

HOW WE'RE TRACKING CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES IN MICHIGAN

# Michigan ACE Data Dashboard



## Childhood Experiences Matter

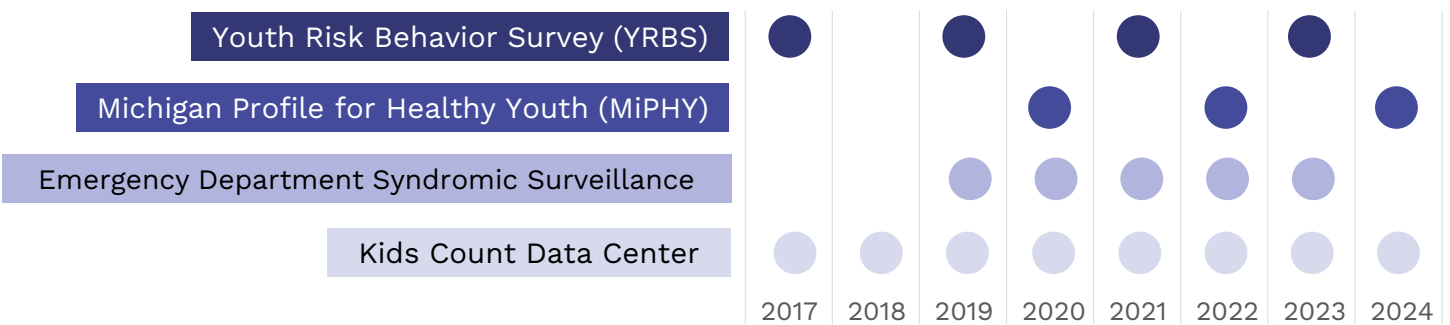
They predict physical health, mental health, and financial well-being throughout a person's life. Everyone has a mix of positive and adverse childhood experiences (also known as PCEs and ACEs, respectively). Children and adults are also influenced by a mix of strengths and risk factors in their home, community, neighborhood, and school environments. Understanding how ACEs and other factors impact Michigan's kids helps communities work to prevent ACEs and promote PCEs. The MIACEdata.org dashboard is a tool that makes data about childhood experiences easy to use and understand so that everybody can see data for their community and across the state.

## Dashboard Data Spans Across 9 Categories

Home & Family Environment	Access to Care	School Environment
Neighborhood & Community	Abuse/Neglect	System & Policy Factors
Chronic Diseases	Health Risk Behaviors	Mental Health

## Data on the MI ACE Dashboard

Data currently comes from these main sources: **Youth Surveys, Emergency Departments, and the Kids Count Data Center**. Data availability for each year varies by source.



## Are There Data for My Area?

Data on the dashboard come from three levels: **state, regional, and county**. The maps show examples of how different data sources may be displayed.

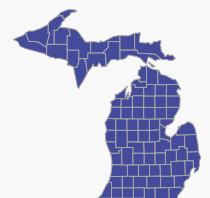
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Regional Level

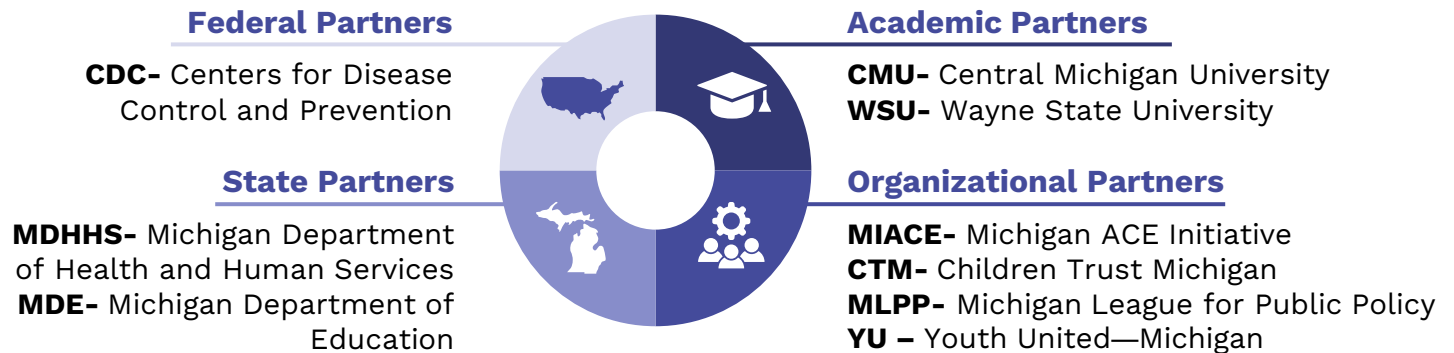


County Level



# Partners Making This Work Possible

Administered by the Michigan Public Health Institute (MPHI), this dashboard is a collaborative effort to prevent childhood adversity and promote resilience. It is guided by a **Data and Surveillance Team** to ensure Michigan’s community members can easily use and understand the data to support children’s well-being.



Since its launch in 2022, the dashboard has received 10, 250 views across its 9 major categories.

**Abuse and Neglect** and **Family and Home Environment** are the most visited categories.

	# Page Visits
Abuse Neglect	1,789
Home & Family Environment	1,642
Mental Health	1,224
School Environment	1,164
Health Risk Behavior	1,037
Access to Care	963
Neighborhood Community	929
Chronic Diseases	832
System Policy Factors	670

How users are turning dashboard data to action:

- Presentations to local schools on drug use trends and risks.
- Trainings to help explain to families, schools, and agencies how ACEs can affect the people they are working with.
- Included in grant writing for justification of need, as county-level ACE and PCE data can be challenging to find outside of the dashboard.

For maximum understanding, each data point is accompanied by a visual and a written interpretation of **what it means**.

[MIACEdata.org](https://MIACEdata.org)

See the Data in Action on the Michigan ACE Data Dashboard



## SAMPLES FROM THE DASHBOARD

**38.7%**

of high school students within Washtenaw County that completed the 2024 MIPHY survey reported knowing people in their neighborhood who encouraged them to do their best.



\* Since MIPHY is voluntary, the level of participation varies across school districts. Therefore, results for a county may not be representative of all high school students in that county.

### — What do these data tell us?

This figure shows us how many high school students said they have people in their neighborhood who encourage them to do their best.

Being encouraged to do their best by people in their neighborhood is an experience that may support healthy development among youth. Knowing how many students were encouraged to do their best by people in their neighborhood can help communities decide if programs such as mentoring, after school programs, and public education campaigns are right for them.

To learn more about proven programs that promote healthy development, [click here](#)