

# A SNAPSHOT OF **CLARE COUNTY**





## About the Data

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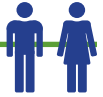
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**Fast Facts**

<b>Population</b> .....	30,823
<b>Median age</b> .....	45.8
<b>Percent of people in poverty</b> .....	21.9%
<b>Median household income</b> .....	\$32,668
<b>Median home value</b> .....	\$80,000
<b>Top three economic sectors:</b>	
Educational services, health care and social assistance.....	22.6%
Retail .....	13.2%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services.....	12.4%
<b>Acres in:</b>	
Farmland.....	62,506 acres



## GENERAL POPULATION

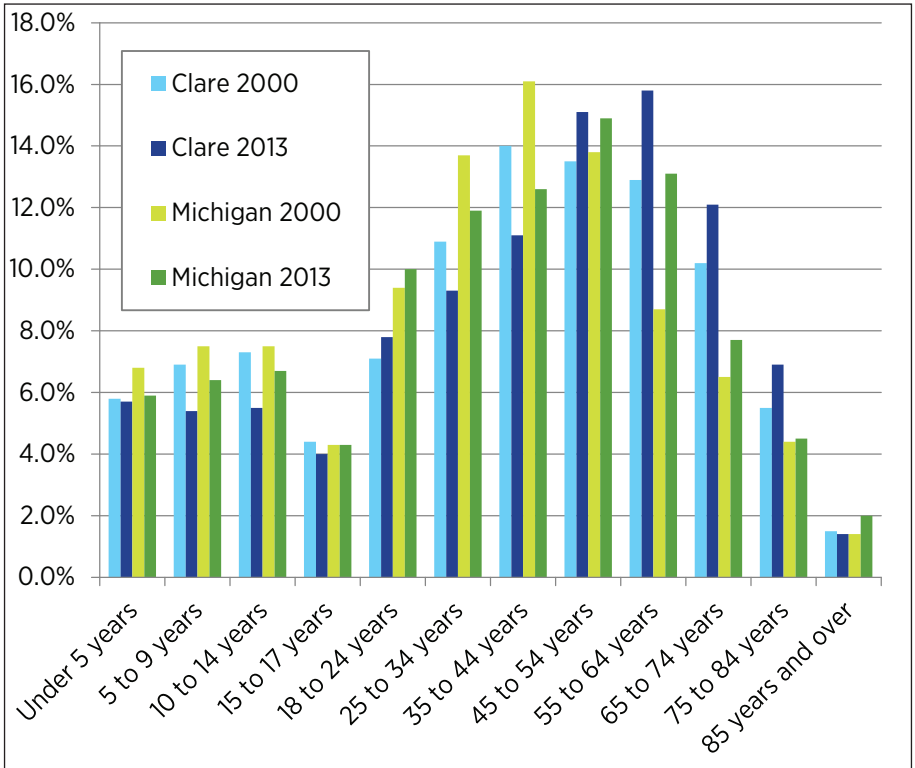
Year	Clare County Population	Michigan Population
2000	31,252	9,938,444
2013	30,823	9,883,640

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

## Population Density (per sq. mile)

Year	Clare Population Density (per sq. mile) / Area (Land)	Michigan Population Density (per sq. mile) / Area (Land)
2000	55.1 / 566.80	175.0 / 56,803.82
2013	54.6 / 564.32	174.9 / 56,538.90

## Age Distribution



## General Population, Continued

### Gender

Year	Clare County		Michigan	
	% Male	% Female	% Male	% Female
2000	49.3%	50.7%	49.0%	51.0%
2013	49.8%	50.3%	49.1%	50.9%

### Race & Ethnicity

	Clare County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
White alone	96.7%	95.4%	78.6%	76.3%
Black or African American alone	0.3%	0.5%	14.1%	13.9%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	0.7%	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%
Asian alone	0.3%	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	0.9%	1.5%	1.6%	2.1%
<b>Hispanic or Latino</b>	1.1%	1.6%	3.3%	4.5%



## ECONOMY

### Median Household Income

Median Household Income	Clare County	Michigan
In 1999 dollars	\$28,845	\$44,667
In 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars	\$32,668	\$48,411

### Per Capita Income

Per Capita Income	Clare County	Michigan
In 1999 dollars	\$15,922	\$22,168
In 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars	\$18,148	\$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

» Clare Poverty Rate: 21.9% (6)  
Michigan Poverty Rate: 14.8% (6)

Poverty Status	Clare County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
<b>Children under age 18:</b>				
Living in poverty	22.5%	41.1%	13.9%	23.6%
Not living in poverty	77.6%	58.9%	86.1%	76.4%
<b>Age 18 to 64:</b>				
Living in poverty	15.0%	27.3%	9.6%	16.2%
Not living in poverty	85.1%	72.7%	90.4%	83.8%
<b>Age 65 and over:</b>				
Living in poverty	10.7%	9.2%	8.2%	8.2%
Not living in poverty	89.3%	90.8%	91.8%	91.8%

## Economy, Continued

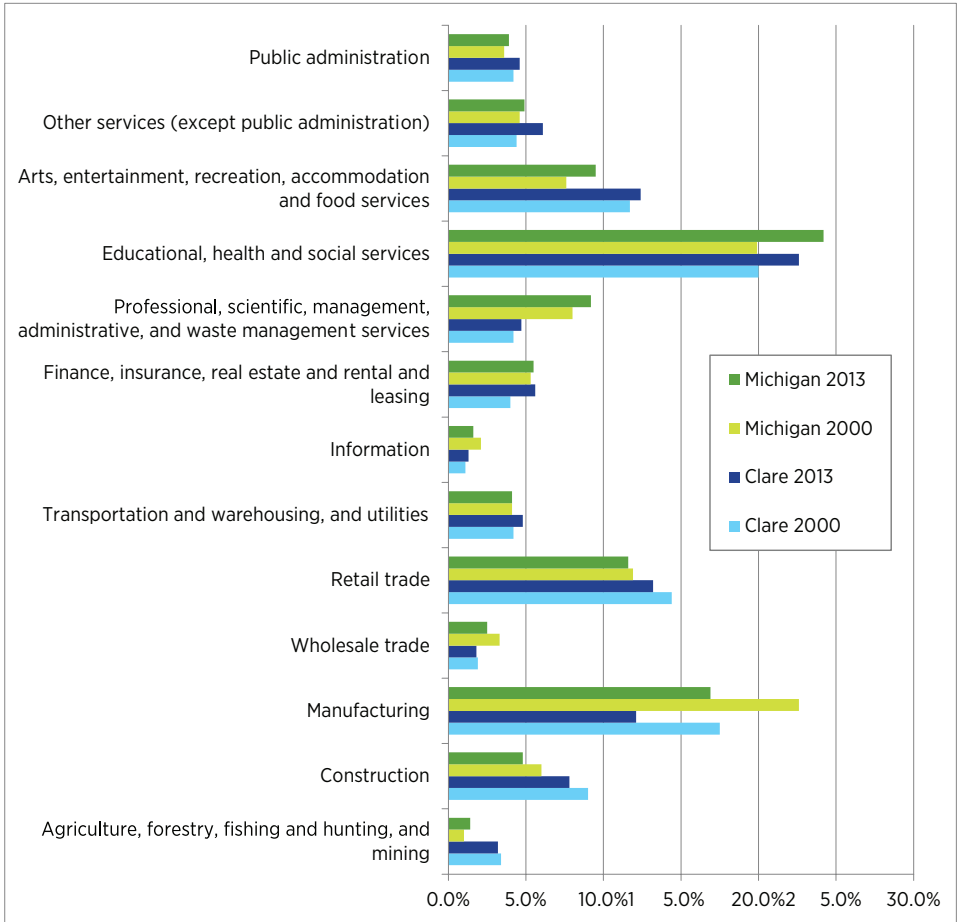
### Labor Force

Employment Status for Total Population 16 Years and Over (2000)	Clare County		Michigan	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 16 years and over:	24,435		7,630,645	
In labor force	12,777	52.3%	4,926,463	64.6%
In armed forces	4	0.0%	4,010	0.1%
Civilian:	12,773	52.3%	4,922,453	64.5%
• Employed	11,675	47.8%	4,637,461	60.8%
• Unemployed	1,098	4.5%	284,992	3.7%
Not in labor force	11,658	47.7%	2,704,182	35.4%

Employment Status For Total Population 16 Years And Over (2013)	Clare County		Michigan	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 16 years and over:	25,313		7,865,350	
In labor force	12,479	49.3%	4,864,014	61.8%
In armed forces	10	0.0%	4,597	0.1%
Civilian:	12,469	49.3%	4,859,417	61.8%
• Employed	10,218	40.4%	4,242,948	53.9%
• Unemployed	2,251	8.9%	616,469	7.8%
Not in labor force	12,834	50.7%	3,001,336	38.2%

## Economy, Continued

### Industry



» From 2000 to 2013, manufacturing decreased and the educational, health and social services sector increased in Clare 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	Clare County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Car, truck, or van	92.5%	90.8%	92.9%	91.6%
Public transportation	0.5%	0.9%	1.4%	1.4%
Motorcycle	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%
Bicycle	0.1%	0.9%	0.2%	0.5%
Walked	2.3%	2.4%	2.2%	2.2%
Other means	0.7%	0.6%	0.5%	0.6%
Worked at home	3.9%	4.4%	2.8%	3.6%



## AGRICULTURE

Highlights	Clare County	Michigan
Acres in ag production (2)	62,506 acres	9,948,564 acres
Acres of state forest (5)	53,249 acres	3,907,504 acres
Number of farms (2)	460 farms	52,194 farms
Average size of farm (2)	136 acres	191 acres
Average age of principal operator of farm (2)	56.4 years	57.6 years
Farm gate sales (2)	\$20,361,000	\$8,678,050,000

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

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

## FAMILIES & HOUSEHOLDS



### Housing Units

	Clare County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Housing Units	22,229	23,175	4,234,279	4,529,311

### Average Household Size

	Clare County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Average Household Size	2.4	2.3	2.6	2.5

### Household Type

Household Type	Clare County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
<b>Family households:</b>	69.0%	64.1%	68.0%	65.7%
• Married couple family	55.3%	49.1%	51.5%	48.5%
• Other family	13.7%	15.0%	16.5%	17.2%
- Male householder, no wife present	4.3%	4.5%	4.1%	4.4%
- Female householder, no husband present	9.4%	10.5%	12.4%	12.8%
<b>Nonfamily households:</b>	31.0%	35.9%	32.0%	34.3%
• Male householder	15.3%	18.9%	15.0%	16.0%
• Female householder	15.7%	17.0%	17.0%	18.4%

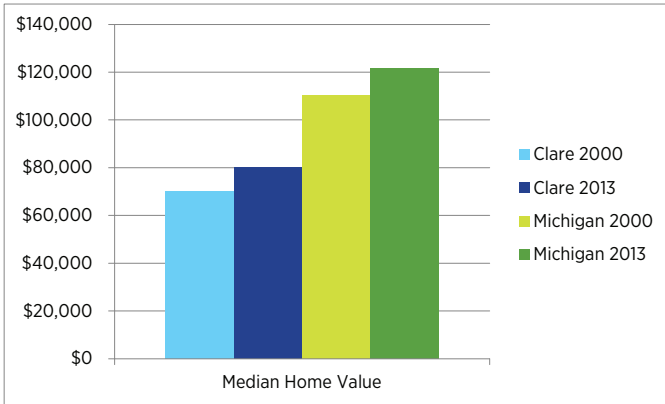
### Marriages & Divorces

	Clare County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Marriages filed (3)	195	55,396
Divorces and annulments granted (3)	145	31,687

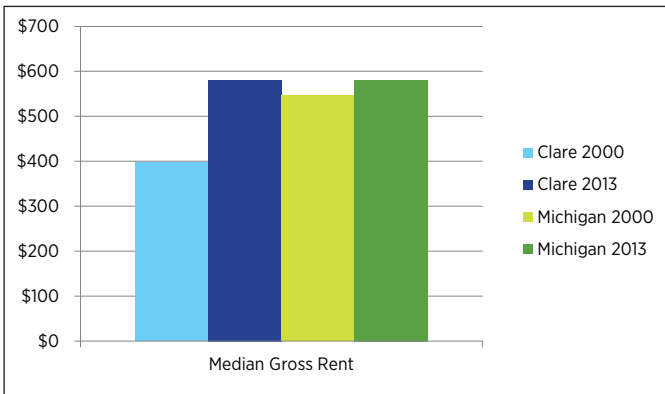


## HOUSING

### Median Home Value



### Median Rent in Dollars per Month



### Median Year Structure Built

	Clare County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Median year structure built	1971	1974	1965	1969

### Type of Ownership

	Clare County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Owner-occupied housing units	10,622	2,757,062



## HEALTH & MORTALITY

### Leading Causes of Death – Adults

Causes of Death (3)	Clare County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Heart disease	103	24,143
Cancer	99	20,395
Chronic lower respiratory disease	35	5,547
Stroke	17	4,365
Accidents	15	4,194
Alzheimer's	10	3,228
Diabetes mellitus	9	2,821
Pneumonia/flu	5	1,892
Kidney disease	8	1,665
Suicide	8	1,296

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

Causes of Death (3)	Clare County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Accidents	1	213
Assault (homicide)	1	90
Suicide	1	88
Cancer	-	56
Congenital malformations	-	42

### Obesity & Diabetes

	Clare County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Obesity (4)	30%	32%
Diabetic (4)	11%	10%

## Health and Mortality, Continued

### Children

	Clare County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Live births (3)	300	113,732
Teen births (3)*	30	7,944
Children eligible for free lunch (4)	55%	41%

\* Age of mother between 10–19.

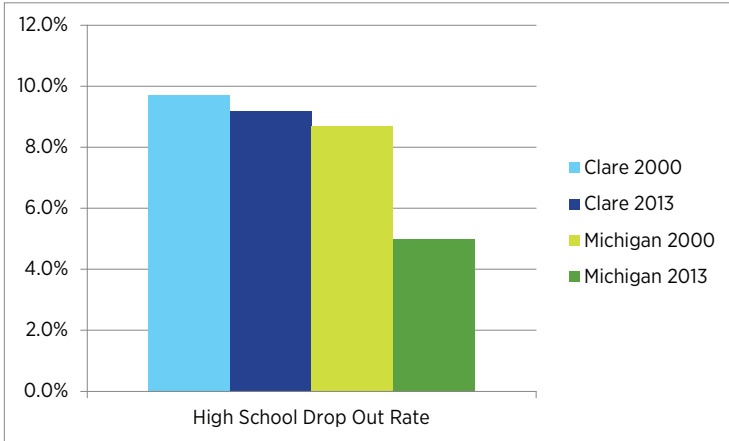
### Health Insurance

	Clare County	Michigan
	2013	2013
No health insurance coverage	15.7%	11.6%
With health insurance coverage:	84.3%	88.4%
• Public Health Coverage	48.7%	33.3%
• Private Health Insurance	55.2%	69.3%

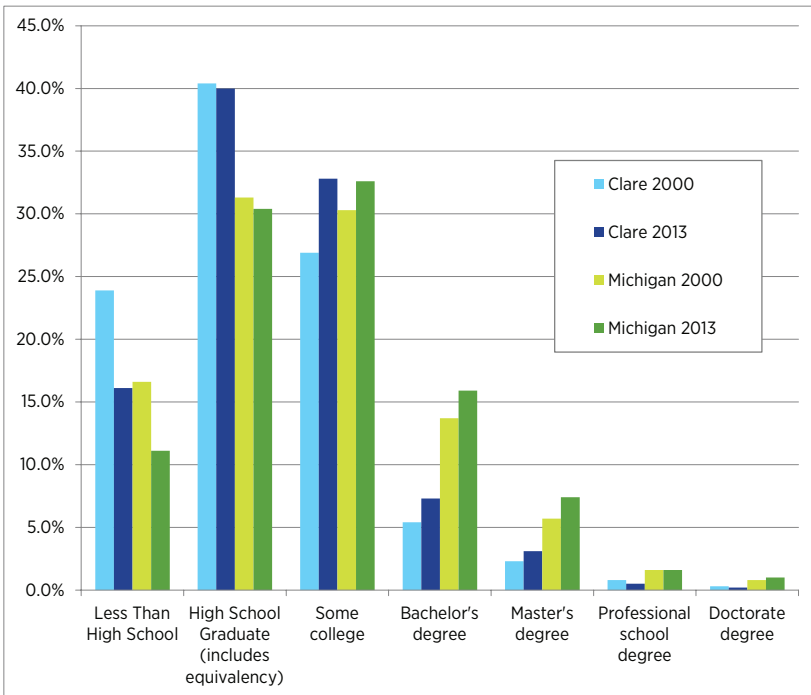
## EDUCATION



### High School Dropout Rate



### Education Attainment



» The percentage of Clare County residents with a bachelor's degree or more is 11.1% compared to Michigan residents with 25.9%



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