

Ohio County Profiles



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2021 Edition

Erie County

Established: Act - March 16, 1838
 2020 Population: 75,622
 Land Area: 254.5 square miles
 County Seat: Sandusky City
 Named for: Erie Native American Tribe



Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$2,073,443,910
Residential	\$1,488,957,060
Agriculture	\$117,860,180
Industrial	\$42,898,220
Commercial	\$423,715,720
Mineral	\$12,730
Ohio income tax liability	\$44,740,058
Average per return	\$1,189.55

Land Use/Land Cover

	Percent
Developed, Lower Intensity	12.76%
Developed, Higher Intensity	4.39%
Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.)	1.50%
Forest	18.60%
Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands	0.99%
Pasture/Hay	4.82%
Cultivated Crops	51.96%
Wetlands	3.24%
Open Water	1.75%

Largest Places

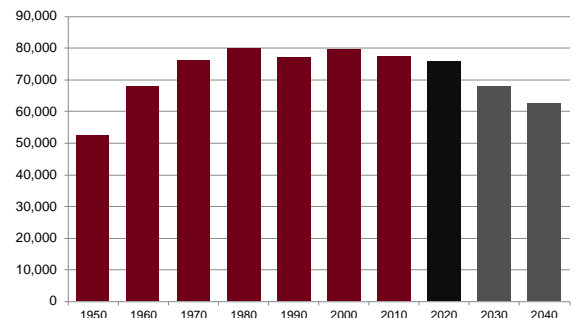
	Census 2020	Census 2010
Sandusky city	25,095	25,793
Perkins twp	12,390	12,202
Huron city	6,922	7,149
Vermilion twp	4,857	4,945
Vermilion city (part)	4,637	4,742
Margaretta twp UB	4,258	4,497
Huron twp UB	3,802	3,548
Berlin twp UB	2,799	3,009
Milan twp UB	2,583	2,602
Florence twp	2,470	2,448

UB: Unincorporated balance.

Total Population

Census

1800		1910	38,327	2020	75,622
1810		1920	39,789		
1820		1930	42,133	Projected	
1830		1940	43,201		
1840	12,599	1950	52,565	2030	67,740
1850	18,568	1960	68,000	2040	62,300
1860	24,474	1970	75,909		
1870	28,188	1980	79,655		
1880	32,640	1990	76,779		
1890	35,462	2000	79,551		
1900	37,650	2010	77,079		



Population by Race	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	74,780	100.0%
White	63,928	85.5%
African-American	6,769	9.1%
Native American	292	0.4%
Asian	441	0.6%
Pacific Islander	6	0.0%
Other	1,015	1.4%
Two or More Races	2,329	3.1%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	3,282	4.4%
Total Minority	12,619	16.9%

Educational Attainment	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	53,639	100.0%
No high school diploma	4,414	8.2%
High school graduate	19,980	37.2%
Some college, no degree	11,314	21.1%
Associate degree	5,513	10.3%
Bachelor's degree	7,815	14.6%
Master's degree or higher	4,603	8.6%

Family Type by Employment Status	Number	Percent
Total Families	19,844	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	6,958	35.1%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	2,602	13.1%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	1,374	6.9%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	3,608	18.2%
Male householder, in labor force	1,026	5.2%
Male householder, not in labor force	351	1.8%
Female householder, in labor force	3,054	15.4%
Female householder, not in labor force	871	4.4%

Household Income	Number	Percent
Total Households	31,183	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	2,066	6.6%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	2,368	7.6%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	3,234	10.4%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	3,256	10.4%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	3,505	11.2%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	2,609	8.4%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	3,223	10.3%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	3,934	12.6%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	4,351	14.0%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,422	4.6%
\$200,000 or more	1,215	3.9%
Median household income	\$54,226	

Population by Age	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	74,780	100.0%
Under 5 years	4,010	5.4%
5 to 17 years	11,288	15.1%
18 to 24 years	5,843	7.8%
25 to 44 years	16,465	22.0%
45 to 64 years	21,244	28.4%
65 years and more	15,930	21.3%
Median Age	44.8	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18	Number	Percent
Total Families	19,965	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	4,005	20.1%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	644	3.2%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	2,292	11.5%
Families with no own children	13,024	65.2%

Poverty Status of Families By Family Type by Presence Of Related Children	Number	Percent
Total Families	19,965	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	18,239	91.4%
Family income below poverty level	1,726	8.6%
Married couple, with related children	226	1.1%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	132	0.7%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	1,001	5.0%
Families with no related children	367	1.8%

Ratio of Income To Poverty Level	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	73,651	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	3,582	4.9%
50% to 99% of poverty level	5,026	6.8%
100% to 124% of poverty level	3,382	4.6%
125% to 149% of poverty level	2,811	3.8%
150% to 184% of poverty level	5,147	7.0%
185% to 199% of poverty level	1,697	2.3%
200% of poverty level or more	52,006	70.6%

Geographical Mobility	Number	Percent
Population aged 1 year and older	73,890	100.0%
Same house as previous year	65,461	88.6%
Different house, same county	4,743	6.4%
Different county, same state	2,277	3.1%
Different state	1,346	1.8%
Abroad	63	0.1%

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Travel Time To Work	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	34,446	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	13,567	39.4%
15 to 29 minutes	13,158	38.2%
30 to 44 minutes	4,482	13.0%
45 to 59 minutes	1,314	3.8%
60 minutes or more	1,925	5.6%
Mean travel time	21.1 minutes	

Housing Units	Number	Percent
Total housing units	37,860	100.0%
Occupied housing units	31,183	82.4%
Owner occupied	21,593	69.2%
Renter occupied	9,590	30.8%
Vacant housing units	6,677	17.6%

Year Structure Built	Number	Percent
Total housing units	37,860	100.0%
Built 2014 or later	340	0.9%
Built 2010 to 2013	165	0.4%
Built 2000 to 2009	2,235	5.9%
Built 1990 to 1999	4,458	11.8%
Built 1980 to 1989	3,209	8.5%
Built 1970 to 1979	5,443	14.4%
Built 1960 to 1969	5,467	14.4%
Built 1950 to 1959	5,176	13.7%
Built 1940 to 1949	2,523	6.7%
Built 1939 or earlier	8,844	23.4%
Median year built	1964	

Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	21,593	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	706	3.3%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	407	1.9%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	899	4.2%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	1,644	7.6%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	2,448	11.3%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	3,107	14.4%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	2,665	12.3%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	4,446	20.6%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	3,115	14.4%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1,541	7.1%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	441	2.0%
\$1,000,000 or more	174	0.8%
Median value	\$139,900	

House Heating Fuel	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	31,183	100.0%
Utility gas	20,044	64.3%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	1,947	6.2%
Electricity	7,770	24.9%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	267	0.9%
Coal, coke or wood	714	2.3%
Solar energy or other fuel	302	1.0%
No fuel used	139	0.4%

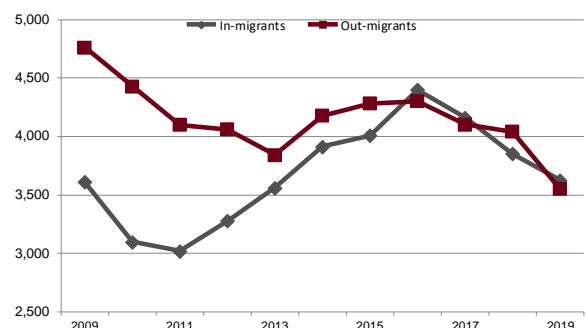
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Gross Rent	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	9,590	100.0%
Less than \$100	35	0.4%
\$100 to \$199	58	0.6%
\$200 to \$299	217	2.3%
\$300 to \$399	277	2.9%
\$400 to \$499	421	4.4%
\$500 to \$599	877	9.1%
\$600 to \$699	1,717	17.9%
\$700 to \$799	1,494	15.6%
\$800 to \$899	1,322	13.8%
\$900 to \$999	738	7.7%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,591	16.6%
\$1,500 or more	219	2.3%
No cash rent	624	6.5%
Median gross rent	\$756	
Median gross rent as a percentage of household income	26.7	

Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	12,574	100.0%
Less than \$400	90	0.7%
\$400 to \$599	462	3.7%
\$600 to \$799	1,531	12.2%
\$800 to \$999	2,389	19.0%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	2,616	20.8%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	1,909	15.2%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	2,020	16.1%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	1,229	9.8%
\$3,000 or more	328	2.6%
Median monthly owners cost	\$1,173	
Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income	18.6	

Vital Statistics	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44	699	56.8
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	42	60.1
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	965	1,299.4

Domestic Migration



Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	86,440
Number of farms	382
Average size (acres)	226
Total cash receipts	\$94,205,000
Per farm	\$246,609
Receipts for crops	\$86,949,000
Receipts for livestock/products	\$7,256,000

Education

Traditional public schools buildings	23
Students	10,708
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	783.3
Expenditures per student	\$9,957
Graduation rate	96.0
Community/charter schools buildings	1
Students	251
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	23.0
Expenditures per student	\$7,225
Graduation rate	
Private schools	5
Students	826
4-year public universities	0
Regional campuses	1
2-year public colleges/satellites	0
Ohio Technical Centers	2
Private universities and colleges	0
Public libraries (Districts / Facilities)	4 / 7

Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	96,297
Passenger cars	62,126
Noncommercial trucks	14,712
Total license revenue	\$2,581,440.96
Permissive tax revenue	\$1,698,002.50
Interstate highway miles	26.36
Turnpike miles	26.36
U.S. highway miles	42.68
State highway miles	114.49
County, township, and municipal road miles	622.97
Commercial airports	4

Health Care

Physicians	197
Registered hospitals	1
Number of beds	287
Licensed nursing homes	7
Number of beds	912
Licensed residential care	5
Number of beds	429
Persons with health insurance (Aged 0 to 64)	92.5%
Adults with insurance (Aged 18 to 64)	91.5%
Children with insurance (Aged Under 19)	95.4%

Communications

Television stations	1
Radio stations	8
Daily newspapers	1
Circulation	13,900
Average monthly unique visitors	264,937
Weekly newspapers	1
Circulation	2,800
Average monthly unique visitors	0
Online only	0
Average monthly unique visitors	0

Crime

Total crimes reported in Uniform Crime Report	1,870
Violent crime	88
Property crime	1,782

Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	1
Assets (000)	\$2,807,092
Branch offices	23
Institutions represented	11

Transfer Payments

Total transfer payments	\$848,725,000
Payments to individuals	\$832,344,000
Retirement and disability	\$332,761,000
Medical payments	\$389,657,000
Income maintenance (Supplemental SSI, family assistance, food stamps, etc)	\$54,729,000
Unemployment benefits	\$6,423,000
Veterans benefits	\$32,743,000
Federal education and training assistance	\$10,030,000
Other payments to individuals	\$6,001,000
Total personal income	\$4,591,197,000
Dependency ratio	18.5%
(Percent of income from transfer payments)	

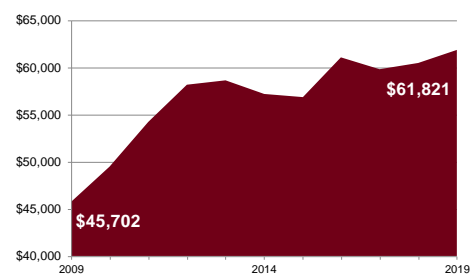
Voting

Number of registered voters	54,129
Voted in 2020 election	40,783
Percent turnout	75.3%

State Parks, Forests, Nature Preserves, Scenic Waterways, And Wildlife Areas

Areas/Facilities	19
Acreage	6,299

Per Capita Personal Income



Civilian Labor Force	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Civilian labor force	36,600	37,500	38,000	38,300	37,600
Employed	32,700	35,700	35,900	35,900	35,500
Unemployed	3,800	1,900	2,100	2,300	2,100
Unemployment rate	10.5	5.0	5.6	6.1	5.5

Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2019

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	1,850	31,489	\$1,205,847,642	\$736
Goods-Producing	279	7,425	\$385,640,805	\$999
Natural Resources and Mining	24	487	\$20,597,898	\$814
Construction	152	1,098	\$57,900,381	\$1,014
Manufacturing	103	5,840	\$307,142,526	\$1,011
Service-Providing	1,571	24,065	\$820,206,837	\$655
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	408	6,427	\$223,869,227	\$670
Information	24	415	\$35,290,697	\$1,635
Financial Services	172	874	\$48,781,324	\$1,073
Professional and Business Services	224	1,581	\$75,994,766	\$924
Education and Health Services	262	5,281	\$228,371,397	\$832
Leisure and Hospitality	338	8,672	\$185,152,518	\$411
Other Services	142	815	\$22,746,908	\$537
Federal Government		238	\$16,976,084	\$1,374
State Government		984	\$53,757,399	\$1,051
Local Government		3,904	\$186,144,705	\$917

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

Change Since 2013

Private Sector	0.1%	0.1%	14.2%	13.9%
Goods-Producing	1.5%	0.0%	5.8%	5.9%
Natural Resources and Mining	20.0%	8.0%	36.4%	26.6%
Construction	2.0%	29.9%	46.8%	12.9%
Manufacturing	-2.8%	-4.7%	-0.9%	4.0%
Service-Producing	-0.2%	0.1%	18.6%	18.2%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	-4.0%	0.6%	15.4%	14.7%
Information	71.4%	30.5%	241.6%	161.2%
Financial Services	-3.4%	-4.2%	11.4%	16.1%
Professional and Business Services	0.0%	1.7%	26.9%	24.7%
Education and Health Services	9.6%	-0.2%	13.5%	13.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	-1.5%	-0.8%	13.3%	14.5%
Other Services	-4.7%	-0.7%	19.8%	20.7%
Federal Government		-20.4%	-22.1%	-1.9%
State Government		-6.3%	17.8%	25.7%
Local Government		6.5%	19.3%	12.0%

Residential

Construction	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Total units	128	101	71	96	132
Total valuation (000)	\$30,823	\$24,171	\$18,556	\$22,689	\$26,254
Total single-unit bldgs	99	87	71	86	96
Average cost per unit	\$273,566	\$256,911	\$261,351	\$249,871	\$243,041
Total multi-unit bldg units	29	14	0	10	36
Average cost per unit	\$128,966	\$130,000		\$120,000	\$81,181