



# Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages

## Fourth Quarter 2020

**Summary** - Employment covered under the Ohio Unemployment Compensation Law totaled 5.124 million in the fourth quarter of 2020 – down 5.2 percent from one year ago. Two industrial sectors experienced an employment increase. Transportation & Warehousing and Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting saw an increase in total employment by 5.8 and 0.5 percent respectively in the fourth quarter. Finance and Insurance was essentially unchanged.

Sixteen private industrial sectors experienced an employment decline ranging from 24.8 percent in Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation to 1.5 percent in Management of Companies & Enterprises. State and Local Government employment decreased 5.2 percent while Federal Government employment increased 1.0 percent since fourth quarter of 2019.

The fourth quarter 2020 payroll of \$76.7 billion was an increase of 6.3 percent from its same calendar point in 2019. Sixteen industrial sectors experienced payroll increases in the fourth quarter. Increases ranged from 17.4 percent in Transportation & Warehousing to 0.6 percent in Other Services, Except Public Administration. Three industrial sectors experienced payroll decreases. Decreases in payroll ranged from 22.5 percent in Mining to 11.3 percent in Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation. During this same period, State & Local Government wages increased 3.6 percent. Federal Government employees showed a 5.6 percent increase in wages compared to the previous year.

Industrial Sector	Average Employment Fourth Quarter 2020	Wages (in thousands) Fourth Quarter 2020	Percent Change Fourth Quarter 2019 to Fourth Quarter 2020	
			Employment	Wages
<b>Total Covered under Ohio UC Law</b>	<b>5,123,619</b>	<b>\$76,740,203</b>	<b>-5.2</b>	<b>6.3</b>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	16,894	195,901	0.5	14.6
Mining	8,289	162,296	-24.4	-22.5
Utilities	18,225	495,189	-1.6	13.1
Construction	223,119	4,127,413	-3.4	2.7
Manufacturing	659,192	11,807,876	-5.3	3.5
Wholesale Trade	225,598	4,758,933	-4.8	4.3
Retail Trade	554,772	4,816,058	-2.5	11.1
Transportation & Warehousing	239,508	3,339,126	5.8	17.4
Information	62,999	1,329,943	-8.6	4.0
Finance and Insurance	226,365	5,303,492	0.0	14.1
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	62,253	933,865	-5.6	4.7
Professional and Technical Services	262,537	6,099,740	-2.6	6.2
Management of Companies & Enterprises	138,306	4,074,709	-1.5	13.2
Administrative & Waste Services	316,500	3,421,581	-4.2	9.3
Educational Services	85,540	917,353	-9.3	1.4
Health Care & Social Assistance	791,145	11,622,782	-3.6	9.0
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	58,228	761,847	-24.8	-11.3
Accommodation & Food Services	406,774	1,933,795	-16.0	-12.5
Other Services, Except Public Administration	141,448	1,444,820	-10.4	0.6
State and Local Government	625,926	9,193,485	-5.2	3.6
Federal Government	81,007	1,793,209	1.0	5.6

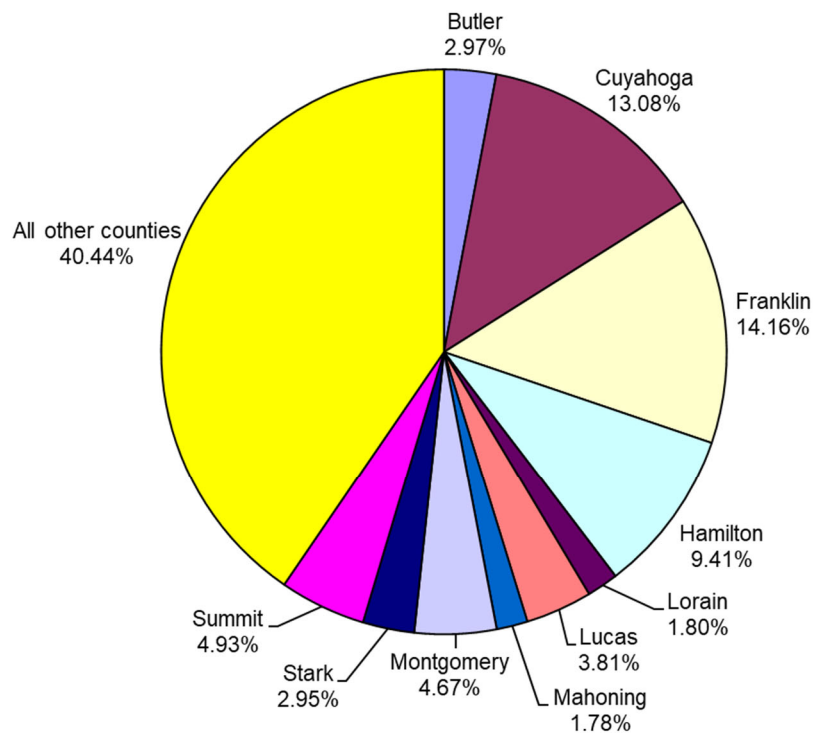
All ten of Ohio’s largest counties experienced employment decreases from their fourth quarter 2019 levels. Decreases ranged from 7.0 percent in Cuyahoga County to 4.7 percent in Butler County.

All ten of Ohio’s largest counties experienced payroll increases since the fourth quarter of 2019. Payroll increased by 9.1 percent in Franklin County and by 2.6 percent in Cuyahoga County.

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Butler	152,148	\$2,212,796	-4.7	8.9
Cuyahoga	670,131	\$11,392,170	-7.0	2.6
Franklin	725,728	\$12,089,001	-5.1	9.1
Hamilton	482,248	\$8,647,120	-6.5	4.7
Lorain	92,023	\$1,170,849	-5.9	5.5
Lucas	195,192	\$2,824,885	-6.5	3.9
Mahoning	91,180	\$1,065,533	-6.1	4.1
Montgomery	239,336	\$3,426,835	-5.5	6.4
Stark	150,992	\$1,930,511	-5.3	7.0
Summit	252,783	\$3,712,114	-5.5	6.0
All other counties	2,071,858	\$28,268,389	-4.0	7.3

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.

**Percentage of Fourth Quarter 2020 Employment - Ten Largest Counties**



**Comparability with Other Data.** This quarterly 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 over 307,000 reporting units. Summary tabulations are published in preliminary form, for the fourth quarter of 2020, by industrial sector and county. They present average quarterly employment tabulations and fourth quarter 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.

**Additional Information.** For additional information, contact the Bureau of Labor Market Information, Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, 30 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43266-0423, (614) 752-9494 or visit our website at <https://ohiolmi.com/>.

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