

Profile of Town of Lansing



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Achieving Youth Results (AYR): Tompkins County Youth Services Department worked with our community to develop goals for our county’s young people and indicators (data) to track progress toward these goals. The six goals are listed in the boxes starting on page 2. For more information on Achieving Youth Results, please visit <http://www.tompkinscountyny.gov/youth/AYR>.

Population and Demographics

Lansing Population, All Ages – 11,385 (including V. Lansing, whose population is 3,554)
Lansing is the fourth largest of Tompkins County towns.
Population decreased 3.2% since 2010.

Median Age – 40.5 (Tompkins median age – 31.1)



Lansing Youth Population (including Village)

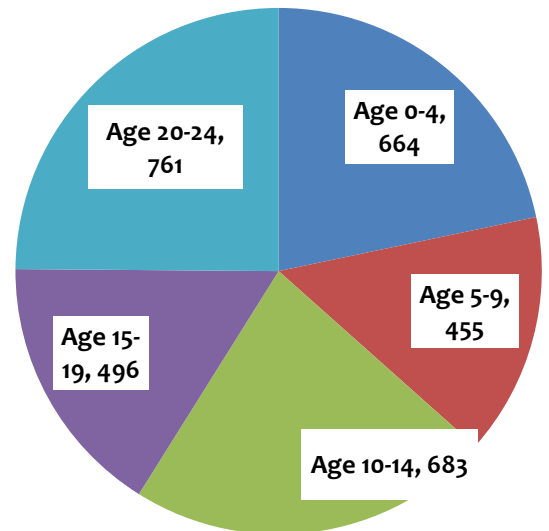
Lansing’s 0-17 youth population increased 8% since 2010.
14.1% of Tompkins youth ages 0-17 reside in Lansing.

Lansing’s 0-20 youth population increased 2% since 2010.
7.6% of Tompkins youth ages 0-20 reside in Lansing.

23% of Lansing’s population is under age 21.

T. Lansing Youth Population

0-17 - 2,158
0-20 - 2,362



Includes V. Lansing

Race, All Ages

White	80.9%
Black/African American	3.4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.4%
Asian	12.5%
Other	0.4%
Two or more races	2.4%

Hispanic/Latino – 2.8%

Data Source: 1 (See p. 9)

Community

AYR Goal: Our Community (Tompkins County) will provide children, youth, and families with healthy, safe, and thriving environments.

Total Number of Lansing Households – 4,981

Lansing Poverty

People of all ages below poverty level – 10.4% (Tompkins County rate – 18.9%)

People below age 18 below poverty level – 17% (Tompkins County rate – 13.9%)

Lansing Adults (age 25+) with high school degree or higher (2019) – 92.3%

Lansing Housing

Number of owner occupied houses: 2,919

Percent of housing units that are owner occupied – 58.6%

Median value of owner occupied houses: \$237,900

Percent of housing units (5,561) that are mobile homes: 4.0%

For rental units, median rent – \$1,364



Occupied Groton Housing Units with No Vehicle Available – 227 (4.6%)

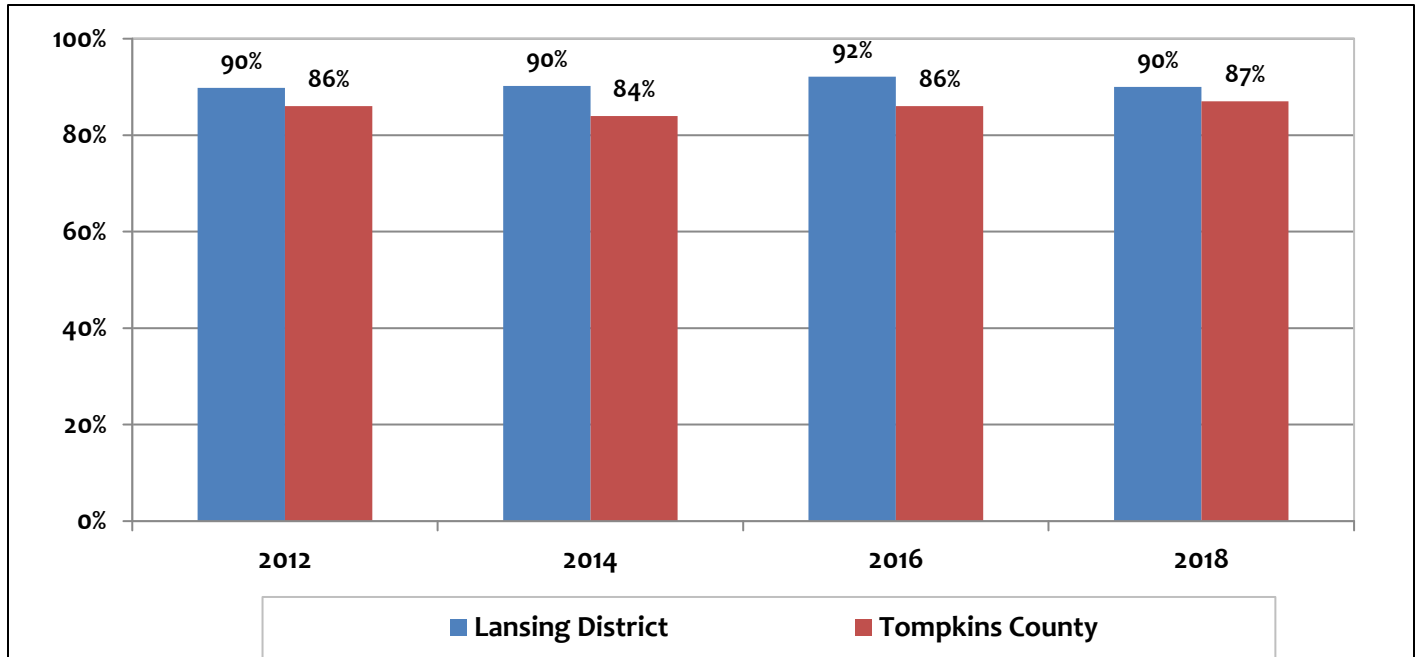
Free or Reduced Lunch Participation

	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
	Free	Reduced	Free	Reduced	Free	Reduced
Lansing Elem.	26%	3%	25%	4%	26%	2%
Lansing M.S.	19%	7%	22%	4%	21%	5%
Lansing H.S.	16%	4%	16%	4%	19%	3%
Lansing District	21%	5%	22%	4%	22%	3%
Tompkins Co.	34%	6%	35%	5%	35%	5%

Notes: Eligibility for a family of four (July 2019) – Free lunch - \$33,475; Reduced lunch - \$47,638

This table shows participation rates and does not reflect those youth who are eligible but do not apply and do not participate.

Students Who Report Feeling Safe in Their Neighborhood



Data Sources: 1, 8, 10 (See p. 9)

Economic Security

AYR Goal: Youth will be prepared for their eventual self-sufficiency.

Lansing Unemployment Rate (2019 5 Year Average) for Population Age 16-19: 0%

Lansing Unemployment Rate (2019 5 Year Average) for Population Age 20-24: 2.4%

Tompkins County Unemployment Rate (2019 5 Year Average) for Population Age 16-19: 7.0%

Tompkins County Unemployment Rate (2019 5 Year Average) for Population Age 20-24: 5.1%

Lansing Labor Force Participation Rate (2019 5 Year Average): 66.5%

Ages 16-19: 37.3%

Ages 20-24: 81.9%

Tompkins County Labor Force Participation Rate (2019): 59.3%

Ages 16-19: 35%

Ages 20-24: 52.5%

Lansing Progress Toward High School Completion

Year entered 9 th grade	Progress after 4 years			Progress after 5 years		
	Graduated	Still enrolled	Dropped out	Graduated	Still enrolled	Dropped out
2014	97%	1%	1%	97%	0%	1%
2015	85%	6%	6%	88%	2%	7%
2016	90%	9%	1%			

New York State's standard is 80% graduating after 5 years.

This table tracks progress by student cohort. The cohort groups all the first-time 9th graders who start school during the same school year and tracks the cohort's progress toward high school completion after 4 and 5 years. "Graduated" includes students with a Regents Diploma, Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation, or Local Diploma. Local Diplomas were phased out for general ed. students in 2013. An IEP diploma is not considered a graduation diploma.

Data Sources: 1, 2 (See p. 9)

Education

AYR Goal: Youth will leave school prepared to live, learn, and work in their community.

While the majority of Lansing youth reside in the Lansing School District, some reside and attend school in other districts. We show only Lansing District information here.

School Enrollment

	School Enrollment		Students with Disabilities		ELL* Students		Homeless Students	
	2018-19	2019-20	2018-19	2019-20	2018-19	2019-20	2018-19	2019-20
Lansing Elem.	448	450	56 (13%)	50 (11%)	10 (2%)	10 (2%)	0	0
Lansing M.S.	383	392	48 (13%)	53 (14%)	0	6 (2%)	0	0
Lansing H.S.	328	345	40 (12%)	33 (10%)	0	5 (1%)	0	0
Lansing District	1,159	1,187	144 (12%)	136 (11%)	17 (1%)	21 (2%)	0	5 (0%)
Tompkins Co.	10,489	10,356	1,691 (16%)	1,649 (16%)	225 (2%)	253 (2%)	53 (1%)	75 (1%)

*ELL = English Language Learners

School Performance

Lansing Student Performance on Spring Standardized Tests – Percentage Meeting State Standards				
	Lansing 3 rd Grade		Lansing 8 th Grade	
	ELA*	Math	ELA*	Math
2016-17	50%	57%	51%	21%
2017-18	42%	59%	49%	38%
2018-19	57%	62%	62%	42%



*ELA = English Language Arts

NYS Education Dept.'s goal is for schools to have 90% of students at or above standards.

School Life (Students, grades 7-12)

	Lansing	Tompkins
Feels welcomed and appreciated by school adults	56%	46%
Has a trusted adult in school who can help with problems	60%	51%
Feels safe at school	90%	79%
Feels school rules are fairly enforced	47%	35%
Says students treat each other with respect	45%	29%
Someone said something hurtful to them in past 30 days at school	24%	25%
Was physically bullied in past 30 days at school	3%	4%

% of Households in Lansing Lacking Broadband Internet Connection: 19.5%

Data Sources: 1, 2, 5 (See p. 9)

Family

AYR Goal: Families will provide children safe, stable and nurturing environments

Living Arrangements of Lansing Children 0 – 17

Number of households – 4,981

Number of family households with own children under age 18 –1,093 (21.9%)

718 are married couple families (65.7%)

144 are cohabiting couple families (13.2%)

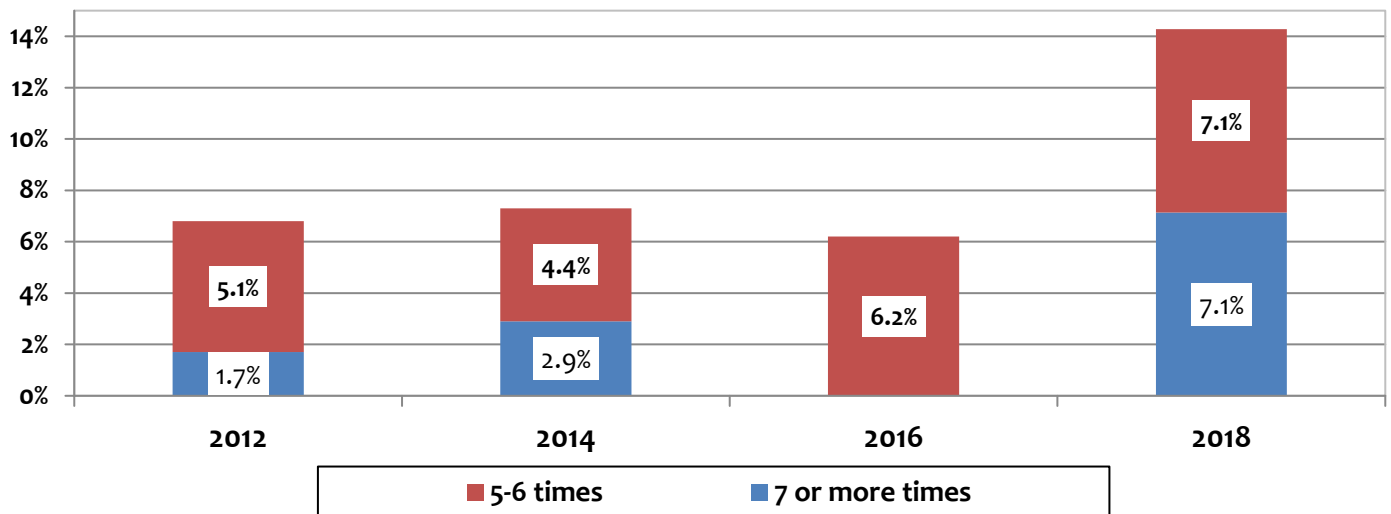
18 are single male householder families (1.6%)

189 are single female householder families (17.3%)



Stability of Living Situation – Lansing District

12th Graders Who Report They Have Changed Homes 5 or More Times Since Kindergarten



Data Sources: 1, 5 (See p. 9)

Physical & Emotional Health

AYR Goal: Children and youth will have optimal physical and emotional health.

Health Insurance – 302 (2.7%) Lansing residents lack health insurance.
 0 (0%) of Lansing youth under age 19 lack health insurance.

Youth Substance Use, grades 7-12 – Any Use Within the Past 30 Days (“Current use”)

	2014		2016		2018	
	Lansing	County	Lansing	County	Lansing	County
Alcohol	12%	19%	10%	14%	7%	16%
Marijuana	7%	15%	8%	11%	4%	13%
Cigarettes	2%	5%	1%	3%	>1%	3%
Electronic Vapor Product					8%	16%

Overweight and Obese* Students by Grade Level

(Note that this indicator is not a reliably objective determination of individual physical health of youth, and other factors such as age, sex, race, fitness level, etc. need to be considered. TCYSD is working to identify better indicators for physical health in partnership with TC Health Dept.)

		Elementary		Middle/high		All grades	
		% over-weight	% obese	% over-weight	% obese	% over-weight	% obese
School years 2016-2018	Lansing district	15.3%	6.0%	16.1%	18.3%	15.3%	11.0%
	NYS excl. NYC	15.7%	16.0%	17.4%	18.8%	16.5%	17.2%
School years 2014-2016	Lansing district	17.3%	10.7%	18.4%	15.3%	17.3%	12.2%
	NYS excl. NYC	15.9%	16.3%	17.3%	18.5%	16.5%	17.3%

*Overweight = 85th to 94th percentile; obese = 95th+ percentile calculated body-mass index for age

Mental Health of Lansing District Students – Students (grades 7-12) reporting:

	2014	2016	2018
I felt sad or depressed most days in the past year	24%	25%	30%
Sometimes I think life is not worth it	20%	18%	23%
At times I think I’m no good at all	30%	30%	39%
All in all, I am inclined to think I’m a failure	15%	19%	26%

Data Sources: 1, 4, 5 (See p. 9)

Civic Engagement

AYR Goal: Children and youth will demonstrate commitment to their community as contributing members of their families, schools, and neighborhoods.

Grade 7-12 Student Participation in Extracurricular Activities in Past 12 Months (school or community)

	2012	2014	2016	2018
Lansing District	86%	90%	87%	88%
Tompkins County	81%	83%	83%	83%



Grade 7-12 Student Participation in Sports in Past 12 Months (school or community)

	2012	2014	2016	2018
Lansing District	88%	87%	83%	83%
Tompkins County	78%	77%	75%	75%

Pre-PINS and PINS Referrals to Probation by Schools

	2017		2018		2019	
	Pre-PINS	PINS	Pre-PINS	PINS	Pre-PINS	PINS
Lansing Elem.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lansing M.S.	0	0	0	0	2	0
Lansing H.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0

*A Person in Need of Supervision (PINS) is a youth under the age of eighteen who is showing a pattern of habitual disobedience, running away, curfew violations, substance abuse, violent behavior, or school truancy problems. Pre-PINS Diversion Services attempt to resolve the conflicts that brought a youth to the attention of the Probation Department by offering supervision, guidance, and referrals to community resources, thus preventing the need for formal Family Court intervention. Pre-PINS Diversion is a mandatory prerequisite prior to filing a formal PINS petition in Family Court.

Data Sources: 7, 8, 9 (See p. 9)

Data Sources

- 1) American Community Survey 2019 (5 year estimates)
<https://factfinder.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml>
- 2) NYS Dept. of Education School Report Cards
<https://data.nysed.gov/>
- 3) NYS Dept. of Health Student Weight Status Category Reporting System
www.health.ny.gov/prevention/obesity/statistics_and_impact/student_weight_status_data.htm
- 4) NYS Department of Health Vital Statistics
www.health.ny.gov/statistics/vital_statistics/index.htm
- 5) Tompkins County Communities that Care Youth Survey
www.healthyyouth.org/publications.php
- 6) Tompkins County Probation Department
www.tompkinscountyny.gov/probation Detailed reports not available online