

Ohio County Profiles

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Department of
Development

Marion County

Established: Act - April 1, 1820
2023 Population: 64,851
Land Area: 403.9 square miles
County Seat: Marion City
Named for: General Francis Marion, the "Swamp Fox",
Revolutionary War



Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$1,370,372,900
Residential	\$952,588,720
Agriculture	\$218,498,400
Industrial	\$53,666,260
Commercial	\$145,613,530
Mineral	\$5,990
Ohio income tax liability	\$26,833,403
Average per return	\$982.15

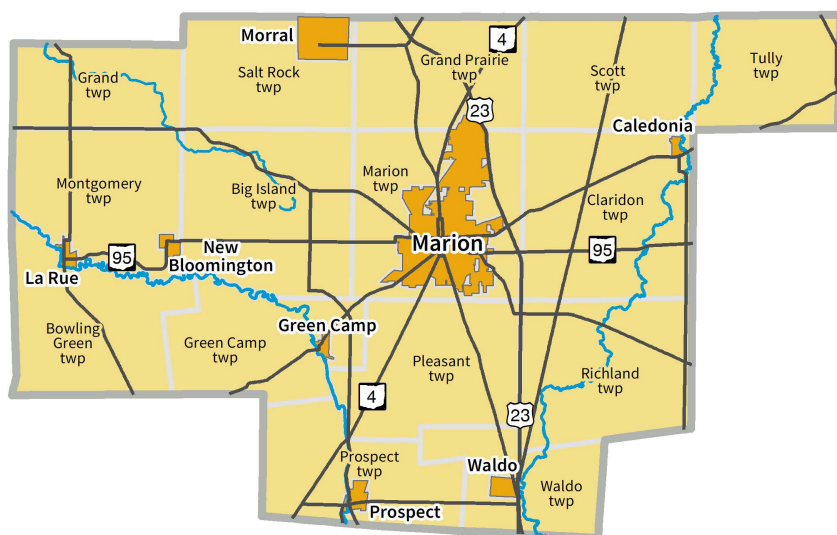
Land Use/Land Cover

	Percent
Developed, Lower Intensity	7.86%
Developed, Higher Intensity	3.06%
Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.)	0.17%
Forest	7.50%
Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands	0.36%
Pasture/Hay	3.23%
Cultivated Crops	76.15%
Wetlands	1.24%
Open Water	0.44%

Largest Places

	2023	2020
Marion city	35,531	36,012
Marion twp UB	7,862	7,930
Pleasant twp	4,959	4,894
Claridon twp UB	2,276	2,264
Richland twp	1,798	1,780
Grand Prairie twp UB	1,542	1,555
Big Island twp	1,180	1,190
Prospect vil.	1,052	1,067
Montgomery twp UB	979	984
Prospect twp UB	946	951

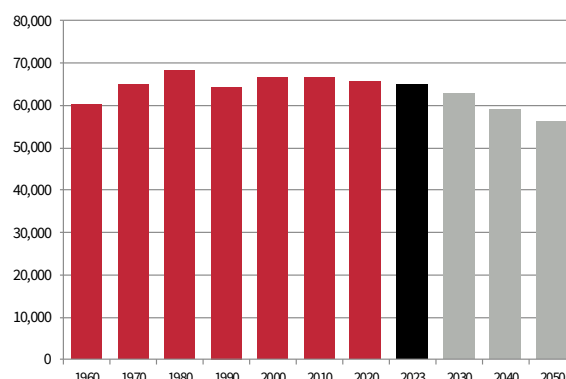
UB: Unincorporated balance



Total Population

Census

1800		1910	33,971	2020	65,359
1810		1920	42,004		
1820		1930	45,420		
1830	6,551	1940	44,898	Estimate	
1840	14,765	1950	49,959	2023	64,851
1850	12,618	1960	60,221		
1860	15,490	1970	64,724		
1870	16,184	1980	67,974	Projection	
1880	20,565	1990	64,274	2030	62,437
1890	24,727	2000	66,217	2040	58,939
1900	28,678	2010	66,501	2050	55,898



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Population by Race

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	65,366	100.0%
White	57,521	88.0%
African-American	3,375	5.2%
Native American	116	0.2%
Asian	482	0.7%
Pacific Islander	26	0.0%
Other	740	1.1%
Two or More Races	3,106	4.8%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	1,971	3.0%
Total Minority	8,514	13.0%

Educational Attainment

	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	46,136	100.0%
No high school diploma	4,859	10.5%
High school graduate	20,231	43.9%
Some college, no degree	10,797	23.4%
Associate degree	4,037	8.8%
Bachelor's degree	4,186	9.1%
Master's degree or higher	2,026	4.4%

Family Type by Employment Status

	Number	Percent
Total Families	15,001	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	4,732	31.5%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	2,444	16.3%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	1,053	7.0%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	2,486	16.6%
Male householder, in labor force	1,041	6.9%
Male householder, not in labor force	257	1.7%
Female householder, in labor force	1,955	13.0%
Female householder, not in labor force	1,033	6.9%

Household Income

	Number	Percent
Total Households	24,306	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	1,508	6.2%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	2,647	10.9%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	2,144	8.8%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	2,440	10.0%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2,628	10.8%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	1,505	6.2%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	2,401	9.9%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	3,151	13.0%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3,442	14.2%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,511	6.2%
\$200,000 or more	929	3.8%
Median household income	\$55,106	

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Population by Age

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	65,366	100.0%
Under 5 years	3,643	5.6%
5 to 17 years	10,131	15.5%
18 to 24 years	5,456	8.3%
25 to 44 years	16,781	25.7%
45 to 64 years	17,465	26.7%
65 years and more	11,890	18.2%
Median Age	40.7	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18

	Number	Percent
Total Families	15,030	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	3,321	22.1%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	796	5.3%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	1,837	12.2%
Families with no own children	9,076	60.4%

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

	Number	Percent
Total Families	15,030	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	13,400	89.2%
Family income below poverty level	1,630	10.8%
Married couple, with related children	275	1.8%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	139	0.9%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	800	5.3%
Families with no related children	416	2.8%

Ratio of Income To Poverty Level

	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	59,975	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	5,184	8.6%
50% to 99% of poverty level	4,457	7.4%
100% to 124% of poverty level	2,842	4.7%
125% to 149% of poverty level	3,570	6.0%
150% to 184% of poverty level	4,608	7.7%
185% to 199% of poverty level	1,803	3.0%
200% of poverty level or more	37,511	62.5%

Geographical Mobility

	Number	Percent
Population aged 1 year and older	64,672	100.0%
Same house as previous year	56,149	86.8%
Different house, same county	5,164	8.0%
Different county, same state	2,657	4.1%
Different state	507	0.8%
Abroad	195	0.3%

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Travel Time To Work

	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	25,384	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	10,578	41.7%
15 to 29 minutes	7,706	30.4%
30 to 44 minutes	3,009	11.9%
45 to 59 minutes	1,848	7.3%
60 minutes or more	2,243	8.8%

Mean travel time 23.6 minutes

Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	27,405	100.0%
Occupied housing units	24,306	88.7%
Owner occupied	16,334	67.2%
Renter occupied	7,972	32.8%
Vacant housing units	3,099	11.3%

Year Structure Built

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	27,405	100.0%
Built 2020 or later	16	0.1%
Built 2010 to 2019	632	2.3%
Built 2000 to 2009	2,027	7.4%
Built 1990 to 1999	2,396	8.7%
Built 1980 to 1989	1,875	6.8%
Built 1970 to 1979	4,426	16.2%
Built 1960 to 1969	3,370	12.3%
Built 1950 to 1959	3,340	12.2%
Built 1940 to 1949	1,474	5.4%
Built 1939 or earlier	7,849	28.6%

Median year built 1963

Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	16,334	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	610	3.7%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	456	2.8%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	844	5.2%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	1,280	7.8%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	2,351	14.4%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	1,941	11.9%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	1,573	9.6%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2,737	16.8%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	2,893	17.7%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1,356	8.3%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	253	1.5%
\$1,000,000 or more	40	0.2%

Median value \$135,900

House Heating Fuel

	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	24,306	100.0%
Utility gas	15,140	62.3%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	2,658	10.9%
Electricity	5,499	22.6%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	321	1.3%
Coal, coke or wood	392	1.6%
Solar energy or other fuel	199	0.8%
No fuel used	97	0.4%

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Gross Rent

	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	7,972	100.0%
Less than \$100	0	0.0%
\$100 to \$199	36	0.5%
\$200 to \$299	359	4.5%
\$300 to \$399	206	2.6%
\$400 to \$499	269	3.4%
\$500 to \$599	457	5.7%
\$600 to \$699	977	12.3%
\$700 to \$799	875	11.0%
\$800 to \$899	1,109	13.9%
\$900 to \$999	1,013	12.7%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,719	21.6%
\$1,500 or more	152	1.9%
No cash rent	800	10.0%

Median gross rent \$837

Median gross rent as a percentage of household income 29.9

Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	9,872	100.0%
Less than \$400	31	0.3%
\$400 to \$599	522	5.3%
\$600 to \$799	1,088	11.0%
\$800 to \$999	1,930	19.6%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	2,102	21.3%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	1,351	13.7%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,940	19.7%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	792	8.0%
\$3,000 or more	116	1.2%

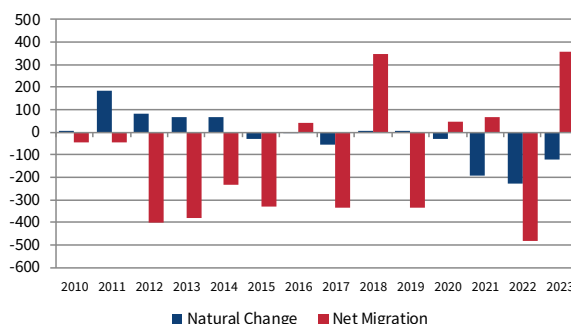
Median monthly owners cost \$1,162

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	720	68.6
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	60	36.8
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	869	1,344.3

Components of Population Change



Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	213,065
Number of farms	596
Average size (acres)	357
Total cash receipts	\$221,199,000
Per farm	\$371,140
Receipts for crops	\$160,140,000
Receipts for livestock/products	\$61,059,000

Education

Traditional public schools buildings	21
Students	8,886
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	722.1
Expenditures per student	\$10,823
Graduation rate	93.5
Community/charter schools buildings	1
Students	259
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	28.2
Expenditures per student	\$7,988
Graduation rate	
Private schools	2
Students	210
Public universities, 4-year	1
Public universities/colleges, 2-year	1
Public learning centers, less-than 2-year	1
Private universities and colleges	0
Public libraries (Districts / Facilities)	1 / 4

Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	72,310
Passenger cars	43,620
Noncommercial trucks	12,479
Total license revenue	\$1,968,381.65
Permissive tax revenue	\$628,485.00
Interstate highway miles	0.00
Turnpike miles	0.00
U.S. highway miles	19.97
State highway miles	180.44
County, township, and municipal road miles	800.94
Commercial airports	1

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

Areas/Facilities	4
Acreage	8,626

Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	1
Assets (000)	\$272,633
Branch offices	14
Institutions represented	10

Transfer Payments

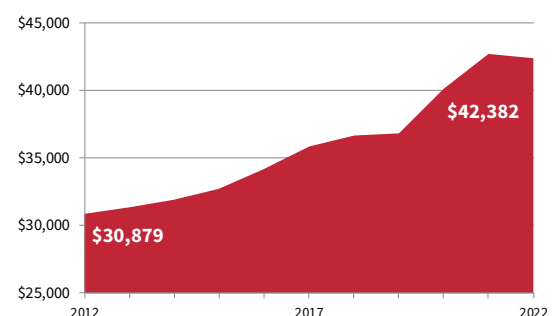
Total transfer payments	\$870,281,000
Payments to individuals	\$840,648,000
Retirement and disability	\$269,691,000
Medical payments	\$417,583,000
Income maintenance (Supplemental SSI, family assistance, food stamps, etc)	\$96,487,000
Unemployment benefits	\$2,915,000
Veterans benefits	\$28,827,000
Federal education and training assistance	\$13,940,000
Other payments to individuals	\$11,205,000
Total personal income	\$2,739,661,000
Dependency ratio	31.8%
(Percent of income from transfer payments)	

Voting

Number of registered voters	39,512
Voted in 2022 election	19,483
Percent turnout	49.3%

Health Care

Physicians	110
Registered hospitals	1
Number of beds	276
Licensed nursing homes	5
Number of beds	428
Licensed residential care	4
Number of beds	438
Persons with health insurance (Aged 0 to 64)	93.0%
Adults with insurance (Aged 18 to 64)	91.8%
Children with insurance (Aged Under 19)	96.1%

Per Capita Personal Income

Civilian Labor Force

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Civilian labor force	26,987	27,290	26,388	28,247	28,777
Employed	26,061	26,085	27,710	26,100	27,606
Unemployed	926	1,205	1,322	2,147	1,171
Unemployment rate	3.4	4.4	4.8	7.6	4.1

Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2022

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	1,142	19,487	\$952,185,550	\$940
Goods-Producing	174	6,288	\$352,659,071	\$1,079
Natural Resources and Mining	18	169	\$7,739,073	\$881
Construction	87	504	\$29,227,763	\$1,116
Manufacturing	69	5,615	\$315,692,235	\$1,081
Service-Providing	967	13,199	\$599,526,479	\$873
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	268	4,195	\$199,049,329	\$912
Information	18	99	\$5,790,258	\$1,126
Financial Services	129	765	\$45,697,848	\$1,149
Professional and Business Services	156	1,694	\$68,479,023	\$777
Education and Health Services	168	3,889	\$228,534,502	\$1,130
Leisure and Hospitality	123	1,994	\$35,250,742	\$340
Other Services	103	551	\$16,312,760	\$569
Federal Government		117	\$7,202,143	\$1,185
State Government		621	\$44,607,828	\$1,381
Local Government		3,032	\$151,432,000	\$960

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

Change Since 2017

Private Sector	2.1%	-4.5%	17.0%	22.6%
Goods-Producing	-4.4%	-6.6%	8.5%	16.3%
Natural Resources and Mining	-10.0%	18.2%	58.5%	34.1%
Construction	-4.4%	-15.7%	-0.1%	18.6%
Manufacturing	-2.8%	-6.3%	8.5%	15.7%
Service-Producing	3.3%	-3.5%	22.6%	26.9%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	7.2%	-2.8%	22.8%	26.3%
Information	0.0%	-59.9%	-63.5%	-8.9%
Financial Services	3.2%	17.2%	54.9%	32.4%
Professional and Business Services	9.1%	1.0%	32.3%	31.0%
Education and Health Services	-4.0%	-3.0%	24.3%	28.1%
Leisure and Hospitality	1.7%	-5.3%	14.6%	21.0%
Other Services	-1.9%	-16.6%	7.7%	29.0%
Federal Government		6.4%	15.0%	8.4%
State Government		-10.9%	7.0%	20.0%
Local Government		-0.2%	20.6%	20.8%

Residential Construction

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total units	52	35	49	49	37
Total valuation (000)	\$13,514	\$10,835	\$13,381	\$14,930	\$8,308
Total single-unit bldgs	49	33	47	47	37
Average cost per unit	\$251,315	\$307,732	\$276,199	\$311,285	\$224,536
Total multi-unit bldg units	3	2	2	2	0
Average cost per unit	\$400,000	\$340,000	\$200,000	\$150,000	

Major & Notable Employers

Andersen Corp/Silver Line	Mfg
General Mills/Mennel Milling	Mfg
Marion City Schools	Govt
Marion County Government	Govt
Piston Automotive	Mfg
Nucor Corp	Mfg
OhioHealth Marion General Hospital	Serv
State of Ohio	Govt
Union Tank Car Company	Mfg
US Yachiyo Inc	Mfg
Whirlpool Corp	Mfg
Wyandot Inc	Mfg