



# GENESEE

## 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		NUMBER	RATE		NUMBER	RATE	
Total population	428,859			412,895					-3.7%
Child population 0–17	108,517			96,726					-10.9%
• Ages 0–5	34,652			29,802					-14.0%
• Ages 6–12	41,240			37,805					-8.3%
• Ages 13–17	33,672			29,119					-13.5%

  

Child population by race	2008			2014			% change		
	NUMBER	RATE		NUMBER	RATE		NUMBER	RATE	
Hispanic 0–17	3,715			4,764					28.2%
Non-Hispanic 0–17									
• White	74,799			63,830					-14.7%
• African-American/Black	28,217			26,317					-6.7%
• American Indian	681			637					-6.5%
• Other	1,105			1,178					6.6%

  

	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	24,858	23.3%	28,212	30.2%	29.6%	22.2%	70
Young children, ages 0–5, in the Food Assistance Program <sup>2</sup>	14,333	40.2%	12,940	43.4%	8.0%	30.1%	81
Students receiving free/reduced price school lunches <sup>3</sup>	<u>2006–07 (SY)</u>		<u>2014–15 (SY)</u>				
	32,988	40.4%	36,046	53.7%	32.8%	46.1%	48
<b>HEALTH</b>	<u>2006–08 (avg.)</u>		<u>2012–14 (avg.)</u>				
Less than adequate prenatal care	1,994	35.0%	1,730	34.8%	-0.8%	31.2%	51
Low-birthweight babies	619	10.4%	508	10.2%	-2.2%	8.4%	80 of 81
Infant mortality (per 1,000)	55	9.2	40	8.0	-13.5%	6.9	37 of 47
Child/Teen deaths, ages 1–19 (per 100,000)	34	28.8	36	34.4	19.5%	25.8	37 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	742	47.6	492	35.4	-25.5%	23.7	71
<u>Child abuse/neglect</u>	<u>2009</u>		<u>2015</u>				
Children in investigated families	13,598	125.3	15,759	162.9	30.0%	111.4	61
Confirmed victims	2,236	20.6	2,019	20.9	1.3%	16.8	38
Children in out-of-home care	1,002	9.2	411	4.2	-54.0%	4.8	25 of 81
<b>EDUCATION</b>	<u>2005–09 (avg.)</u>		<u>2011–15 (avg.)</u>				
Three- and four-year-olds in preschool	4,834	40.7%	4,505	41.6%	2.2%	47.4%	52
Students not graduating on time	<u>2008</u>		<u>2015</u>				
	2,173	31.4%	1,282	23.7%	-24.6%	20.2%	65 of 79
<u>Not proficient (M-STEP)</u>	<u>2015–16 (SY)</u>		<u>2015–16 (SY)</u>				
Third-graders (English Language Arts)	2,632	53.9%	2,973	60.0%	11.3%	54.0%	71
Eighth-graders (Math)	3,482	73.2%	3,513	75.1%	2.6%	67.3%	62

<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	5.8%	5.4%
• Subsidized child care, ages 0–12 <sup>1</sup>	2,554	3.8%	1.9%	Median household income	\$44,181	\$51,063
• FIP cash assistance <sup>1,3</sup>	4,014	3.9%	1.9%	<b>Average cost of full-time child care/month (2016)</b>	\$584	\$563
• Food Assistance Program <sup>1,4</sup>	35,569	34.8%	24.7%	• Percent of full-time minimum wage (2016)	39.7%	38.3%
• Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)	14,321	57.7%	51.1%	Percent of young children ages 0–5 in Michigan families (2011–15 avg.) where all parents work	67.6%	66.3%
<b>Children with support owed</b>	31,768	29.7%	20.8%			
• Receiving none (% of those owed)	9,362	29.5%	24.5%			
• Receiving less than 70% of amount	21,016	66.2%	58.7%			
• Average amount received (month)	\$170	–	\$217			

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY	NUMBER	RATE	MI RATE
Births to moms without high school diploma or GED (2012–14)	752	15.1%	13.1%
High poverty neighborhoods, ages 0–17 (2011–15)	28,804	29.7%	16.8%
<b>Household structure, ages 0–17</b>			
• Two-parent family	53,316	55.3%	66.1%
• One-parent family	43,140	44.7%	33.9%
<b>Poverty by household structure, ages 0–17 (2011–15)</b>			
• Two-parent family	6,851	12.8%	10.9%
• One-parent family	23,127	53.6%	46.9%
English not spoken at home, ages 5–17 (2011–15)	2,254	3.1%	10.2%

ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE	NUMBER	RATE	MI RATE
Children with health insurance (2014)	96,674	96.8%	96.0%
<b>Children, ages 0–18, insured by...</b>			
• Medicaid <sup>1</sup>	50,829	49.8%	39.4%
• MIChild	1,475	1.4%	1.6%
Fully immunized toddlers, ages 19–35 months (for the series 4:3:1:3:3:1:4) <sup>1</sup>	5,268	70.1%	74.2%
<b>Lead poisoning in children, ages 1–2</b>			
• Tested	4,196	42.5%	37.9%
• Poisoned (% of tested) (EBL confirmed by venous)	50	1.2%	1.7%
Children, ages 1–14, hospitalized for asthma (rate per 10,000) <sup>2</sup> (2012–14)	165	22.0	15.2
<b>Children with special needs</b>			
• Students in Special Education <sup>1</sup>	9,470	14.1%	13.8%
• Children receiving Supplemental Security Income (rate per 1,000) <sup>1</sup>	3,307	34.2	21.1
• Children, ages 0–2, receiving Early On services (ISD totals)	397	2.7%	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.