

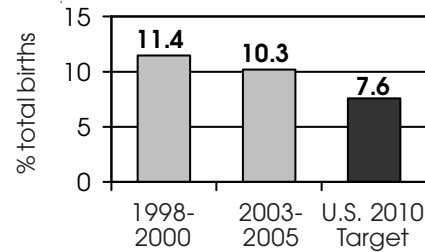
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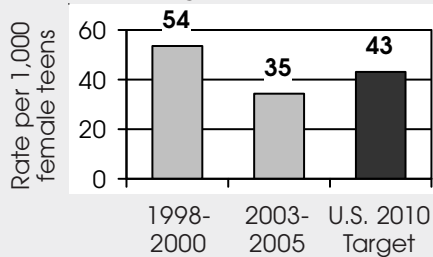
Average wage per job	\$34,744
Average cost of full-time child care (monthly-2007)	\$437
- percent of average wage	15.1%
Unemployment (2006)	7.0%

Healthy Children & Youth 2010

Preterm Births (less than 37 weeks gestation)



Teen Pregnancy Ages 15-17



In 2000, Michigan and many of its counties had better teen pregnancy rates than the national Healthy People 2010 target, but this is not the case for preterm births where the Michigan rate is significantly higher than the target.

Source: Vital Records and Health Data Development Section, Michigan Department of Community Health

Child Health

	1998-2000 Avg.		2003-2005 Avg.	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
Lead poisoning in children, ages 1-6				
-tested	1,499	11.6%	1,779	14.1%
-poisoned (% of tested)	168	11.2%	57	3.2%
Children, ages 0-4, hospitalized for asthma (rate per 10,000)	(3-Yr. Total)		(3-Yr. Total)	
	147	46.2	141	44.0
Children, ages 0-18 insured by...	2000		2006	
-Medicaid ²	12,790	28.7%	16,925	39.4%
-MIChild (monthly avg.)	258	0.6%	574	1.3%
Fully immunized toddlers, ages 19-35 months (for the series 4:3:1:3:3)	NA	NA	2,133	65.0%

Background

Total Live Births

1998-00 Avg.	2003-05 Avg.
2,229	2,088

Diversity of Children

	2000		2005	
Non-Hispanic				
- White	29,457	69.7%	28,077	68.8%
- African American	10,136	24.0%	9,627	23.6%
- American Indian/Alaskan Native	237	0.6%	201	0.5%
- Asian/Pacific Islander/Other	580	1.4%	635	1.6%
Hispanic (any race)	1,842	4.4%	2,273	5.6%
Total child population, ages 0-17 ¹	42,252	100.0%	40,813	100.0%

Economic Security

	Number	Rate	MI
Children receiving... ²			
- subsidized child care, ages 0-12	2,455	8.7%	6.4%
- FIP cash assistance ³	2,963	6.9%	6.4%
- food assistance (food stamps)	10,349	24.1%	20.2%
Children with support owed	11,470	25.5%	18.9%
- receiving none	2,764	24.1%	26.7%
- receiving less than 70% of amount	6,643	57.9%	58.2%

Children with Special Needs

	Number	Rate	MI
Students in Special Education (2006-07 school year)	4,276	16.2%	14.7%
Children receiving Supplemental Security Income (rate per 1,000) ²	1,013	24.8	15.2
Infants born with a birth defect ⁴ (2002-2004 avg.)	63	3.1%	6.2%

Note: Percentages reflect percent of population unless otherwise noted.

¹Due to rounding error not all total to 100%.

²These data represent a single month-December.

³ Family Independence Program

⁴ Variation in these rates may result from reporting bias.

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

N/A not available.

See Data Notes and Definitions for details.

