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THE DIRECTORY OF FOREIGN FIRMS WITH INVESTMENT IN OHIO IS A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL FOREIGN ENTERPRISES THAT HAVE EXTENSIVE INVESTMENT OR MANAGERIAL INTEREST WITHIN THE STATE OF OHIO. THE REPORT CONTAINS GRAPHICAL SUMMARIES OF FOREIGN FIRMS IN OHIO, FOLLOWED BY DATA SORTED INTO FOUR CATEGORIES. THE DATA APPEARS IN AN ALPHABETICAL LISTING, COUNTRY OF PARENT COMPANY LISTING, COUNTY LOCATION LISTING, AND STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CODE FORMAT. ALSO INCLUDED WITH THE REPORT ARE PROFILES OF THE MAJOR FOREIGN EMPLOYERS OPERATING IN OHIO.

THIS LISTING WAS CREATED WITH THE COOPERATION OF FOREIGN FIRMS OPERATING IN THE STATE OF OHIO. FOREIGN CORPORATIONS ARE DEFINED ACCORDING TO U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE STANDARDS; WHICH DETERMINES FOREIGN FIRMS TO BE ANY FIRM WITH FOREIGN DIRECT OWNERSHIP OR INVESTMENT OF 10% OR MORE. INITIAL INFORMATION WAS GATHERED THROUGH PAST LISTS, COMBINED WITH CORROBORATION FROM PUBLIC RECORDS, NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINE ARTICLES. VERIFICATION WAS PROVIDED THROUGH TELEPHONE AND MAIL SURVEYS OF MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL AT OHIO OPERATIONS. THERE IS NO MANDATORY STATE FILING OF FOREIGN STATUS, THUS THIS REPORT WAS MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE VOLUNTARY COOPERATION OF COMPANIES LISTED. DUE TO THE VOLUNTARY NATURE OF FOREIGN FIRM COOPERATION, NUMBERS WILL DIFFER FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE STATISTICAL TOTALS. COMPANIES WHO REQUESTED THAT THEIR INFORMATION NOT BE DISCLOSED ARE NOT LISTED IN THE DIRECTORY.

WHEN USING THIS DIRECTORY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO REALIZE THAT GLOBAL TRADE AND COMMERCE IS DYNAMIC AND IN CONSTANT FLUX. OWNERSHIP, LOCATION, AND EVEN OPERATION OF MANY OF THE COMPANIES LISTED WILL BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. EMPLOYMENT COUNTS MAY DIFFER FROM TOTALS PUBLISHED BY OTHER GOVERNMENT SOURCES DUE TO AGGREGATION, DEFINITION, AND TIME PERIODS. *ALL INFORMATION LISTED SHOULD BE CONSIDERED CURRENT AS OF DECEMBER 2000.*

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Foreign Investment in Ohio:

Executive Summary

- This survey identified 864 foreign firm establishments employing 201,580 people, currently operating in the State of Ohio.
- When analyzed by source region, European investment and Asian investment has the most substantial impact in Ohio. European firms employ 123,288 and operate 463 establishments in Ohio, Asian firms employ 63,491 and operate 277 establishments. North America is the third largest investment source region. All North American investment is affiliated with Canadian corporations, Canadian firms employ 13,676 in 118 establishments.
- Foreign Firm employment and establishments in Ohio are lead by several countries. Japanese firms are first on the list, with 62,220 employees and 268 establishments. The United Kingdom is second with 40,651 employees and 133 establishments. Germany rounds out the top three with Ohio employment totaling 36,803 and 139 establishments. Other major operators include France, Canada, the Netherlands and Switzerland. Together these seven countries consist of 94% of the foreign employment in the state and operate 91% of the foreign establishments in Ohio.
- Foreign Firm employment is primarily associated with manufacturing activities, foreign firms classified in the manufacturing sector consist of 79% of the total foreign firm employment. The top four manufacturing sectors for foreign firm employment are: transportation equipment, industrial machinery & equipment, electronic equipment and chemicals & allied products. The remaining 21% of Ohio's foreign firm employment is non manufacturing related, the largest non-manufacturing foreign employment was in services, retail trade and wholesale trade.
- Foreign firm employment is concentrated in the central counties of Ohio's metropolitan areas. Cuyahoga County is first in foreign firm employment (36,131) and number of establishments (135). Franklin County ranks second in employment (20,419) and establishments (98). The other top counties for foreign investment were Hamilton County, Montgomery County, Summit County and Lucas County.
- A large group of foreign parent corporations lead the state in foreign firm employment. Fifteen foreign firms employ more than 2,000 in Ohio. Of these fifteen firms, the automotive giants, Honda Motor Co., Ltd. (14,341 employees) and Daimler Chrysler (13,929 employees) lead the list.