

# Ohio County Profiles

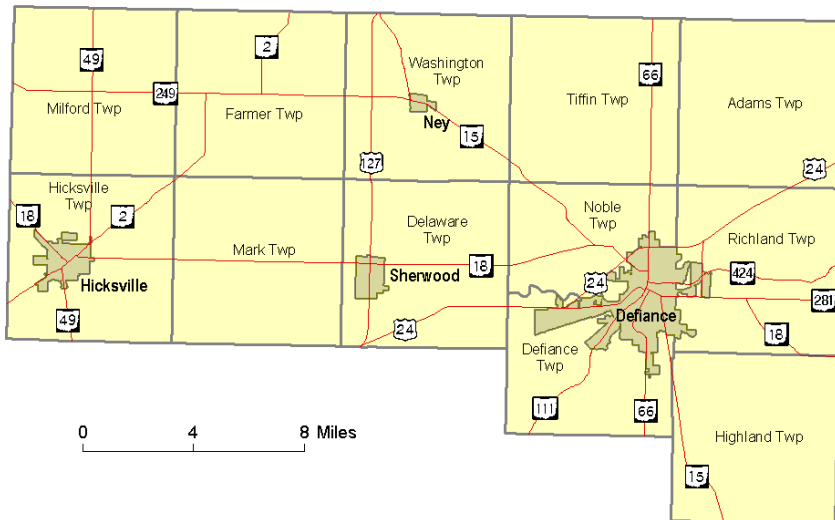
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OHIO DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT

## Defiance County

**Established:** Act - April 7, 1845  
**2004 Population:** 39,038  
**Land Area:** 411.2 square miles  
**County Seat:** Defiance City  
**Named for:** Fort Defiance



### Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$527,300,150
Residential	\$355,896,230
Agriculture	\$77,678,100
Industrial	\$22,326,800
Commercial	\$71,399,020
Mineral	\$0
Ohio income tax liability	\$23,578,029
Average per return	\$1,238.41

### Land Cover

	Acres
Total	265,547.5
Urban (open impervious surfaces)	2,751.2
Agriculture/Open Urban Areas	228,223.0
Shrub/Scrub	515.1
Wooded	28,066.9
Open Water	1,699.3
Non-forested Wetlands	4,222.6
Barren	69.5

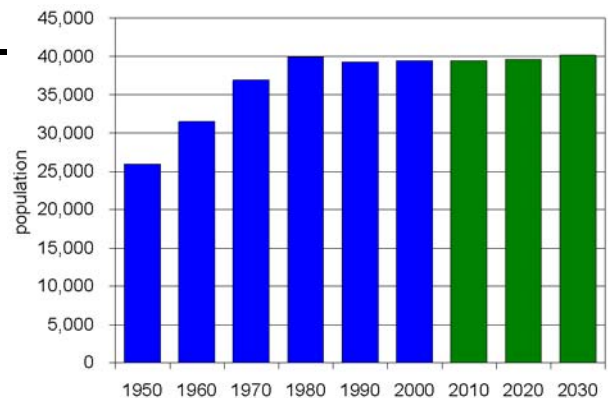
### Largest Areas Census 2000 Estimate 2004

Defiance city	16,465	16,076
Hicksville village	3,649	3,541
Highland twp	2,658	2,609
Noble twp UB	2,274	2,319
Richland twp UB	1,974	1,901
Defiance twp UB	1,860	1,850
Tiffin twp	1,705	1,704
Delaware twp UB	1,327	1,433
Hicksville twp UB	1,354	1,355
Washington twp UB	1,157	1,216

UB: Unincorporated Balance

### Total Population

Census	1900	26,387	Estimated	
1800	1910	24,498	2001	39,408
1810	1920	24,549	2002	39,266
1820	1930	22,714	2003	39,105
1830	1940	24,367	2004	39,038
1840	1950	25,925		
1850	1960	31,508	Projected	
1860	1970	36,949	2010	39,542
1870	1980	39,987	2020	39,698
1880	1990	39,350	2030	40,182
1890	2000	39,500		



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Population by Race	Number	Percent
Total Population	39,500	100.0%
White	36,471	92.3%
African-American	651	1.6%
Native American	147	0.4%
Asian	120	0.3%
Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
Other	1,503	3.8%
Two or More Races	608	1.5%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	2,856	7.2%
<b>Total Minority</b>	<b>4,011</b>	<b>10.2%</b>

Educational Attainment	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	25,426	100.0%
No high school diploma	3,896	15.3%
High school graduate	11,641	45.8%
Some college, no degree	4,651	18.3%
Associate degree	1,614	6.3%
Bachelor's degree	2,467	9.7%
Master's degree or higher	1,157	4.6%

Family Type by Employment Status	Number	Percent
Total Families	10,998	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	5,192	47.2%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	1,712	15.6%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	443	4.0%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	1,590	14.5%
Male householder, in labor force	642	5.8%
Male householder, not in labor force	61	0.6%
Female householder, in labor force	959	8.7%
Female householder, not in labor force	399	3.6%

Household Income in 1999	Number	Percent
Total Households	15,113	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	886	5.9%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	1,658	11.0%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	1,987	13.1%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	1,913	12.7%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2,159	14.3%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	1,572	10.4%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	2,130	14.1%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,770	11.7%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	811	5.4%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	107	0.7%
\$200,000 or more	120	0.8%
<b>Median household income</b>	<b>\$44,938</b>	

Population by Age	Number	Percent
Total Population	39,500	100.0%
Under 6 years	3,167	8.0%
6 to 17 years	7,281	18.4%
18 to 24 years	3,626	9.2%
25 to 44 years	10,809	27.4%
45 to 64 years	9,551	24.2%
65 years and more	5,066	12.8%
<b>Median Age</b>	<b>36.5</b>	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18	Number	Percent
Total Families	10,998	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	3,880	35.3%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	431	3.9%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	912	8.3%
Families with no own children	5,775	52.5%

Poverty Status in 1999 of Families By Family Type by Presence Of Related Children	Number	Percent
Total Families	10,998	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	10,503	95.5%
Family income below poverty level	495	4.5%
Married couple, with related children	66	13.3%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	52	10.5%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	257	51.9%
Families with no related children	120	24.2%

Ratio of Income in 1999 To Poverty Level	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	38,723	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	790	2.0%
50% to 99% of poverty level	1,390	3.6%
100% to 149% of poverty level	2,671	6.9%
150% to 199% of poverty level	2,722	7.0%
200% of poverty level or more	31,150	80.4%

Residence in 1995	Number	Percent
Population 5 years and over	36,791	100.0%
Same house in 1995	23,276	63.3%
Different house, same county	8,384	22.8%
Different county, same state	3,103	8.4%
Different state	1,870	5.1%
Puerto Rico or U.S. islands	10	0.0%
Foreign country	148	0.4%

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Travel Time To Work	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	19,540	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	8,869	45.4%
15 to 29 minutes	6,317	32.3%
30 to 44 minutes	2,542	13.0%
45 to 59 minutes	656	3.4%
60 minutes or more	702	3.6%
Worked at home	454	2.3%
<b>Mean travel time</b>	<b>19.2 minutes</b>	

Housing Units	Number	Percent
Total housing units	16,040	100.0%
Occupied housing units	15,138	94.4%
Owner occupied	12,054	75.1%
Renter occupied	3,084	19.2%
Vacant housing units	902	5.6%

Year Structure Built	Number	Percent
Total housing units	16,040	100.0%
Built 1995 to March 2000	1,277	8.0%
Built 1990 to 1994	838	5.2%
Built 1980 to 1989	1,463	9.1%
Built 1970 to 1979	2,942	18.3%
Built 1960 to 1969	2,049	12.8%
Built 1950 to 1959	2,145	13.4%
Built 1940 to 1949	1,025	6.4%
Built 1939 or earlier	4,301	26.8%
<b>Median year built</b>	<b>1963</b>	

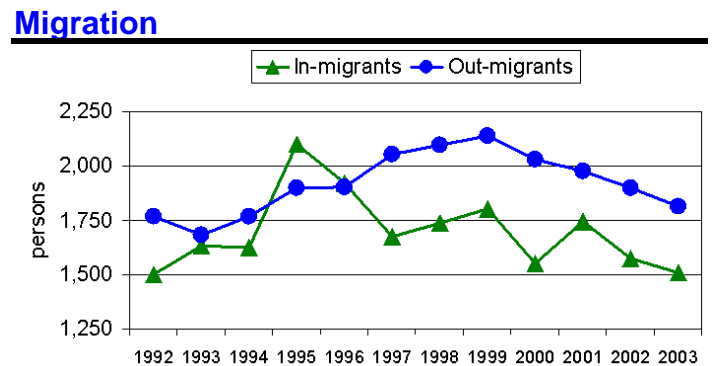
Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	9,501	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	65	0.7%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	414	4.4%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	1,203	12.7%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	2,203	23.2%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	2,329	24.5%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	1,334	14.0%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	851	9.0%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	779	8.2%
\$200,000 to \$249,999	227	2.4%
\$250,000 to \$499,999	59	0.6%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	18	0.2%
\$1,000,000 or more	19	0.2%
<b>Median value</b>	<b>\$86,800</b>	

House Heating Fuel	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	15,138	100.0%
Utility gas	7,605	50.2%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	3,298	21.8%
Electricity	3,046	20.1%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	881	5.8%
Coal, coke or wood	207	1.4%
Solar energy or other fuel	68	0.4%
No fuel used	33	0.2%

Gross Rent	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	2,996	100.0%
Less than \$100	28	0.9%
\$100 to \$199	93	3.1%
\$200 to \$299	196	6.5%
\$300 to \$399	483	16.1%
\$400 to \$499	825	27.5%
\$500 to \$599	626	20.9%
\$600 to \$699	313	10.4%
\$700 to \$799	147	4.9%
\$800 to \$899	77	2.6%
\$900 to \$999	7	0.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	0	0.0%
\$1,500 or more	6	0.2%
No cash rent	195	6.5%
<b>Median gross rent</b>	<b>\$472</b>	
Median gross rent as a percentage of household income in 1999	19.6	

Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	6,205	100.0%
Less than \$400	186	3.0%
\$400 to \$599	826	13.3%
\$600 to \$799	1,641	26.4%
\$800 to \$999	1,560	25.1%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	1,082	17.4%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	542	8.7%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	273	4.4%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	89	1.4%
\$3,000 or more	6	0.1%
<b>Median monthly owners cost</b>	<b>\$852</b>	
Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income	19.1	

Vital Statistics	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 population	490	12.5
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	53	36.2
Deaths / rate per 1,000 population	338	8.6
Marriages / rate per 1,000 population	342	8.7
Divorces / rate per 1,000 population	187	4.7



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## Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	206,000
Number of farms	980
Average size (acres)	210
Total cash receipts	\$56,405,000
Per farm	\$57,556

## Education

Public schools	19
Students (Average Daily Membership)	6,480
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	422.6
Student-teacher ratio	15.3
Expenditures per student	\$7,664
Graduation rate	88.2
Non-public schools	3
Students	374
4-year public universities	0
Branches	0
2-year public colleges	0
Private universities and colleges	1
Public libraries	1
Branch libraries	2

## Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	47,547
Passenger cars	28,802
Noncommercial trucks	9,172
Total license revenue	\$1,217,821.02
Interstate highway miles	0.00
Turnpike miles	0.00
U.S. highway miles	31.54
State highway miles	132.18
Commercial airports	1

## Voting

Number of precincts	42
Number of registered voters	25,849
Voted in 2004 election	18,853
Percent turnout	72.9%

## Health Care

Physicians (MDs DOs)	56
Registered hospitals	2
Number of beds	192
Licensed nursing homes	4
Number of beds	370
Licensed residential care	1
Number of beds	41

## State Parks, Forests, Nature Preserves, And Wildlife Areas

Facilities	3
Acreage	503.08

## Communications

Television stations	0
Radio stations	3
Daily newspapers	1
Circulation	17,900

## Crime

Total crimes reported in Uniform Crime Report	524
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## Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	5
Assets	\$1,699,195,000
Branch offices	17
Institutions represented	8

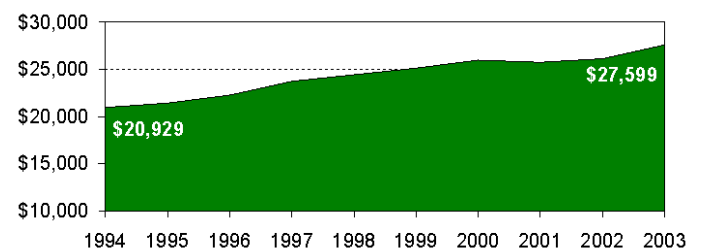
## Transfer Payments

Total transfer payments	\$170,767,000
Payments to individuals	\$161,233,000
Retirement and disability	\$83,143,000
Medical payments	\$56,335,000
Income maintenance (Supplemental SSI, family assistance, food stamps, etc)	\$11,802,000
Unemployment benefits	\$6,316,000
Veterans benefits	\$2,635,000
Federal education and training assistance	\$863,000
Other payments to individuals	\$139,000
Total personal income	\$1,079,267,000
Dependency ratio	15.8%

## Federal Expenditures

Direct expenditures or obligations	\$166,997,449
Retirement and disability	\$83,736,417
Other direct payments	\$41,036,110
Grant awards	\$30,092,530
Highway planning and construction	\$3,710,596
Temporary assistance to needy families	\$1,910,853
Medical assistance program	\$13,975,194
Procurement contract awards	\$6,141,729
Dept. of Defense	\$1,455,824
Salary and wages	\$5,990,663
Dept. of Defense	\$52,000
Other federal assistance	\$44,959,315
Direct loans	\$2,926,935
Guaranteed loans	\$11,201,681
Insurance	\$30,830,699

## Per Capita Personal Income



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<b>Civilian Labor Force</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
Civilian labor force	21,200	20,800	20,600	20,600	20,600
Employed	20,400	19,800	19,400	19,300	19,400
Unemployed	800	1,000	1,200	1,300	1,300
Unemployment rate	3.7	4.8	5.8	6.2	6.1

## Employment and Wages by Sector

<b>NAICS Industrial Sector</b>	<b>Average Annual Employment</b>		<b>Total Wages (in thousands of dollars)</b>	
	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>
Total covered under Ohio UC Law	17,327	17,029	\$588,227	\$610,128
Private Sector	15,283	15,034	\$531,298	\$549,286
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	-1	-1	\$0	\$0
Mining	-1	-1	\$0	\$0
Utilities	-1	-1	\$0	\$0
Construction	624	566	\$21,500	\$19,016
Manufacturing	5,698	5,442	\$308,441	\$318,004
Wholesale trade	619	671	\$20,053	\$22,662
Retail trade	2,555	2,551	\$49,667	\$50,046
Transportation and warehousing	-1	-1	\$0	\$0
Information	258	275	\$7,343	\$8,092
Finance and insurance	533	606	\$19,241	\$21,862
Real estate and rental and leasing	81	74	\$1,878	\$1,765
Professional and technical services	239	245	\$8,034	\$8,270
Management of companies and enterprises	119	132	\$4,121	\$5,818
Administrative and waste services	343	333	\$6,601	\$6,736
Educational services	-1	-1	\$0	\$0
Health care and social assistance	-1	-1	\$0	\$0
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	141	134	\$1,630	\$1,562
Accommodation and food services	1,318	1,114	\$10,924	\$9,596
Other services, except public administration	551	554	\$8,577	\$8,776
State and Local Government	2,044	1,995	\$56,930	\$60,842
State government	114	115	\$4,802	\$5,040
Local government	1,930	1,880	\$52,127	\$55,801
Federal Government	120	117	\$4,586	\$4,644

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## Major Employers

Defiance City Bd of Ed	Gov't
Defiance Clinic	Service
Defiance Regional Medical Center	Service
Defiance Metal Products Co	Mfg
General Motors Corp	Mfg
Johns Manville Corp	Mfg
Meijer Inc	Trade
Parker Hannifin Corp	Mfg
Sears Holdings/Kmart Corp	Trade

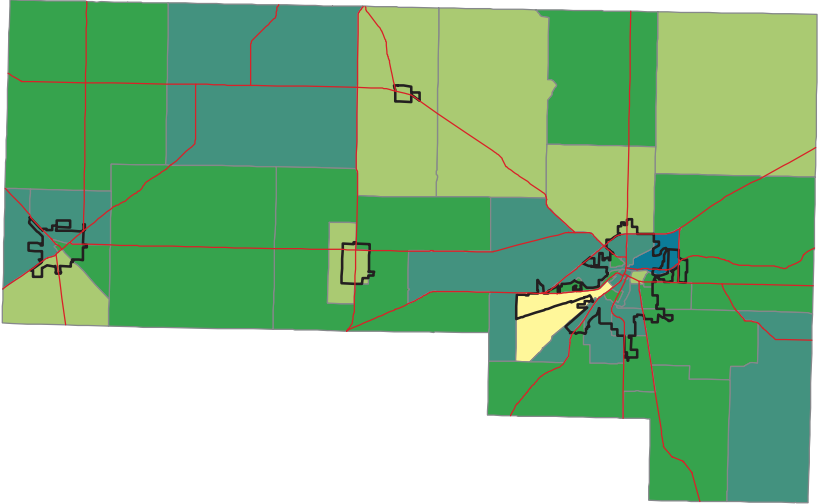
## Starting and

<b>Active Businesses</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
Business starts	49	48	60	51	60
Active businesses	665	659	660	675	678

## Residential Construction

	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
Total units	142	124	142	146	140
Total valuation (000)	\$14,075	\$12,958	\$16,062	\$17,520	\$17,912
Total single-unit bldgs	134	114	128	126	127
Average cost per unit	\$103,243	\$108,713	\$119,661	\$123,306	\$135,328
Total multi-unit bldg units	8	10	14	20	13
Average cost per unit	\$30,000	\$56,500	\$53,214	\$99,175	\$55,769

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

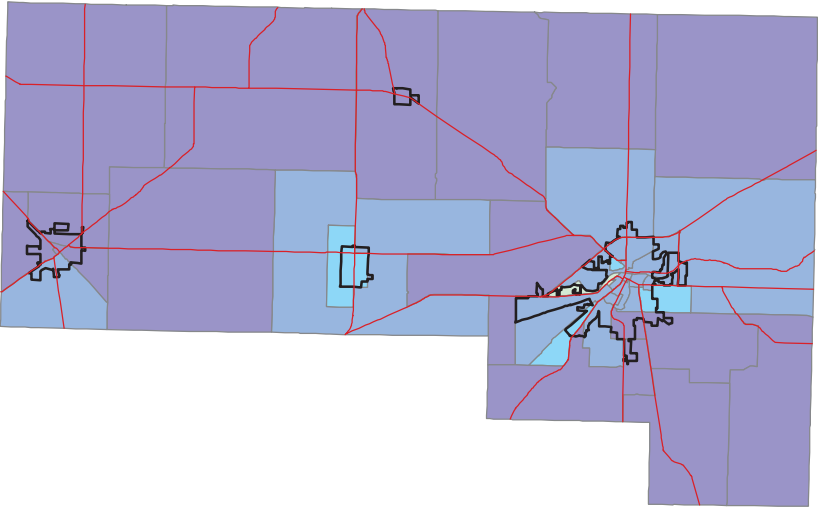


- 0% to 5%
- 5% to 10%
- 10% to 15%
- 15% to 30%
- 30% to 50%
- 50% to 70%
- 70% to 100%

Ohio -- 21.1%  
Defiance -- 14.3%

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

### Percent of Persons Living In Poverty 2000



- 0% to 5%
- 5% to 10%
- 10% to 15%
- 15% to 20%
- 20% to 30%
- 30% to 50%
- 50% to 100%

Ohio -- 10.6%  
Defiance -- 5.6%

Calculation based on population for whom poverty status is determined.

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