ages 12 and older felt that smoking marijuana once a month posed a great risk.³⁵

Percent of Citizens Reporting Drug Use, by Age, South Dakota, 2000-2001 Data

	12-17	18-25	26 +	All ages
Past month use of any illicit drug	8.85	11.81	2.33	4.45
Past month use of marijuana	6.83	10.46	1.88	3.69
Past month use of illicit drug other than marij.	4.10	5.48	1.15	2.12
Past year cocaine use	1.79	4.56	0.72	1.40
Great risk of smoking marijuana once a month	36.97	28.91	44.84	41.63

Juveniles

- Forty percent of South Dakota 12th grade males surveyed during 2003 reported using marijuana at some point in their lifetimes.³⁶

Percent of Students Reporting Drug Use, by Grade and Sex, South Dakota, 2003

	9th Grade		10th Grade		11th Grade		12th Grade	
	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M
Lifetime marijuana	22%	25%	38%	38%	37%	51%	43%	40%
Past month marijuana	13	16	23	22	18	26	30	25
Lifetime cocaine	5	4	7	7	5	9	11	10
Past month cocaine	2	4	2	2	3	6	5	3
Lifetime inhalants	10	10	13	13	10	15	9	9
Past month inhalants	4	5	5	5	2	6	2	1
Lifetime heroin	2	3	0	2	2	5	1	5
Lifetime meth.	5	7	5	7	6	10	11	8
Lifetime ecstasy	3	5	4	8	4	7	3	7
Lifetime steroid	4	2	3	4	3	3	2	4

- Eight percent of the South Dakota 9th-12th graders surveyed during 2003 reported trying marijuana for the first time before age 13.³⁷
- Four percent of the students reported using marijuana on school property within the past month.³⁸
- Twenty-two percent of the students surveyed during 2003 reported that someone had offered, sold, or given them an illegal drug on school property during the past year.³⁹
- During 2002, there were 458 juvenile arrests for drug abuse violations in South Dakota.⁴⁰

Number of Juvenile Arrests, Select Offenses, South Dakota, 2002

Offense	# of Arrests
Murder/non-negligent manslaughter	--
Forcible rape	6
Robbery	3
Aggravated assault	54
Burglary	226
Larceny	1,241
Motor vehicle theft	70
Arson	37
Drug abuse violations	458
Driving under the influence	126
Liquor laws	1,766

- There were 431 juvenile arrests for drug possession in South Dakota during 2002.⁴¹

Number of Juvenile Drug Arrests, South Dakota, 2002

Offense/Drug Type	# of Arrests
Sale/manufacturing	27
Opium or cocaine and derivatives	12
Marijuana	9
Synthetic narcotics	6
Other dangerous non-narcotic	--
Possession	431
Opium or cocaine and derivatives	4
Marijuana	394
Synthetic narcotics	11
Other dangerous non-narcotic	22
Total juvenile drug arrests	458

Enforcement

- As of October 31, 2002, there were 2,016 full-time law enforcement employees in South Dakota (1,267 officers and 749 civilians).⁴²

Trafficking and Seizures

- Methamphetamine available in eastern South Dakota is obtained from sources in Sioux City, Iowa or from western states such as Texas, Arizona, and California. Methamphetamine is distributed locally by Caucasian residents who have been in the area for a long time, or by Hispanic males who recently moved to the state.⁴³
- Mexican methamphetamine is shipped into the state directly from Denver, Phoenix, San Francisco, and San Diego.⁴⁴
- The stealing of anhydrous ammonia fertilizer from farm supply stores and farmers is emerging as a serious problem in South Dakota.⁴⁵
- Multi-hundred pound quantities of marijuana are transported into the state from the Southwest. Smaller quantities of marijuana are also shipped via express mail services

or purchased from Hispanic males in the Sioux City area and driven back to Sioux Falls.⁴⁶

- During full year 2003, the DEA and state and local authorities in South Dakota reported 30 methamphetamine lab incidents to the El Paso Intelligence Center.⁴⁷

Number of Methamphetamine Incidents/Seizures, South Dakota, 2003

Type of Seizure	Number
Chemical/glass/equipment	2
Dumpsite	8
Laboratory	20
Total	30

- During 2002, Federal agencies seized 5.2 kilograms of cocaine in South Dakota.⁴⁸

Amount of Drugs Seized by Federal Agencies, South Dakota, 2002

Drug Type	Amount Seized (in kilograms)
Cocaine	5.2
Heroin	0
Methamphetamine	3.1
Marijuana	1.7

- During 2002, approximately 31,002,195 marijuana plants were eradicated in South Dakota. This is down from 294,842,944 plants eradicated in 2001. The primary cause for the decrease was widespread drought conditions during 2002.⁴⁹

Courts

- Drug Courts⁵⁰
As of November 2003, there were 3 drug courts in South Dakota that had been operating for more than 2 years, 1 that was recently implemented, and 2 that were being planned.
- During FY 2001, 19.9% of Federally sentenced defendants in South Dakota had committed drug offenses. Approximately 64% of the drug offenses involved methamphetamine.⁵¹

Federal Sentencing Statistics, Drug Offenses, South Dakota, FY 2001

Drug Type Involved	Offenses	% of Total
Powder cocaine	4	6.9%
Crack cocaine	1	1.7
Heroin	0	0
Marijuana	16	27.6
Methamphetamine	37	63.8
Other	0	0

Corrections

- As of March 31, 2004, there were 3,094 adult inmates under correctional supervision in South Dakota. At this time, 357 of the inmates were incarcerated for possession of a controlled substance.⁵²

Adult Inmate Drug Offenders, South Dakota, March 31, 2004

Drug-Related Crime Type	Number of Adult Inmates
DWI	390
Distribution of controlled substance	118
Distribution of marijuana	2
Possession of controlled substance	357
Possession of marijuana	14
Violation of drug-free zone	11
Delivering contraband to inmates	4
Distribution of marijuana (1 oz or less)	6
Distribution of marijuana (>1/2 lbs. but <1 lbs.)	1
Distribution of marijuana (> 1 lbs.)	7
Distribution of marijuana to minor	14
Possession of marijuana (> 1/2 lbs. but < 1 lbs.)	10
Possession of marijuana (> 1 lbs. but < 10 lbs.)	20
Possession of marijuana (> 10 lbs.)	12

- At the end of 2002, there were 4,959 adults on probation and 1,672 adults on parole in South Dakota.⁵³

Consequences of Use

- From October 1, 2002 to September 30, 2003, there was 1 South Dakota methamphetamine laboratory site reported to the El Paso Intelligence Center in which a child was present.⁵⁴

Characteristics of Methamphetamine Lab Incidents, South Dakota, FY 2003

	Number
Sites with a child affected	7
Sites with a child exposed to toxic chemicals	1
Sites with a child injured	0
Sites with a child killed	0
Sites with a child present	1
Sites with a child residing at the site	1
Number of children placed in protective custody	0

Treatment

- During 2002, there were 9,039 admissions to drug/alcohol treatment in South Dakota.⁵⁵ There were 6,762 treatment admissions in 2001.⁵⁶ During 2000, there were 9,174 admissions to treatment.⁵⁷

Admissions to Treatment, South Dakota, 2000-2002

Drug Type	2000		2001		2002	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Alcohol only	4,621	50.4%	3,190	47.2%	3,615	40.0%
Alc. w/ second. drug	2,593	28.3	1,979	29.3	2,801	31.0
Cocaine – smoked	17	0.2	20	0.3	22	0.2
Cocaine – other route	56	0.6	23	0.3	62	0.7
Marijuana	962	10.5	789	11.7	1,063	11.8
Heroin	8	0.1	3	0.0	13	0.1
Other opiates	20	0.2	29	0.4	38	0.4
PCP	123	1.3	66	1.0	127	1.4
Hallucinogens	9	0.1	7	0.1	12	0.1
Amphetamines	187	2.0	205	3.0	435	4.8
Sedatives	12	0.1	5	0.1	16	0.2
Inhalants	20	0.2	19	0.3	15	0.2
Other/none specified	546	6.0	427	6.3	820	9.1
Total	9,174	100.0	6,762	100.0	9,039	100.0

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