



# HOUGHTON

## 2018 TRENDS IN CHILD WELL-BEING

(All Data Are For 2016 Unless Otherwise Noted)

Overall  
Rank for Child  
Well-Being

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POPULATION	2010	2015	% change	Child population by race	2010	2015	% change
	Total population	35,321	36,380	3.0%	Hispanic 0–17	113	156
Child population 0–17	7,562	7,360	-2.7%	Non-Hispanic 0–17			
• Ages 0–5	2,559	2,279	-10.9%	• White	7,216	6,880	-4.7%
• Ages 6–12	2,969	2,964	-0.2%	• African-American/Black	71	75	5.6%
• Ages 13–17	2,034	2,117	4.1%	• American Indian	53	60	13.2%
				• Other	109	189	73.4%

	BASE YEAR		CURRENT YEAR				
	NUMBER	RATE	NUMBER	RATE	RATE CHANGE	MI RATE	RANK <sup>1</sup>
<b>ECONOMIC SECURITY</b>	<u>2010</u>		<u>2016</u>				
Children in poverty, ages 0–17	1,578	21.2%	1,307	18.1%	-14.6%	20.7%	20
Young children, ages 0–5, in the Food Assistance Program <sup>2</sup>	665	26.9%	458	20.1%	-25.4%	28.0%	17
Students receiving free/reduced-price school lunches <sup>3</sup>	<u>2009–10 (SY)</u>		<u>2016–17 (SY)</u>				
	2,645	48.3%	2,380	43.4%	-10.2%	45.8%	22
<b>HEALTH</b>	<u>2008–10 (avg.)</u>		<u>2013–15 (avg.)</u>				
Less than adequate prenatal care	156	37.8%	116	31.3%	-17.2%	32.4%	34
Low-birthweight babies	23	5.5%	15	4.1%	-24.8%	8.4%	1 of 81
Infant mortality (per 1,000)	3	6.5	1	*	*	6.9	* of 45
Child/Teen deaths, ages 1–19 (per 100,000)	2	*	2	24.9	*	25.3	22 of 51
<b>FAMILY AND COMMUNITY (per 1,000)</b>	<u>2008–10 (avg.)</u>		<u>2013–15 (avg.)</u>				
Births to teens, ages 15–19	23	16.7	12	8.6	-48.6%	21.4	3
<u>Child abuse/neglect</u>	<u>2010</u>		<u>2016</u>				
Children in investigated families	351	48.1	566	76.9	60.0%	112.5	8
Confirmed victims	115	15.7	74	10.1	-36.2%	17.9	5
Children in out-of-home care	27	3.7	11	1.5	-59.6%	4.8	1 of 80
<b>EDUCATION</b>	<u>2006–10 (avg.)</u>		<u>2012–16 (avg.)</u>				
3- and 4-year-olds not in preschool	656	70.8%	573	76.7%	8.3%	52.7%	83
Students not graduating on time	<u>2010</u>		<u>2016</u>				
	47	10.3%	60	15.0%	45.8%	20.4%	26 of 80
Students not college ready	<u>2016</u>		<u>2017</u>				
	224	55.0%	200	53.1%	-3.5%	65.1%	4
<u>Not proficient (M-STEP)</u>	<u>2014–15 (SY)</u>		<u>2016–17 (SY)</u>				
Third-graders (English Language Arts)	136	36.1%	157	41.0%	13.6%	55.9%	4
Eighth-graders (Math)	224	58.5%	246	59.4%	1.5%	66.5%	15

<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. | N/A - not available.

SY - School Year. | M-STEP - Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress was first administered in 2015.



FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS	NUMBER	RATE	MI RATE	ECONOMIC CLIMATE	COUNTY	MICHIGAN
<b>Children receiving...</b>				Unemployment	5.9%	4.9%
• Subsidized child care, ages 0–12 <sup>1</sup>	35	0.7%	2.0%	Median household income	\$38,603	\$52,436
• FIP cash assistance <sup>1,2</sup>	63	0.8%	1.7%	<b>Average cost of full-time child care/month (2017)</b>	\$584	\$575
• Food Assistance Program <sup>1,3</sup>	1,313	15.8%	23.3%	• Percent of full-time minimum wage (2017)	37.9%	37.3%
• Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)	900	47.9%	49.1%	Percent of young children ages 0–5 in Michigan families (2012–16 avg.) where all parents work	59.4%	66.4%
<b>Children with support owed</b>	1,175	12.0%	20.9%			
• Receiving none (% of those owed)	289	24.6%	23.7%			
• Receiving less than 70% of amount	682	58.0%	58.1%			
• Average amount received (month)	\$182	–	\$216			

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY	NUMBER	RATE	MI RATE
Births to moms without high school diploma or GED (2013–15)	15	4.0%	12.5%
High poverty neighborhoods, ages 0–17 (2012–16)	962	13.2%	16.9%
<b>Household structure, ages 0–17</b>			
• Two-parent family	5,743	78.8%	66.1%
• One-parent family	1,548	21.2%	33.9%
<b>Poverty by household structure, ages 0–17 (2012–16)</b>			
• Two-parent family	784	13.7%	10.6%
• One-parent family	627	40.5%	45.5%
English not spoken at home, ages 5–17 (2012–16)	177	3.2%	10.3%

ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE	NUMBER	RATE	MI RATE
Children with health insurance (2015)	7,309	95.7%	96.8%
<b>Children, ages 0–18, insured by...</b>			
• Medicaid <sup>1</sup>	3,211	38.7%	41.5%
• MIChild	312	3.8%	2.0%
Fully immunized toddlers, ages 19–35 months (for the series 4:3:1:3:3:1:4) <sup>1</sup>	403	72.7%	74.9%
<b>Lead poisoning in children, ages 1–2 (2015)</b>			
• 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) (2015)	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Children with special needs</b>			
• Students in Special Education <sup>1</sup>	611	11.1%	13.9%
• Children receiving Supplemental Security Income (rate per 1,000) <sup>1</sup>	49	6.7	19.4
• Children, ages 0–2, receiving Early On services (ISD totals)	35	2.5%	2.9%

<sup>1</sup> As of December 2016.

<sup>2</sup> Family Independence Program.

<sup>3</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.