



The Right Start in Michigan and Its Counties 2011

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Maternal and Infant Well-Being 2000 vs. 2009¹

Indicators (Percent of live births)	2000 (1998-00 Avg)		2009 (2007-09 Avg)		Rank* (of %)	Percent Change
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
Births to women under age 20	922	14.3%	767	13.4%	67	-6%
Births to teens already mothers (% of teen births)	214	23.8	164	21.9	63	-8
Births to mothers who...						
• are unmarried	2,927	45.5	3,029	53.0	80	16
• no high school diploma/GED**	na	na	1,010	18.2	54	na
• received late/no prenatal care**	na	na	207	3.7	39	na
• smoked during pregnancy**	na	na	1,276	23.0	23	na
Low-birthweight babies	575	8.9	594	10.4	80	16
Preterm births (less than 37 weeks gestation)	628	9.8	724	12.7	81	30

¹The year referenced as 2000 and 2009 represent rates derived from three-year averages 1998-00 and 2007-09 respectively

* A ranking of 1 means a county has the “best” rate among other Michigan counties. At least 81 counties were ranked on all indicators except for teens already mothers (69) and late/no prenatal care (72).

**2008-09 average – data are not consistent with 2000 after 2007.

Note: A decline represented by a negative percentage change is good news as all these measures indicate risk.

