

BERRIEN

A BETTER FUTURE IS POSSIBLE

POPULATION	2010	2020	% Change	POPULATION BY RACE (2020)			
Total population	156,813	153,025	-2.4%	Child population by race		Young adult population by race	
Child population	36,672	32,868	-10.4%	Hispanic 0-17	3,429	Hispanic 18-24	1,052
• Ages 0-5	11,542	10,280	-10.9%	Non-Hispanic 0-17		Non-Hispanic 18-24	
• Ages 6-12	14,284	12,916	-9.6%	• African American/Black	7,027	• African American/Black	2,656
• Ages 13-17	10,846	9,672	-10.8%	• American Indian	238	• American Indian	95
Young adult population				• Asian/Pacific Islander	750	• Asian/Pacific Islander	476
• Ages 18-24	13,344	12,243	-8.3%	• White	21,424	• White	7,964

KEY TRENDS OVER TIME (Most recent year is listed in parentheses)	BASE YEAR (2010)		MOST RECENT YEAR				Trend
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Rate Change	MI Rate	
Children in poverty, ages 0-17 (2020)	10,209	28.5%	7,096	22.1%	-22.5%	16.8%	●
Young adults in poverty, ages 18-24 (2020)	2,886	23.3%	2,564	22.0%	-5.6%	23.2%	●
Households in poverty & ALICE (2019)	24,895	41.6%	23,569	38.1%	-8.2%	38.1%	●

ECONOMIC SECURITY

ADDITIONAL DATA

(Data is for 2021 unless noted)

	Number	Rate	MI Rate
Children receiving...			
• Free and reduced-price lunch, K-12	14,084	57.9%	51.1%
• Subsidized child care, ages 0-12	473	2.0%	1.8%
• Cash assistance (FIP), ages 0-18	440	1.3%	1.0%
• Food assistance (FAP), ages 0-18	8,524	24.6%	21.9%
• Women, Infant and Children (WIC), ages 0-4 (2020)	4,564	52.6%	43.5%
• Supplemental Security Income, ages 0-18 [^]	645	18.6	15.3
• Any amount of child support received	8,254	81.0%	81.5%
Median household income (2020)	\$56,346	N/A	\$61,352
Average cost of full-time child care/month	\$564	N/A	\$646
• Percent of full-time minimum wage	N/A	33.7%	38.7%
Families receiving the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) (2020)	11,850	15.4%	13.7%
Families with high-cost housing (2020)	16,778	26.6%	26.2%

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3- and 4- year olds in preschool (2020)	1,897	48.1%	1,866	46.4%	-3.5%	46.7%	●
Students graduating on time (2021)	1,778	79.9%	1,599	65.5%	-18.0%	80.5%	●

EDUCATION

ADDITIONAL DATA

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	Number	Rate	MI Rate
Children receiving <i>Early On</i> services by ISD, ages 0-2	200	4.0%	3.4%
Students in Special Education	3,132	12.9%	14.5%
Students who are homeless by ISD, K-12 (2020)	756	3.1%	1.9%
3rd graders proficient in English Language Arts, M-STEP	565	45.1%	42.8%
8th graders proficient in Math, PSAT	550	40.4%	36.0%
Students who drop out	336	13.8%	7.7%
Teens not in school or working, ages 16-19 (2020)	442	6.3%	6.8%

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	● Little Change	^t Rate per 10,000	* Data suppressed
	● Worsening	[♦] Rate per 100,000	For all data definitions and sources, see the Data Definitions and Notes page.

HEALTH & SAFETY

KEY TRENDS OVER TIME	BASE YEAR (2010)		MOST RECENT YEAR (2020)				Trend
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Less than adequate prenatal care	744	37.0%	679	42.5%	14.8%	32.2%	●
Infant mortality [^]	16	7.8	13	8.1	3.9%	6.6	●
Child deaths, ages 1-14 [*]	5	17.3	5	19.4	12.1%	18.5	●
Teen deaths, ages 15-19 [*]	4	38.8	5	53.4	37.6%	48.1	●
Young adult deaths, ages 18-24 [*]	14	107.7	10	80.9	-24.9%	83.8	●

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Children with health insurance, ages 0-18 (2019)	32,186	95.1%	96.6%
Insured by Medicaid, ages 0-18 (2021)	18,999	54.8%	48.7%
Low-birthweight babies (2020)	134	8.4%	8.7%
Fully immunized toddlers, ages 19-35 months (2021)	1,589	67.2%	69.4%
Children tested for lead, ages 1-2 (2020)	849	25.4%	29.8%
Children hospitalized for asthma, ages 0-14 ^t (2019)	23	7.0	10.6
Children with food insecurity, ages 0-17 (2019)	5,600	16.5%	14.2%
Mental health providers (ratio of population to provider) (2020)	366	419:1	355:1

FAMILY & COMMUNITY

KEY TRENDS OVER TIME (Most recent year is listed in parentheses)	BASE YEAR (2010)		MOST RECENT YEAR				Trend
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Birth to teens, ages 15-19 [^] (2020)	253	47.4	114	25.0	-47.3%	14.8	●
Child abuse/neglect, ages 0-17 (2021)							
• Children in investigated families [^]	3,061	79.7	3,585	109.1	36.9%	86.2	●
• Confirmed victims [^]	794	20.7	463	14.1	-31.8%	12.1	●
• Children in out-of-home care [^]	297	7.7	172	5.2	-32.8%	4.3	●

ADDITIONAL DATA (2020)	Number	Rate	MI Rate
Children living in high-poverty areas, ages 0-17	6,462	19.7%	12.5%
Children by household structure, ages 0-17			
• Family with married parents	19,554	60.1%	66.5%
• Family with single parent	12,963	39.9%	33.5%
Children in poverty by household structure, ages 0-17			
• Family with married parents	1,780	9.1%	8.4%
• Family with single parent	6,577	50.7%	38.2%
English not spoken at home, ages 5-17	1,606	6.5%	10.4%
Children with internet at home, ages 0-17	28,395	84.9%	92.5%

Kids Count provides child advocates, agencies, public officials and legislators with the best available data, nonpartisan policy recommendations and tools to advance policies that benefit children. Our data-based profiles help decision-makers understand the educational, social, economic and physical well-being of children across the state.

An equitable, two-generation approach will help Michigan's kids keep moving forward.

A child's well-being should not be determined by their race, place or income, but data shows that this is the reality. That's why our racial equity lens considers how policy decisions help or hinder outcomes. We also consider access to opportunity for the adults in kids' lives when working to improve well-being.

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