



HOUGHTON

2017 TRENDS IN CHILD WELL-BEING

(All Data Are For 2015 Unless Otherwise Noted)

Overall
Rank for Child
Well-Being

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POPULATION	2008			2014			% change		
	NUMBER	RATE	RATE CHANGE	NUMBER	RATE	RATE CHANGE	MI RATE	RANK ¹	
Total population	35,321			36,495					
Child population 0–17	7,066			7,500					
• Ages 0–5	2,390			2,335					
• Ages 6–12	2,661			3,006					
• Ages 13–17	2,185			2,159					
Child population by race									
Hispanic 0–17	103			130					
Non-Hispanic 0–17									
• White	6,726			7,065					
• African-American/Black	102			72					
• American Indian	68			66					
• Other	67			167					

	BASE YEAR		CURRENT YEAR				
	NUMBER	RATE	NUMBER	RATE	RATE CHANGE	MI RATE	RANK ¹
ECONOMIC SECURITY	<u>2008</u>		<u>2015</u>				
Children in poverty, ages 0–17	1,374	19.6%	1,332	18.4%	-6.1%	22.2%	20
Young children, ages 0–5, in the Food Assistance Program ²	584	25.5%	477	20.4%	-20.0%	30.1%	11
Students receiving free/reduced price school lunches ³	<u>2006–07 (SY)</u>		<u>2014–15 (SY)</u>				
	2,361	43.9%	2,452	44.3%	0.9%	46.1%	22
HEALTH	<u>2006–08 (avg.)</u>		<u>2012–14 (avg.)</u>				
Less than adequate prenatal care	156	38.3%	125	33.5%	-12.7%	31.2%	49
Low-birthweight babies	19	4.5%	16	4.3%	-5.3%	8.4%	1 of 81
Infant mortality (per 1,000)	3	7.3	2	6.2	-14.0%	6.9	23 of 47
Child/Teen deaths, ages 1–19 (per 100,000)	1	*	2	*	*	25.8	* of 51
FAMILY AND COMMUNITY (per 1,000)	<u>2006–08 (avg.)</u>		<u>2012–14 (avg.)</u>				
Births to teens, ages 15–19	28	20.6	12	9.0	-56.4%	23.7	3
Child abuse/neglect	<u>2009</u>		<u>2015</u>				
Children in investigated families	354	50.1	562	74.9	49.6%	111.4	7
Confirmed victims	75	10.6	59	7.9	-25.9%	16.8	3
Children in out-of-home care	9	1.3	9	1.2	-5.8%	4.8	1 of 81
EDUCATION	<u>2005–09 (avg.)</u>		<u>2011–15 (avg.)</u>				
Three- and four-year-olds in preschool	270	33.5%	265	32.6%	-2.7%	47.4%	79
Students not graduating on time	<u>2008</u>		<u>2015</u>				
	52	11.2%	63	14.9%	33.2%	20.2%	24 of 79
Not proficient (M-STEP)	<u>2015–16 (SY)</u>		<u>2015–16 (SY)</u>				
Third-graders (English Language Arts)	136	36.1%	179	44.5%	23.3%	54.0%	15
Eighth-graders (Math)	224	58.5%	237	64.8%	10.8%	67.3%	23

¹ 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.

² Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

³ 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
Children receiving...				Unemployment	6.0%	5.4%
• Subsidized child care, ages 0–12 ¹	56	1.0%	1.9%	Median household income	\$41,775	\$51,063
• FIP cash assistance ^{1,3}	57	0.7%	1.9%	Average cost of full-time child care/month (2016)	\$533	\$563
• Food Assistance Program ^{1,4}	1,352	16.1%	24.7%	• Percent of full-time minimum wage (2016)	36.2%	38.3%
• Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)	945	48.9%	51.1%	Percent of young children ages 0–5 in Michigan families (2011–15 avg.) where all parents work	61.4%	66.3%
Children with support owed	1,191	12.1%	20.8%			
• Receiving none (% of those owed)	263	22.1%	24.5%			
• Receiving less than 70% of amount	666	55.9%	58.7%			
• Average amount received (month)	\$179	–	\$217			

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY	NUMBER	RATE	MI RATE
Births to moms without high school diploma or GED (2012–14)	13	3.5%	13.1%
High poverty neighborhoods, ages 0–17 (2011–15)	968	13.1%	16.8%
Household structure, ages 0–17			
• Two-parent family	5,687	77.2%	66.1%
• One-parent family	1,682	22.8%	33.9%
Poverty by household structure, ages 0–17 (2011–15)			
• Two-parent family	656	11.5%	10.9%
• One-parent family	659	39.2%	46.9%
English not spoken at home, ages 5–17 (2011–15)	203	3.7%	10.2%

ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE	NUMBER	RATE	MI RATE
Children with health insurance (2014)	7,385	95.2%	96.0%
Children, ages 0–18, insured by...			
• Medicaid ¹	2,941	35.0%	39.4%
• MIChild	234	2.8%	1.6%
Fully immunized toddlers, ages 19–35 months (for the series 4:3:1:3:3:1:4) ¹	380	64.3%	74.2%
Lead poisoning in children, ages 1–2			
• Tested	471	62.9%	37.9%
• Poisoned (% of tested) (EBL confirmed by venous)	10	2.1%	1.7%
Children, ages 1–14, hospitalized for asthma (rate per 10,000) ² (2012–14)	4	*	15.2
Children with special needs			
• Students in Special Education ¹	592	10.7%	13.8%
• Children receiving Supplemental Security Income (rate per 1,000) ¹	62	8.3	21.1
• Children, ages 0–2, receiving Early On services (ISD totals)	36	2.5%	2.6%

¹ As of December 2015.

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

³ Family Independence Program.

⁴ 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.