

# A SNAPSHOT OF MONTCALM COUNTY





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## Fast Facts

<b>Population</b> .....	63,234 people
<b>Median age</b> .....	39.4 years
<b>Percent of people in poverty</b> .....	19%
<b>Median household income</b> .....	\$40,451
<b>Median home value</b> .....	\$95,000
<b>Top three economic sectors:</b>	
Educational services, health care and social assistance .....	18.6%
Manufacturing .....	14.8%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accomodation and food services .....	12.6%
<b>Acres in:</b>	
Farmland .....	237,252 acres



## GENERAL POPULATION

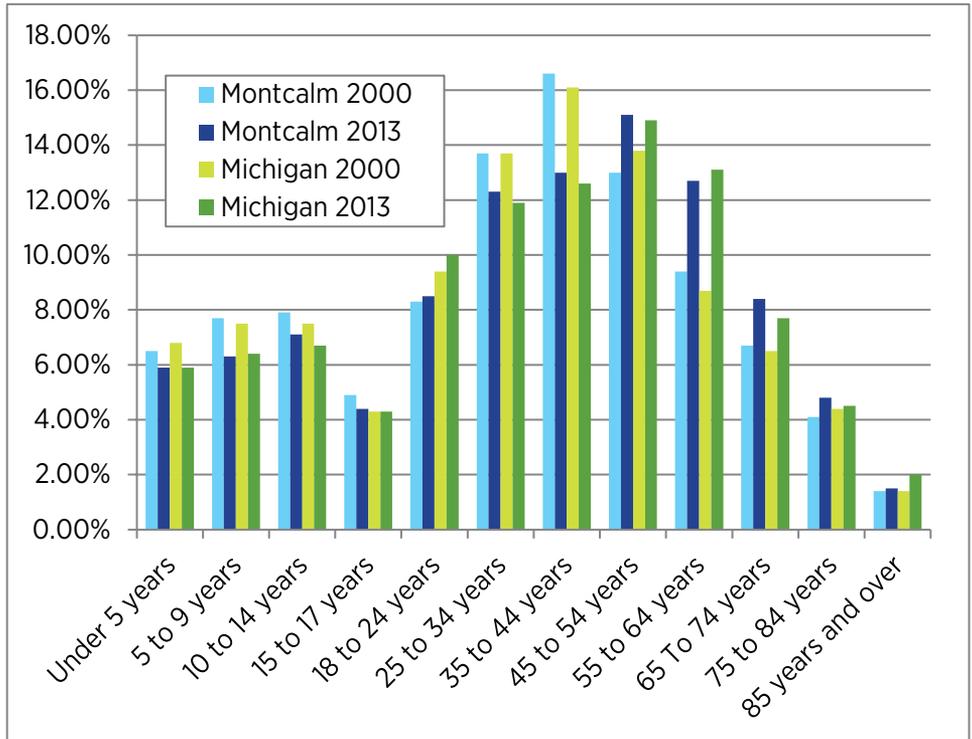
Year	Montcalm County Population	Michigan Population
2000	61,266	9,938,444
2013	63,234	9,883,640

» The population in Montcalm has increased from 2000 to 2013, while overall Michigan saw a decrease in total population.

## Population Density (per sq. mile)

Year	Montcalm Population Density (per sq. mile) / Area (Land)	Michigan Population Density (per sq. mile) / Area (Land)
2000	86.5 / 708.04	175.0 / 56,803.82
2013	89.6 / 705.4	174.9 / 56,538.90

## Age Distribution



## General Population, Continued

### Gender

Year	Montcalm County		Michigan	
	% Male	% Female	% Male	% Female
2000	51.3%	48.7%	49.0%	51.0%
2013	51.8%	48.2%	49.1%	50.9%

### Race & Ethnicity

	Montcalm County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
White alone	93.6%	92.3%	78.6%	76.3%
Black or African American alone	2.1%	2.3%	14.1%	13.9%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	0.5%	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Asian alone	0.3%	0.4%	1.8%	2.5%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0%	0%	0.0%	0.0%
Some other race alone	0%	0%	0.1%	0.1%
Two or more races	1.2%	1.5%	1.6%	2.1%
<b>Hispanic or Latino</b>	2.3%	3.1%	3.3%	4.5%



## ECONOMY

### Median Household Income

Median Household Income	Montcalm County	Michigan
In 1999 dollars	\$37,218	\$44,667
In 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars	\$40,451	\$48,411

### Per Capita Income

Per Capita Income	Montcalm County	Michigan
In 1999 dollars	\$16,183	\$22,168
In 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars	\$18,969	\$25,681

» Per capita income is the average per-person income and is derived by dividing all the sources of income in an area by the total population.

### Poverty

» **Montcalm Poverty Rate:** 19% (6)  
**Michigan Poverty Rate:** 14.8% (6)

Poverty Status	Montcalm County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
<b>Children under age 18:</b>				
Living in poverty	14.8%	27.1%	13.9%	23.6%
Not living in poverty	85.3%	72.9%	86.1%	76.4%
<b>Age 18 to 64:</b>				
Living in poverty	9.7%	17.8%	9.6%	16.2%
Not living in poverty	90.4%	82.3%	90.4%	83.8%
<b>Age 65 and over:</b>				
Living in poverty	8.7%	8.3%	8.2%	8.2%
Not living in poverty	91.3%	91.7%	91.8%	91.8%

## Economy, Continued

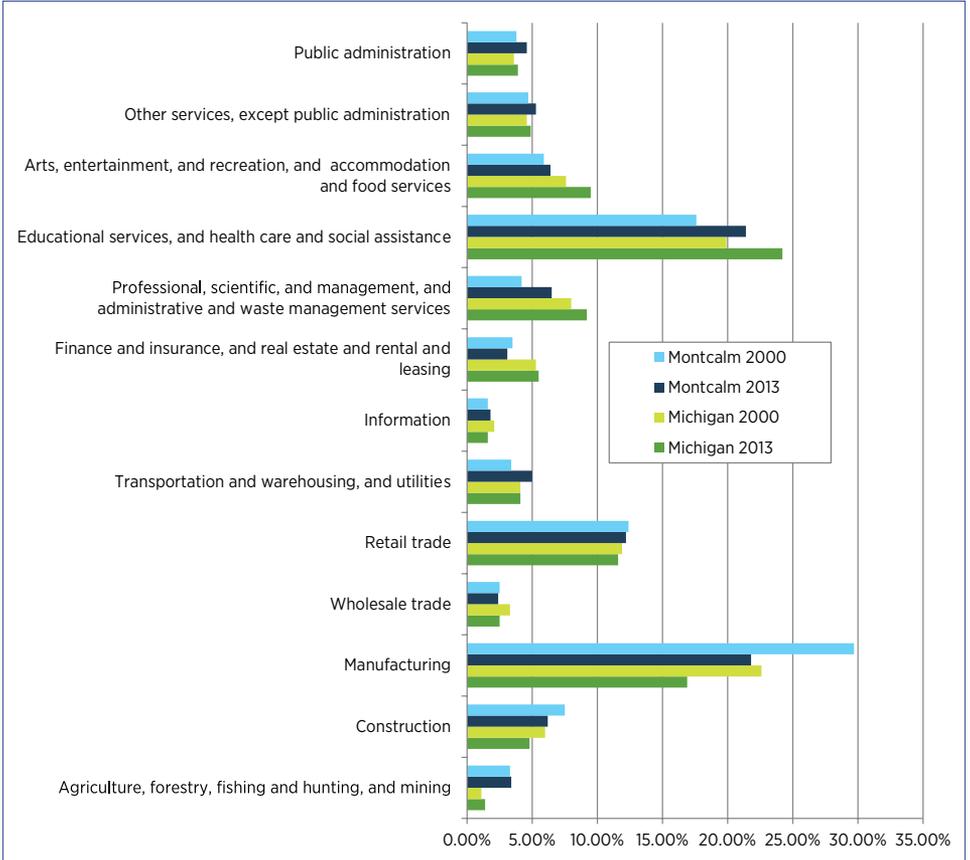
### Labor Force

Employment Status for Total Population 16 Years and Over (2000)	Montcalm County		Michigan	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 16 years and over:	46,659		7,630,645	
In labor force	28,114	60.3%	4,926,463	64.6%
In armed forces	12	0%	4,010	0.1%
Civilian:	28,102	60.2%	4,922,453	64.5%
• Employed	26,560	56.9%	4,637,461	60.8%
• Unemployed	1,542	3.3%	284,992	3.7%
Not in labor force	18,545	39.8%	2,704,182	35.4%

Employment Status For Total Population 16 Years And Over (2013)	Montcalm County		Michigan	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 16 years and over:	50143		7,865,350	
In labor force	27,985	55.8%	4,864,014	61.8%
In armed forces	18	0%	4,597	0.1%
Civilian:	27,967	55.8%	4,859,417	61.8%
• Employed	23,975	47.8%	4,242,948	53.9%
• Unemployed	3,992	8%	616,469	7.8%
Not in labor force	22,158	44.2%	3,001,336	38.2%

## Economy, Continued

### Industry



» From 2000 to 2013, manufacturing decreased and the educational, health and social services sector increased in Montcalm County. The same trend occurred for Michigan during that time.

## Economy, Continued

### Means of Transportation to Work (Age 16 Years and Over)

Means of Transportation to Work	Montcalm County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Car, truck, or van	92.3%	92.5%	92.9%	91.6%
Public transportation	0.1%	0.2%	1.4%	1.4%
Motorcycle	0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%
Bicycle	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.5%
Walked	2.6%	2.1%	2.2%	2.2%
Other means	0.7%	1.2%	0.5%	0.6%
Worked at home	4.1%	3.7%	2.8%	3.6%



## AGRICULTURE

Highlights	Montcalm County	Michigan
Acres in ag production (2)	237,252 acres	9,948,564 acres
Acres of state forest (5)	0 acres	3,907,504 acres
Number of farms (2)	1,127 farms	52,194 farms
Average size of farm (2)	211 acres	191 acres
Average age of principal operator of farm (2)	57.9 years	57.6 years
Farm gate sales (2)	\$213,940,000	\$8,678,050,000

Montcalm top three areas of agriculture production (by volume of sales) (1):

- » Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes
- » Milk and other dairy products from cows
- » Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas

## FAMILIES & HOUSEHOLDS



### Housing Units

	Montcalm County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Housing Units	25,900	28,131	4,234,279	4,529,311

### Average Household Size

	Montcalm County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Average Household Size	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.5

### Household Type

Household Type	Montcalm County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
<b>Family households:</b>	73.3%	70.9%	68.0%	65.7%
• Married couple family	58.8%	54.5%	51.5%	48.5%
• Other family	14.5%	16.5%	16.5%	17.2%
- Male householder, no wife present	4.8%	5.2%	4.1%	4.4%
- Female householder, no husband present	9.7%	11.2%	12.4%	12.8%
<b>Nonfamily households:</b>	26.7%	29.1%	32.0%	34.3%
• Male householder	13%	14.1%	15.0%	16.0%
• Female householder	13.8%	15%	17.0%	18.4%

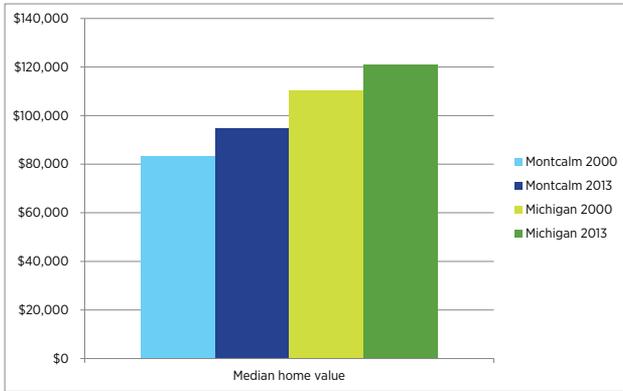
### Marriages & Divorces

	Montcalm County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Marriages filed (3)	397	55,396
Divorces and annulments granted (3)	301	31,687

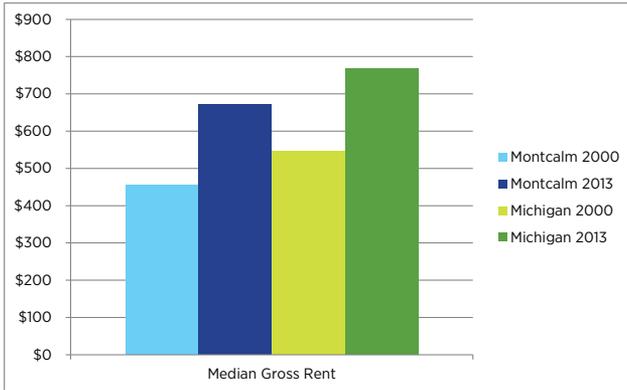


## HOUSING

### Median Home Value



### Median Rent in Dollars per Month



### Median Year Structure Built

	Montcalm County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Median year structure built	1969	1973	1969	1973

### Type of Ownership

	Montcalm County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Owner-occupied housing units	18,537	2,757,062



## HEALTH & MORTALITY

### Leading Causes of Death – Adults

Causes of Death (3)	Montcalm County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Heart disease	175	24,143
Cancer	129	20,395
Chronic lower respiratory disease	39	5,547
Stroke	25	4,365
Accidents	31	4,194
Alzheimer's	19	3,228
Diabetes mellitus	20	2,821
Pneumonia/flu	15	1,892
Kidney disease	7	1,665
Suicide	8	1,296

### Leading Causes of Death – Children Ages 1-19

Causes of Death (3)	Montcalm County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Accidents	3	213
Assault (homicide)	-	90
Suicide	-	88
Cancer	-	56
Congenital malformations	-	42

### Obesity & Diabetes

	Montcalm County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Obesity (4)	33%	32%
Diabetic (4)	9%	10%

## Health and Mortality, Continued

### Children

	Montcalm County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Live births (3)	755	113,732
Teen births (3)*	60	7,944
Children eligible for free lunch (4)	43%	41%

\* Age of mother between 10–19.

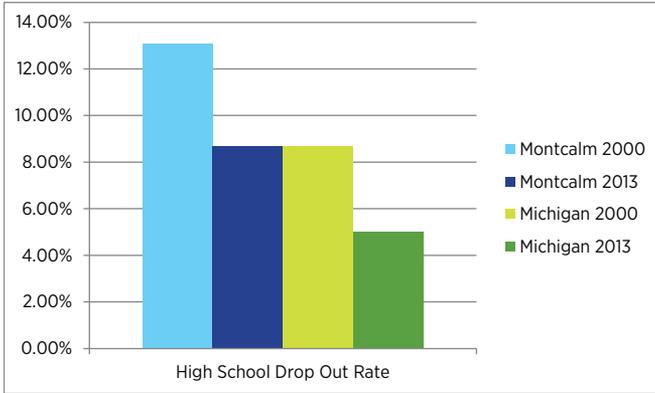
### Health Insurance

	Montcalm County	Michigan
	2013	2013
No health insurance coverage	13.7%	11.6%
With health insurance coverage:	86.3%	88.4%
• Public Health Coverage	37.2%	33.3%
• Private Health Insurance	64.4%	69.3%

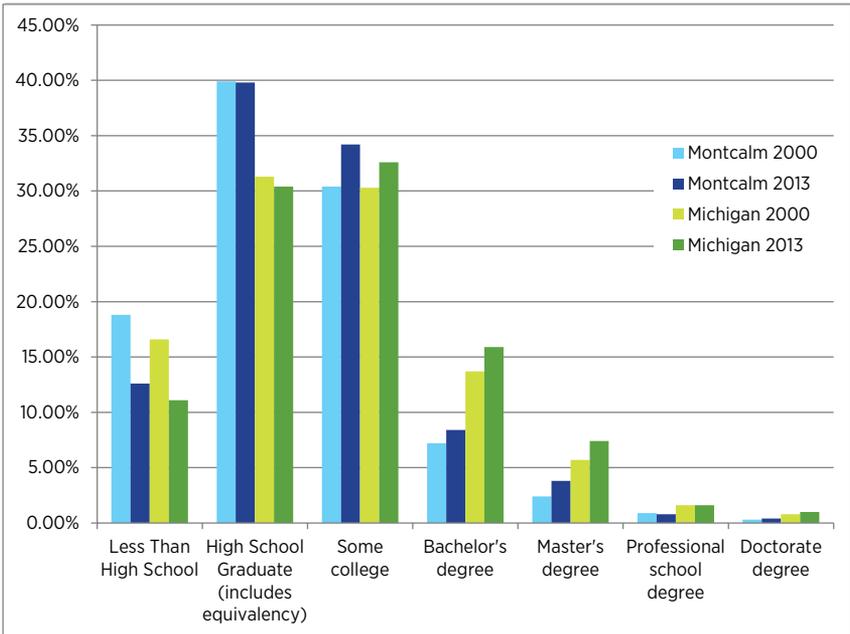


## EDUCATION

### High School Dropout Rate



### Education Attainment



» The percentage of Montcalm County residents with a bachelor's degree or more is 13% compared to Michigan residents with 25.9%



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