### Michigan's Economy: Past, Present, and Future

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### **Employment Losses During Michigan's Structural Transformation**

April 2000 – December 2000: 26,800

2001: 172,800

2002: 22,400

2003: 65,300

2004: 1,600

2005: 27,600

2006: 80,200

2007: 49,300

2008: 196,000

2009: 219,900

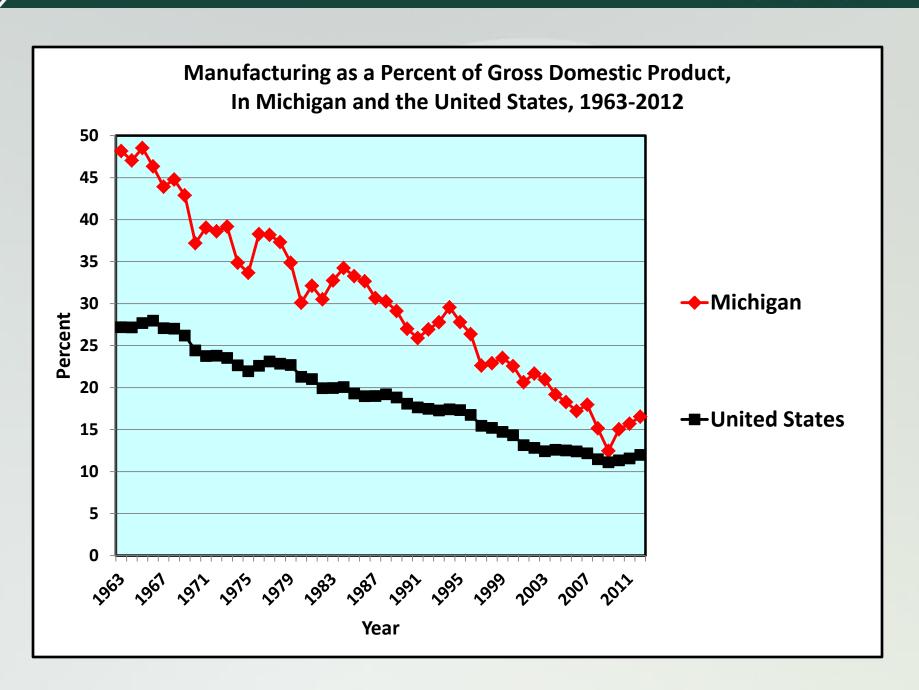
Total for the Period: 861,900

= 18% of the jobs in Michigan at the beginning of the slide.

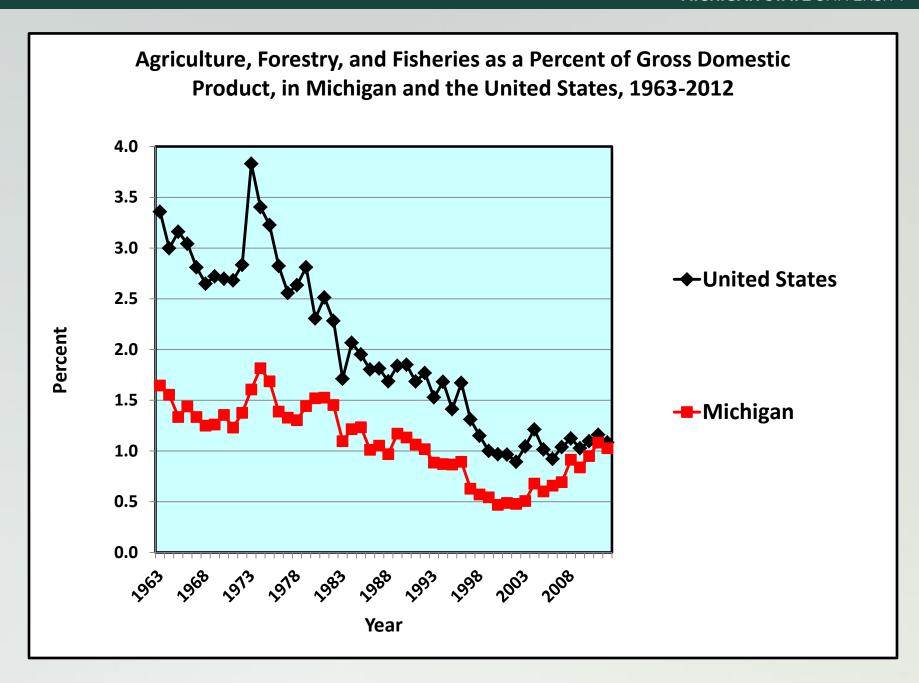
 But employment in Michigan has increased since early 2010.

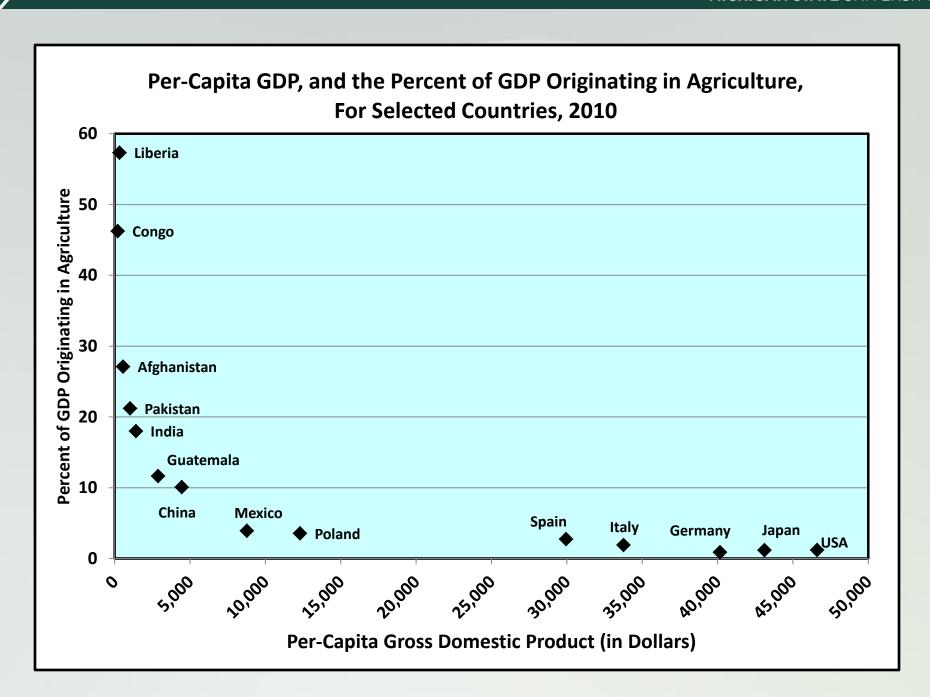
 Michigan employment is now up by more than 260,000 from its low point.

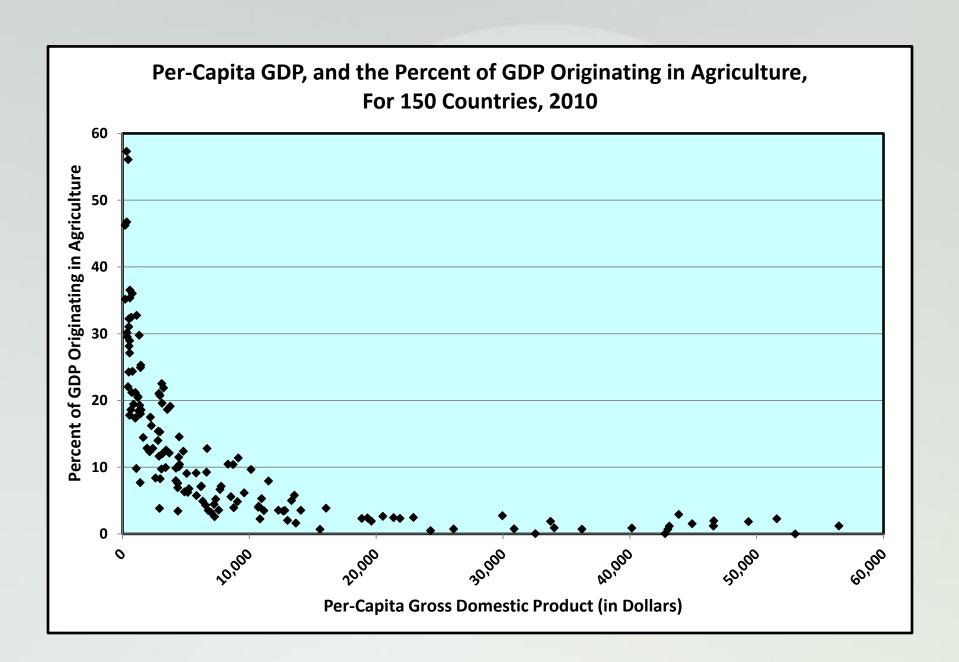
 As a result, Michigan no longer leads the nation in the rate of unemployment. Manufacturing's share of the economy has shrunk dramatically.



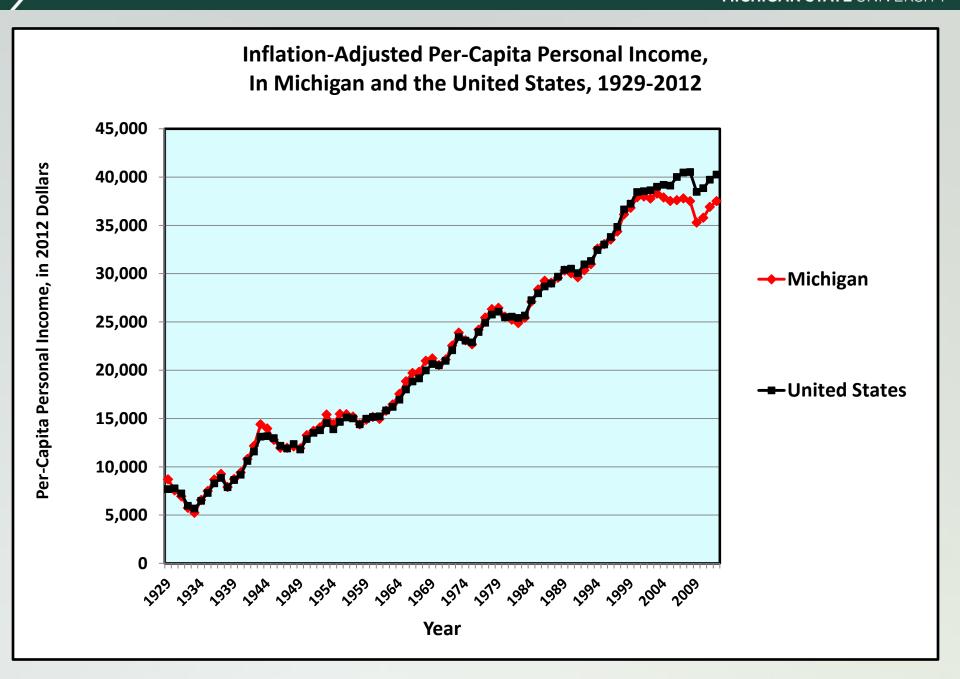
Agriculture's share of the economy has also shrunk, although the structural transition out of agriculture began long before the transition out of manufacturing.



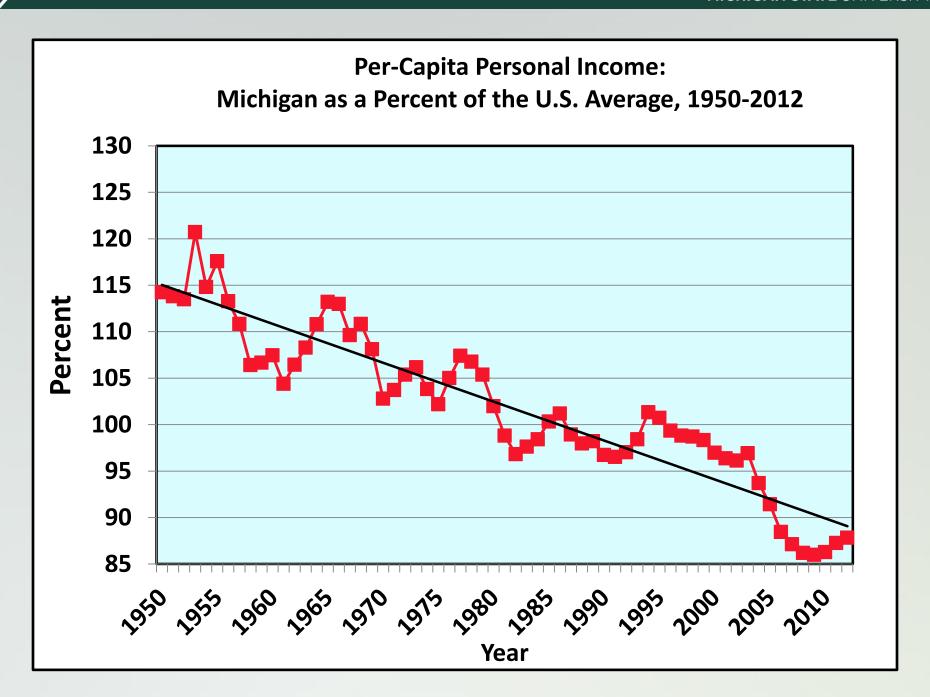




# Despite our struggles, Michigan is not a poor place.

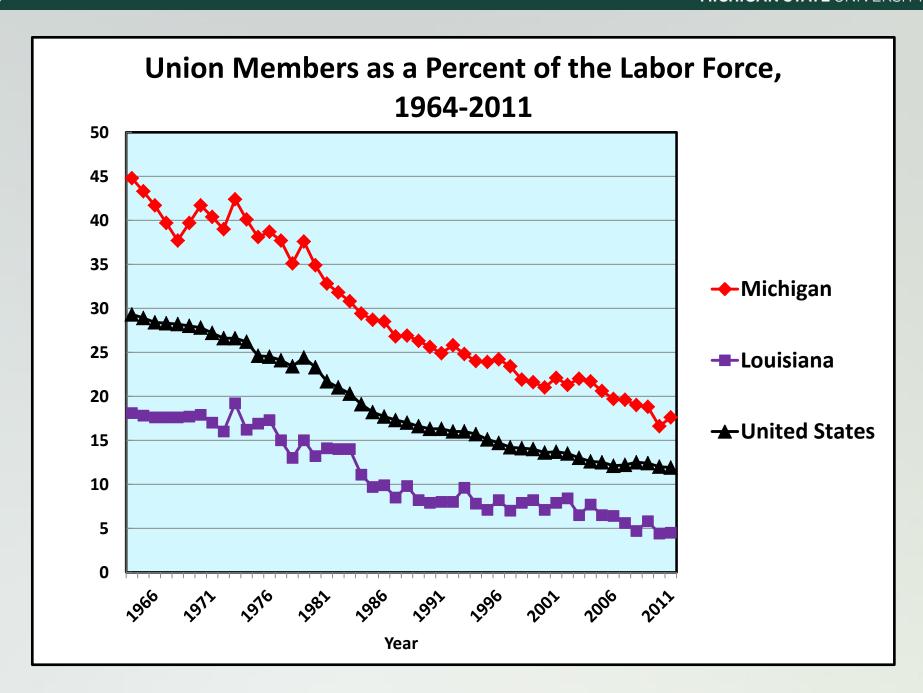


Although Michigan is not a poor place, our economy has not grown as fast as the national average.



Right to Work is unlikely to make much difference.

For better or worse, the strength of labor unions has already diminished greatly.

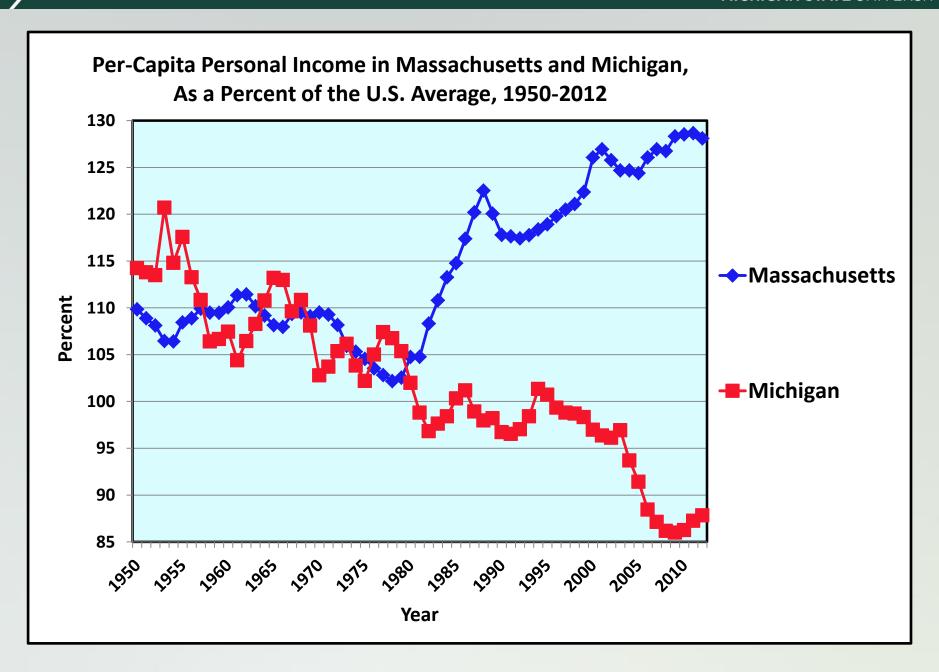


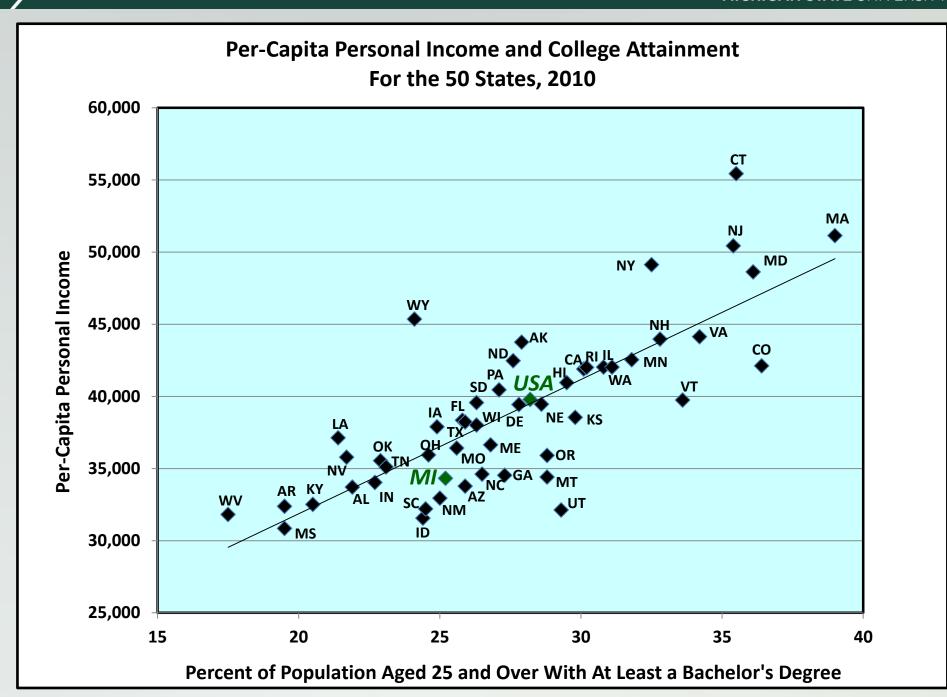
### Per-Capita Personal Income, 2011:

Right-to-Work States: \$38,046

Non-RTW States: \$44,515

Many of the states with the highest *incomes* have high levels of *educational attainment*.





### This slide is brought to you by the letter "M":

<u>State</u>	Education Rank 2010	Income Rank 2010		
Massachuset	ts 1	2		
Minnesota	10	10		
Michigan	34	39		
Mississippi	49	<b>50</b>		

The earnings gaps between people with different levels of educational attainment are very large.

# Average Earnings in 2011, for Those Aged 45-54 Who Worked Full-Time Year-Round (For the Entire U.S.)

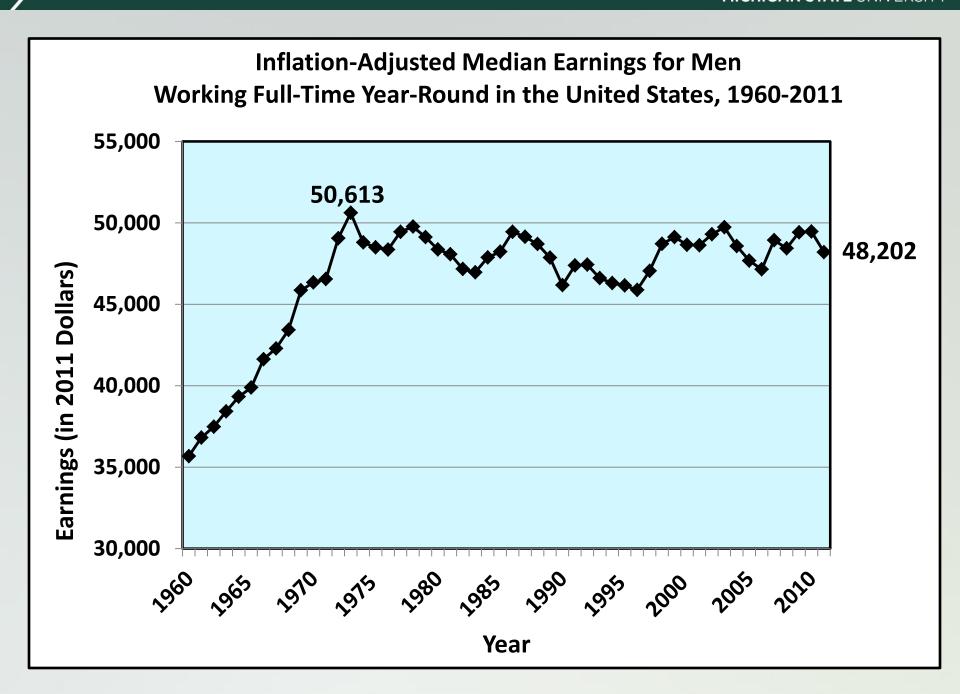
			<u>Men</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>lomen</u>
٠	<b>Professional Degree</b>	<b>\$1</b>	68,116	\$	129,888
•	Master's Degree	<b>\$1</b>	21,902	\$	74,884
٠	<b>Bachelor's Degree</b>	\$	95,671	\$	66,526
٠	<b>Associate's Degree</b>	\$	65,129	\$	44,501
٠	Some College (No Degree)	\$	62,556	\$	42,415
٠	<b>High-School Graduate</b>	\$	52,588	\$	34,735
٠	Some H.S. (No Diploma)	\$	40,075	\$	23,115
•	<b>Less Than 9th Grade</b>	\$	31,793	\$	22,961

Michigan has big regional differences in per-capita income (2011).

These differences, like so many others, are partly due to differences in educational attainment.

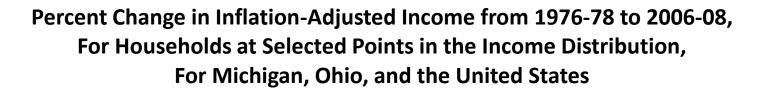
1. Oakland County	\$53,297
2. Leelanau County	\$43,978
3. Midland County	\$43,446
U.S. Average	\$41,560
4. Washtenaw County	\$40,821
11. Kent County	\$36,589
Michigan Average	\$36,264
14. Clinton County	\$35,926
16. Macomb County	\$35,717
19. Ingham County	\$34,450
20. Wayne County	\$34,012
24. Eaton County	\$33,655
27. Calhoun County	\$33,541
43. Genesee County	\$31,057
73. Kalkaska County	\$27,137
83. Luce County	\$24,492

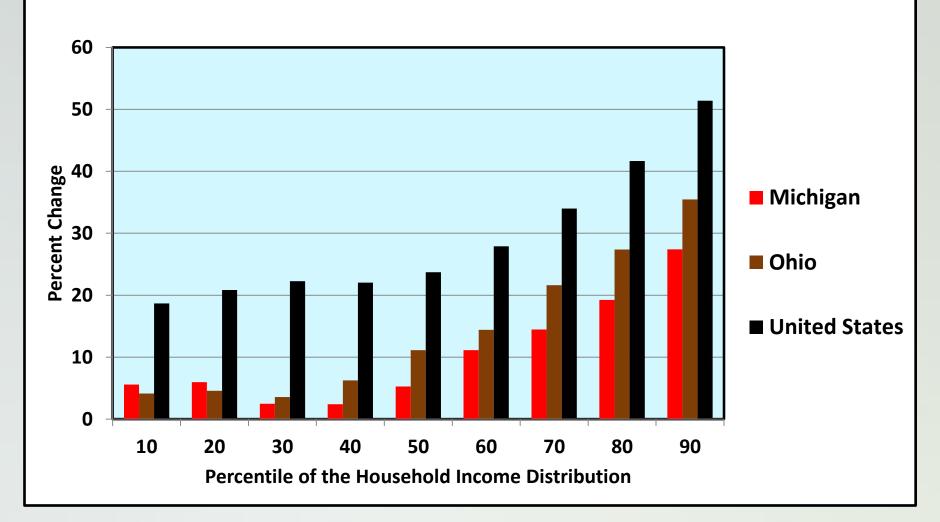
American men who have not been to college have fared especially poorly in the last 40 years.



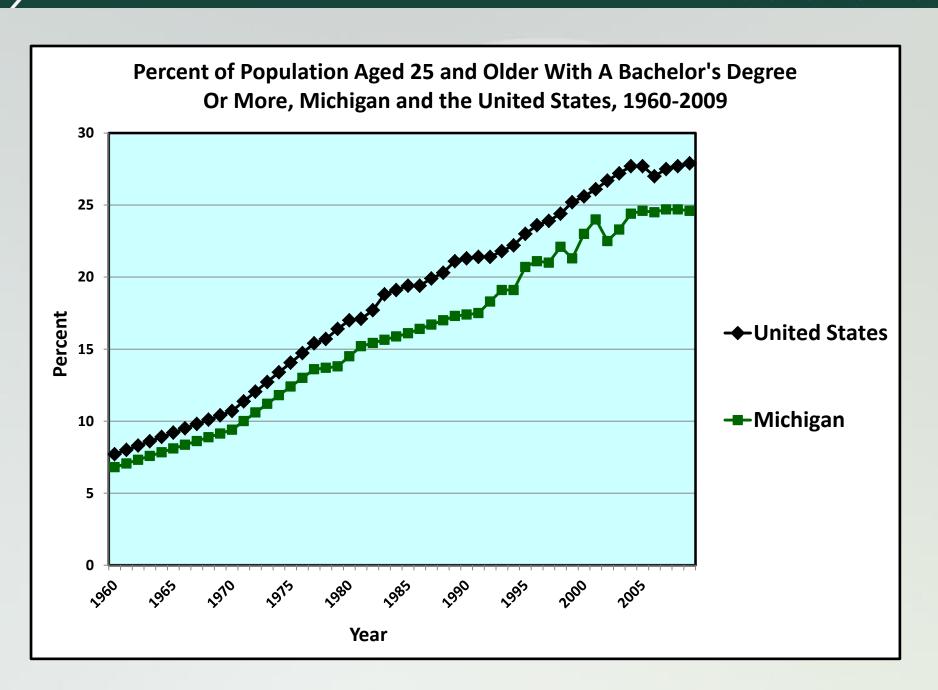
In most parts of the country, the increase in income inequality was NOT spread evenly through the income distribution:

The top pulled away from the middle, but the middle did not pull away from the bottom.

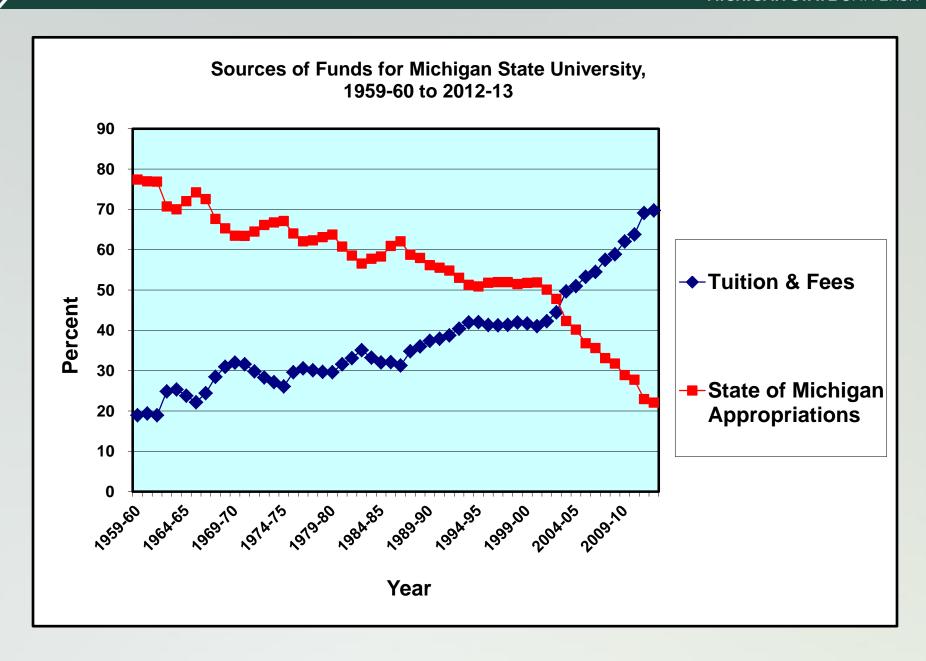




Michigan has persistently lagged behind the national average in college attainment.



At a time when education is so crucial to our future, Michigan has pursued a policy of systematic disinvestment in education.

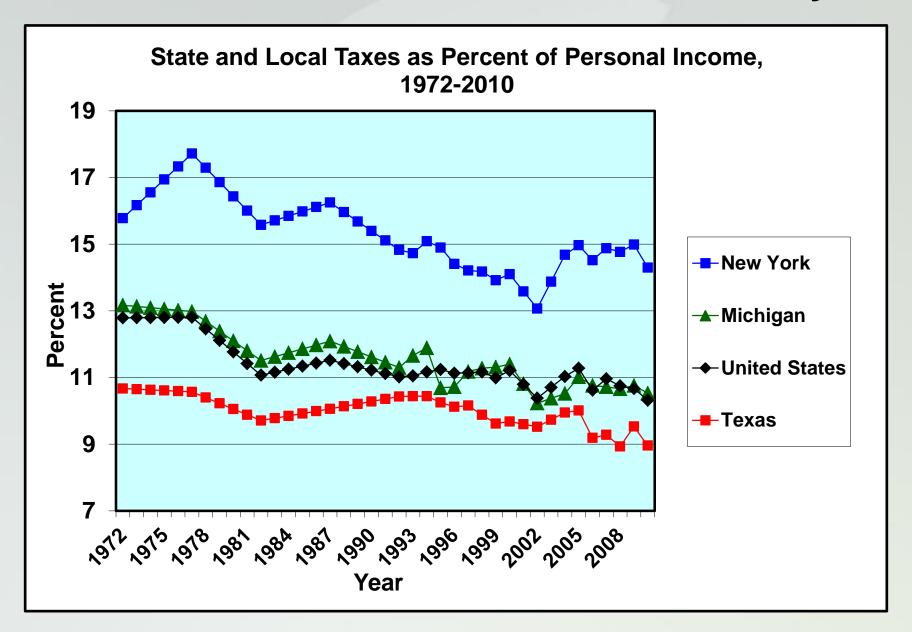


#### In order to be equivalent to the real budget reductions of the last nine years, we would have to cease state support for:

**Central Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, Ferris State University, Grand Valley State University,** Lake Superior State University, Michigan Technological University, **Northern Michigan University,** Oakland University, Saginaw Valley State University, **University of Michigan - Dearborn, University of Michigan - Flint, and** Western Michigan University.

- Michigan is Underinvested in Education, Training, and Skill,
   From Pre-School to Ph.D.
- In addition to the big premium for a Bachelor's degree, the social returns are very large for
  - (1) early-childhood education, and
  - (2) high-school completion.

#### Tax Effort Has Reduced Substantially



## Potential Sources of Tax Revenue for Michigan:

 Extend the sales tax to services and entertainments.

 Establish a graduated income tax, or raise the flat rate of the current income tax.

### Michigan, My Michigan

A song to thee, fair State of mine, Michigan, my Michigan.

But greater song than this is thine, Michigan, my Michigan.

The whisper of the forest tree,

The thunder of the inland sea,

Unite in one grand symphony Of Michigan, my Michigan.