

Southwest Michigan – Berrien, Cass and Van Buren Counties 2000 and 2009 Population Estimates¹

Population by County, 2000 and 2009

	Population (2000)	Population (2009 Estimate)	Percent Change (’00 – ’09)
Berrien County	162,556	160,472	-1.3%
Cass County	51,118	49,925	-2.3%
Van Buren County	76,352	78,227	2.5%
Southwest Michigan Total	290,026	288,624	-0.5%

Population by Municipality Type, 2009

	Count	Population (2009 Estimate)	Percent of Total (2009: 288,624)
Cities	13	58,853	20.4%
Villages	20	23,983	8.3%
Townships	55	205,788	71.3%
American Indian Tribes	1	2000 population: 745 ²	0.3%

Most populous municipalities (2009, all are in Berrien County)

- Benton charter township, 15,195
- Niles township, 13,239
- Lincoln charter township, 10,333
- City of Niles, 11,262
- City of Benton Harbor, 10,826

Least populous municipalities (2009)

- Village of Bloomingdale, Van Buren County, 495
- Village of Vandalia, Cass County, 389
- Village of Grand Beach, Berrien County, 243
- Village of Breedsville, Van Buren County, 220
- Village of Michiana, Berrien County, 194

¹ Source: U.S. Census Incorporated Places and Minor Civil Division Population Estimates, 2000 and 2009, <http://www.census.gov/popest/cities/>

² Source: Table 37. U.S. Census American Indian and Alaska Native Alone and Alone or in Combination Population by Tribe for Michigan: 2000, <http://www.census.gov/population/www/cen2000/briefs/phc-t18/index.html>

Berrien County 2000 and 2009 Population Estimates³

Municipality			Percent Change
	2000	2009	('00 – '09)
Bainbridge township	3,140	3,106	-1.1%
Baroda township	2,022	2,021	0.0%
Benton charter township	16,248	15,195	-6.5%
Berrien township	4,760	4,969	4.4%
Bertrand township	2,389	2,554	6.9%
Buchanan township	3,520	3,628	3.1%
Chikaming township	3,679	3,674	-0.1%
City of Benton Harbor	11,316	10,826	-4.3%
City of Bridgman	2,429	2,407	-0.9%
City of Buchanan	4,678	4,358	-6.8%
City of Coloma	1,592	1,461	-8.2%
City of New Buffalo	2,205	2,438	10.6%
City of Niles (Berrien County)	12,186	11,262	-7.6%
City of St. Joseph	8,783	8,491	-3.3%
City of Watervliet	1,841	1,743	-5.3%
Coloma charter township	5,223	5,105	-2.3%
Galien township	1,022	1,058	3.5%
Hagar township	3,964	3,898	-1.7%
Lake charter township	3,154	3,138	-0.5%
Lincoln charter township	12,801	13,233	3.4%
New Buffalo township	2,047	2,306	12.7%
Niles township	13,344	13,239	-0.8%
Oronoko charter township	7,812	7,923	1.4%
Pipestone township	2,152	2,213	2.8%
Royalton township	3,902	4,646	19.1%
Sodus township	2,144	2,156	0.6%
St. Joseph charter township	9,192	8,821	-4.0%
Three Oaks township	1,120	1,081	-3.5%
Village of Baroda	864	877	1.5%
Village of Berrien Springs	2,026	1,923	-5.1%
Village of Eau Claire	655	623	-4.9%
Village of Galien	592	557	-5.9%
Village of Grand Beach	221	243	10.0%
Village of Michiana	200	194	-3.0%
Village of Shoreham	861	824	-4.3%
Village of Stevensville	1,176	1,137	-3.3%
Village of Three Oaks	1,828	1,703	-6.8%
Watervliet township	3,404	3,482	2.3%
Weesaw township	2,065	1,960	-5.1%
Berrien County Total	162,556	160,472	-1.3%

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Cass County 2000 and 2009 Population Estimates⁴

Municipality	2000	2009	Percent Change ('00 – '09)
Calvin township	2,045	2,008	-1.8%
City of Niles (Cass County)	5	10	100.0%
City of Dowagiac	6,004	5,635	-6.1%
Howard township	6,306	5,952	-5.6%
Jefferson township	2,422	2,589	6.9%
LaGrange township	1,587	1,440	-9.3%
Marcellus township	1,549	1,476	-4.7%
Mason township	2,530	2,657	5.0%
Milton township	2,656	2,874	8.2%
Newberg township	1,704	1,568	-8.0%
Ontwa township	4,717	4,744	0.6%
Penn township	1,463	1,382	-5.5%
Pokagon township	2,189	2,108	-3.7%
Porter township	3,796	3,772	-0.6%
Silver Creek township	3,490	3,329	-4.6%
Village of Cassopolis	1,882	1,888	0.3%
Village of Edwardsburg	1,145	1,191	4.0%
Village of Marcellus	1,159	1,029	-11.2%
Village of Vandalia	431	389	-9.7%
Volinia township	1,173	1,123	-4.3%
Wayne township	2,865	2,761	-3.6%
Cass County Total	51,118	49,925	-2.3%

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Van Buren County 2000 and 2009 Population Estimates⁵

Municipality	2000	2009	Percent Change ('00 – '09)
Almena township	4,253	4,949	16.4%
Antwerp township	6,477	7,801	20.4%
Arlington township	2,055	2,036	-0.9%
Bangor township	2,125	2,150	1.2%
Bloomington township	2,842	2,900	2.0%
City of Bangor	1,952	1,841	-5.7%
City of Gobles	814	785	-3.6%
City of Hartford	2,472	2,460	-0.5%
City of South Haven	5,013	5,136	2.5%
Columbia township	2,485	2,490	0.2%
Covert township	3,141	3,080	-1.9%
Decatur township	1,990	2,030	2.0%
Geneva township	3,986	3,912	-1.9%
Hamilton township	1,802	1,833	1.7%
Hartford township	3,161	3,115	-1.5%
Keeler township	2,596	2,584	-0.5%
Lawrence township	2,283	2,374	4.0%
Paw Paw township	3,721	3,614	-2.9%
Pine Grove township	2,778	2,915	4.9%
Porter township	2,405	2,393	-0.5%
South Haven charter township	4,038	4,037	0.0%
Village of Bloomington	527	495	-6.1%
Village of Breedsville	234	220	-6.0%
Village of Decatur	1,925	1,831	-4.9%
Village of Lawrence	1,057	997	-5.7%
Village of Lawton	1,857	1,801	-3.0%
Village of Mattawan	2,528	2,839	12.3%
Village of Paw Paw	3,369	3,222	-4.4%
Waverly township	2,466	2,387	-3.2%
Van Buren County Total	76,352	78,227	2.5%

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