

2020 STATE OF FLINT KIDS

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Health & Healthcare

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Mothers, Children & Families

In 2018, the rate of children placed in foster care due to abuse or neglect was less than half the rate in 2009:

19.4 vs 8.6
per 1,000 children in 2009
per 1,000 children in 2018



More mothers are planning on breastfeeding in Flint, from

43% to 56%
in 2008 in 2018



Nutrition

7% of Flint children live within 1 mile of a grocery store.

Over 60% of Flint families with children received SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits in 2017, and about 33% in Genesee County.

Community & Environment

Over 9,000 lead and galvanized service lines have been replaced in the Flint water system as of January 2019.



218 Flint homes had state-funded repairs to remove lead risk from 2014 through 2018.

Quality of Life & Economy

69% of children under age 5 in Flint live in poverty.



Unemployment in Flint is down from 21% in 2010 to 9% in 2018.

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GOOD NEWS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

Education

- In 2017, 15% more Flint 3- and 4-year-olds were in preschool (total 45%) than in 2013.
- The high school dropout rate was down 20% in 2017 from 2016 for students in Flint (20% vs 25%).
- The Dolly Parton Imagination Library has distributed over 135,000 free books to Flint area children since January 2017.
- The number of Flint 3- and 4-year olds in the Early On preschool program has more than doubled since 2014.

Health & Healthcare

- Rates of children 19-35 months getting all immunizations have been increasing, up to 71% in August 2019.
- 98% of children in Flint have health insurance. Over 26,000 are enrolled in the Flint Medicaid water benefit.
- 54% of children with Medicaid in Flint have at least one dental service annually, compared to 49% statewide.

Mothers, Children & Families

- 56% of mothers planned or started breastfeeding their newborns in 2018, up from 43% in 2008.
- The teen birth rate in Flint is steadily decreasing, at 24/1000 in 2014-2016 vs 49/1000 in 2007-2009.
- The rate of children in foster care due to abuse or neglect in 2018 (8.6/1000) was less than half that in 2009.

Nutrition

- In Genesee County, 1.4% of consumer expenditures are on produce, more than in many Michigan counties and nationwide.
- The child food insecurity rate in Genesee County dropped from 23% in 2013 to 19% in 2017.

Community & Environment

- Over 5,000 blighted and dangerous houses were demolished by the Flint Land Bank through 2018.
- 218 Flint homes had state-funded repairs to remove lead risk between 2014 and 2018.
- Over 9,000 lead and galvanized pipes were replaced in the Flint water system in 2016 and 2017.

Quality of Life & Economy

- Unemployment in Flint is down from 21% in 2010 to 9% in 2018.
- The median Flint mortgage payment of \$888/month was 58% of the Michigan median in the period 2013-2017.

MORE TO KNOW:

- 84% of people age 25 or over in Flint had a high school diploma or higher in the period 2013-2017.
- 4,563 students were enrolled in Flint Community schools in the 2017-2018 school year, compared to 11,479 in 2010-2011.
- In the 2017-2018 school year, 14.9% of Flint Community Schools students were enrolled in special education (the same rate as in all Genesee County schools).

- 88% of Flint adults had health insurance in 2016.
- 7% of children's hospitalizations might have been avoidable in 2017.
- Among Genesee County ZIP codes, the difference between the highest and lowest life expectancies is 14 years, from 69 in ZIP 48505 to 83 in ZIP 48430.

- 14% of Flint babies were born prematurely in 2018.
- 8.1% of births had late or no prenatal care in Flint in 2017, compared to 6% in 2011.
- Between 2015 and 2017, infant mortality was 9.0/1000 births overall, 6.4 for White babies, and 15.2 for African American babies.
- In the period 2013-2017, 71% of Flint children lived in single-parent households.

- 63% of Flint families with children receive SNAP (food stamp benefits). In Genesee County, the rate is 33%.
- Almost 18,000 mothers, pregnant women, and children are enrolled in WIC in Genesee County.
- In Flint, 7% of children live within one mile of a grocery store.

- 37% of Flint houses were built before 1950, when the first lead paint laws were passed.
- Between 2013 and 2017, 19% of Flint households were without a vehicle.

- Median household income in Flint was \$26,330 in the period 2013-2017.
- 35% of Flint residents lived above 200% of poverty level in the period 2013-2017.
- 69% of 0 to 5-year olds in Flint lived below poverty level in the period 2013-2017.