

Ohio County Profiles



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2021 Edition

Lawrence County

Established: Act - December 21, 1815
 2020 Population: 58,240
 Land Area: 455.4 square miles
 County Seat: Ironton City
 Named for: Captain James Lawrence, War of 1812



Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$992,704,600
Residential	\$727,103,300
Agriculture	\$110,534,410
Industrial	\$32,023,490
Commercial	\$122,719,170
Mineral	\$324,230
Ohio income tax liability	\$23,624,510
Average per return	\$973.20

Land Use/Land Cover

	Percent
Developed, Lower Intensity	7.38%
Developed, Higher Intensity	1.36%
Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.)	0.08%
Forest	79.37%
Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands	1.28%
Pasture/Hay	9.12%
Cultivated Crops	0.65%
Wetlands	0.17%
Open Water	0.59%

Largest Places

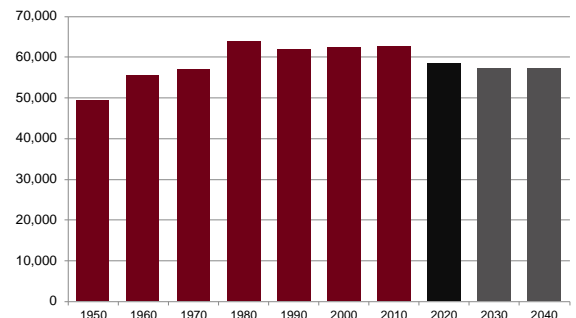
	Census 2020	Census 2010
Ironton city	10,571	11,129
Rome twp UB	8,500	8,519
Union twp UB	7,123	7,767
Fayette twp UB	6,008	6,628
Perry twp UB	5,180	5,577
South Point vil.	3,836	3,958
Upper twp UB	2,806	2,973
Elizabeth twp	2,527	2,969
Lawrence twp	2,355	2,579
Windsor twp	2,022	2,147

UB: Unincorporated balance.

Total Population

Census

1800		1910	39,488	2020	58,240
1810		1920	39,540		
1820	3,499	1930	44,541	Projected	
1830	5,367	1940	46,705		
1840	9,738	1950	49,115	2030	57,070
1850	15,246	1960	55,438	2040	57,050
1860	23,249	1970	56,868		
1870	31,380	1980	63,849		
1880	39,068	1990	61,834		
1890	39,556	2000	62,319		
1900	39,534	2010	62,450		



Population by Race	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	60,184	100.0%
White	57,458	95.5%
African-American	1,211	2.0%
Native American	19	0.0%
Asian	315	0.5%
Pacific Islander	14	0.0%
Other	125	0.2%
Two or More Races	1,042	1.7%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	590	1.0%
Total Minority	3,149	5.2%

Educational Attainment	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	42,404	100.0%
No high school diploma	5,293	12.5%
High school graduate	18,636	43.9%
Some college, no degree	8,043	19.0%
Associate degree	4,135	9.8%
Bachelor's degree	4,104	9.7%
Master's degree or higher	2,193	5.2%

Family Type by Employment Status	Number	Percent
Total Families	15,195	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	4,691	30.9%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	2,043	13.4%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	1,043	6.9%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	3,164	20.8%
Male householder, in labor force	591	3.9%
Male householder, not in labor force	576	3.8%
Female householder, in labor force	2,052	13.5%
Female householder, not in labor force	1,035	6.8%

Household Income	Number	Percent
Total Households	23,221	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	2,210	9.5%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	2,759	11.9%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	2,660	11.5%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	2,860	12.3%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2,032	8.8%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	1,704	7.3%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	2,823	12.2%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	3,010	13.0%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	2,269	9.8%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	504	2.2%
\$200,000 or more	390	1.7%
Median household income	\$45,118	

Population by Age	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	60,184	100.0%
Under 5 years	3,448	5.7%
5 to 17 years	9,774	16.2%
18 to 24 years	4,558	7.6%
25 to 44 years	14,535	24.2%
45 to 64 years	16,793	27.9%
65 years and more	11,076	18.4%
Median Age	41.8	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18	Number	Percent
Total Families	15,249	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	3,440	22.6%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	585	3.8%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	1,756	11.5%
Families with no own children	9,468	62.1%

Poverty Status of Families By Family Type by Presence Of Related Children	Number	Percent
Total Families	15,249	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	12,943	84.9%
Family income below poverty level	2,306	15.1%
Married couple, with related children	335	2.2%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	315	2.1%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	909	6.0%
Families with no related children	747	4.9%

Ratio of Income To Poverty Level	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	59,272	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	4,056	6.8%
50% to 99% of poverty level	6,656	11.2%
100% to 124% of poverty level	2,839	4.8%
125% to 149% of poverty level	3,538	6.0%
150% to 184% of poverty level	5,481	9.2%
185% to 199% of poverty level	1,677	2.8%
200% of poverty level or more	35,025	59.1%

Geographical Mobility	Number	Percent
Population aged 1 year and older	59,589	100.0%
Same house as previous year	52,973	88.9%
Different house, same county	4,857	8.2%
Different county, same state	560	0.9%
Different state	1,112	1.9%
Abroad	87	0.1%

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Travel Time To Work

	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	23,669	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	6,549	27.7%
15 to 29 minutes	9,909	41.9%
30 to 44 minutes	4,178	17.7%
45 to 59 minutes	1,897	8.0%
60 minutes or more	1,136	4.8%

Mean travel time 23.4 minutes

Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	27,543	100.0%
Occupied housing units	23,221	84.3%
Owner occupied	16,775	72.2%
Renter occupied	6,446	27.8%
Vacant housing units	4,322	15.7%

Year Structure Built

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	27,543	100.0%
Built 2014 or later	514	1.9%
Built 2010 to 2013	988	3.6%
Built 2000 to 2009	2,706	9.8%
Built 1990 to 1999	4,294	15.6%
Built 1980 to 1989	2,544	9.2%
Built 1970 to 1979	4,767	17.3%
Built 1960 to 1969	3,104	11.3%
Built 1950 to 1959	3,207	11.6%
Built 1940 to 1949	1,582	5.7%
Built 1939 or earlier	3,837	13.9%

Median year built 1974

Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	16,775	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	1,362	8.1%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	742	4.4%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	1,279	7.6%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	2,243	13.4%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	2,179	13.0%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	2,224	13.3%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	1,455	8.7%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2,673	15.9%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	1,779	10.6%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	654	3.9%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	154	0.9%
\$1,000,000 or more	31	0.2%

Median value \$106,500

House Heating Fuel

	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	23,221	100.0%
Utility gas	8,371	36.0%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	4,071	17.5%
Electricity	10,052	43.3%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	117	0.5%
Coal, coke or wood	500	2.2%
Solar energy or other fuel	79	0.3%
No fuel used	31	0.1%

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Gross Rent

	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	6,446	100.0%
Less than \$100	62	1.0%
\$100 to \$199	30	0.5%
\$200 to \$299	229	3.6%
\$300 to \$399	208	3.2%
\$400 to \$499	524	8.1%
\$500 to \$599	564	8.7%
\$600 to \$699	862	13.4%
\$700 to \$799	834	12.9%
\$800 to \$899	690	10.7%
\$900 to \$999	636	9.9%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	787	12.2%
\$1,500 or more	38	0.6%
No cash rent	982	15.2%

Median gross rent \$733

Median gross rent as a percentage of household income 29.1

Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	8,403	100.0%
Less than \$400	138	1.6%
\$400 to \$599	576	6.9%
\$600 to \$799	1,286	15.3%
\$800 to \$999	1,738	20.7%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	1,909	22.7%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	1,298	15.4%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,069	12.7%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	362	4.3%
\$3,000 or more	27	0.3%

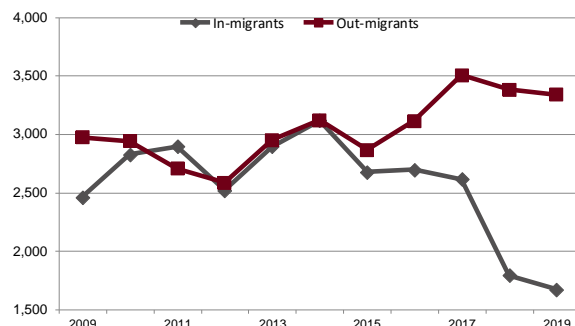
Median monthly owners cost \$1,061

Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income 19.6

Vital Statistics

	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44	620	59.1
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	43	69.4
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	871	1,464.8

Domestic Migration



Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	62,009
Number of farms	531
Average size (acres)	117
Total cash receipts	\$4,035,000
Per farm	\$7,598
Receipts for crops	\$2,413,000
Receipts for livestock/products	\$1,621,000

Education

Traditional public schools buildings	22
Students	8,909
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	724.1
Expenditures per student	\$8,704
Graduation rate	93.9
Community/charter schools buildings	0
Students	0
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	0.0
Expenditures per student	
Graduation rate	
Private schools	2
Students	195
4-year public universities	0
Regional campuses	1
2-year public colleges/satellites	0
Ohio Technical Centers	1
Private universities and colleges	0
Public libraries (Districts / Facilities)	1 / 5

Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	74,403
Passenger cars	44,041
Noncommercial trucks	16,322
Total license revenue	\$1,793,066.16
Permissive tax revenue	\$331,062.50
Interstate highway miles	0.00
Turnpike miles	0.00
U.S. highway miles	22.62
State highway miles	164.19
County, township, and municipal road miles	867.15
Commercial airports	1

Health Care

Physicians	51
Registered hospitals	1
Number of beds	8
Licensed nursing homes	4
Number of beds	378
Licensed residential care	3
Number of beds	148
Persons with health insurance (Aged 0 to 64)	92.2%
Adults with insurance (Aged 18 to 64)	91.1%
Children with insurance (Aged Under 19)	95.5%

Communications

Television stations	0
Radio stations	1
Daily newspapers	1
Circulation	7,076
Average monthly unique visitors	68,076
Weekly newspapers	0
Circulation	0
Average monthly unique visitors	0
Online only	0
Average monthly unique visitors	0

Crime

Total crimes reported in Uniform Crime Report	1,039
Violent crime	79
Property crime	960

Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	1
Assets (000)	\$55,127
Branch offices	17
Institutions represented	7

Transfer Payments

Total transfer payments	\$779,121,000
Payments to individuals	\$765,853,000
Retirement and disability	\$243,410,000
Medical payments	\$388,004,000
Income maintenance (Supplemental SSI, family assistance, food stamps, etc)	\$71,918,000
Unemployment benefits	\$4,604,000
Veterans benefits	\$44,311,000
Federal education and training assistance	\$8,918,000
Other payments to individuals	\$4,688,000
Total personal income	\$2,355,308,000
Dependency ratio	33.1%
(Percent of income from transfer payments)	

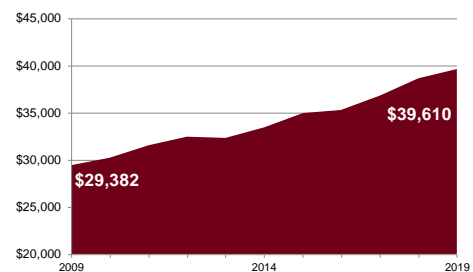
Voting

Number of registered voters	44,119
Voted in 2020 election	28,473
Percent turnout	64.5%

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

Areas/Facilities	4
Acreage	7,117

Per Capita Personal Income



Civilian Labor Force	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Civilian labor force	23,800	24,000	23,900	24,100	24,900
Employed	21,800	22,700	22,500	22,700	23,200
Unemployed	2,000	1,200	1,300	1,400	1,600
Unemployment rate	8.5	5.2	5.6	5.9	6.6

Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2019

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	867	10,462	\$365,279,628	\$671
Goods-Producing	127	1,831	\$92,558,184	\$972
Natural Resources and Mining	1	* * * * *	Data Not Available	* * * * *
Construction	88	* * * * *	Data Not Available	* * * * *
Manufacturing	39	970	\$45,371,561	\$900
Service-Providing	740	8,631	\$272,721,444	\$608
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	223	2,787	\$97,807,202	\$675
Information	7	67	\$3,851,733	\$1,107
Financial Services	84	420	\$16,015,269	\$733
Professional and Business Services	95	812	\$35,598,336	\$844
Education and Health Services	159	2,975	\$88,734,891	\$574
Leisure and Hospitality	82	1,271	\$19,962,791	\$302
Other Services	91	300	\$10,751,222	\$689
Federal Government		130	\$7,047,526	\$1,045
State Government		216	\$10,259,464	\$912
Local Government		2,366	\$97,476,704	\$792

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

Change Since 2013

Private Sector	0.6%	8.8%	20.5%	10.7%
Goods-Producing	2.4%	22.8%	18.2%	-3.8%
Natural Resources and Mining		* * * * *	Data Not Available	* * * * *
Construction	3.5%	* * * * *	Data Not Available	* * * * *
Manufacturing	0.0%	58.0%	54.2%	-2.4%
Service-Producing	0.3%	6.2%	21.3%	14.3%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	-3.0%	-4.6%	11.3%	16.8%
Information	-12.5%	-1.5%	5.4%	7.3%
Financial Services	2.4%	6.9%	23.8%	16.0%
Professional and Business Services	11.8%	46.0%	60.3%	9.9%
Education and Health Services	27.2%	11.5%	21.7%	9.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	6.5%	7.4%	23.4%	14.8%
Other Services	-28.9%	-9.6%	21.2%	34.0%
Federal Government		8.3%	18.1%	9.3%
State Government		-35.9%	-0.3%	55.6%
Local Government		-3.0%	11.4%	14.8%

Residential

Construction	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Total units	15	10	9	15	12
Total valuation (000)	\$2,202	\$914	\$1,381	\$2,305	\$655
Total single-unit bldgs	15	6	9	15	12
Average cost per unit	\$146,800	\$121,167	\$153,444	\$153,639	\$54,583
Total multi-unit bldg units	0	4	0	0	0
Average cost per unit		\$46,678		\$0	\$0