

UPPER PENINSULA

A BETTER FUTURE IS POSSIBLE

POPULATION	2010	2020	% Change	POPULATION BY RACE (2020)			
Total population	311,361	296,181	-4.9%	Child population by race		Young adult population by race	
Child population	60,874	53,406	-12.3%	Hispanic 0-17	1,797	Hispanic 18-24	826
• Ages 0-5	18,835	16,460	-12.6%	Non-Hispanic 0-17		Non-Hispanic 18-24	
• Ages 6-12	23,536	20,951	-11.0%	• African American/Black	1,051	• African American/Black	1,339
• Ages 13-17	18,503	15,995	-13.6%	• American Indian	4,478	• American Indian	2,028
Young adult population				• Asian/Pacific Islander	530	• Asian/Pacific Islander	666
• Ages 18-24	33,176	31,720	-4.4%	• White	45,550	• White	26,861

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)	12,815	21.5%	8,560	16.4%	-23.8%	16.8%	●
Young adults in poverty, ages 18-24 (2020)	9,657	35.3%	8,590	31.8%	-10.0%	23.2%	●
Households in poverty & ALICE (2019)	52,547	40.6%	53,877	42.6%	4.9%	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	18,626	50.0%	51.1%
• Subsidized child care, ages 0-12	502	1.3%	1.8%
• Cash assistance (FIP), ages 0-18	311	0.5%	1.0%
• Food assistance (FAP), ages 0-18	9,855	17.2%	21.9%
• Women, Infant and Children (WIC), ages 0-4 (2020)	6,938	50.3%	43.5%
• Supplemental Security Income, ages 0-18 [^]	591	10.3	15.3
• Any amount of child support received	9,673	83.7%	81.5%
Median household income (2020)	\$51,146	N/A	\$61,352
Average cost of full-time child care/month	\$580	N/A	\$646
• Percent of full-time minimum wage	N/A	35.5%	38.7%
Families receiving the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) (2020)	18,090	12.9%	13.7%
Families with high-cost housing (2020)	28,143	22.2%	26.2%

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3- and 4- year olds in preschool (2020)	2,974	47.1%	2,735	48.7%	3.4%	46.7%	●
Students graduating on time (2021)	3,103	83.5%	2,357	84.3%	1.0%	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	859	4.9%	3.4%
Students in Special Education	6,359	17.1%	14.5%
Students who are homeless by ISD, K-12 (2020)	2,188	2.6%	1.9%
3rd graders proficient in English Language Arts, M-STEP	1,004	45.6%	42.8%
8th graders proficient in Math, PSAT	846	36.1%	36.0%
Students who drop out	133	4.8%	7.7%
Teens not in school or working, ages 16-19 (2020)	997	6.5%	6.8%

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	● 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
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Rate Change	MI Rate	
Less than adequate prenatal care	852	29.1%	916	35.9%	23.2%	32.2%	●
Infant mortality [^]	16	5.5	14	5.5	0.5%	6.6	●
Child deaths, ages 1-14*	8	17.7	5	12.0	-32.2%	18.5	●
Teen deaths, ages 15-19*	14	66.5	12	64.3	-3.3%	48.1	●
Young adult deaths, ages 18-24*	23	69.6	24	73.3	5.3%	83.8	●

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Children with health insurance, ages 0-18 (2019)	53,438	96.0%	96.6%
Insured by Medicaid, ages 0-18 (2021)	27,957	48.8%	48.7%
Low-birthweight babies (2020)	166	6.5%	8.7%
Fully immunized toddlers, ages 19-35 months (2021)	2,737	71.6%	69.4%
Children tested for lead, ages 1-2 (2020)	1,176	22.5%	29.8%
Children hospitalized for asthma, ages 0-14 ^t (2019)	*	*	10.6
Children with food insecurity, ages 0-17 (2019)	8,450	15.7%	14.2%
Mental health providers (ratio of population to provider) (2020)	759	394:1	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)	240	23.7	116	13.2	-44.3%	14.8	●
Child abuse/neglect, ages 0-17 (2021)							
• Children in investigated families [^]	4,729	80.4	5,777	108.2	34.6%	86.2	●
• Confirmed victims [^]	945	16.1	739	13.8	-14.1%	12.1	●
• Children in out-of-home care [^]	276	4.7	306	5.7	21.5%	4.3	●

ADDITIONAL DATA (2020)	Number	Rate	MI Rate
Children living in high-poverty areas, ages 0-17	4,136	4.9%	12.5%
Children by household structure, ages 0-17			
• Family with married parents	35,862	68.3%	66.5%
• Family with single parent	16,670	31.7%	33.5%
Children in poverty by household structure, ages 0-17			
• Family with married parents	2,867	8.0%	8.4%
• Family with single parent	6,222	37.3%	38.2%
English not spoken at home, ages 5-17	943	2.3%	10.4%
Children with internet at home, ages 0-17	50,527	93.4%	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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