

Community Profile for St. John's Episcopal Church, Mt. Pleasant, MI

Community Demographics

City of [Mt. Pleasant](#)

Snapshot

Airport: Mt. Pleasant Municipal Airport (City-operated); basic transport airport; AWAS; VOR; self-serve 24-hour jet and aviation fueling system; 5,000-foot runway; maintenance available on the field

Altitude: 775 feet above sea level

Area: City: 7.9 square miles; Isabella County: 572 square miles

Climate:

January Averages: high 29, low 13

July Averages: high 84, low 58

Average Annual Rainfall: 30 inches

Snowfall: 36 inches

Financial Data: Financial institutions in the area include: Chemical Bank Michigan, Fifth/Third Bank, Independent Bank, Isabella Bank, Isabella Community Credit Union, Lake Trust Credit Union, Members First Credit Union, Mercantile Bank of Michigan, NU Union, PNC Bank

Highways: US-127 (north/south expressway); M-20 (east/west highway)

Hospitals: [McLaren Central Michigan](#); [Mid Michigan](#) Medical Center – free standing ER

Hotels & Motels: More than one dozen, including conference and banquet sites.

Major Employers: Saginaw-Chippewa Indian Tribe; Central Michigan University, McLaren Central Michigan, Morbark Industries, The Delfield Company, Meijer Corporation, LaBelle Management, CME Corporation, Unified Brands

Newspapers: 1 daily: The Morning Sun; 1 on-campus: Central Michigan Life

Real Estate: Housing is affordable and diverse, from historical homes with mature trees in stable neighborhoods of single-family homes to condominium subdivisions and apartment dwellings.

Places of Worship: Over 60 county-wide, representing many denominations

Population: City of Mt. Pleasant - 26,016 (2010); Isabella County – 70,311

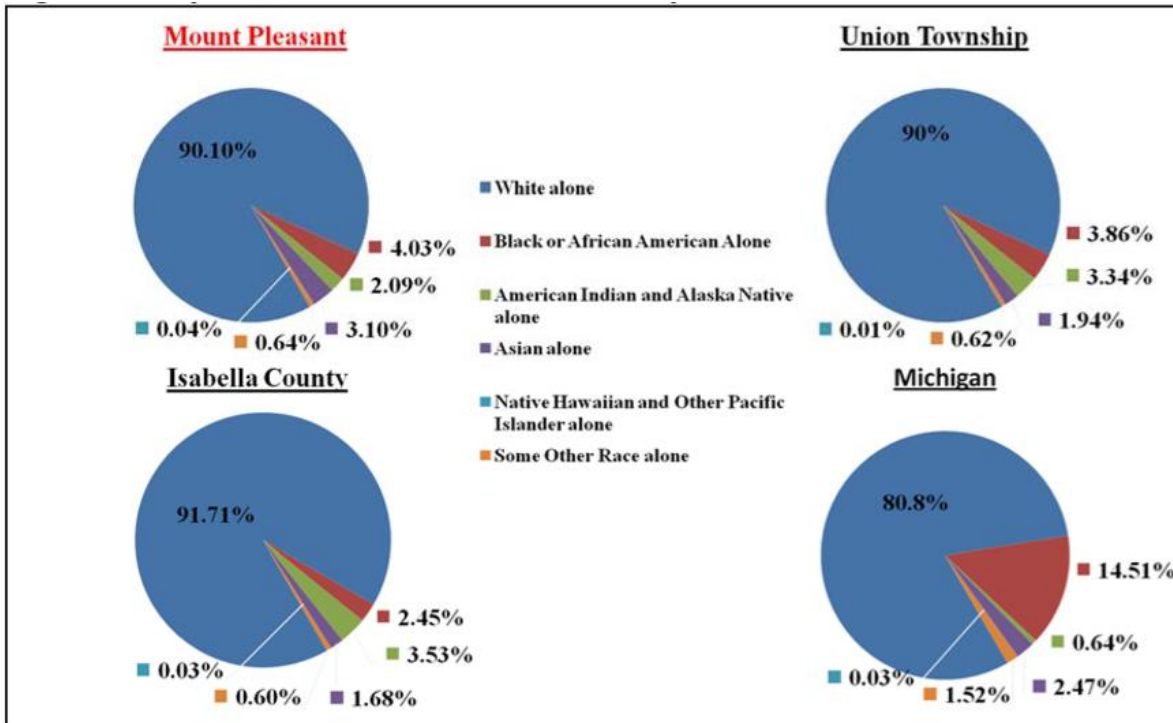
Radio Stations: WCFX, WCMU, WJR/WPLT, WMMI/WCZY, WUPS, WPRJ

Television Stations: WCMU Public TV; Cable service: Spectrum Communications

Demographic Details

Much more detailed demographic data can be found in the Introduction and Background of Mt. Pleasant's [2014 Master Plan](#).

Racial Profile - The race breakdown in the City of Mt. Pleasant compares similarly to Union Township and Isabella County, with most people identifying themselves as white. Mt. Pleasant, Union Township, and Isabella County have a higher population of American Indian and Alaska Natives compared to the State of Michigan because of the local population of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe. The City, County and Township all have a lower percentage of black or African American people, when compared to the State.

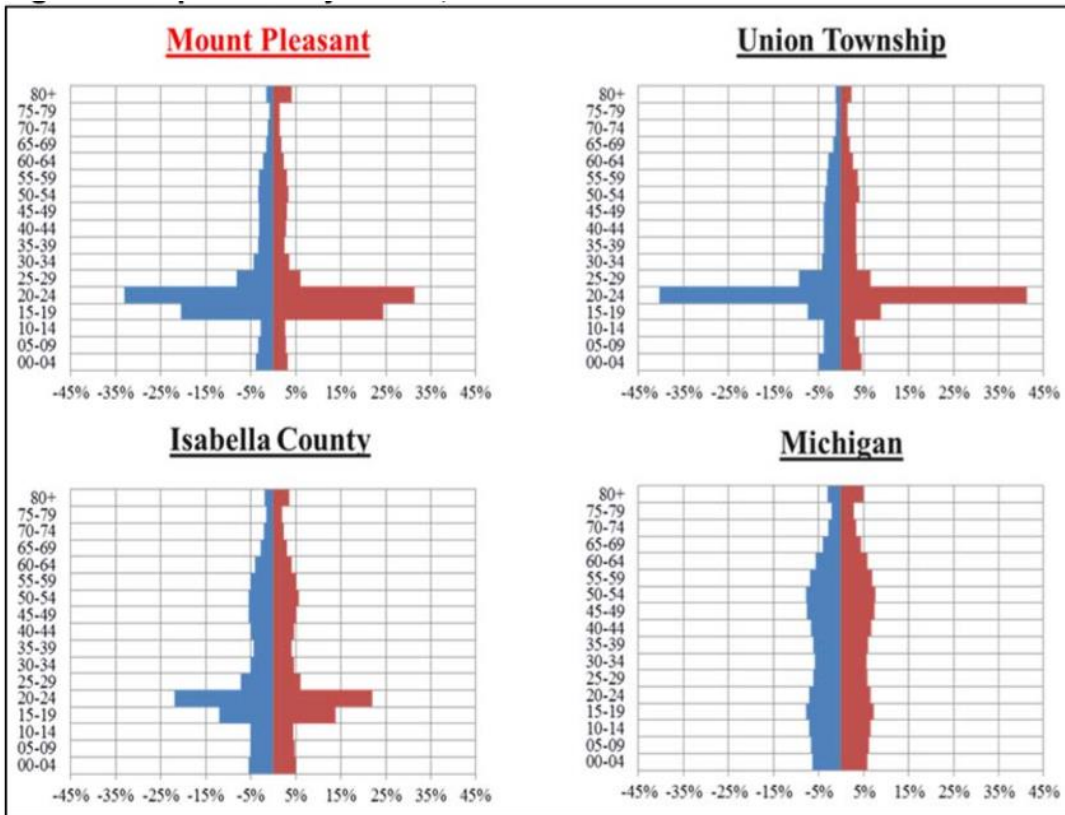


Source: 2010 U.S. Census

Age and Gender Profile - Population distribution is illustrated in the figure below, with the population of males illustrated in blue and of females in red.

The percentages of people ages 15 to 19 and 20 to 24 is much higher in Mt. Pleasant and Union Township than in the County and State. Mt. Pleasant has such a high percentage in the group 15 to 19 because freshmen and sophomores attending CMU often live on campus in the dorms and residence halls, which are inside the City limits. Upper class off-campus housing is located in both the City and in Union Township and is reflected in the 20 to 24 age groups in both communities.

Isabella County has a fairly high percentage of people aged between 15 and 24, reflecting the fact that much of the county's population is located in the City and Township. Michigan on the other hand has a fairly uniform population make-up, a pyramid that is very common in many non-university towns throughout the State and country



Source: 2010 U.S. Census

Major Occupations

In 2000, Education and Health services were the top employment sector for people living in the City with 37% of employed people. In 2010, the sector dropped to 33.8% of employed people but remains the highest percentage of employed people. Management is the second highest across the four jurisdictions of Mt. Pleasant, Union Township, Isabella County and the State of Michigan.

County Parks

The Isabella County Park system includes eight county parks. These include:

- Coldwater Lake Family Park
- Deerfield Nature Park
- Maynard S. Gilmore Park
- Herrick Recreation Area
- Lawrence McDonald Wildlife Sanctuary
- Majeske Landing
- Meridian Park
- Pere Marquette Rail-Trail of Isabella County.

The Pere Marquette Rail-Trail is a recent park of note. The 8.5 mile section of the trail located within the County was completed in August of 2001. The trail links to other sections of trails constructed within Clare and Midland Counties, and directly links the City of Clare and the City of Midland. The entire Pere Marquette Trail also connects with the White Pine Trail in Reed City, which upon completion, creates one of the largest trail systems in the Midwest.

City Parks

Within the City limits are numerous parks including: Chipp-A-Waters Park, Island Park/Pickens Field, Mill Pond Park, Nelson Park, Potter Mission Creek Woodland Park, Sunnyside, Yost, and Horizon Park. Island Park is home to the Mt. Pleasant Skate Park and to the Riverwalk Trail, both of which opened in 2003.

Schools

- Mt. Pleasant Public Schools – Five elementary, one middle school, one high school – K-12
- Sacred Heart Academy – Private Catholic school – K-12
- WAY-Mt. Pleasant (formerly known as Oasis) – Alternative High School – 9-12
- Renaissance Public School Academy – Public Charter School - K-8
- Home Schooling – over 100 families in Mt. Pleasant home school system
- Mid Michigan College - Morey Technical Education Center – Technical Trade School located in Mt. Pleasant
- Mid Michigan Community College – in Harrison, Michigan
- Central Michigan University – in Mt. Pleasant

Community Plans

Mt. Pleasant is in the final stages of completing their [Master Plan 2050](#).

Major Events/Features

- [Art Walk Central](#)
- [Community Theater](#)
- [Max and Emily's Summer Concert Series](#)
- [Mt. Pleasant Craft Beer Festival](#)
- [Mt. Pleasant Christmas Celebration](#)
- [Saginaw Chippewa Tribal National Pow Wow](#)
- [Special Olympics Michigan](#)

Sports

There are numerous city-sponsored sports for adults and youth.

Youth sports include basketball, bowling, dodgeball, flag football, golf, soccer, softball, tee-ball, tennis and volleyball.

Adult sports include softball, sand volleyball and kickball.

There are private sports facilities and organizations that offer organized sports for adults and children including Morey Courts which has basketball, volleyball, tennis and racquetball. The Isabella County Events Arena offers skating instruction, ice hockey leagues and figure skating.

Central Michigan University

Founded in 1892

Demographics

- 23,335 total enrollment with 19,761 on campus including both graduate and undergraduates
- 871 acres make up the main campus
- More than 200 undergraduate, master's, specialist and doctoral programs
- Major resources and events for the community
 - [Clark Historical Library](#)
 - [Museum of Cultural and Natural History](#)

- [Music Concerts and Events](#)
- [Park Library](#)
- [University Theater](#)

[Saginaw Chippewa Tribe](#)

The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan is comprised of three bands of Ojibway (Saginaw, Black River, Swan Creek), who lived primarily in the Eastern region of what is now Michigan. Treaties signed with the United States in 1855 and 1864 established the Isabella Indian Reservation.

The Tribe provides housing, health care, and educational opportunities to its members. Its gaming and entertainment operations have grown significantly, making the Tribe the largest employer in Isabella County. The [Ziibiwing Center of Anishnabe Culture and Lifeways](#) was established in 2004 and assists in the sharing of the culture, language and teachings of the Tribe.

Tribal Population

As of February 2007, tribal membership was approximately 3,296. The 2010 US Census reports 2,414 persons living in the Mount Pleasant, Michigan micropolitan area are Native American.

The tribe operates:

- the [Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College](#), a 2-year community college open to all in the region;
- [Soaring Eagle Casino](#) in Mount Pleasant
- [Soaring Eagle Waterpark and Hotel](#) in Mount Pleasant;
- [Soaring Eagle Hideaway RV Park](#) in Mount Pleasant;
- [Waaboose Run Golf Course](#) in Mount Pleasant;
- the [Campground On The Hill](#) in Mount Pleasant;
- [Eagle Bay Marina](#) in Standish;
- [Eagle Valley Outfitters](#) in Standish;
- and [Saganing Eagles Landing Casino](#) in [Standish](#).
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Organizations and Groups Associated with St. John's

Groups that meet in our building:

- AIM - Association of Interfaith ministries - provides religious support to adults with developmental disabilities.
- Compassionate Friends – support group for bereaved parents
- [Isabella County Restoration House](#) – local rotating homeless shelter that we sponsor annually
- People Helping People
- Pine River Friends – local Quaker worship group that meets Sundays from 10 am – 11 am downstairs
- St. Demetrius Greek Orthodox – meets monthly at St. John's
- St. John's Ministries
- [The John H. Goodrow Fund](#) – emergency aid organization

Diversity Groups Active in Isabella County

- [Mt. Pleasant Area Diversity Group](#) - The Mount Pleasant Area Diversity Group employs a community based inclusive approach to foster and promote acceptance and appreciation of diversity. The group is committed to actively challenging the obstacles that inhibit the community's ability to respect, value and be sensitive to diversity.
- [Isabella County Human Rights Committee](#) - The Human Rights Committee (HRC) was established in 2008 by the Isabella County Board of Commissioners. Its purpose is to review and recommend action on issues and concerns related to Human Rights. View our Human Rights Committee Information Card for more details.
- [Commission on Aging](#) - The "Community Focal Point" for Older Adult programs and services for Isabella County. The center provides a friendly social atmosphere, in which participants can enjoy a wide variety of recreational, social, cultural, nutritional and educational opportunities.