

Minority Population, 2000 and 2005

Racial minorities held steady at about one-fifth of Michigan's population. The percentage of minorities in the urban counties is just over one-quarter. Almost three-fifths of the city population are minorities. Detroit had the highest proportion in 2005 (88.9 percent) while Traverse City had the lowest (4.0 percent).

Warren experienced nearly a doubling of its minority population or a 77 percent increase, while Wyoming's minority population increased 36.9 percent.

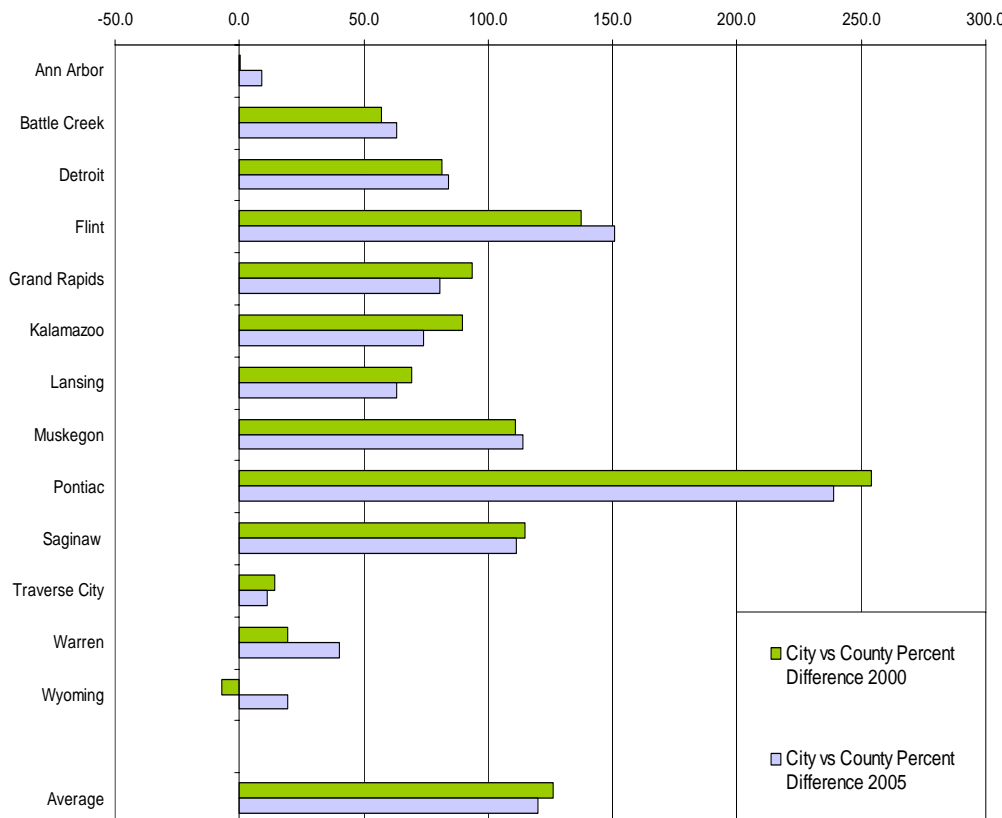
| | City Percent Minority 2000 | County Percent Minority 2000 | City vs. County Percent Difference 2000 | City Percent Minority 2005 | County Percent Minority 2005 | City vs. County Percent Difference 2005 | City vs. County Percentage Point Difference 2005 |
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| Ann Arbor | 22.7 | 22.6 | 0.4 | 25.5 | 23.4 | 9.0 | 2.1 |
| Battle Creek | 25.3 | 16.1 | 57.1 | 25.3 | 15.5 | 63.2 | 9.8 |
| Detroit | 87.7 | 48.3 | 81.6 | 88.9 | 48.3 | 84.1 | 40.6 |
| Flint | 58.6 | 24.7 | 137.2 | 60.7 | 24.2 | 150.8 | 36.5 |
| Grand Rapids | 32.7 | 16.9 | 93.5 | 32.5 | 18.0 | 80.6 | 14.5 |
| Kalamazoo | 29.2 | 15.4 | 89.6 | 27.7 | 15.9 | 74.2 | 11.8 |
| Lansing | 34.7 | 20.5 | 69.2 | 32.6 | 20.0 | 63.0 | 12.6 |
| Muskegon | 39.4 | 18.7 | 110.7 | 39.4 | 18.4 | 114.1 | 21.0 |
| Pontiac | 60.9 | 17.2 | 254.1 | 67.8 | 20.0 | 239.0 | 47.8 |
| Saginaw | 53.0 | 24.7 | 114.6 | 53.0 | 25.1 | 111.2 | 27.9 |
| Traverse City | 4.0 | 3.5 | 14.3 | 4.0 | 3.6 | 11.1 | 0.4 |
| Warren | 8.7 | 7.3 | 19.2 | 15.4 | 11.0 | 40.0 | 4.4 |
| Wyoming | 15.7 | 16.9 | -7.1 | 21.5 | 18.0 | 19.4 | 3.5 |
| Average | 58.7 | 26.0 | 126.0 | 59.4* | 27.0 | 120.0 | 32.4 |
| State | 19.8 | | | 20.0 | | | |

*Due to limitations of data availability, 2005 estimates in Battle Creek, Muskegon, Saginaw, and Traverse City are derived from the 2000 Census.

Note: Minority population is defined as all single-race non-white persons and all multiracial persons. Hispanic is not a racial designation, therefore non-white Hispanics are included. See Page 16 for Hispanic/Latino population.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; American Community Survey.

The percentage of minorities increased in cities, counties and in the State.



While cities increased slightly in percentage of minority population over the 2000 to 2005 period, county minority populations grew at a faster rate. During this period, the percentage of minorities increased in cities by 0.7 percent, in counties by 1 percent, and in the State by 0.2 percent.

The increase in minority population in counties accounts for the narrowing of the gap between city and county minority populations, changing from 32.7 percent in 2000 to 32.4 percent in 2005.



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