



# CASS

## 2017 TRENDS IN CHILD WELL-BEING

(All Data Are For 2015 Unless Otherwise Noted)

Overall  
Rank for Child  
Well-Being

64

POPULATION	2008			2014			% change		
	2008	2014	% change	2008	2014	% change	2008	2014	% change
Total population	50,422	51,608	2.4%	Child population by race					
Child population 0–17	11,229	10,978	-2.2%	Hispanic 0–17					
• Ages 0–5	3,209	2,950	-8.1%	Non-Hispanic 0–17					
• Ages 6–12	4,353	4,440	2.0%	• White					
• Ages 13–17	3,786	3,588	-5.2%	• African-American/Black					
				• American Indian					
				• Other					

	BASE YEAR		CURRENT YEAR				
	NUMBER	RATE	NUMBER	RATE	RATE CHANGE	MI RATE	RANK <sup>1</sup>
<b>ECONOMIC SECURITY</b>	<u>2008</u>		<u>2015</u>				
Children in poverty, ages 0–17	2,070	19.0%	2,389	22.5%	18.4%	22.2%	36
Young children, ages 0–5, in the Food Assistance Program <sup>2</sup>	1,330	41.0%	1,004	34.0%	-17.0%	30.1%	65
Students receiving free/reduced price school lunches <sup>3</sup>	<u>2006–07 (SY)</u>		<u>2014–15 (SY)</u>				
	3,260	42.8%	3,759	55.4%	29.3%	46.1%	55
<b>HEALTH</b>	<u>2006–08 (avg.)</u>		<u>2012–14 (avg.)</u>				
Less than adequate prenatal care	223	44.6%	178	37.9%	-15.0%	31.2%	64
Low-birthweight babies	38	7.3%	31	6.7%	-8.6%	8.4%	33 of 81
Infant mortality (per 1,000)	3	6.3	4	8.5	34.1%	6.9	40 of 47
Child/Teen deaths, ages 1–19 (per 100,000)	5	38.4	4	30.3	-21.0%	25.8	33 of 51
<b>FAMILY AND COMMUNITY (per 1,000)</b>	<u>2006–08 (avg.)</u>		<u>2012–14 (avg.)</u>				
Births to teens, ages 15–19	72	42.7	49	29.8	-30.1%	23.7	55
<u>Child abuse/neglect</u>	<u>2009</u>		<u>2015</u>				
Children in investigated families	957	85.2	1,468	133.7	56.9%	111.4	36
Confirmed victims	145	12.9	246	22.4	73.5%	16.8	42
Children in out-of-home care	92	8.2	131	11.9	45.6%	4.8	76 of 81
<b>EDUCATION</b>	<u>2005–09 (avg.)</u>		<u>2011–15 (avg.)</u>				
Three- and four-year-olds in preschool	428	35.3%	330	31.0%	-12.1%	47.4%	82
	<u>2008</u>		<u>2015</u>				
Students not graduating on time	207	32.0%	94	17.2%	-46.2%	20.2%	40 of 79
<u>Not proficient (M-STEP)</u>	<u>2015–16 (SY)</u>		<u>2015–16 (SY)</u>				
Third-graders (English Language Arts)	235	50.9%	279	57.6%	13.2%	54.0%	61
Eighth-graders (Math)	398	74.4%	367	74.3%	-0.1%	67.3%	58

<sup>1</sup> A ranking of 1 means a county has the “best” rate compared with other counties in the state. Unless noted, the ranking is based on 82–83 counties.

<sup>2</sup> Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

<sup>3</sup> Family income is below 185 percent of poverty level.

\* Sometimes a rate could not be calculated because of low incidence of events or unavailable data.

SY - School Year.

M-STEP - Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress was first administered in 2015.

N/A - not available.



FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS	NUMBER	RATE	MI RATE	ECONOMIC CLIMATE	COUNTY	MICHIGAN
<b>Children receiving...</b>				Unemployment	4.8%	5.4%
• Subsidized child care, ages 0–12 <sup>1</sup>	132	1.8%	1.9%	Median household income	\$49,889	\$51,063
• FIP cash assistance <sup>1,3</sup>	154	1.3%	1.9%	<b>Average cost of full-time child care/month (2016)</b>	\$470	\$563
• Food Assistance Program <sup>1,4</sup>	2,824	24.3%	24.7%	• Percent of full-time minimum wage (2016)	32.0%	38.3%
• Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)	1,463	61.4%	51.1%	Percent of young children ages 0–5 in Michigan families (2011–15 avg.) where all parents work	62.8%	66.3%
<b>Children with support owed</b>	3,309	27.1%	20.8%			
• Receiving none (% of those owed)	602	18.2%	24.5%			
• Receiving less than 70% of amount	1,764	53.3%	58.7%			
• Average amount received (month)	\$197	–	\$217			

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY	NUMBER	RATE	MI RATE
Births to moms without high school diploma or GED (2012–14)	103	21.8%	13.1%
High poverty neighborhoods, ages 0–17 (2011–15)	0	0.0%	16.8%
<b>Household structure, ages 0–17</b>			
• Two-parent family	7,406	67.1%	66.1%
• One-parent family	3,626	32.9%	33.9%
<b>Poverty by household structure, ages 0–17 (2011–15)</b>			
• Two-parent family	627	8.5%	10.9%
• One-parent family	1,769	48.8%	46.9%
English not spoken at home, ages 5–17 (2011–15)	265	3.0%	10.2%

ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE	NUMBER	RATE	MI RATE
Children with health insurance (2014)	10,800	94.5%	96.0%
<b>Children, ages 0–18, insured by...</b>			
• Medicaid <sup>1</sup>	4,967	42.7%	39.4%
• MIChild	246	2.1%	1.6%
Fully immunized toddlers, ages 19–35 months (for the series 4:3:1:3:3:1:4) <sup>1</sup>	466	66.9%	74.2%
<b>Lead poisoning in children, ages 1–2</b>			
• Tested	369	38.4%	37.9%
• Poisoned (% of tested) (EBL confirmed by venous)	N/A	N/A	1.7%
Children, ages 1–14, hospitalized for asthma (rate per 10,000) <sup>2</sup> (2012–14)	6	*	15.2
<b>Children with special needs</b>			
• Students in Special Education <sup>1</sup>	920	13.5%	13.8%
• Children receiving Supplemental Security Income (rate per 1,000) <sup>1</sup>	165	15.0	21.1
• Children, ages 0–2, receiving Early On services (ISD totals)	40	3.0%	2.6%

<sup>1</sup> As of December 2015.

<sup>2</sup> Annual rate and number are based on the three-year period 2011–2013 and only for counties with a total number over 20.

<sup>3</sup> Family Independence Program.

<sup>4</sup> State name for the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly called "food stamps." Note: Percentages reflect percent of population unless otherwise noted.

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See Data Notes and Sources for details.