

**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**

**Budget and Finance**

**AGENDA ITEM: 7 – O**  
**DATE: March 27-29, 2018**

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**SUBJECT**

**Residence Hall Occupancy Report for Fall 2017 / Spring 2018**

**CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY**

None

**BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

Each year the Board office collects information on the fall utilization numbers for each of the campuses’ residence halls. This information is then summarized by the campus and put in the fact book. Last year the Board office began collecting the information for the spring semester as well. The capacity, types of housing available, and number of students boarded can be found in Attachment I for fall 2017, and in Attachment II for spring 2018.

**IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

The tables below and on the next page show the utilization percentages for both 2017 and 2018 academic years. The table below shows a comparison of the two fall and spring percentages. The table on the next page shows the change in the percentage from fall to spring.

<b>Table 1</b>						
<i>South Dakota Board of Regents</i>						
<i>Campus Housing Utilization</i>						
<i>Comparison of Prior Year to Current Year</i>						
	Fall	Fall		Spring	Spring	
	2016	2017	Change	2017	2018	Change
BHSU	87.56%	93.57%	6.01%	80.31%	85.48%	5.17%
DSU	101.53%	94.23%	-7.30%	91.15%	83.99%	-7.16%
NSU	73.37%	71.66%	-1.71%	65.33%	65.93%	0.60%
SDSMT	88.23%	92.21%	3.98%	80.26%	83.95%	3.69%
SDSU	95.27%	92.53%	-2.74%	87.73%	84.75%	-2.98%
USD	94.64%	96.72%	2.08%	87.05%	87.77%	0.72%
System	92.36%	91.76%	-0.60%	84.54%	83.65%	-0.89%

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**INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

	Fall 2016	Spring 2017	Change	Fall 2017	Spring 2018	Change
BHSU	87.56%	80.31%	-7.25%	93.57%	85.48%	-8.09%
DSU	101.53%	91.15%	-10.38%	94.23%	83.99%	-10.24%
NSU	73.37%	65.33%	-8.04%	71.66%	65.93%	-5.73%
SDSMT	88.23%	80.26%	-7.97%	92.21%	83.95%	-8.26%
SDSU	95.27%	87.73%	-7.54%	92.53%	84.75%	-7.78%
USD	94.64%	87.05%	-7.59%	96.72%	87.77%	-8.95%
System	92.36%	84.54%	-7.82%	91.76%	83.65%	-8.11%

In Table 2, the percentage drop from fall 2017 to spring 2018 of 8.11% for the system represents a total of 828 students who did not return to the residence halls the second semester. For the prior year, 775 students did not return for the spring semester. NSU had the best retention rate from fall to spring for the current year.

Table 1 shows a slight decline in the system occupancy rate in both the fall and spring terms. Looking at the detail behind the university percentages, five of the six campuses actually showed an increase in the number of students housed. NSU and DSU increased the number of available beds this year. These increases outpaced student growth which resulted in a lower rate for those campuses. SDSU was the only campus to see lower student numbers in their housing system when comparing the current terms to the prior year and those reductions were very small.

It should be mentioned that when campuses prepare financial information for new residence halls, 90% occupancy is used to develop the financial pro forma. As a rule of thumb, the system needs to remain above 90% to maintain financial stability. As campuses dip below that figure for an extended period of time, they begin to put pressure on other areas to maintain their 1.2 coverage ratio.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment I – Fall 2017 Residence Hall Occupancy Report

Attachment II – Spring 2018 Residence Hall Occupancy Report

## Campus Housing Utilization

### Fall 2017

Black Hills State University - Current Capacity 778							
Room Type	Singles	Doubles	Triples	Quads	Quints	Students	Utilization %
Traditional	36	197	10	0	0	429	93.26%
Suite-Style	0	96	0	0	0	184	95.83%
Apartments	42	42	0	0	0	115	91.27%
Leased Property*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Transition**						0	
<b>Totals</b>	78	335	10	0	0	728	93.57%
Dakota State University - Current Capacity 762							
Room Type	Singles	Doubles	Triples	Quads	Quints	Students	Utilization %
Traditional	54	308	0	0	0	632	94.33%
Suite-Style	0	0	0	5	0	20	100.00%
Apartments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Leased Property*	0	0	0	8	8	66	91.67%
Transition**						0	
<b>Totals</b>	54	308	0	13	8	718	94.23%
Northern State University - Current Capacity 907							
Room Type	Singles	Doubles	Triples	Quads	Quints	Students	Utilization %
Traditional	51	278	0	0	0	383	63.10%
Suite-Style	7	23	9	54	0	263	88.85%
Apartments	4	0	0	0	0	4	100.00%
Leased Property*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Transition**						0	
<b>Totals</b>	62	301	9	54	0	650	71.66%
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology - Current Capacity 1078							
Room Type	Singles	Doubles	Triples	Quads	Quints	Students	Utilization %
Traditional	30	215	3	0	0	414	88.27%
Suite-Style	5	3	0	38	0	146	89.57%
Apartments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Leased Property*	338	54	0	0	0	434	97.31%
Transition**						0	
<b>Totals</b>	373	272	3	38	0	994	92.21%
South Dakota State University - Current Capacity 4459							
Room Type	Singles	Doubles	Triples	Quads	Quints	Students	Utilization %
Traditional	481	1,536	0	0	0	3,313	93.25%
Suite-Style	0	231	0	0	0	411	88.96%
Apartments	51	18	11	81	0	402	90.54%
Leased Property*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Transition**						0	
<b>Totals</b>	532	1,785	11	81	0	4,126	92.53%
University of South Dakota - Current Capacity 2224							
Room Type	Singles	Doubles	Triples	Quads	Quints	Students	Utilization %
Traditional	154	687	16	0	0	1,503	95.37%
Suite-Style	0	53	0	77	0	406	98.07%
Apartments	0	21	0	48	0	232	99.15%
Leased Property*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Transition**						10	
<b>Totals</b>	154	761	16	125	0	2,151	96.72%

Current Capacity - Designed capacity adjusted for permanent changes, including changing rooms to alternate uses and offering doubles as singles.

\* Leased Property - This is property leased and managed by the campuses Residence Life staff.

\*\* Transition - Refers to students assigned to spaces not designed or planned as sleeping rooms

## Campus Housing Utilization Spring 2018

Black Hills State University - Current Capacity 778							
Room Type	Singles	Doubles	Triples	Quads	Quints	Students	Utilization %
Traditional	36	197	10	0	0	388	84.35%
Suite-Style	0	96	0	0	0	168	87.50%
Apartments	42	42	0	0	0	109	86.51%
Leased Property*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Transition**						0	
<b>Totals</b>	78	335	10	0	0	665	85.48%
Dakota State University - Current Capacity 762							
Room Type	Singles	Doubles	Triples	Quads	Quints	Students	Utilization %
Traditional	54	308	0	0	0	562	83.88%
Suite-Style	0	0	0	5	0	18	90.00%
Apartments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Leased Property*	0	0	0	8	8	60	83.33%
Transition**						0	
<b>Totals</b>	54	308	0	13	8	640	83.99%
Northern State University - Current Capacity 907							
Room Type	Singles	Doubles	Triples	Quads	Quints	Students	Utilization %
Traditional	51	278	0	0	0	328	54.04%
Suite-Style	7	23	9	54	0	266	89.86%
Apartments	4	0	0	0	0	4	100.00%
Leased Property*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Transition**						0	
<b>Totals</b>	62	301	9	54	0	598	65.93%
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology - Current Capacity 1078							
Room Type	Singles	Doubles	Triples	Quads	Quints	Students	Utilization %
Traditional	30	215	3	0	0	382	81.45%
Suite-Style	5	3	0	38	0	130	79.75%
Apartments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Leased Property*	338	54	0	0	0	393	88.12%
Transition**						0	
<b>Totals</b>	373	272	3	38	0	905	83.95%
South Dakota State University - Current Capacity 4459							
Room Type	Singles	Doubles	Triples	Quads	Quints	Students	Utilization %
Traditional	481	1,536	0	0	0	3,045	85.70%
Suite-Style	0	231	0	0	0	381	82.47%
Apartments	51	18	11	81	0	353	79.50%
Leased Property*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Transition**						0	
<b>Totals</b>	532	1,785	11	81	0	3,779	84.75%
University of South Dakota - Current Capacity 2224							
Room Type	Singles	Doubles	Triples	Quads	Quints	Students	Utilization %
Traditional	154	687	16	0	0	1,344	85.28%
Suite-Style	0	53	0	77	0	390	94.20%
Apartments	0	21	0	48	0	218	93.16%
Leased Property*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Transition**						0	
<b>Totals</b>	154	761	16	125	0	1,952	87.77%

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