



# SPOTLIGHT ON YOUR COUNTY

## MECOSTA COUNTY

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### POPULATION:

- Total population: **43,181**
- Under age 5: **2,054 (5%)**
- Age 65+: **7,485 (17%)**
- Median age: **36**

### RACE / ETHNICITY:

- White: **39,512 (92%)**
- African American: **1,083 (3%)**
- Hispanic or Latino: **924 (2%)**
- Asian: **304 (1%)**
- American Indian/Alaska Native: **182 (0%)**

### NO HEALTH INSURANCE:

- Total: **2,944 (7%)**
- Children: **397 (4%)**



### EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT AGES 25 AND OLDER

Less than ninth grade	<b>790</b>	<b>3%</b>
Ninth to twelfth grade, no diploma	<b>1,955</b>	<b>7%</b>
High school diploma or GED	<b>9,514</b>	<b>36%</b>
Some college, no degree	<b>5,874</b>	<b>22%</b>
Associate degree	<b>2,716</b>	<b>10%</b>
Bachelor's degree	<b>3,540</b>	<b>13%</b>
Graduate or professional degree	<b>2,245</b>	<b>8%</b>

### MEDIAN WAGE:

**\$33,890** for women

**\$40,233** for men

Female-to-male earnings ratio: **84%**  
(Women earn 84¢ for every dollar men earn.)

### MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME:

**\$43,470**

### POVERTY RATE: **23%**



Families with children

**25%**

Children under age 18

**29%**

Single-parent (female) family

**51%**

### LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH SPOKEN AT HOME:

**1,336** **3%**

Limited English proficiency (age 5+)

**342** **1%**

Source: American Community Survey Data Profiles (2017 5-Year Estimates)

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## HOUSING

Renter occupied

**26%**

Owner occupied

**74%**

Median rent

**\$647**

Median mortgage

**\$1,062**

Households in which  
rent is 35+ percent  
of income

**1,599**     **47%**

Households in which  
mortgage is 35+  
percent of income

**1,409**     **22%**

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## COMMUTING TO WORK



**78%**

Drove alone (car,  
truck or van)



**10%**

Carpooled



**1%**

Public  
transportation



**5%**

Walked



**2%**

Other means



**5%**

Worked at  
home

Travel time  
to work  
(minutes)

**24**



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