



# Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages

Annual 2018

**Summary** - Employment covered under the Ohio Unemployment Compensation Law averaged 5.33 million during 2018 – up 0.8 percent from one year ago. Thirteen private industrial sectors experienced employment increases. Increases in total employment ranged from 6.9 percent in Transportation & warehousing to 0.4 percent in both Real estate and rental and leasing and Administrative & waste services. The Utilities sector was essentially unchanged.

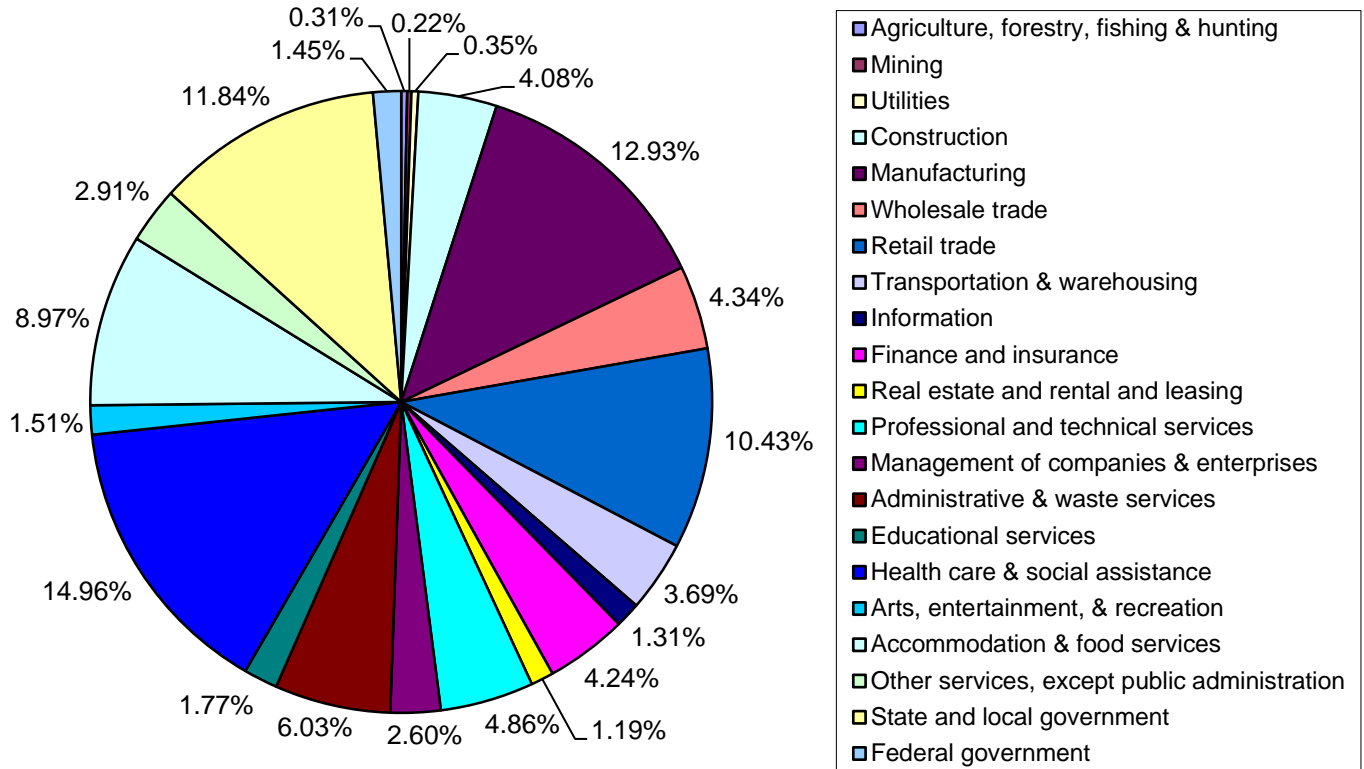
The largest decrease, down 2.2 percent since 2017, was experienced by Retail trade. The following sectors also experienced employment declines: Wholesale trade, Information, Management of companies & enterprises, and Educational services. State & local government employment increased 0.1 percent from the previous year and Federal employment increased by 0.4 percent since 2017.

The 2018 annual payroll of \$267.2 billion was an increase of 3.7 percent since 2017. All nineteen industrial sectors experienced payroll increases. Increases in total wages ranged from 10.6 percent in Transportation & warehousing to 0.6 percent in Retail trade. During this same period, State & local government wages increased by 2.8 percent and Federal government wages increased 4.0 percent.

Industrial Sector	Average Employment 2018	Wages (in thousands) 2018	Percent Change 2017 to 2018	
			Employment	Wages
<b>Total Covered under Ohio UC Law</b>	<b>5,327,253</b>	<b>\$267,218,888</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>3.7</b>
Agriculture, forestry, fishing & hunting	16,662	589,628	1.9	7.6
Mining	11,859	869,043	6.3	9.2
Utilities	19,110	1,932,198	0.0	4.3
Construction	220,709	13,505,958	1.7	2.3
Manufacturing	698,950	42,976,547	1.9	4.4
Wholesale trade	234,789	16,823,836	-0.5	3.2
Retail trade	563,820	16,155,825	-2.2	0.6
Transportation & warehousing	199,530	10,098,146	6.9	10.6
Information	70,930	4,965,523	-0.9	2.2
Finance and insurance	229,394	18,235,962	2.1	6.1
Real estate and rental and leasing	64,155	3,115,686	0.4	3.8
Professional and technical services	262,870	19,872,778	1.8	4.6
Management of companies & enterprises	140,729	15,341,145	-0.9	1.2
Administrative & waste services	325,830	11,473,905	0.4	3.3
Educational services	95,539	3,496,856	-0.2	1.9
Health care & social assistance	808,602	38,462,576	0.9	3.3
Arts, entertainment, & recreation	81,785	2,834,974	3.0	4.7
Accommodation & food services	484,896	8,192,014	0.8	4.3
Other services, except public administration	157,089	5,347,277	0.9	3.8
State and local government	640,007	32,929,012	0.1	2.8
Federal government	78,638	6,174,073	0.4	4.0

The following chart represents the distribution of Ohio’s employment by industrial sector. Health care & social assistance employs the largest number of workers with nearly 15 percent of the state’s workforce. Manufacturing, State and local government, and Retail trade each employ more than 10 percent of Ohio’s workers.

### 2018 Average Annual Employment by Industrial Sector



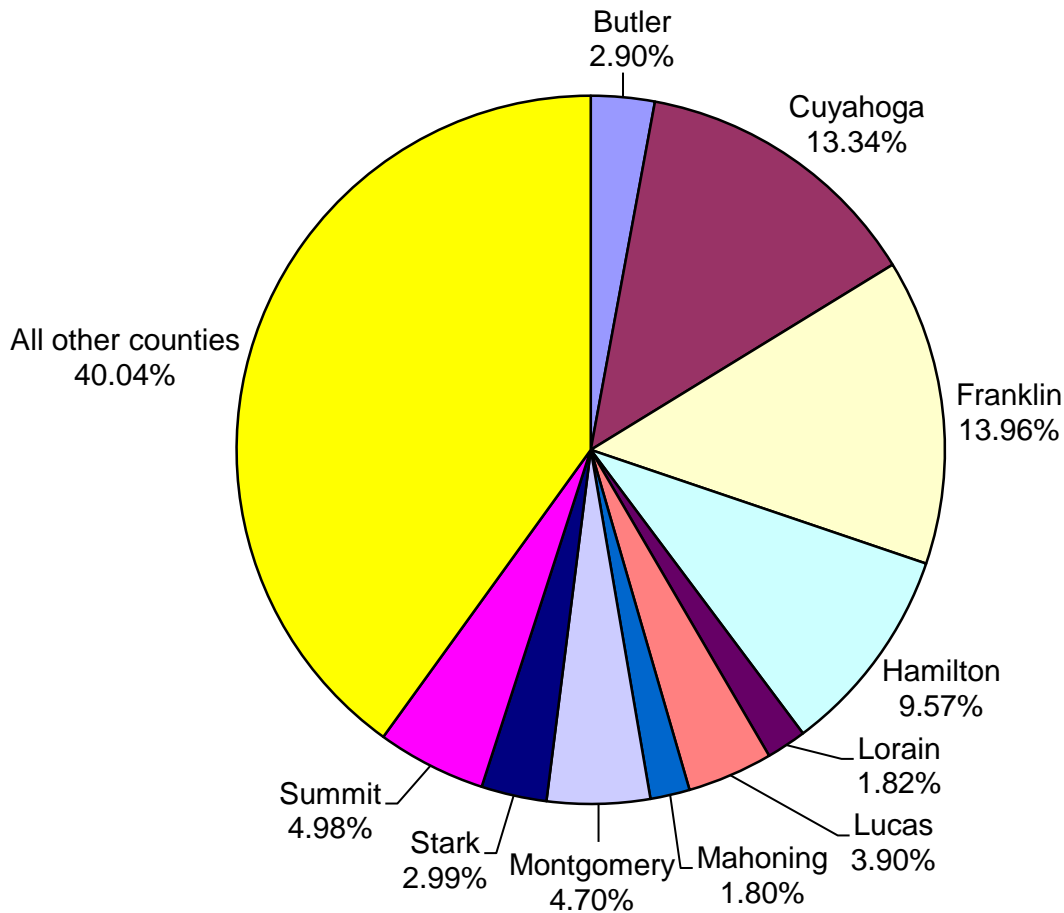
Eight of Ohio’s ten largest counties experienced employment increases since 2017. Increases ranged from 1.5 percent in Lucas County to 0.1 percent in Lorain County. Montgomery County declined 0.1 percent and Summit County was essentially unchanged from one year ago.

Each of the ten largest counties experienced payroll increases in 2018. Payroll gains ranged from 4.9 percent in Lucas County to 2.5 percent in Butler County.

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Butler	154,656	7,599,516	0.8	2.5
Cuyahoga	710,644	40,323,984	1.0	3.5
Franklin	743,750	41,660,635	1.1	4.2
Hamilton	509,860	30,605,236	0.6	3.2
Lorain	97,108	4,137,241	0.1	3.3
Lucas	207,890	10,038,436	1.5	4.9
Mahoning	95,939	3,749,270	0.6	3.1
Montgomery	250,294	11,799,196	-0.1	3.1
Stark	159,051	6,678,816	0.5	3.5
Summit	265,112	13,092,043	0.0	2.7
All other counties	2,132,949	97,534,515	0.8	3.9

The chart that follows presents the percentage of Ohio covered employment in each of the ten largest counties and all other counties combined. Ten of Ohio's 88 counties account for nearly 60 percent of the state's covered employment.

### 2018 Average Annual Employment - Ten Largest Counties



**Comparability with Other Data.** This annual data may not compare with the monthly data published in the *Labor Market Review*. Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages data are tabulated from reports of employment covered by Ohio Unemployment Compensation Law. The monthly data presented in the *Labor Market Review* are from a sample survey of employers and represent estimates of total employment in the nonagricultural wage and salary sectors.

**Further Data.** These data were compiled from quarterly reports for more than 297,000 reporting units. Summary tabulations are published in preliminary form by industrial sector and county. They present average annual employment tabulations and total annual payroll figures for each county in Ohio. Data for earlier periods or years and definitions of covered employment and payroll concepts are available upon request.

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