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# **About the Data**

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# **Fast Facts**

Population	252,763 people
Median age	34 years
Percent of people in poverty	
Median household income	\$45,775
Median home value	\$136,700
<b>Top three economic sectors:</b> Educational services, health care and social as Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accor and food services Manufacturing	nmodation 14.4%
Acres in: Farmland	143,540 acres

# **GENERAL POPULATION**

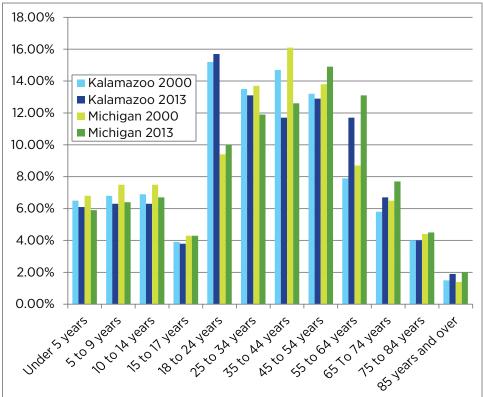
Year	Kalamazoo County Population	Michigan Population
2000	238,603	9,938,444
2013	252,763	9,883,640

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

#### Population Density (per sq. mile)

Year	Kalamazoo Population Density (per sq. mile) / Area (Land)	Michigan Population Density (per sq. mile) / Area (Land)
2000	424.7 / 561.86	175.0 / 56,803.82
2013	450 / 561.66	174.9 / 56,538.90

#### Age Distribution



# **General Population, Continued**

#### Gender

Year	Kalamazo	oo County	Michigan	
rear	% Male	% Female	% Male	% Female
2000	48.4%	51.7%	49.0%	51.0%
2013	49.0%	51.0%	49.1%	50.9%

#### **Race & Ethnicity**

	Kalamazoo County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
White alone	83.5%	79.5%	78.6%	76.3%
Black or African American alone	9.6%	10.9%	14.1%	13.9%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	0.4%	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Asian alone	1.8%	2.3%	1.8%	2.5%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Some other race alone	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Two or more races	1.8%	2.7%	1.6%	2.1%
Hispanic or Latino	2.6%	4.2%	3.3%	4.5%

# ECONOMY



#### **Median Household Income**

Median Household Income	Kalamazoo County	Michigan	
In 1999 dollars	\$42,022	\$44,667	
In 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars	\$45,775	\$48,411	

#### Per Capita Income

Per Capita Income	Kalamazoo County	Michigan
In 1999 dollars	\$21,739	\$22,168
In 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars	\$25,757	\$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

» Kalamazoo Poverty Rate: 18.4% (6) Michigan Poverty Rate: 14.8% (6)

Deverty Status	Kalamazoo County		Michigan	
Poverty Status	2000	2013	2000	2013
Children under age 18:				
Living in poverty	12.8%	22.5%	13.9%	23.6%
Not living in poverty	87.2%	77.5%	86.1%	76.4%
Age 18 to 64:				
Living in poverty	12.7%	20.0%	9.6%	16.2%
Not living in poverty	87.3%	80.0%	90.4%	83.8%
Age 65 and over:				
Living in poverty	6.3%	8.3%	8.2%	8.2%
Not living in poverty	93.7%	91.7%	91.8%	91.8%

# **Economy, Continued**

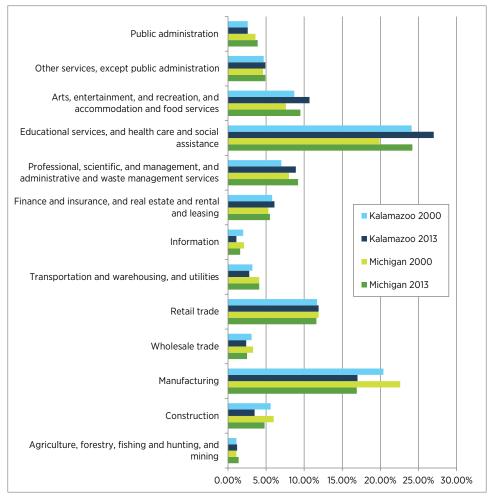
#### **Labor Force**

Employment Status for	Kalamazoo County		Michigan	
Total Population 16 Years and Over (2000)	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 16 years and over:	187445		7,630,645	
In labor force	129,426	69.1%	4,926,463	64.6%
In armed forces	86	0.1%	4,010	0.1%
Civilian:	129,340	69.0%	4,922,453	64.5%
Employed	120,740	64.4%	4,637,461	60.8%
Unemployed	8,600	4.6%	284,992	3.7%
Not in labor force	58,019	31.0%	2,704,182	35.4%

Employment Status For	Kalamazoo County		Michigan	
Total Population 16 Years And Over (2013)	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 16 years and over:	202,264		7,865,350	
In labor force	133,416	66.0%	4,864,014	61.8%
In armed forces	123	0.1%	4,597	0.1%
Civilian:	133,293	65.9%	4,859,417	61.8%
Employed	117,581	58.1%	4,242,948	53.9%
Unemployed	15,712	7.8%	616,469	7.8%
Not in labor force	68,848	34.0%	3,001,336	38.2%

# **Economy, Continued**

#### Industry



» From 2000 to 2013, manufacturing decreased and the educational, health and social services sector increased in Kalamazoo 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	Kalamazoo County		Michigan	
to Work	2000	2013	2000	2013
Car, truck, or van	92.0%	91.1%	92.9%	91.6%
Public transportation	1.3%	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%
Motorcycle	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%
Bicycle	0.3%	0.4%	0.2%	0.5%
Walked	2.9%	3.0%	2.2%	2.2%
Other means	0.4%	0.6%	0.5%	0.6%
Worked at home	3.1%	3.5%	2.8%	3.6%

# AGRICULTURE

Highlights	Kalamazoo County	Michigan
Acres in ag production (2)	143,540 acres	9,948,564 acres
Acres of state forest (5)	0 acres	3,907,504 acres
Number of farms (2)	734 farms	52,194 farms
Average size of farm (2)	196 acres	191 acres
Average age of principal operator of farm (2)	57.5 years	57.6 years
Farm gate sales (2)	\$243,969,000	\$8,678,050,000

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

- » Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod
- » Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas
- » Milk and other dairy products from cows

# **FAMILIES & HOUSEHOLDS**



#### **Housing Units**

	Kalamazoo County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Housing Units	99,250	109,911	4,234,279	4,529,311

#### **Average Household Size**

	Kalamazoo County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Average Household Size	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.5

#### **Household Type**

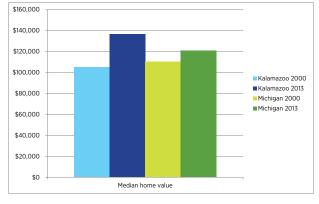
Household Type	Kalamazoo County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Family households:	62.0%	60.3%	68.0%	65.7%
Married couple family	47.7%	44.3%	51.5%	48.5%
Other family	14.3%	16.0%	16.5%	17.2%
- Male householder, no wife present	3.4%	4.3%	4.1%	4.4%
- Female householder, no husband present	11.0%	11.7%	12.4%	12.8%
Nonfamily households:	38.0%	39.7%	32.0%	34.3%
Male householder	17.3%	18.0%	15.0%	16.0%
Female householder	20.7%	21.7%	17.0%	18.4%

#### **Marriages & Divorces**

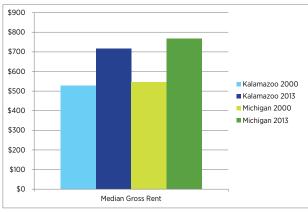
	Kalamazoo County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Marriages filed (3)	1,678	55,396
Divorces and annulments granted (3)	742	31,687

# HOUSING

### **Median Home Value**



#### **Median Rent in Dollars per Month**



#### **Median Year Stucture Built**

	Kalamazoo County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Median year structure built	1968	1972	1965	1969

#### **Type of Ownership**

	Kalamazoo County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Owner-occupied housing units	64,758	2,757,062



# **HEALTH & MORTALITY**



#### Leading Causes of Death - Adults

Courses of Death (7)	Kalamazoo County	Michigan	
Causes of Death (3)	2013	2013	
Heart disease	423	24,143	
Cancer	435	20,395	
Chronic lower respiratory disease	112	5,547	
Stroke	89	4,365	
Accidents	127	4,194	
Alzheimer's	68	3,228	
Diabetes mellitus	76	2,821	
Pneumonia/flu	48	1,892	
Kidney disease	30	1,665	
Suicide	34	1,296	

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

Courses of Dooth (7)	Kalamazoo County	Michigan
Causes of Death (3)	2013	2013
Accidents	3	213
Assault (homicide)	4	90
Suicide	1	88
Cancer	-	56
Congenital malformations	2	42

#### **Obesity & Diabetes**

	Kalamazoo County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Obesity (4)	28%	32%
Diabetic (4)	9%	10%

# Health and Mortality, Continued

#### Children

	Kalamazoo County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Live births (3)	3,176	113,732
Teen births (3)*	212	7,944
Children eligible for free lunch (4)	41%	41%

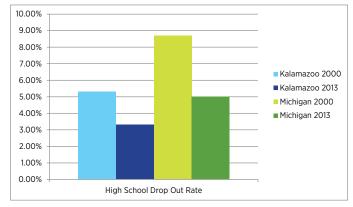
\* Age of mother between 10–19.

#### **Health Insurance**

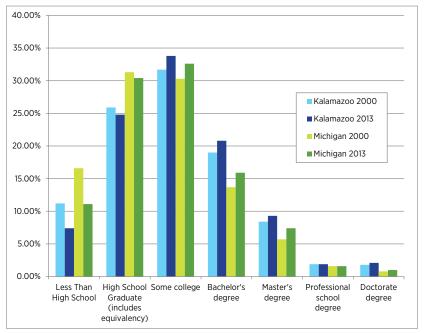
	Kalamazoo County	Michigan
	2013	2013
No health insurance coverage	10.8%	11.6%
With health insurance coverage:	89.3%	88.4%
Public Health Coverage	30.0%	33.3%
Private Health Insurance	72.2%	69.3%

# **EDUCATION**

#### **High School Dropout Rate**



#### **Education Attainment**



» The percentage of Kalamazoo County residents with a bachelor's degree or more is 32.0% compared to Michigan residents with 25.9%



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