

Ohio County Profiles

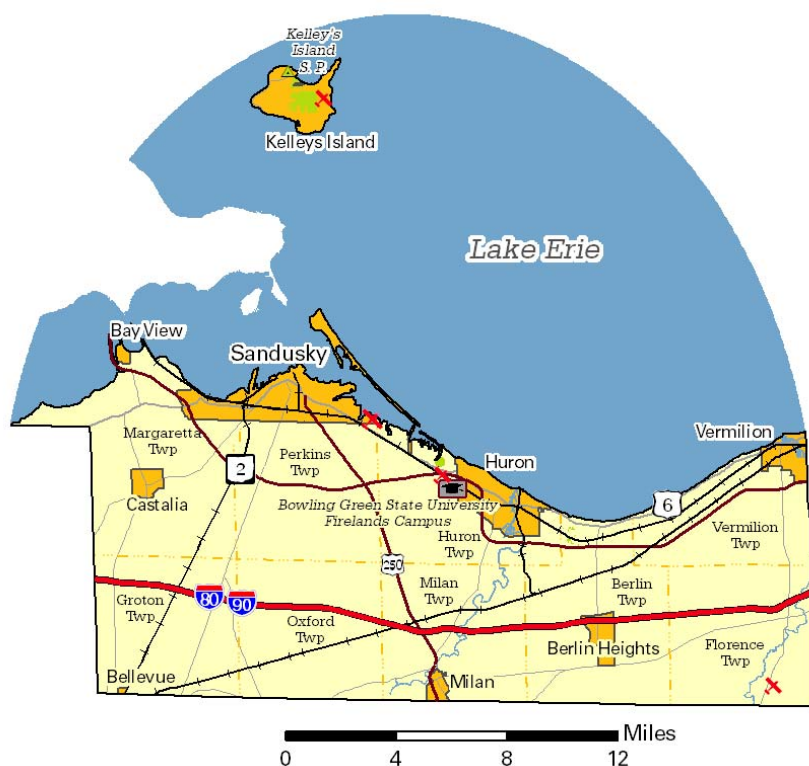


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Erie County

Established: Act - March 16, 1838
2007 Population: 77,323
Land Area: 254.5 square mile
County Seat: Sandusky City
Named for: Erie Native American Tribe



Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$1,944,529,940
Residential	\$1,478,651,920
Agriculture	\$67,700,750
Industrial	\$46,088,770
Commercial	\$352,023,240
Mineral	\$65,260
Ohio income tax liability	\$59,210,530
Average per return	\$1,580.46

Land Use/Land Cover

	Percent
Urban (Residential/Commercial/Industrial/ Transportation and Urban Grasses)	12.65%
Cropland	53.38%
Pasture	10.16%
Forest	16.17%
Open Water	2.19%
Wetlands (Wooded/Herbaceous)	4.77%
Bare/Mines	0.67%

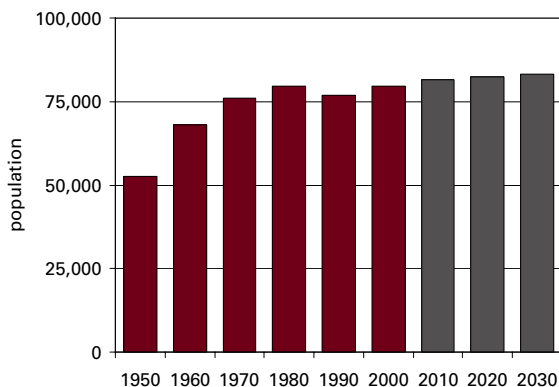
Largest Areas

	Census 2000	Est. 2007
Sandusky city	27,844	25,861
Perkins twp	12,578	12,847
Huron city	7,958	7,378
Vermilion city (pt.)	4,937	4,688
Vermilion twp UB	4,638	4,668
Margaretta twp UB	4,662	4,555
Huron twp UB	2,572	3,182
Berlin twp UB	3,017	2,996
Milan twp UB	2,661	2,658
Florence twp	2,500	2,526

UB: Unincorporated Balance

Total Population

Census	Estimated
1800	2001 79,233
1810	2002 78,666
1820	2003 78,501
1830	2004 78,411
1840 12,599	2005 77,840
1850 18,568	2006 77,536
1860 24,474	2007 77,323
1870 28,188	2010 81,420
1880 32,640	2020 82,400
1890 35,462	2030 83,060
1900 37,650	
1910 38,327	
1920 39,789	
1930 42,133	
1940 43,201	
1950 52,565	
1960 68,000	
1970 75,909	
1980 79,655	
1990 76,779	
2000 79,551	



Population by Race

	Number	Percent
Total Population	79,551	100.0%
White	70,427	88.5%
African-American	6,863	8.6%
Native American	163	0.2%
Asian	332	0.4%
Pacific Islander	6	0.0%
Other	441	0.6%
Two or More Races	1,319	1.7%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	1,453	1.8%
Total Minority	9,955	12.5%

Educational Attainment

	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	54,232	100.0%
No high school diploma	8,699	16.0%
High school graduate	22,227	41.0%
Some college, no degree	11,109	20.5%
Associate degree	3,170	5.8%
Bachelor's degree	5,976	11.0%
Master's degree or higher	3,051	5.6%

Family Type by Employment Status

	Number	Percent
Total Families	21,939	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	9,204	42.0%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	3,398	15.5%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	1,367	6.2%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	3,471	15.8%
Male householder, in labor force	807	3.7%
Male householder, not in labor force	283	1.3%
Female householder, in labor force	2,509	11.4%
Female householder, not in labor force	900	4.1%

Household Income in 1999

	Number	Percent
Total Households	31,756	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	2,151	6.8%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	4,010	12.6%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	4,782	15.1%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	3,878	12.2%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	3,517	11.1%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	3,232	10.2%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	3,851	12.1%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	3,459	10.9%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,991	6.3%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	420	1.3%
\$200,000 or more	465	1.5%
Median household income	\$42,746	

Population by Age

	Number	Percent
Total Population	79,551	100.0%
Under 6 years	5,714	7.2%
6 to 17 years	13,879	17.4%
18 to 24 years	5,726	7.2%
25 to 44 years	21,635	27.2%
45 to 64 years	20,222	25.4%
65 years and more	12,375	15.6%
Median Age	39.5	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18

	Number	Percent
Total Families	21,939	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	7,100	32.4%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	595	2.7%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	2,208	10.1%
Families with no own children	12,036	54.9%

Poverty Status in 1999 of Families By Family Type by Presence Of Related Children

	Number	Percent
Total Families	21,939	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	20,621	94.0%
Family income below poverty level	1,318	6.0%
Married couple, with related children	255	19.3%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	84	6.4%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	698	53.0%
Families with no related children	281	21.3%

Ratio of Income in 1999 To Poverty Level

	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	77,628	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	2,316	3.0%
50% to 99% of poverty level	4,123	5.3%
100% to 149% of poverty level	5,179	6.7%
150% to 199% of poverty level	6,375	8.2%
200% of poverty level or more	59,635	76.8%

Residence in 1995

	Number	Percent
Population 5 years and over	74,817	100.0%
Same house in 1995	46,198	61.7%
Different house, same county	17,495	23.4%
Different county, same state	8,354	11.2%
Different state	2,470	3.3%
Puerto Rico or U.S. islands	17	0.0%
Foreign country	283	0.4%

Travel Time To Work

	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	37,016	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	16,947	45.8%
15 to 29 minutes	12,663	34.2%
30 to 44 minutes	3,925	10.6%
45 to 59 minutes	1,217	3.3%
60 minutes or more	1,413	3.8%
Worked at home	851	2.3%

Mean travel time 18.8 minutes

Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	35,909	100.0%
Occupied housing units	31,727	88.4%
Owner occupied	22,854	63.6%
Renter occupied	8,873	24.7%
Vacant housing units	4,182	11.6%

Year Structure Built

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	35,909	100.0%
Built 1995 to March 2000	2,425	6.8%
Built 1990 to 1994	2,027	5.6%
Built 1980 to 1989	3,058	8.5%
Built 1970 to 1979	5,335	14.9%
Built 1960 to 1969	5,605	15.6%
Built 1950 to 1959	5,149	14.3%
Built 1940 to 1949	3,173	8.8%
Built 1939 or earlier	9,137	25.4%

Median year built 1961

Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	19,803	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	33	0.2%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	493	2.5%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	1,517	7.7%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	2,958	14.9%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	3,583	18.1%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	3,376	17.0%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	2,898	14.6%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2,658	13.4%
\$200,000 to \$249,999	1,050	5.3%
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1,063	5.4%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	138	0.7%
\$1,000,000 or more	36	0.2%

Median value \$109,800

House Heating Fuel

	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	31,727	100.0%
Utility gas	22,159	69.8%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	2,612	8.2%
Electricity	5,641	17.8%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	771	2.4%
Coal, coke or wood	333	1.0%
Solar energy or other fuel	160	0.5%
No fuel used	51	0.2%

Gross Rent

	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	8,813	100.0%
Less than \$100	85	1.0%
\$100 to \$199	312	3.5%
\$200 to \$299	522	5.9%
\$300 to \$399	1,073	12.2%
\$400 to \$499	2,186	24.8%
\$500 to \$599	1,623	18.4%
\$600 to \$699	983	11.2%
\$700 to \$799	719	8.2%
\$800 to \$899	354	4.0%
\$900 to \$999	193	2.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	151	1.7%
\$1,500 or more	77	0.9%
No cash rent	535	6.1%

Median gross rent \$498

Median gross rent as a percentage of household income in 1999 23.2

Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	12,829	100.0%
Less than \$400	325	2.5%
\$400 to \$599	1,329	10.4%
\$600 to \$799	2,756	21.5%
\$800 to \$999	2,686	20.9%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	2,742	21.4%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	1,409	11.0%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	973	7.6%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	487	3.8%
\$3,000 or more	122	1.0%

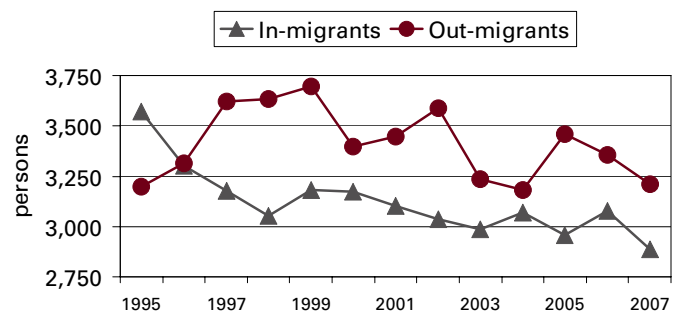
Median monthly owners cost \$949

Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income 20.2

Vital Statistics

	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 women	842	59.0
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-17	33	21.0
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	810	1,036.9
Marriages / rate per 1,000 population	474	6.0
Divorces / rate per 1,000 population	23	0.3

Migration



Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	90,000
Number of farms	380
Average size (acres)	237
Total cash receipts	\$37,837,000
Per farm	\$97,017

Education

Public schools	32
Students (Average Daily Membership)	13,388
Expenditures per student	\$9,859
Student-teacher ratio	17.6
Graduation rate	89.4
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	815.7
Non-public schools	3
Students	987
4-year public universities	0
Branches	1
2-year public colleges	0
Private universities and colleges	0
Public libraries (Main / Branches)	3 / 3

Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	93,972
Passenger cars	62,121
Noncommercial trucks	14,860
Total license revenue	\$2,396,581.99
Interstate highway miles	26.36
Turnpike miles	26.36
U.S. highway miles	41.91
State highway miles	113.93
County, township, and municipal road miles	637.42
Commercial airports	4

Voting

Number of precincts	62
Number of registered voters	51,017
Voted in 2006 election	31,261
Percent turnout	61.3%

Health Care

Physicians (MDs & DOs)	191
Registered hospitals	2
Number of beds	401
Licensed nursing homes	17
Number of beds	1,905
Licensed residential care	9
Number of beds	652
Adults with employer-based insurance	63.5%
Children with employer-based insurance	60.1%

State Parks, Forests, Nature Preserves, And Wildlife Areas

Facilities	13
Acreage	4,987.33

Communications

Television stations	1
Radio stations	7
Daily newspapers	1
Circulation	24,700

Crime

Total crimes reported in Uniform Crime Report	3,128
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Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	1
Assets	\$1,128,113
Branch offices	23
Institutions represented	8

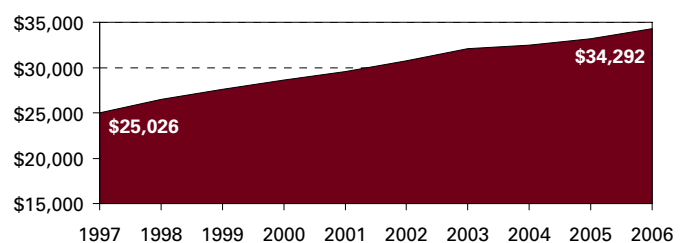
Transfer Payments

Total transfer payments	\$483,726,000
Payments to individuals	\$462,786,000
Retirement and disability	\$210,466,000
Medical payments	\$195,398,000
Income maintenance (Supplemental SSI, family assistance, food stamps, etc)	\$33,507,000
Unemployment benefits	\$9,217,000
Veterans benefits	\$12,743,000
Federal education and training assistance	\$1,306,000
Other payments to individuals	\$149,000
Total personal income	\$2,658,886,000
Dependency ratio	18.2%

Federal Expenditures

Direct expenditures or obligations	\$481,724,941
Retirement and disability	\$234,391,424
Other direct payments	\$129,452,596
Grant awards	\$83,660,304
Highway planning and construction	\$8,736,755
Temporary assistance to needy families	\$5,100,844
Medical assistance program	\$31,895,251
Procurement contract awards	\$17,709,367
Dept. of Defense	\$5,257,387
Salary and wages	\$16,511,250
Dept. of Defense	\$511,000
Other federal assistance	\$199,362,325
Direct loans	\$1,229,620
Guaranteed loans	\$25,652,808
Insurance	\$172,479,897

Per Capita Personal Income



Civilian Labor Force	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Civilian labor force	43,000	42,800	42,700	42,900	42,600
Employed	40,400	40,000	40,000	40,400	40,100
Unemployed	2,600	2,800	2,700	2,500	2,600
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.5	6.3	5.8	6.1

Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2006

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	1,929	32,790	\$1,076,868,965	\$631
Goods-Producing	335	8,304	\$462,008,845	\$1,069
Natural Resources and Mining	18	355	\$11,864,173	\$642
Constuction	195	1,158	\$43,367,341	\$720
Manufacturing	122	6,792	\$406,777,331	\$1,151
Service-Providing	1,594	24,485	\$614,860,120	\$482
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	478	7,359	\$206,640,154	\$540
Information	24	402	\$11,172,626	\$534
Financial Services	176	891	\$32,157,577	\$694
Professional and Business Services	223	1,734	\$53,801,901	\$596
Education and Health Services	213	5,147	\$165,410,731	\$618
Leisure and Hospitality	313	8,070	\$130,061,160	\$309
Other Services	165	878	\$15,496,580	\$339
Unclassified	3	5	\$119,391	\$459
Federal Government		193	\$10,623,458	\$1,058
State Government		1,110	\$40,808,826	\$707
Local Government		4,196	\$155,366,751	\$712

Change Since 2001

Private Sector	-4.4%	-3.1%	4.5%	7.9%
Goods-Producing	-5.6%	-23.0%	-9.3%	17.7%
Natural Resources and Mining	0.0%	-4.3%	-3.3%	1.1%
Construction	-1.0%	-15.2%	-9.0%	7.3%
Manufacturing	-12.9%	-24.9%	-9.5%	20.5%
Service-Producing	-4.1%	6.1%	17.9%	11.1%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	-7.2%	6.0%	13.5%	7.1%
Information	-4.0%	-24.0%	-11.3%	16.6%
Financial Services	-2.8%	-11.7%	-3.9%	8.9%
Professional and Business Services	6.2%	20.2%	32.4%	10.2%
Education and Health Services	-2.7%	12.7%	25.0%	11.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	-3.4%	11.5%	30.6%	17.0%
Other Services	-10.8%	-33.8%	-22.3%	17.3%
Federal Government		-5.9%	19.9%	27.3%
State Government		8.0%	19.2%	10.5%
Local Government		-3.6%	13.9%	18.3%

Business Numbers	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Business starts	167	148	128	156	141
Active businesses	1,802	1,818	1,824	1,807	1,702

Major Employers

Cedar Fair/CedarPoint	Serv
Ky Klos Bearing Inc	Mfg
Firelands Regional Medical Center	Serv
Ford Motor Co/ACH	Mfg
Freudenberg NOK	Mfg
International Automotive Components	Mfg
Kalahari Resorts	Serv
Meijer Inc	Trade
Sandusky City Bd of Ed	Govt
State of Ohio	Govt

Residential Construction	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total units	334	356	423	196	127
Total valuation (000)	\$41,265	\$47,589	\$48,313	\$33,450	\$23,671
Total single-unit bldgs	208	246	223	172	103
Average cost per unit	\$173,279	\$174,004	\$174,462	\$185,595	\$200,686
Total multi-unit bldg units	126	110	200	24	24
Average cost per unit	\$41,451	\$43,487	\$47,040	\$63,667	\$125,000