

A SNAPSHOT OF ONTONAGON COUNTY





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Fast Facts

Population	6,584 people
Median age	53.6 years
Percent of people in poverty	12.7%
Median household income	\$34,620
Median home value	\$72,600
Top three economic sectors:	
Educational services, health care and social assistance.....	23.6%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accomodation and food services.....	13.2%
Retail	11.4%
Acres in:	
Farmland.....	29,063 acres



GENERAL POPULATION

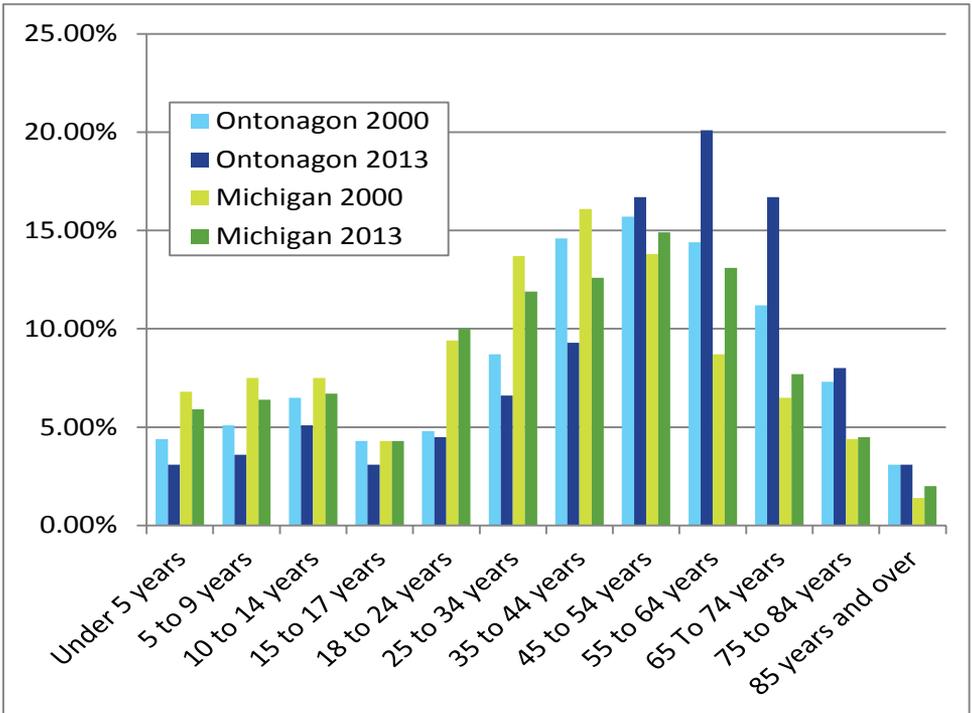
Year	Ontonagon County Population	Michigan Population
2000	7,818	9,938,444
2013	6,584	9,883,640

» The population in Ontonagon has decreased from 2000 to 2013. Overall, Michigan saw a decrease in total population.

Population Density (per sq. mile)

Year	Ontonagon Population Density (per sq. mile) / Area (Land)	Michigan Population Density (per sq. mile) / Area (Land)
2000	6 / 1311.53	175.0 / 56,803.82
2013	5 / 1311.22	174.9 / 56,538.90

Age Distribution



General Population, Continued

Gender

Year	Ontonagon County		Michigan	
	% Male	% Female	% Male	% Female
2000	50.7%	49.3%	49.0%	51.0%
2013	51.9%	48.1%	49.1%	50.9%

Race & Ethnicity

	Ontonagon County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
White alone	96.8%	96.2%	78.6%	76.3%
Black or African American alone	0.0%	0.6%	14.1%	13.9%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	1.0%	0.7%	0.5%	0.5%
Asian alone	0.2%	0.2%	1.8%	2.5%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Some other race alone	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Two or more races	1.2%	0.9%	1.6%	2.1%
Hispanic or Latino	0.7%	1.0%	3.3%	4.5%



ECONOMY

Median Household Income

Median Household Income	Ontonagon County	Michigan
In 1999 dollars	\$29,552	\$44,667
In 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars	\$34,620	\$48,411

Per Capita Income

Per Capita Income	Ontonagon County	Michigan
In 1999 dollars	\$16,695	\$22,168
In 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars	\$21,585	\$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

» **Ontonagon Poverty Rate:** 12.7% (6)
Michigan Poverty Rate: 14.8% (6)

Poverty Status	Ontonagon County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Children under age 18:				
Living in poverty	13.7%	20.3%	13.9%	23.6%
Not living in poverty	86.3%	79.7%	86.1%	76.4%
Age 18 to 64:				
Living in poverty	9.4%	15.8%	9.6%	16.2%
Not living in poverty	90.6%	84.2%	90.4%	83.8%
Age 65 and over:				
Living in poverty	10.0%	6.1%	8.2%	8.2%
Not living in poverty	90.0%	94.0%	91.8%	91.8%

Economy, Continued

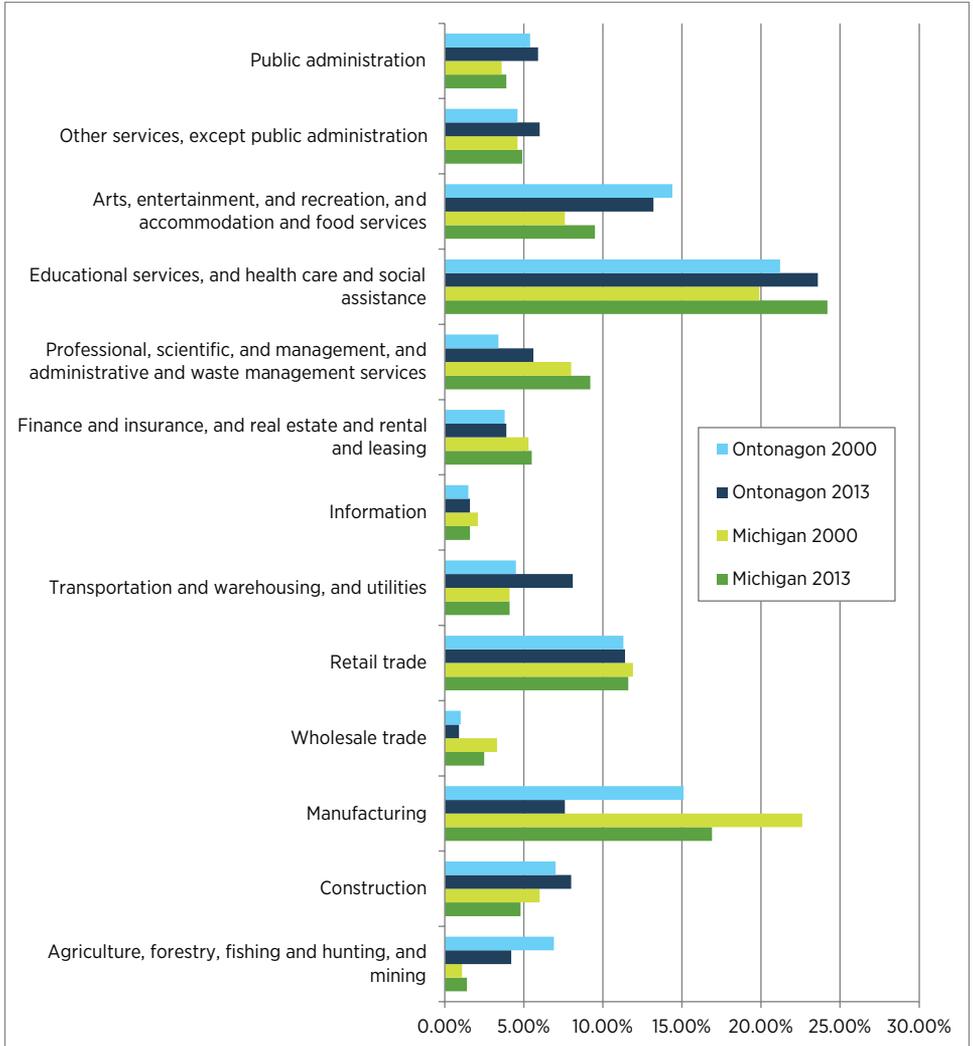
Labor Force

Employment Status for Total Population 16 Years and Over (2000)	Ontonagon County		Michigan	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 16 years and over:	6,469		7,630,645	
In labor force	3,509	54.2%	4,926,463	64.6%
In armed forces	3	0.1%	4,010	0.1%
Civilian:	3,506	54.2%	4,922,453	64.5%
• Employed	3,169	49.0%	4,637,461	60.8%
• Unemployed	337	5.2%	284,992	3.7%
Not in labor force	2,960	45.8%	2,704,182	35.4%

Employment Status For Total Population 16 Years And Over (2013)	Ontonagon County		Michigan	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 16 years and over:	5,773		7,865,350	
In labor force	2,748	47.6%	4,864,014	61.8%
In armed forces	3	0.1%	4,597	0.1%
Civilian:	2,745	47.6%	4,859,417	61.8%
• Employed	2,337	40.5%	4,242,948	53.9%
• Unemployed	408	7.1%	616,469	7.8%
Not in labor force	3,025	52.4%	3,001,336	38.2%

Economy, Continued

Industry



» From 2000 to 2013, manufacturing decreased and the educational, health and social services sector increased in Ontonagon 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	Ontonagon County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Car, truck, or van	86.7%	90.5%	92.9%	91.6%
Public transportation	1.0%	0.2%	1.4%	1.4%
Motorcycle	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%
Bicycle	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.5%
Walked	6.2%	4.4%	2.2%	2.2%
Other means	0.8%	0.8%	0.5%	0.6%
Worked at home	5.3%	3.9%	2.8%	3.6%



AGRICULTURE

Highlights	Ontonagon County	Michigan
Acres in ag production (2)	29,063 acres	9,948,564 acres
Acres of state forest (5)	16,919 acres	3,907,504 acres
Number of farms (2)	109 farms	52,194 farms
Average size of farm (2)	267 acres	191 acres
Average age of principal operator of farm (2)	61.4 years	57.6 years
Farm gate sales (2)	\$2,204,000	\$8,678,050,000

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

- » Cattle and calves
- » Milk and other dairy products from cows
- » Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas

FAMILIES & HOUSEHOLDS



Housing Units

	Ontonagon County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Housing Units	5,404	5,653	4,234,279	4,529,311

Average Household Size

	Ontonagon County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Average Household Size	2.2	2	2.6	2.5

Household Type

Household Type	Ontonagon County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Family households:	64.4%	59.0%	68.0%	65.7%
• Married couple family	53.7%	49.1%	51.5%	48.5%
• Other family	10.7%	9.9%	16.5%	17.2%
- Male householder, no wife present	4.5%	4.7%	4.1%	4.4%
- Female householder, no husband present	6.3%	5.1%	12.4%	12.8%
Nonfamily households:	35.6%	41.1%	32.0%	34.3%
• Male householder	17.8%	21.7%	15.0%	16.0%
• Female householder	17.9%	19.4%	17.0%	18.4%

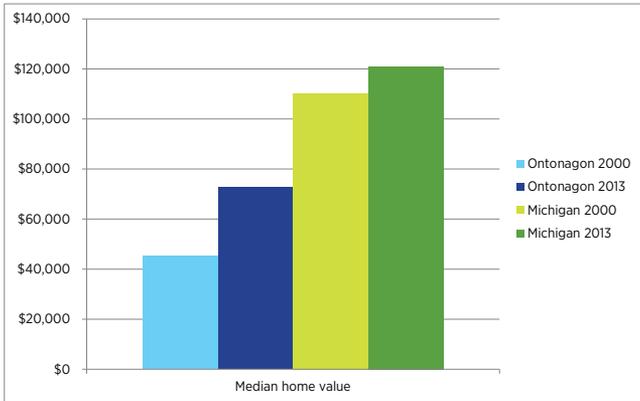
Marriages & Divorces

	Ontonagon County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Marriages filed (3)	26	55,396
Divorces and annulments granted (3)	12	31,687

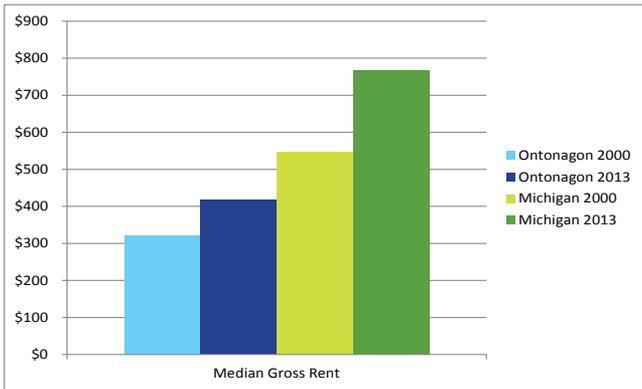


HOUSING

Median Home Value



Median Rent in Dollars per Month



Median Year Structure Built

	Ontonagon County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Median year structure built	1956	1958	1965	1969

Type of Ownership

	Ontonagon County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Owner-occupied housing units	2,804	2,757,062



HEALTH & MORTALITY

Leading Causes of Death – Adults

Causes of Death (3)	Ontonagon County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Heart disease	24	24,143
Cancer	24	20,395
Chronic lower respiratory disease	5	5,547
Stroke	6	4,365
Accidents	2	4,194
Alzheimer's	4	3,228
Diabetes mellitus	4	2,821
Pneumonia/flu	0	1,892
Kidney disease	3	1,665
Suicide	-	1,296

Leading Causes of Death – Children Ages 1-19

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

Obesity & Diabetes

	Ontonagon County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Obesity (4)	32%	32%
Diabetic (4)	13%	10%

Health and Mortality, Continued

Children

	Ontonagon County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Live births (3)	28	113,732
Teen births (3)*	3	7,944
Children eligible for free lunch (4)	41%	41%

* Age of mother between 10–19.

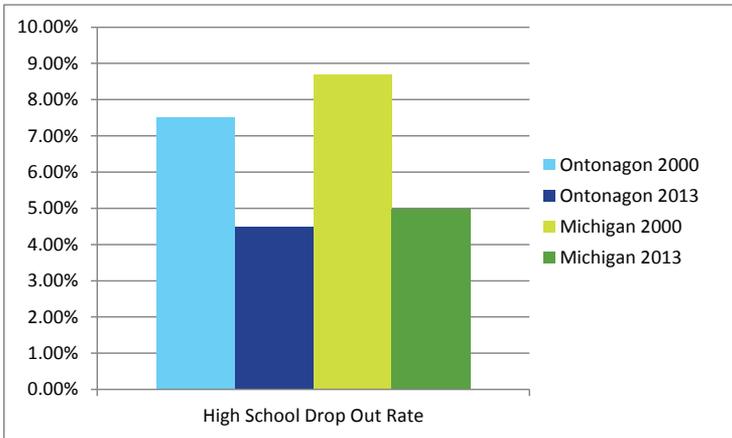
Health Insurance

	Ontonagon County	Michigan
	2013	2013
No health insurance coverage	13.7%	11.6%
With health insurance coverage:	86.3%	88.4%
• Public Health Coverage	46.3%	33.3%
• Private Health Insurance	63.8%	69.3%

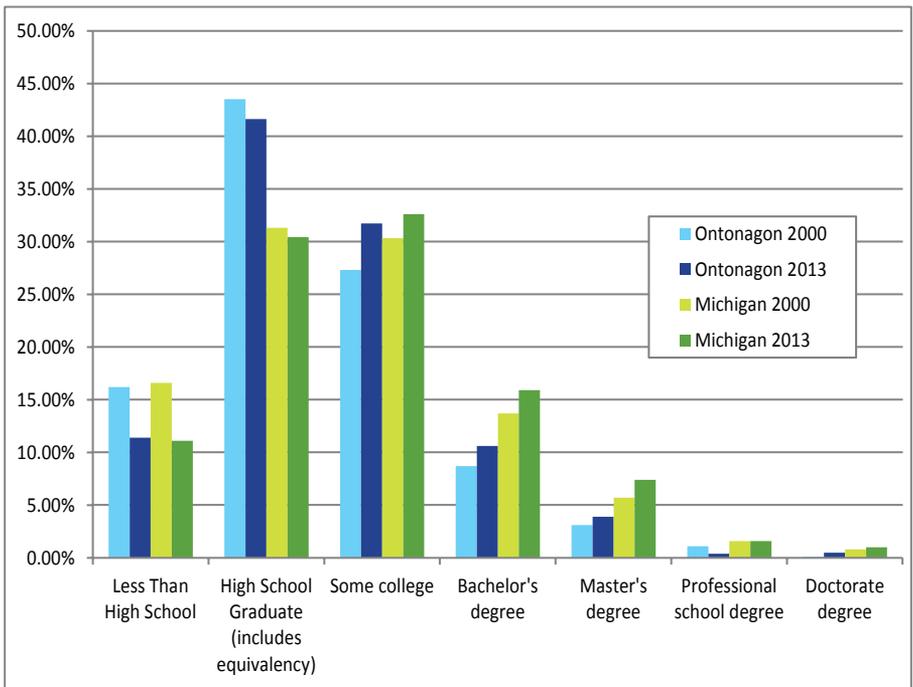


EDUCATION

High School Dropout Rate



Education Attainment



» The percentage of Ontonagon County residents with a bachelor's degree or more is 14.9% compared to Michigan residents with 25.9%



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