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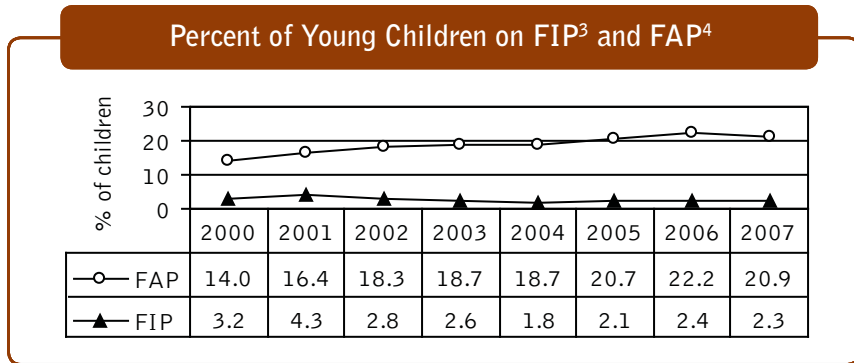
Focus on Young Children

	2000		2006		2000-06
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	% Change
Live births	390	—	420	—	7.7%
No listed paternity	26	6.7%	13	3.1%	-53.6%
Infants born with a birth defect ¹	12	3.1%	6	1.5%	-51.2%

Health of Young Children

	2007		MI
Lead poisoning in children, ages 1-2			
– tested (Medicaid-enrolled children)	238	53.1%	49.6%
• poisoned (% of tested)	1	*	1.7%
Fully immunized toddlers, ages 19-35 months (for the series 4:3:1:3:3:1)	416	66.7%	72.4%

Trends in Economic Support



Source: Michigan Department of Human Services

Child Care & Early Education

	2000	2007
Average monthly cost of full-time care	\$413	\$525
Percent of full-time minimum wage	47.8%	42.2%
Children ages 0-5 in subsidized care ⁺	267	135
Percent of children, ages 0-5	11.6%	5.9%

⁺Data in the base year are for 2001 rather than 2000.

Background

Population	2000	2006
Total population	36,016	35,362
Child population		
– ages 0-17	7,753	7,072
– ages 0-4	1,952	1,918
– ages 5-9	2,078	1,881
– ages 10-14	2,337	1,936
– ages 15-19	3,685	3,467

- Average wage per job (2006) \$28,008
- Unemployment rate (2007) 7.1%

Economic Support²

Children receiving...	Number	Rate	MI
– subsidized child care, ages 0-12	127	2.6%	5.9%
– FIP cash assistance ³	136	1.7%	5.5%
– Food Assistance Program ⁴	1,287	16.3%	20.6%
Children who are owed child support	1,170	12.7%	19.9%
– receiving none in FY2007	131	11.2%	25.5%
– receiving less than 70% of support	497	42.5%	57.8%

Children with Special Needs

Students in Special Education (2007-08 school year)	570	10.6%	14.7%
Children receiving Supplemental Security Income (rate per 1,000)	58	8.2	15.7

Access to Health Care

Children, ages 1-14, hospitalized for asthma (rate per 10,000) ⁵	7	*	24.1
Children, ages 0-18 insured by...			
– Medicaid	2,851	36.1%	33.3%
– MICHild	137	1.7%	1.2%

¹ Three-year averages 1998-00 and 2003-05.

Variation among counties may result from reporting bias.

² All following data are for 2007 unless otherwise noted.

³ Family Independence Program (cash assistance).

⁴ The federal “food stamp” program.

⁵ Rate is reported for the three-year period 2004-2006 only for counties with a county number over 20.

Note: Percentages reflect percent of population unless otherwise noted.

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

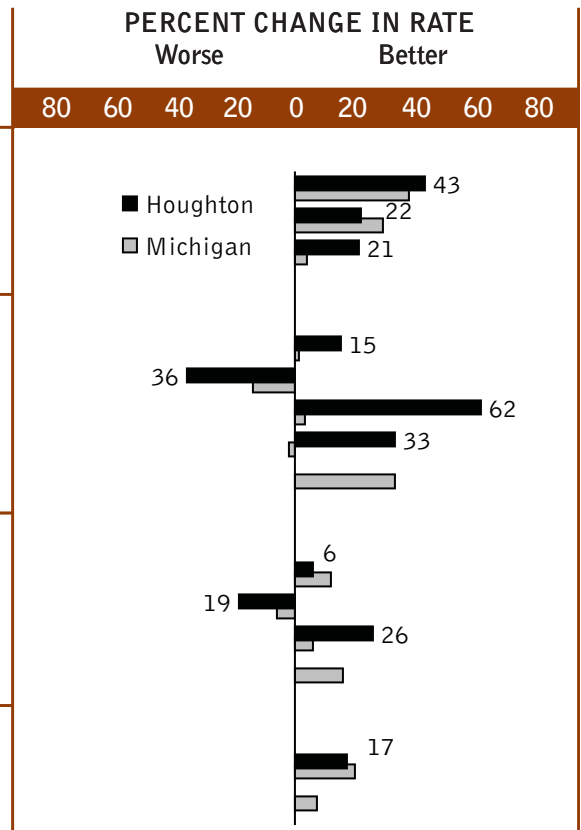
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See Data Notes and Definitions for details.

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Trends in Child Well-Being 2000—2006

	BASE YEAR		CURRENT YEAR			
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Rank ¹	MI Rate
Education (% not meeting Reading standards)	<u>2003</u>		<u>2007</u>			
Fourth grade	68	18.5%	41	10.5%	24 of 82	15.5%
Seventh grade	121	26.5%	77	20.8%	22 of 82	27.5%
Class of 2003 vs. 2007	96	22.9%	78	18.1%	2 of 82	32.0%
Child Safety (per 1,000)	<u>FY2000</u>		<u>FY2007</u>			
Children in investigated families	485	61.6	370	52.3	15 of 83	65.2
Confirmed victims of abuse or neglect	80	10.2	98	13.9	41 of 82	11.9
Children in out-of-home care	29	3.7	10	1.4	2 of 80	7.7
– for abuse or neglect	15	1.9	9	1.3	3 of 77	6.8
– for delinquency (rate for ages 10-16)	14	4.3	1	*	* of 35	2.1
Child Health	<u>2000²</u>		<u>2006²</u>			
Less than adequate prenatal care	89	22.7%	85	21.3%	43 of 83	21.9%
Low-birthweight babies	14	3.6%	17	4.3%	3 of 82	8.4%
Infant mortality (per 1,000)	3	6.8	2	5.0	10 of 52	7.6
Child deaths, ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	1	*	1	*	* of 40	19.5
Adolescence						
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	36	24.4	28	20.2	9 of 82	33.4
Teen deaths (per 100,000)	1	*	3	87.3	31 of 44	59.1
Economic Security	<u>2000</u>		<u>2005</u>			
Children in poverty						
– ages 0-17	1,230	16.2%	1,294	18.5%	37 of 83	18.3%
– ages 5-17	787	14.2%	833	16.5%	39 of 83	16.9%
	<u>2000-01</u>		<u>2007-08</u>			
Students receiving free or reduced price school lunches ³	2,198	38.4%	2,361	43.9%	47 of 82	37.4%



Due to changes in the Economic Security data measures, comparisons between 2000 and the current year should not be made.

1 A ranking of 1 means a county has the "best" rate compared to other counties in the state. Not all 83 counties can be ranked on all indicators.
 2 For Child Health and Adolescence 2000 is actually 3-year annual average 1998-2000 and 2006 is 2004-06.
 3 Family income for eligible students is below 185 percent poverty level.
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Missing bars indicate no change or a rate could not be calculated; a "0" reflects no change.
 Percentage change is calculated with unrounded rates.