



## Michigan's transition to a knowledge-based economy

**Second Annual Progress report**



Our goal

## A high prosperity Michigan



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What state do we want to emulate?

State	Per capita income (07)	Unemployment (1/09)	Poverty rate (07)	Education attainment (07)
Alabama	\$32,401	7.8	16.6	21.39
Minnesota	\$40,969	7.6	9.5	30.95
Michigan	\$34,342	11.6	13.9	24.72
U.S.	\$38,564	7.6 %	13.0 %	27.46 %



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## Most prosperous states

Connecticut

Maryland

New Jersey

California

Massachusetts

Virginia

Wyoming

New Hampshire

New York

Washington



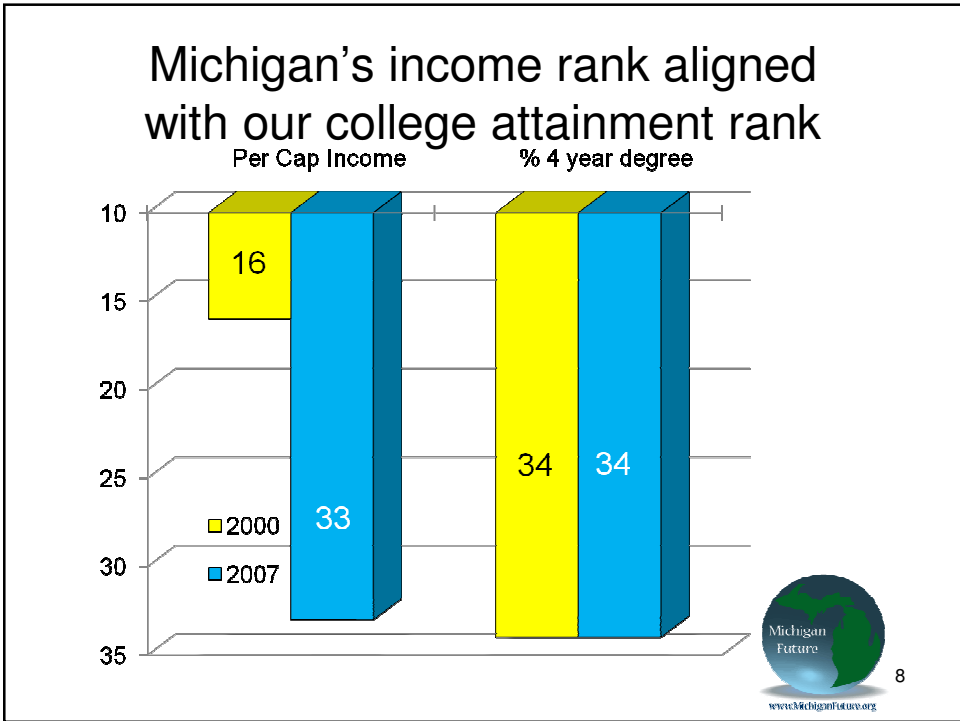
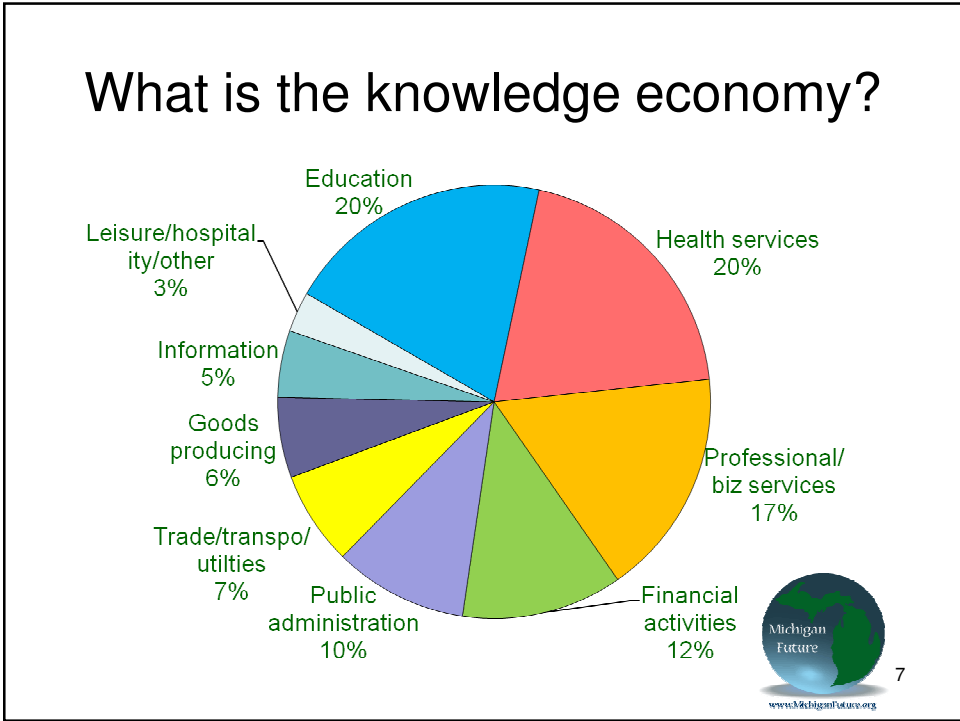
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## Traits of prosperous states

- High proportion of wages from knowledge industries
- High proportion of college grads
- Big metro with higher per cap income than state
- Largest city in that metro has high proportion of college grads



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## Most prosperous regions

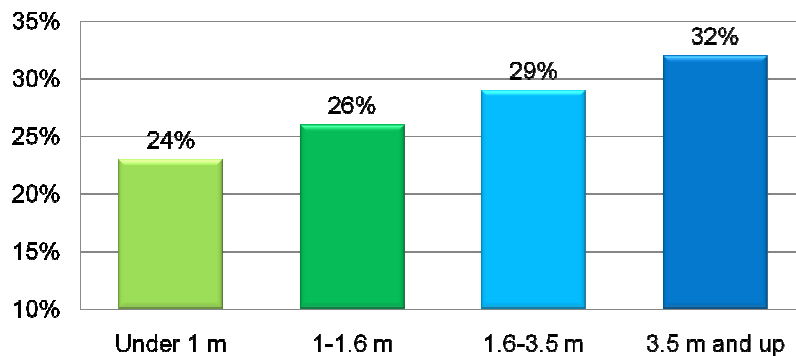
- San Jose/San Fran.
- NY/Newark
- Washington/Baltimore
- Boston/Worchester/  
Manchester (NH)
- Seattle
- Hartford
- Houston
- Denver/Boulder
- New Orleans
- Minneapolis/St. Paul



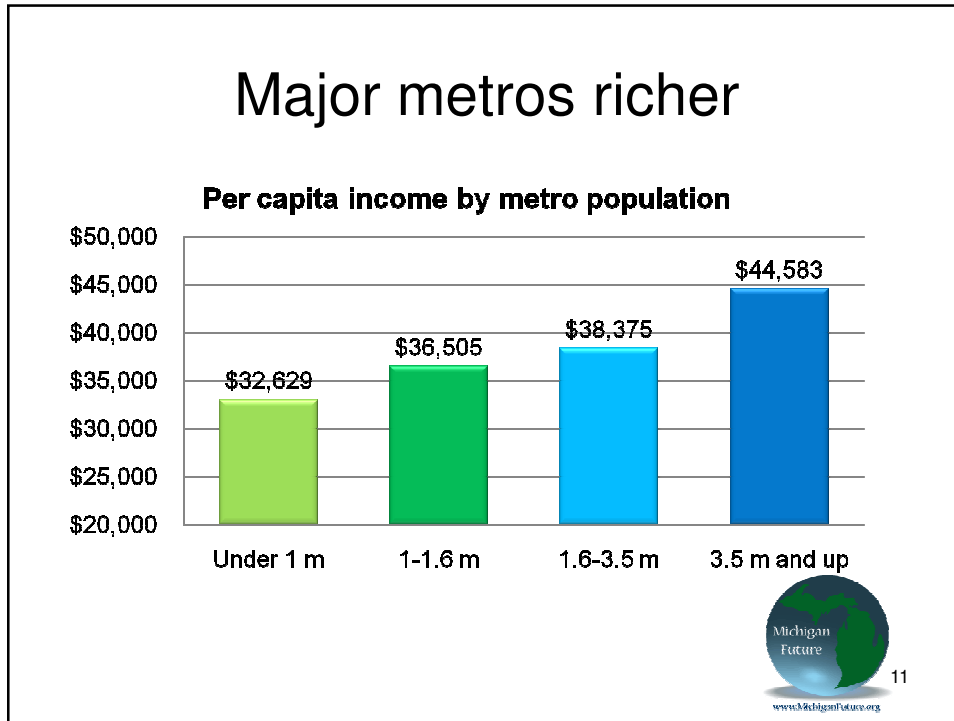
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## Major metros smarter

**Education attainment by metro population**




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### Metro Detroit vs. Metro Minneapolis

City	Per cap income	education attainment	Share of wages from knowledge industry
Minneapolis	10	7	10
Detroit	25	36	37

2007 Rank among 54 metros 1 million population or more

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## Metro Grand Rapids vs. Metro Minneapolis

City	Per cap income	Education attainment	Share of wages from knowledge industry
Minneapolis	10	7	10
Grand Rapids	51	44	53

2007 Rank among 54 metros 1 million population or more



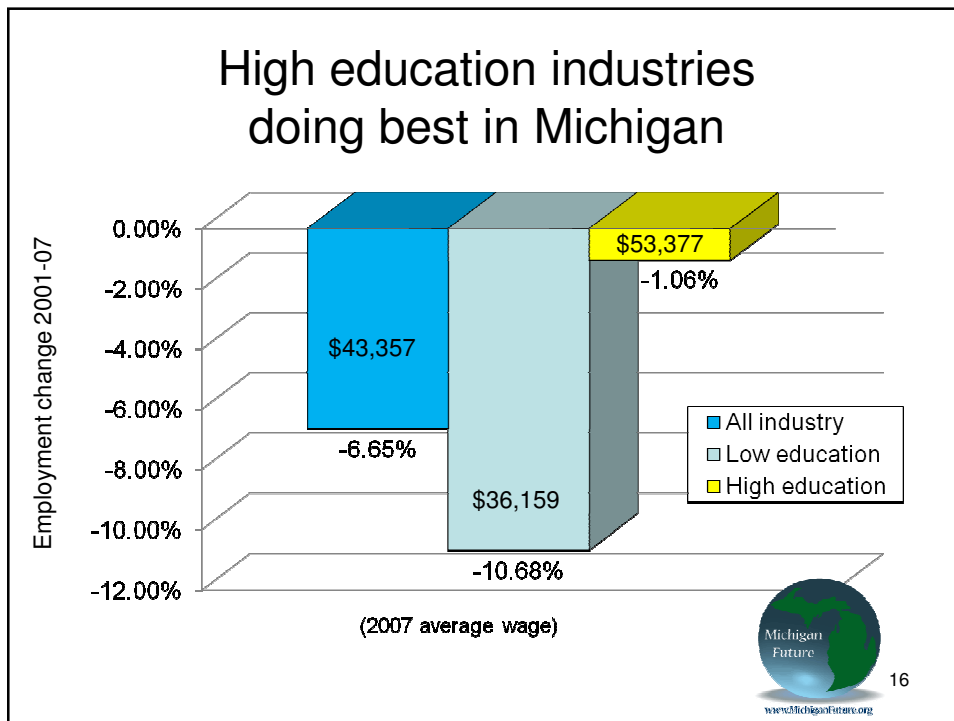
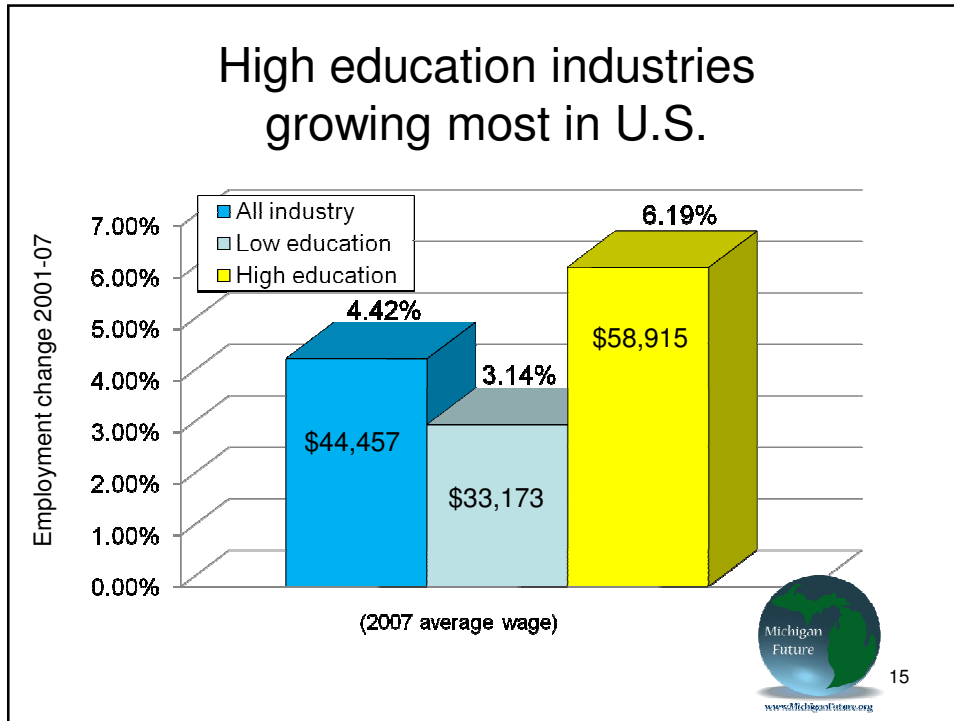
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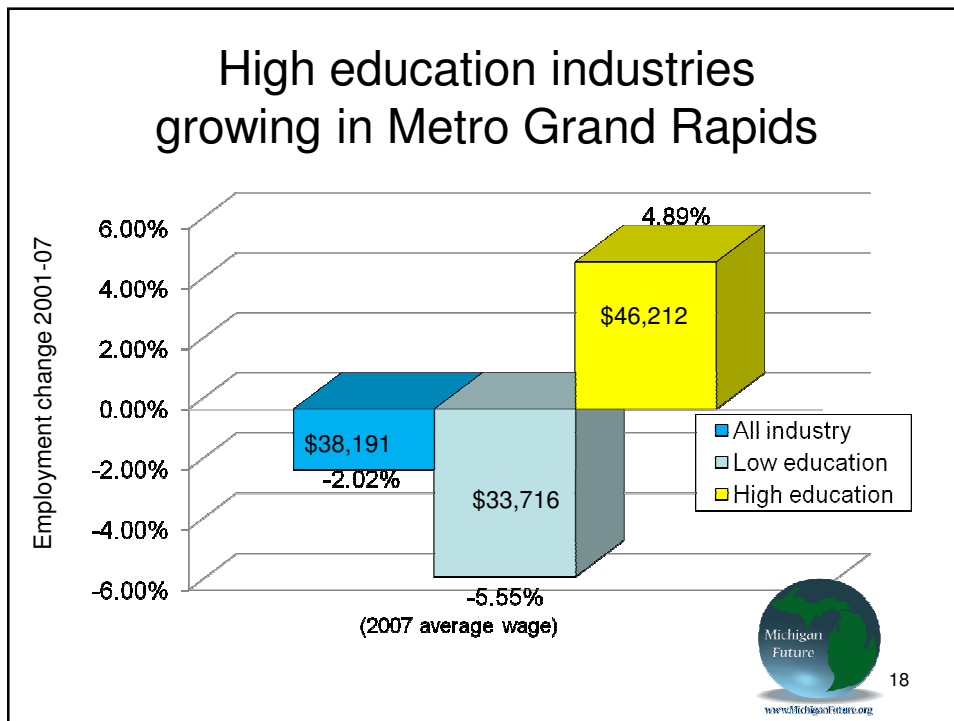
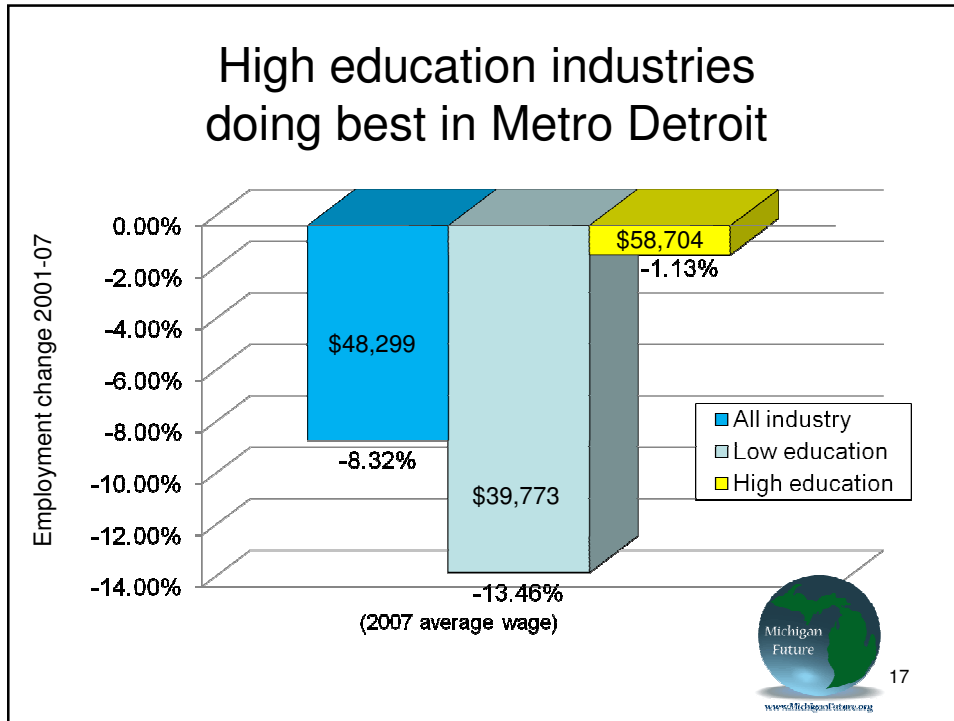
## Metro Lansing vs. Metro Madison

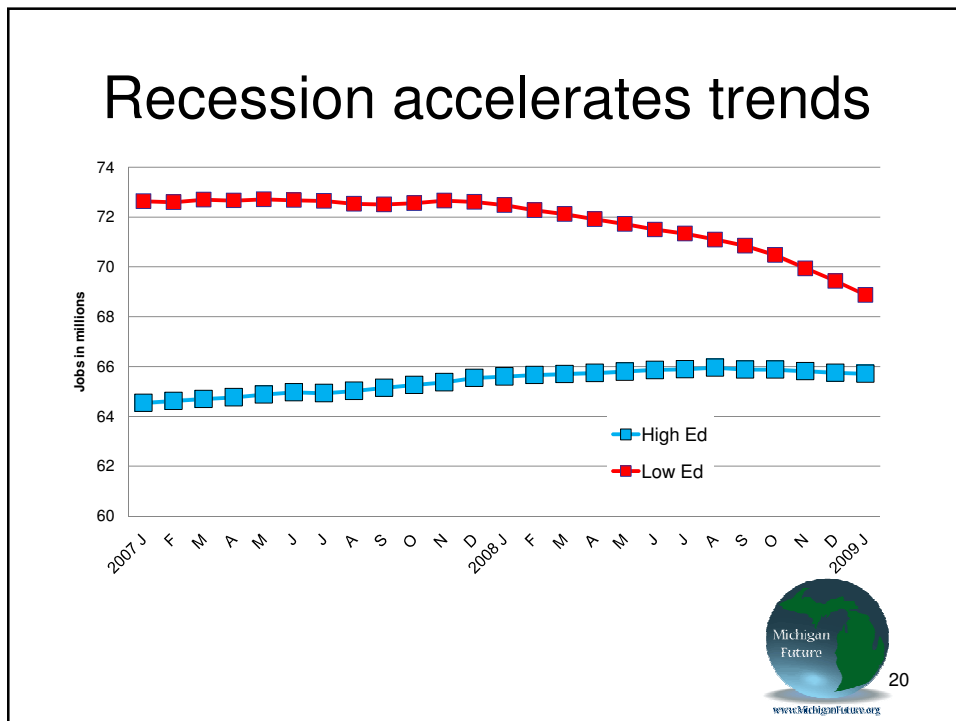
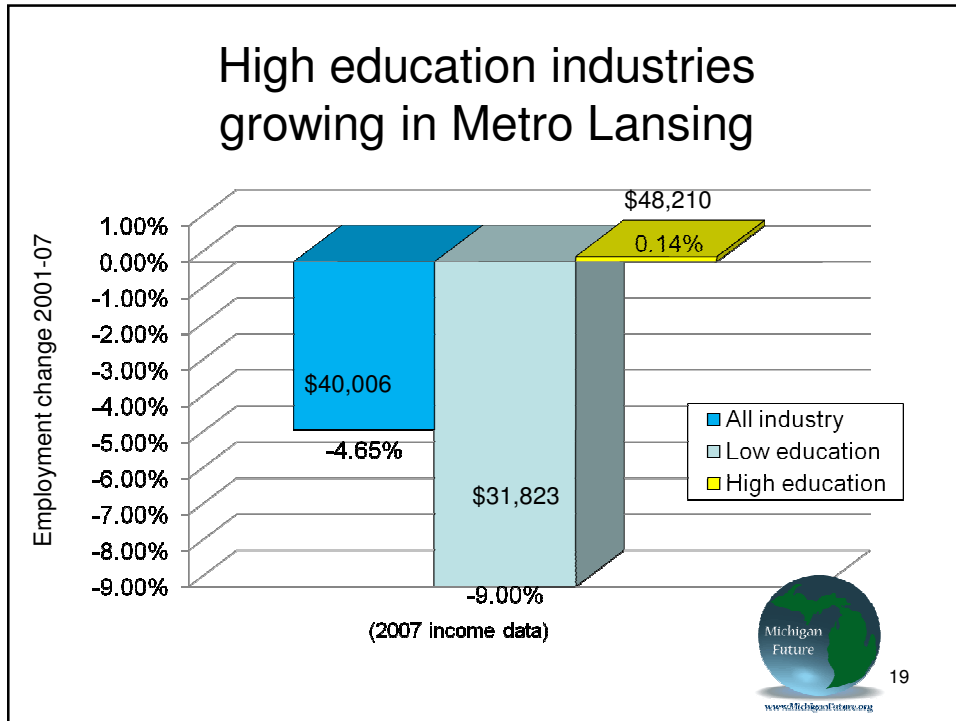
City	Per cap income	% bachelors degree or more	Share of wages from knowledge industries
Madison	\$ 40,974	38.5 %	60.8 %
Lansing	32,058	28.2	60.1



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## Our conclusion:

The places with the greatest concentration of talent win!



## Our recommendations

- Align Michigan culture with the flat world realities
- Create places where talent wants to live
- Ensure success of vibrant higher ed system
- Reinvent K-12 education to align with new realities
- Develop new public and – more importantly – private sector leaders



## Bottom line

We must get younger  
and better educated  
or  
we will get poorer



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