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## 1999 PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

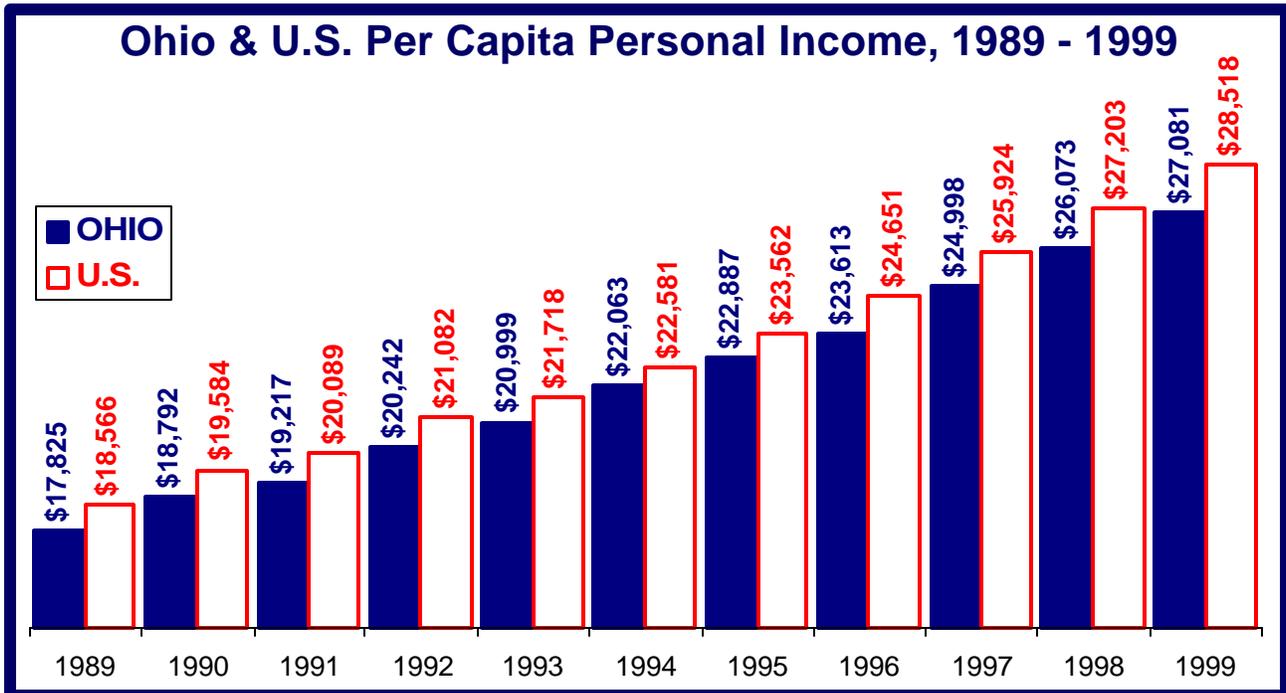
State Per Capita Personal Income figures for 1999 were released in late May by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis. For 1999, per capita income for Ohio was reported as \$27,081, a 3.9% increase over 1998. The U.S. per capita income was \$28,518, an increase of 4.8% over the previous year.

The figures are calculated by dividing total personal income by the total state estimated population. Ohio's total personal income figure for 1999 was \$304,847,000,000, with an estimated population figure of 11,257,000.

Total Personal Income is actually a series of combined variables. It adds together wages, contract labor, proprietors' income, rents, dividends, and transfer payments such as Social Security. Adjustments are made for place of residence rather than place of employment. Examples of other types of income measurement can be found on page 4 of this issue.

Comparing Ohio, ranked 25th, to New Jersey, ranked 3rd, it is found that Ohio derives 68.8% of total personal income from wages, with New Jersey slightly lower at 67.4%. Where New Jersey pulls away from Ohio is in the rents and dividends category with 18.1% of the total personal income compared to 14.7% for Ohio. New Jersey's location to New York also contributes to its total personal incomes by 0.6% whereas Ohio loses income to its neighbor states by the same amount.

For additional information about per capita income contact the Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington DC 20230, 1-800-704-0415, [www.bea.doc.gov](http://www.bea.doc.gov).



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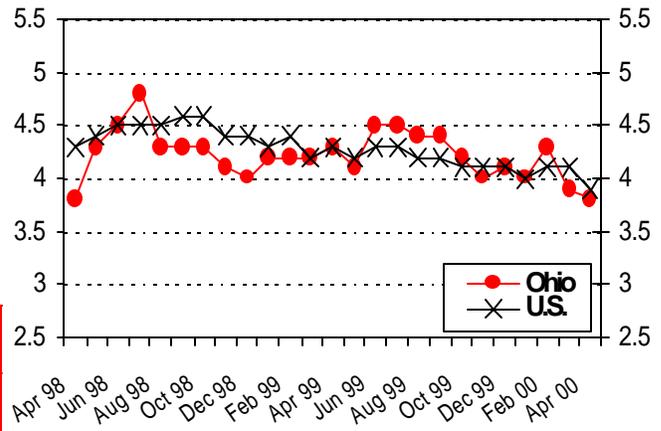


## UNEMPLOYMENT RATE: April 1998 To April 2000

The unemployment rate in Ohio dropped from 4.1 in March to 3.8 in April 2000. The number of unemployed workers decreased 7.4 percent for the month, and is 8.5 percent lower than a year ago.

The U.S. unemployment rate for April declined to 3.9 from its March level of 4.1. The number of unemployed workers has dropped 3.2 percent since March and 8.4 percent since April 1999.

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION	Ohio Apr 00	Ohio Mar 00	Ohio Apr 99	U.S. Apr 00	U.S. Mar 00	U.S. Apr 99
Monthly Data (000)						
Civilian Labor Force	5,871	5,876	5,714	141,230	140,867	139,086
Employment	5,646	5,633	5,468	135,706	135,159	133,054
Unemployment	225	243	246	5,524	5,708	6,032
Unemployment Rate	3.8	4.1	4.3	3.9	4.1	4.3



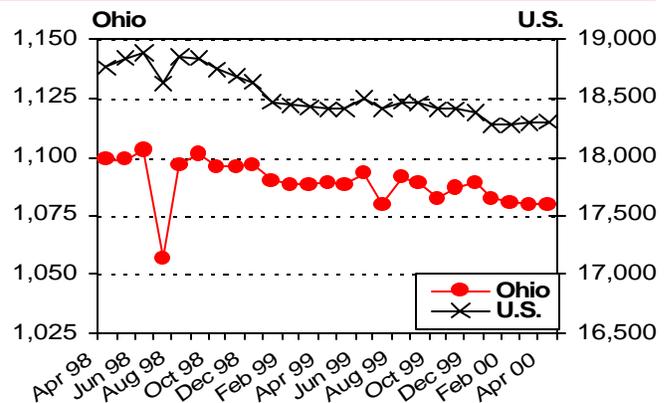
Seasonally adjusted. SOURCE: Ohio Bureau of Employment Services, [LMI Division](#).



## MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT: April 1998 To April 2000

April employment in Ohio's manufacturing industry rose less than 0.1 percent for the month with 1,080,300 workers. This was a decrease of 0.8 percent for the year. Production workers in Ohio's manufacturing industries earned an average of \$717.05 per week in April, up \$4.61 from March. This was \$15.05 more than a year ago, a 2.1 percent increase over April 1999.

The April manufacturing employment in the U.S. increased 0.1 percent for the month with 18,306,000 employees. This was a 0.5 percent decline for the year. Average weekly earnings for production workers rose \$6.18 to \$596.31 in April 2000. This amounted to a 3.9 percent increase of \$22.23 over April 1999.



Employment in thousands. Not seasonally adjusted. SOURCES: Ohio Bureau of Employment Services, [LMI Division](#); U.S. Department of Labor, [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#).



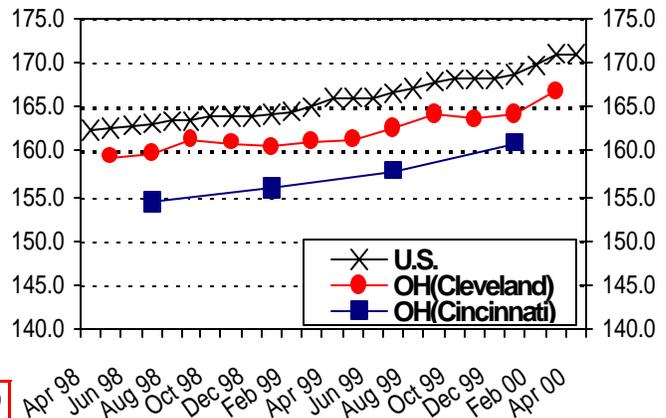
## CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: April 1998 To April 2000

The April U.S. average city consumer price index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.1 percent to 171.2 from 171.1 in March. This was a 3.0 percent increase over April 1999.

The Cleveland all urban consumers CPI for March was 166.8. This was an increase of 1.5 percent from two months ago, and a 3.5 percent increase over a year ago.

For the second half of 1999, Cincinnati's CPI-U increased 2.0 percent over the first half of 1999 with 160.8. This was 3.1 percent higher than the second half of 1998.

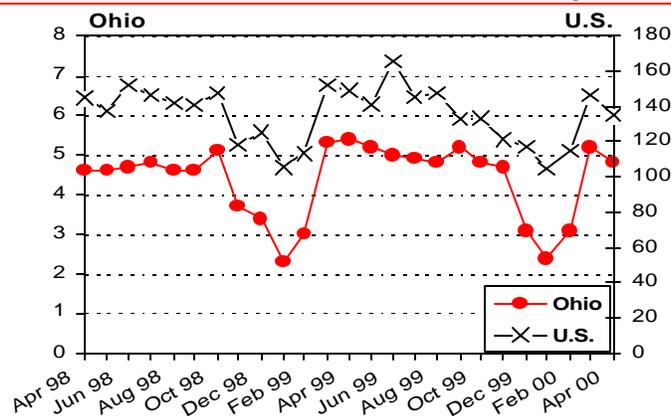
CPI-U Annual % Change	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99
U.S. Average City	3.0%	2.3%	1.6%	2.2%
OH (Cleveland)	2.8%	2.7%	2.4%	1.7%
OH (Cincinnati)	2.3%	1.7%	2.0%	2.6%



Index for all urban consumers (CPI-U), 1982-84=100. US updated monthly; Cleveland, bi-monthly; Cincinnati, semi-annually. SOURCE: U.S. Department of Labor, [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#).



## RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION: April 1998 To April 2000

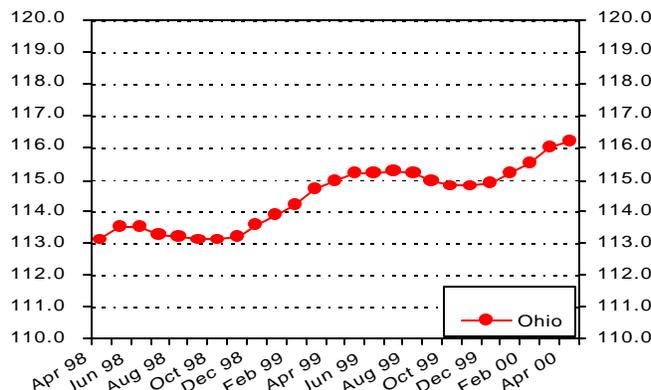


Number of units in thousands.  
Percent of imputed data is greater than 25 percent.  
SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, [Bureau of the Census](#).

The construction of new, privately-owned housing units in Ohio declined 7.3 percent between March 2000 and April 2000, to a total of 4,823 units. This was a decrease of 10.4 percent from the April 1999 figure. The average value per single-family dwelling was \$139,456, 3.7 percent lower than last month, but 3.1 percent more than in April 1999.

In the U.S., the number of units authorized in April 2000 was 135,082, a decrease of 8.1 percent from the March figure. This was 9.4 percent fewer than in April 1999. The average construction valuation per single-family building was \$131,208, 2.4 percent higher than last month, and 6.7 percent more than a year ago.

## INDEX OF LEADING INDICATORS: April 1998 To April 2000

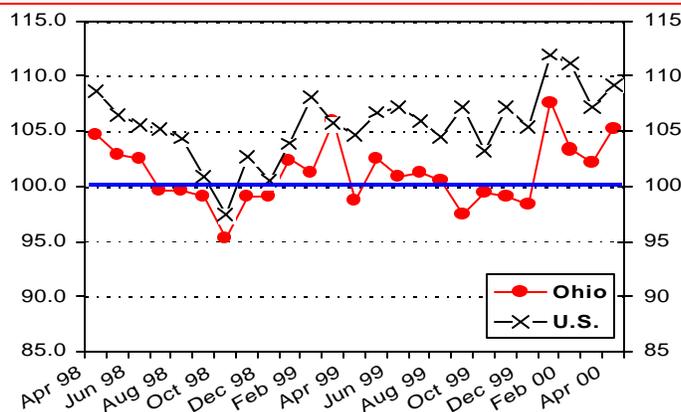


1990=100 Components are not seasonally adjusted.  
Components used in index: 1. valuation of housing permits; 2. Initial claims for unemployment insurance; 3. average weekly hours in manufacturing; 4. U.S. domestic auto production; and the national composite index of leading economic indicators.  
SOURCE: Ohio Bureau of Employment Services, [LMI Division](#).

The composite index of leading economic indicators for Ohio increased 0.2 percent in April to 116.2. This was 1.0 percent higher than a year ago. Initial claims for unemployment insurance declined 11.1 percent for the month and 12.2 percent for the year. Valuation of housing permits dropped 3.5 percent over the month, and was 7.9 percent lower than at this time last year. Average weekly hours for manufacturing rose 0.5 percent to 43.3, 0.2 percent more than in April 1999.

The national composite index of leading indicators for April 2000 declined 0.1 percent to 106.0 for the month. This was 1.2 percent higher than in April 1999. Domestic auto production decreased 15.4 percent to 5.5 million units on an annual basis. This was 8.0 percent less than a year ago.

## CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX: April 1998 To April 2000



Index of 100.0 is benchmark for good economic times.  
SOURCE: Ohio - Ohio State University Center for Survey Research for the Columbus Dispatch/WBNS-TV; U.S. - University of Michigan.

The Ohio **Consumer Confidence** index rose 3.0 percent to 105.3 in April from the March figure of 102.2. This was 6.6 percent higher than a year ago. The index remained well above the 100.0 mark indicating continued consumer optimism.

The U.S. **Index of Consumer Sentiment** rose to 109.2 in April from 107.1 in March, a 2.0 percent increase. This was 4.4 percent higher than the April 1999 index of 104.6. Across the nation, consumers remain extremely confident of their economic future.





### INCOME MEASURES

These are a variety of measures of personal/family income released each year. They tell different stories of growth and well being. Outlined below are seven measures of income with current state and national values. The third column is the Ohio to U.S. ratio. The source of the data is also identified.

INCOME	OHIO	U.S.	RATIO	SOURCE
Gross State Product Per Capita (96)	\$27,248	\$28,776	95%	BEA
Per Capita (99)	\$27,081	\$28,518	95%	BEA
Disposable Personal (98)	\$21,224	\$22,353	95%	BEA
Average Annual Pay (97)	\$28,764	\$30,053	96%	BLS
Median Household (97)	\$35,928	\$36,399	99%	Census
Median Household Effective Buying (98)	\$35,172	\$35,377	99%	S&MM
Median Family (98)	\$60,169	\$56,061	107%	Census

- BEA - U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, [www.bea.doc.gov](http://www.bea.doc.gov)  
 BLS - U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, [www.bls.gov](http://www.bls.gov)  
 Census - U.S. Bureau of the Census, [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)  
 S&MM - Sales and Marketing Management Magazine

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