

Ohio County Profiles

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Seneca County

Established: Act - April 1, 1820
2004 Population: 57,789
Land Area: 550.6 square miles
County Seat: Tiffin City
Named for: Seneca Native American Tribe



Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$728,099,920
Residential	\$487,921,470
Agriculture	\$120,843,180
Industrial	\$37,545,570
Commercial	\$81,785,870
Mineral	\$3,830
Ohio income tax liability	\$27,182,340
Average per return	\$1,007.84

Land Cover

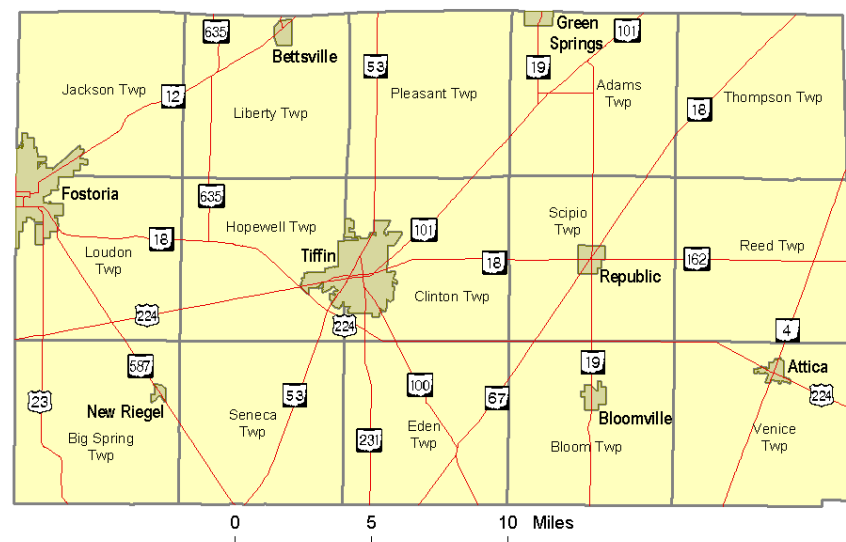
Acres

Total	353,665.9
Urban (open impervious surfaces)	5,050.4
Agriculture/Open Urban Areas	301,709.2
Shrub/Scrub	1,187.2
Wooded	42,287.3
Open Water	603.4
Non-forested Wetlands	1,763.6
Barren	1,064.9

Largest Areas Census 2000 Estimate 2004

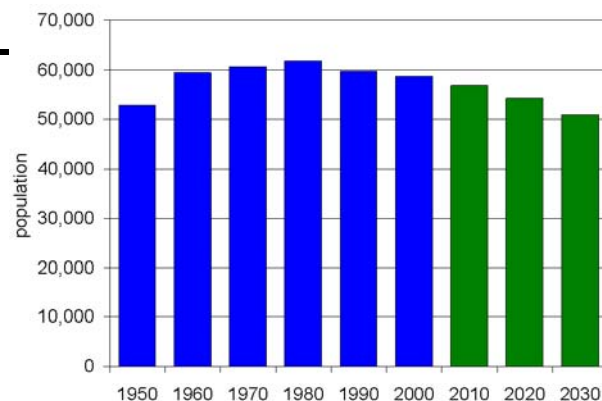
Tiffin city	18,135	17,509
Fostoria city	10,035	9,739
Clinton twp	4,188	4,194
Hopewell twp	2,874	2,827
Loudon twp	2,395	2,390
Eden twp	2,020	2,029
Pleasant twp	1,685	1,692
Jackson twp	1,640	1,650
Seneca twp	1,585	1,595
Big Spring twp UB	1,565	1,579

UB: Unincorporated Balance



Total Population

Census	1900	1910	1920	1930	1940	1950	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	Estimated	2001	2002	2003	2004	Projected	2010	2020	2030
1800																				
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1820																				
1830	5,159																			
1840	18,128																			
1850	27,104																			
1860	30,868																			
1870	30,827																			
1880	36,947																			
1890	40,869																			



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Population by Race	Number	Percent
Total Population	58,683	100.0%
White	55,866	95.2%
African-American	979	1.7%
Native American	123	0.2%
Asian	260	0.4%
Pacific Islander	3	0.0%
Other	720	1.2%
Two or More Races	732	1.2%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	2,012	3.4%
Total Minority	3,769	6.4%

Educational Attainment	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	37,271	100.0%
No high school diploma	6,306	16.9%
High school graduate	17,256	46.3%
Some college, no degree	6,830	18.3%
Associate degree	2,228	6.0%
Bachelor's degree	3,063	8.2%
Master's degree or higher	1,588	4.3%

Family Type by Employment Status	Number	Percent
Total Families	15,846	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	7,347	46.4%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	2,158	13.6%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	908	5.7%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	2,223	14.0%
Male householder, in labor force	836	5.3%
Male householder, not in labor force	152	1.0%
Female householder, in labor force	1,647	10.4%
Female householder, not in labor force	575	3.6%

Household Income in 1999	Number	Percent
Total Households	22,352	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	1,650	7.4%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	3,280	14.7%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	3,545	15.9%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	3,344	15.0%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2,914	13.0%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	2,384	10.7%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	2,501	11.2%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,820	8.1%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	650	2.9%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	160	0.7%
\$200,000 or more	104	0.5%
Median household income	\$38,037	

Population by Age	Number	Percent
Total Population	58,683	100.0%
Under 6 years	4,415	7.5%
6 to 17 years	10,813	18.4%
18 to 24 years	6,184	10.5%
25 to 44 years	15,947	27.2%
45 to 64 years	13,044	22.2%
65 years and more	8,280	14.1%
Median Age	36.3	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18	Number	Percent
Total Families	15,846	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	5,497	34.7%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	600	3.8%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	1,414	8.9%
Families with no own children	8,335	52.6%

Poverty Status in 1999 of Families By Family Type by Presence Of Related Children	Number	Percent
Total Families	15,846	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	14,873	93.9%
Family income below poverty level	973	6.1%
Married couple, with related children	178	18.3%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	94	9.7%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	450	46.2%
Families with no related children	251	25.8%

Ratio of Income in 1999 To Poverty Level	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	57,264	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	2,052	3.6%
50% to 99% of poverty level	3,088	5.4%
100% to 149% of poverty level	4,842	8.5%
150% to 199% of poverty level	6,120	10.7%
200% of poverty level or more	41,162	71.9%

Residence in 1995	Number	Percent
Population 5 years and over	55,050	100.0%
Same house in 1995	34,486	62.6%
Different house, same county	13,002	23.6%
Different county, same state	5,539	10.1%
Different state	1,827	3.3%
Puerto Rico or U.S. islands	0	0.0%
Foreign country	196	0.4%

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Travel Time To Work	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	28,274	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	12,227	43.2%
15 to 29 minutes	9,016	31.9%
30 to 44 minutes	3,962	14.0%
45 to 59 minutes	1,077	3.8%
60 minutes or more	1,271	4.5%
Worked at home	721	2.6%
Mean travel time	20.5 minutes	

Housing Units	Number	Percent
Total housing units	23,692	100.0%
Occupied housing units	22,292	94.1%
Owner occupied	16,742	70.7%
Renter occupied	5,550	23.4%
Vacant housing units	1,400	5.9%

Year Structure Built	Number	Percent
Total housing units	23,692	100.0%
Built 1995 to March 2000	1,195	5.0%
Built 1990 to 1994	740	3.1%
Built 1980 to 1989	1,386	5.9%
Built 1970 to 1979	3,404	14.4%
Built 1960 to 1969	2,323	9.8%
Built 1950 to 1959	2,982	12.6%
Built 1940 to 1949	1,889	8.0%
Built 1939 or earlier	9,773	41.3%
Median year built	1951	

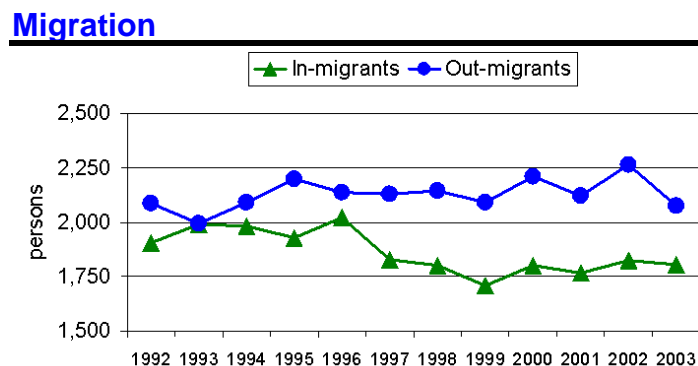
Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	13,743	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	160	1.2%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	1,085	7.9%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	2,291	16.7%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	3,140	22.8%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	2,862	20.8%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	1,719	12.5%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	1,163	8.5%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	960	7.0%
\$200,000 to \$249,999	187	1.4%
\$250,000 to \$499,999	175	1.3%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	1	0.0%
\$1,000,000 or more	0	0.0%
Median value	\$81,300	

House Heating Fuel	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	22,292	100.0%
Utility gas	12,436	55.8%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	3,552	15.9%
Electricity	3,929	17.6%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	1,351	6.1%
Coal, coke or wood	912	4.1%
Solar energy or other fuel	81	0.4%
No fuel used	31	0.1%

Gross Rent	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	5,374	100.0%
Less than \$100	30	0.6%
\$100 to \$199	244	4.5%
\$200 to \$299	473	8.8%
\$300 to \$399	1,183	22.0%
\$400 to \$499	1,481	27.6%
\$500 to \$599	966	18.0%
\$600 to \$699	357	6.6%
\$700 to \$799	108	2.0%
\$800 to \$899	64	1.2%
\$900 to \$999	14	0.3%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	28	0.5%
\$1,500 or more	0	0.0%
No cash rent	426	7.9%
Median gross rent	\$433	
Median gross rent as a percentage of household income in 1999	21.4	

Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	8,478	100.0%
Less than \$400	538	6.3%
\$400 to \$599	1,961	23.1%
\$600 to \$799	2,512	29.6%
\$800 to \$999	1,737	20.5%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	1,073	12.7%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	405	4.8%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	208	2.5%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	38	0.4%
\$3,000 or more	6	0.1%
Median monthly owners cost	\$732	
Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income	18.6	

Vital Statistics	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 population	740	12.7
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	99	43.4
Deaths / rate per 1,000 population	527	9.1
Marriages / rate per 1,000 population	447	7.7
Divorces / rate per 1,000 population	257	4.4



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Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	286,000
Number of farms	1,180
Average size (acres)	242
Total cash receipts	\$67,275,000
Per farm	\$56,533

Education

Public schools	27
Students (Average Daily Membership)	8,228
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	545.3
Student-teacher ratio	15.1
Expenditures per student	\$8,261
Graduation rate	87.8
Non-public schools	5
Students	1,316
4-year public universities	0
Branches	0
2-year public colleges	0
Private universities and colleges	2
Public libraries	5
Branch libraries	0

Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	69,042
Passenger cars	40,679
Noncommercial trucks	13,302
Total license revenue	\$1,995,112.69
Interstate highway miles	0.00
Turnpike miles	0.00
U.S. highway miles	45.44
State highway miles	177.04
Commercial airports	4

Voting

Number of precincts	54
Number of registered voters	37,974
Voted in 2004 election	27,607
Percent turnout	72.7%

Health Care

Physicians (MDs DOs)	62
Registered hospitals	2
Number of beds	193
Licensed nursing homes	10
Number of beds	791
Licensed residential care	6
Number of beds	254

State Parks, Forests, Nature Preserves, And Wildlife Areas

Facilities	11
Acreage	965.42

Communications

Television stations	0
Radio stations	3
Daily newspapers	2
Circulation	16,200

Crime

Total crimes reported in Uniform Crime Report	815
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Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	4
Assets	\$711,502,000
Branch offices	21
Institutions represented	12

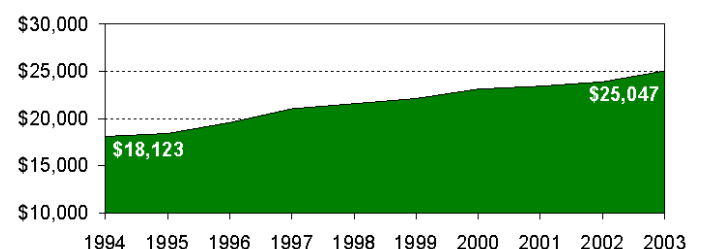
Transfer Payments

Total transfer payments	\$307,235,000
Payments to individuals	\$293,141,000
Retirement and disability	\$124,435,000
Medical payments	\$133,003,000
Income maintenance (Supplemental SSI, family assistance, food stamps, etc)	\$18,295,000
Unemployment benefits	\$10,514,000
Veterans benefits	\$4,079,000
Federal education and training assistance	\$2,611,000
Other payments to individuals	\$204,000
Total personal income	\$1,452,153,000
Dependency ratio	21.2%

Federal Expenditures

Direct expenditures or obligations	\$278,137,080
Retirement and disability	\$143,784,788
Other direct payments	\$78,206,631
Grant awards	\$42,915,748
Highway planning and construction	\$3,709,984
Temporary assistance to needy families	\$2,675,195
Medical assistance program	\$22,816,238
Procurement contract awards	\$4,422,181
Dept. of Defense	\$2,356,003
Salary and wages	\$8,807,732
Dept. of Defense	\$723,000
Other federal assistance	\$70,291,836
Direct loans	\$16,775,349
Guaranteed loans	\$11,476,613
Insurance	\$42,039,874

Per Capita Personal Income



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Civilian Labor Force	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Civilian labor force	30,900	31,100	30,500	31,000	31,500
Employed	29,500	29,600	28,400	29,000	29,400
Unemployed	1,300	1,500	2,100	2,000	2,100
Unemployment rate	4.3	5.0	6.8	6.5	6.7

Employment and Wages by Sector

NAICS Industrial Sector	Average Annual Employment		Total Wages (in thousands of dollars)	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
Total covered under Ohio UC Law	21,249	21,492	\$575,966	\$589,264
Private Sector	18,265	18,573	\$488,513	\$500,587
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	183	160	\$3,000	\$2,872
Mining	133	156	\$6,266	\$7,302
Utilities	111	111	\$5,673	\$5,688
Construction	1,053	1,049	\$33,485	\$34,195
Manufacturing	5,336	5,210	\$205,339	\$202,799
Wholesale trade	627	627	\$19,050	\$19,647
Retail trade	2,173	2,157	\$43,367	\$44,406
Transportation and warehousing	422	364	\$10,995	\$9,347
Information	274	257	\$8,488	\$8,551
Finance and insurance	756	786	\$23,863	\$25,974
Real estate and rental and leasing	141	139	\$3,114	\$3,125
Professional and technical services	396	397	\$10,325	\$10,341
Management of companies and enterprises	77	76	\$2,679	\$2,851
Administrative and waste services	565	1,076	\$8,616	\$11,525
Educational services	873	776	\$19,216	\$19,717
Health care and social assistance	2,435	2,573	\$58,022	\$65,251
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	186	175	\$2,339	\$2,104
Accommodation and food services	1,680	1,677	\$13,940	\$14,453
Other services, except public administration	845	809	\$10,725	\$10,441
State and Local Government	2,984	2,919	\$87,453	\$88,677
State government	505	-1	\$17,231	\$0
Local government	2,479	-1	\$70,222	\$0
Federal Government	146	142	\$5,698	\$5,558

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Starting and

Active Businesses	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Business starts	111	96	94	125	109
Active businesses	1,344	1,327	1,320	1,348	1,347

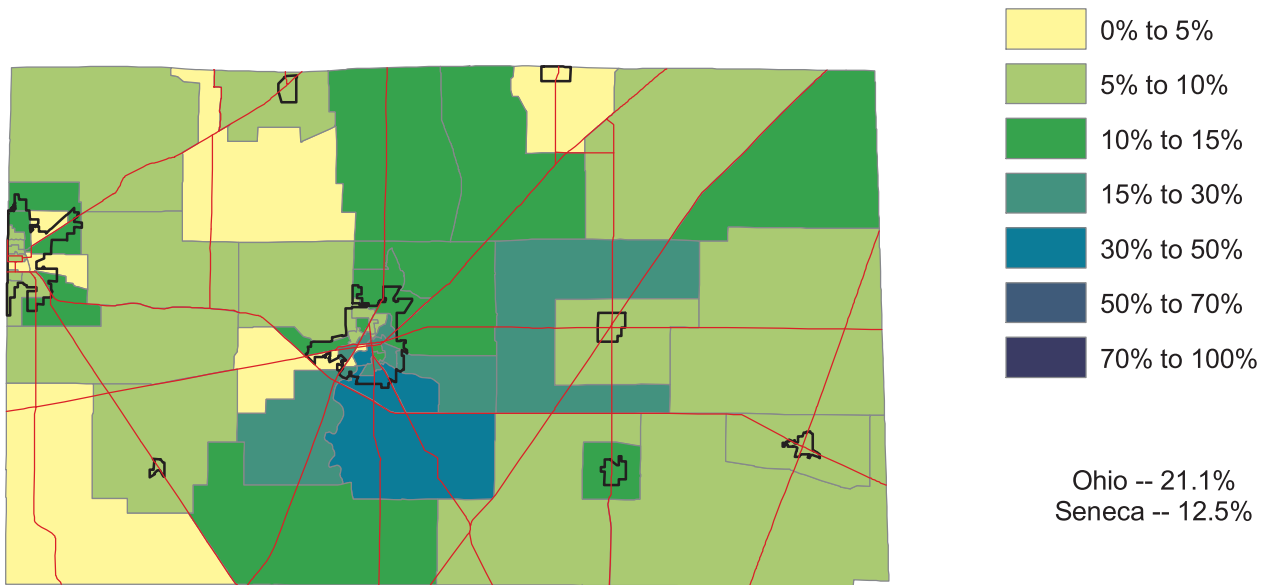
Residential Construction

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Total units	203	189	184	156	132
Total valuation (000)	\$11,991	\$11,285	\$10,512	\$12,706	\$15,981
Total single-unit bldgs	187	187	180	138	66
Average cost per unit	\$57,975	\$58,209	\$56,122	\$80,116	\$155,815
Total multi-unit bldg units	16	2	4	18	66
Average cost per unit	\$71,875	\$200,000	\$102,500	\$91,667	\$86,318

Major Employers

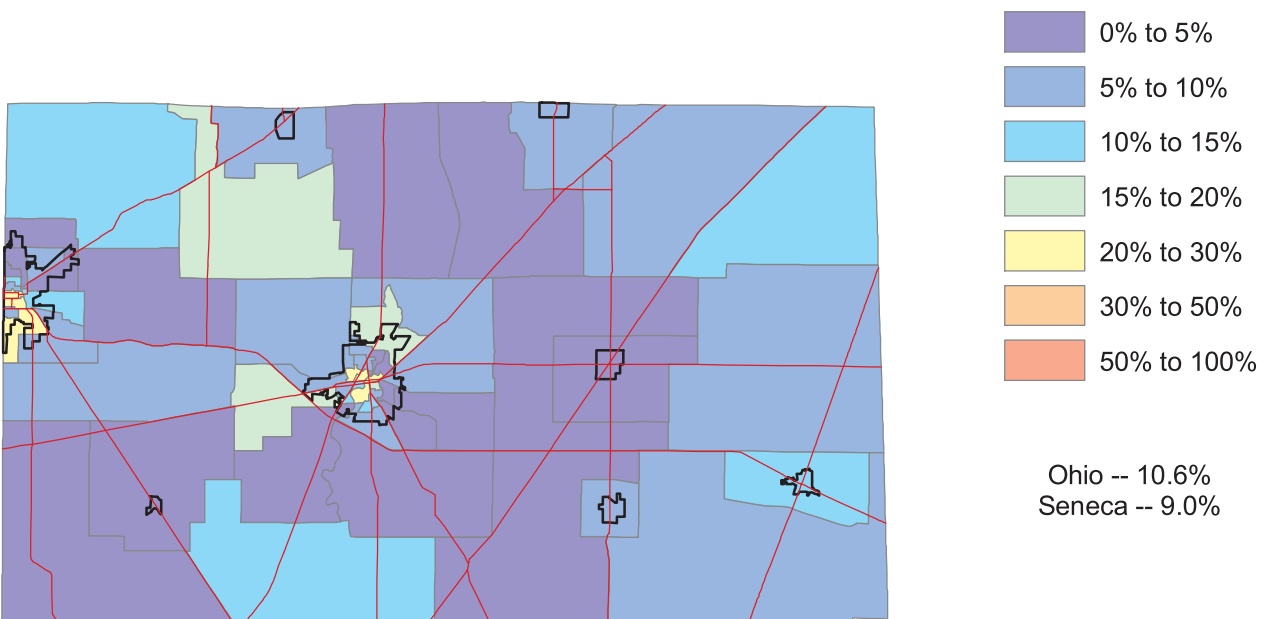
Dorel Industries/Ameriwood Ind	Mfg
Fostoria City Bd of Ed	Gov't
Heidleberg College	Service
Honeywell International Inc	Mfg
Mercy Hospital of Tiffin	Service
National Machinery LLC	Mfg
State of Ohio	Gov't
ThyssenKrupp/TKA Atlas Inc	Mfg
Tiffin City Bd of Ed	Gov't
Tiffin University	Service

Percent of Persons 25 and Older With a Bachelor's Degree or Greater 2000



Source: Summary File 3, Census of Population and Housing,
U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000.

Percent of Persons Living In Poverty 2000



Calculation based on population for
whom poverty status is determined.

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