

Ohio County Profiles

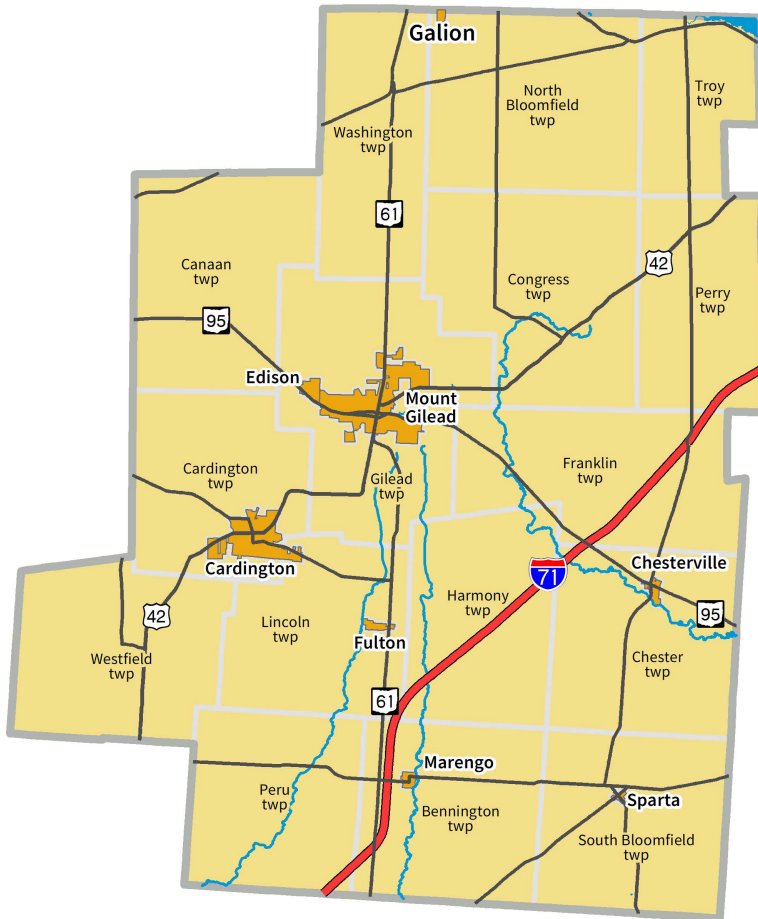
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2025 Edition



Morrow County

Established: Act - March 1, 1848
2024 Population: 35,927
Land Area: 405.5 square miles
County Seat: Mount Gilead Village
Named for: Jeremiah Morrow, Ohio Governor 1822-1826



Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$1,295,098,280
Residential	\$963,779,350
Agriculture	\$235,262,510
Industrial	\$26,990,830
Commercial	\$67,950,570
Mineral	\$1,115,020
Ohio income tax liability	\$19,720,688
Average per return	\$1,247.99

Land Use/Land Cover

	Percent
Developed, Lower Intensity	9.14%
Developed, Higher Intensity	0.72%
Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.)	0.03%
Forest	21.91%
Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands	0.07%
Pasture/Hay	15.96%
Cultivated Crops	51.16%
Wetlands	0.64%
Open Water	0.38%

Largest Places

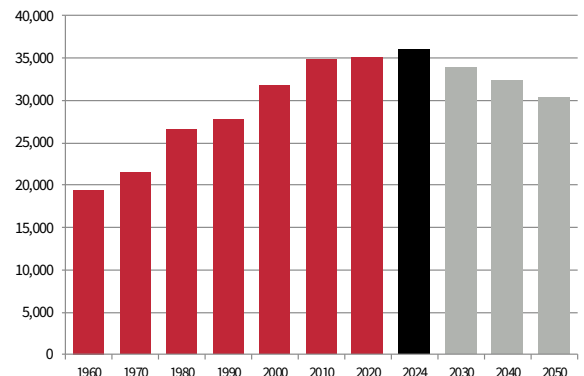
	2024	2020
Mount Gilead village	3,543	3,499
Bennington twp UB	3,025	2,998
Congress twp	2,969	2,938
Harmony twp	2,623	2,600
Cardington village	2,203	2,081
Gilead twp UB	2,032	2,018
Perry twp	1,986	1,969
North Bloomfield twp	1,859	1,840
Lincoln twp UB	1,859	1,754
Chester twp UB	1,829	1,674

UB: Unincorporated balance

Total Population

Census

1800				
1810				
1820				
1830				
1840				
1850	20,280	1960	19,405	2020
1860	20,445	1970	21,348	34,950
1870	18,583	1980	26,480	
1880	19,072	1990	27,749	Estimate
1890	18,120	2000	31,628	2024
1900	17,879	2010	34,827	35,927
				Projection
				2030
				33,881
				2040
				32,180
				2050
				30,237



Population by Race

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	35,214	100.0%
White	33,470	95.0%
African-American	188	0.5%
Native American	32	0.1%
Asian	119	0.3%
Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
Other	310	0.9%
Two or More Races	1,095	3.1%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	641	1.8%
Total Minority	1,881	5.3%

Educational Attainment

	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	24,907	100.0%
No high school diploma	2,144	8.6%
High school graduate	11,561	46.4%
Some college, no degree	4,608	18.5%
Associate degree	2,062	8.3%
Bachelor's degree	3,204	12.9%
Master's degree or higher	1,328	5.3%

Family Type by Employment Status

	Number	Percent
Total Families	9,458	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	3,734	39.5%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	1,542	16.3%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	409	4.3%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	1,740	18.4%
Male householder, in labor force	430	4.5%
Male householder, not in labor force	382	4.0%
Female householder, in labor force	883	9.3%
Female householder, not in labor force	338	3.6%

Household Income

	Number	Percent
Total Households	13,449	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	406	3.0%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	737	5.5%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	786	5.8%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	952	7.1%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	934	6.9%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	1,133	8.4%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	2,148	16.0%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	2,146	16.0%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	2,410	17.9%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,088	8.1%
\$200,000 or more	709	5.3%
Median household income	\$71,047	

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Population by Age

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	35,214	100.0%
Under 5 years	1,957	5.6%
5 to 17 years	5,816	16.5%
18 to 24 years	2,534	7.2%
25 to 44 years	8,162	23.2%
45 to 64 years	10,143	28.8%
65 years and more	6,602	18.7%
Median Age	43.3	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18

	Number	Percent
Total Families	9,617	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	2,774	28.8%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	247	2.6%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	726	7.5%
Families with no own children	5,870	61.0%

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

	Number	Percent
Total Families	9,617	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	8,872	92.3%
Family income below poverty level	745	7.7%
Married couple, with related children	136	1.4%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	2	0.0%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	259	2.7%
Families with no related children	348	3.6%

Ratio of Income To Poverty Level

	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	34,782	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	1,687	4.9%
50% to 99% of poverty level	2,094	6.0%
100% to 124% of poverty level	1,594	4.6%
125% to 149% of poverty level	1,041	3.0%
150% to 184% of poverty level	1,543	4.4%
185% to 199% of poverty level	1,772	5.1%
200% of poverty level or more	25,051	72.0%

Geographical Mobility

	Number	Percent
Population aged 1 year and older	34,856	100.0%
Same house as previous year	32,464	93.1%
Different house, same county	847	2.4%
Different county, same state	1,357	3.9%
Different state	158	0.5%
Abroad	30	0.1%

Travel Time To Work

	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	14,773	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	2,645	17.9%
15 to 29 minutes	3,859	26.1%
30 to 44 minutes	4,250	28.8%
45 to 59 minutes	2,257	15.3%
60 minutes or more	1,762	11.9%

Mean travel time 33.7 minutes

Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	14,615	100.0%
Occupied housing units	13,449	92.0%
Owner occupied	10,997	81.8%
Renter occupied	2,452	18.2%
Vacant housing units	1,166	8.0%

Year Structure Built

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	14,615	100.0%
Built 2020 or later	109	0.7%
Built 2010 to 2019	1,042	7.1%
Built 2000 to 2009	2,570	17.6%
Built 1990 to 1999	2,002	13.7%
Built 1980 to 1989	1,312	9.0%
Built 1970 to 1979	2,286	15.6%
Built 1960 to 1969	1,036	7.1%
Built 1950 to 1959	895	6.1%
Built 1940 to 1949	438	3.0%
Built 1939 or earlier	2,925	20.0%

Median year built 1979

Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	10,997	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	258	2.3%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	302	2.7%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	188	1.7%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	187	1.7%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	810	7.4%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	1,007	9.2%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	708	6.4%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2,015	18.3%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	3,068	27.9%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1,958	17.8%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	462	4.2%
\$1,000,000 or more	34	0.3%

Median value \$200,800

House Heating Fuel

	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	13,449	100.0%
Utility gas	2,986	22.2%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	4,845	36.0%
Electricity	3,284	24.4%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	564	4.2%
Coal, coke or wood	1,417	10.5%
Solar energy or other fuel	244	1.8%
No fuel used	109	0.8%

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Gross Rent

	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	2,452	100.0%
Less than \$100	0	0.0%
\$100 to \$199	0	0.0%
\$200 to \$299	53	2.2%
\$300 to \$399	53	2.2%
\$400 to \$499	81	3.3%
\$500 to \$599	111	4.5%
\$600 to \$699	130	5.3%
\$700 to \$799	373	15.2%
\$800 to \$899	108	4.4%
\$900 to \$999	381	15.5%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	619	25.2%
\$1,500 or more	231	9.4%
No cash rent	312	12.7%

Median gross rent \$942

Median gross rent as a percentage of household income 25.8

Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	6,792	100.0%
Less than \$400	6	0.1%
\$400 to \$599	69	1.0%
\$600 to \$799	321	4.7%
\$800 to \$999	627	9.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	1,400	20.6%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	1,255	18.5%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,665	24.5%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	1,261	18.6%
\$3,000 or more	188	2.8%

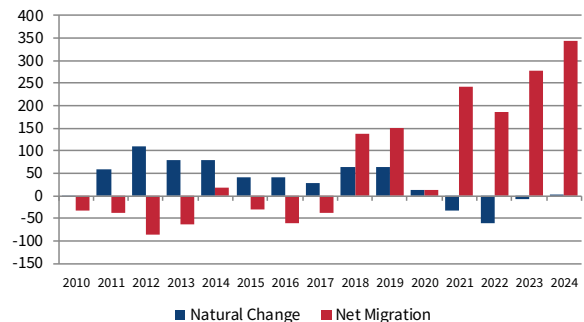
Median monthly owners cost \$1,444

Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income 19.8

Vital Statistics

	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44	410	68.5
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	10	9.3
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	377	1,059.1

Components of Population Change



Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	145,232
Number of farms	821
Average size (acres)	177
Total cash receipts	\$120,761,000
Per farm	\$147,090
Receipts for crops	\$94,472,000
Receipts for livestock/products	\$26,289,000

Education

Traditional public schools buildings	11
Students	4,647
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	364.5
Expenditures per student	\$11,772
Graduation rate	94.1
Community/charter schools buildings	
Students	
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	
Expenditures per student	
Graduation rate	
Private schools	1
Students	154
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)	4 / 5

Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	49,938
Passenger cars	25,254
Noncommercial trucks	11,136
Total license revenue	\$1,415,949.75
Permissive tax revenue	\$766,907.50
Interstate highway miles	19.92
Turnpike miles	0.00
U.S. highway miles	25.77
State highway miles	131.18
County, township, and municipal road miles	744.72
Commercial airports	1

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

Areas/Facilities	3
Acreage	678

Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	0
Assets (000)	
Branch offices	6
Institutions represented	5

Sources of Income

Total personal income	\$1,825,343,000
Net earnings	\$1,180,146,000
Personal current transfer receipts	\$436,452,000
Income maintenance benefits	\$26,750,000
Unemployment insurance compensation	\$2,279,000
Retirement and other	\$407,423,000
Dividends, interest, and rent	\$208,745,000
Dependency ratio	23.9%
(Percent of total personal income from transfer receipts)	

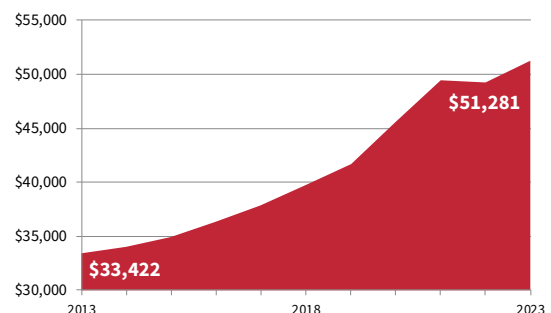
Voting

Number of registered voters	24,668
Voted in 2024 election	19,074
Percent turnout	77.3%

Health Care

Physicians	9
Registered hospitals	1
Number of beds	25
Licensed nursing homes	5
Number of beds	200
Licensed residential care	1
Number of beds	21
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)	94.5%

Per Capita Personal Income



Civilian Labor Force

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Civilian labor force	17,700	17,400	17,100	17,000	16,800
Employed	16,900	16,800	16,500	16,200	15,600
Unemployed	700	600	700	800	1,200
Unemployment rate	4.2	3.6	3.8	4.6	7.1

Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2024

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	507	3,950	\$172,436,957	\$840
Goods-Producing	144	1,311	\$75,822,272	\$1,112
Natural Resources and Mining	26	160	\$7,963,532	\$955
Construction	96	405	\$22,807,094	\$1,084
Manufacturing	21	746	\$45,051,646	\$1,161
Service-Providing	364	2,639	\$96,614,685	\$704
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	97	854	\$31,305,157	\$705
Information	8	7	\$418,705	\$1,098
Financial Services	42	123	\$7,088,875	\$1,110
Professional and Business Services	79	252	\$11,111,885	\$848
Education and Health Services	53	693	\$31,547,913	\$876
Leisure and Hospitality	48	587	\$10,600,405	\$347
Other Services	38	123	\$4,516,745	\$709
Federal Government		48	\$2,840,680	\$1,150
State Government		66	\$5,346,723	\$1,550
Local Government		1,449	\$66,031,944	\$876

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

Change Since 2017

Private Sector	22.2%	1.7%	22.0%	20.0%
Goods-Producing	29.7%	-1.4%	15.7%	17.2%
Natural Resources and Mining	23.8%	138.8%	183.4%	18.8%
Construction	33.3%	11.0%	53.5%	38.4%
Manufacturing	10.5%	-16.7%	-5.9%	13.0%
Service-Producing	19.7%	3.3%	27.6%	23.5%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	21.3%	7.3%	18.1%	10.2%
Information	60.0%	-41.7%	-33.3%	8.4%
Financial Services	13.5%	-2.4%	34.5%	38.4%
Professional and Business Services	27.4%	-14.6%	8.5%	27.1%
Education and Health Services	10.4%	1.2%	34.5%	32.9%
Leisure and Hospitality	17.1%	5.4%	44.6%	37.2%
Other Services	26.7%	48.2%	97.9%	34.3%
Federal Government		2.1%	16.4%	16.2%
State Government		0.0%	26.0%	25.8%
Local Government		-0.1%	27.9%	27.9%

Residential Construction

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Total units	99	123	125	150	105
Total valuation (000)	\$32,008	\$27,944	\$36,900	\$37,851	\$25,671
Total single-unit bldgs	99	87	122	130	89
Average cost per unit	\$323,309	\$305,099	\$298,154	\$271,883	\$265,978
Total multi-unit bldg units	0	36	3	20	16
Average cost per unit		\$38,889	\$175,000	\$125,319	\$124,939

Major & Notable Employers

Baille Lumberyard	Mfg
Bennington Glen Nursing Home	Serv
Cardington-Lincoln Local Schools	Govt
Cardington Yutaka Corp	Mfg
Dollar Tree	Serv
Highland Local Schools	Govt
Kroger Co	Trade
Lubrication Specialties	Mfg
Morrow County Govt	Govt
Morrow County Hospital	Serv
Mt Gilead Exempted Village Schools	Govt
Northmor Local Schools	Govt