Summer enrollment up at North Dakota universities

FARGO – Many of North Dakota’s campuses are packed with students this summer, even during the traditional break from the school year.

North Dakota State University reported Thursday that 4,871 students were taking summer classes this year. That’s up about 0.4 percent compared to the 4,852 students last summer.

The University of North Dakota reported last month that 6,020 students were on its Grand Forks campus this summer. That’s a record summer enrollment and a gain of more than 18 percent since 2010, when 5,098 students were on campus.

Mayville State University’s summer enrollment jumped nearly 20 percent to 453 students this year, the university’s largest summer headcount since 1931, according to a report released Thursday. The number of part-time students is 23 percent higher this year.

At Valley City State University, summer enrollment grew by just one student since last year to a 2012 total headcount of 552. But that’s still 39 percent higher than the school’s average summer headcount over the past decade, marketing and communications director Doug Anderson said.