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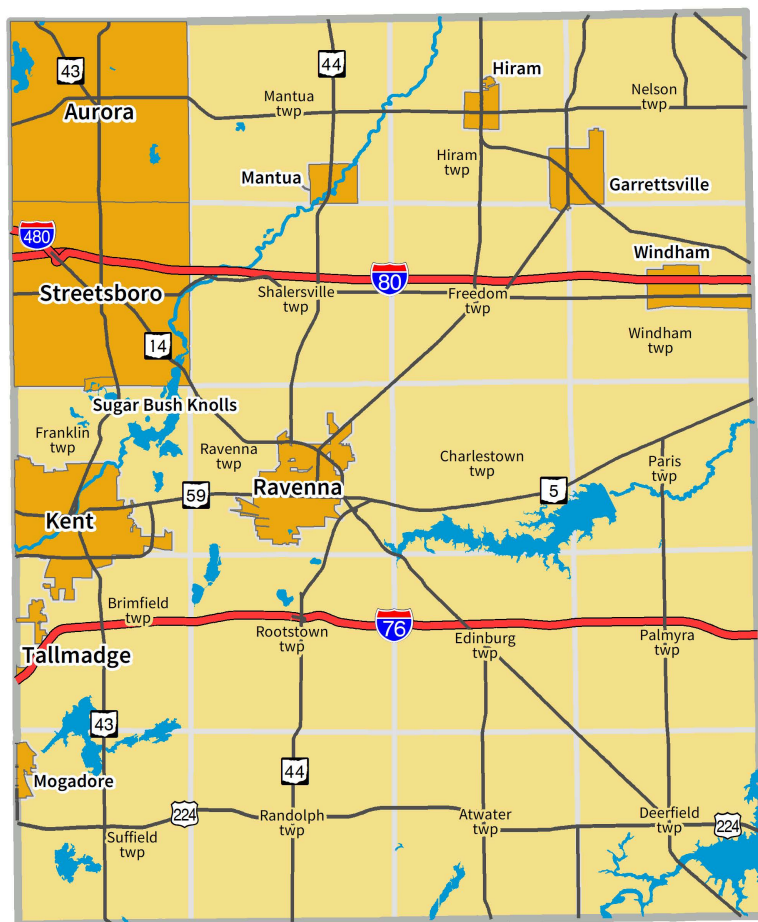
2024 Edition



**Department of
Development**

Portage County

Established:	Act - June 7, 1807
2023 Population:	162,665
Land Area:	492.4 square miles
County Seat:	Ravenna City
Named for:	"Portage", a carrying path



Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$4,343,028,760
Residential	\$3,320,669,560
Agriculture	\$197,104,810
Industrial	\$234,669,560
Commercial	\$588,123,780
Mineral	\$2,461,050
Ohio income tax liability	\$114,206,633
Average per return	\$1,497.03

Land Use/Land Cover

Land Use/Land Cover	Percent
Developed, Lower Intensity	15.63%
Developed, Higher Intensity	3.41%
Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.)	0.29%
Forest	37.64%
Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands	1.47%
Pasture/Hay	20.87%
Cultivated Crops	10.78%
Wetlands	6.80%
Open Water	3.12%

Largest Places

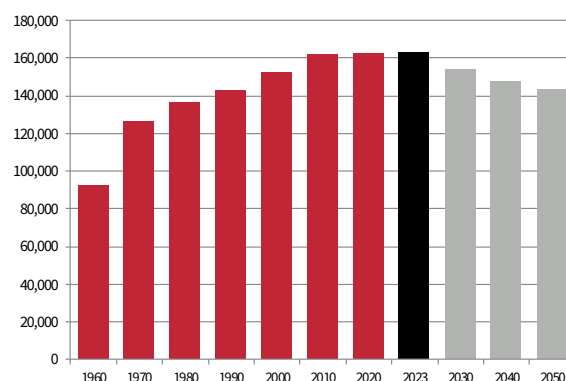
Largest Places	2023	2020
Kent city	27,601	28,206
Streetsboro city	17,796	17,263
Aurora city	17,717	17,239
Brimfield twp	11,416	11,351
Ravenna city	11,215	11,329
Ravenna twp	9,088	8,980
Rootstown twp	8,659	8,603
Franklin twp	6,330	6,289
Suffield twp	6,006	5,977
Randolph twp	5,319	5,278

UB: Unincorporated balance

Total Population

Census

1800		1910	30,307	2020	161,791
1810	2,995	1920	36,269		
1820	10,095	1930	42,682		
1830	18,826	1940	46,660	Estimate	
1840	22,965	1950	63,954	2023	162,665
1850	24,419	1960	91,798		
1860	24,208	1970	125,868		
1870	24,584	1980	135,856	Projection	
1880	27,500	1990	142,585	2030	153,249
1890	27,868	2000	152,061	2040	147,177
1900	29,246	2010	161,419	2050	143,049



Ohio County Profiles

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Population by Race

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	161,217	100.0%
White	142,780	88.6%
African-American	7,585	4.7%
Native American	70	0.0%
Asian	2,951	1.8%
Pacific Islander	41	0.0%
Other	846	0.5%
Two or More Races	6,944	4.3%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	3,327	2.1%
Total Minority	20,060	12.4%

Educational Attainment

	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	106,257	100.0%
No high school diploma	7,578	7.1%
High school graduate	38,280	36.0%
Some college, no degree	18,617	17.5%
Associate degree	8,060	7.6%
Bachelor's degree	19,883	18.7%
Master's degree or higher	13,839	13.0%

Family Type by Employment Status

	Number	Percent
Total Families	39,518	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	16,386	41.5%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	5,484	13.9%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	2,715	6.9%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	5,543	14.0%
Male householder, in labor force	2,016	5.1%
Male householder, not in labor force	831	2.1%
Female householder, in labor force	4,679	11.8%
Female householder, not in labor force	1,864	4.7%

Household Income

	Number	Percent
Total Households	63,588	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	3,250	5.1%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	4,494	7.1%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	5,922	9.3%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	4,816	7.6%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4,569	7.2%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	4,607	7.2%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	5,995	9.4%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	8,312	13.1%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	11,230	17.7%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	5,220	8.2%
\$200,000 or more	5,173	8.1%
Median household income	\$69,796	

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Population by Age

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	161,217	100.0%
Under 5 years	7,052	4.4%
5 to 17 years	22,486	13.9%
18 to 24 years	25,422	15.8%
25 to 44 years	36,012	22.3%
45 to 64 years	42,348	26.3%
65 years and more	27,897	17.3%
Median Age	39.1	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18

	Number	Percent
Total Families	39,685	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	10,814	27.2%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	1,170	2.9%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	3,288	8.3%
Families with no own children	24,413	61.5%

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

	Number	Percent
Total Families	39,685	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	36,866	92.9%
Family income below poverty level	2,819	7.1%
Married couple, with related children	367	0.9%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	150	0.4%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	1,339	3.4%
Families with no related children	963	2.4%

Ratio of Income To Poverty Level

	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	153,784	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	7,883	5.1%
50% to 99% of poverty level	9,491	6.2%
100% to 124% of poverty level	6,289	4.1%
125% to 149% of poverty level	6,291	4.1%
150% to 184% of poverty level	8,176	5.3%
185% to 199% of poverty level	3,715	2.4%
200% of poverty level or more	111,939	72.8%

Geographical Mobility

	Number	Percent
Population aged 1 year and older	160,157	100.0%
Same house as previous year	138,751	86.6%
Different house, same county	8,971	5.6%
Different county, same state	8,997	5.6%
Different state	2,497	1.6%
Abroad	941	0.6%

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Travel Time To Work

	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	71,345	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	18,484	25.9%
15 to 29 minutes	26,229	36.8%
30 to 44 minutes	16,919	23.7%
45 to 59 minutes	6,251	8.8%
60 minutes or more	3,462	4.9%

Mean travel time 25.4 minutes

Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	70,692	100.0%
Occupied housing units	63,588	90.0%
Owner occupied	44,931	70.7%
Renter occupied	18,657	29.3%
Vacant housing units	7,104	10.0%

Year Structure Built

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	70,692	100.0%
Built 2020 or later	256	0.4%
Built 2010 to 2019	4,755	6.7%
Built 2000 to 2009	9,247	13.1%
Built 1990 to 1999	9,909	14.0%
Built 1980 to 1989	6,436	9.1%
Built 1970 to 1979	11,406	16.1%
Built 1960 to 1969	9,269	13.1%
Built 1950 to 1959	7,499	10.6%
Built 1940 to 1949	2,709	3.8%
Built 1939 or earlier	9,206	13.0%

Median year built 1976

Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	44,931	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	2,343	5.2%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	1,290	2.9%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	617	1.4%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	746	1.7%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	1,505	3.3%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	3,627	8.1%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	4,629	10.3%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	8,114	18.1%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	11,617	25.9%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	7,977	17.8%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	2,112	4.7%
\$1,000,000 or more	354	0.8%

Median value \$197,100

House Heating Fuel

	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	63,588	100.0%
Utility gas	41,199	64.8%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	2,777	4.4%
Electricity	12,990	20.4%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	3,821	6.0%
Coal, coke or wood	1,504	2.4%
Solar energy or other fuel	954	1.5%
No fuel used	343	0.5%

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Gross Rent

	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	18,657	100.0%
Less than \$100	7	0.0%
\$100 to \$199	64	0.3%
\$200 to \$299	206	1.1%
\$300 to \$399	274	1.5%
\$400 to \$499	392	2.1%
\$500 to \$599	580	3.1%
\$600 to \$699	1,354	7.3%
\$700 to \$799	2,316	12.4%
\$800 to \$899	2,131	11.4%
\$900 to \$999	1,684	9.0%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	6,181	33.1%
\$1,500 or more	2,499	13.4%
No cash rent	969	5.2%

Median gross rent \$990

Median gross rent as a percentage of household income 33.8

Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	27,554	100.0%
Less than \$400	38	0.1%
\$400 to \$599	542	2.0%
\$600 to \$799	1,159	4.2%
\$800 to \$999	2,208	8.0%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	5,210	18.9%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	4,743	17.2%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	7,272	26.4%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	4,764	17.3%
\$3,000 or more	1,618	5.9%

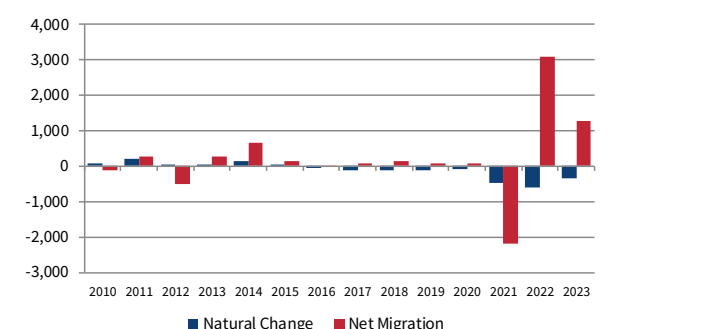
Median monthly owners cost \$1,494

Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income 18.4

Vital Statistics

	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44	1,345	39.3
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	38	5.9
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	1,800	1,112.9

Components of Population Change



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Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	85,762
Number of farms	927
Average size (acres)	93
Total cash receipts	\$58,687,000
Per farm	\$63,308
Receipts for crops	\$42,665,000
Receipts for livestock/products	\$16,022,000

Education

Traditional public schools buildings	43
Students	17,938
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	1,421.7
Expenditures per student	\$12,393
Graduation rate	94.0
Community/charter schools buildings	0
Students	0
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	0.0
Expenditures per student	
Graduation rate	
Private schools	3
Students	455
Public universities, 4-year	2
Public universities/colleges, 2-year	0
Public learning centers, less-than 2-year	0
Private universities and colleges	1
Public libraries (Districts / Facilities)	3 / 7

Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	180,075
Passenger cars	109,321
Noncommercial trucks	24,548
Total license revenue	\$5,222,342.78
Permissive tax revenue	\$3,130,720.00
Interstate highway miles	43.79
Turnpike miles	20.39
U.S. highway miles	23.23
State highway miles	204.23
County, township, and municipal road miles	1,121.61
Commercial airports	3

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

Areas/Facilities	23
Acreage	19,954

Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	2
Assets (000)	\$762,399
Branch offices	35
Institutions represented	12

Transfer Payments

Total transfer payments	\$1,806,959,000
Payments to individuals	\$1,729,891,000
Retirement and disability	\$637,112,000
Medical payments	\$784,977,000
Income maintenance (Supplemental SSI, family assistance, food stamps, etc)	\$135,465,000
Unemployment benefits	\$7,840,000
Veterans benefits	\$63,081,000
Federal education and training assistance	\$75,979,000
Other payments to individuals	\$25,437,000
Total personal income	\$8,640,290,000
Dependency ratio	20.9%
(Percent of income from transfer payments)	

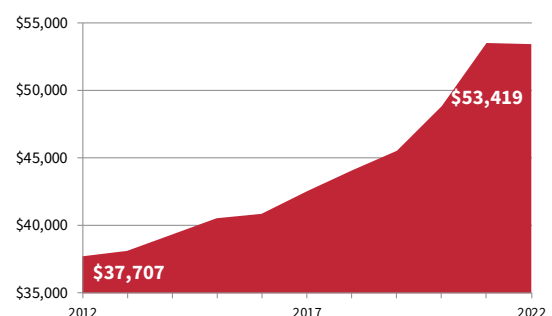
Voting

Number of registered voters	108,228
Voted in 2022 election	61,249
Percent turnout	56.6%

Health Care

Physicians	190
Registered hospitals	1
Number of beds	267
Licensed nursing homes	10
Number of beds	901
Licensed residential care	7
Number of beds	609
Persons with health insurance (Aged 0 to 64)	92.3%
Adults with insurance (Aged 18 to 64)	91.5%
Children with insurance (Aged Under 19)	94.8%

Per Capita Personal Income



Civilian Labor Force

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Civilian labor force	86,020	85,243	80,349	85,174	88,102
Employed	83,050	81,995	84,371	78,952	84,347
Unemployed	2,970	3,248	4,022	6,222	3,755
Unemployment rate	3.5	3.8	4.8	7.3	4.3

Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2022

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	3,466	44,152	\$2,267,168,902	\$987
Goods-Producing	689	12,831	\$809,656,187	\$1,214
Natural Resources and Mining	47	392	\$21,195,400	\$1,040
Construction	372	2,188	\$138,948,319	\$1,221
Manufacturing	271	10,251	\$649,512,468	\$1,218
Service-Providing	2,777	31,321	\$1,457,512,715	\$895
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	797	12,004	\$652,937,096	\$1,046
Information	77	360	\$29,157,531	\$1,556
Financial Services	283	1,256	\$72,953,581	\$1,117
Professional and Business Services	609	4,348	\$286,148,559	\$1,266
Education and Health Services	329	5,786	\$246,243,771	\$818
Leisure and Hospitality	386	6,151	\$119,697,833	\$374
Other Services	291	1,403	\$49,803,215	\$683
Federal Government		348	\$23,629,872	\$1,305
State Government		4,201	\$291,749,388	\$1,336
Local Government		5,582	\$293,907,514	\$1,012

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

Change Since 2017

Private Sector	11.1%	2.2%	25.6%	22.9%
Goods-Producing	5.8%	1.4%	15.5%	13.9%
Natural Resources and Mining	0.0%	-7.1%	-0.7%	7.0%
Construction	10.4%	7.1%	15.9%	8.1%
Manufacturing	1.5%	0.6%	16.0%	15.2%
Service-Producing	12.5%	2.5%	32.0%	28.8%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	4.0%	4.0%	32.2%	27.1%
Information	67.4%	-23.2%	21.6%	58.1%
Financial Services	11.9%	8.2%	40.9%	30.3%
Professional and Business Services	24.3%	12.9%	42.1%	26.0%
Education and Health Services	15.0%	-2.3%	23.5%	26.2%
Leisure and Hospitality	8.1%	1.0%	28.8%	27.2%
Other Services	8.2%	-8.3%	21.8%	32.9%
Federal Government		3.0%	18.5%	15.1%
State Government		* * * * *	Data Not Available	* * * * *
Local Government		* * * * *	Data Not Available	* * * * *

Major & Notable Employers

Residential Construction

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total units	301	323	427	344	363
Total valuation (000)	\$95,952	\$106,297	\$112,597	\$89,879	\$82,880
Total single-unit bldgs	276	288	379	342	361
Average cost per unit	\$331,023	\$351,301	\$279,364	\$262,365	\$228,754
Total multi-unit bldg units	25	35	48	2	2
Average cost per unit	\$183,578	\$146,348	\$139,957	\$75,000	\$150,000

East Manufacturing Corp	Mfg
Kent City Schools	Govt
Kent State University	Govt
McMaster-Carr Supply Co	Trade
Northeast Ohio Medical University	Serv
Parker-Hannifin	Mfg
Portage County Government	Govt
Ravenna City Schools	Govt
State of Ohio	Govt
Step2 Company	Mfg
UH Portage Medical Center	Serv