

# Michigan



**2007**

Total population  
10,049,790

Child population,  
ages 0–17  
2,446,856

Live births  
125,172

## Trends in Child Well-Being 2000–2007\*\*

	BASE YEAR		CURRENT YEAR				PERCENT CHANGE IN RATE	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Rank <sup>1</sup>	MI Rate	Worse	Better
<b>Economic Security</b>	<b>2005</b>		<b>2007</b>					
Children in poverty								
– ages 0–17	454,296	18.3%	463,738	—	—	19.3%	6	
– ages 5–17	308,636	16.9%	308,714	—	—	17.4%	3	
	<b>2006</b>		<b>2008</b>					
Students receiving free/reduced price school lunches <sup>2</sup>	612,935	36.1%	673,570	—	—	41.3%	14	
<b>Child Health</b>	<b>1998-2000</b>		<b>2005-2007</b>					
Less than adequate prenatal care	33,367	24.8%	28,511	—	—	22.5%		9
Low-birthweight babies	10,626	7.9%	10,645	—	—	8.4%	6	
Infant mortality (per 1,000)	1,091	8.1	983	—	—	7.8		4
Child deaths, ages 1–14 (per 100,000)	471	23.1	358	—	—	18.9		18
<b>Adolescence</b>								
Births to teens, ages 15–19 (per 1,000)	14,633	41.9	12,203	—	—	33.5		20
Teen deaths (per 100,000)	456	63.9	426	—	—	57.1		11
	<b>2007</b>		<b>2008</b>					
High school dropouts	21,185	15.1%	20,594	—	—	14.2%		6
<b>Abuse/Neglect</b> (per 1,000)	<b>FY2000</b>		<b>FY2008</b>					
Children in investigated families	171,106	65.9	182,290	—	—	74.5	13	
Confirmed victims	26,844	10.3	29,313	—	—	12.0	16	
Children in out-of-home care	17,253	6.6	14,453	—	—	5.9		11
<b>Education</b> (below proficient in MEAP math)	<b>2003</b>		<b>2008</b>					
Fourth grade	43,446	35.0%	13,823	—	—	12.1%		65
Eighth grade	61,223	48.1%	30,612	—	—	25.5%		47

<sup>1</sup> A ranking of 1 means a county has the “best” rate compared to other counties in the state. Unless noted, the ranking is based on 82–83 counties.

<sup>2</sup> Family income for eligible students is below 185 percent poverty level.

\* Sometimes a rate could not be calculated because of low incidence of events or unavailable data.

\*\* Due to changes in the data measures, comparisons between 2000 and the current year could not be made for some indicators.

N/A not available.

Missing bars indicate no change or a rate could not be calculated; a “0” reflects no change. Percentage change is calculated with unrounded rates.