



MILITARY RECRUITMENT 2004: MICHIGAN

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The summary data and statistics are for counties with four or more recruits who enlisted in the Army, Navy, or Air Force Active Duty, or Army Reserves. Recruitment rates are based on the number of recruits per thousand of the 18-24 year-old population.

- ◆ 4,360 people were recruited to serve in the military from Michigan.
- ◆ County-level recruitment rates ranged from a high of 12.2 in Ontonagon County to a low of 2.0 in Isabella County.
- ◆ The largest number of the state's recruits came from Wayne County (665), Oakland County (347), and Macomb County (289).

Top 15 Counties in Michigan with the highest recruitment rate

Place	Number of Recruits	Recruitment Rate (per thousand youth)	Median Household Income	Child Poverty Rate (%)	Poverty Rate (%)	County Share of State Recruits (%)
U.S.	156,261	5.2	43,052	18.9	12.1	-
Michigan	4,360	4.4	45,335	15.4	10.5	-
Ontonagon County	7	12.2	30,160	14.9	11.6	0.2
Gogebic County	23	11.9	27,829	17.3	14.5	0.5
Iosco County	24	10.5	30,517	21.1	14.1	0.6
Presque Isle County	12	9.3	32,217	14.4	10.9	0.3
Crawford County	13	9.0	32,612	18.2	13.9	0.3
Wexford County	29	9.0	35,338	16.2	11.9	0.7
Iron County	10	8.9	29,012	15.1	12.4	0.2
Dickinson County	20	8.1	37,208	10.4	9.0	0.5
Arenac County	14	8.1	32,053	20.4	14.6	0.3
Otsego County	18	7.8	41,580	12.3	9.2	0.4
Newaygo County	39	7.7	37,567	15.3	12.1	0.9
Mackinac County	7	7.6	33,327	14.7	10.5	0.2
Tuscola County	43	7.2	39,233	14.1	10.2	1.0
Chippewa County	33	7.0	32,989	16.0	14.7	0.8
Alpena County	21	6.8	33,889	16.3	12.2	0.5

Notes: Analysis was derived from data for fiscal year 2004 supplied by branches of the armed forces through FOIA requests as submitted by Peacework Magazine. Only counties that have 4 or more recruits are included. The Army, Navy and Air Force Active Duty and Army Reserves are included. Other parts of the armed forces are not included due to data limitations as provided (or not provided) by the armed forces. The recruitment rate is the number of recruits per thousand of 18-24 year-olds, population numbers from Census 2004 Population Estimates. Median household income, poverty rates, and child poverty rates are 2002, which is the most recent year available at county-level from the Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates program.

Recruitment data including zip codes, schools, counties and states are available on the NPP Database at:

<http://database.nationalpriorities.org>