



## TRENDS IN CHILD WELL-BEING 2000–2008/09\*\*

	BASE YEAR		CURRENT YEAR		RANK <sup>1</sup>	MI RATE	PERCENT CHANGE IN RATE	
	NUMBER	RATE	NUMBER	RATE			WORSE	BETTER
<b>Economic Security**</b>	<b>2005</b>		<b>2009</b>					
Children in poverty								
• ages 0–17	55,523	19.1%	66,266	24.4%	—	22.2	28	
• ages 5–17	36,871	16.9%	43,212	21.6%	—	20.2%	28	
	<b>2006</b>		<b>2010</b>					
Students receiving free/reduced price school lunches <sup>2</sup>	88,193	41.3%	102,494	52.6%	—	46.5%	28	
<b>Child Health</b>	<b>1998–2000</b>		<b>2007–2009</b>					
Less than adequate prenatal care (2008–09) <sup>++</sup>	—	—	4,620	33.6%	—	29.5%		
Low-birthweight babies	991	6.6%	976	7.0%	—	8.5%	6	
Infant mortality (per 1,000)	106	7.0	84	6.0	—	7.6		14
Child deaths, ages 1–14 (per 100,000)	69	27.8	40	18.9	—	17.4		32
<b>Adolescence</b>								
Births to teens, ages 15–19 (per 1,000)	1,948	43.7	1,502	35.8	—	33.3		18
Teen deaths (per 100,000)	80	84.2	49	55.3	—	55.6		34
	<b>2007</b>		<b>2010</b>					
High school dropouts**	1,941	10.8%	1,353	7.8%	—	11.1%		27
<b>Abuse/Neglect (per 1,000)</b>	<b>FY2000</b>		<b>FY2010</b>					
Children in investigated families	23,511	73.7	26,638	98.0	—	70.1	33	
Confirmed victims	3,202	10.0	5,408	19.9	—	13.8	98	
Children in out-of-home care	1,344	4.2	1,384	5.0	—	5.1	19	
<b>Education (not proficient in math)</b>	<b>2003</b>		<b>2010</b>					
Fourth grade (MEAP)	5,091	34.1%	992	7.4%	—	8.5%		78
Eighth grade (MEAP)	7,730	46.1%	2,872	20.1%	—	22.0%		56
	<b>2008</b>		<b>2010</b>					
High school students (MME)	8,353	53.9%	7,251	50.3%	—	49.6%		7

<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.

+ + Due to Michigan’s revised birth certificate, 2008–09 data cannot be compared with those of previous years.

MME – Michigan Merit Exam instead of the MEAP.

Beginning in 2007 Michigan high school students have taken the ACT college entrance exam.

Missing bars indicate no change or a rate could not be calculated; a “0” reflects no change.

Percentage change is calculated with unrounded rates.

2009

Live Births  
13,504  
Median Household Income  
\$39,779

2010

Total Population  
1,268,822  
Unemployment Rate  
13.1%