Ohio County Profiles

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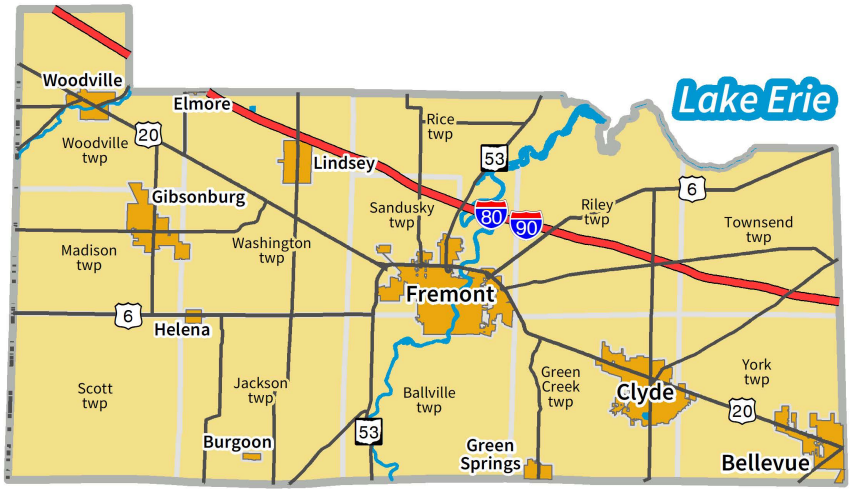
Department of Development

Sandusky County

Established: Act - April 1, 1820
2023 Population: 58,709
Land Area: 409.2 square miles
County Seat: Fremont City
Named for: Native American word meaning "cold water"



Taxes

Taxable value of real property	$1,324,534,970
Residential	$922,186,980
Agriculture	$167,253,590
Industrial	$77,931,480
Commercial	$157,089,660
Mineral	$73,260
Ohio income tax liability	$30,408,519
Average per return	$1,040.67

Land Use/Land Cover

	Percent
Developed, Lower Intensity	8.14%
Developed, Higher Intensity	3.19%
Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.)	0.65%
Forest	6.70%
Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands	0.52%
Pasture/Hay	0.96%
Cultivated Crops	74.11%
Wetlands	4.43%
Open Water	1.30%

Largest Places

	2023	2020
Fremont city	15,812	15,917
Clyde city	6,337	6,307
Ballville twp	5,997	6,033
Bellevue city (part)	4,580	4,585
Sandusky twp	3,552	3,560
Green Creek twp	3,510	3,496
Gibsonburg vil.	2,480	2,489
York twp	2,417	2,435
Woodville vil.	1,985	2,003
Washington twp UB	1,736	1,751

UB: Unincorporated balance

Total Population

Census

1800		1910	35,171
1810		1920	37,109
1820	852	1930	39,731
1830	2,851	1940	41,014
1840	10,182	1950	46,114
1850	14,305	1960	56,486
1860	21,429	1970	60,983
1870	25,503	1980	63,267
1880	32,057	1990	61,963
1890	30,617	2000	61,792
1900	34,311	2010	60,944

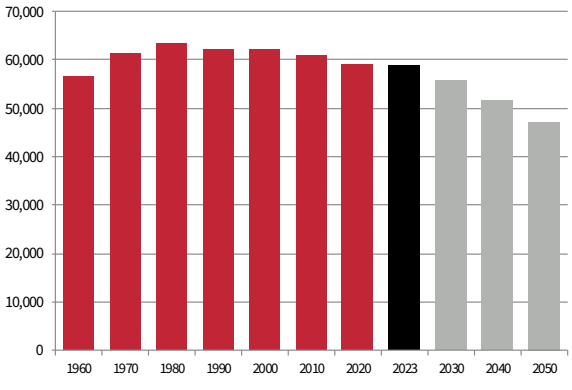
2020	58,896

Estimate

2023	58,709

Projection

2030	55,549
2040	51,389
2050	47,062



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Population by Race

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	58,885	100.0%
White	51,345	87.2%
African-American	1,975	3.4%
Native American	167	0.3%
Asian	328	0.6%
Pacific Islander	4	0.0%
Other	1,465	2.5%
Two or More Races	3,601	6.1%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	6,210	10.5%
Total Minority	10,163	17.3%

Educational Attainment

	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	41,566	100.0%
No high school diploma	2,842	6.8%
High school graduate	17,626	42.4%
Some college, no degree	8,570	20.6%
Associate degree	4,911	11.8%
Bachelor's degree	5,219	12.6%
Master's degree or higher	2,398	5.8%

Family Type by Employment Status

	Number	Percent
Total Families	15,468	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	5,723	37.0%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	2,249	14.5%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	1,057	6.8%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	2,393	15.5%
Male householder, in labor force	984	6.4%
Male householder, not in labor force	467	3.0%
Female householder, in labor force	1,752	11.3%
Female householder, not in labor force	843	5.4%

Household Income

	Number	Percent
Total Households	24,038	100.0%
Less than $10,000	1,288	5.4%
$10,000 to $19,999	2,014	8.4%
$20,000 to $29,999	1,905	7.9%
$30,000 to $39,999	2,404	10.0%
$40,000 to $49,999	2,229	9.3%
$50,000 to $59,999	2,041	8.5%
$60,000 to $74,999	2,235	9.3%
$75,000 to $99,999	3,505	14.6%
$100,000 to $149,999	3,947	16.4%
$150,000 to $199,999	1,512	6.3%
$200,000 or more	958	4.0%
Median household income	$60,814	

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Population by Age

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	58,885	100.0%
Under 5 years	3,172	5.4%
5 to 17 years	9,668	16.4%
18 to 24 years	4,479	7.6%
25 to 44 years	14,070	23.9%
45 to 64 years	16,078	27.3%
65 years and more	11,418	19.4%
Median Age	42.3	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18

	Number	Percent
Total Families	15,562	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	3,951	25.4%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	785	5.0%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	1,287	8.3%
Families with no own children	9,539	61.3%

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

	Number	Percent
Total Families	15,562	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	14,199	91.2%
Family income below poverty level	1,363	8.8%
Married couple, with related children	254	1.6%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	114	0.7%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	705	4.5%
Families with no related children	290	1.9%

Ratio of Income To Poverty Level

	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	57,864	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	3,848	6.7%
50% to 99% of poverty level	3,650	6.3%
100% to 124% of poverty level	2,431	4.2%
125% to 149% of poverty level	2,291	4.0%
150% to 184% of poverty level	4,066	7.0%
185% to 199% of poverty level	1,521	2.6%
200% of poverty level or more	40,057	69.2%

Geographical Mobility

	Number	Percent
Population aged 1 year and older	58,287	100.0%
Same house as previous year	53,178	91.2%
Different house, same county	3,013	5.2%
Different county, same state	1,557	2.7%
Different state	371	0.6%
Abroad	168	0.3%

Travel Time To Work

	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	26,256	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	11,567	44.1%
15 to 29 minutes	8,399	32.0%
30 to 44 minutes	4,117	15.7%
45 to 59 minutes	1,162	4.4%
60 minutes or more	1,011	3.9%
Mean travel time	19.6 minutes	

Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	26,500	100.0%
Occupied housing units	24,038	90.7%
Owner occupied	17,822	74.1%
Renter occupied	6,216	25.9%
Vacant housing units	2,462	9.3%

Year Structure Built

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	26,500	100.0%
Built 2020 or later	24	0.1%
Built 2010 to 2019	410	1.5%
Built 2000 to 2009	1,640	6.2%
Built 1990 to 1999	2,363	8.9%
Built 1980 to 1989	2,784	10.5%
Built 1970 to 1979	3,444	13.0%
Built 1960 to 1969	2,575	9.7%
Built 1950 to 1959	3,989	15.1%
Built 1940 to 1949	1,404	5.3%
Built 1939 or earlier	7,867	29.7%
Median year built	1960	

Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	17,822	100.0%
Less than $20,000	715	4.0%
$20,000 to $39,999	523	2.9%
$40,000 to $59,999	469	2.6%
$60,000 to $79,999	685	3.8%
$80,000 to $99,999	2,194	12.3%
$100,000 to $124,999	2,779	15.6%
$125,000 to $149,999	2,240	12.6%
$150,000 to $199,999	3,803	21.3%
$200,000 to $299,999	3,021	17.0%
$300,000 to $499,999	986	5.5%
$500,000 to $999,999	335	1.9%
$1,000,000 or more	72	0.4%
Median value	$142,300	

House Heating Fuel

	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	24,038	100.0%
Utility gas	14,572	60.6%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	3,516	14.6%
Electricity	4,737	19.7%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	137	0.6%
Coal, coke or wood	661	2.7%
Solar energy or other fuel	274	1.1%
No fuel used	141	0.6%

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Gross Rent

	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	6,216	100.0%
Less than $100	67	1.1%
$100 to $199	66	1.1%
$200 to $299	223	3.6%
$300 to $399	281	4.5%
$400 to $499	168	2.7%
$500 to $599	315	5.1%
$600 to $699	1,212	19.5%
$700 to $799	948	15.3%
$800 to $899	706	11.4%
$900 to $999	485	7.8%
$1,000 to $1,499	1,018	16.4%
$1,500 or more	229	3.7%
No cash rent	498	8.0%
Median gross rent	$756	
Median gross rent as a percentage of household income	26.4	

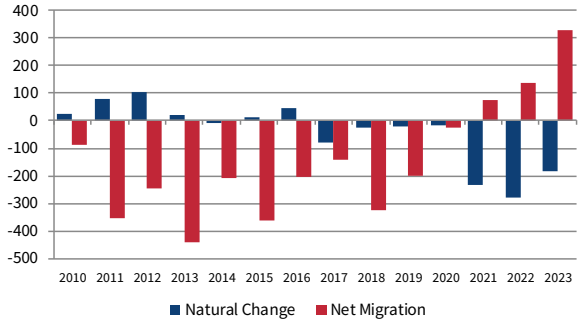
Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	10,559	100.0%
Less than $400	91	0.9%
$400 to $599	398	3.8%
$600 to $799	1,260	11.9%
$800 to $999	1,997	18.9%
$1,000 to $1,249	2,497	23.6%
$1,250 to $1,499	1,954	18.5%
$1,500 to $1,999	1,283	12.2%
$2,000 to $2,999	713	6.8%
$3,000 or more	366	3.5%
Median monthly owners cost	$1,154	
Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income	17.6	

Vital Statistics

	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44	557	54.5
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	23	13.3
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	771	1,314.2

Components of Population Change



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Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	156,656
Number of farms	752
Average size (acres)	208
Total cash receipts	$141,266,000
Per farm	$187,854
Receipts for crops	$130,453,000
Receipts for livestock/products	$10,813,000

Education

Traditional public schools buildings	17
Students	7,412
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	556.4
Expenditures per student	$11,290
Graduation rate	93.2
Community/charter schools buildings	0
Students	0
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	0.0
Expenditures per student	
Graduation rate	
Private schools	2
Students	515
Public universites, 4-year	0
Public universities/colleges, 2-year	1
Public learning centers, less-than 2-year	1
Private universities and colleges	0
Public libraries (Districts / Facilities)	2 / 5

Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	76,614
Passenger cars	43,060
Noncommercial trucks	14,520
Total license revenue	$2,223,296.59
Permissive tax revenue	$832,167.50
Interstate highway miles	27.38
Turnpike miles	27.38
U.S. highway miles	63.41
State highway miles	112.90
County, township, and municipal road miles	911.72
Commercial airports	2

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

Areas/Facilities	16
Acreage	4,270

Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	2
Assets (000)	$1,414,320
Branch offices	19
Institutions represented	9

Transfer Payments

Total transfer payments	$780,396,000
Payments to individuals	$751,618,000
Retirement and disability	$271,613,000
Medical payments	$371,024,000
Income maintenance (Supplemental SSI, family assistance, food stamps, etc)	$60,182,000
Unemployment benefits	$3,439,000
Veterans benefits	$20,166,000
Federal education and training assistance	$12,824,000
Other payments to individuals	$12,370,000
Total personal income	$2,848,683,000
Dependency ratio	27.4%
(Percent of income from transfer payments)	

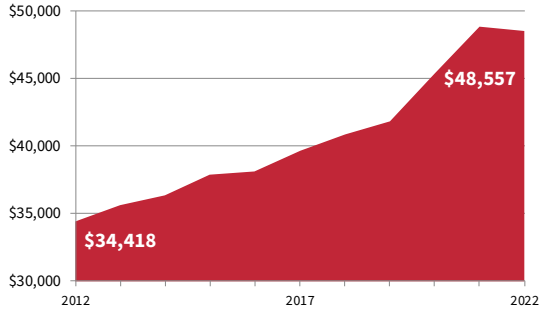
Voting

Number of registered voters	39,948
Voted in 2022 election	21,807
Percent turnout	54.6%

Health Care

Physicians	62
Registered hospitals	2
Number of beds	102
Licensed nursing homes	9
Number of beds	637
Licensed residential care	6
Number of beds	342
Persons with health insurance (Aged 0 to 64)	92.4%
Adults with insurance (Aged 18 to 64)	91.5%
Children with insurance (Aged Under 19)	94.8%

Per Capita Personal Income



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Civilian Labor Force

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Civilian labor force	29,963	29,904	28,531	29,987	30,861
Employed	28,904	28,496	30,119	27,555	29,523
Unemployed	1,059	1,408	1,588	2,432	1,338
Unemployment rate	3.5	4.7	5.3	8.1	4.3

Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2022

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	1,342	22,099	$1,085,431,832	$945
Goods-Producing	288	10,119	$590,829,921	$1,123
Natural Resources and Mining	28	183	$9,041,702	$949
Construction	149	926	$59,386,013	$1,233
Manufacturing	111	9,009	$522,402,206	$1,115
Service-Providing	1,054	11,980	$494,601,911	$794
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	303	3,765	$163,541,079	$835
Information	16	136	$6,363,592	$898
Financial Services	114	781	$42,297,199	$1,042
Professional and Business Services	185	1,545	$81,486,816	$1,014
Education and Health Services	196	2,906	$141,777,499	$938
Leisure and Hospitality	140	2,200	$39,293,582	$344
Other Services	99	636	$19,187,786	$580
Federal Government		106	$6,342,476	$1,153
State Government		91	$5,724,906	$1,204
Local Government		2,637	$128,135,931	$934

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

Change Since 2017

Private Sector	4.8%	-5.0%	17.7%	24.0%
Goods-Producing	2.5%	-6.8%	10.8%	18.8%
Natural Resources and Mining	16.7%	12.3%	62.9%	44.7%
Construction	3.5%	5.2%	34.3%	27.5%
Manufacturing	-1.8%	-8.2%	8.0%	17.6%
Service-Producing	5.4%	-3.4%	27.3%	31.7%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	-1.9%	-4.1%	24.0%	29.5%
Information	23.1%	2.3%	14.1%	11.1%
Financial Services	4.6%	-6.2%	16.4%	24.3%
Professional and Business Services	16.4%	19.8%	39.5%	16.4%
Education and Health Services	12.0%	-7.7%	32.4%	43.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	6.9%	-6.3%	21.1%	29.3%
Other Services	-4.8%	-11.7%	13.2%	28.0%
Federal Government		-2.8%	12.0%	15.3%
State Government		-10.8%	3.7%	16.1%
Local Government		-5.5%	9.8%	16.2%

Residential Construction

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total units	22	38	52	49	50
Total valuation (000)	$6,900	$9,238	$12,507	$11,019	$10,828
Total single-unit bldgs	22	32	52	43	50
Average cost per unit	$313,619	$268,993	$240,523	$240,901	$216,555
Total multi-unit bldg units	0	6	0	6	0
Average cost per unit		$105,000		$110,000	

Major & Notable Employers

Autokiniton/Tower Automotive	Mfg
IAC/Auria Fremont	Mfg
The Bellevue Hospital	Serv
Crown Battery	Mfg
INOAC Exterior Systems	Mfg
Fremont City Schools	Govt
Kraft Heinz	Mfg
ProMedica - Memorial Hospital	Serv
Revere Plastics Inc	Mfg
Sandusky County Government	Govt
Style Crest/Poly-Foam Int'l	Mfg
Whirlpool Corp	Mfg