

Ohio County Profiles

Lorain County

Civilian Labor Force	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Civilian labor force	151,300	153,700	152,500	153,800	151,200
Employed	145,100	146,300	144,100	144,400	142,400
Unemployed	6,100	7,400	8,500	9,400	8,800
Unemployment rate	4.1	4.8	5.5	6.1	5.8

Employment and Wages by Sector

NAICS Industrial Sector	Average Annual Employment		Total Wages (in thousands of dollars)	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
Total covered under Ohio UC Law	99,074	99,266	\$3,107,243	\$3,198,293
Private Sector	84,897	84,849	\$2,614,252	\$2,689,418
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	-1	-1	\$0	\$0
Mining	-1	-1	\$0	\$0
Utilities	452	407	\$25,665	\$23,784
Construction	5,521	5,635	\$188,701	\$196,178
Manufacturing	23,042	22,044	\$1,043,950	\$1,059,467
Wholesale trade	2,501	2,603	\$95,642	\$103,165
Retail trade	13,036	13,108	\$257,879	\$262,419
Transportation and warehousing	1,876	1,922	\$58,275	\$59,294
Information	1,428	1,395	\$44,635	\$43,923
Finance and insurance	2,063	2,104	\$67,727	\$73,870
Real estate and rental and leasing	1,030	978	\$22,806	\$21,615
Professional and technical services	1,946	1,931	\$77,840	\$80,650
Management of companies and enterprises	357	393	\$21,045	\$21,937
Administrative and waste services	4,267	4,508	\$89,587	\$99,436
Educational services	1,875	2,028	\$65,618	\$67,192
Health care and social assistance	12,000	12,253	\$371,214	\$390,255
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	1,348	1,350	\$16,958	\$17,291
Accommodation and food services	7,801	8,040	\$76,267	\$80,142
Other services, except public administration	3,610	3,412	\$72,855	\$71,605
State and Local Government	14,177	14,417	\$492,992	\$508,875
State government	1,241	1,226	\$52,851	\$54,364
Local government	12,936	13,191	\$440,141	\$454,511
Federal Government	1,206	1,195	\$107,818	\$109,039

-1 or \$0 indicates suppression for confidentiality

Major Employers

Community Health Partners	Service
Elyria City Bd of Ed	Gov't
Emerson Electric/Ridge Tool	Mfg
EMH Regional Medical Center	Service
Ford Motor Co	Mfg
Invacare Corp	Mfg
Lorain City Bd of Ed	Gov't
Lorain County Government	Gov't
Nordson Corp	Mfg
Oberlin College	Service
PolyOne Corp	Mfg
Republic Engineered Products	Mfg
State of Ohio	Gov't

Starting and

Active Businesses	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Business starts	517	636	549	713	570
Active businesses	4,916	5,058	5,283	5,446	5,562

Residential Construction

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Total units	1,784	1,631	2,123	2,262	2,041
Total valuation (000)	\$268,252	\$275,708	\$337,975	\$359,657	\$371,397
Total single-unit bldgs	1,326	1,528	1,844	2,119	1,965
Average cost per unit	\$181,415	\$174,636	\$172,939	\$163,340	\$184,585
Total multi-unit bldg units	458	103	279	143	76
Average cost per unit	\$60,473	\$86,059	\$68,373	\$94,677	\$114,303