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**Established HHSC Priorities and Recognized Work Groups**

**WORKGROUPS**

**PRIORITIES**

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| <b>Abuse and Violence</b><br>(Midland DVSA Task Force)<br>(Gang & Violence Prev. Task Force) | <b>Firearms Safety*</b>  |
| <b>Access to Health Care</b><br>(Access to Care Work Group)                                  | <b>Dental Health</b>   |
| <b>Housing &amp; Transportation</b><br>(Continuum of Care, AHA, etc..)                       |  |
| <b>Childhood Development</b><br>(Success By 6)   | <b>Infant Mortality Rate</b><br><b>Blood Lead Testing in Children*</b>                                       |
| <b>Environmental Health</b><br>(Environmental Health Task Force)                             |  |
| <b>Family</b><br>(Family Coordinating Council)   | <b>Asthma*</b>   |
| <b>Nutrition and Fitness</b><br>(NAPAN)  | <b>Obesity/Weight Status*</b><br><b>Physical Activity*</b><br><b>Nutrition and Diet*</b><br><b>Diabetes*</b> |
| <b>Seniors</b><br>(TBD)  | <b>Aging Population</b><br><b>Alzheimer's Disease</b>  |
| <b>Mental Health &amp; Addictive Behaviors</b><br>(Mental Health Work Group)                 | <b>Mental Health Issues</b><br><b>Tobacco Use*</b><br><b>Alcohol Use*</b>                                    |
| <b>Teens</b><br>(Partnership With Youth)   | <b>Teen Pregnancy Rate</b>   |

Legend: Priority = assigned to workgroup. Priority with (\*) = multiple workgroups but primary to that workgroup.



**The Health & Human Services Council of Midland County**

**2004 Community Report**

2004 marks the sixth consecutive year that the Health and Human Services Council has led the way in examining the needs and trends that are affecting life for all residents in Midland County. The Council, particularly through the actions of Midland County Health Department and The United Way of Midland County, joined forces in 1998 to initiate a comprehensive community assessment. From this work, action plans were developed and presented to the council in 1999 and by 2000, benchmarks to measure community progress were established.

This report reflects the commitment of the HHSC to systematically measure the health and well-being of the community. In a fiscally challenging time, such as now, we are committed that the county be a proven leader in ensuring that a continuum of services exist, that provide positive outcomes, using research-based programs that work.

**Dr. Gary Hughes, Chair**  
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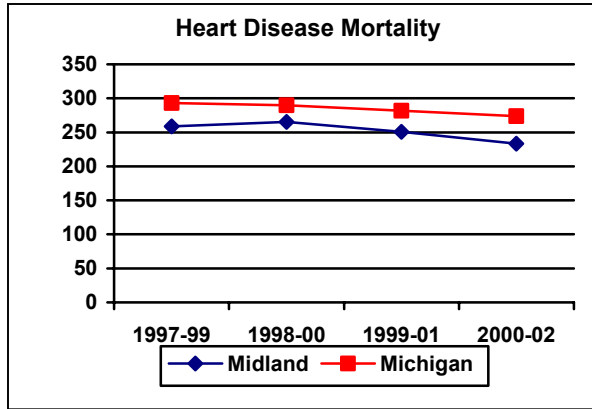
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*Community Health Assessment & Improvement Work Group*

**Current Midland County Indicators**

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| Population, 2003 estimate  | 84,492   |
| Population percent change, April 1, 2000-July 1, 2003                          | 1.95%    |
| Population, percent change, 1990 to 2000                                       | 9.5%     |
| Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2000                                       | 6.5%     |
| Persons under 18 years old, percent, 2000                                      | 26.9%    |
| Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2000                                   | 12.0%    |
| High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2000                        | 89.0%    |
| Bachelor's degree or higher, pct of persons age 25+, 2000                      | 29.3%    |
| Persons with a disability, age 5+, 2000  | 11,589   |
| Housing units, 2000  | 33,796   |
| Homeownership rate, 2000   | 78.4%    |
| Households, 2000   | 31,769   |
| Median household income, 1999  | \$45,674 |
| Persons below poverty, percent, 1999   | 8.4%     |
| Unemployment, 2004 (Average)   | 6.5%     |
| Percentage of General Population Receiving Public Assistance Payments, FY 2003 | 6.8%     |
| Persons Eligible for Medicaid, FY 2003   | 8,667    |

# Selected Indicators of Health Status

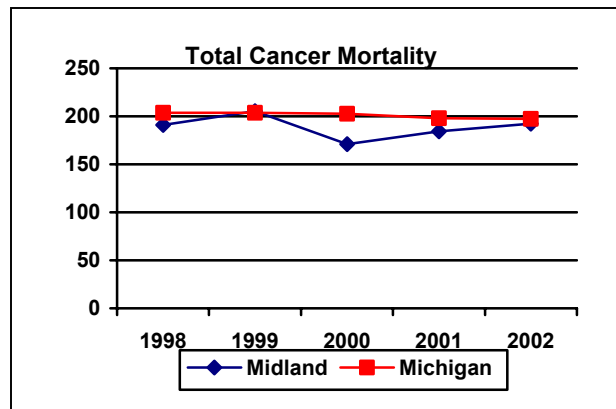
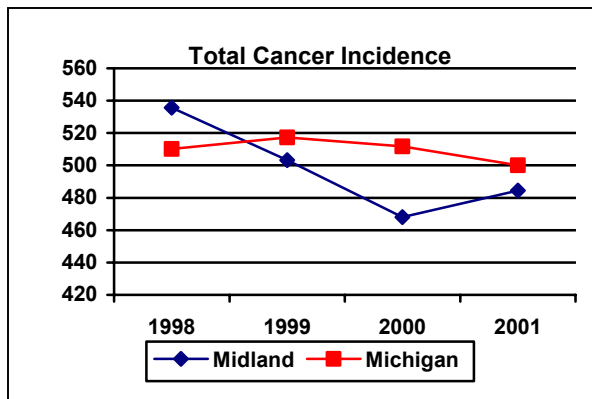
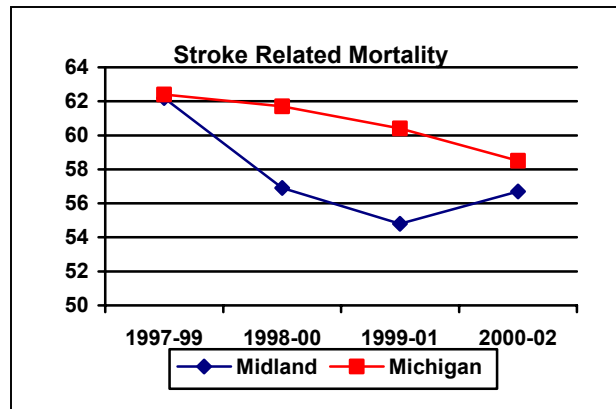
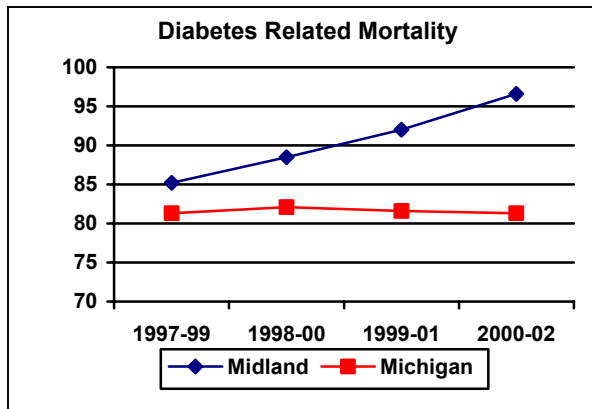
The four main causes of mortality in Midland County are Heart Disease, Cancer, Strokes and Diabetes. Together, these four conditions are responsible for two-thirds of all deaths in both the county and state. They are also amongst the most preventable.



Heart disease and strokes constitutes the bulk of mortality, accountable for nearly one third of all deaths with both conditions posting modest declines since 1997.

Diabetes mortality has increased dramatically in Midland County since 1997. This increase correlates with gains in the percentage of the adult population who are obese.

While the incidence of Cancer has dramatically dropped in Midland County since 1998, the level of mortality has remained consistent, and just below that of the entire state of Michigan.



# Summary of Behavioral Risk Factor Data: Midland County, Michigan and United States, 2002

|  | Midland | Michigan | Low  | Median | High |
|--|---------|----------|------|--------|------|
| No Health Coverage                                     | 6.9     | 12.0     | 6.8  | 14.1   | 31.0 |
| General Health Categorized as Fair or Poor             | 7.8     | 13.5     | 10.4 | 14.8   | 33.0 |
| Ever told they had diabetes                            | 5.8     | 8.1      | 3.5  | 6.7    | 10.5 |
| No leisure time activities in the past month           | 18.0    | 24.3     | 15.0 | 24.4   | 46.8 |
| Obese  | 21.6    | 25.2     | 16.5 | 22.1   | 27.5 |
| Current Smoking  | 25.1    | 24.1     | 9.4  | 23.0   | 32.6 |
| Binge Drinking   | 16.7    | 16.8     | 7.9  | 16.1   | 24.8 |
| No Dental Visit in past year                           | 19.6    | 23.9     | 19.8 | 30.8   | 45.8 |
| Ever told they had asthma                              | 10.3    | 13.0     | 8.6  | 11.8   | 19.6 |
| Never had a home blood stool test (over age 50)        | 32.3    | 46.4     | 40.4 | 55.1   | 99.1 |
| Never had a sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy (over age 50) | 38.6    | 44.4     | 35.2 | 51.9   | 69.4 |
| No mammogram in past 2 years                           | 29.8    | 21.9     | 14.6 | 24.1   | 39.7 |

All data is presented in percentages. Source: 2002 Behavioral Risk Factor Survey for Midland County, 2002 State of Michigan Behavioral Risk Factor Survey and the 2002 Behavioral Risk Factor Survey United States (CDC). Low and high refers to state(s) with lowest percentages in the 2002 CDC survey; median refers to the state(s) ranking in the middle.