



Ohio

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Job and Family Services

Summit County Profile

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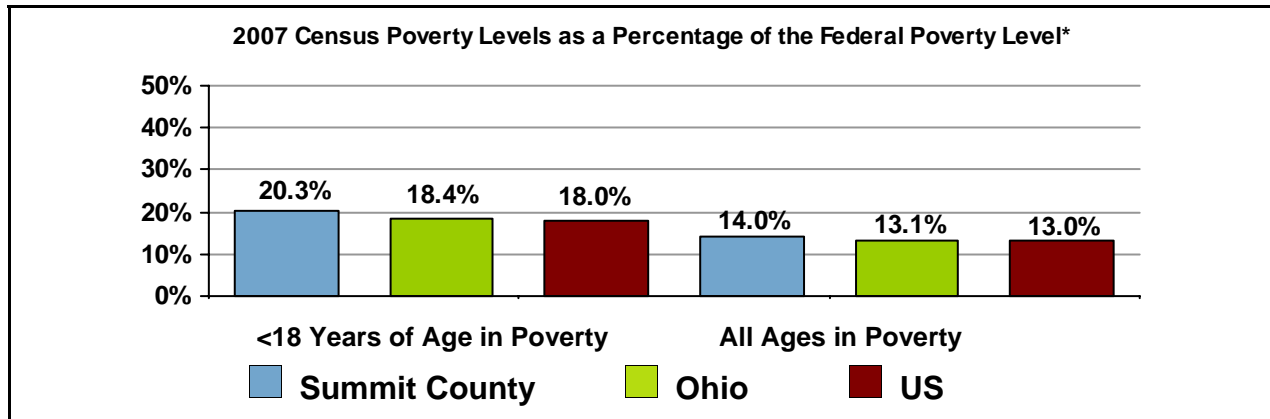
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County Overview

Through its partnerships with community organizations and state and federal government agencies, Summit County provides a number of services to families and individuals in need of assistance. These services range from food stamps, cash assistance, and child care subsidies to child support enforcement, job training, and access to medical care.



*Federal Poverty Level as issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and published in the Federal Register.

Population	2008 Census Population	542,562	2000 Census Population	542,899
	Population		% of Total Population	
Age Census (2008)	County	State	County	State
Age 0-19	141,584	3,049,827	26.1%	26.6%
Age 60 and Older	105,106	2,155,509	19.4%	18.8%
Median Age (2005-2007)*	38.8	37.6		
Average Household Size (2005-2007)*	2.43	2.48		

*The '2005-2007' data was not available for the following 6 Ohio counties: Harrison, Monroe, Morgan, Noble, Paulding, and Vinton. The data provided on these 6 counties is from the 2000 Census.

	2007-2008		2006-2007	
High School Graduation Rate	80.3%	84.6%	84.2%	86.9%
High School Honors Graduation Rate	19.2%	18.0%	18.2%	18.1%

Vital Statistics	County	County Rate per 1,000	2007	
			State	State Rate per 1,000
All Births	6,738	12.4	150,784	13.1
Teen Births:				
<15 Years of Age	7	0.4	225	0.6
15-17 Years of Age	198	17.2	4,798	19.7
18-19 Years of Age	508	80.3	11,553	75.7
Marriages	3,116	5.7	70,704	6.2
Divorces	1,821	3.3	39,305	3.4

Dependency Rate	County	2007		County	2006	
		State	State		State	State
Rate of Dependency on Income Supports*	16.8%	17.6%	16.5%	17.2%		
County Rank	67 of 88	N/A	65 of 88	N/A		

*The 'Rate of Dependency on Income Supports' is the total amount of income support provided by taxpayer dollars (e.g. Retirement and Disability payments, Unemployment Compensation, Worker's Compensation, TANF, SSI, etc.) divided by total personal income. Note: Ranking based on highest (1) Rate of Dependency to lowest (88) Rate of Dependency.

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Child Support

The Summit County Child Support Enforcement Agency establishes paternities and obtains, enforces, and collects child support funds for children.

\$81,298,016 in IV-D child support was collected by the county during 2008.

Child Support Cases	FFY 2008		FFY 2007	
	County	State	County	State
Number of Cases	52,116	978,385	51,859	979,749
Paternity Establishment Rate*	88.6%	91.6%	87.3%	87.9%
Cases with Support Orders	40,412	739,995	39,630	723,521
Percentage of Cases with Support Orders	77.5%	75.6%	76.4%	73.8%
Collection Rate on Current Support Due	67.3%	68.8%	67.4%	68.9%
Rate of Cases Paying on Arrears	64.2%	68.2%	62.4%	67.1%

*The Paternity Establishment Rate is the total number of children born out-of-wedlock, who had active child support cases, for whom paternity was established or acknowledged as of the end of the reporting period, divided by the total number of children born out-of-wedlock, who had active child support cases, as reported 12 months prior to the reporting period. In some cases, the rate can exceed 100%.

Food Assistance (FA)

The Food Assistance program is designed to raise nutritional levels, to expand buying power and to safeguard the health and well-being of individuals and families whose gross monthly income is within 130 percent of the federal poverty guideline. Half of all recipients are children.

Food Stamps	CY 2008		CY 2007	
	County	State	County	State
Average Monthly Adult Recipients	36,005	734,421	30,638	611,173
Average Monthly Child Recipients	33,857	719,893	25,660	550,242
Total # of Recipients (Annual Unduplicated)	81,555	1,825,865	78,432	1,686,146
Percent of Population	15.0%	15.9%	14.4%	14.7%
Net Expenditures	\$75,510,220	\$1,603,760,076	\$65,111,329	\$1,329,422,597
Average Annual FS Payment per Recipient	\$926	\$878	\$830	\$788

Ohio Works First (OWF)

Ohio Works First (OWF) is the financial-assistance portion of the state's Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program, which provides cash benefits to needy families for up to 36 months.

39 out of every 1,000 residents in Summit County received cash benefits through OWF during CY 2008.

Cash Assistance (CA)	CY 2008		CY 2007	
	County	State	County	State
Average Monthly Adult Recipients	3,190	44,998	2,803	40,496
Average Monthly Child Recipients	7,771	132,601	7,304	127,124
Total # of Recipients (Annual Unduplicated)	20,949	368,211	20,218	340,861
Percent of Population	3.9%	3.2%	3.7%	3.0%
Net Expenditures	\$20,256,985	\$328,588,993	\$18,394,904	\$306,467,349
Average Annual CA Payment per Recipient	\$967	\$892	\$910	\$899

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Child Safety and Care/Placement*

The Summit County Public Children Services Agency administers local adoption assistance, foster care services, and child welfare intervention programs. The agency strives to reunify children with their families when possible, or find other permanent living arrangements for them when they cannot safely return home.

	CY 2008	
	County	State
Reports and Investigations - Allegations of Child Abuse and Neglect Cases	4,688	86,072

	FFY 2008	
	County	State
Children Entering Custody	1,030	8,279
Children Reentering Custody	159	1,261
Number of Children Reunified	638	4,678
Number of Children Reunified within 12 Months	454	3,206
Percent of Child Reunifications <12 Months	71.2%	68.5%

	2008 (Snapshot Date 9/30/2008)		2007 (Snapshot Date 9/30/2007)	
	County	State	County	State
Children in Licensed/Certified Foster Homes	477	9,057	329	8,894
Children in Permanent Custody	256	5,200	291	5,435

	CY 2008		CY 2007	
	County	State	County	State
Number of Child Deaths	3	74	2	90
Number of Child Deaths in Substitute Care	1	22	1	16

Adoption*

Ohio counties provide a comprehensive scope of services to birth parents, adoptive parents, and adoptive children, particularly those children who have been in foster care.

	FFY 2008	
	County	State
Number of Children Adopted	89	1,390
Adoptions Completed within 24 Months	45	426

*The above data, used for Federal reporting purposes, represents member counts, not unduplicated counts.

Kinship Permanency Incentive

KPI provides time-limited incentive payments to relatives caring for minor children who would be at risk of harm if they remained in their own homes.

	CY 2008		CY 2007	
	County	State	County	State
Number of Children Approved for Initial KPI Payments*	189	3,074	172	2,586

*Unduplicated count of initial case approvals.

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Child Care

Ohio counties provide child care services and early learning opportunities that families need to succeed at work and at school. Through state and federal funding, families whose income is at or below 150 percent of the federal poverty guideline can receive payment for all or part of their monthly child care expenses while parents work or attend job training. A family may remain eligible until income increases to 200 percent of the federal poverty guideline.

Children Served	CY 2008		CY 2007	
	County	State	County	State
Number of Children Using Publicly Funded Child Care (Unduplicated Count)	8,500	198,244	8,454	191,172
Public Funds Used for Child Care Expenditures	\$24,135,480	\$558,762,587	\$22,733,416	\$512,179,646
Annual Average Expenditure per Child	\$2,839	\$2,819	\$2,689	\$2,679

Providers

Number of Licensed Child Care Centers*	169	3,683	161	3,597
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*Includes licensed full-time, part-time, Head Start, school-based and combination centers with 7 or more children.

"Step Up To Quality" Program

Step Up To Quality (SUTQ) is Ohio's voluntary quality rating system for child care programs. SUTQ is designed to increase the number of high-quality programs, recognize and support programs that achieve higher quality standards, and provide parents with an easy-to-use tool to assist them in making more informed choices on behalf of their children. Programs with the highest ratings qualify for monetary awards.

The number of Licensed Child Care Centers Earning Quality Ratings as of June 30, 2009: **23**

For additional information about child care services, Step Up to Quality (SUTQ), or to search for child care in your area, go to: <http://jfs.ohio.gov/cdc/childcare.stm>

Adult Protective Services (APS)

County Departments of Job and Family Services provide Adult Protective Services to the elderly who are in danger of harm, unable to protect themselves, and/or have no one to assist them.

	CY 2008		CY 2007*	
	County	State	County	State
Adult Cases	909	17,351	861	16,805
Cases Deemed Emergencies	7	1,215	10	1,214
Cases in Need of Protective Services	384	7,469	297	7,538
Cases Where Protective Services Not Available	4	68	10	127
Expenditures	\$1,266,203	\$21,095,720	\$1,196,110	\$19,956,788

*CY 2007 data was revised in CY 2009 to reflect updated source data.

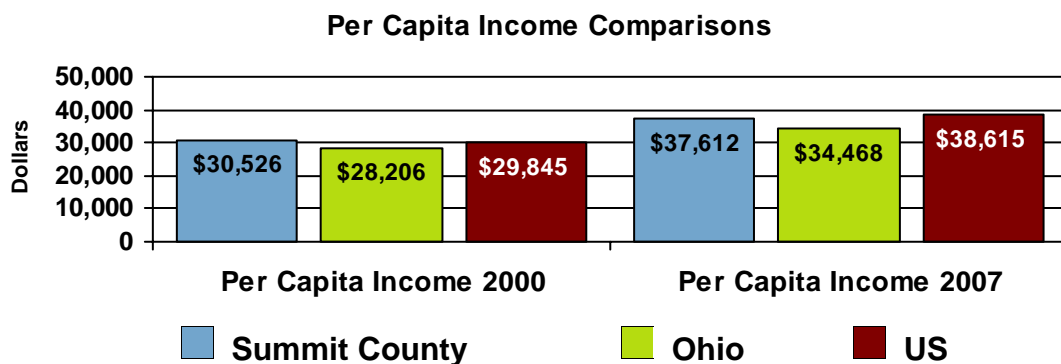
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Income

The per capita income of a region provides a good barometer of its economic health. Over the last decade, per capita income growth in Ohio has been highly correlated with employment growth.



Labor Force and Employment

The size of a county's labor force is an indication of economic health. It is influenced by both the economy and the size and composition of the population.

	CY 2008			CY 2007		
	County	State	U.S.	County	State	U.S.
Labor Force	298,400	5,971,900	154,287,000	296,400	5,976,500	153,124,000
Employment	280,100	5,582,100	145,362,000	280,400	5,640,100	146,047,000
Unemployment	18,300	389,700	8,924,000	16,000	336,400	7,078,000
Unemployment Rate	6.1	6.5	5.8	5.4	5.6	4.6
1st UC Benefit Payments	15,152	357,192	N/A	12,276	278,006	N/A
Total UC Benefits Issued	\$70,283,543	\$1,586,561,241	N/A	\$57,795,737	\$1,206,523,647	N/A
Average Weekly Benefit	\$287	\$303	N/A	\$283	\$290	N/A
UC Duration	15.8	14.9	N/A	16.4	15.2	N/A

Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act (WARN)

WARN provides protection to workers, their families and communities by requiring employers to provide notification 60 calendar days in advance of plant closings and mass layoffs.

	CY 2008		CY 2007	
	County	State	County	State
Employer WARN Notices	5	165	6	103
WARN Employees Affected	566	27,417	689	15,119

Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment (REA)

976 Summit County residents, during FFY 2008, participated in the Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment (REA) program, which provides unemployed job seekers with services that promote quicker re-entry into the workforce.

***To learn more about Labor Market and Employment information, go to:**

<http://lmi.state.oh.us/asp/laus/vbLAUS.htm>

Commuting to Work

Metropolitan areas tend to draw the most commuters from their own and neighboring counties. The net commuter flow is the difference between the number of people commuting into a county for work and the number of people commuting out of the county for work. According to the 2000 census:

8.50% net commuter flow 22.4 minutes average commute time

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Workforce Investment Act

The federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA) is a federally funded program that assists employers in obtaining skilled and productive employees; expands the available pool of skilled workers whose skills match current job opportunities; and measures program achievements in terms of customer outcomes and increased local accountability. Ohio has 31 comprehensive, full-service One-Stop sites, and 59 satellite sites throughout 20 local workforce development areas, with at least one site in every Ohio county. The following data is from Ohio's Annual Report for Program Year 2007:

Adult Program	County	State
Total Participants	896	18,863
Total Exiters	473	8,564
Entered Employment		
Exiters	289	6,107
Employed in Q1 After Exit	228	4,794
Employment Rate	78.9%	78.5%
Employment Retention		
Exiters	331	7,436
Employed in Q1, Q2, Q3 After Exit	265	6,413
Retention Rate	80.1%	86.2%
Earnings		
Exiters	165	3,715
Post-Program Earnings after Exit	\$2,379,625	\$55,875,189
Average Earnings	\$14,422	\$15,040
Dislocated Workers		
Total Participants	181	9,228
Total Exiters	117	3,608
Entered Employment		
Exiters	116	3,618
Employed after Exit	95	3,154
Employment Rate	81.9%	87.2%
Employment Retention		
Exiters	99	3,331
Employed after Exit	93	3,079
Retention Rate	93.9%	92.4%
Earnings		
Exiters	76	2,269
Post-Dislocation Earnings Q2 + Q3 After Exit	\$1,261,548	\$39,595,670
Average Earnings	\$16,599	\$17,451

Youth Programs	County	State
In-School Youth		
Total Participants	349	8,013
Total Exiters	119	2,592
Out-of-School Youth		
Total Participants	183	3,885
Exiters	74	1,488
Total Youth		
Total Participants	532	11,898
Total Youth Exiters	193	4,080
Placement in Employment or Education Exiters	157	3,616
Attainment of Employment or Education by Q1 after Exit	87	2,262
Placement in Employment or Education Rate	55.4%	62.6%
Diploma or Equivalent		
Attainment of Certificate or Diploma Exiters	190	4,162
Attainment of Certificate or Diploma By Q3 after Exit	99	2,244
Attainment of Certificate or Diploma Rate	52.1%	53.9%
Literacy/Numeracy		
Literacy/Numeracy Gains Exiters	70	882
Increased Educational Functioning Level	16	328
Literacy/ Numeracy Gains Rate	22.9%	37.2%

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Medical Assistance

Ohio offers a variety of assistance programs to give those with limited resources access to basic medical care. The most comprehensive of these is Medicaid, the federally funded, state-administered program that reimburses doctors and health-care facilities for providing services to eligible individuals with low income.

Health Care Statistics

In Summit County:

7.3% of hospital visits occurred outside the county (2008)

40.4% of all births were paid by Medicaid (2007)

74.0% of mothers receiving Medicaid had two or more risk factors for poor birth outcomes (2007)

Medicaid Enrollment and Expenditures

Medicaid is the state and federally funded program that pays for health care services for eligible low-income people of all ages, including children, pregnant women, families, older adults and Ohioans with disabilities. Medicaid services are delivered via contracted health care providers, ensuring that Medicaid consumers get access to needed services, such as physician visits, hospital inpatient care, prescription drugs and home health services.

	<u>SFY 2008</u>			
	County		State	
Residents Enrolled in Medicaid*	78,328	14.4%	1,789,934	15.6%
Children Enrolled in Medicaid*	40,669	31.5%	958,118	34.8%
Annual Medicaid Expenditures**	\$522,683,662	N/A	\$11,962,683,659	N/A
Average Annual Medicaid Cost/Eligible	\$6,760	N/A	\$6,770	N/A

*Data is point-in-time, not cumulative.

**Expenditures reflect payments made directly to providers as well as capitation payments to HMOs.

Nursing Facilities/Residential Care

	<u>CY 2008</u>		<u>CY 2007</u>	
	County	State	County	State
Nursing Homes*	41	961		
Residential Care Facilities**	34	583		
Medicaid Eligibles Living in Nursing Facilities	2,091	51,917	2,196	53,579
Total Expenditures	\$116,332,568	\$3,090,753,003	\$120,330,496	\$3,093,825,746

*Total includes state-licensed and Medicaid-certified facilities. Data is point in time, as of 6/24/2009.

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Alternatives to Nursing Facilities (Waiver Programs)

Waiver programs allow people on Medicaid with disabilities to receive care in their homes and communities instead of in nursing homes. The following chart lists the waiver programs available in Ohio for CY 2007 and 2008, and the number of Summit County residents participating in them.

Unduplicated Number of Residents Receiving Services Waiver Type	CY 2008		CY 2007	
	County	State	County	State
Choices - Age 60 or older	0	462	0	362
PASSPORT - Pre-admission Screening System Providing Options and Resources Today - Age 60 or older	2,117	34,419	2,077	33,334
Assisted living - Age 21 or older	56	1,209	15	405
Individual Options Waiver - Available to all ages	889	14,675	825	13,135
Level One Waiver - Available to all ages with an ICF/MR Level of Care	466	6,210	474	5,306
Ohio Home Care - Age 59 or younger	440	8,907	489	9,697
Transitions - Age 60 or older	140	3,213	148	3,184
Transitions Carve Out - All ages	97	1,766	89	1,575

For more Medicaid Information on Summit County, go to:

http://jfs.ohio.gov/ohp/reports/documents/OMR_SFY2006.pdf