

Ohio County Profiles

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Preble County

Established: Act - March 1, 1808
2000 Population: 42,337
Land Area: 424.8 square miles
County Seat: Eaton City
Named for: Captain Edward Preble, Revolutionary War



Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$549,691,870
Residential	\$358,337,880
Agriculture	\$119,375,980
Industrial	\$26,946,860
Commercial	\$45,031,150
Mineral	\$0
Ohio income tax liability	\$19,794,831
Average per return	\$1,049.62

Land Cover

	Acres
Total	273,305.8
Urban (open impervious surfaces)	3,885.7
Agriculture/Open Urban Areas	236,079.3
Shrub/Scrub	1,717.2
Wooded	29,920.3
Open Water	1,019.2
Non-forested Wetlands	534.7
Barren	149.5

Largest Areas

	Census 1990	Census 2000
Eaton city	7,396	8,133
Gratis township UIA	3,268	3,343
Gasper township	1,638	3,229
Lanier township UIA	2,797	3,052
Harrison township UIA	2,394	2,428
Twin township UIA	2,303	2,315
Camden village	2,210	2,302
Washington township	1,974	2,104
Somers township UIA	2,016	1,943
Jefferson township UIA	1,982	1,826

UIA: Unincorporated Area

Total Population

Census	1900	23,713	
1800	1910	23,834	
1810	3,304	1920	23,238
1820	10,237	1930	22,455
1830	16,291	1940	23,329
1840	19,482	1950	27,081
1850	21,736	1960	32,498
1860	21,820	1970	34,719
1870	21,809	1980	38,223
1880	24,533	1990	40,113
1890	23,421	2000	42,337

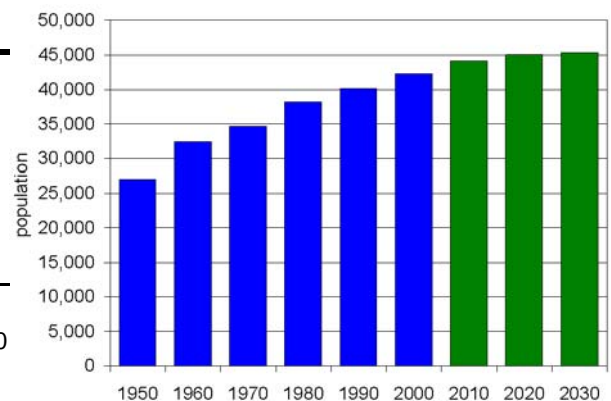
Projected

2010	44,197
2020	45,072
2030	45,381

Largest Changes in Population Since 1900

Net Change
5,417 1950 to 1960

Percent Change
20.0% 1950 to 1960



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Population by Race	Number	Percent
Total Population	42,337	100.0%
White	41,720	98.5%
African-American	80	0.2%
Native American	191	0.5%
Asian	159	0.4%
Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
Other	21	0.0%
Two or More Races	166	0.4%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	173	0.4%
Total Minority	771	1.8%

Educational Attainment	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	28,079	100.0%
No high school diploma	5,152	18.3%
High school graduate	13,880	49.4%
Some college, no degree	4,848	17.3%
Associate degree	1,364	4.9%
Bachelor's degree	1,847	6.6%
Master's degree or higher	988	3.5%

Family Type by Employment Status	Number	Percent
Total Families	12,120	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	5,727	47.3%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	2,034	16.8%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	664	5.5%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	1,745	14.4%
Male householder, in labor force	477	3.9%
Male householder, not in labor force	161	1.3%
Female householder, in labor force	814	6.7%
Female householder, not in labor force	498	4.1%

Household Income in 1999	Number	Percent
Total Households	15,946	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	995	6.2%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	1,769	11.1%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	2,402	15.1%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	2,324	14.6%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2,012	12.6%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	1,872	11.7%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	2,128	13.3%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,541	9.7%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	716	4.5%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	112	0.7%
\$200,000 or more	75	0.5%
Median household income	\$42,093	

Population by Age	Number	Percent
Total Population	42,337	100.0%
Under 6 years	3,272	7.7%
6 to 17 years	7,735	18.3%
18 to 24 years	3,251	7.7%
25 to 44 years	12,168	28.7%
45 to 64 years	10,345	24.4%
65 years and more	5,566	13.1%
Median Age	37.5	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18	Number	Percent
Total Families	12,120	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	4,432	36.6%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	401	3.3%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	732	6.0%
Families with no own children	6,555	54.1%

Poverty Status in 1999 of Families By Family Type by Presence Of Related Children	Number	Percent
Total Families	12,120	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	11,579	95.5%
Family income below poverty level	541	4.5%
Married couple, with related children	114	21.1%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	45	8.3%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	226	41.8%
Families with no related children	156	28.8%

Ratio of Income in 1999 To Poverty Level	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	41,755	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	1,052	2.5%
50% to 99% of poverty level	1,500	3.6%
100% to 149% of poverty level	2,863	6.9%
150% to 199% of poverty level	3,979	9.5%
200% of poverty level or more	32,361	77.5%

Residence in 1995	Number	Percent
Population 5 years and over	39,644	100.0%
Same house in 1995	24,171	61.0%
Different house, same county	9,039	22.8%
Different county, same state	4,592	11.6%
Different state	1,766	4.5%
Puerto Rico or U.S. islands	3	0.0%
Foreign country	73	0.2%

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Travel Time To Work	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	20,226	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	5,840	28.9%
15 to 29 minutes	6,267	31.0%
30 to 44 minutes	3,959	19.6%
45 to 59 minutes	2,077	10.3%
60 minutes or more	1,430	7.1%
Worked at home	653	3.2%
Mean travel time	26.7 minutes	

Housing Units	Number	Percent
Total housing units	17,186	100.0%
Occupied housing units	16,001	93.1%
Owner occupied	12,631	73.5%
Renter occupied	3,370	19.6%
Vacant housing units	1,185	6.9%

Year Structure Built	Number	Percent
Total housing units	17,186	100.0%
Built 1995 to March 2000	1,618	9.4%
Built 1990 to 1994	1,123	6.5%
Built 1980 to 1989	1,696	9.9%
Built 1970 to 1979	3,040	17.7%
Built 1960 to 1969	1,620	9.4%
Built 1950 to 1959	1,934	11.3%
Built 1940 to 1949	971	5.6%
Built 1939 or earlier	5,184	30.2%
Median year built	1963	

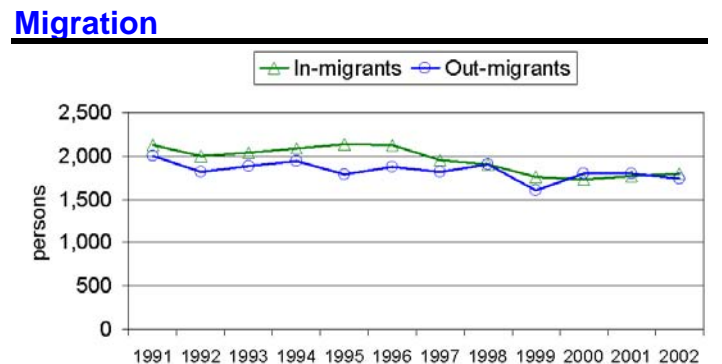
Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	9,942	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	52	0.5%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	266	2.7%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	894	9.0%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	1,858	18.7%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	2,719	27.3%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	1,714	17.2%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	1,160	11.7%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	845	8.5%
\$200,000 to \$249,999	295	3.0%
\$250,000 to \$499,999	122	1.2%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	15	0.2%
\$1,000,000 or more	2	0.0%
Median value	\$93,500	

House Heating Fuel	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	16,001	100.0%
Utility gas	4,673	29.2%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	2,927	18.3%
Electricity	5,102	31.9%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	2,564	16.0%
Coal, coke or wood	552	3.4%
Solar energy or other fuel	141	0.9%
No fuel used	42	0.3%

Gross Rent	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	2,997	100.0%
Less than \$100	39	1.3%
\$100 to \$199	122	4.1%
\$200 to \$299	175	5.8%
\$300 to \$399	449	15.0%
\$400 to \$499	630	21.0%
\$500 to \$599	624	20.8%
\$600 to \$699	407	13.6%
\$700 to \$799	168	5.6%
\$800 to \$899	62	2.1%
\$900 to \$999	32	1.1%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	17	0.6%
\$1,500 or more	3	0.1%
No cash rent	269	9.0%
Median gross rent	\$492	
Median gross rent as a percentage of household income in 1999	22.2	

Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	6,944	100.0%
Less than \$400	264	3.8%
\$400 to \$599	914	13.2%
\$600 to \$799	1,853	26.7%
\$800 to \$999	1,640	23.6%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	1,324	19.1%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	554	8.0%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	286	4.1%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	100	1.4%
\$3,000 or more	9	0.1%
Median monthly owners cost	\$848	
Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income	20.4	

Vital Statistics	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 population	441	10.4
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	52	35.9
Deaths / rate per 1,000 population	336	7.9
Marriages / rate per 1,000 population	263	6.0
Divorces / rate per 1,000 population	214	4.9



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Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	213,000
Number of farms	1,170
Average size (acres)	182
Total cash receipts	\$65,467,000
Per farm	\$55,954

Education

Public schools	18
Students	7,714
Teachers	481
Student-teacher ratio	15.5
Expenditures per student	\$6,601
Graduation rate	84.9
Non-public schools	0
Students	0
4-year public universities	0
Branches	0
2-year public colleges	0
Private universities and colleges	0
Public libraries	3
Branch libraries	8
Bookmobiles	0

Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	60,971
Passenger cars	34,746
Noncommercial trucks	13,601
Total license revenue	\$1,611,215.97
Interstate highway miles	17.67
Turnpike miles	0.00
U.S. highway miles	60.84
State highway miles	111.93
Commercial airports	0
Commercial heliports	0

Voting

Number of precincts	46
Number of registered voters	28,108
Voted in 2002 election	11,967
Percent turnout	42.6%

Health Care

Physicians (MDs DOs)	16
Registered hospitals	0
Number of beds	0
Licensed nursing homes	4
Number of beds	317
Licensed residential care	2
Number of beds	58
Licensed homes for the aging	0
Number of beds	0

Crime

Total crimes reported in Uniform Crime Report	985
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Communications

Television stations	0
Radio stations	0
Daily newspapers	0
Circulation	0

State Parks

Facilities	1
Acreage	2,570.64

Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions	3
Assets	\$210,733,000

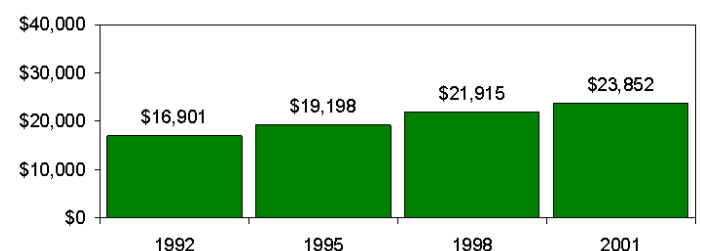
Transfer Payments

Total transfer payments	\$163,445,000
Payments to individuals	\$152,738,000
Retirement and disability	\$78,071,000
Medical payments	\$57,537,000
Income maintenance	\$8,735,000
Supplemental SSI	\$1,830,000
Family assistance	\$917,000
Food stamps	\$1,000,000
Other income maintenance	\$4,988,000
Unemployment benefits	\$3,895,000
Veterans benefits	\$3,878,000
Other payments to individuals	\$223,000
Total personal income	\$1,012,947,000
Dependency ratio	16.1%

Federal Expenditures

Direct expenditures or obligations	\$170,931,756
Defense	\$2,898,000
Retirement and disability	\$85,796,122
Other direct payments	\$49,029,441
Grant awards	\$28,791,410
Highways	\$10,684,539
AFDC/TANF	\$2,052,870
Medicaid	\$10,417,692
Procurement contract awards	\$1,526,652
Defense	\$0
Salary and wages	\$5,788,131
Defense	\$721,000
Other federal assistance	\$38,858,581
Direct loans	\$5,444,191
Guaranteed loans	\$10,860,147
Insurance	\$22,554,243

Per Capita Personal Income



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Civilian Labor Force	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Civilian labor force	21,700	21,200	21,600	21,900	22,000
Employed	20,900	20,400	20,700	21,000	20,700
Unemployed	900	900	800	1,000	1,300
Unemployment rate	4.0	4.1	3.9	4.3	5.9

Employment and Wages by Sector

NAICS Industrial Sector	Average Annual Employment		Total Wages (in thousands of dollars)	
	2000	2001	2000	2001
Total covered under Ohio UC Law	11,000	11,069	\$284,082	\$295,711
Private Sector	9,053	9,056	\$235,383	\$244,140
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	54	53	\$1,011	\$990
Mining	48	46	\$1,585	\$1,668
Utilities	-1	-1	\$0	\$0
Construction	407	426	\$9,729	\$11,220
Manufacturing	3,454	3,518	\$134,174	\$136,810
Wholesale trade	332	336	\$10,091	\$10,163
Retail trade	1,560	1,509	\$24,086	\$24,363
Transportation and warehousing	180	295	\$4,702	\$10,542
Information	74	40	\$2,026	\$1,147
Finance and insurance	208	202	\$6,927	\$6,424
Real estate and rental and leasing	95	110	\$1,223	\$1,387
Professional and technical services	180	186	\$3,574	\$4,008
Management of companies and enterprises	-1	-1	\$0	\$0
Administrative and waste services	469	439	\$7,619	\$5,923
Educational services	13	12	\$89	\$87
Health care and social assistance	684	668	\$13,386	\$13,688
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	45	43	\$582	\$625
Accommodation and food services	914	833	\$8,474	\$8,364
Other services, except public administration	288	293	\$4,734	\$5,140
State and Local Government	1,947	2,013	\$48,699	\$51,571
State government	121	214	\$4,025	\$6,639
Local government	1,826	1,799	\$44,673	\$44,933
Federal Government	113	96	\$3,668	\$3,325

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Components of Business Change

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Business starts	76	72	84	87	89
Active businesses	778	758	780	766	794

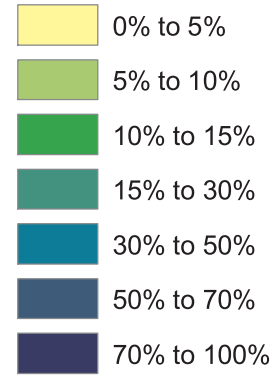
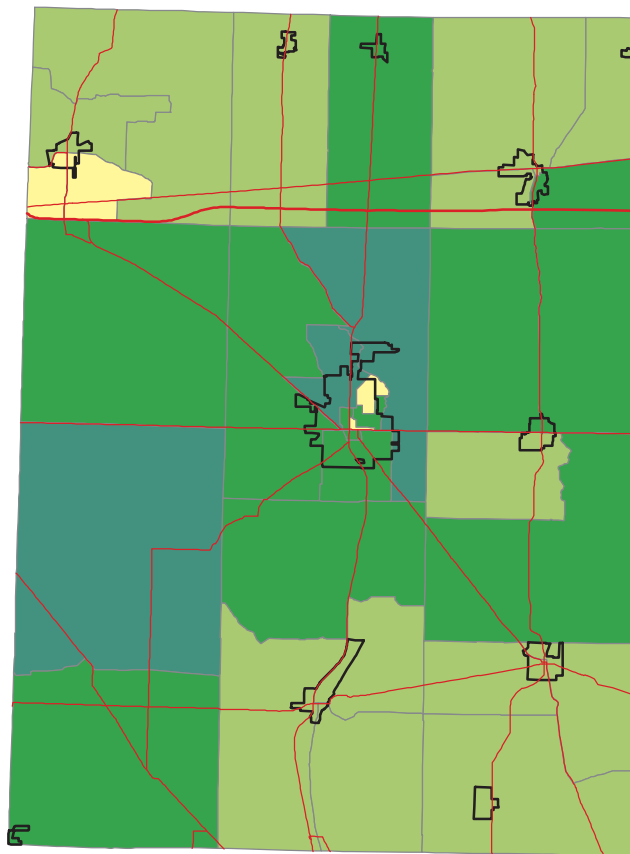
Residential Construction

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Total buildings	229	220	170	161	172
Total units	233	227	176	166	177
Total valuation (000)	\$21,881	\$23,038	\$16,756	\$17,478	\$19,424,014
Total single-unit bldgs	225	217	167	159	168
Average cost per unit	\$95,213	\$102,770	\$96,837	\$106,820	\$112,702
Total multi-unit bldg units	8	10	9	7	9
Average cost per unit	\$57,250	\$73,700	\$64,889	\$70,571	\$54,444

Major Employers

Akey Inc	Mfg
Bullen Ultrasonics	Mfg
Eaton City Bd of Ed	Gov't
Henny Penny Corp	Mfg
Love Box Co/Lewisburg Container	Mfg
Nihon Plast/Neaton Auto Products	Mfg
Parker-Hannifin Corp	Mfg
Procter & Gamble/lams Co	Mfg

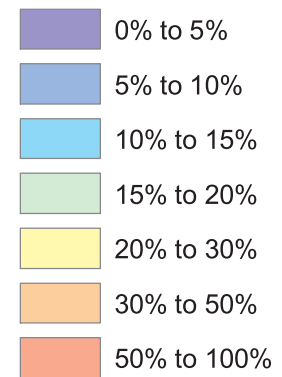
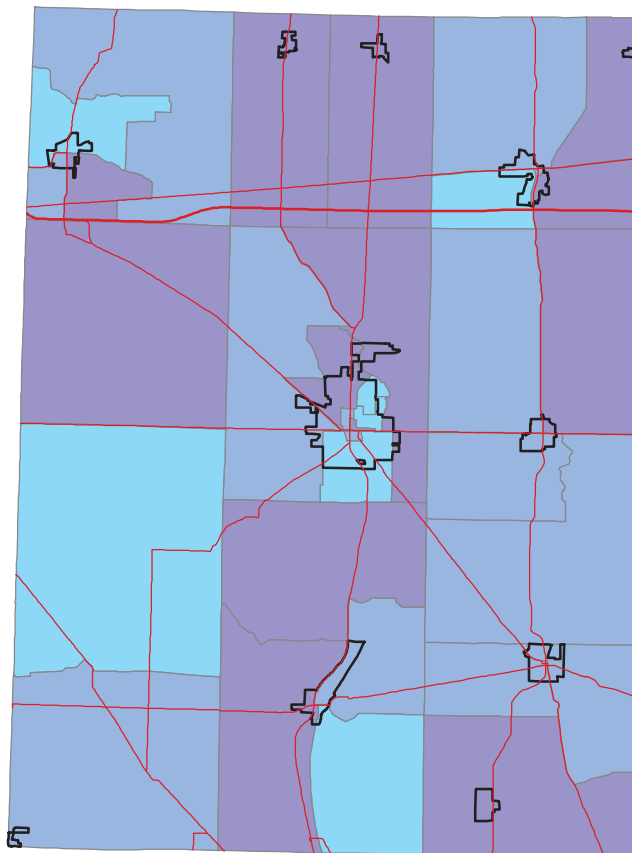
Percent of Persons 25 and Older With a Bachelor's Degree or Greater 2000



Ohio -- 21.1%
Preble -- 10.1%

Source: Summary File 3, Census of Population and Housing,
U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000.

Percent of Persons Living In Poverty 2000



Ohio -- 10.6%
Preble -- 6.1%

Calculation based on population for
whom poverty status is determined.

Source: Summary File 3, Census of Population and Housing,
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