

Michigan

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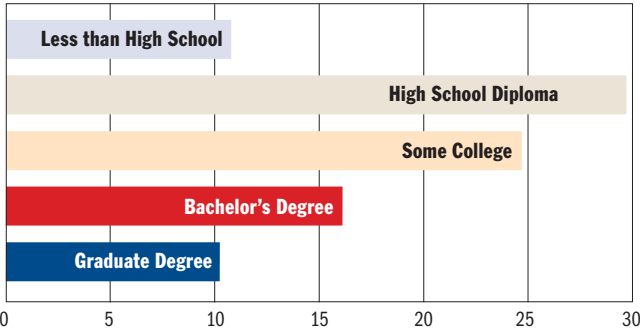


“Detroit’s fiscal crisis was six decades in the making. My job is to make the tough decisions to resolve the problems we face today, not ignore them. Detroit is a great and proud city. I’m convinced the necessary actions we took will allow it to thrive and complete its turnaround for the next generation of Detroiters and Michiganders.”

— Gov. Rick Snyder, Oct. 28, 2013, after testifying in US District court regarding the city’s bankruptcy filing

Governor: Rick Snyder (R) michiganbusiness.org **Right-to-work state: Yes**
Population 2012: 9,916,056 **Population growth forecast 2013 thru 2017: 2.56%** **Median household income: \$53,223** **Median age: 39.4**

Work Force Education by Percentage



Rankings that Matter

GDP	13 (\$348,867*)
Business Tax Climate	14
Small Business Policy	11
Career Readiness Certificates	1 (438,346)
High School Graduation	40
Health	34

* Real GDP in US millions

Legislative Update

Business Leaders for Michigan in a December note wrote, “In a move toward more efficient and effective public service, the Regional Prosperity Initiative was enacted to encourage regions to collaborate and promote economic growth.” Other actions included “reducing state debt, reducing taxes for small and medium-sized businesses, and reducing obsolete or unnecessary regulations.”

- Gov. Snyder in October signed a bill to enhance the state’s business improvement zones by streamlining the process to establish a zone, authorizing zones to merge

with other zones, allowing for an enforcement mechanism for the lien of unpaid assessments, and to reduce the likelihood that a zone will be dissolved by the assessable property owners.

- A measure to increase the minimum wage from the current \$7.40 was sent to committee. So was a measure to repeal “prevailing wage” laws.
- A measure to clean up corporate income tax reporting law as it pertains to certain flow-through entities became law.

Did You Know?

- Michigan is one of the fastest-growing venture capital states in the country, with VC funding up 69 percent in the state since 2008.
- Michigan’s 15 public universities are responsible for more than 120,000 jobs, with spending and earnings accounting for \$23.9 billion in economic activity, according to a Dec. 2013 report from the Anderson Economic Group commissioned by the Presidents Council, State Universities of Michigan.
- Michigan posted merchandise exports of \$25.4 billion to Canada in 2012, 44.6 percent of the state’s total merchandise exports.
- Forty of Michigan’s 83 counties touch at least one of the Great Lakes.
- **Snapshot 1954:** In 1954 the Hudson Motor Car Co. merged with Nash-Kelvinator to become American Motors, and car production was moved to Wisconsin. Hudson and Nash vehicles were eventually discontinued by AMC under the leadership of company president George W. Romney, who later served as governor of Michigan and U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Selected Corporate Facility Projects 2013

Company	City	County	Type	New/Exp.	Product	Investment (\$ millions)	Employment
Ford	Flat Rock	Wayne	MF	E	Automobiles	\$555	1,400
General Motors	Milford Twp.	Oakland	OF	N	Data Center	258	
General Motors	Flint	Genesee	MF	E	Engines	215	
Perrigo	Holland Township	Ottawa	MF	E	Pharmaceuticals	200	400
Cosma International	Battle Creek	Calhoun	MF	N	Auto Parts	162	572
Fairlife, LLC	Coopersville	Ottawa	MF	N	Food Processing	128	133
Axle Alliance	Redford T’ship	Wayne	MF	N	Automotive	116	204
Brembo	Detroit	Wayne	MF	N	Auto Parts	109	
Denso	Battle Creek	Calhoun	MF	E	Auto Parts	105	266
Jackson National Life Insurance	Lansing	Ingham	HQ	E	Insurance	100	
Detroit Diesel Corporation	Detroit	Wayne	MF	N	Automotive	77	79
Norplas Industries	Delta Twp.	Eaton	MF	N	Auto Parts	75	400
Denso International America, Inc.	Southfield	Oakland	RD	E	Automotive	46	176
General Motors	Lansing	Ingham	DW	N	Automobiles	44	200
Perrigo	Allegan	Allegan	HQ	E	Pharmaceuticals	42	250
Chrysler Group	Dundee	Monroe	MF	E	Cranks	40	
Dairy Farmers of America	Cass City	Tuscola	MF	N	Milk	40	
Samvardhana Motherson Reflectec	Marysville	St. Clair	MF	E	Mirrors	40	50
SMR	Marysville	St. Clair	MF	E	Automotive	40	366
Nexteer Automotive	Saginaw	Saginaw	MF	E	Automotive	36	320
Chelsea Milling Co.	Chelsea	Washtenaw	MF	E	Flour	35	
Faurecia North America	Auburn Hills	Oakland	HQ	N	Auto Parts	30	
Flex-N-Gate Stamping LLC	Warren	Macomb	MF	E	Sheet Metal	30	100
Kirco Management Holding Co.	Detroit	Wayne	DW	E	Logistics	30	31
Lake Trust Credit Union	Brighton Township	Livingston	HQ	N	Credit Union	30	100
Post Foods	Battle Creek	Calhoun	HQ	E	Cereal	30	92

MF = Manufacturing OF = Office HQ = Headquarters RD = Research & Development CC = Contact Center DW = Distribution/Warehouse

N = New E = Expansion

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REASONS WHY MICHIGAN MEANS BUSINESS

- Michigan's economy is at a 10-year high
- 200,000 new jobs added, unemployment down 40% to 8.4% (as of 5/13)
- Personal income up 3.5%, matching the national average
- A \$1.5 billion budget deficit eliminated, saving \$20 billion in long-term liability (\$2,000 per resident)
- A job-killing Michigan Business Tax replaced by a flat 6% Corporate Income Tax, catapulting the state's tax ranking from #49 to #7
- Leads the nation with 88,100 new manufacturing jobs since 2009
- State taxes reduced by at least 80% for businesses of all sizes
- Workers' compensation premiums decreased by 7% per year the last two years, the best of any Midwestern state
- The Michigan Unemployment Trust Fund holds a \$1.5 billion surplus, versus a previous \$3.9 billion unfunded liability, eliminating tax penalties
- The state's "rainy day" development fund has grown to \$505 million