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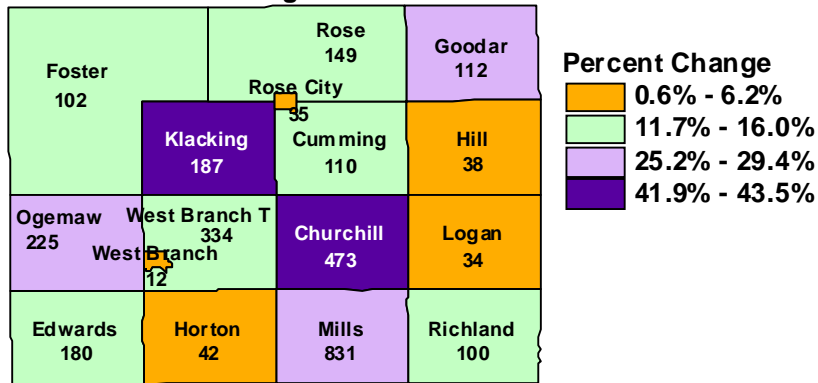
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Population

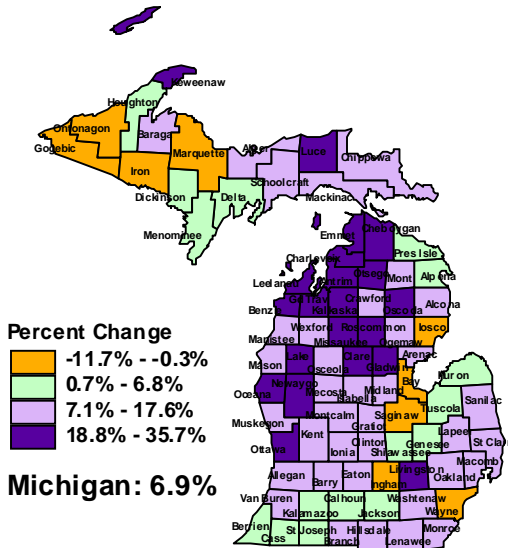
Ogemaw County

Population Change from 1990 to 2000

Number Change



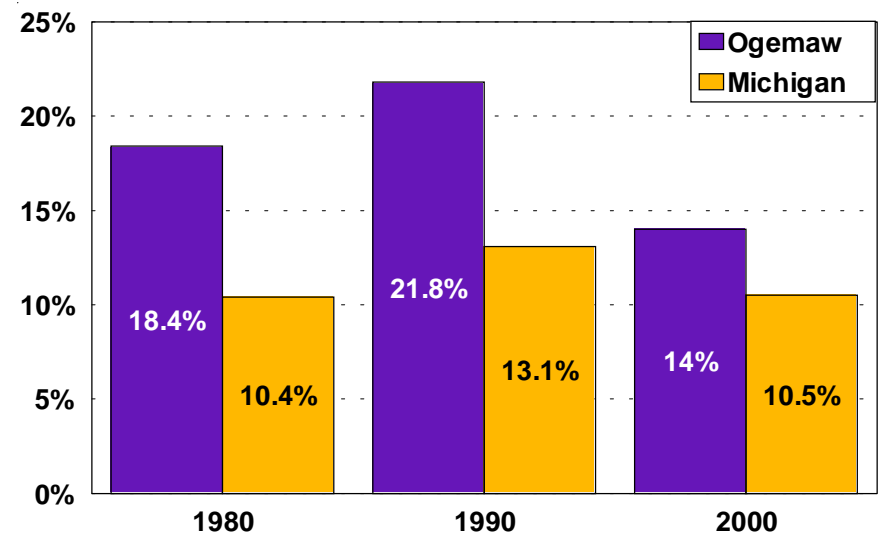
- ◆ Ogemaw County had 21,645 people in 2000, ranking as the 63rd most populous county in Michigan. The population increased by 2,964 persons, or 15.9% since 1990.
- ◆ Klacking Township showed the largest percentage gain from 1990 to 2000 at 43.5 percent. Mills Township showed the largest number gain of 831 people.
- ◆ There were 237 live births in Ogemaw in 2000, of which 26 were to mothers age 19 and under, 192 to mothers age 20 to 34 and 19 to mothers age 35 and over.
- ◆ Population change (based on percent change) varied widely across Michigan counties.



Poverty

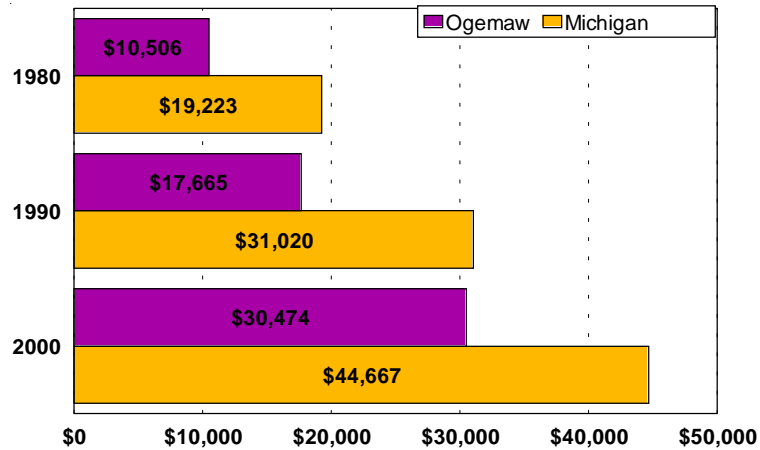
- ◆ In 2000, 2,983 persons in Ogemaw County were below the poverty line, decreasing from 3,995 persons in 1990.
- ◆ The poverty threshold for a family of four in 2000 was \$17,603. In 1990, it was \$13,360.
- ◆ Though poverty rates for most groups were down in 2000 compared to 1990, female-headed families with related children still experienced very high rates. In Ogemaw County, 21 female-headed families with children under age 5 were below poverty, a rate of 48.1 percent.
- ◆ Children represent the highest poverty rate of any age group. 951 kids (ages 0-17) in Ogemaw County were below the poverty level in 2000. This represents one child in five. In 1990, 1,498 kids were poor.
- ◆ The poverty rate for Seniors (persons age 65 and over) in 2000 was 9.9 percent, this was down from the previous two decades when the rate was 17.2 percent (1990) and 19.4 percent (1980).

Poverty Rates of All Persons



Household Income

Median Household Income



- ◆ Between 1990 and 2000, households in Ogemaw County experienced an increase in real median income of 32.9 percent, from \$22,927 to \$30,474. Real income is adjusted for inflation based on changes in the Consumer Price Index.
- ◆ Compared to other Michigan counties, Ogemaw County ranked 73rd in 2000 in median household income.
- ◆ Michigan leads most other Mid-West states in median household income at \$44,467 ranking 3rd among the 12 states in the region. Nationally, we rank in the top third. The U.S. median income was \$41,994.
- ◆ PerCapita income in Ogemaw County in 1998 was \$15,938, compared to \$14,550 in 1990 (in 1998 dollars), a 9.5 percent increase.

Household Income Distribution in 2000

	\$0 - \$24,999	\$25,000 - \$49,999	\$50,000 - \$74,999	\$75,000+
Ogemaw	40.7%	34.2%	15.6%	9.6%
Michigan	26.5%	28.9%	20.6%	24.1%

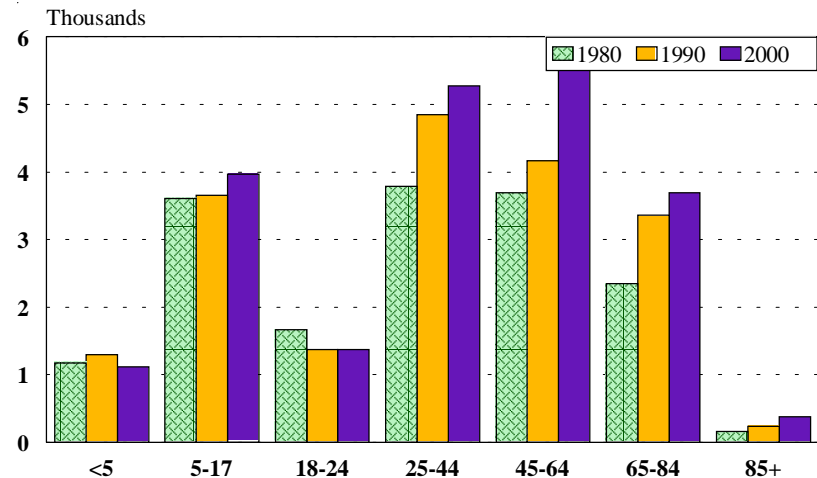
Age

The median age of Ogemaw residents continues to go up:

	1980	1990	2000
Ogemaw	33.3	37.0	42.3
Michigan	28.8	32.6	35.5
U.S.	30.0	33.0	35.3

- ◆ Of the 21,645 people who lived in Ogemaw in 2000, 57.7 percent were between 18 and 64 years of age; the remaining 42.3 percent included 5.2 percent children under the age of 5, 18.3 percent youth ages 5 to 17 and 18.8 percent over the age of 65.
- ◆ The fastest growing age group is the 45 to 64 year-olds, which includes the oldest of the “baby boomers.” This group grew by 1,679 or 40.4 percent since 1990.
- ◆ “Seasoned citizens,” those age 65 and over, grew by 706 or 21.0 percent since 1990. One in six Ogemaw residents is age 65 or older.

Age Distribution in Ogemaw County



Multiculturalism



- ◆ In 2000, Ogemaw County's population included 10,736 males and 10,909 females, or 49.6 percent and 50.4 percent respectively. For Michigan, males represent 48.7 percent and females 51.3 percent.
- ◆ Of the 8,842 households living in Ogemaw County in 2000, 7,482 or 84.6 percent owned their own home and 1,360 or 15.4 percent rented. For Michigan, the rate of home ownership was 73.8 percent and 26.2 percent rented.
- ◆ Six to ten percent of the U.S. population are gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered persons according to the *Cultural Diversity Sourcebook*.
- ◆ One out of five Michigan citizens, approximately two million people, experience a disability according to the Michigan Centers for Independent Living.

Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin: 2000

	Ogemaw County		Michigan
	Number	Percent	Percent
White*	20,906	96.6	78.6
Black*	28	0.1	14.1
American Indian*	121	0.6	0.5
Asian*	81	0.4	1.8
Other*	10	0.0	0.1
Two or more races*	247	1.1	1.6
Hispanic or Latino	252	1.2	3.3

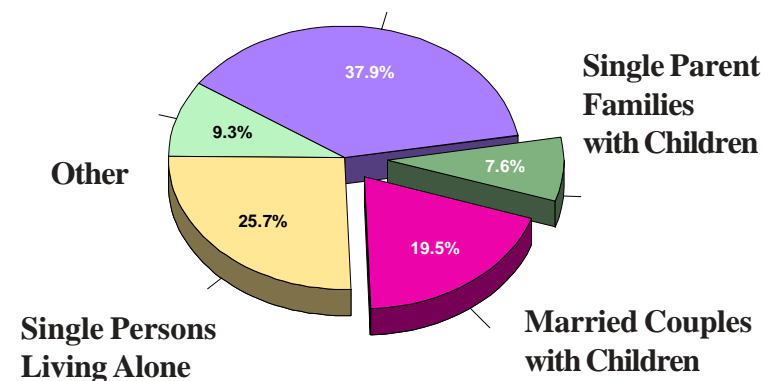
* Not Hispanic or Latino

Households & Families

- ◆ There were 8,842 households in Ogemaw County in 2000 with an average size of 2.4 persons and 6,189 families with an average family size of 2.9 persons.
- ◆ There were 153 marriages in Ogemaw County during 2000, down from 1990 when 154 marriages occurred. Across the state, marriage numbers and rates have fallen since the '70s.
- ◆ The divorce rate in Ogemaw County in 1990 was 3.6 when 34 divorces occurred. In 2000, the rate was 10.6 when 112 marriages ended in divorce.
- ◆ In 2000, 36,922 Michigan children were impacted by divorce of their parents. These numbers have declined since 1976 when Michigan reached a peak of 49,555 children involved in divorce.
- ◆ 80 grandparents were responsible for their grandchildren in Ogemaw County in 2000, representing 31.1 percent of all grandparents living with their own grandchildren.
- ◆ In 2000, 1,164 children in Ogemaw County under age 18 lived with a single parent. This represented 23.6 percent of all children in Ogemaw. In Michigan, 25.1 percent of all children lived in single parent families.

Types of Households in Ogemaw County

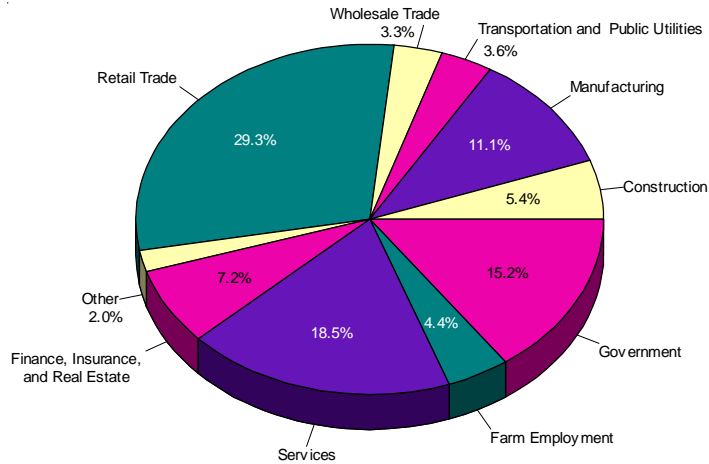
Married Couples without Children



2000 Census of Population and Housing

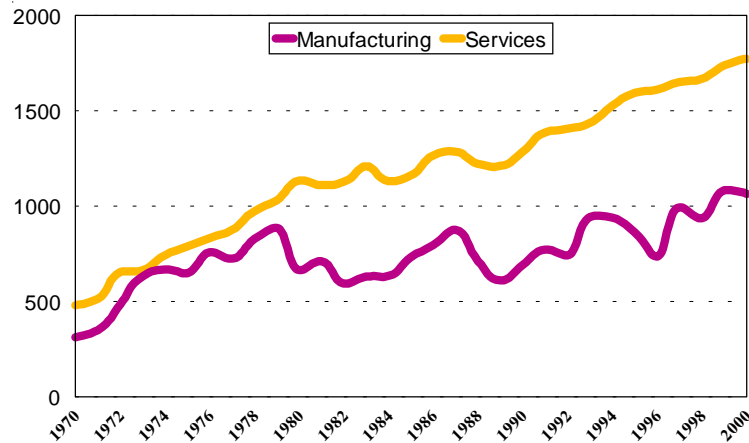
Employment

2000 Employment by Industry in Ogemaw County



- ◆ The total number of full- and part-time jobs has increased in Ogemaw from 6,593 in 1990 to 9,557 in 2000, a 45.0 percent increase.
- ◆ The retail trade industry saw the largest number gain since 1990, adding 1,365 jobs. The finance, insurance, and real estate industry had the largest percentage increase at 128.8 percent, adding 389 jobs.

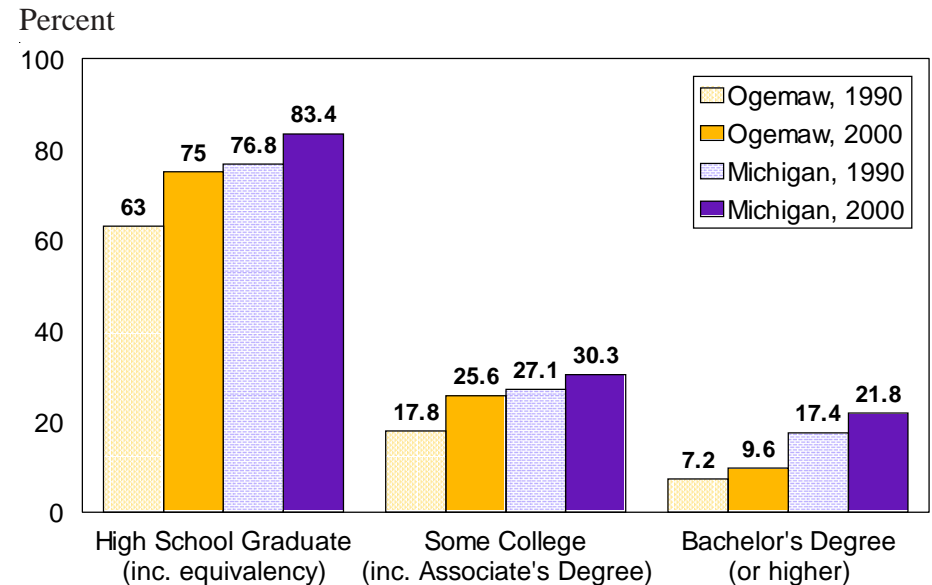
Jobs in Manufacturing & Services



Education

- ◆ High school graduation rates increased significantly from 1990 to 2000 for persons age twenty-five and over – by 12.0 percentage points in Ogemaw County and 6.6 percentage points in Michigan. This is due largely to the fact that a much higher rate of young adults (age 25-29) has completed high school than those in older age groups.
- ◆ Ogemaw County lags behind Michigan for those persons age 25 and over with a college degree. In 2000, 21.8 percent in Michigan had a college degree; in Ogemaw County the rate was 9.6 percent. Ogemaw ranks 77th among Michigan's 83 counties for persons age 25 and over with a college degree.
- ◆ 86 teenagers age 16 to 19 in Ogemaw County were not enrolled in school and not high school graduates for a rate of 7.5 percent. This compares with a Michigan rate of 8.7 percent and a national rate of 9.8 percent.

Educational Attainment Persons 25 and Over



Where Ogemaw County Residents Work

Ogemaw County residents who worked in their own county:

	2000	1990	1980
Number	5,972	4,785	3,520
Percent	74.4	81.1	86.7

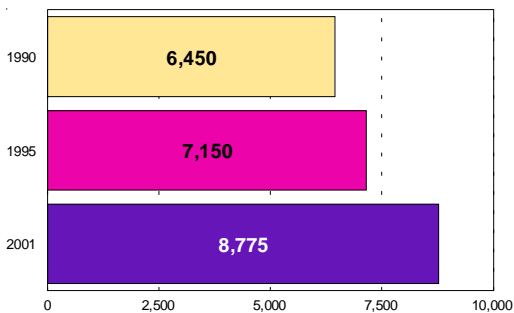
Ogemaw County residents who worked outside Their County of Residence, but in Michigan:

	2000	1990	1980
Number	2,019	1,086	538
Percent	25.1	18.4	13.3

Ogemaw County residents who worked outside Michigan:

	2000	1990	1980
Number	41	32	0
Percent	0.5	0.5	0.0

- 77.3 percent of all Ogemaw County women with school age children were in the labor force in 2000, over 13 percentage points higher than in 1990. 69.0 percent of women with children under the age of six were working in 2000, compared to 48.8 percent in 1990.
- The Labor Force consists of those who are employed and those currently unemployed but seeking employment. Ogemaw's labor force has grown from 7,200 in 1990 to 9,325 in 2000.
- 54.2 percent of Ogemaw's population age 16 and over were in the labor force in 2000, up from 50.4 percent in 1990.

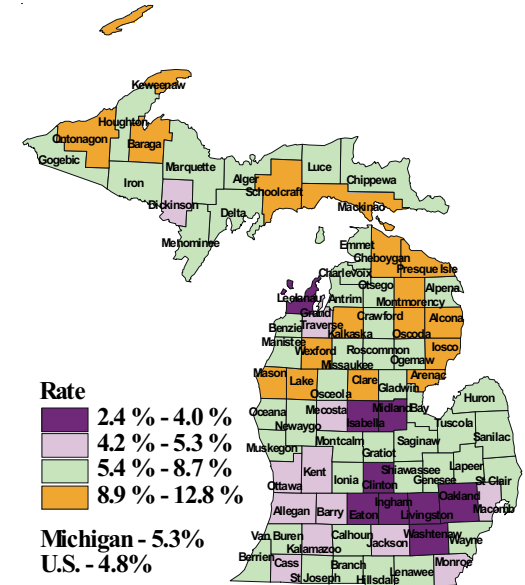


Total Number of Ogemaw County Persons Employed

- In 1990, 89.6 percent of the labor force was employed; in 2000 that increased to 93.8 percent employed.

2001 Unemployment Rate

- Even though Michigan's overall unemployment rate was low in 2001, many counties continue to experience high rates.
- Ogemaw County's annual average unemployment rate in 2001 was 8.3 percent, compared to 6.2 percent in 2000 and 10.1 percent in 1990. 800 people were unemployed in 2001, compared to 725 in 1990.
- Michigan experienced high unemployment rates during the early '90s. In 1994 for the first time Michigan's rate was lower than the U.S. rate.



Unemployment Rate: 1980 - 2001

