

# Ohio County Profiles

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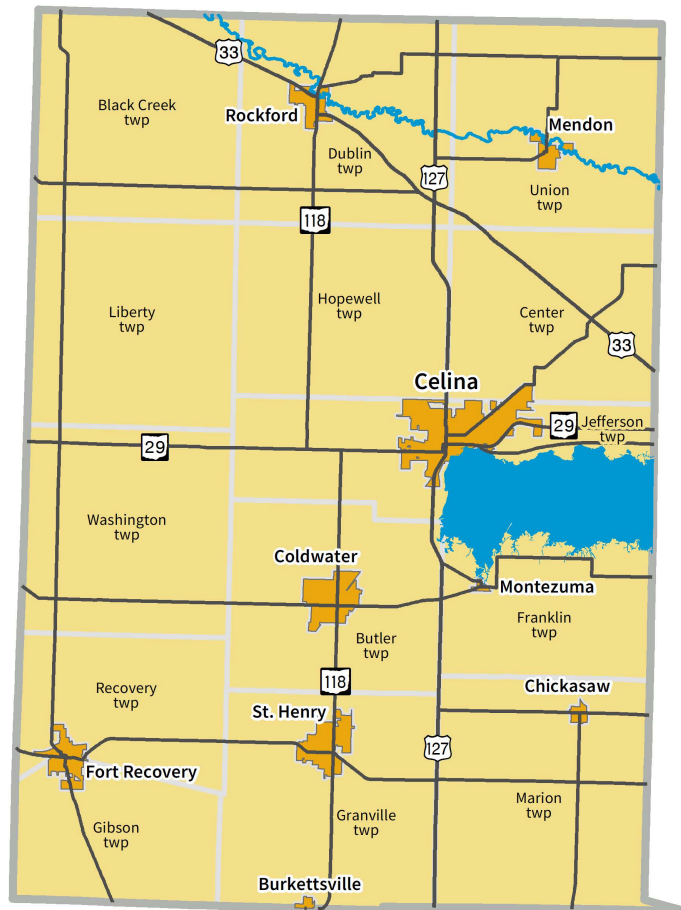
2024 Edition



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## Mercer County

**Established:** Act - April 1, 1820  
**2023 Population:** 42,439  
**Land Area:** 463.3 square miles  
**County Seat:** Celina City  
**Named for:** General Hugh Mercer, Revolutionary War



### Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$1,177,053,700
Residential	\$823,761,040
Agriculture	\$243,287,060
Industrial	\$34,655,420
Commercial	\$75,345,400
Mineral	\$4,780
Ohio income tax liability	\$29,251,039
Average per return	\$1,389.66

### Land Use/Land Cover

	Percent
Developed, Lower Intensity	6.31%
Developed, Higher Intensity	2.40%
Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.)	0.13%
Forest	4.56%
Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands	0.32%
Pasture/Hay	0.73%
Cultivated Crops	80.91%
Wetlands	1.08%
Open Water	3.57%

### Largest Places

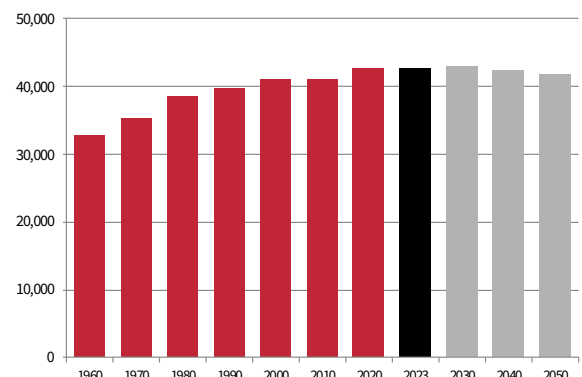
	2023	2020
Celina city	10,885	10,934
Coldwater vil.	4,712	4,773
Marion twp UB	3,006	2,967
Jefferson twp UB	2,936	2,964
St. Henry vil.	2,602	2,602
Franklin twp UB	2,414	2,352
Butler twp UB	1,909	1,890
Fort Recovery vil.	1,476	1,501
Granville twp UB	1,408	1,412
Washington twp	1,241	1,221

UB: Unincorporated balance

### Total Population

#### Census

1800		1810	27,536	2020	42,528
1810		1820	26,872		
1820	95	1830	25,096		
1830	1,110	1840	26,256	Estimate	
1840	8,277	1850	28,311	2023	42,439
1850	7,712	1860	32,559		
1860	14,104	1870	35,265		
1870	17,254	1880	38,334	Projection	
1880	21,808	1890	39,443	2030	42,871
1890	27,220	1900	40,924	2040	42,214
1900	28,021	2010	40,814	2050	41,766



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Population by Race	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	42,321	100.0%
White	40,618	96.0%
African-American	216	0.5%
Native American	17	0.0%
Asian	259	0.6%
Pacific Islander	230	0.5%
Other	84	0.2%
Two or More Races	897	2.1%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	834	2.0%
<b>Total Minority</b>	<b>2,264</b>	<b>5.3%</b>

Educational Attainment	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	28,029	100.0%
No high school diploma	1,958	7.0%
High school graduate	12,350	44.1%
Some college, no degree	4,451	15.9%
Associate degree	3,562	12.7%
Bachelor's degree	3,839	13.7%
Master's degree or higher	1,869	6.7%

Family Type by Employment Status	Number	Percent
Total Families	10,515	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	5,711	54.3%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	1,170	11.1%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	487	4.6%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	1,722	16.4%
Male householder, in labor force	489	4.7%
Male householder, not in labor force	63	0.6%
Female householder, in labor force	621	5.9%
Female householder, not in labor force	252	2.4%

Household Income	Number	Percent
Total Households	16,022	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	374	2.3%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	936	5.8%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	1,277	8.0%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	1,327	8.3%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1,207	7.5%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	1,372	8.6%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	1,735	10.8%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	2,175	13.6%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3,966	24.8%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,063	6.6%
\$200,000 or more	590	3.7%
<b>Median household income</b>	<b>\$73,278</b>	

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Population by Age	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	42,321	100.0%
Under 5 years	3,180	7.5%
5 to 17 years	7,680	18.1%
18 to 24 years	3,432	8.1%
25 to 44 years	9,531	22.5%
45 to 64 years	10,665	25.2%
65 years and more	7,833	18.5%
<b>Median Age</b>	<b>39.4</b>	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18	Number	Percent
Total Families	10,648	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	3,422	32.1%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	275	2.6%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	515	4.8%
Families with no own children	6,436	60.4%

Poverty Status of Families By Family Type by Presence Of Related Children	Number	Percent
Total Families	10,648	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	10,235	96.1%
Family income below poverty level	413	3.9%
Married couple, with related children	69	0.6%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	15	0.1%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	238	2.2%
Families with no related children	91	0.9%

Ratio of Income To Poverty Level	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	41,468	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	1,037	2.5%
50% to 99% of poverty level	1,600	3.9%
100% to 124% of poverty level	1,299	3.1%
125% to 149% of poverty level	2,294	5.5%
150% to 184% of poverty level	2,150	5.2%
185% to 199% of poverty level	975	2.4%
200% of poverty level or more	32,113	77.4%

Geographical Mobility	Number	Percent
Population aged 1 year and older	41,621	100.0%
Same house as previous year	37,378	89.8%
Different house, same county	2,734	6.6%
Different county, same state	1,129	2.7%
Different state	261	0.6%
Abroad	119	0.3%

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## Travel Time To Work

	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	20,792	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	9,513	45.8%
15 to 29 minutes	7,231	34.8%
30 to 44 minutes	2,473	11.9%
45 to 59 minutes	697	3.4%
60 minutes or more	878	4.2%

Mean travel time 19.0 minutes

## Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	17,898	100.0%
Occupied housing units	16,022	89.5%
Owner occupied	12,623	78.8%
Renter occupied	3,399	21.2%
Vacant housing units	1,876	10.5%

## Year Structure Built

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	17,898	100.0%
Built 2020 or later	178	1.0%
Built 2010 to 2019	1,143	6.4%
Built 2000 to 2009	1,893	10.6%
Built 1990 to 1999	2,279	12.7%
Built 1980 to 1989	1,863	10.4%
Built 1970 to 1979	2,399	13.4%
Built 1960 to 1969	1,533	8.6%
Built 1950 to 1959	2,498	14.0%
Built 1940 to 1949	1,007	5.6%
Built 1939 or earlier	3,105	17.3%

Median year built 1973

## Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	12,623	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	284	2.2%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	201	1.6%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	330	2.6%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	383	3.0%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	875	6.9%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	1,221	9.7%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	974	7.7%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2,326	18.4%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	2,848	22.6%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	2,386	18.9%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	578	4.6%
\$1,000,000 or more	217	1.7%

Median value \$192,800

## House Heating Fuel

	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	16,022	100.0%
Utility gas	7,592	47.4%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	3,157	19.7%
Electricity	4,181	26.1%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	365	2.3%
Coal, coke or wood	435	2.7%
Solar energy or other fuel	132	0.8%
No fuel used	160	1.0%

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## Gross Rent

	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	3,399	100.0%
Less than \$100	34	1.0%
\$100 to \$199	3	0.1%
\$200 to \$299	51	1.5%
\$300 to \$399	133	3.9%
\$400 to \$499	93	2.7%
\$500 to \$599	312	9.2%
\$600 to \$699	653	19.2%
\$700 to \$799	472	13.9%
\$800 to \$899	385	11.3%
\$900 to \$999	564	16.6%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	223	6.6%
\$1,500 or more	37	1.1%
No cash rent	439	12.9%

Median gross rent \$749

Median gross rent as a percentage of household income 25.0

## Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	6,593	100.0%
Less than \$400	56	0.8%
\$400 to \$599	143	2.2%
\$600 to \$799	654	9.9%
\$800 to \$999	965	14.6%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	1,667	25.3%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	947	14.4%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,137	17.2%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	703	10.7%
\$3,000 or more	321	4.9%

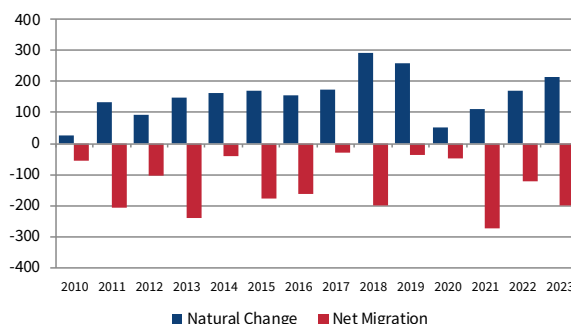
Median monthly owners cost \$1,222

Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income 17.4

## Vital Statistics

	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44	630	89.6
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	3	2.3
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	454	1,072.1

## Components of Population Change



**Agriculture**

Land in farms (acres)	270,984
Number of farms	1,292
Average size (acres)	210
Total cash receipts	\$1,086,264,000
Per farm	\$840,762
Receipts for crops	\$219,635,000
Receipts for livestock/products	\$866,629,000

**Education**

Traditional public schools buildings	19
Students	7,564
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	495.4
Expenditures per student	\$10,835
Graduation rate	95.8
Community/charter schools buildings	0
Students	0
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	0.0
Expenditures per student	
Graduation rate	
Private schools	1
Students	99
Public universities, 4-year	1
Public universities/colleges, 2-year	0
Public learning centers, less-than 2-year	0
Private universities and colleges	0
Public libraries (Districts / Facilities)	4 / 7

**Transportation**

Registered motor vehicles	63,762
Passenger cars	31,670
Noncommercial trucks	10,706
Total license revenue	\$2,358,067.95
Permissive tax revenue	\$1,117,227.50
Interstate highway miles	0.00
Turnpike miles	0.00
U.S. highway miles	44.70
State highway miles	165.79
County, township, and municipal road miles	951.43
Commercial airports	1

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

Areas/Facilities	6
Acreage	11,493

**Finance**

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	3
Assets (000)	\$1,264,775
Branch offices	21
Institutions represented	9

**Transfer Payments**

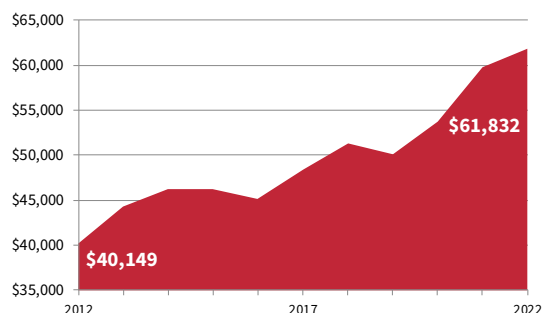
Total transfer payments	\$448,878,000
Payments to individuals	\$428,071,000
Retirement and disability	\$171,508,000
Medical payments	\$193,166,000
Income maintenance (Supplemental SSI, family assistance, food stamps, etc)	\$31,504,000
Unemployment benefits	\$1,488,000
Veterans benefits	\$14,442,000
Federal education and training assistance	\$7,713,000
Other payments to individuals	\$8,250,000
Total personal income	\$2,618,443,000
Dependency ratio	17.1%
(Percent of income from transfer payments)	

**Voting**

Number of registered voters	29,555
Voted in 2022 election	18,102
Percent turnout	61.2%

**Health Care**

Physicians	42
Registered hospitals	1
Number of beds	88
Licensed nursing homes	6
Number of beds	348
Licensed residential care	6
Number of beds	308
Persons with health insurance (Aged 0 to 64)	92.7%
Adults with insurance (Aged 18 to 64)	91.7%
Children with insurance (Aged Under 19)	94.9%

**Per Capita Personal Income**

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## Civilian Labor Force

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Civilian labor force	23,062	22,723	22,042	23,385	23,649
Employed	22,543	22,110	22,765	22,129	23,028
Unemployed	519	613	723	1,256	621
Unemployment rate	2.3	2.7	3.2	5.4	2.6

## Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2022

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	1,091	17,086	\$816,063,528	\$919
Goods-Producing	285	7,755	\$428,715,351	\$1,063
Natural Resources and Mining	60	764	\$39,548,820	\$995
Construction	123	1,063	\$63,579,840	\$1,150
Manufacturing	102	5,928	\$325,586,691	\$1,056
Service-Providing	806	9,331	\$387,348,177	\$798
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	299	4,133	\$198,600,944	\$924
Information	15	128	\$5,978,787	\$895
Financial Services	82	644	\$39,507,862	\$1,181
Professional and Business Services	102	757	\$39,854,915	\$1,012
Education and Health Services	101	1,546	\$64,274,867	\$800
Leisure and Hospitality	102	1,400	\$20,925,331	\$288
Other Services	102	716	\$17,791,282	\$478
Federal Government		82	\$5,577,268	\$1,301
State Government		153	\$7,851,416	\$989
Local Government		2,448	\$111,151,191	\$873

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

## Change Since 2017

Private Sector	11.1%	-1.8%	20.1%	22.4%
Goods-Producing	19.2%	-7.5%	11.6%	20.7%
Natural Resources and Mining	46.3%	59.5%	122.5%	39.6%
Construction	20.6%	5.9%	20.4%	13.6%
Manufacturing	6.3%	-14.1%	3.8%	20.8%
Service-Producing	8.5%	3.6%	31.2%	26.7%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	11.6%	5.2%	32.8%	26.2%
Information	66.7%	-15.8%	14.4%	35.0%
Financial Services	-3.5%	-1.5%	19.3%	21.3%
Professional and Business Services	21.4%	22.3%	63.2%	33.5%
Education and Health Services	17.4%	-3.7%	27.4%	32.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	-1.9%	6.4%	23.2%	16.1%
Other Services	-3.8%	-2.1%	14.6%	17.2%
Federal Government		-9.9%	14.6%	25.9%
State Government		-13.6%	-3.5%	11.8%
Local Government		2.8%	20.0%	16.7%

## Residential Construction

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total units	94	81	85	113	60
Total valuation (000)	\$30,466	\$25,932	\$22,432	\$27,762	\$18,575
Total single-unit bldgs	78	70	79	76	60
Average cost per unit	\$354,573	\$347,851	\$278,258	\$308,381	\$309,584
Total multi-unit bldg units	16	11	6	37	0
Average cost per unit	\$175,580	\$143,864	\$75,000	\$116,892	

## Major & Notable Employers

Celina Aluminum Precision Technology	Mfg
Celina City Schools	Govt
Cooper Farms Inc	Mfg
Crown Equipment Corp	Mfg
Fort Recovery Industries Inc	Mfg
J & M Manufacturing Co.	Mfg
Mercer Health Hospital	Serv
Pax Machine Works	Mfg
Reynolds & Reynolds Co	Mfg
Taylor Communications/Wilmer	Mfg
Visions/Awardcraft	Mfg