

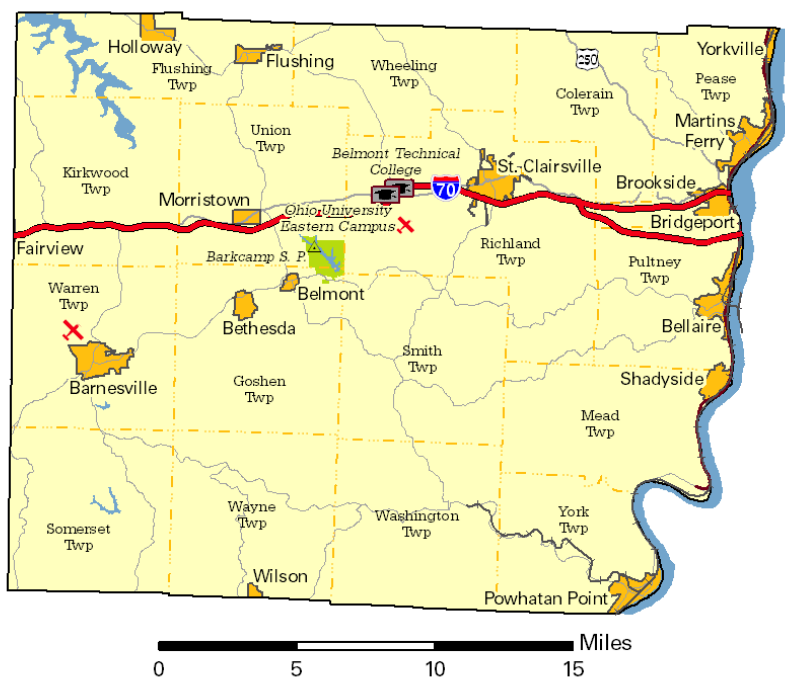
# Ohio County Profiles



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## Belmont County

**Established:** Proclamation - September 7, 1801  
**2015 Population:** 69,154  
**Land Area:** 537.3 square miles  
**County Seat:** St. Clairsville City  
**Named for:** French: "Beautiful Mountain"



### Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$1,099,660,020
Residential	\$709,167,570
Agriculture	\$125,067,880
Industrial	\$27,074,660
Commercial	\$197,548,340
Mineral	\$40,801,570
Ohio income tax liability	\$41,415,265
Average per return	\$1,469.88

### Land Use/Land Cover

	Percent
Developed, Lower Intensity	8.49%
Developed, Higher Intensity	1.05%
Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.)	1.07%
Forest	57.64%
Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands	3.50%
Pasture/Hay	21.10%
Cultivated Crops	5.84%
Wetlands	0.14%
Open Water	1.17%

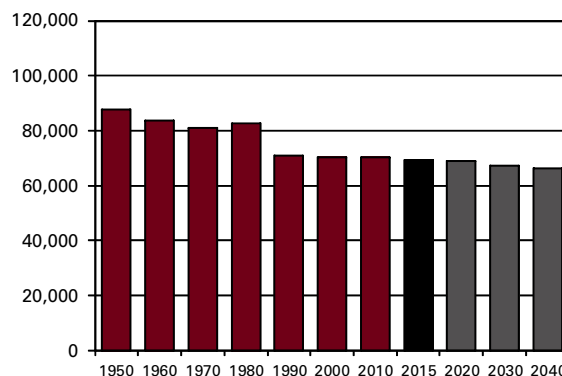
### Largest Places

	Est. 2015	Census 2010
Richland twp UB	9,678	9,789
Martins Ferry city	6,786	6,915
St. Clairsville city	5,105	5,184
Pultney twp UB	4,397	4,475
Pease twp UB	4,382	4,467
Colerain twp	4,200	4,276
Bellaire vlg	4,189	4,279
Barnesville vlg	4,125	4,193
Shadyside vlg	3,714	3,785
Mead twp UB	2,178	2,225

UB: Unincorporated balance.

### Total Population

Census				Estimated	
1800		1910	76,856	2011	70,065
1810	11,097	1920	93,193	2012	69,638
1820	20,329	1930	94,719	2013	69,527
1830	28,627	1940	95,614	2014	69,414
1840	30,901	1950	87,740	2015	69,154
1850	34,600	1960	83,864		
1860	36,398	1970	80,917		
1870	39,714	1980	82,569		
1880	49,638	1990	71,074		
1890	57,413	2000	70,226		
1900	60,875	2010	70,400		
				Projected	
				2020	68,880
				2030	67,330
				2040	66,140



Population by Race	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	69,793	100.0%
White	65,442	93.8%
African-American	2,654	3.8%
Native American	66	0.1%
Asian	279	0.4%
Pacific Islander	2	0.0%
Other	162	0.2%
Two or More Races	1,188	1.7%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	529	0.8%
<b>Total Minority</b>	<b>4,621</b>	<b>6.6%</b>

Educational Attainment	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	50,738	100.0%
No high school diploma	5,430	10.7%
High school graduate	22,532	44.4%
Some college, no degree	10,315	20.3%
Associate degree	4,880	9.6%
Bachelor's degree	4,841	9.5%
Master's degree or higher	2,740	5.4%

Family Type by Employment Status	Number	Percent
Total Families	18,222	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	6,767	37.1%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	3,174	17.4%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	1,137	6.2%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	3,018	16.6%
Male householder, in labor force	1,139	6.3%
Male householder, not in labor force	355	1.9%
Female householder, in labor force	1,595	8.8%
Female householder, not in labor force	1,037	5.7%

Household Income	Number	Percent
Total Households	28,007	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	2,154	7.7%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	3,899	13.9%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	3,812	13.6%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	3,222	11.5%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2,940	10.5%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	2,277	8.1%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	2,629	9.4%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	3,319	11.9%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	2,728	9.7%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	521	1.9%
\$200,000 or more	506	1.8%
<b>Median household income</b>	<b>\$43,045</b>	

Population by Age	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	69,793	100.0%
Under 5 years	3,441	4.9%
5 to 17 years	10,012	14.3%
18 to 24 years	5,602	8.0%
25 to 44 years	17,112	24.5%
45 to 64 years	20,978	30.1%
65 years and more	12,648	18.1%
<b>Median Age</b>	<b>43.7</b>	

Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18	Number	Percent
Total Families	18,254	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	4,726	25.9%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	548	3.0%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	1,367	7.5%
Families with no own children	11,613	63.6%

Poverty Status of Families By Family Type by Presence Of Related Children	Number	Percent
Total Families	18,254	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	16,427	90.0%
Family income below poverty level	1,827	10.0%
Married couple, with related children	390	2.1%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	118	0.6%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	889	4.9%
Families with no related children	430	2.4%

Ratio of Income To Poverty Level	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	65,751	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	3,930	6.0%
50% to 99% of poverty level	5,625	8.6%
100% to 124% of poverty level	2,932	4.5%
125% to 149% of poverty level	3,464	5.3%
150% to 184% of poverty level	5,205	7.9%
185% to 199% of poverty level	1,727	2.6%
200% of poverty level or more	42,868	65.2%

Geographical Mobility	Number	Percent
Population aged 1 year and older	69,382	100.0%
Same house as previous year	61,784	89.0%
Different house, same county	3,961	5.7%
Different county, same state	2,246	3.2%
Different state	1,329	1.9%
Abroad	62	0.1%

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

## Travel Time To Work

	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	28,392	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	9,048	31.9%
15 to 29 minutes	11,190	39.4%
30 to 44 minutes	4,217	14.9%
45 to 59 minutes	1,980	7.0%
60 minutes or more	1,957	6.9%

**Mean travel time** 23.4 minutes

## Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	32,295	100.0%
Occupied housing units	28,007	86.7%
Owner occupied	21,001	75.0%
Renter occupied	7,006	25.0%
Vacant housing units	4,288	13.3%

## Year Structure Built

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	32,295	100.0%
Built 2010 or later	241	0.7%
Built 2000 to 2009	2,266	7.0%
Built 1990 to 1999	2,709	8.4%
Built 1980 to 1989	2,364	7.3%
Built 1970 to 1979	4,975	15.4%
Built 1960 to 1969	3,206	9.9%
Built 1950 to 1959	3,626	11.2%
Built 1940 to 1949	2,385	7.4%
Built 1939 or earlier	10,523	32.6%

**Median year built** 1959

## Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	21,001	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	1,405	6.7%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	1,645	7.8%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	2,567	12.2%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	3,406	16.2%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	2,887	13.7%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	2,722	13.0%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	1,351	6.4%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2,291	10.9%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	1,878	8.9%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	719	3.4%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	81	0.4%
\$1,000,000 or more	49	0.2%

**Median value** \$89,700

## House Heating Fuel

	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	28,007	100.0%
Utility gas	13,246	47.3%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	1,927	6.9%
Electricity	7,812	27.9%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	3,437	12.3%
Coal, coke or wood	1,300	4.6%
Solar energy or other fuel	202	0.7%
No fuel used	83	0.3%

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## Gross Rent

	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	7,006	100.0%
Less than \$100	137	2.0%
\$100 to \$199	328	4.7%
\$200 to \$299	670	9.6%
\$300 to \$399	537	7.7%
\$400 to \$499	766	10.9%
\$500 to \$599	1,254	17.9%
\$600 to \$699	930	13.3%
\$700 to \$799	494	7.1%
\$800 to \$899	268	3.8%
\$900 to \$999	433	6.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	271	3.9%
\$1,500 or more	44	0.6%
No cash rent	874	12.5%

**Median gross rent** \$554

Median gross rent as a percentage of household income 26.8

## Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	10,602	100.0%
Less than \$400	282	2.7%
\$400 to \$599	1,043	9.8%
\$600 to \$799	1,999	18.9%
\$800 to \$999	2,243	21.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	2,044	19.3%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	1,137	10.7%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,223	11.5%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	529	5.0%
\$3,000 or more	102	1.0%

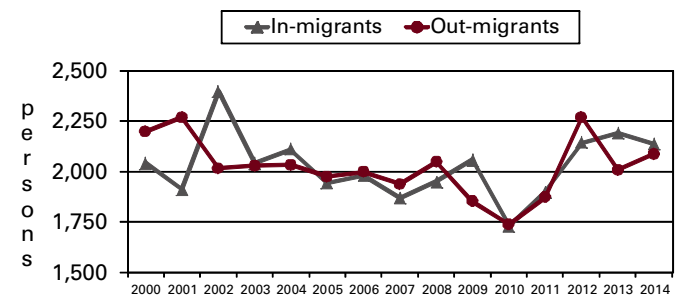
**Median monthly owners cost** \$973

Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income 19.6

## Vital Statistics

	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44	704	63.7
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	61	35.3
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	826	1,189.2
Marriages / rate per 1,000 population	431	6.4
Divorces / rate per 1,000 population	248	3.7

## Migration



## Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	113,233
Number of farms	700
Average size (acres)	162
Total cash receipts	\$20,135,000
Per farm	\$28,764
Receipts for crops	\$4,410,000
Receipts for livestock/products	\$15,725,000

## Education

Public schools buildings	23
Students (Average Daily Membership)	9,157
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	554.3
Expenditures per student	\$8,301
Graduation rate	89.5
Non-public schools	7
Students	662
4-year public universities	0
Branches	1
2-year public colleges/satellites	1
Private universities and colleges	0
Public libraries (Main / Branches)	4 / 5

## Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	83,774
Passenger cars	50,150
Noncommercial trucks	15,942
Total license revenue	\$2,374,518.14
Interstate highway miles	33.66
Turnpike miles	0.00
U.S. highway miles	32.01
State highway miles	213.75
County, township, and municipal road miles	1,205.50
Commercial airports	2

## Health Care

Physicians (MDs & DOs)	74
Registered hospitals	4
Number of beds	278
Licensed nursing homes	10
Number of beds	793
Licensed residential care	4
Number of beds	180
Persons with health insurance (Aged 0 to 64)	89.9%
Adults with insurance (Aged 18 to 64)	88.4%
Children with insurance (Aged Under 19)	94.5%

## Voting

Number of registered voters	49,431
Voted in 2014 election	19,678
Percent turnout	39.8%

## Communications

Television stations	0
Radio stations	3
Daily newspapers	1
Circulation	12,000
Weekly newspapers	1
Circulation	3,611

## Crime

Total crimes reported in Uniform Crime Report	732
Violent crime	44
Property crime	688
Arson	0

## Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	3
Assets (000)	\$1,041,378
Branch offices	32
Institutions represented	13

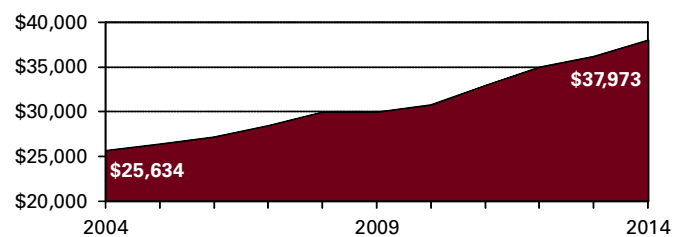
## Transfer Payments

Total transfer payments	\$655,413,000
Payments to individuals	\$641,746,000
Retirement and disability	\$245,160,000
Medical payments	\$306,695,000
Income maintenance (Supplemental SSI, family assistance, food stamps, etc)	\$54,242,000
Unemployment benefits	\$6,397,000
Veterans benefits	\$15,490,000
Federal education and training assistance	\$9,829,000
Other payments to individuals	\$3,933,000
Total personal income	\$2,637,611,000
Dependency ratio	24.8%
(Percent of income from transfer payments)	

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

Areas/Facilities	4
Acreage	18,853.78

## Per Capita Personal Income



**Civilian Labor Force**

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Civilian labor force	32,300	31,700	32,000	31,800	31,300
Employed	29,200	29,100	29,400	29,700	29,300
Unemployed	3,100	2,600	2,600	2,100	2,000
Unemployment rate	9.5	8.2	8.2	6.7	6.3

**Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2014**

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	1,435	19,906	\$777,709,952	\$751
Goods-Producing	218	4,334	\$305,904,021	\$1,357
Natural Resources and Mining	51	* * * * *	Data Not Available	* * * * *
Constuction	126	* * * * *	Data Not Available	* * * * *
Manufacturing	41	924	\$42,871,254	\$892
Service-Providing	1,217	15,573	\$471,805,931	\$583
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	409	5,585	\$167,560,020	\$577
Information	13	321	\$11,740,202	\$704
Financial Services	135	1,048	\$42,084,027	\$773
Professional and Business Services	167	1,356	\$80,271,362	\$1,138
Education and Health Services	205	3,691	\$115,528,988	\$602
Leisure and Hospitality	148	2,880	\$39,876,403	\$266
Other Services	138	688	\$14,466,459	\$404
Federal Government		158	\$8,142,866	\$993
State Government		757	\$32,938,600	\$837
Local Government		2,859	\$93,989,334	\$632

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

**Change Since 2009**

Private Sector	-0.7%	6.4%	38.4%	29.9%
Goods-Producing	4.8%	27.1%	62.7%	28.0%
Natural Resources and Mining	75.9%	* * * * *	Data Not Available	* * * * *
Construction	-4.5%	* * * * *	Data Not Available	* * * * *
Manufacturing	-12.8%	-10.9%	-5.1%	6.4%
Service-Producing	-1.7%	1.9%	26.1%	23.8%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	-2.9%	7.2%	20.2%	12.0%
Information	-23.5%	-21.9%	-22.8%	-1.3%
Financial Services	-4.9%	-9.0%	23.3%	35.6%
Professional and Business Services	5.7%	43.2%	223.3%	125.3%
Education and Health Services	3.5%	-10.2%	-1.9%	9.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	2.1%	4.3%	27.0%	21.5%
Other Services	-9.8%	-0.7%	28.5%	29.5%
Federal Government		-13.2%	-5.1%	9.7%
State Government		-6.0%	-11.3%	-5.6%
Local Government		-6.1%	-2.8%	3.6%

**Business Numbers**

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Business starts	82	95	101	92	72
Active businesses	1,203	1,160	1,184	1,163	1,154

**Major & Notable Employers**

Barnesville Hospital Assn	Serv
Belmont Community Hospital	Serv
Belmont County Government	Govt
Commercial Vehicle Group	Mfg
East Ohio Regional Hospital	Serv
Kroger Co	Trade
Murray Energy/Ohio Valley Coal Co	Mining
State of Ohio	Govt
Wal-Mart Stores Inc	Trade

**Residential**

**Construction**

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total units	7	11	18	5	52
Total valuation (000)	\$706	\$1,084	\$2,265	\$508	\$4,974
Total single-unit bldgs	5	11	10	5	8
Average cost per unit	\$132,777	\$98,566	\$123,708	\$101,605	\$152,735
Total multi-unit bldg units	2	0	8	0	44
Average cost per unit	\$21,300	\$0	\$128,442	\$0	\$85,273