

Ohio County Profiles

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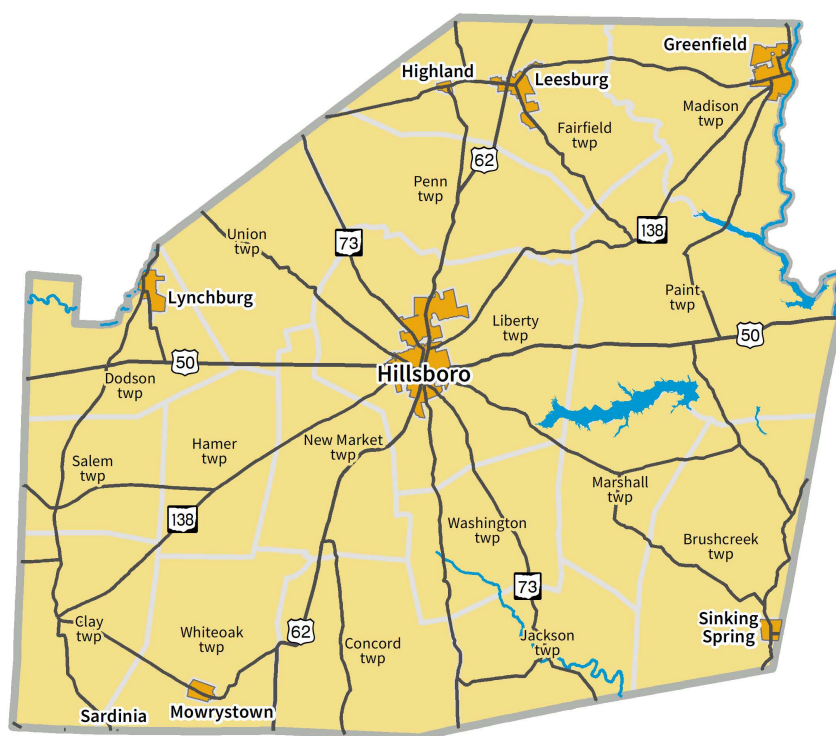
2024 Edition



**Department of
Development**

Highland County

Established:	Act - May 1, 1805
2023 Population:	43,614
Land Area:	553.3 square miles
County Seat:	Hillsboro City
Named for:	The "high lands" between the Scioto and Little Miami Rivers



Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$887,811,510
Residential	\$592,628,060
Agriculture	\$206,639,840
Industrial	\$15,505,010
Commercial	\$73,038,600
Mineral	\$0
Ohio income tax liability	\$16,214,536
Average per return	\$888.22

Land Use/Land Cover

Developed, Lower Intensity	5.97%
Developed, Higher Intensity	1.06%
Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.)	0.13%
Forest	30.54%
Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands	0.72%
Pasture/Hay	19.31%
Cultivated Crops	41.13%
Wetlands	0.18%
Open Water	0.96%

Largest Places

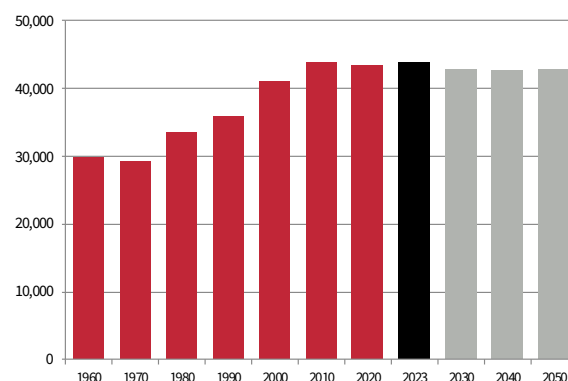
Largest Places	2023	2020
Hillsboro city	6,617	6,482
Paint twp	4,878	4,833
Greenfield vil. (part)	4,336	4,338
Liberty twp UB	3,710	3,702
Fairfield twp UB	2,137	2,135
Madison twp UB	2,137	2,107
Union twp	1,958	1,941
New Market twp	1,890	1,879
Penn twp	1,556	1,553
Lynchburg vil. (part)	1,532	1,512

UB: Unincorporated balance

Total Population

Census

1800		1910	28,711	2020	43,317
1810	5,766	1920	27,610		
1820	12,308	1930	25,416		
1830	16,345	1940	27,099	Estimate	
1840	22,269	1950	28,188	2023	43,614
1850	25,781	1960	29,716		
1860	27,773	1970	28,996		
1870	29,133	1980	33,477	Projection	
1880	30,281	1990	35,728	2030	42,751
1890	29,048	2000	40,875	2040	42,538
1900	30,982	2010	43,589	2050	42,689



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Population by Race

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	43,285	100.0%
White	41,206	95.2%
African-American	740	1.7%
Native American	55	0.1%
Asian	47	0.1%
Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
Other	146	0.3%
Two or More Races	1,091	2.5%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	589	1.4%
Total Minority	2,324	5.4%

Educational Attainment

	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	29,583	100.0%
No high school diploma	4,430	15.0%
High school graduate	12,348	41.7%
Some college, no degree	4,975	16.8%
Associate degree	3,338	11.3%
Bachelor's degree	2,916	9.9%
Master's degree or higher	1,576	5.3%

Family Type by Employment Status

	Number	Percent
Total Families	11,561	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	4,325	37.4%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	1,497	12.9%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	982	8.5%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	1,968	17.0%
Male householder, in labor force	634	5.5%
Male householder, not in labor force	289	2.5%
Female householder, in labor force	1,086	9.4%
Female householder, not in labor force	780	6.7%

Household Income

	Number	Percent
Total Households	16,688	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	794	4.8%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	1,746	10.5%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	1,594	9.6%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	1,187	7.1%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1,595	9.6%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	1,335	8.0%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	2,308	13.8%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	2,021	12.1%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	2,971	17.8%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	806	4.8%
\$200,000 or more	331	2.0%
Median household income	\$60,522	

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Population by Age

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	43,285	100.0%
Under 5 years	2,686	6.2%
5 to 17 years	7,633	17.6%
18 to 24 years	3,383	7.8%
25 to 44 years	9,970	23.0%
45 to 64 years	11,651	26.9%
65 years and more	7,962	18.4%
Median Age	40.8	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18

	Number	Percent
Total Families	11,604	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	3,243	27.9%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	551	4.7%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	769	6.6%
Families with no own children	7,041	60.7%

Poverty Status of Families By Family Type by Presence Of Related Children

	Number	Percent
Total Families	11,604	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	10,351	89.2%
Family income below poverty level	1,253	10.8%
Married couple, with related children	261	2.2%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	159	1.4%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	459	4.0%
Families with no related children	374	3.2%

Ratio of Income To Poverty Level

	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	42,711	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	2,121	5.0%
50% to 99% of poverty level	4,221	9.9%
100% to 124% of poverty level	1,974	4.6%
125% to 149% of poverty level	2,270	5.3%
150% to 184% of poverty level	3,769	8.8%
185% to 199% of poverty level	2,042	4.8%
200% of poverty level or more	26,314	61.6%

Geographical Mobility

	Number	Percent
Population aged 1 year and older	42,654	100.0%
Same house as previous year	38,175	89.5%
Different house, same county	2,392	5.6%
Different county, same state	1,763	4.1%
Different state	226	0.5%
Abroad	98	0.2%

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Travel Time To Work

	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	17,505	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	4,809	27.5%
15 to 29 minutes	5,045	28.8%
30 to 44 minutes	3,555	20.3%
45 to 59 minutes	1,853	10.6%
60 minutes or more	2,243	12.8%

Mean travel time 28.9 minutes

Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	19,010	100.0%
Occupied housing units	16,688	87.8%
Owner occupied	12,150	72.8%
Renter occupied	4,538	27.2%
Vacant housing units	2,322	12.2%

Year Structure Built

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	19,010	100.0%
Built 2020 or later	15	0.1%
Built 2010 to 2019	832	4.4%
Built 2000 to 2009	2,620	13.8%
Built 1990 to 1999	3,668	19.3%
Built 1980 to 1989	2,202	11.6%
Built 1970 to 1979	2,749	14.5%
Built 1960 to 1969	1,062	5.6%
Built 1950 to 1959	1,607	8.5%
Built 1940 to 1949	693	3.6%
Built 1939 or earlier	3,562	18.7%

Median year built 1979

Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	12,150	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	374	3.1%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	528	4.3%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	778	6.4%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	779	6.4%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	1,371	11.3%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	1,277	10.5%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	1,134	9.3%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2,257	18.6%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	2,274	18.7%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	882	7.3%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	420	3.5%
\$1,000,000 or more	76	0.6%

Median value \$146,300

House Heating Fuel

	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	16,688	100.0%
Utility gas	3,981	23.9%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	2,139	12.8%
Electricity	7,943	47.6%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	568	3.4%
Coal, coke or wood	1,306	7.8%
Solar energy or other fuel	632	3.8%
No fuel used	119	0.7%

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Gross Rent

	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	4,538	100.0%
Less than \$100	65	1.4%
\$100 to \$199	62	1.4%
\$200 to \$299	272	6.0%
\$300 to \$399	151	3.3%
\$400 to \$499	172	3.8%
\$500 to \$599	303	6.7%
\$600 to \$699	638	14.1%
\$700 to \$799	898	19.8%
\$800 to \$899	496	10.9%
\$900 to \$999	462	10.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	546	12.0%
\$1,500 or more	19	0.4%
No cash rent	454	10.0%

Median gross rent \$736

Median gross rent as a percentage of household income 25.3

Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	7,510	100.0%
Less than \$400	12	0.2%
\$400 to \$599	218	2.9%
\$600 to \$799	917	12.2%
\$800 to \$999	1,519	20.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	1,694	22.6%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	1,594	21.2%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,186	15.8%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	274	3.6%
\$3,000 or more	96	1.3%

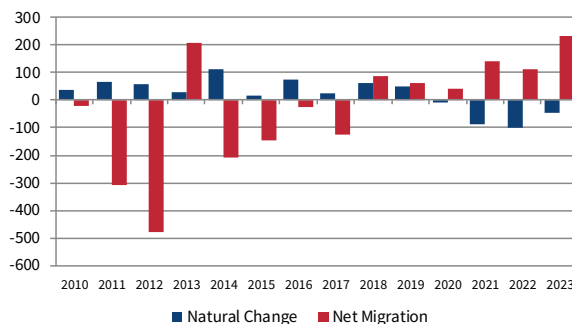
Median monthly owners cost \$1,161

Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income 18.3

Vital Statistics

	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44	558	73.8
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	31	22.7
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	624	1,438.1

Components of Population Change



Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	227,859
Number of farms	1,188
Average size (acres)	192
Total cash receipts	\$194,536,000
Per farm	\$163,751
Receipts for crops	\$124,600,000
Receipts for livestock/products	\$69,937,000

Education

Traditional public schools buildings	18
Students	6,546
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	526.6
Expenditures per student	\$11,796
Graduation rate	93.4
Community/charter schools buildings	0
Students	0
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	0.0
Expenditures per student	
Graduation rate	
Private schools	2
Students	243
Public universities, 4-year	0
Public universities/colleges, 2-year	1
Public learning centers, less-than 2-year	0
Private universities and colleges	0
Public libraries (Districts / Facilities)	1 / 5

Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	57,545
Passenger cars	30,737
Noncommercial trucks	12,203
Total license revenue	\$1,662,792.10
Permissive tax revenue	\$707,467.50
Interstate highway miles	0.00
Turnpike miles	0.00
U.S. highway miles	56.16
State highway miles	203.67
County, township, and municipal road miles	897.35
Commercial airports	1

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

Areas/Facilities	10
Acreage	15,049

Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	3
Assets (000)	\$4,853,150
Branch offices	17
Institutions represented	9

Transfer Payments

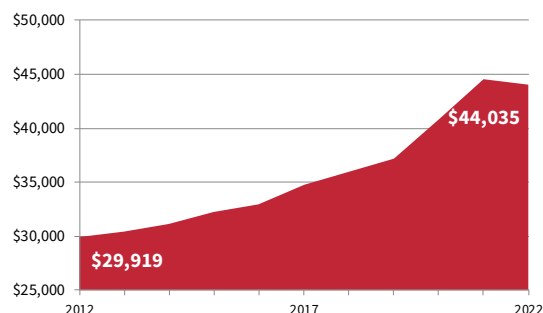
Total transfer payments	\$591,273,000
Payments to individuals	\$569,886,000
Retirement and disability	\$169,729,000
Medical payments	\$288,432,000
Income maintenance (Supplemental SSI, family assistance, food stamps, etc)	\$63,342,000
Unemployment benefits	\$2,066,000
Veterans benefits	\$29,899,000
Federal education and training assistance	\$10,212,000
Other payments to individuals	\$6,206,000
Total personal income	\$1,910,725,000
Dependency ratio	30.9%
(Percent of income from transfer payments)	

Voting

Number of registered voters	27,203
Voted in 2022 election	13,340
Percent turnout	49.0%

Health Care

Physicians	22
Registered hospitals	2
Number of beds	60
Licensed nursing homes	5
Number of beds	361
Licensed residential care	1
Number of beds	50
Persons with health insurance (Aged 0 to 64)	89.6%
Adults with insurance (Aged 18 to 64)	87.9%
Children with insurance (Aged Under 19)	93.6%

Per Capita Personal Income

Civilian Labor Force

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Civilian labor force	17,452	17,317	16,215	17,399	17,234
Employed	16,657	16,463	17,209	15,890	16,333
Unemployed	795	854	994	1,509	901
Unemployment rate	4.6	4.9	5.8	8.7	5.2

Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2022

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	724	8,419	\$322,705,667	\$737
Goods-Producing	130	2,503	\$122,207,743	\$939
Natural Resources and Mining	19	79	\$3,557,925	\$865
Construction	83	490	\$27,500,395	\$1,080
Manufacturing	29	1,934	\$91,149,423	\$906
Service-Providing	594	5,916	\$200,497,924	\$652
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	191	2,160	\$71,224,466	\$634
Information	9	64	\$2,432,273	\$726
Financial Services	73	441	\$26,249,412	\$1,145
Professional and Business Services	72	436	\$15,402,417	\$679
Education and Health Services	108	1,361	\$59,225,595	\$837
Leisure and Hospitality	69	1,180	\$18,017,439	\$294
Other Services	71	273	\$7,938,372	\$560
Federal Government		94	\$5,474,801	\$1,124
State Government		97	\$5,377,511	\$1,066
Local Government		2,096	\$97,285,566	\$892

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

Change Since 2017

Private Sector	7.7%	4.1%	21.6%	16.8%
Goods-Producing	18.2%	16.5%	33.2%	14.4%
Natural Resources and Mining	26.7%	19.7%	51.5%	25.7%
Construction	20.3%	54.6%	125.9%	46.1%
Manufacturing	11.5%	9.5%	18.0%	7.7%
Service-Producing	5.5%	-0.3%	15.5%	16.0%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	-2.6%	5.0%	29.1%	22.9%
Information	12.5%	-9.9%	-10.2%	-1.6%
Financial Services	5.8%	-0.9%	20.3%	21.4%
Professional and Business Services	4.3%	-40.7%	-43.6%	-4.9%
Education and Health Services	9.1%	4.5%	21.7%	16.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	9.5%	13.2%	42.0%	25.6%
Other Services	18.3%	-3.9%	53.0%	59.5%
Federal Government		-3.1%	16.7%	21.4%
State Government		4.3%	11.6%	7.4%
Local Government		-4.1%	17.3%	22.2%

Major & Notable Employers

Residential Construction

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total units	11	15	71	4	6
Total valuation (000)	\$1,937	\$2,562	\$13,442	\$655	\$870
Total single-unit bldgs	9	12	15	4	6
Average cost per unit	\$177,357	\$188,967	\$136,152	\$163,750	\$145,000
Total multi-unit bldg units	2	3	56	0	0
Average cost per unit	\$170,248	\$97,996	\$203,571		

Adient	Mfg
Candle-Lite Inc	Mfg
Greenfield Exempted Village Schools	Govt
Greenfield Research	Mfg
Highland District Hospital	Serv
Hillsboro City Schools	Govt
Huhtamaki Packaging Worldwide	Mfg
Illinois Tool Works/Hobart Corp	Mfg
PAS Technologies	Mfg
Wal-Mart Stores Inc	Trade
Weastec Inc/Toyo Denso Co	Mfg