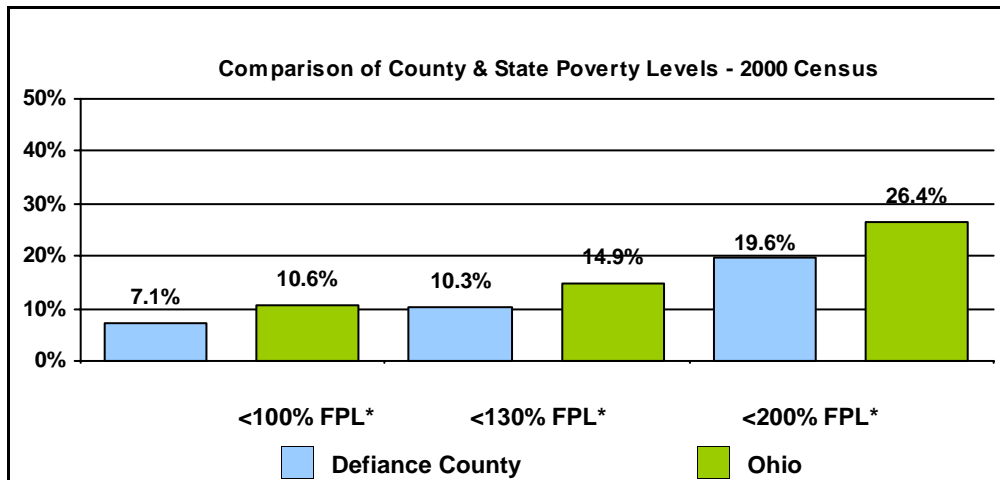


Defiance County

Job and Family Services Profile

County Overview

Through its partnerships with community organizations and state and federal government agencies, Defiance 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 | 2007 Census Population | 193,490 | 2000 Census Population | 177,450 |
|---|------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| Age Census (2006) | Population | | % of Total Population | |
| | County | State | County | State |
| Age 0-19 | 54,196 | 3,082,492 | 28.1% | 26.9% |
| Age 60 and Older | 28,181 | 2,051,874 | 14.6% | 17.9% |
| Median Age (2000) | 34.8 | 36.2 | | |
| Average Household Size (2000) | 2.67 | 2.49 | | |
| High School Graduation Rate (2005-2006) | 89.7% | 86.1% | | |
| High School Honors Graduation Rate (2005-2006) | 13.4% | 17.8% | | |

| Vital Statistics | 2006 | | | |
|---------------------|--------|-----------------------|---------|----------------------|
| | County | County Rate per 1,000 | State | State Rate per 1,000 |
| All Births | 2,900 | 15.0 | 150,510 | 13.1 |
| Teen Births: | | | | |
| <15 Years of Age | 0 | 0.0 | 238 | 0.6 |
| 15-17 Years of Age | 71 | 17.3 | 4,764 | 19.8 |
| 18-19 Years of Age | 183 | 86.6 | 10,835 | 68.9 |
| Marriages | 1,143 | 6.0 | 72,833 | 6.4 |
| Divorces | 835 | 4.4 | 40,314 | 3.5 |

| Dependency Rate | County | State |
|--|----------|-------|
| Rate of Dependency on Income Supports* (2005) | 13.3% | 17.1% |
| County Rank | 81 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 Defiance County Child Support Enforcement Agencies establish paternities and obtains, enforces, and collects child support funds for children.

\$6,940,258 in IV-D child support was collected by the county during 2007.

| Child Support Cases | FFY 2007 | | FFY 2006 | |
|---|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Number of Cases | 2,844 | 979,749 | 2,852 | 956,491 |
| Paternity Establishment Rate* | 105.9% | 87.9% | 110.5% | 89.9% |
| Cases with Support Orders | 2,562 | 723,521 | 2,515 | 701,380 |
| Percentage of Cases with Support Orders | 90.1% | 73.8% | 88.2% | 73.3% |
| Collection Rate on Current Support Due | 76.6% | 68.9% | 77.4% | 69.1% |
| Rate of Cases Paying on Arrears | 78.4% | 67.1% | 79.0% | 67.3% |

*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 Stamps (FS)

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

| Food Stamps | CY 2007 | | CY 2006 | |
|---|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Average Monthly Adult Recipients | 1,534 | 611,173 | 1,402 | 589,300 |
| Average Monthly Child Recipients | 1,535 | 550,242 | 1,369 | 537,920 |
| Total # of Recipients (Annual Unduplicated) | 5,095 | 1,686,146 | 4,766 | 1,635,591 |
| Percent of Population | 13.2% | 14.7% | 12.3% | 14.3% |
| Net Expenditures | \$3,302,681 | \$1,329,422,597 | \$2,996,777 | \$1,273,752,532 |
| Average Annual FS Payment per Recipient | \$648 | \$788 | \$629 | \$779 |

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.

22 out of every 1,000 residents in Defiance County received cash benefits through OWF during CY 2007.

| Cash Assistance (CA) | CY 2007 | | CY 2006 | |
|--|-----------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Average Monthly Adult Recipients | 81 | 40,496 | 72 | 43,369 |
| Average Monthly Child Recipients | 239 | 127,124 | 223 | 131,949 |
| Total # of Recipients(Annual Unduplicated) | 844 | 340,861 | 760 | 354,866 |
| Percent of Population | 2.2% | 3.0% | 2.0% | 3.1% |
| Net Expenditures | \$562,862 | \$306,467,349 | \$503,853 | \$317,628,259 |
| Average Annual CA Payment per Recipient | \$667 | \$899 | \$663 | \$895 |

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Prevention, Retention, and Contingency (PRC) and TANF Support Services

The 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.

| PRC/TANF Service Category | CY 2007 | | CY 2006 | |
|---|------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Training, Employment and Career Advancement | \$0 | \$46,509,880 | \$0 | \$42,733,492 |
| Help Me Grow | \$157,672 | \$38,453,319 | \$172,014 | \$38,200,855 |
| Short-Term Basic Needs | \$34,144 | \$31,469,757 | \$34,559 | \$28,935,686 |
| Child Welfare and Family Support | \$11,572 | \$24,152,026 | \$16,543 | \$28,040,775 |
| Youth Education and Support | \$0 | \$17,706,397 | \$53,496 | \$16,231,783 |
| Transportation | \$45,667 | \$12,687,131 | \$12,469 | \$11,995,067 |
| After School Program (Student Intervention Project) | \$0 | \$3,795,558 | \$0 | \$1,587,378 |
| Out-of-wedlock Pregnancy Prevention | \$0 | \$3,553,326 | \$0 | \$4,379,912 |
| Community and Economic Development | \$0 | \$2,258,970 | \$0 | \$1,632,660 |
| Domestic Violence | \$0 | \$1,454,792 | \$0 | \$1,329,610 |
| Disaster Assistance | \$0 | \$562,580 | \$0 | \$485,368 |
| TOTAL PRC Expenditures | \$249,055 | \$182,603,737 | \$289,082 | \$175,552,585 |

To find out more about the county's PRC program, go to:

<http://www.jfs.ohio.gov/owf/prc/county/countytable.stm>

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.

| # At Risk Children | # Completed Newborn Home Visits | SFY 2006 | |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | # Referred for Ongoing HMG Services | % Referred for Ongoing HMG Services |
| 151 | 143 | 7 | 4.9% |

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Child Safety and Care/Placement

The Defiance 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 2007 | | CY 2006 | |
|---|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Reports and Investigations - Allegations of Child Abuse and Neglect Cases | 385 | 81,371 | 385 | 76,167 |
| Number of Children Reunified | 14 | 6,746 | 11 | 9,315 |
| Number of Children Reunified within 12 Months | 10 | 5,001 | 9 | 7,138 |
| Percent of Child Reunifications <12 Months | 71.4% | 74.1% | 81.8% | 76.6% |

| | CY 2007 | | |
|---|---------|--------|--|
| | County | State | |
| Children in Licensed/Certified Foster Homes | 28 | 8,894 | |
| Children Entering Custody | 25 | 11,148 | |
| Children Reentering Custody | 0 | 1,283 | |
| Children in Permanent Custody | 5 | 5,435 | |
| Number of Child Deaths | 0 | 90 | |
| Number of Child Deaths in Substitute Care | 0 | 16 | |

| | | CY 2006 | |
|---|--|----------|--------------|
| | | County | State |
| Homes/Institutions Average Monthly # Children | | 13 | 6,461 |
| Homes/Institutions Total Annual Expenditures | | \$96,371 | \$74,381,463 |
| Annual Unduplicated Number of Children in Care/Placement* | | 55 | 28,569 |

*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, which may include children in the care of Juvenile Court.

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.

| | CY 2007 | | CY 2006 | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Number of Children Adopted | 4 | 1,661 | 3 | 1,829 |
| Adoptions Completed within 24 Months | 4 | 581 | 2 | 609 |

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 2007 | | CY 2006 | |
|---|---------|-------|---------|-------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Number of Children Receiving KPI Payments | 0 | 4,364 | 0 | 1,778 |

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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 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 2007 | | CY 2006 | |
|--|-----------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Number of Children Using Publicly Funded Child Care (Unduplicated Count) | 493 | 191,172 | 419 | 185,059 |
| Public Funds Used for Child Care Expenditures | \$640,038 | \$512,179,646 | \$649,746 | \$460,727,131 |
| Annual Average Expenditure per Child | \$1,298 | \$2,679 | \$1,551 | \$2,490 |
| Children Enrolled in Early Learning Initiative Programs (ELI) | 81 | 15,318 | 61 | 13,280 |

Providers

| | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|-------|---|-------|
| Number of Licensed Child Care Centers | 9 | 3,597 | 9 | 3,433 |
|---------------------------------------|---|-------|---|-------|

*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, 2007: 1

For additional information about child care services, including the Early Learning Initiative (ELI), 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 2007 | | CY 2006 | |
|---|---------|--------------|---------|--------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Adult Cases | 0 | 16,650 | 20 | 16,427 |
| Cases Deemed Emergencies | 0 | 1,210 | 0 | 943 |
| Cases in Need of Protective Services | 0 | 7,484 | 1 | 7,629 |
| Cases Where Protective Services Not Available | 0 | 125 | 0 | 119 |
| Expenditures | \$4,045 | \$19,956,788 | \$4,080 | \$17,734,395 |

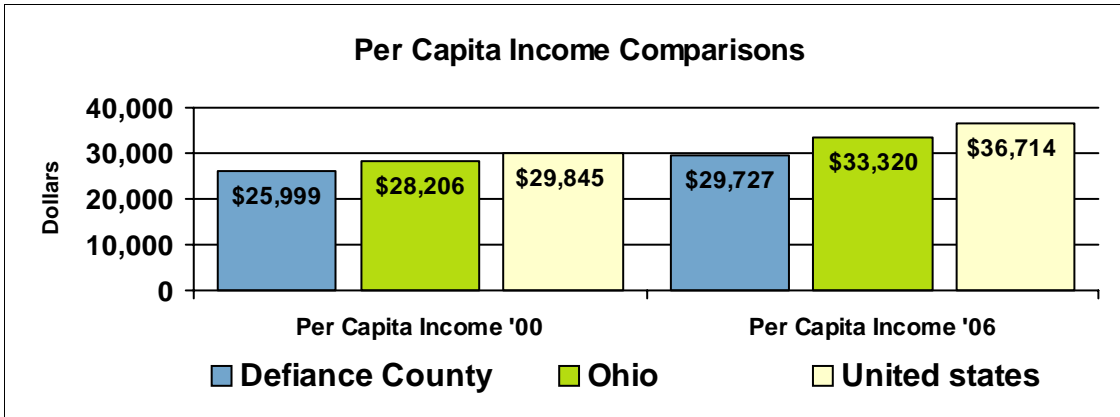
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Income

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 2007 | | | CY 2006 | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
| | County | State | U.S. | County | State | U.S. |
| Labor Force | 20,800 | 5,976,500 | 153,124,000 | 20,700 | 5,934,000 | 151,428,000 |
| Employment | 19,600 | 5,640,100 | 146,047,000 | 19,500 | 5,609,100 | 144,427,000 |
| Unemployment | 1,200 | 336,400 | 7,078,000 | 1,200 | 324,900 | 7,001,000 |
| Unemployment Rate | 5.7 | 5.6 | 4.6 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 4.6 |
| 1st UC Benefit Payments | 1,202 | 278,006 | N/A | 1,393 | 275,431 | N/A |
| Total UC Benefits Issued | \$3,877,273 | \$1,206,523,647 | N/A | \$3,952,143 | \$1,177,610,230 | N/A |
| Average Weekly Benefit | \$270 | \$290 | N/A | \$268 | \$287 | N/A |
| UC Duration | 11.8 | 15.2 | N/A | 10.4 | 15.0 | 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. WARN also provides for notice to State dislocation worker units so that dislocated worker assistance can be promptly provided. During calendar year 2007:

Number of Employer WARN Notices 0 **Number of Employees Affected** 0

Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment (REA)

159 Defiance County residents, during FFY 2007, through their local One-Stop Centers, 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 find out more about Labor Market and Employment information, go to:
<http://www.ohioworkforceinformer.org/>

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:

-4.20% / net commuter flow

19.2 minutes average commute time

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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 Report for Program Year 2007:

| Adult Program | County | State |
|--|----------|--------------|
| Total Participants | 32 | 18,863 |
| Total Exiters | 17 | 8,564 |
| Entered Employment | | |
| Exiters | 4 | 6,107 |
| Employed in Q1 After Exit | 4 | 4,794 |
| Employment Rate | 100.0% | 78.5% |
| Employment Retention | | |
| Exiters | 3 | 7,436 |
| Employed in Q1, Q2, Q3 After Exit | 3 | 6,413 |
| Retention Rate | 100.0% | 86.2% |
| Earnings | | |
| Exiters | 3 | 3,715 |
| Post-Program Earnings after Exit | \$56,271 | \$55,875,189 |
| Average Earnings | \$18,757 | \$15,040 |
| Dislocated Workers | | |
| Total Participants | 5 | 9,228 |
| Total Exiters | 1 | 3,608 |
| Entered Employment | | |
| Exiters | 2 | 3,618 |
| Employed after Exit | 1 | 3,154 |
| Employment Rate | 50.0% | 87.2% |
| Employment Retention | | |
| Exiters | 2 | 3,331 |
| Employed after Exit | 2 | 3,079 |
| Retention Rate | 100.0% | 92.4% |
| Earnings | | |
| Exiters | 2 | 2,269 |
| Post-Dislocation Earnings Q2 + Q3 After Exit | \$37,288 | \$39,595,670 |
| Average Earnings | \$18,644 | \$17,451 |

| Youth Programs | County | State |
|--|--------|--------|
| In-School Youth | | |
| Total Participants | 24 | 8,013 |
| Total Exiters | 13 | 2,592 |
| Out-of-School Youth | | |
| Total Participants | 13 | 3,885 |
| Exiters | 5 | 1,488 |
| Total Youth | | |
| Total Participants | 37 | 11,898 |
| Total Youth Exiters | 18 | 4,080 |
| Placement in Employment or Education Exiters | 10 | 3,616 |
| Attainment of Employment or Education by Q1 after Exit | 6 | 2,262 |
| Placement in Employment or Education Rate | 60.0% | 62.6% |
| Diploma or Equivalent | | |
| Attainment of Certificate or Diploma Exiters | 14 | 4,162 |
| Attainment of Certificate or Diploma By Q3 after Exit | 7 | 2,244 |
| Attainment of Certificate or Diploma Rate | 50.0% | 53.9% |
| Literacy/Numeracy | | |
| Literacy _Numeracy Gains Exiters | 2 | 882 |
| Increased Educational Functioning Level | 1 | 328 |
| Literacy/ Numeracy Gains Rate | 50.0% | 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 Defiance County:

- 33.0%** of hospital visits occurred outside the county (2007)
- 13.4%** of all residents were enrolled in the Medicaid program (2007)
- 29.9%** of all children were enrolled in the Medicaid program (2005)
- 36.5%** of all births were paid by Medicaid (2005)
- N/A** of mothers receiving Medicaid had two or more risk factors for poor birth outcomes (2005)

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>CY 2007</u> | | <u>CY 2006</u> | |
|--|----------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Residents Enrolled in Medicaid* | 5,147 | 1,651,697 | 4,992 | 1,682,053 |
| Annual Medicaid Expenditures** | \$29,726,427 | \$11,893,762,808 | \$27,604,576 | \$11,952,173,555 |
| Average Annual Medicaid Cost/Eligible | \$5,775 | \$7,201 | \$5,530 | \$7,106 |

*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 2007</u> | | <u>CY 2006</u> | |
|--|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Nursing Homes | 4 | 933 | | |
| Residential Care Facilities | 1 | 547 | | |
| Medicaid Eligibles Living in Nursing Facilities | 198 | 53,579 | 185 | 54,353 |
| Total Expenditures | \$8,621,716 | \$3,093,825,746 | \$8,333,251 | \$3,156,021,772 |

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Medical Assistance

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 2006 and 2007, and the number of Defiance County residents participating in them.

| Unduplicated Number of Residents Receiving Services Waiver Type | CY 2007 | | CY 2006 | |
|--|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| | County | State | County | State |
| Choices - Age 60 or older | 0 | 362 | 0 | 269 |
| PASSPORT - Pre-admission Screening System Providing Options and Resources Today - Age 60 or older | 70 | 33,334 | 81 | 32,235 |
| Assisted living - Age 21 or older | 0 | 405 | 0 | 71 |
| Individual Options Waiver - Available to all ages | 33 | 13,135 | 31 | 12,082 |
| Level One Waiver - Available to all ages with an ICF/MR Level of Care | 27 | 5,306 | 26 | 4,812 |
| Ohio Home Care - Age 59 or younger | 31 | 9,697 | 25 | 9,579 |
| Transitions - Age 60 or older | 6 | 3,184 | 6 | 3,235 |
| Transitions Carve Out - All ages | 5 | 1,575 | 0 | 548 |

For more Medicaid Information on Defiance County, go to:

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