



Department of Development

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Dear Fellow Ohioan:

The great state of Ohio is divided into 88 counties, each with its own strengths and history. Every county has thousands of people, households, and land parcels that compose the economic and demographic base of each county. In order to present a comprehensive look at each county's characteristics, the Ohio Department of Development has created the County Profiles report, which compiles the most frequently asked data questions into a five-page document that is easy to read and reference.

Historical population counts, land area, property values, land use, educational attainment, household income, poverty levels, travel time to work, labor force, sector employment, active businesses, residential construction, and major employers are all listed for each county.

This report presents the data by county. The reader can develop a comprehensive overview of the county, its economy, and its people. In the companion publication, *County Indicators*, the data is presented by topic, allowing for comparison between counties. These two reports allow you to analyze county demographic and economic data in the way that is most useful to you.

I invite you to review the attached report to further your understanding of Ohio's counties and diverse economy. We welcome your input. If you have any questions or comments, please contact John Magill, our Department's Chief Strategic Officer at (614) 466-2116.

Sincerely,

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