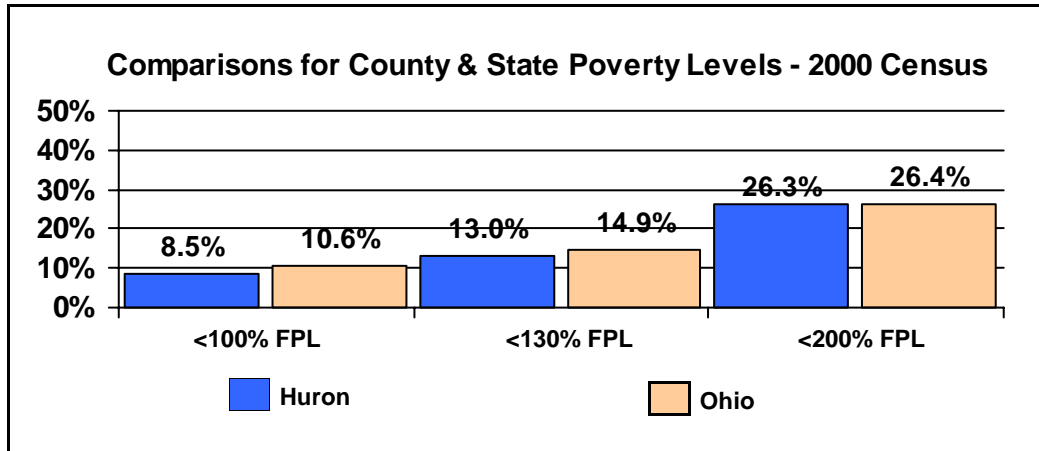


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County Overview

Through its partnerships with community organizations and state and federal government agencies, Huron 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

2006 Census Population: 60,313

2000 Census Population: 59,487

| Huron County | Ohio | |
|-----------------------|-------|---|
| 34.9 | 36.2 | Median Age (2000) |
| 2.64 | 2.49 | Average Household Size (2000) |
| 94.7% | 85.9% | High School Graduation Rate (2004) |
| 19.6% | 17.1% | Rate of Dependency on Income Supports* (2005) |
| County Rank: 41 of 88 | | |

*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.

Vital Statistics

| | Total | County Rate | Ohio Rate |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------------|-----------|
| 2002 Births / Rate per 1,000 | 860 | 14 | 13 |
| 2002 Teen Births / Rate per 1,000 | 99 | 47 | 39 |
| 2001 Marriages / Rate per 1,000 | 420 | 7.0 | 7.1 |
| 2001 Divorces / Rate per 1,000 | 324 | 5.4 | 4.0 |

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Family Services

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 185 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.

The state's Early Learning Initiative (ELI), which was implemented in 2006, gives low-income children the kinds of social and educational experiences they need to be ready for kindergarten.

| Children Served | CY 2006 | | CY 2005 | |
|--|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Number of Children Using Publicly Funded Child Care | 804 | 185,059 | 768 | 179,190 |
| Public Funds Used for Child Care Expenditures | \$1,790,838 | \$460,727,131 | \$1,637,982 | \$409,097,834 |
| Annual Average Spent per Child | \$2,227 | \$2,490 | \$2,133 | \$2,283 |
| Children Enrolled in ELI - YTD CY 2007 | 11 | 13,280 | N/A* | N/A* |

*(No data exists for CY 2005. ELI was initiated in CY 2006)

| Providers | County | State |
|--|--------|-------|
| Number of Licensed Child Care Centers as of December 2006* | 16 | 3,433 |

*(includes licensed full-time, part-time, Head Start, school-based and combination centers with 7 or more children)

Child Safety and Care/Placement

The Huron 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.

| Child Maltreatment and Care/Placement | CY 2006 | | CY 2005 | |
|--|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Number of Reports and Investigations of Alleged Child Abuse and Neglect | 259 | 76,167 | 219 | 75,641 |
| Number of First-Time Child Abuse and Neglect Cases | 182 | 27,599 | 138 | 28,755 |
| Annual Unduplicated Number of Children in Care/Placement* | 104 | 28,569 | 109 | 29,091 |
| Percent of Child Reunifications within 12 Months | 95.0% | 76.6% | 76.7% | 74.2% |

*Number of children in care/placement is calculated by counting the number of children in the care/placement of public agencies on January 1 of the reporting year, plus the unduplicated number of children who entered care/placement during the year. Any child who was in care/placement, even for a single day, was counted. Even if a child re-entered care/placement during the year, they were only counted once. The source data is from FACSIS, and may not match exactly to the data in the county's annual report.

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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.

| Adoptions | CY 2006 | | CY 2005 | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Number of Children Adopted | 5 | 1,829 | 4 | 2,040 |
| Adoptions Completed within 24 Months | 1 | 609 | 2 | 592 |
| Average Monthly Number of Children Receiving Adoption Assistance Funding | 34 | 20,610 | 31 | 20,051 |
| Average Annual Adoption Assistance Expenditures per Child | \$3,789 | \$4,628 | \$3,656 | \$4,581 |

Prevention, Retention, and Contingency

The Prevention, Retention, and Contingency (PRC) program is the part of Ohio's TANF program designed to provide job training, employment assistance, and work support services to help parents find and maintain employment.

| | CY 2006 | | CY 2005 | | CY 2004 | |
|------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| | County | State | County | State | County | State |
| PRC Expenditures | \$1,723,568 | \$175,552,585 | \$940,676 | \$160,801,862 | \$527,952 | \$118,760,394 |

To find out more about the county's PRC program, go to:
<http://www.jfs.ohio.gov/owf/prc/county/countytable.stm>

Child Support

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

\$11,353,156 in IV-D child support was collected by the county during FFY 2006.

| Child Support Cases | FFY 2006 | | FFY 2005 | |
|---|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Number of Cases | 5,283 | 956,491 | 5,346 | 941,062 |
| Paternity Establishment Rate* | 104.5% | 89.9% | 104.5% | 88.0% |
| Cases with Support Orders | 4,805 | 701,380 | 4,836 | 684,103 |
| Percentage of Cases with Support Orders | 91.0% | 73.3% | 90.5% | 72.7% |
| Collection Rate on Current Support Due | 71.9% | 69.1% | 72.0% | 69.0% |
| Rate of Cases Paying on Arrears | 72.1% | 67.6% | 72.1% | 66.5% |

*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%.

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Family Services

Food Stamps

The federal Food Stamp Program helps families whose gross monthly income is within 130 percent of the federal poverty guideline pay for food. Half of all recipients are children, and 65 percent live in single-parent households.

| Food Stamps | CY 2006 | | CY 2005 | |
|---|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Number of Recipients (Annual Unduplicated) | 8,079 | 1,635,591 | 7,452 | 1,585,516 |
| Percentage of County Population | 13.4% | 14.2% | 12.4% | 13.8% |
| Annual FS Net Expenditures | \$4,868,024 | \$1,273,752,532 | \$4,412,785 | \$1,184,866,706 |
| Average Annual FS Payment per Recipient | \$603 | \$779 | \$592 | \$747 |

Ohio Works First

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.

7 out of every 1,000 residents in Huron County received cash benefits through OWF during CY 2006.

| Cash Assistance | CY 2006 | | CY 2005 | |
|---|-----------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Number of Recipients (Annual Unduplicated) | 396 | 354,866 | 371 | 373,307 |
| Percentage of Population | 0.7% | 3.1% | 0.6% | 3.3% |
| Annual OWF Net Expenditures | \$508,549 | \$317,682,259 | \$461,621 | \$311,211,705 |
| Average Annual Cash Assistance Payment per Recipient | \$1,284 | \$895 | \$1,244 | \$834 |

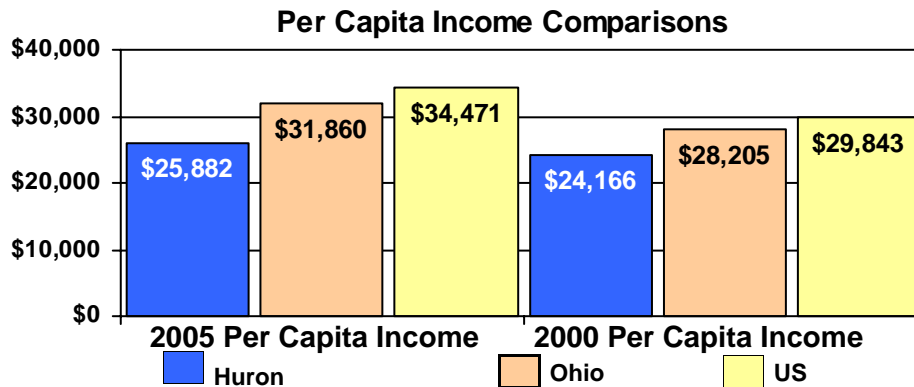
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Income

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.

| | <u>CY 2006</u> | | | <u>CY 2005</u> | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|
| | County | State | U.S. | County | State | U.S. |
| Labor Force | 30,000 | 5,934,000 | 151,428,000 | 30,200 | 5,891,600 | 149,320,000 |
| Employment | 27,800 | 5,609,100 | 144,427,000 | 27,900 | 5,546,500 | 141,730,000 |
| Unemployment | 2,200 | 324,900 | 7,001,000 | 2,300 | 345,100 | 7,591,000 |
| Unemployment Rate | 7.4 | 5.5 | 4.6 | 7.6 | 5.9 | 5.1 |
| Total UC Benefits Issued | \$11,205,974 | \$1,177,610,230 | | | | |

Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment (REA)

244 Huron County residents, during FFY 2006, through the local One-Stop Center, participated in the Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment (REA) program, which provides unemployed job seekers with services that promote quicker re-entry into the workforce.

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:

-9.2% /net commuter flow **20.2** minutes average commute time

* To find out more about Labor Market and Employment information, go to:
<http://www.ohioworkforceinformer.org/cgi/dataanalysis/dataTypeSelection.asp?tableName=notable>

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Workforce Investment Act

The federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA) provides federal funds to states for job training and employment services. Ohio has a network of offices and 91 One-Stop Centers that provide free job training and other employment services to Ohioans looking for work. One-Stop Centers also provide services to employers looking to hire workers. The goal is to increase employment, job retention, earnings, and occupational skills. The following data is from Ohio's Annual WIA Report for Program Year 2006:

| <u>Adult Program</u> | County | State | <u>Older Youth</u> | County | State |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|--|---------|-----------|
| Total Participants: | 140 | 34,676 | Total Participants: | 41 | 3,304 |
| Total Exitters: | 64 | 7,798 | Total Exitters: | 13 | 1,287 |
| <u>Employment</u> | | | <u>Employment</u> | | |
| Exitters: | 28 | 5,718 | Exitters: | 7 | 914 |
| Employed after Exit: | 23 | 4,541 | Employed after Exit: | 6 | 706 |
| Employment Rate: | 82.1% | 79.4% | Employment Rate: | 85.7% | 77.2% |
| <u>Employment Retention</u> | | | <u>Employment Retention</u> | | |
| Exitters: | 64 | 6,270 | Exitters: | 12 | 940 |
| Employed after Exit: | 57 | 5,320 | Employed after Exit: | 9 | 781 |
| Retention Rate: | 89.1% | 84.8% | Retention Rate: | 75.0% | 83.1% |
| <u>Earnings Increase</u> | | | <u>Earnings Increase</u> | | |
| Exitters: | 33 | 3,128 | Exitters: | 1 | 85 |
| Difference of Earnings after Exit: | \$389,091 | \$46,480,754 | Difference in Pre-Post Program Earnings: | \$2,105 | \$518,538 |
| Avg. Earnings Change: | \$11,791 | \$14,860 | Avg. Earnings Change: | \$2,105 | \$6,100 |
| <u>Employment and Credentials</u> | | | <u>Employment and Credentials</u> | | |
| Exitters: | 67 | 3,901 | Exitters: | 14 | 1,202 |
| Empl. / Cred. after Exit: | 46 | 2,709 | Empl. / Cred. after Exit: | 11 | 722 |
| Empl. / Cred. Rate: | 68.7% | 69.4% | Empl. / Cred. Rate: | 78.6% | 60.1% |
| <u>Dislocated Workers</u> | | | <u>Younger Youth</u> | | |
| Total Participants: | 106 | 8,732 | Total Participants: | 83 | 8,430 |
| Total Exitters: | 32 | 3,145 | Total Exitters: | 28 | 2,859 |
| <u>Employment</u> | | | <u>Skills Attainment</u> | | |
| Exitters: | 20 | 3,082 | Goals for Skills Attained: | 91 | 8,446 |
| Employed after Exit: | 16 | 2,663 | Actual Skills Attained: | 59 | 6,406 |
| Employment Rate: | 80.0% | 86.4% | Skill Attainment Rate: | 64.8% | 75.8% |
| <u>Employment Retention</u> | | | <u>Retention</u> | | |
| Exitters: | 11 | 3,047 | Exitters: | 15 | 1,529 |
| Employed after Exit: | 8 | 2,826 | Actively Involved after Exit: | 12 | 1,166 |
| Retention Rate: | 72.7% | 92.7% | Retention Rate: | 80.0% | 76.3% |
| <u>Earnings Increase</u> | | | <u>Diploma or Equivalent</u> | | |
| Exitters: | 7 | 2,151 | Exitters: | 17 | 1,356 |
| Post-Dislocation Earnings: | \$75,216 | \$36,016,914 | Attained Diploma or Equivalent after Exit: | 13 | 1,102 |
| Avg. Earnings Change: | \$10,745 | \$16,744 | Diploma or Equivalent Rate: | 76.5% | 81.3% |
| <u>Employment and Credentials</u> | | | <u>Total Youth (14-21)</u> | | |
| Exitters: | 14 | 2,088 | Placement in Empl./Edu. Exitters: | 36 | 3,364 |
| Empl. / Cred. after Exit: | 13 | 1,594 | Attained Employment/Edu.: | 21 | 2,132 |
| Empl. / Cred. Rate: | 92.9% | 76.3% | Employment/Edu. Rate: | 58.3% | 63.4% |
| | | | Diploma/Certification Exitters: | 44 | 3,824 |
| | | | Diploma/Certification after Exit: | 24 | 2,005 |
| | | | Diploma / Cert. Attainment Rate: | 54.5% | 52.4% |

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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.

According to the 2005 Medicaid Profile report for Huron County:

- 43.4% of all reported physician visits were received outside the county
- 29.6% of hospital visits were received outside the county
- 16.7% of all residents were enrolled in the Medicaid program
- 33.7% of all children were enrolled in the Medicaid program
- 33.0% of all births were paid by Medicaid
- 54.5% of mothers receiving Medicaid had two or more risk factors for poor birth outcomes

Help Me Grow

Ohio's Help Me Grow (HMG) program is designed to promote the health, learning, and development of children up to age 3. It offers welcome home visits to parents of newborns, health screenings, developmental information, and early intervention to identify developmental delays.

| <u>CY 2006</u> | | | | |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| # At Risk Children | # Completed Newborn Home Visits | # Referred for Ongoing HMG Services | % Referred for Ongoing HMG Services | Statewide % Referred for Ongoing HMG Services |
| 166 | 183 | 14 | 7.7% | 15.2% |

HEALTHCHEK

HEALTHCHEK is Ohio's Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) program for Medicaid-eligible children and teens (birth through age 20). If a potential health problem is found, further diagnosis and treatment are covered.

| <u>SFY 2005</u> | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|--|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | Total Eligibles | Medicaid Recipients Receiving EPSDT Exam | % Receiving EPSDT Exam | Statewide % Receiving EPSDT Exam |
| 1 Year Olds | 419 | 256 | 61.1% | 54.1% |
| 2 Year Olds | 421 | 121 | 28.7% | 31.2% |

Healthy Families/Healthy Start

Many Ohio children receive their immunizations through the Healthy Families/Healthy Start program, which is Ohio's primary public health insurance program for low-income children and families.

| | <u>CY 2006</u> | | <u>CY 2005</u> | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Average # Eligibles/Month | 1,794 | 265,167 | 1,580 | 248,979 |
| Annual Expenditures | \$5,416,175 | \$799,803,615 | \$3,516,819 | \$691,036,381 |
| Average Annual Cost/Recipient | \$3,020 | \$3,016 | \$2,225 | \$2,775 |

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Medical Assistance

OWF and Related Medicaid Eligibles

Children and adults in families that are eligible for Ohio Works First (OWF) cash assistance are also automatically entitled to Medicaid coverage. This program helps pay the medical expenses of eligible low-income families, children up to age 19, and pregnant women. These individuals receive their care through managed care plans (MCPs). MCPs function much like HMOs and PPOs. They often cover services that the traditional fee-for-service Medicaid program does not.

| | CY 2006 | | CY 2005 | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| OWF Average Monthly Eligibles | 5,152 | 1,032,614 | 5,130 | 1,027,124 |
| OWF Average Monthly Expenditures | \$13,080,982 | \$2,943,503,787 | \$11,874,505 | \$2,674,047,952 |
| OWF Average Annual Cost per Recipient | \$2,539 | \$2,851 | \$2,315 | \$2,603 |

ABD Medicaid Eligibles

The Aged, Blind, and Disabled (ABD) program helps pay the medical expenses of eligible participants who are 65 or older, legally blind, or classified by the Social Security Administration as having a disability. Some consumers in the ABD population participate in managed care plans while others use the traditional fee-for-service program. ABD Medicaid covers primary and acute care, as well as long-term care and a variety of other services.

| | CY 2006 | | CY 2005 | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| ABD Average Monthly Eligibles | 1,433 | 390,905 | 1,394 | 386,801 |
| ABD Average Monthly Expenditures | \$23,469,593 | \$8,176,963,545 | \$26,523,617 | \$8,858,575,942 |
| ABD Average Annual Cost Per Recipient | \$16,375 | \$20,918 | \$19,034 | \$22,902 |

Nursing Facilities/Residential Care

In 2007:

- 6 nursing facilities
- 2 residential care facilities

In CY 2006:

- 183 monthly average number of residents resided in nursing/residential care facilities.
- \$8,303,478 was spent for care provided at nursing/residential care facilities for the year.

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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 2005 and 2006, and the number of Huron County residents participating in them.

| Waiver Type | Unduplicated Number of Residents Receiving Services | | | |
|--|---|--------|---------|--------|
| | CY 2006 | | CY 2005 | |
| | County | State | County | State |
| Choices - age 60 or older | 0 | 269 | 0 | 175 |
| PASSPORT - Pre-admission Screening System Providing Options and Resources Today - age 60 or older | 142 | 32,235 | 129 | 31,159 |
| Assisted living - age 21 or older | 0 | 71 | N/A* | N/A* |
| Residential Facilities - For persons with MR/DD | N/A** | N/A** | 12 | 2,680 |
| Individual Options Waiver - Available to all ages | 54 | 12,082 | 53 | 11,835 |
| Level One Waiver - Available to all ages with an ICF/MR Level of Care | 36 | 4,812 | 21 | 2,494 |
| Ohio Home Care - age 59 or younger | 41 | 9,579 | 34 | 7,736 |
| Transitions - age 60 or older | 10 | 3,235 | 7 | 2,442 |
| Transitions Carve Out - all ages | 3 | 548 | N/A* | N/A* |

*Programs not available in 2005

**Program phased out in 2006

For more Medical Information on Huron County, go to 2005 Ohio Medicaid Report:

http://jfs.ohio.gov/ohp/bhpp/reports/omr2005/OMR_SFY_2003.pdf