

A SNAPSHOT OF ALLEGAN COUNTY





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Fast Facts

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Population | 111,742 people |
| Median age | 39.6 years |
| Percent of people in poverty | 11.9% |
| Median household income | \$52,061 |
| Median home value | \$140,200 |
| Top three economic sectors: | |
| Educational services, health care and social assistance | 27.9% |
| Retail | 14.7% |
| Manufacturing | 9.9% |
| Acres in: | |
| Farmland | 270,282 acres |



GENERAL POPULATION

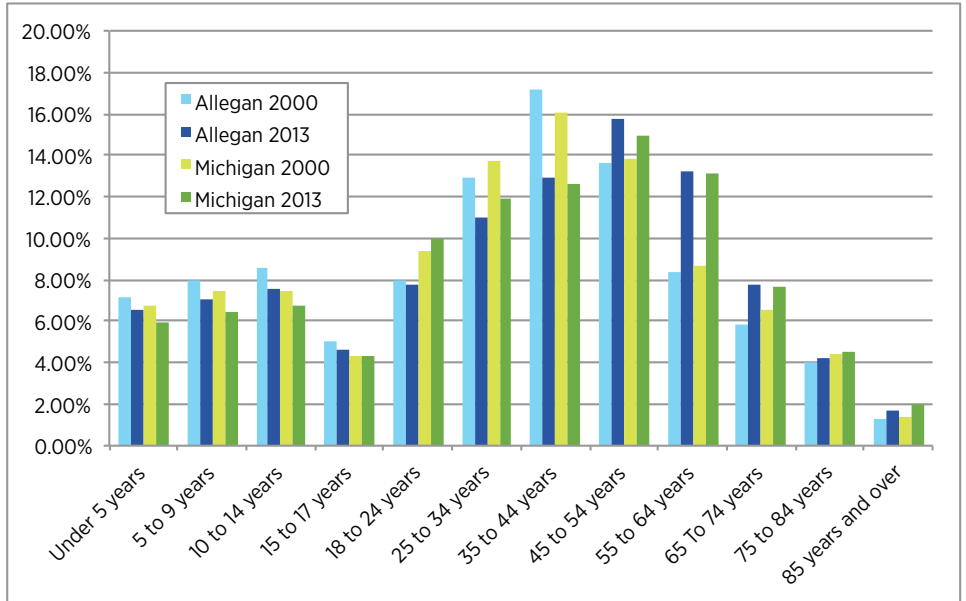
| Year | Allegan County Population | Michigan Population |
|------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 2000 | 105,665 | 9,938,444 |
| 2013 | 111,742 | 9,883,640 |

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

Population Density (per sq. mile)

| Year | Allegan Population Density (per sq. mile) / Area (Land) | Michigan Population Density (per sq. mile) / Area (Land) |
|------|---|--|
| 2000 | 127.7 / 827.46 | 175.0 / 56,803.82 |
| 2013 | 135.4 / 825.23 | 174.9 / 56,538.90 |

Age Distribution



General Population, Continued

Gender

| Year | Allegan County | | Michigan | |
|------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|
| | % Male | % Female | % Male | % Female |
| 2000 | 49.9% | 50.1% | 49.0% | 51.0% |
| 2013 | 49.7% | 50.3% | 49.1% | 50.9% |

Race & Ethnicity

| | Allegan County | | Michigan | |
|--|----------------|-------|----------|-------|
| | 2000 | 2013 | 2000 | 2013 |
| White alone | 91% | 89.4% | 78.6% | 76.3% |
| Black or African American alone | 1.2% | 1.2% | 14.1% | 13.9% |
| American Indian and Alaska Native alone | 0.5% | 0.6% | 0.5% | 0.5% |
| Asian alone | 0.5% | 0.7% | 1.8% | 2.5% |
| Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone | 0% | 0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Some other race alone | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.1% |
| Two or more races | 0.9% | 1.2% | 1.6% | 2.1% |
| Hispanic or Latino | 5.7% | 6.8% | 3.3% | 4.5% |



ECONOMY

Median Household Income

| Median Household Income | Allegan County | Michigan |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| In 1999 dollars | \$45,813 | \$44,667 |
| In 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars | \$52,061 | \$48,411 |

Per Capita Income

| Per Capita Income | Allegan County | Michigan |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| In 1999 dollars | \$19,918 | \$22,168 |
| In 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars | \$24,140 | \$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

» Allegan Poverty Rate: 11.9% (6)
Michigan Poverty Rate: 14.8% (6)

| Poverty Status | Allegan County | | Michigan | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-------|----------|-------|
| | 2000 | 2013 | 2000 | 2013 |
| Children under age 18: | | | | |
| Living in poverty | 8.2% | 17.7% | 13.9% | 23.6% |
| Not living in poverty | 91.8% | 82.3% | 86.1% | 76.4% |
| Age 18 to 64: | | | | |
| Living in poverty | 6.8% | 13.0% | 9.6% | 16.2% |
| Not living in poverty | 93.2% | 87.0% | 90.4% | 83.8% |
| Age 65 and over: | | | | |
| Living in poverty | 7.9% | 7.9% | 8.2% | 8.2% |
| Not living in poverty | 92.1% | 92.1% | 91.8% | 91.8% |

Economy, Continued

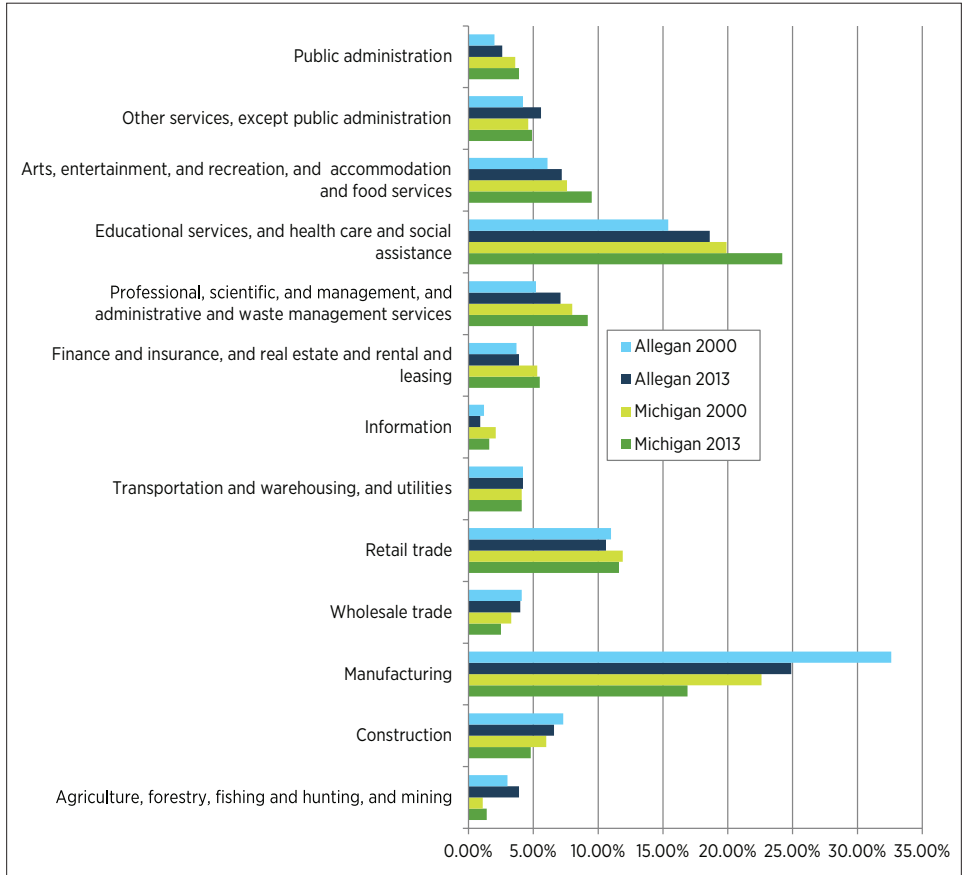
Labor Force

| Employment Status for Total Population 16 Years and Over (2000) | Allegan County | | Michigan | |
|---|----------------|---------|-----------|---------|
| | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Population 16 years and over: | 78,789 | | 7,630,645 | |
| In labor force | 54,380 | 69% | 4,926,463 | 64.6% |
| In armed forces | 6 | 0% | 4,010 | 0.1% |
| Civilian: | 54,374 | 69% | 4,922,453 | 64.5% |
| • Employed | 52,100 | 66.1% | 4,637,461 | 60.8% |
| • Unemployed | 2,274 | 2.9% | 284,992 | 3.7% |
| Not in labor force | 24,409 | 31% | 2,704,182 | 35.4% |

| Employment Status For Total Population 16 Years And Over (2013) | Allegan County | | Michigan | |
|---|----------------|---------|-----------|---------|
| | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Population 16 years and over: | 86,526 | | 7,865,350 | |
| In labor force | 55,090 | 63.7% | 4,864,014 | 61.8% |
| In armed forces | 12 | 0% | 4,597 | 0.1% |
| Civilian: | 55,078 | 63.7% | 4,859,417 | 61.8% |
| • Employed | 50,107 | 57.9% | 4,242,948 | 53.9% |
| • Unemployed | 4,971 | 5.8% | 616,469 | 7.8% |
| Not in labor force | 31,436 | 36.3% | 3,001,336 | 38.2% |

Economy, Continued

Industry



» From 2000 to 2013, manufacturing decreased and the educational, health and social services sector increased in Allegan 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 | Allegan County | | Michigan | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-------|----------|-------|
| | 2000 | 2013 | 2000 | 2013 |
| Car, truck, or van | 93.2% | 92.9% | 92.9% | 91.6% |
| Public transportation | 0.3% | 0.2% | 1.4% | 1.4% |
| Motorcycle | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.0% | 0.1% |
| Bicycle | 0.2% | 0.3% | 0.2% | 0.5% |
| Walked | 1.6% | 1.7% | 2.2% | 2.2% |
| Other means | 0.6% | 0.6% | 0.5% | 0.6% |
| Worked at home | 4.1% | 4.2% | 2.8% | 3.6% |



AGRICULTURE

| Highlights | Allegan County | Michigan |
|---|----------------|-----------------|
| Acres in ag production (2) | 270,282 acres | 9,948,564 acres |
| Acres of state forest (5) | 0 acres | 3,907,504 acres |
| Number of farms (2) | 1,396 farms | 52,194 farms |
| Average size of farm (2) | 194 acres | 191 acres |
| Average age of principal operator of farm (2) | 57.4 years | 57.6 years |
| Farm gate sales (2) | \$580,835,000 | \$8,678,050,000 |

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

- » Hogs and pigs
- » Milk and other dairy products from cows
- » Cattle and calves

FAMILIES & HOUSEHOLDS



Housing Units

| | Allegan County | | Michigan | |
|---------------|----------------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2000 | 2013 | 2000 | 2013 |
| Housing Units | 43,292 | 49,379 | 4,234,279 | 4,529,311 |

Average Household Size

| | Allegan County | | Michigan | |
|------------------------|----------------|------|----------|------|
| | 2000 | 2013 | 2000 | 2013 |
| Average Household Size | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.5 |

Household Type

| Household Type | Allegan County | | Michigan | |
|--|----------------|-------|----------|-------|
| | 2000 | 2013 | 2000 | 2013 |
| Family households: | 74.4% | 73.8% | 68.0% | 65.7% |
| • Married couple family | 61.4% | 60.3% | 51.5% | 48.5% |
| • Other family | 13% | 13.6% | 16.5% | 17.2% |
| - Male householder, no wife present | 3.9% | 3.9% | 4.1% | 4.4% |
| - Female householder, no husband present | 9.1% | 9.6% | 12.4% | 12.8% |
| Nonfamily households: | 25.6% | 26.2% | 32.0% | 34.3% |
| • Male householder | 12.8% | 12.8% | 15.0% | 16.0% |
| • Female householder | 12.8% | 13.4% | 17.0% | 18.4% |

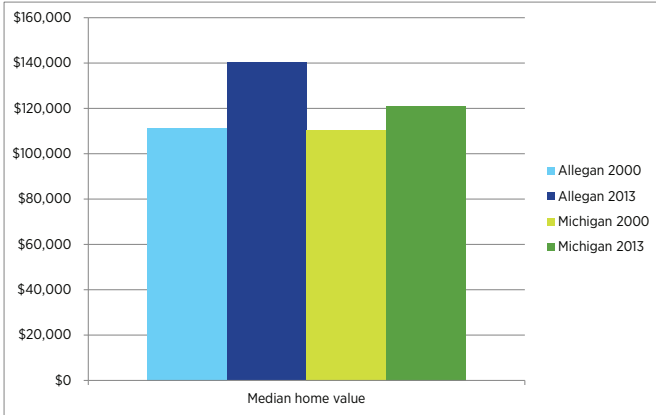
Marriages & Divorces

| | Allegan County | Michigan |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| | 2013 | 2013 |
| Marriages filed (3) | 693 | 55,396 |
| Divorces and annulments granted (3) | 411 | 31,687 |

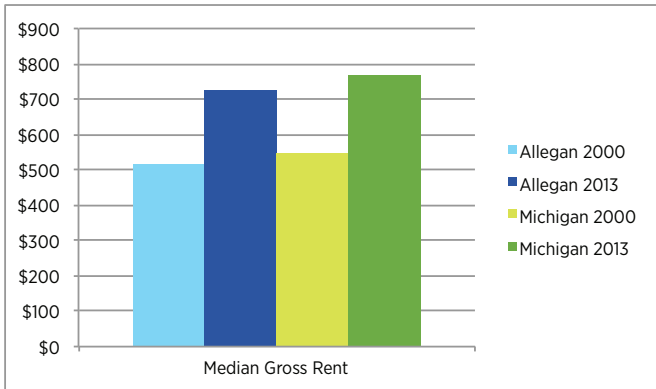


HOUSING

Median Home Value



Median Rent in Dollars per Month



Median Year Structure Built

| | Allegan County | | Michigan | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------|----------|------|
| | 2000 | 2013 | 2000 | 2013 |
| Median year structure built | 1973 | 1979 | 1965 | 1969 |

Type of Ownership

| | Allegan County | Michigan |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| | 2013 | 2013 |
| Owner-occupied housing units | 34,232 | 2,757,062 |



HEALTH & MORTALITY

Leading Causes of Death – Adults

| Causes of Death (3) | Allegan County | Michigan |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| | 2013 | 2013 |
| Heart disease | 227 | 24,143 |
| Cancer | 217 | 20,395 |
| Chronic lower respiratory disease | 61 | 5,547 |
| Stroke | 47 | 4,365 |
| Accidents | 39 | 4,194 |
| Alzheimer's | 31 | 3,228 |
| Diabetes mellitus | 28 | 2,821 |
| Pneumonia/flu | 28 | 1,892 |
| Kidney disease | 16 | 1,665 |
| Suicide | 10 | 1,296 |

Leading Causes of Death – Children Ages 1-19

| Causes of Death (3) | Allegan County | Michigan |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------|
| | 2013 | 2013 |
| Accidents | 3 | 213 |
| Assault (homicide) | 2 | 90 |
| Suicide | - | 88 |
| Cancer | - | 56 |
| Congenital malformations | - | 42 |

Obesity & Diabetes

| | Allegan County | Michigan |
|--------------|----------------|----------|
| | 2013 | 2013 |
| Obesity (4) | 31% | 32% |
| Diabetic (4) | 9% | 10% |

Health and Mortality, Continued

Children

| | Allegan County | Michigan |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| | 2013 | 2013 |
| Live births (3) | 1,299 | 113,732 |
| Teen births (3)* | 100 | 7,944 |
| Children eligible for free lunch (4) | 35% | 41% |

* Age of mother between 10–19.

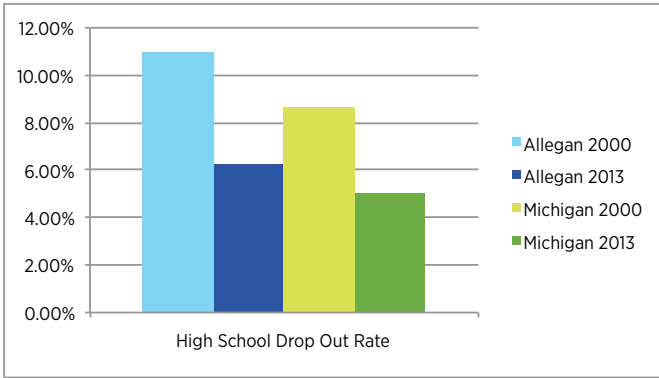
Health Insurance

| | Allegan County | Michigan |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| | 2013 | 2013 |
| No health insurance coverage | 10.9% | 11.6% |
| With health insurance coverage: | 89.1% | 88.4% |
| • Public Health Coverage | 30.5% | 33.3% |
| • Private Health Insurance | 71.7% | 69.3% |

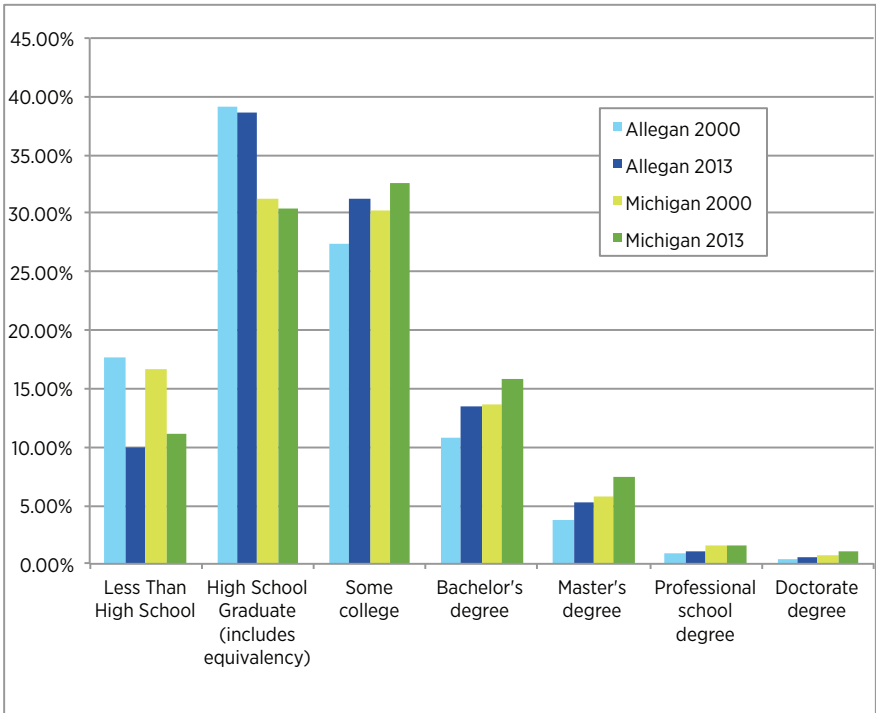


EDUCATION

High School Dropout Rate



Education Attainment



» The percentage of Allegan County residents with a bachelor's degree or more is 19.7% compared to Michigan residents with 25.9%



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