

Ohio County Profiles

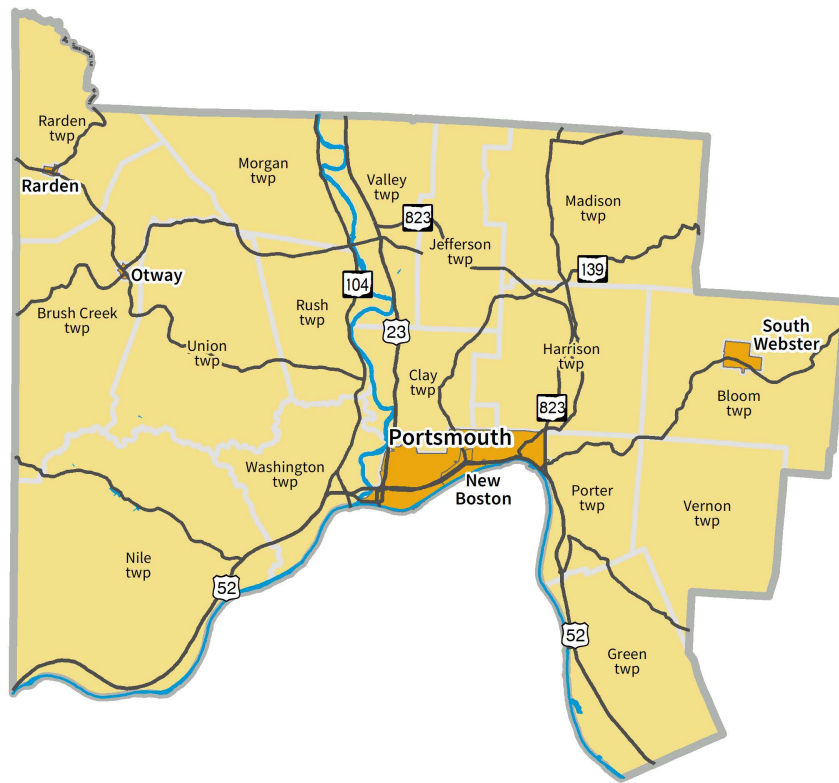
Prepared by the Office of Research

2025 Edition



Scioto County

Established: Act - March 24, 1803
2024 Population: 71,798
Land Area: 612.3 square miles
County Seat: Portsmouth City
Named for: Native American word meaning "deer"



Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$1,183,903,610
Residential	\$814,329,430
Agriculture	\$173,065,360
Industrial	\$12,108,480
Commercial	\$184,391,860
Mineral	\$8,480
Ohio income tax liability	\$30,411,755
Average per return	\$1,102.03

Land Use/Land Cover

	Percent
Developed, Lower Intensity	9.09%
Developed, Higher Intensity	1.43%
Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.)	0.11%
Forest	69.32%
Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands	1.46%
Pasture/Hay	10.95%
Cultivated Crops	6.64%
Wetlands	0.30%
Open Water	0.69%

Largest Places

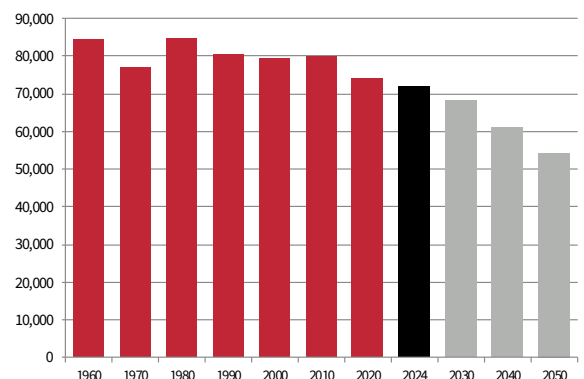
	2024	2020
Portsmouth city	17,489	18,207
Porter twp	9,509	9,782
Washington twp	5,114	5,271
Harrison twp	4,140	4,243
Green twp	4,031	4,114
Madison twp	3,812	3,896
Valley twp	3,547	3,594
Clay twp	3,434	3,513
Rush twp	2,815	2,887
Jefferson twp	2,511	2,581

UB: Unincorporated balance

Total Population

Census

1800		1910	48,463	2020	74,008
1810	3,399	1920	62,850		
1820	5,750	1930	81,221		
1830	8,740	1940	86,565	Estimate	
1840	11,192	1950	82,910	2024	71,798
1850	18,428	1960	84,216		
1860	24,297	1970	76,951		
1870	29,302	1980	84,545		
1880	33,511	1990	80,327	Projection	
1890	35,377	2000	79,195	2030	67,788
1900	40,981	2010	79,499	2040	60,783
				2050	54,251



Population by Race

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	73,118	100.0%
White	68,092	93.1%
African-American	1,786	2.4%
Native American	58	0.1%
Asian	364	0.5%
Pacific Islander	18	0.0%
Other	214	0.3%
Two or More Races	2,586	3.5%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	1,093	1.5%
Total Minority	5,598	7.7%

Educational Attainment

	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	50,933	100.0%
No high school diploma	5,761	11.3%
High school graduate	22,135	43.5%
Some college, no degree	9,868	19.4%
Associate degree	4,026	7.9%
Bachelor's degree	5,843	11.5%
Master's degree or higher	3,300	6.5%

Family Type by Employment Status

	Number	Percent
Total Families	18,240	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	5,822	31.9%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	2,719	14.9%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	1,607	8.8%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	2,652	14.5%
Male householder, in labor force	692	3.8%
Male householder, not in labor force	909	5.0%
Female householder, in labor force	1,982	10.9%
Female householder, not in labor force	1,857	10.2%

Household Income

	Number	Percent
Total Households	28,637	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	1,746	6.1%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	4,235	14.8%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	3,247	11.3%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	2,671	9.3%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2,532	8.8%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	1,904	6.6%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	2,739	9.6%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	3,056	10.7%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3,807	13.3%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,640	5.7%
\$200,000 or more	1,060	3.7%
Median household income	\$49,571	

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Population by Age

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	73,118	100.0%
Under 5 years	3,943	5.4%
5 to 17 years	11,950	16.3%
18 to 24 years	6,292	8.6%
25 to 44 years	18,267	25.0%
45 to 64 years	19,137	26.2%
65 years and more	13,529	18.5%
Median Age	40.6	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18

	Number	Percent
Total Families	18,324	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	4,563	24.9%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	478	2.6%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	1,791	9.8%
Families with no own children	11,492	62.7%

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

	Number	Percent
Total Families	18,324	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	15,094	82.4%
Family income below poverty level	3,230	17.6%
Married couple, with related children	705	3.8%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	198	1.1%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	1,252	6.8%
Families with no related children	1,075	5.9%

Ratio of Income To Poverty Level

	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	69,830	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	6,799	9.7%
50% to 99% of poverty level	8,819	12.6%
100% to 124% of poverty level	3,199	4.6%
125% to 149% of poverty level	4,730	6.8%
150% to 184% of poverty level	4,619	6.6%
185% to 199% of poverty level	1,689	2.4%
200% of poverty level or more	39,975	57.2%

Geographical Mobility

	Number	Percent
Population aged 1 year and older	72,373	100.0%
Same house as previous year	64,115	88.6%
Different house, same county	5,282	7.3%
Different county, same state	2,088	2.9%
Different state	756	1.0%
Abroad	132	0.2%

Travel Time To Work

	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	25,719	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	8,284	32.2%
15 to 29 minutes	8,760	34.1%
30 to 44 minutes	4,537	17.6%
45 to 59 minutes	1,660	6.5%
60 minutes or more	2,478	9.6%

Mean travel time 27.4 minutes

Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	33,153	100.0%
Occupied housing units	28,637	86.4%
Owner occupied	19,764	69.0%
Renter occupied	8,873	31.0%
Vacant housing units	4,516	13.6%

Year Structure Built

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	33,153	100.0%
Built 2020 or later	96	0.3%
Built 2010 to 2019	1,100	3.3%
Built 2000 to 2009	2,862	8.6%
Built 1990 to 1999	3,528	10.6%
Built 1980 to 1989	3,350	10.1%
Built 1970 to 1979	5,063	15.3%
Built 1960 to 1969	3,584	10.8%
Built 1950 to 1959	4,229	12.8%
Built 1940 to 1949	2,804	8.5%
Built 1939 or earlier	6,537	19.7%

Median year built 1968

Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	19,764	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	1,217	6.2%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	1,388	7.0%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	1,451	7.3%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	1,518	7.7%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	1,670	8.4%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	2,249	11.4%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	1,336	6.8%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	3,013	15.2%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	3,929	19.9%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1,822	9.2%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	145	0.7%
\$1,000,000 or more	26	0.1%

Median value \$132,300

House Heating Fuel

	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	28,637	100.0%
Utility gas	10,658	37.2%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	4,984	17.4%
Electricity	11,438	39.9%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	467	1.6%
Coal, coke or wood	805	2.8%
Solar energy or other fuel	196	0.7%
No fuel used	89	0.3%

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Gross Rent

	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	8,873	100.0%
Less than \$100	167	1.9%
\$100 to \$199	171	1.9%
\$200 to \$299	530	6.0%
\$300 to \$399	350	3.9%
\$400 to \$499	314	3.5%
\$500 to \$599	709	8.0%
\$600 to \$699	995	11.2%
\$700 to \$799	941	10.6%
\$800 to \$899	922	10.4%
\$900 to \$999	861	9.7%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,427	16.1%
\$1,500 or more	237	2.7%
No cash rent	1,249	14.1%

Median gross rent \$749

Median gross rent as a percentage of household income 31.8

Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	8,479	100.0%
Less than \$400	45	0.5%
\$400 to \$599	147	1.7%
\$600 to \$799	694	8.2%
\$800 to \$999	1,417	16.7%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	1,935	22.8%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	1,421	16.8%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,985	23.4%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	733	8.6%
\$3,000 or more	102	1.2%

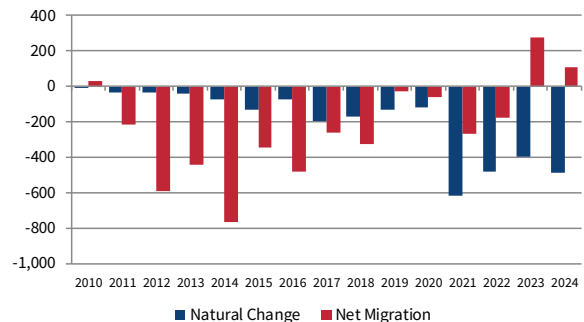
Median monthly owners cost \$1,250

Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income 17.9

Vital Statistics

	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44	762	59.0
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	65	28.0
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	1,141	1,585.4

Components of Population Change



Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	81,126
Number of farms	585
Average size (acres)	139
Total cash receipts	\$32,240,000
Per farm	\$55,111
Receipts for crops	\$21,671,000
Receipts for livestock/products	\$10,569,000

Education

Traditional public schools buildings	28
Students	9,698
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	835.7
Expenditures per student	\$12,210
Graduation rate	95.6
Community/charter schools buildings	1
Students	392
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	63.4
Expenditures per student	\$8,528
Graduation rate	86.7
Private schools	3
Students	539
Public universities, 4-year	1
Public universities/colleges, 2-year	0
Public learning centers, less-than 2-year	1
Private universities and colleges	0
Public libraries (Districts / Facilities)	1 / 5

Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	90,588
Passenger cars	52,109
Noncommercial trucks	18,678
Total license revenue	\$2,359,614.63
Permissive tax revenue	\$346,582.50
Interstate highway miles	0.00
Turnpike miles	0.00
U.S. highway miles	60.57
State highway miles	158.61
County, township, and municipal road miles	1,000.50
Commercial airports	1

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

Areas/Facilities	5
Acreage	62,570

Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	0
Assets (000)	
Branch offices	17
Institutions represented	9

Sources of Income

Total personal income	\$3,556,925,000
Net earnings	\$1,780,941,000
Personal current transfer receipts	\$1,353,096,000
Income maintenance benefits	\$135,566,000
Unemployment insurance compensation	\$5,537,000
Retirement and other	\$1,211,993,000
Dividends, interest, and rent	\$422,888,000
Dependency ratio	38.0%
(Percent of total personal income from transfer receipts)	

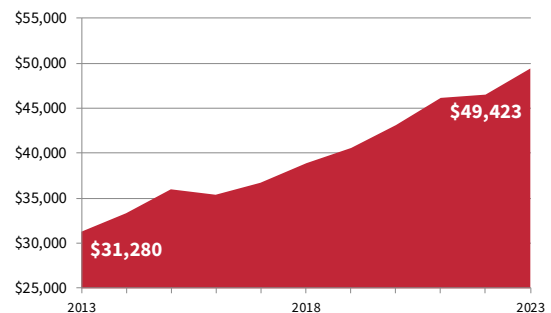
Voting

Number of registered voters	45,434
Voted in 2024 election	31,496
Percent turnout	69.3%

Health Care

Physicians	161
Registered hospitals	2
Number of beds	446
Licensed nursing homes	14
Number of beds	816
Licensed residential care	5
Number of beds	426
Persons with health insurance (Aged 0 to 64)	92.6%
Adults with insurance (Aged 18 to 64)	91.6%
Children with insurance (Aged Under 19)	95.1%

Per Capita Personal Income



Civilian Labor Force

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Civilian labor force	29,600	29,000	28,500	28,500	28,400
Employed	27,900	27,600	27,000	26,700	25,900
Unemployed	1,700	1,500	1,500	1,900	2,500
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.0	5.1	6.5	8.9

Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2024

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	1,380	20,104	\$943,375,120	\$902
Goods-Producing	195	2,239	\$140,946,063	\$1,211
Natural Resources and Mining	14	50	\$1,932,323	\$741
Construction	126	628	\$38,488,999	\$1,179
Manufacturing	55	1,561	\$100,524,741	\$1,239
Service-Providing	1,185	17,866	\$802,429,057	\$864
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	302	3,680	\$146,685,796	\$767
Information	16	92	\$5,045,786	\$1,060
Financial Services	117	586	\$30,001,845	\$985
Professional and Business Services	180	1,125	\$56,689,325	\$969
Education and Health Services	283	9,144	\$491,530,831	\$1,034
Leisure and Hospitality	159	2,665	\$52,701,109	\$380
Other Services	127	574	\$19,768,701	\$662
Federal Government		174	\$12,662,263	\$1,400
State Government		1,464	\$112,379,955	\$1,476
Local Government		3,401	\$174,194,757	\$985

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

Change Since 2017

Private Sector	5.7%	9.9%	35.9%	23.7%
Goods-Producing	8.9%	7.0%	35.4%	26.5%
Natural Resources and Mining	55.6%	51.5%	144.9%	59.0%
Construction	5.9%	19.2%	54.4%	29.6%
Manufacturing	7.8%	1.9%	28.2%	25.9%
Service-Producing	5.1%	10.2%	36.0%	23.4%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	-7.1%	-6.5%	16.4%	24.5%
Information	-5.9%	-32.4%	5.1%	56.6%
Financial Services	-1.7%	-8.0%	26.5%	37.6%
Professional and Business Services	16.1%	5.5%	33.5%	26.5%
Education and Health Services	13.2%	23.7%	44.9%	17.1%
Leisure and Hospitality	12.0%	4.1%	31.6%	26.2%
Other Services	6.7%	19.6%	45.2%	21.2%
Federal Government		2.4%	28.1%	24.8%
State Government		-3.5%	55.8%	61.5%
Local Government		1.4%	23.1%	21.5%

Residential Construction

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Total units	8	7	5	4	4
Total valuation (000)	\$2,416	\$2,116	\$1,367	\$380	\$380
Total single-unit bldgs	8	7	5	4	4
Average cost per unit	\$302,024	\$302,313	\$273,303	\$95,000	\$95,000
Total multi-unit bldg units	0	0	0	0	0
Average cost per unit					

Major & Notable Employers

Big Sandy Superstores	Trade
G&J Pepsi-Cola Bottlers Inc	Mfg
OSCO Industries	Mfg
Portsmouth City Schools	Govt
Scioto County Government	Govt
Shawnee State University	Govt
Southern Ohio Medical Center	Serv
State of Ohio	Govt
SunCoke Energy	Mfg
Taylor Lumber Inc	Mfg
Wal-Mart Stores Inc	Trade