



**Community Profiles**

**City of Romulus**

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Romulus, MI 48174-1485  
<http://www.romulusgov.com/>



Census 2010 Population: 23,989  
Area: 36.0 square miles

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**Population Forecast**

Note for Romulus: Incorporated as a city in 1970 from Romulus Township. Population numbers prior to 1980 are of the township and for 1930 also the short-lived Village of Romulus.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and SEMCOG 2035 Forecast produced in 2007-08. ↑ - Move cursor over chart to view population numbers

Population and Households	Census 2000	Census 2010	Change 2000-2010	Pct Change 2000-2010	SEMCOG Jul 2011
Total Population	22,979	23,989	1,010	4.4%	23,850
Group Quarters Population	205	285	80	39.0%	285
Household Population	22,774	23,704	930	4.1%	23,565
Housing Units	8,943	9,946	1,003	11.2%	9,944
Households (Occupied Units)	8,439	8,975	536	6.4%	8,946
Residential Vacancy Rate	5.6%	9.8%	4.1%	-	10.0%
Average Household Size	2.70	2.64	-0.06	-	2.63

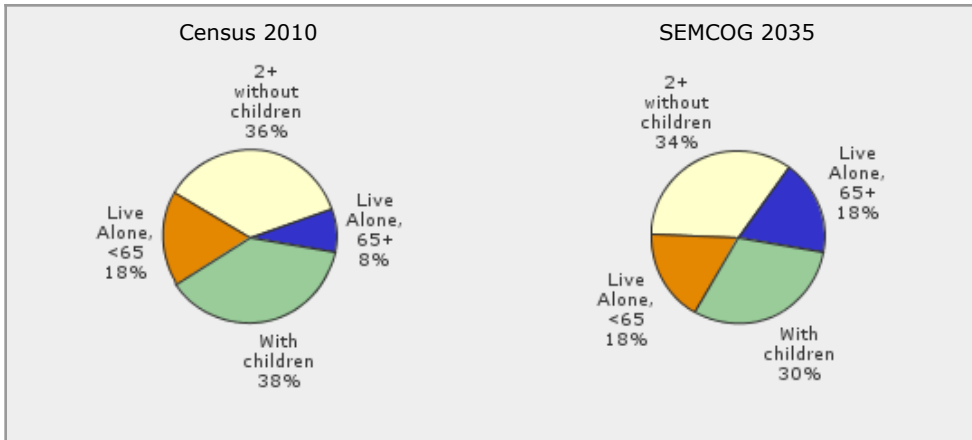
  

Components of Population Change	Annual Average	
	Census 1990-1999	SEMCOG 2000-2009
Natural Increase (Births - Deaths)	229	154
Births	425	372
Deaths	196	219
Net Migration (Movement In - Movement Out)	-221	50
Population Change (Natural Increase + Net Migration)	8	203

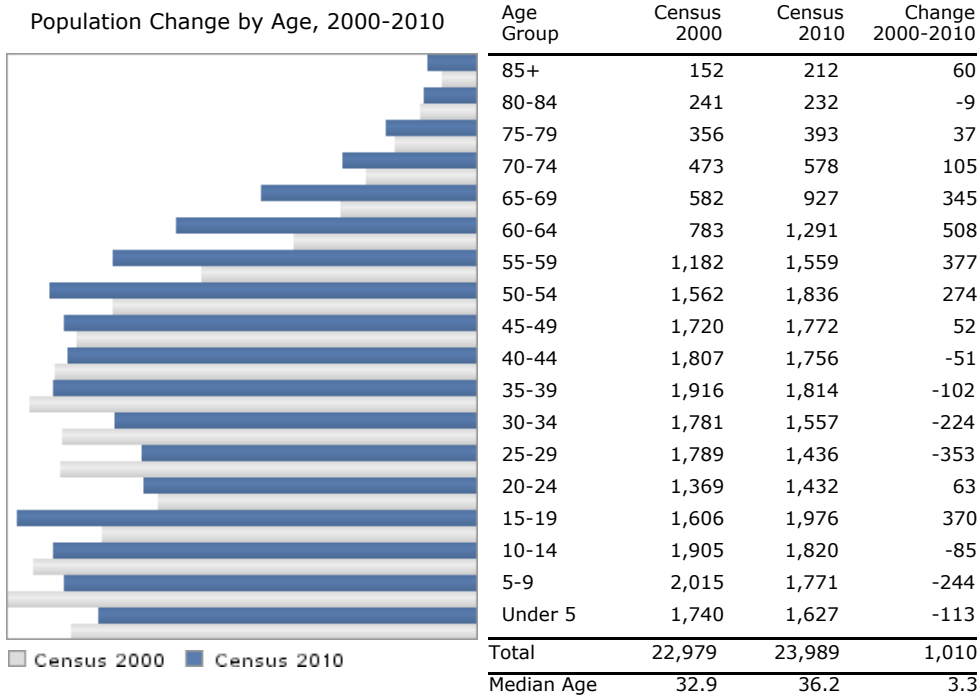
Source: Michigan Department of Community Health Vital Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, and SEMCOG.

## Demographics

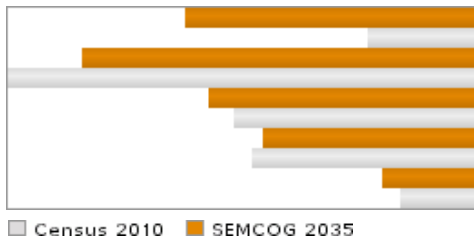
### Household Types



Household Types	Census 2000	Census 2010	Pct Change 2000-2010	SEMCOG 2035	Pct Change 2010-2035
With seniors 65+	1,429	1,862	30.3%	4,318	131.9%
Without seniors	7,010	7,113	1.5%	7,317	2.9%
Two or more persons without children	2,902	3,246	11.9%	4,013	23.6%
Live alone, 65+	604	732	21.2%	2,055	180.7%
Live alone, under 65	1,408	1,602	13.8%	2,041	27.4%
With children	3,525	3,395	-3.7%	3,526	3.9%
<b>Total Households</b>	<b>8,439</b>	<b>8,975</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>11,635</b>	<b>29.6%</b>



Forecasted Population by Age, 2010-2035



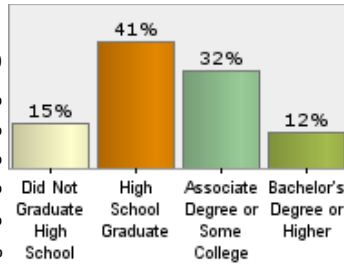
Age Group	Census 2010	SEMCOG 2035	Change 2010-2035
65+	2,342	6,229	3,887
35-64	10,028	8,434	-1,594
18-34	5,178	5,744	566
5-17	4,814	4,554	-260
Under 5	1,627	2,042	415
<b>Total</b>	<b>23,989</b>	<b>27,003</b>	<b>3,014</b>

Senior and Youth Population	Census 2000	Census 2010	Pct Change 2000-2010	SEMCOG 2035	Pct Change 2010-2035
65 and over	1,804	2,342	29.8%	6,229	166.0%
Under 18	6,711	6,441	-4.0%	6,596	2.4%
5 to 17	4,971	4,814	-3.2%	4,554	-5.4%
Under 5	1,740	1,627	-0.5%	2,042	25.5%

Note: Population by age changes over time because of the aging of people into older age groups, the movement of people, and the occurrence of births and deaths.

Race and Hispanic Origin	Census 2000		Census 2010		Percentage Point Chg 2000-2010
Non-Hispanic	22,516	98.0%	23,259	97.0%	-1.0%
White	14,773	64.3%	11,752	49.0%	-15.3%
Black	6,854	29.8%	10,251	42.7%	12.9%
Asian	135	0.6%	256	1.1%	0.5%
Multi-Racial	554	2.4%	830	3.5%	1.0%
Other	200	0.9%	170	0.7%	-0.2%
Hispanic	463	2.0%	730	3.0%	1.0%
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>22,979</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>23,989</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

Highest Level of Education*	5-Yr ACS 2010	Percentage Point Chg 2000-2010
Graduate / Professional Degree	5.0%	3.1%
Bachelor's Degree	6.9%	0.8%
Associate Degree	6.4%	1.1%
Some College, No Degree	25.6%	0.8%
High School Graduate	41.3%	3.1%
Did Not Graduate High School	14.8%	-8.8%



\* Population age 25 and over

Source Data

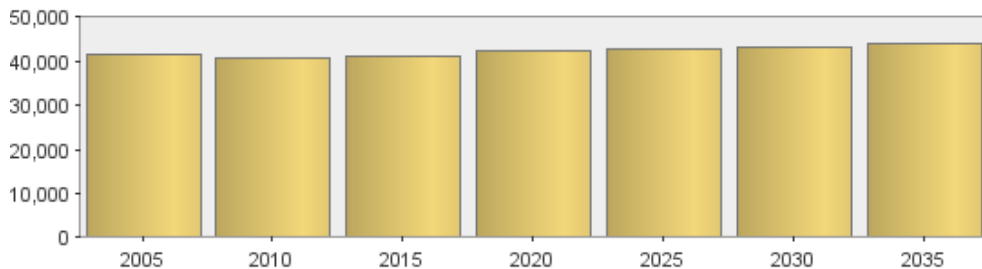
- [SEMCOG - Detailed Data](#)
- [Michigan Department of Community Health - Vital Statistics](#)
- [U.S. Census Bureau - American FactFinder](#)

Note: All SEMCOG employment numbers are by place-of-work and do not include Farming, Construction, or Military jobs. Some differences exist between Current Job Estimates and Forecasted Jobs. [Learn more](#)

Current Job Estimates by Industry	SEMCOG 2002	SEMCOG 2005	Change 2002-2005
Natural Resources & Mining	C	C	C
Manufacturing	6,609	5,191	-1,418
Wholesale Trade	1,147	1,245	98
Retail Trade	612	665	53
Transportation & Warehousing	17,556	17,890	334
Utilities	0	0	0
Information	C	C	C
Financial Activities	1,388	1,498	110
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	535	577	42
Management of Companies & Enterprises	351	425	74
Administrative, Support, & Waste Services	2,225	2,693	468
Education Services	693	711	18
Health Care & Social Assistance	452	369	-83
Leisure & Hospitality	2,368	3,111	743
Other Services	918	539	-379
Public Administration	1,088	2,176	1,088
<b>Total</b>	<b>36,180</b>	<b>37,247</b>	<b>1,067</b>

Note: "C" indicates data blocked due to confidentiality concerns of ES-202 files.

### Job Forecast



Incorporated as of the 1980 Census from Romulus Township. Employment numbers prior to 1980 are of the township.

If any five-year interval employment numbers from 2005-2035 are not shown, the numbers were blocked for confidentiality reasons.

Source: SEMCOG 2035 Forecast.

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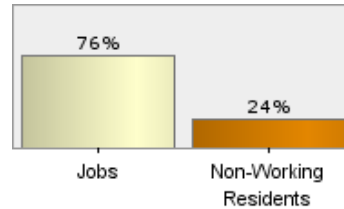
Forecasted Jobs by Industry	SEMCOG 2005	SEMCOG 2035	Change 2005-2035
Natural Resources & Mining	C	C	C
Manufacturing	4,861	2,315	-2,546
Wholesale Trade	1,479	1,065	-414
Retail Trade	970	657	-313
Transportation & Warehousing	19,360	21,666	2,306
Utilities	C	C	C
Information	C	C	C
Financial Activities	2,434	2,284	-150
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	940	1,241	301
Management of Companies & Enterprises	388	248	-140
Administrative, Support, & Waste Services	2,794	4,905	2,111
Education Services	786	809	23
Health Care & Social Assistance	531	1,968	1,437
Leisure & Hospitality	3,303	3,407	104
Other Services	1,236	1,331	95
Public Administration	2,224	2,105	-119
<b>Total</b>	<b>41,495</b>	<b>44,190</b>	<b>2,695</b>

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Daytime Population	SEMCOG and Census 2000	Change 1990-2000
Jobs	39,038	9,807
Non-Working Residents	12,466	-206
Age 15 and under	6,021	-87
Not in labor force	5,677	199
Unemployed	768	-318
Daytime Population	51,504	9,601



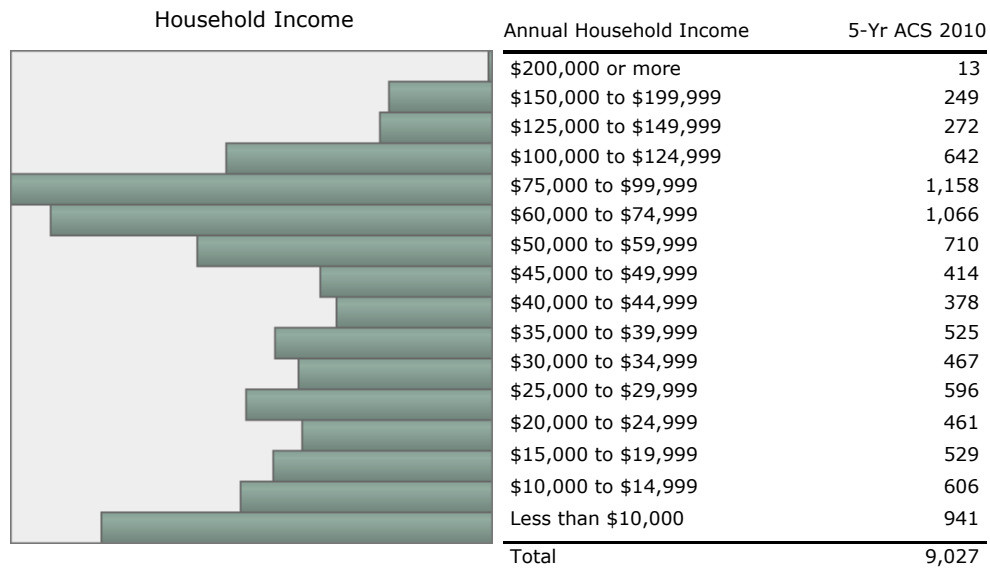
Note: The number of residents attending school outside Romulus is not available. Likewise, the number of students commuting into Romulus to attend school is also not known.

Where Workers Commute From *	Census 2000	
	Workers	Percent
1 Detroit	5,184	13.6%
2 Romulus	2,838	7.4%
3 Taylor	2,303	6.0%
4 Westland	1,847	4.8%
5 Canton Township	1,233	3.2%
6 Dearborn Heights	1,233	3.2%
7 Van Buren Township	1,092	2.9%
8 Inkster	1,017	2.7%
9 Dearborn	940	2.5%
10 Livonia	906	2.4%
- Elsewhere	19,576	51.3%
* Workers, age 16 and over, employed in Romulus	38,169	100.0%

### Resident Population

Where Residents Work *	Census 2000	
	Workers	Percent
1 Romulus	2,838	27.8%
2 Detroit	977	9.6%
3 Taylor	577	5.7%
4 Wayne	556	5.4%
5 Dearborn	499	4.9%
6 Livonia	489	4.8%
7 Westland	443	4.3%
8 Van Buren Township	351	3.4%
9 Canton Township	251	2.5%
10 Ann Arbor	221	2.2%
- Elsewhere	3,004	29.4%
* Workers, age 16 and over, residing in Romulus	10,206	100.0%

Income	5-Yr ACS 2010	Change 2000-2010	Percent Change 2000-2010
Median Household Income (in 2010 dollars)	\$ 45,100	\$ -13,914	-23.6%
Per Capita Income (in 2010 dollars)	\$ 20,759	\$ -4,998	-19.4%



Poverty	Census 2000		5-Yr ACS 2010		Percentage Point Chg 2000-2010
Persons in Poverty	2,868	12.6%	4,601	19.4%	6.8%
Households in Poverty	960	11.4%	1,650	18.3%	6.9%

### Source Data

[SEMCOG - Detailed Data](#)

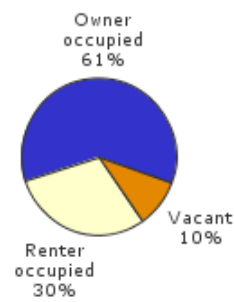
[U.S. Census Bureau - American FactFinder](#)

[U.S. Census Bureau - MCD/County Worker Flow Data](#)

Housing Type	Census 2000	5-Yr ACS 2010	Change 2000-2010	New Units Permitted 2010-2012
Single Family Detached	5,840	6,657	817	1
Duplex	93	145	52	0
Townhouse / Attached Condo	311	293	-18	0
Multi-Unit Apartment	1,696	1,943	247	0
Mobile Home / Manufactured Housing	1,003	829	-174	0
Other	0	0	0	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,943</b>	<b>9,867</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>1</b>
Units Demolished				- 5
<b>Net (Total Permitted Units - Units Demolished)</b>				<b>-4</b>

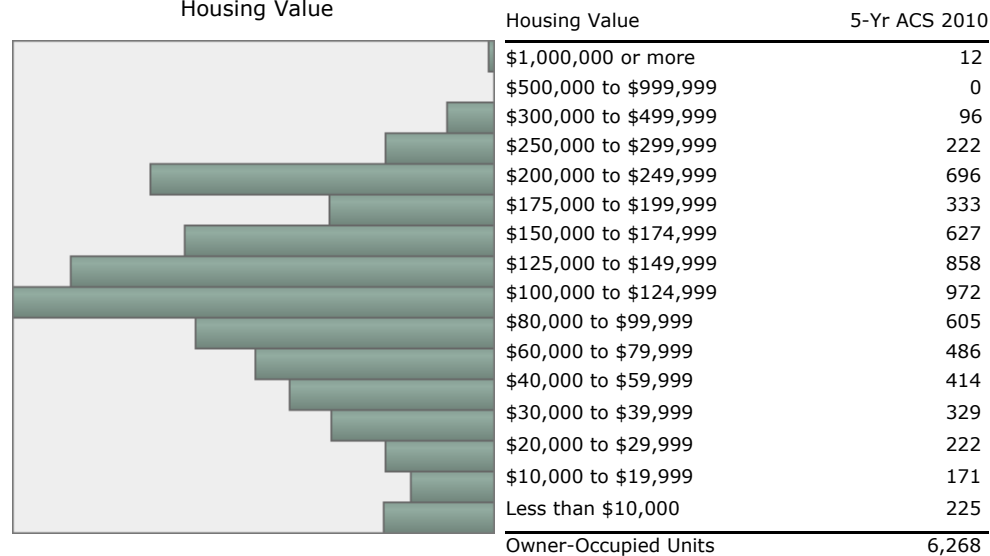
Housing Tenure	Census 2000	Census 2010	Change 2000-2010
Owner occupied	5,946	6,018	72
Renter occupied	2,493	2,957	464
Vacant	504	971	467
Seasonal/migrant	40	19	-21
Other vacant units	464	952	488
<b>Total Housing Units</b>	<b>8,943</b>	<b>9,946</b>	<b>1,003</b>

Housing Tenure in 2010



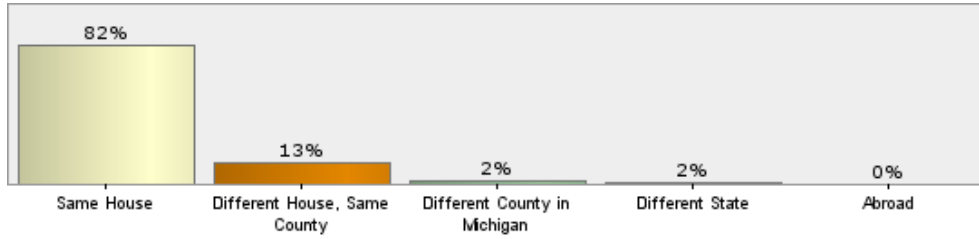
Housing Value (in 2010 dollars)	5-Yr ACS 2010	Change 2000-2010	Percent Change 2000-2010
Median housing value	\$ 117,500	\$ -4,284	-3.5%
Median gross rent	\$ 688	\$ 23	3.5%

Housing Value





### Residence One Year Ago \*



\* This table represents persons, age 1 and over, living in Romulus from 2006-2010. The table does not represent persons who moved out of Romulus from 2006-2010.

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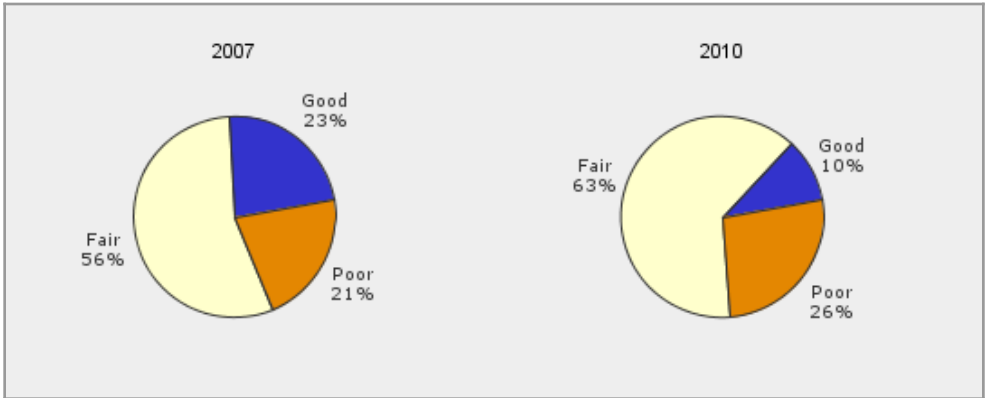
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## Roads & Bridges

### Roads

Miles of public road (including boundary roads): 243

Pavement Condition (in Lane Miles)



Note: Poor pavements are generally in need of rehabilitation or full reconstruction to return to good condition. Fair pavements are in need of capital preventive maintenance to avoid deteriorating to the poor classification. Good pavements generally receive only routine maintenance, such as street sweeping and snow removal, until they deteriorate to the fair condition.

Bridge Status	2007		2008		2009		Percentage Point Chg 2007-2009
Open	36	100.0%	38	100.0%	37	100.0%	0.0%
Open with restrictions	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
Closed*	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Total bridges</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

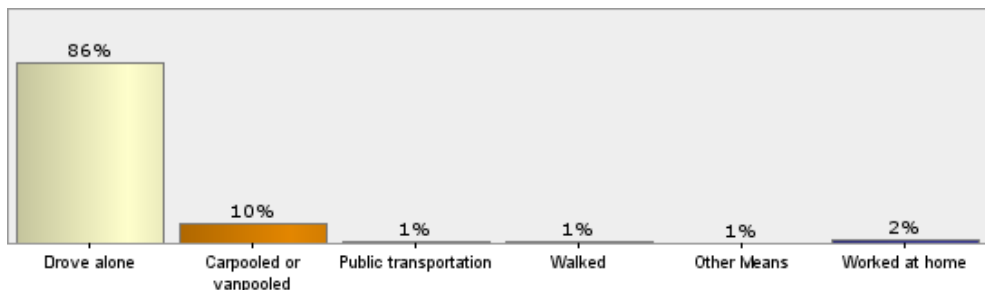
\* Bridges may be closed because of new construction or failed condition.

Deficient Bridges	2007		2008		2009		Percentage Point Chg 2007-2009
	10	27.8%	15	39.5%	13	35.1%	7.4%

Note: A bridge is considered deficient if it is *structurally deficient* (in poor shape and unable to carry the load for which it was designed) or *functionally obsolete* (in good physical condition but unable to support current or future demands, for example, being too narrow to accommodate truck traffic).

## Travel

Transportation to Work, 2010 \*



\* Resident workers age 16 and over

Transportation to Work	Census 2000		5-Yr ACS 2010		Percentage Point Chg 2000-2010
Drove Alone	8,664	84.5%	8,464	86.1%	1.6%
Carpooled or Vanpooled	1,110	10.8%	936	9.5%	-1.3%
Public Transportation	40	0.4%	88	0.9%	0.5%
Walked	172	1.7%	120	1.2%	-0.5%
Other Means	59	0.6%	50	0.5%	-0.1%
Worked at Home	209	2.0%	175	1.8%	-0.3%
Resident workers age 16 and over	10,254	100.0%	9,833	100.0%	0.0%

Mean Travel Time To Work	Census 2000	5-Yr ACS 2010	Change 2000-2010
For residents age 16 and over who worked outside the home	23.1 minutes	26.3 minutes	3.2 minutes

## Transit

Public Transportation:

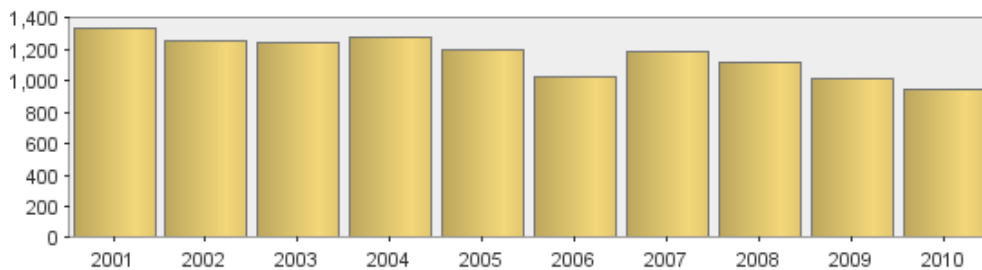
[Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation \(SMART\)](#)

Between Major Cities:

[Michigan Flyer](#)

## Safety

Crashes, 2001-2010



Source: Michigan Department of State Police, Criminal Justice Information Center, and SEMCOG.

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Crash Severity	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Percent of Crashes 2006-2010
Fatal	4	4	5	4	2	0.4%
Incapacitating Injury	26	32	36	18	21	2.5%
Other Injury	228	213	221	168	182	19.1%
Property Damage Only	773	937	861	820	740	78.0%
Total Crashes	1,031	1,186	1,123	1,010	945	100.0%

Crashes by Involvement	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Percent of Crashes 2006-2010
Red-light Running	34	42	43	32	33	3.5%
Lane Departure	189	242	227	225	203	20.5%
Alcohol	54	43	32	36	39	3.9%
Drugs	12	6	9	10	8	0.8%
Deer	30	21	27	30	25	2.5%
Train	3	1	0	0	0	0.1%
Commercial Truck/Bus	130	158	180	103	126	13.2%
School Bus	2	5	1	3	1	0.2%
Emergency Vehicle	15	9	11	7	9	1.0%
Motorcycle	19	19	20	12	16	1.6%
Intersection	363	341	323	273	227	28.8%
Work Zone	5	6	34	44	87	3.3%
Pedestrian	4	12	8	8	4	0.7%
Bicyclist	0	4	3	3	1	0.2%
Older Driver (65 and older)	164	221	178	174	165	9.4%
Young Driver (Under 25)	308	335	328	316	280	16.4%

#### High-Frequency Crash Intersections

Local Rank	County Rank	Region Rank	Intersection	Annual Avg 2006-2010
1	31	121	<a href="#">Merriman Rd @ Van Born Rd</a>	28.0
2	83	274	<a href="#">Middlebelt Rd @ Van Born Rd</a>	21.4
3	136	423	<a href="#">Eureka Rd @ Middlebelt Rd</a>	18.0
4	158	478	<a href="#">Wayne Rd S @ Van Born Rd</a>	17.2
5	177	528	<a href="#">Merriman Rd @ Ecorse Rd</a>	16.4
6	177	528	<a href="#">Middlebelt Rd @ Goddard Rd</a>	16.4
7	207	605	<a href="#">Eureka Rd @ Inkster Rd</a>	15.4
8	211	621	<a href="#">Ecorse Rd @ Inkster Rd</a>	15.2
9	211	621	<a href="#">Inkster Rd @ Van Born Rd</a>	15.2
10	217	637	<a href="#">Ecorse Rd @ Middlebelt Rd</a>	15.0

Note: Intersections are ranked by the number of reported crashes, which does not take into account traffic volume. Crashes reported occurred within 150 feet of the intersection.

## High-Frequency Crash Segments

Local Rank	County Rank	Region Rank	Segment	From Road - To Road	Annual Avg 2006-2010
1	199	782	<a href="#">Middlebelt Rd</a>	Hildebrandt Rd - Wick Rd	22.2
2	255	959	<a href="#">Van Born Rd</a>	Wayne Rd S - Howe Rd	20.2
3	261	978	<a href="#">Eureka Rd</a>	Wayne Rd - Eureka Rd	20.0
4	264	992	<a href="#">W G Rogell Dr</a>	John Dingell Dr - E/W Goddard/S W G Rogell Ramp	19.8
5	314	1,142	<a href="#">Van Born Rd</a>	Venoy Rd - Merriman Rd	18.4
6	329	1,192	<a href="#">Wayne Rd S</a>	W I 94/Wayne Ramp - Wick Rd	18.0
7	368	1,307	<a href="#">Van Born Rd</a>	Middlebelt Rd - Inkster Rd	17.2
8	409	1,417	<a href="#">Ecorse Rd</a>	Wayne Rd S - Merriman Rd	16.4
9	426	1,460	<a href="#">Eureka Rd</a>	Eureka Rd - Middlebelt Rd	16.2
10	451	1,534	<a href="#">Ecorse Rd</a>	Middlebelt Rd - Inkster Rd	15.8

Note: Segments are ranked by the number of reported crashes, which does not take into account traffic volume.

## Other Transportation Facilities











System Airports:

[Detroit Metropolitan Wayne Co. Airport](#)

## Source Data

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[U.S. Census Bureau - American FactFinder](#)

SEMCOG 2008 Land Use	Acres	Percent
 Agricultural	959	4.2%
 Single-family residential	6,926	30.1%
 Multiple-family residential	94	0.4%
 Commercial	1,303	5.7%
 Industrial	5,346	23.2%
 Governmental/Institutional	769	3.3%
 Park, recreation, and open space	243	1.1%
 Airport	4,993	21.7%
 Transportation, Communication, and Utility	2,150	9.3%
 Water	220	1.0%
<b>Total Acres</b>	<b>23,003</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Note: SEMCOG's 2008 Land Use data set represents land use only and not land cover. Due to this difference, change analysis using this data set and previous SEMCOG land use/land cover data sets is not possible. Noticeable differences in map appearance and classification acreage totals are the result of this land use data originating from digital parcel files assigned land use codes based on their assessed property class and the lack of any land cover data.

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