

# Ohio County Profiles

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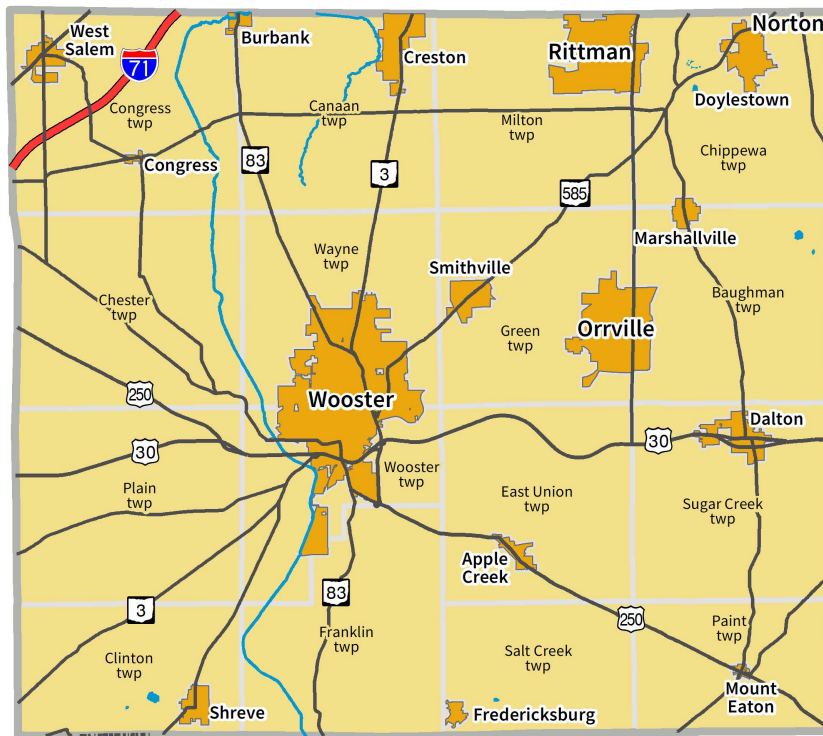
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## Wayne County

**Established:** Proclamation - August 15, 1796  
**2023 Population:** 116,510  
**Land Area:** 555.4 square miles  
**County Seat:** Wooster City  
**Named for:** General Anthony Wayne, Revolutionary War



### Taxes

|                                |                 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Taxable value of real property | \$2,813,119,920 |
| Residential                    | \$1,922,195,160 |
| Agriculture                    | \$354,039,930   |
| Industrial                     | \$181,127,420   |
| Commercial                     | \$354,372,120   |
| Mineral                        | \$1,385,290     |
| Ohio income tax liability      | \$65,581,563    |
| Average per return             | \$1,221.80      |

### Land Use/Land Cover

|   | Percent |
|---|---------|
| Developed, Lower Intensity              | 10.92%  |
| Developed, Higher Intensity             | 3.14%   |
| Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.) | 0.10%   |
| Forest                                  | 16.73%  |
| Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands              | 0.35%   |
| Pasture/Hay                             | 26.26%  |
| Cultivated Crops                        | 39.44%  |
| Wetlands                                | 2.53%   |
| Open Water                              | 0.54%   |

### Largest Places

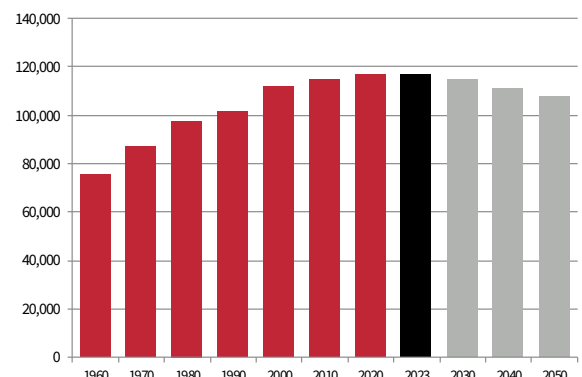
|                     | 2023   | 2020   |
|---------------------|--------|--------|
| Wooster city        | 27,030 | 27,246 |
| Orrville city       | 8,422  | 8,457  |
| Chippewa twp UB     | 6,758  | 6,751  |
| Rittman city (part) | 5,988  | 6,017  |
| East Union twp UB   | 5,777  | 5,760  |
| Sugar Creek twp UB  | 5,233  | 5,256  |
| Wooster twp         | 4,598  | 4,612  |
| Franklin twp        | 4,228  | 4,234  |
| Salt Creek twp UB   | 4,092  | 4,103  |
| Wayne twp           | 4,008  | 4,004  |

UB: Unincorporated balance

## Total Population

### Census

|      |        |      |         |            |         |
|------|--------|------|---------|------------|---------|
| 1800 |        | 1810 | 38,058  | 2020       | 116,894 |
| 1810 |        | 1820 | 41,346  |            |         |
| 1820 | 11,933 | 1830 | 47,024  | Estimate   |         |
| 1830 | 23,333 | 1840 | 50,520  | 2023       | 116,510 |
| 1840 | 35,808 | 1850 | 58,716  |            |         |
| 1850 | 32,981 | 1860 | 75,497  | Projection |         |
| 1860 | 32,483 | 1870 | 87,123  |            |         |
| 1870 | 35,116 | 1880 | 97,408  | 2030       | 114,490 |
| 1880 | 40,076 | 1890 | 101,461 | 2040       | 110,745 |
| 1890 | 39,005 | 1900 | 111,564 | 2050       | 107,314 |
| 1900 | 37,870 | 2010 | 114,520 |            |         |



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## Population by Race

|                               | Number       | Percent     |
|-------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| ACS Total Population          | 116,680      | 100.0%      |
| White                         | 109,599      | 93.9%       |
| African-American              | 1,564        | 1.3%        |
| Native American               | 91           | 0.1%        |
| Asian                         | 1,312        | 1.1%        |
| Pacific Islander              | 0            | 0.0%        |
| Other                         | 1,125        | 1.0%        |
| Two or More Races             | 2,989        | 2.6%        |
| Hispanic (may be of any race) | 2,507        | 2.1%        |
| <b>Total Minority</b>         | <b>8,035</b> | <b>6.9%</b> |

## Educational Attainment

|                           | Number | Percent |
|---------------------------|--------|---------|
| Persons 25 years and over | 76,670 | 100.0%  |
| No high school diploma    | 10,373 | 13.5%   |
| High school graduate      | 29,973 | 39.1%   |
| Some college, no degree   | 12,491 | 16.3%   |
| Associate degree          | 5,406  | 7.1%    |
| Bachelor's degree         | 11,090 | 14.5%   |
| Master's degree or higher | 7,337  | 9.6%    |

## Family Type by Employment Status

|   | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Total Families                                      | 29,831 | 100.0%  |
| Married couple, husband and wife in labor force     | 10,920 | 36.6%   |
| Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not    | 7,042  | 23.6%   |
| Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not    | 1,715  | 5.7%    |
| Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force | 4,755  | 15.9%   |
| Male householder, in labor force                    | 1,306  | 4.4%    |
| Male householder, not in labor force                | 535    | 1.8%    |
| Female householder, in labor force                  | 2,515  | 8.4%    |
| Female householder, not in labor force              | 1,043  | 3.5%    |

## Household Income

|                                | Number          | Percent |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|---------|
| Total Households               | 44,206          | 100.0%  |
| Less than \$10,000             | 1,268           | 2.9%    |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999           | 3,322           | 7.5%    |
| \$20,000 to \$29,999           | 3,447           | 7.8%    |
| \$30,000 to \$39,999           | 3,627           | 8.2%    |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999           | 3,433           | 7.8%    |
| \$50,000 to \$59,999           | 3,848           | 8.7%    |
| \$60,000 to \$74,999           | 4,729           | 10.7%   |
| \$75,000 to \$99,999           | 7,193           | 16.3%   |
| \$100,000 to \$149,999         | 8,215           | 18.6%   |
| \$150,000 to \$199,999         | 2,716           | 6.1%    |
| \$200,000 or more              | 2,408           | 5.4%    |
| <b>Median household income</b> | <b>\$70,320</b> |         |

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

## Population by Age

|                      | Number      | Percent |
|----------------------|-------------|---------|
| ACS Total Population | 116,680     | 100.0%  |
| Under 5 years        | 7,362       | 6.3%    |
| 5 to 17 years        | 20,614      | 17.7%   |
| 18 to 24 years       | 12,034      | 10.3%   |
| 25 to 44 years       | 26,503      | 22.7%   |
| 45 to 64 years       | 28,896      | 24.8%   |
| 65 years and more    | 21,271      | 18.2%   |
| <b>Median Age</b>    | <b>38.8</b> |         |

## Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18

|   | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Total Families  | 30,002 | 100.0%  |
| Married-couple families with own children                 | 9,239  | 30.8%   |
| Male householder, no wife present, with own children      | 772    | 2.6%    |
| Female householder, no husband present, with own children | 1,701  | 5.7%    |
| Families with no own children                             | 18,290 | 61.0%   |

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

|   | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Total Families  | 30,002 | 100.0%  |
| Family income above poverty level                             | 28,522 | 95.1%   |
| Family income below poverty level                             | 1,480  | 4.9%    |
| Married couple, with related children                         | 355    | 1.2%    |
| Male householder, no wife present, with related children      | 92     | 0.3%    |
| Female householder, no husband present, with related children | 544    | 1.8%    |
| Families with no related children                             | 489    | 1.6%    |

## Ratio of Income To Poverty Level

|  | Number  | Percent |
|--|---------|---------|
| Population for whom poverty status is determined | 112,323 | 100.0%  |
| Below 50% of poverty level                       | 3,389   | 3.0%    |
| 50% to 99% of poverty level                      | 6,480   | 5.8%    |
| 100% to 124% of poverty level                    | 4,532   | 4.0%    |
| 125% to 149% of poverty level                    | 4,842   | 4.3%    |
| 150% to 184% of poverty level                    | 9,316   | 8.3%    |
| 185% to 199% of poverty level                    | 3,567   | 3.2%    |
| 200% of poverty level or more                    | 80,197  | 71.4%   |

## Geographical Mobility

|                                  | Number  | Percent |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Population aged 1 year and older | 115,170 | 100.0%  |
| Same house as previous year      | 101,517 | 88.1%   |
| Different house, same county     | 8,341   | 7.2%    |
| Different county, same state     | 3,086   | 2.7%    |
| Different state                  | 1,644   | 1.4%    |
| Abroad                           | 582     | 0.5%    |

## Travel Time To Work

|                           | Number | Percent |
|---------------------------|--------|---------|
| Workers 16 years and over | 50,615 | 100.0%  |
| Less than 15 minutes      | 21,934 | 43.3%   |
| 15 to 29 minutes          | 17,033 | 33.7%   |
| 30 to 44 minutes          | 6,814  | 13.5%   |
| 45 to 59 minutes          | 2,477  | 4.9%    |
| 60 minutes or more        | 2,357  | 4.7%    |

Mean travel time 20.2 minutes

## Housing Units

|                        | Number | Percent |
|------------------------|--------|---------|
| Total housing units    | 46,649 | 100.0%  |
| Occupied housing units | 44,206 | 94.8%   |
| Owner occupied         | 33,300 | 75.3%   |
| Renter occupied        | 10,906 | 24.7%   |
| Vacant housing units   | 2,443  | 5.2%    |

## Year Structure Built

|                       | Number | Percent |
|-----------------------|--------|---------|
| Total housing units   | 46,649 | 100.0%  |
| Built 2020 or later   | 134    | 0.3%    |
| Built 2010 to 2019    | 2,451  | 5.3%    |
| Built 2000 to 2009    | 5,193  | 11.1%   |
| Built 1990 to 1999    | 6,668  | 14.3%   |
| Built 1980 to 1989    | 4,953  | 10.6%   |
| Built 1970 to 1979    | 7,931  | 17.0%   |
| Built 1960 to 1969    | 4,678  | 10.0%   |
| Built 1950 to 1959    | 4,717  | 10.1%   |
| Built 1940 to 1949    | 1,683  | 3.6%    |
| Built 1939 or earlier | 8,241  | 17.7%   |

Median year built 1975

## Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

|  | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Specified owner-occupied housing units | 33,300 | 100.0%  |
| Less than \$20,000                     | 1,286  | 3.9%    |
| \$20,000 to \$39,999                   | 908    | 2.7%    |
| \$40,000 to \$59,999                   | 653    | 2.0%    |
| \$60,000 to \$79,999                   | 640    | 1.9%    |
| \$80,000 to \$99,999                   | 1,475  | 4.4%    |
| \$100,000 to \$124,999                 | 2,257  | 6.8%    |
| \$125,000 to \$149,999                 | 3,344  | 10.0%   |
| \$150,000 to \$199,999                 | 7,396  | 22.2%   |
| \$200,000 to \$299,999                 | 8,421  | 25.3%   |
| \$300,000 to \$499,999                 | 5,388  | 16.2%   |
| \$500,000 to \$999,999                 | 1,217  | 3.7%    |
| \$1,000,000 or more                    | 315    | 0.9%    |

Median value \$189,800

## House Heating Fuel

|                            | Number | Percent |
|----------------------------|--------|---------|
| Occupied housing units     | 44,206 | 100.0%  |
| Utility gas                | 28,513 | 64.5%   |
| Bottled, tank or LP gas    | 2,974  | 6.7%    |
| Electricity                | 8,222  | 18.6%   |
| Fuel oil, kerosene, etc    | 1,567  | 3.5%    |
| Coal, coke or wood         | 2,393  | 5.4%    |
| Solar energy or other fuel | 451    | 1.0%    |
| No fuel used               | 86     | 0.2%    |

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

## Gross Rent

|   | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Specified renter-occupied housing units | 10,906 | 100.0%  |
| Less than \$100                         | 64     | 0.6%    |
| \$100 to \$199                          | 97     | 0.9%    |
| \$200 to \$299                          | 360    | 3.3%    |
| \$300 to \$399                          | 174    | 1.6%    |
| \$400 to \$499                          | 430    | 3.9%    |
| \$500 to \$599                          | 853    | 7.8%    |
| \$600 to \$699                          | 1,278  | 11.7%   |
| \$700 to \$799                          | 1,413  | 13.0%   |
| \$800 to \$899                          | 1,636  | 15.0%   |
| \$900 to \$999                          | 1,275  | 11.7%   |
| \$1,000 to \$1,499                      | 1,962  | 18.0%   |
| \$1,500 or more                         | 582    | 5.3%    |
| No cash rent                            | 782    | 7.2%    |

Median gross rent \$824

Median gross rent as a percentage of household income 23.3

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

|  | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage | 19,102 | 100.0%  |
| Less than \$400  | 80     | 0.4%    |
| \$400 to \$599   | 412    | 2.2%    |
| \$600 to \$799   | 1,324  | 6.9%    |
| \$800 to \$999   | 2,315  | 12.1%   |
| \$1,000 to \$1,249                                     | 4,371  | 22.9%   |
| \$1,250 to \$1,499                                     | 3,352  | 17.5%   |
| \$1,500 to \$1,999                                     | 4,443  | 23.3%   |
| \$2,000 to \$2,999                                     | 2,204  | 11.5%   |
| \$3,000 or more  | 601    | 3.1%    |

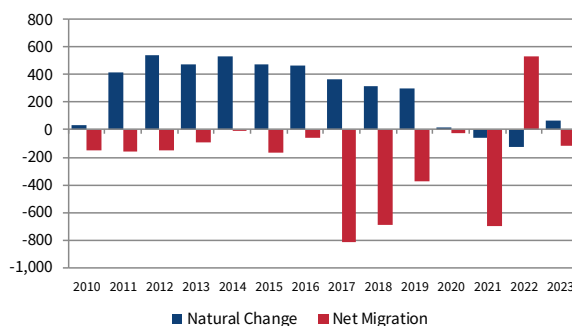
Median monthly owners cost \$1,328

Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income 18.6

## Vital Statistics

|   | Number | Rate    |
|---|--------|---------|
| Births / rate per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44 | 1,399  | 66.0    |
| Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19  | 36     | 8.8     |
| Deaths / rate per 100,000 population        | 1,427  | 1,224.3 |

## Components of Population Change



**Agriculture**

|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Land in farms (acres)           | 259,339       |
| Number of farms                 | 2,084         |
| Average size (acres)            | 124           |
| Total cash receipts             | \$554,206,000 |
| Per farm                        | \$265,934     |
| Receipts for crops              | \$143,265,000 |
| Receipts for livestock/products | \$410,941,000 |

**Education**

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Traditional public schools buildings      | 37       |
| Students                                  | 13,569   |
| Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)           | 1,109.5  |
| Expenditures per student                  | \$12,473 |
| Graduation rate                           | 95.3     |
| Community/charter schools buildings       | 1        |
| Students                                  | 57       |
| Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)           | 5.4      |
| Expenditures per student                  | \$8,824  |
| Graduation rate                           |          |
| Private schools                           | 6        |
| Students                                  | 874      |
| Public universities, 4-year               | 0        |
| Public universities/colleges, 2-year      | 1        |
| Public learning centers, less-than 2-year | 2        |
| Private universities and colleges         | 1        |
| Public libraries (Districts / Facilities) | 2 / 8    |

**Transportation**

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Registered motor vehicles                  | 137,925        |
| Passenger cars                             | 79,717         |
| Noncommercial trucks                       | 23,156         |
| Total license revenue                      | \$4,356,469.35 |
| Permissive tax revenue                     | \$2,278,810.00 |
| Interstate highway miles                   | 7.12           |
| Turnpike miles                             | 0.00           |
| U.S. highway miles                         | 58.54          |
| State highway miles                        | 186.83         |
| County, township, and municipal road miles | 1,339.04       |
| Commercial airports                        | 1              |

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

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| Areas/Facilities | 5     |
| Acreage          | 6,123 |

**Finance**

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs) | 3           |
| Assets (000)                              | \$1,171,162 |
| Branch offices                            | 44          |
| Institutions represented                  | 14          |

**Transfer Payments**

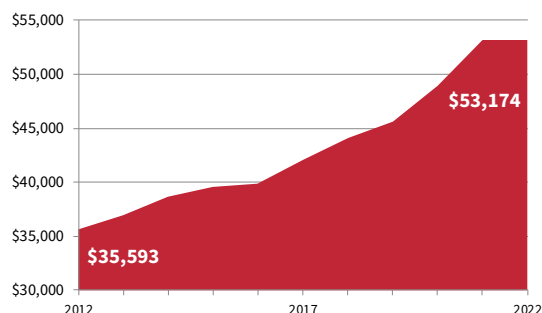
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| Total transfer payments  | \$1,241,334,000 |
| Payments to individuals  | \$1,185,287,000 |
| Retirement and disability  | \$448,775,000   |
| Medical payments   | \$546,429,000   |
| Income maintenance (Supplemental SSI, family assistance, food stamps, etc) | \$106,839,000   |
| Unemployment benefits  | \$4,588,000     |
| Veterans benefits  | \$37,034,000    |
| Federal education and training assistance                                  | \$23,293,000    |
| Other payments to individuals  | \$18,329,000    |
| Total personal income  | \$6,197,937,000 |
| Dependency ratio   | 20.0%           |
| (Percent of income from transfer payments)                                 |                 |

**Voting**

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Number of registered voters | 73,514 |
| Voted in 2022 election      | 39,126 |
| Percent turnout             | 53.2%  |

**Health Care**

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| Physicians                                   | 172   |
| Registered hospitals                         | 2     |
| Number of beds                               | 187   |
| Licensed nursing homes                       | 13    |
| Number of beds                               | 967   |
| Licensed residential care                    | 11    |
| Number of beds                               | 750   |
| Persons with health insurance (Aged 0 to 64) | 85.8% |
| Adults with insurance (Aged 18 to 64)        | 86.3% |
| Children with insurance (Aged Under 19)      | 84.7% |

**Per Capita Personal Income**

## Civilian Labor Force

|                      | 2023   | 2022   | 2021   | 2020   | 2019   |
|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Civilian labor force | 60,740 | 60,006 | 57,613 | 60,302 | 62,672 |
| Employed             | 59,030 | 58,114 | 59,801 | 56,758 | 60,621 |
| Unemployed           | 1,710  | 1,892  | 2,188  | 3,544  | 2,051  |
| Unemployment rate    | 2.8    | 3.2    | 3.7    | 5.9    | 3.3    |

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

| Industrial Sector                   | Number of Establishments | Average Employment | Total Wages     | Average Weekly Wage |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Private Sector                      | 2,749                    | 40,950             | \$2,252,602,911 | \$1,058             |
| Goods-Producing                     | 807                      | 18,227             | \$1,224,833,075 | \$1,292             |
| Natural Resources and Mining        | 114                      | 972                | \$42,289,785    | \$837               |
| Construction                        | 366                      | 2,430              | \$145,029,424   | \$1,148             |
| Manufacturing                       | 327                      | 14,826             | \$1,037,513,866 | \$1,346             |
| Service-Providing                   | 1,942                    | 22,723             | \$1,027,769,836 | \$870               |
| Trade, Transportation and Utilities | 664                      | 8,130              | \$362,053,877   | \$856               |
| Information                         | 29                       | 145                | \$8,851,933     | \$1,174             |
| Financial Services                  | 205                      | 1,350              | \$93,010,353    | \$1,325             |
| Professional and Business Services  | 365                      | 2,492              | \$163,621,914   | \$1,263             |
| Education and Health Services       | 264                      | 5,981              | \$287,404,631   | \$924               |
| Leisure and Hospitality             | 226                      | 3,529              | \$65,425,690    | \$357               |
| Other Services                      | 187                      | 1,089              | \$47,008,343    | \$830               |
| Federal Government                  |                          | 239                | \$16,410,739    | \$1,322             |
| State Government                    |                          | 633                | \$38,511,920    | \$1,170             |
| Local Government                    |                          | 5,529              | \$260,715,412   | \$907               |

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

## Change Since 2017

|                                     |       |        |        |        |
|-------------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| Private Sector                      | 7.6%  | -1.2%  | 21.7%  | 23.2%  |
| Goods-Producing                     | 9.6%  | 1.0%   | 16.2%  | 15.0%  |
| Natural Resources and Mining        | 0.9%  | -34.1% | -49.7% | -23.8% |
| Construction                        | 12.3% | 9.9%   | 30.1%  | 18.5%  |
| Manufacturing                       | 10.5% | 3.2%   | 20.8%  | 17.0%  |
| Service-Producing                   | 6.8%  | -2.9%  | 29.0%  | 32.8%  |
| Trade, Transportation and Utilities | 5.6%  | -0.9%  | 17.7%  | 18.7%  |
| Information                         | 70.6% | -34.7% | 3.3%   | 58.4%  |
| Financial Services                  | -2.8% | -6.6%  | 21.6%  | 30.3%  |
| Professional and Business Services  | 14.8% | 11.3%  | 74.4%  | 56.9%  |
| Education and Health Services       | 4.8%  | -6.3%  | 30.0%  | 38.7%  |
| Leisure and Hospitality             | 10.2% | -4.4%  | 29.0%  | 35.2%  |
| Other Services                      | 0.5%  | -10.1% | 21.7%  | 35.2%  |
| Federal Government                  |       | -7.0%  | 10.3%  | 19.0%  |
| State Government                    |       | -20.2% | -4.9%  | 19.3%  |
| Local Government                    |       | -1.5%  | 16.7%  | 18.4%  |

## Major &amp; Notable Employers

## Residential Construction

|                             | 2023      | 2022      | 2021      | 2020      | 2019      |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Total units                 | 212       | 205       | 189       | 275       | 206       |
| Total valuation (000)       | \$67,495  | \$55,487  | \$55,065  | \$60,387  | \$47,158  |
| Total single-unit bldgs     | 202       | 168       | 168       | 196       | 180       |
| Average cost per unit       | \$323,290 | \$297,422 | \$304,465 | \$261,292 | \$240,876 |
| Total multi-unit bldg units | 10        | 37        | 21        | 79        | 26        |
| Average cost per unit       | \$219,000 | \$149,181 | \$186,429 | \$116,126 | \$146,154 |

|                            |      |
|----------------------------|------|
| Artiflex Manufacturing     | Mfg  |
| College of Wooster         | Serv |
| Daisy Brand                | Mfg  |
| Frito-Lay Inc              | Mfg  |
| Gerber Poultry             | Mfg  |
| GOJO Industries            | Serv |
| JM Smucker Co              | Mfg  |
| Schaeffler Transmission    | Mfg  |
| State of Ohio              | Govt |
| Will-Burt Co               | Mfg  |
| Wooster Brush Co           | Mfg  |
| Wooster City Schools       | Govt |
| Wooster Community Hospital | Serv |