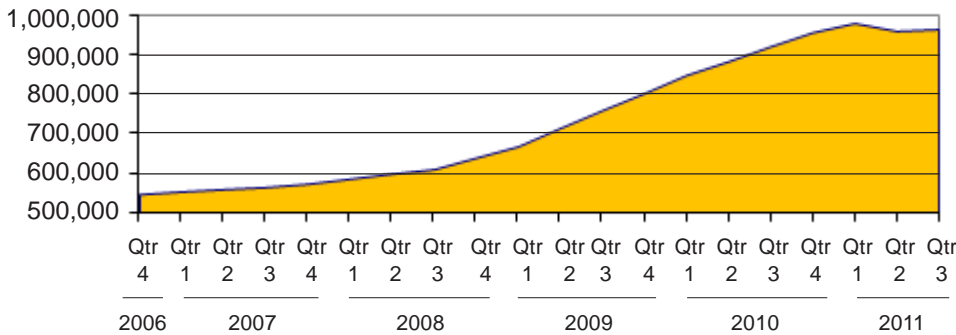


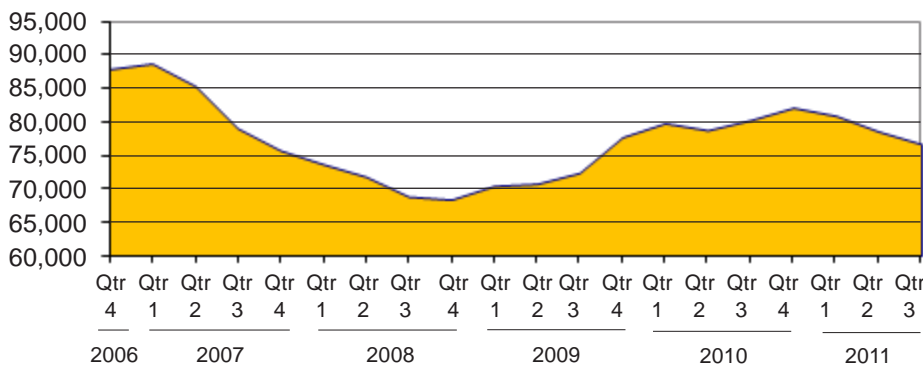


### Food Assistance Households During the Past Five Years



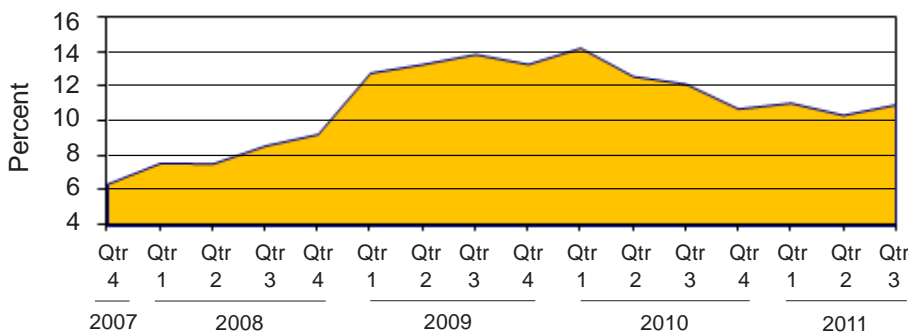
Source: Michigan Department of Human Services

### Family Independence Program Cases During the Past Five Years (Regular FIP only)



Source: Michigan Department of Human Services

### Michigan's Unemployment Rate Over the Past Four Years (not seasonally adjusted)



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

## Decrease in unemployment accompanied by increase in food assistance


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### Public Assistance

During the third quarter of 2011, the Food Assistance Program caseload continued its nearly decade-long increase after a small drop earlier this year (due to a tightening up of rules pertaining to recipients attending college). Seventy-four out of the 83 counties had increases, with six counties increasing their FAP households by more than 10 percent. Cash assistance cases, on the other hand, decreased statewide and in 61 counties.

### Unemployment

Michigan's unemployment rate dropped from 12.2 percent during third quarter a year ago to 11 percent for the same period in 2011. The rate also dropped in each county, and the largest decreases (3 points or more) occurred primarily in rural counties. However, the statewide decrease accompanies a drop in the labor force itself and does not herald a turnaround in the economy.

 Prepared by: Michigan League for Human Services	Unemployment (data not seasonally adjusted)						Food Assistance Program				
	Unemployment Rate			Number Unemployed			Average Number of Households Per Month			Percent of Population Receiving Assistance <sup>1</sup>	
	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	+/- points	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	% change	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	% change	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011
<b>Michigan<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>587,333</b>	<b>521,000</b>	<b>-11.3</b>	<b>922,956</b>	<b>966,975</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>18.7%</b>	<b>19.5%</b>
Alcona	15.9	13.0	-2.9	646	496	-23.2	861	922	7.0	15.9%	16.7%
Alger	11.0	9.9	-1.1	474	417	-12.0	593	641	8.1	13.2%	13.6%
Allegan	11.1	9.0	-2.1	5,976	4,737	-20.7	7,069	7,380	4.4	14.6%	15.0%
Alpena	12.2	10.2	-2.1	1,713	1,367	-20.2	3,302	3,475	5.2	21.5%	22.1%
Antrim	13.3	11.5	-1.8	1,510	1,220	-19.2	1,620	1,772	9.4	15.5%	16.4%
Arenac	14.0	12.3	-1.7	1,063	908	-14.5	1,698	1,772	4.3	21.9%	22.5%
Baraga	21.3	17.4	-3.9	895	686	-23.3	686	746	8.7	16.1%	16.9%
Barry	9.2	7.4	-1.9	2,640	2,094	-20.7	3,845	3,942	2.5	14.6%	14.4%
Bay	11.2	9.5	-1.7	5,985	5,110	-14.6	10,221	10,601	3.7	18.8%	19.2%
Benzie	12.6	10.8	-1.8	1,122	923	-17.8	1,178	1,331	13.0	15.1%	16.1%
Berrien	11.8	10.2	-1.6	9,320	7,744	-16.9	15,424	16,408	6.4	19.8%	21.2%
Branch	12.0	10.5	-1.6	2,492	2,071	-16.9	3,828	3,978	3.9	18.8%	19.0%
Calhoun	11.0	9.4	-1.6	7,433	6,057	-18.5	16,815	17,388	3.4	24.2%	24.6%
Cass	10.3	9.3	-0.9	2,519	2,270	-9.9	4,462	4,598	3.0	20.3%	19.2%
Charlevoix	12.3	10.5	-1.8	1,732	1,457	-15.9	1,653	1,774	7.3	14.6%	15.0%
Cheboygan	7.5	6.9	-0.6	920	816	-11.4	2,377	2,535	6.6	19.6%	20.4%
Chippewa	11.7	10.7	-1.1	2,036	1,827	-10.3	2,955	3,024	2.4	15.5%	16.2%
Clare	14.9	13.1	-1.8	1,859	1,576	-15.2	4,024	4,331	7.6	27.4%	28.2%
Clinton	8.5	7.1	-1.4	3,053	2,565	-16.0	3,538	3,305	-6.6	10.0%	9.2%
Crawford	11.9	11.5	-0.5	746	686	-8.0	1,367	1,485	8.7	20.1%	21.1%
Delta	11.0	9.5	-1.5	2,136	1,805	-15.5	3,290	3,427	4.1	17.4%	17.5%
Dickinson	10.3	8.6	-1.7	1,464	1,199	-18.1	1,809	1,977	9.3	13.6%	14.8%
Eaton	8.7	7.4	-1.3	4,892	4,154	-15.1	6,580	7,029	6.8	12.9%	13.5%
Emmet	11.7	10.5	-1.1	2,352	2,091	-11.1	2,292	2,462	7.4	14.0%	15.4%
Genesee	13.5	11.5	-2.0	25,701	21,019	-18.2	55,020	57,449	4.4	26.2%	26.6%
Gladwin	14.8	13.5	-1.3	1,505	1,322	-12.1	2,589	2,784	7.5	21.0%	21.9%
Gogebic	12.7	11.7	-1.0	939	842	-10.3	1,691	1,750	3.5	19.8%	19.5%
Gr. Traverse	10.6	9.1	-1.5	5,226	4,315	-17.4	6,413	6,756	5.4	14.6%	15.0%
Gratiot	12.2	10.6	-1.6	2,353	2,039	-13.3	3,348	3,499	4.5	18.0%	18.0%
Hillsdale	13.7	11.2	-2.5	2,776	2,198	-20.8	3,656	3,910	6.9	18.7%	18.8%
Houghton	10.5	9.3	-1.1	1,806	1,579	-12.6	2,968	2,784	-6.2	15.5%	14.5%
Huron	12.2	9.9	-2.3	1,950	1,531	-21.5	2,390	2,471	3.4	15.5%	15.4%
Ingham	10.6	9.2	-1.4	15,575	13,416	-13.9	31,650	29,810	-5.8	20.4%	19.7%
Ionia	12.1	10.3	-1.8	3,470	2,951	-15.0	4,697	5,077	8.1	16.6%	17.1%
Iosco	14.5	12.9	-1.7	1,505	1,274	-15.3	3,044	3,171	4.2	23.4%	23.7%
Iron	10.5	9.2	-1.3	587	504	-14.1	964	1,019	5.7	16.7%	17.1%
Isabella	8.8	7.6	-1.2	3,363	2,853	-15.2	9,680	6,213	-35.8	22.0%	15.7%
Jackson	12.4	10.3	-2.1	9,118	7,395	-18.9	14,480	15,544	7.4	19.2%	20.0%
Kalamazoo	10.6	8.6	-2.0	13,744	11,169	-18.7	26,710	25,305	-5.3	19.2%	18.8%
Kalkaska	12.4	11.0	-1.3	1,060	912	-13.9	1,728	1,841	6.5	23.4%	23.4%
Kent	10.1	8.4	-1.7	31,390	26,056	-17.0	52,967	55,915	5.6	17.7%	18.6%
Keweenaw	10.8	9.6	-1.2	114	100	-12.2	137	156	14.1	12.6%	15.3%
Lake	14.5	12.4	-2.1	607	504	-16.9	1,647	1,727	4.9	29.3%	28.5%
Lapeer	13.4	12.7	-0.7	5,586	5,212	-6.7	5,510	5,730	4.0	14.3%	14.6%
Leelanau	8.9	7.3	-1.6	994	788	-20.7	800	827	3.4	8.1%	8.1%
Lenawee	13.7	11.3	-2.4	6,352	4,978	-21.6	7,576	8,151	7.6	16.8%	17.3%
Livingston	10.7	10.1	-0.6	9,752	9,123	-6.5	6,671	7,127	6.8	7.9%	8.2%
Luce	13.0	11.4	-1.6	351	302	-14.0	537	551	2.6	16.6%	16.7%
Mackinac	5.2	4.5	-0.7	376	324	-13.9	701	826	17.7	13.4%	14.8%
Macomb	13.4	12.9	-0.5	55,102	52,245	-5.2	59,023	64,524	9.3	15.1%	15.9%

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Family Independence Program (Cash Assistance)				Child Day Care				Medicaid						
Average Number of Families Receiving Cash Assistance Per Month <sup>3</sup>			Percent of Population Receiving Assistance <sup>1</sup>		Average Number of Children Receiving Care Per Month		Average Payment Per Child		Average Number of Persons Eligible for Medicaid ONLY (Excludes FIP & SSI Recipients)			Percent of Population Eligible for Medicaid (Includes FIP & SSI Recipients) <sup>1</sup>		
Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	% change	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	% change	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	
<b>83,858</b>	<b>80,782</b>	<b>-3.7</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>60,934</b>	<b>54,726</b>	<b>\$331</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>1,439,667</b>	<b>1,459,607</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>19.3%</b>	<b>19.5%</b>	
26	35	36.4	0.6%	0.8%	26	18	\$288	\$259	1,524	1,459	-4.3	16.9%	16.6%	
27	21	-23.5	0.7%	0.5%	21	24	\$202	\$225	1,311	1,294	-1.3	16.3%	16.0%	
424	347	-18.2	0.9%	0.8%	485	441	\$336	\$313	17,237	17,017	-1.3	17.8%	17.5%	
229	195	-14.9	2.0%	1.6%	199	175	\$247	\$221	4,799	4,812	0.3	21.9%	21.7%	
45	50	11.0	0.4%	0.5%	102	76	\$264	\$256	3,968	3,842	-3.2	19.1%	18.7%	
84	78	-7.9	1.2%	1.2%	86	96	\$285	\$227	2,960	2,955	-0.2	23.3%	23.3%	
56	53	-4.8	1.6%	1.5%	27	32	\$299	\$283	1,338	1,352	1.0	18.7%	18.9%	
200	148	-26.0	0.9%	0.6%	179	183	\$304	\$270	7,967	7,954	-0.2	15.6%	15.3%	
650	574	-11.6	1.5%	1.3%	913	831	\$285	\$256	16,315	16,204	-0.7	19.3%	19.2%	
42	37	-12.0	0.6%	0.5%	46	36	\$325	\$321	2,669	2,717	1.8	17.5%	17.8%	
1,452	1,323	-8.9	2.4%	2.2%	1,258	1,179	\$327	\$305	26,049	26,514	1.8	22.2%	22.3%	
338	309	-8.6	2.1%	1.9%	265	213	\$328	\$296	7,900	7,965	0.8	21.4%	21.5%	
1,603	1,368	-14.6	3.1%	2.6%	1,065	1,068	\$316	\$286	23,928	24,355	1.8	24.0%	23.9%	
338	268	-20.6	1.8%	1.3%	325	289	\$349	\$312	8,724	8,861	1.6	20.3%	20.2%	
38	32	-15.8	0.3%	0.3%	71	78	\$326	\$271	3,931	3,937	0.2	17.0%	17.1%	
99	88	-11.4	0.9%	0.8%	125	97	\$334	\$295	4,911	4,912	0.0	22.2%	22.1%	
194	193	-0.5	1.2%	1.3%	167	122	\$318	\$290	5,271	5,282	0.2	17.2%	17.2%	
274	270	-1.5	2.4%	2.2%	122	132	\$295	\$272	6,049	6,365	5.2	26.1%	27.0%	
120	103	-14.4	0.4%	0.3%	202	185	\$334	\$274	6,344	6,546	3.2	9.6%	9.9%	
60	68	12.7	1.1%	1.2%	64	45	\$290	\$230	2,643	2,588	-2.1	22.3%	21.9%	
163	115	-29.4	1.1%	0.7%	171	180	\$260	\$217	5,873	5,937	1.1	19.6%	19.6%	
51	45	-11.7	0.4%	0.4%	140	125	\$253	\$223	4,118	4,091	-0.6	18.1%	18.2%	
278	268	-3.4	0.6%	0.6%	557	496	\$331	\$297	12,500	12,722	1.8	13.5%	13.7%	
50	38	-23.3	0.3%	0.2%	126	157	\$314	\$306	5,116	5,058	-1.1	17.6%	17.4%	
7,677	8,042	4.8	5.1%	5.3%	5,682	5,088	\$325	\$291	69,671	68,137	-2.2	24.8%	24.8%	
174	157	-9.8	1.7%	1.4%	108	114	\$289	\$233	4,537	4,528	-0.2	22.5%	22.3%	
200	172	-13.9	3.6%	2.9%	51	34	\$254	\$297	2,425	2,478	2.2	20.8%	20.6%	
169	169	-0.2	0.5%	0.5%	385	338	\$311	\$271	12,565	12,593	0.2	16.5%	16.7%	
170	113	-33.7	1.1%	0.7%	243	177	\$281	\$261	6,969	7,173	2.9	19.6%	19.9%	
309	342	10.7	1.9%	2.1%	195	197	\$274	\$256	7,543	7,718	2.3	20.4%	21.0%	
88	87	-1.1	0.6%	0.6%	94	74	\$249	\$239	5,298	5,230	-1.3	16.9%	16.7%	
112	110	-2.1	0.9%	0.8%	158	159	\$281	\$225	5,262	5,161	-1.9	19.0%	18.6%	
1,652	1,616	-2.2	1.7%	1.6%	1,636	1,545	\$343	\$312	38,727	38,979	0.7	17.8%	18.0%	
277	215	-22.3	1.1%	0.8%	272	252	\$298	\$268	9,422	9,727	3.2	17.6%	18.0%	
164	164	0.4	1.5%	1.4%	111	143	\$278	\$275	4,806	4,783	-0.5	22.9%	22.8%	
63	74	16.3	1.4%	1.7%	34	24	\$182	\$260	2,075	2,042	-1.6	21.6%	21.6%	
196	170	-13.3	0.7%	0.6%	305	278	\$302	\$255	8,789	8,617	-2.0	15.0%	14.8%	
1,340	1,294	-3.4	2.2%	2.2%	870	936	\$325	\$280	23,729	24,939	5.1	19.5%	20.3%	
2,316	2,305	-0.5	2.5%	2.6%	1,759	1,761	\$334	\$304	32,135	32,601	1.5	17.6%	17.9%	
61	51	-16.9	0.9%	0.8%	78	74	\$321	\$254	3,705	3,625	-2.2	24.8%	24.1%	
5,130	4,340	-15.4	2.2%	1.9%	4,443	3,954	\$330	\$297	91,183	94,619	3.8	19.7%	19.9%	
3	4	33.3	0.1%	0.2%	1	1	\$399	\$342	284	278	-1.9	15.2%	15.2%	
107	78	-26.6	2.4%	1.7%	68	58	\$297	\$240	2,288	2,428	6.1	27.0%	27.7%	
338	273	-19.3	1.0%	0.8%	364	344	\$305	\$281	12,401	12,614	1.7	16.3%	16.3%	
21	17	-17.5	0.3%	0.2%	40	37	\$356	\$279	1,953	1,908	-2.3	9.9%	9.6%	
472	468	-1.0	1.2%	1.2%	512	501	\$311	\$280	14,559	14,774	1.5	17.7%	17.9%	
288	240	-16.7	0.4%	0.3%	292	257	\$351	\$339	14,441	14,505	0.4	8.9%	8.9%	
45	50	9.6	2.2%	2.2%	28	13	\$329	\$343	1,042	999	-4.1	21.3%	20.5%	
40	42	6.7	1.0%	1.0%	20	18	\$353	\$317	1,439	1,494	3.8	15.7%	16.3%	
4,241	4,264	0.5	1.4%	1.4%	3,307	3,119	\$347	\$302	104,951	107,254	2.2	15.5%	16.0%	

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	Unemployment Rate			Number Unemployed			Average Number of Households Per Month			Percent of Population Receiving Assistance <sup>1</sup>	
	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	+/- points	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	% change	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	% change	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011
Manistee	11.5	10.5	-0.9	1,338	1,186	-11.3	2,200	2,252	2.4	18.3%	18.2%
Marquette	9.4	8.3	-1.1	3,335	2,933	-12.1	5,642	5,224	-7.4	15.0%	14.2%
Mason	10.8	9.5	-1.3	1,644	1,427	-13.2	2,661	2,868	7.8	19.9%	20.7%
Mecosta	11.9	10.9	-1.0	2,347	2,129	-9.3	5,376	4,301	-20.0	23.4%	20.0%
Menominee	9.6	8.2	-1.5	1,229	998	-18.8	1,846	1,851	0.3	15.7%	15.0%
Midland	9.2	8.1	-1.1	3,881	3,349	-13.7	5,670	5,870	3.5	13.9%	14.3%
Missaukee	13.6	12.3	-1.3	833	720	-13.5	1,184	1,259	6.3	18.4%	19.1%
Monroe	12.3	10.2	-2.1	8,764	7,059	-19.5	9,472	10,364	9.4	13.4%	14.3%
Montcalm	14.7	12.5	-2.2	3,838	3,200	-16.6	5,908	6,153	4.1	21.0%	21.3%
Montmorency	17.2	15.6	-1.5	668	586	-12.3	1,077	1,131	5.0	21.0%	22.2%
Muskegon	12.9	10.6	-2.3	11,040	8,801	-20.3	23,432	24,178	3.2	26.5%	27.2%
Newaygo	12.0	9.8	-2.2	2,611	2,106	-19.3	4,829	5,254	8.8	22.4%	24.1%
Oakland	12.0	11.2	-0.8	73,362	67,070	-8.6	64,566	72,071	11.6	10.7%	11.6%
Oceana	12.7	11.0	-1.7	1,871	1,585	-15.3	2,730	2,912	6.7	23.6%	25.3%
Ogemaw	11.6	10.6	-1.0	1,131	1,012	-10.5	2,672	2,921	9.3	25.7%	26.6%
Ontonagon	16.7	14.5	-2.2	519	434	-16.3	579	622	7.3	16.1%	16.6%
Osceola	13.5	11.9	-1.6	1,269	1,080	-14.9	2,257	2,347	4.0	22.3%	21.9%
Oscoda	17.6	16.0	-1.6	670	594	-11.4	1,063	1,076	1.2	23.6%	23.1%
Otsego	13.4	11.6	-1.8	1,586	1,308	-17.5	2,387	2,524	5.7	21.3%	21.2%
Ottawa	10.6	8.4	-2.2	13,837	10,881	-21.4	13,530	12,378	-8.5	11.0%	10.4%
Presque Isle	14.3	13.4	-0.9	867	797	-8.1	930	1,086	16.9	13.3%	15.5%
Roscommon	13.7	12.9	-0.9	1,382	1,260	-8.9	3,076	3,151	2.4	24.5%	24.6%
Saginaw	11.5	9.8	-1.7	10,606	9,009	-15.1	23,797	24,655	3.6	23.7%	24.2%
Saint Clair	13.8	13.5	-0.3	10,956	10,606	-3.2	14,703	15,343	4.4	18.2%	19.0%
Saint Joseph	11.9	11.0	-0.9	3,476	3,142	-9.6	5,619	6,091	8.4	20.6%	21.9%
Sanilac	14.0	11.5	-2.4	2,805	2,230	-20.5	4,051	3,999	-1.3	21.1%	20.1%
Schoolcraft	11.9	11.8	-0.1	471	464	-1.5	677	751	10.9	16.8%	17.6%
Shiawassee	12.6	10.8	-1.8	4,271	3,545	-17.0	6,025	6,213	3.1	18.6%	18.8%
Tuscola	13.5	11.5	-2.1	3,629	2,949	-18.7	4,425	4,667	5.5	18.5%	18.7%
Van Buren	11.0	9.9	-1.1	4,212	3,814	-9.4	7,605	8,009	5.3	21.5%	22.9%
Washtenaw	8.4	7.2	-1.2	15,329	12,907	-15.8	22,559	22,605	0.2	11.5%	11.7%
Wayne	14.7	14.4	-0.3	125,443	120,781	-3.7	258,297	277,294	7.4	27.1%	29.8%
Wexford	14.7	12.8	-1.9	2,030	1,693	-16.6	3,761	3,932	4.5	25.4%	25.0%

FACT

Thousands of unemployed workers are expected to lose their Unemployment Insurance benefits in January as a result of the Legislature's decision to cut state-funded benefits from 26 weeks to 20. Even more will lose their benefits if Congress does not renew the federal extensions.

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Family Independence Program (Cash Assistance)				Child Day Care				Medicaid					
Average Number of Families Receiving Cash Assistance Per Month <sup>3</sup>			Percent of Population Receiving Assistance <sup>1</sup>		Average Number of Children Receiving Care Per Month		Average Payment Per Child		Average Number of Persons Eligible for Medicaid ONLY (Excludes FIP & SSI Recipients)			Percent of Population Eligible for Medicaid (Includes FIP & SSI Recipients) <sup>1</sup>	
Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	% change	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011	% change	Qtr 3 2010	Qtr 3 2011
157	99	-36.6	1.7%	1.0%	72	52	\$232	\$230	3,714	3,887	4.7	19.3%	19.3%
213	222	4.2	0.8%	0.8%	231	236	\$247	\$232	8,357	8,281	-0.9	14.9%	14.9%
174	160	-8.1	1.4%	1.4%	289	284	\$322	\$307	5,207	5,186	-0.4	22.1%	22.1%
169	179	5.9	1.0%	1.0%	154	140	\$290	\$262	7,041	7,099	0.8	20.0%	20.2%
76	57	-24.7	0.9%	0.5%	96	67	\$261	\$223	3,668	3,616	-1.4	17.9%	17.4%
267	209	-21.8	0.8%	0.6%	325	274	\$300	\$268	10,473	10,607	1.3	15.1%	15.1%
58	62	7.5	1.0%	1.1%	84	72	\$271	\$262	2,703	2,784	3.0	20.9%	21.6%
850	723	-15.0	1.4%	1.2%	594	481	\$318	\$300	17,284	18,508	7.1	14.4%	15.0%
190	124	-34.7	0.7%	0.4%	196	188	\$299	\$269	11,602	11,671	0.6	21.6%	21.5%
46	34	-25.9	1.2%	0.9%	36	35	\$297	\$224	1,832	1,808	-1.3	23.4%	22.7%
3,425	3,282	-4.2	5.4%	5.2%	1,979	2,068	\$302	\$276	29,777	29,698	-0.3	26.1%	25.9%
325	327	0.6	1.7%	1.6%	259	217	\$347	\$303	9,668	9,987	3.3	24.4%	24.9%
4,645	4,675	0.7	1.0%	1.0%	3,246	3,002	\$367	\$333	110,013	113,642	3.3	11.7%	12.1%
298	263	-11.8	3.1%	2.8%	227	175	\$326	\$291	6,253	6,365	1.8	29.2%	29.5%
180	178	-1.1	2.2%	2.1%	155	128	\$268	\$261	4,374	4,380	0.1	25.9%	26.0%
26	26	-1.3	1.3%	1.1%	7	3	\$232	\$251	1,006	944	-6.1	18.3%	17.3%
108	102	-5.6	1.2%	1.1%	141	91	\$277	\$259	4,367	4,497	3.0	22.9%	23.5%
39	48	25.0	1.1%	1.4%	30	29	\$247	\$235	1,711	1,674	-2.2	24.0%	23.9%
131	103	-21.3	1.4%	1.1%	237	201	\$309	\$282	4,776	4,840	1.3	22.9%	23.1%
515	479	-6.9	0.5%	0.4%	860	820	\$331	\$303	28,809	29,165	1.2	12.3%	12.5%
35	32	-6.7	0.5%	0.6%	23	23	\$277	\$300	1,770	1,812	2.4	16.2%	16.7%
173	144	-17.0	1.6%	1.4%	138	102	\$256	\$231	4,609	4,636	0.6	23.8%	23.7%
2,500	2,539	1.5	3.4%	3.4%	2,628	2,302	\$307	\$275	32,638	32,522	-0.4	23.6%	23.7%
1,075	937	-12.8	1.7%	1.5%	736	758	\$293	\$270	25,975	26,304	1.3	19.5%	19.6%
388	304	-21.7	1.6%	1.3%	368	378	\$356	\$321	12,823	13,398	4.5	24.5%	25.1%
220	240	9.3	1.4%	1.5%	209	202	\$306	\$288	8,220	7,836	-4.7	22.4%	21.7%
32	42	31.3	1.0%	1.2%	29	28	\$231	\$207	1,338	1,386	3.6	19.6%	20.4%
469	487	3.8	1.7%	1.8%	332	311	\$291	\$282	11,004	10,997	-0.1	19.4%	19.6%
314	328	4.5	1.5%	1.5%	268	265	\$300	\$262	9,780	9,807	0.3	21.1%	21.3%
505	458	-9.4	1.6%	1.4%	366	339	\$332	\$310	16,491	16,557	0.4	25.9%	25.9%
1,207	1,147	-5.0	0.9%	0.8%	1,362	1,255	\$352	\$331	30,722	31,657	3.0	11.2%	11.5%
32,294	31,672	-1.9	4.7%	4.9%	17,191	14,183	\$349	\$322	338,684	342,001	1.0	27.7%	27.8%
237	186	-21.3	1.9%	1.4%	231	201	\$323	\$271	6,679	6,853	2.6	25.3%	25.6%

## FACT

Michigan's Unemployment Insurance system compares poorly with those of other Midwestern states. To learn more, read the following report: [Falling Short: Michigan's Unemployment Insurance Compares Poorly with Other Midwestern States](#)

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<sup>3</sup> Includes both regular and extended FIP.

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Employment Trends by Selected Industries in Michigan  
(data not seasonally adjusted, rounded to the nearest hundred)

Industry	Avg 2010 Qtr 3	Avg 2011 Qtr 3	% Change	Industry	Avg 2010 Qtr 3	Avg 2011 Qtr 3	% Change
<b>TOTAL NONFARM</b>	<b>3,927,600</b>	<b>3,865,900</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	24,900	24,400	-2.0
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b>	<b>3,341,800</b>	<b>3,269,400</b>	<b>-2.2</b>	<b>•Retail Trade</b>	<b>445,400</b>	<b>448,600</b>	<b>0.7</b>
<b>GOODS PRODUCING</b>	<b>652,400</b>	<b>621,500</b>	<b>-4.7</b>	Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	52,800	51,800	-1.9
<b>SERVICE-PROVIDING</b>	<b>3,275,200</b>	<b>3,244,400</b>	<b>-0.9</b>	Building Material and Garden Equip. and Supplies Dealers	39,000	41,000	5.1
<b>Natural Resources and Mining</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>7,400</b>	<b>-7.5</b>	Food and Beverage Stores	77,500	76,900	-0.8
<b>Construction</b>	<b>144,000</b>	<b>133,400</b>	<b>-7.4</b>	Health and Personal Care	29,400	30,500	3.7
Construction of Buildings	26,500	28,000	5.7	Gasoline Stations	24,000	24,400	1.7
Heavy and Civil Engineering	18,900	17,000	-10.1	Clothing and Clothing Accessories	35,600	36,100	1.4
Specialty Trade Contractors	98,600	88,400	-10.3	Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book, and Music Stores	19,200	20,000	4.2
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>500,400</b>	<b>480,700</b>	<b>-3.9</b>	General Merchandise Stores	106,400	108,500	2.0
<b>•Durable Goods</b>	<b>372,700</b>	<b>353,300</b>	<b>-5.2</b>	Miscellaneous Store Retail	23,700	22,600	-4.6
Nonmetallic Mineral Products	10,900	11,300	3.7	<b>•Transportation &amp; Warehousing &amp; Utilities</b>	<b>117,200</b>	<b>113,900</b>	<b>-2.8</b>
Primary Metal Manufacturing	19,700	18,800	-4.6	Air Transportation	13,100	13,200	0.8
Fabricated Metal Product	72,700	65,600	-9.8	Rail Transportation	4,200	4,200	0.0
Metalworking Machinery Manuf.	32,600	29,200	-10.4	Truck Transportation	37,500	35,100	-6.4
Computer and Electronic Products	18,600	17,300	-7.0	Warehousing and Storage	11,600	11,900	2.6
Motor Vehicle Manufacturing	36,400	34,200	-6.0	<b>Information</b>	<b>53,800</b>	<b>56,200</b>	<b>4.5</b>
Motor Vehicle Parts Manufacturing	88,000	84,600	-3.9	Publishing Industries	15,500	16,400	5.8
Furniture and Related Products	19,600	19,300	-1.5	Telecommunications	19,400	20,700	6.7
<b>•Non-Durable Goods</b>	<b>127,700</b>	<b>127,400</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>Financial Activities</b>	<b>188,700</b>	<b>187,600</b>	<b>-0.6</b>
Food Manufacturing	35,200	35,700	1.4	Finance and Insurance	138,800	138,200	-0.4
Printing and Related Support Activities	13,500	14,200	5.2	Real Estate	36,000	35,600	-1.1
Chemical Manufacturing	24,900	25,600	2.8	<b>Professional &amp; Business Services</b>	<b>539,300</b>	<b>516,800</b>	<b>-4.2</b>
Plastics and Rubber Products	29,600	30,300	2.4	Legal Services	27,900	27,200	-2.5
<b>Trade Transportation &amp; Utilities</b>	<b>717,100</b>	<b>714,500</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	Accounting, Tax Preparation, Bookkeeping & Payroll Services	21,500	24,000	11.6
<b>•Wholesale Trade</b>	<b>154,500</b>	<b>152,000</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	Architectural Engineering	60,500	57,200	-5.5
Merchant Wholesalers Durable Goods	84,700	82,100	-3.1				
Merchant Wholesalers Nondurable Goods	44,900	45,500	1.3				

Note: Industry details and subtotals may not sum to totals due to rounding.

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Computer Systems Design	39,000	38,000	-2.6	<b>Government</b>	<b>585,900</b>	<b>596,500</b>	<b>1.8</b>
Management, Scientific and Technical Consulting Services	23,700	20,800	-12.2	•Federal Government	<b>52,400</b>	<b>56,600</b>	<b>8.0</b>
Scientific Research and Development Services	19,200	19,000	-1.0	U.S. Postal Service	21,600	22,700	5.1
Advertising and Related	12,300	12,800	4.1	•State Government	<b>172,900</b>	<b>169,200</b>	<b>-2.1</b>
Management of Companies	53,300	51,100	-4.1	State Government Educational Services	101,000	98,000	-3.0
Administrative & Support Services	254,300	245,300	-3.5	State Government Hospital Services	17,200	17,200	0.0
Employment Services	142,300	127,600	-10.3	•Local Government	<b>360,600</b>	<b>370,600</b>	<b>2.8</b>
<b>Educational and Health Services</b>	<b>627,800</b>	<b>609,700</b>	<b>-2.9</b>	Local Government Educational Services	183,900	189,100	2.8
•Educational Services	<b>78,000</b>	<b>76,300</b>	<b>-2.2</b>	Local Government Hospitals	13,300	13,100	-1.5
(see also Government)				Local Government Elementary and Secondary Schools	162,700	166,400	2.3
•Health Care & Social Assistance	<b>549,700</b>	<b>533,500</b>	<b>-2.9</b>	Local Government Junior Colleges	21,200	22,000	3.8
Ambulatory Health Care Services	190,900	184,700	-3.2				
Offices of Physicians	71,500	70,300	-1.7				
Outpatient Care Centers	17,400	16,700	-4.0				
Home Health Care Service	36,100	34,500	-4.4				
Hospitals	195,500	190,600	-2.5				
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	101,900	98,400	-3.4				
Social Assistance	61,500	59,700	-2.9				
Individual and Family Services	26,900	27,300	1.5				
<b>Leisure and Hospitality</b>	<b>391,800</b>	<b>395,700</b>	<b>1.0</b>				
Performing Arts Spectator Activities	8,600	9,100	5.8				
Amusement, Gambling & Recreation	45,600	43,700	-4.2				
Accommodations	42,100	42,600	1.2				
Food Services and Drinking	293,000	296,100	1.1				
<b>Other Services</b>	<b>170,900</b>	<b>167,500</b>	<b>-2.0</b>				
Repair and Maintenance	36,200	34,800	-3.9				
Personal and Laundry Services	37,600	36,500	-2.9				
Religious Grantmaking Civic Professional	97,100	96,200	-0.9				

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**Percentage Change in Michigan Counties With Largest Changes  
 Third Quarter 2010 — Third Quarter 2011**

Percentage Point Change in Unemployment Rate		Percent Change in Food Assistance Households		Percent Change in FIP Cash Assistance Families	
Baraga	-3.9	Mackinac	17.7	Alcona	36.4
Alcona	-2.9	Presque Isle	16.9	Schoolcraft	31.3
Hillsdale	-2.5	Keweenaw	14.1	Oscoda	25.0
Sanilac	-2.4	Benzie	13.0	Iron	16.3
<b>Lenawee</b>	<b>-2.4</b>	<b>Oakland</b>	<b>11.6</b>	Crawford	12.7
<b>Muskegon</b>	<b>-2.3</b>	Schoolcraft	10.9	Antrim	11.0
Huron	-2.3	<b>Monroe</b>	<b>9.4</b>	Hillsdale	10.7
Newaygo	-2.2	Antrim	9.4	Luce	9.6
Ontonagon	-2.2	<b>Macomb</b>	<b>9.3</b>	Sanilac	9.3
Montcalm	-2.2	Ogemaw	9.3	Missaukee	7.5

Note: Counties in bold have population of 100,000 or more.

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