

Ohio County Profiles

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2025 Edition



Adams County

Established: Proclamation - July 10, 1797
2024 Population: 27,671
Land Area: 584.0 square miles
County Seat: West Union Village
Named for: John Adams, Second U.S. President



Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$501,613,200
Residential	\$298,884,810
Agriculture	\$148,817,290
Industrial	\$8,811,790
Commercial	\$45,099,310
Mineral	\$0
Ohio income tax liability	\$10,047,181
Average per return	\$911.72

Land Use/Land Cover

	Percent
Developed, Lower Intensity	6.61%
Developed, Higher Intensity	0.47%
Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.)	0.41%
Forest	58.78%
Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands	0.35%
Pasture/Hay	23.80%
Cultivated Crops	8.97%
Wetlands	0.19%
Open Water	0.42%

Largest Places

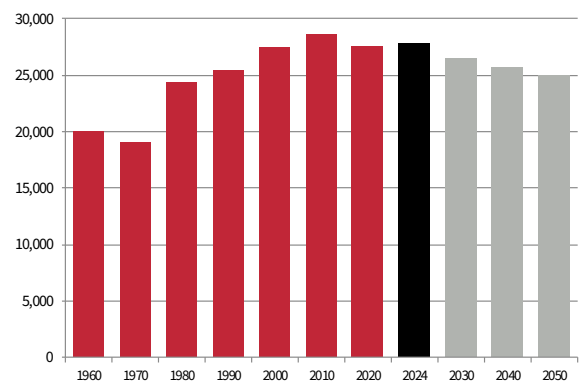
	2024	2020
West Union village	3,088	3,006
Tiffin twp UB	2,274	2,274
Liberty twp UB	2,023	2,001
Meigs twp UB	2,021	2,017
Manchester village	1,858	1,841
Peebles village	1,760	1,770
Sprigg twp UB	1,751	1,747
Wayne twp UB	1,417	1,330
Bratton twp	1,377	1,381
Oliver twp	1,342	1,344

UB: Unincorporated balance

Total Population

Census

1800	3,432	1910	24,755	2020	27,477
1810	9,434	1920	22,403		
1820	10,406	1930	20,381		
1830	12,281	1940	21,705		
1840	13,183	1950	20,499		
1850	18,883	1960	19,982		
1860	20,309	1970	18,957		
1870	20,750	1980	24,328		
1880	24,005	1990	25,371		
1890	26,093	2000	27,330		
1900	26,328	2010	28,550		
				Estimate	
				2024	27,671
				Projection	
				2030	26,438
				2040	25,550
				2050	24,835



Population by Race

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	27,510	100.0%
White	26,555	96.5%
African-American	118	0.4%
Native American	35	0.1%
Asian	111	0.4%
Pacific Islander	8	0.0%
Other	87	0.3%
Two or More Races	596	2.2%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	245	0.9%
Total Minority	1,123	4.1%

Educational Attainment

	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	18,784	100.0%
No high school diploma	2,787	14.8%
High school graduate	8,489	45.2%
Some college, no degree	2,963	15.8%
Associate degree	1,868	9.9%
Bachelor's degree	1,383	7.4%
Master's degree or higher	1,294	6.9%

Family Type by Employment Status

	Number	Percent
Total Families	7,229	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	2,533	35.0%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	1,100	15.2%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	691	9.6%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	1,357	18.8%
Male householder, in labor force	317	4.4%
Male householder, not in labor force	200	2.8%
Female householder, in labor force	446	6.2%
Female householder, not in labor force	585	8.1%

Household Income

	Number	Percent
Total Households	10,230	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	775	7.6%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	1,402	13.7%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	1,082	10.6%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	999	9.8%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	902	8.8%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	679	6.6%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	957	9.4%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,250	12.2%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,395	13.6%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	488	4.8%
\$200,000 or more	301	2.9%
Median household income	\$49,521	

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Population by Age

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	27,510	100.0%
Under 5 years	1,628	5.9%
5 to 17 years	4,973	18.1%
18 to 24 years	2,125	7.7%
25 to 44 years	6,141	22.3%
45 to 64 years	7,542	27.4%
65 years and more	5,101	18.5%
Median Age	42.3	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18

	Number	Percent
Total Families	7,243	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	2,154	29.7%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	328	4.5%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	552	7.6%
Families with no own children	4,209	58.1%

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

	Number	Percent
Total Families	7,243	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	6,173	85.2%
Family income below poverty level	1,070	14.8%
Married couple, with related children	325	4.5%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	75	1.0%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	452	6.2%
Families with no related children	218	3.0%

Ratio of Income To Poverty Level

	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	27,094	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	2,271	8.4%
50% to 99% of poverty level	3,237	11.9%
100% to 124% of poverty level	1,190	4.4%
125% to 149% of poverty level	2,109	7.8%
150% to 184% of poverty level	2,349	8.7%
185% to 199% of poverty level	887	3.3%
200% of poverty level or more	15,051	55.6%

Geographical Mobility

	Number	Percent
Population aged 1 year and older	27,280	100.0%
Same house as previous year	24,748	90.7%
Different house, same county	1,615	5.9%
Different county, same state	626	2.3%
Different state	220	0.8%
Abroad	71	0.3%

Travel Time To Work

	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	9,665	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	2,184	22.6%
15 to 29 minutes	2,943	30.5%
30 to 44 minutes	1,767	18.3%
45 to 59 minutes	1,025	10.6%
60 minutes or more	1,746	18.1%

Mean travel time 35.8 minutes

Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	12,737	100.0%
Occupied housing units	10,230	80.3%
Owner occupied	7,263	71.0%
Renter occupied	2,967	29.0%
Vacant housing units	2,507	19.7%

Year Structure Built

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	12,737	100.0%
Built 2020 or later	65	0.5%
Built 2010 to 2019	712	5.6%
Built 2000 to 2009	1,995	15.7%
Built 1990 to 1999	2,008	15.8%
Built 1980 to 1989	2,048	16.1%
Built 1970 to 1979	1,713	13.4%
Built 1960 to 1969	648	5.1%
Built 1950 to 1959	865	6.8%
Built 1940 to 1949	751	5.9%
Built 1939 or earlier	1,932	15.2%

Median year built 1982

Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	7,263	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	385	5.3%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	336	4.6%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	341	4.7%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	550	7.6%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	573	7.9%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	658	9.1%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	551	7.6%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,358	18.7%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	1,660	22.9%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	682	9.4%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	169	2.3%
\$1,000,000 or more	0	0.0%

Median value \$157,500

House Heating Fuel

	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	10,230	100.0%
Utility gas	1,244	12.2%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	2,028	19.8%
Electricity	5,634	55.1%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	253	2.5%
Coal, coke or wood	969	9.5%
Solar energy or other fuel	64	0.6%
No fuel used	38	0.4%

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Gross Rent

	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	2,967	100.0%
Less than \$100	0	0.0%
\$100 to \$199	54	1.8%
\$200 to \$299	120	4.0%
\$300 to \$399	151	5.1%
\$400 to \$499	114	3.8%
\$500 to \$599	299	10.1%
\$600 to \$699	415	14.0%
\$700 to \$799	482	16.2%
\$800 to \$899	224	7.5%
\$900 to \$999	156	5.3%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	287	9.7%
\$1,500 or more	1	0.0%
No cash rent	664	22.4%

Median gross rent \$700

Median gross rent as a percentage of household income 31.2

Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	3,730	100.0%
Less than \$400	15	0.4%
\$400 to \$599	151	4.0%
\$600 to \$799	364	9.8%
\$800 to \$999	508	13.6%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	945	25.3%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	785	21.0%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	574	15.4%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	359	9.6%
\$3,000 or more	29	0.8%

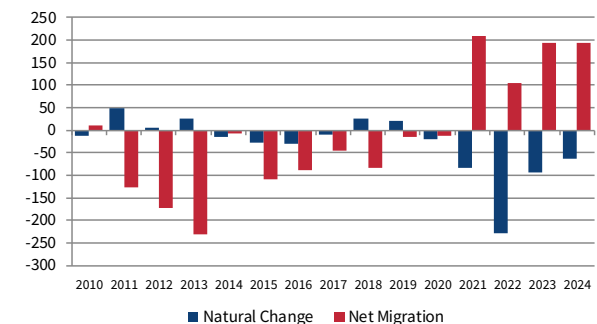
Median monthly owners cost \$1,219

Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income 20.5

Vital Statistics

	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44	299	62.1
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	16	17.8
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	369	1,340.8

Components of Population Change



Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	170,805
Number of farms	1,100
Average size (acres)	155
Total cash receipts	\$57,960,000
Per farm	\$52,691
Receipts for crops	\$39,169,000
Receipts for livestock/products	\$18,791,000

Education

Traditional public schools buildings	8
Students	3,804
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	390.0
Expenditures per student	\$12,787
Graduation rate	91.7
Community/charter schools buildings	
Students	
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	
Expenditures per student	
Graduation rate	
Private schools	1
Students	147
Public universities, 4-year	0
Public universities/colleges, 2-year	0
Public learning centers, less-than 2-year	0
Private universities and colleges	0
Public libraries (Districts / Facilities)	1 / 4

Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	38,226
Passenger cars	20,056
Noncommercial trucks	8,779
Total license revenue	\$1,105,837.04
Permissive tax revenue	\$132,872.50
Interstate highway miles	0.00
Turnpike miles	0.00
U.S. highway miles	29.26
State highway miles	185.99
County, township, and municipal road miles	826.63
Commercial airports	1

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

Areas/Facilities	14
Acreage	23,688

Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	2
Assets (000)	\$1,175,720
Branch offices	10
Institutions represented	5

Sources of Income

Total personal income	\$1,266,675,000
Net earnings	\$659,495,000
Personal current transfer receipts	\$468,238,000
Income maintenance benefits	\$44,412,000
Unemployment insurance compensation	\$2,139,000
Retirement and other	\$421,687,000
Dividends, interest, and rent	\$138,942,000
Dependency ratio	37.0%
(Percent of total personal income from transfer receipts)	

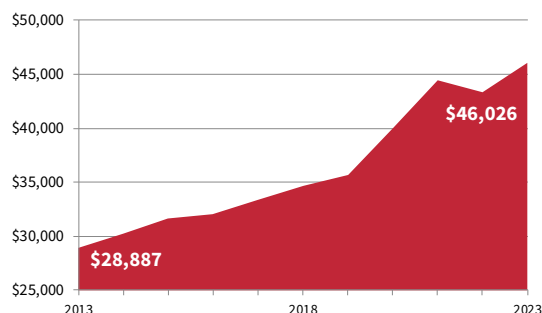
Voting

Number of registered voters	17,674
Voted in 2024 election	12,537
Percent turnout	70.9%

Health Care

Physicians	412
Registered hospitals	1
Number of beds	25
Licensed nursing homes	5
Number of beds	209
Licensed residential care	3
Number of beds	146
Persons with health insurance (Aged 0 to 64)	91.1%
Adults with insurance (Aged 18 to 64)	89.9%
Children with insurance (Aged Under 19)	94.0%

Per Capita Personal Income



Civilian Labor Force

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Civilian labor force	11,500	11,000	10,800	10,700	10,600
Employed	10,800	10,400	10,200	10,000	9,600
Unemployed	700	600	600	700	1,000
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.3	5.4	6.7	9.4

Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2024

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	606	5,535	\$295,211,911	\$1,026
Goods-Producing	120	1,325	\$103,595,907	\$1,504
Natural Resources and Mining	8	35	\$2,340,394	\$1,280
Construction	78	448	\$26,405,386	\$1,132
Manufacturing	34	841	\$74,850,127	\$1,711
Service-Providing	486	4,210	\$191,616,004	\$875
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	146	1,206	\$49,364,711	\$787
Information	15	33	\$2,198,324	\$1,265
Financial Services	45	237	\$14,445,084	\$1,172
Professional and Business Services	105	442	\$23,001,775	\$1,001
Education and Health Services	82	1,556	\$87,370,170	\$1,080
Leisure and Hospitality	46	626	\$11,083,951	\$341
Other Services	48	110	\$4,151,989	\$726
Federal Government		63	\$3,589,199	\$1,088
State Government		44	\$2,649,004	\$1,162
Local Government		1,176	\$54,969,488	\$899

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

Change Since 2017

Private Sector	9.6%	23.5%	64.7%	33.4%
Goods-Producing	18.8%	14.2%	42.5%	24.8%
Natural Resources and Mining	0.0%	-14.6%	-2.2%	14.1%
Construction	27.9%	114.4%	139.3%	11.5%
Manufacturing	6.3%	-7.6%	26.3%	36.6%
Service-Producing	7.5%	26.8%	79.8%	41.8%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	3.5%	2.6%	25.7%	22.4%
Information	25.0%	26.9%	57.8%	23.9%
Financial Services	-18.2%	1.7%	37.7%	35.5%
Professional and Business Services	14.1%	32.3%	56.9%	18.7%
Education and Health Services	-2.4%	68.8%	180.1%	66.2%
Leisure and Hospitality	15.0%	13.2%	41.1%	24.9%
Other Services	65.5%	44.7%	142.7%	68.4%
Federal Government		-4.5%	26.6%	31.6%
State Government		0.0%	18.4%	17.5%
Local Government		-10.1%	7.8%	19.9%

Major & Notable Employers

Adams County Government	Serv
Adams County Manor	Serv
Adams County Reg. Med. Center	Serv
Adams Co/Ohio Valley Local Schools	Govt
Columbus Industries, Inc.	Mfg
Eagle Creek Nursing Center	Serv
General Electric Co	R&D
Heidelberg Materials	Mining
Wal-Mart Stores Inc	Trade

Residential Construction

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Total units	20	31	30	25	6
Total valuation (000)	\$6,242	\$7,954	\$6,948	\$5,854	\$1,175
Total single-unit bldgs	20	23	22	25	6
Average cost per unit	\$312,118	\$286,609	\$258,639	\$234,162	\$195,829
Total multi-unit bldg units	0	8	8	0	0
Average cost per unit		\$170,247	\$157,199		