



Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages

Fourth Quarter 2021

Summary - Employment covered under the Ohio Unemployment Compensation Law totaled 5.271 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 – up 2.9 percent from one year ago. Fifteen industrial sectors experienced an employment increase. Increases ranged from 20.6 percent in Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation to 1.6 percent in Mining.

Three private industrial sectors experienced an employment decline. Declines ranged from 1.7 percent in Utilities to 0.1 percent in Management of Companies & Enterprises. Retail Trade was essentially unchanged. State and Local Government employment increased 1.4 percent while Federal Government employment decreased 1.0 percent since fourth quarter of 2020.

The fourth quarter 2021 payroll of \$83.1 billion was an increase of 8.3 percent from its same calendar point in 2020. All but one of the industrial sectors experienced payroll increases in the fourth quarter. Increases ranged from 27.2 percent in Accommodation & Food Services to 4.6 percent in Health Care & Social Assistance. Only the Utilities industrial sector experienced a payroll decrease of 1.9 percent. During this same period, State & Local Government wages increased 3.9 percent. Federal Government employees showed a 3.0 percent increase in wages compared to the previous year.

Industrial Sector	Average Employment Fourth Quarter 2021	Wages (in thousands) Fourth Quarter 2021	Percent Change Fourth Quarter 2020 to Fourth Quarter 2021	
			Employment	Wages
Total Covered under Ohio UC Law	5,271,432	\$83,129,713	2.9	8.3
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	17,636	222,385	4.4	13.5
Mining	8,418	175,553	1.6	8.2
Utilities	17,918	485,623	-1.7	-1.9
Construction	230,646	4,436,819	3.4	7.5
Manufacturing	672,757	12,404,830	2.1	5.1
Wholesale Trade	233,626	5,353,174	3.6	12.5
Retail Trade	554,734	5,290,693	0.0	9.9
Transportation & Warehousing	254,865	3,794,091	6.4	13.6
Information	66,784	1,479,024	6.0	11.2
Finance and Insurance	234,037	5,662,640	3.4	6.8
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	64,909	1,055,328	4.3	13.0
Professional and Technical Services	276,061	6,799,727	5.2	11.5
Management of Companies & Enterprises	138,226	4,395,459	-0.1	7.9
Administrative & Waste Services	326,319	3,939,265	3.1	15.1
Educational Services	88,688	971,803	3.7	5.9
Health Care & Social Assistance	784,721	12,159,605	-0.8	4.6
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	70,217	866,398	20.6	13.7
Accommodation & Food Services	447,056	2,459,517	9.9	27.2
Other Services, Except Public Administration	149,282	1,626,077	5.5	12.5
State and Local Government	634,531	9,551,702	1.4	3.9
Federal Government	80,167	1,847,540	-1.0	3.0

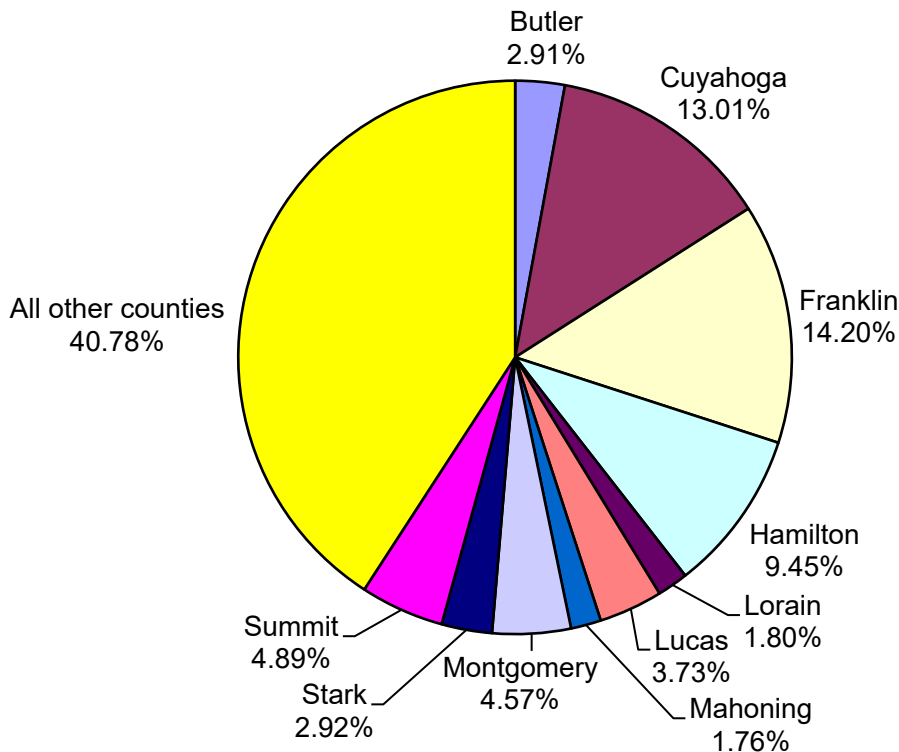
All ten of Ohio’s largest counties experienced employment increases from their fourth quarter 2020 levels. Increases ranged from 3.3 percent in Hamilton County to 0.6 percent in Lucas County.

All ten of the largest counties experienced payroll increases since 2020. Payroll increases since the fourth quarter of 2020 ranged from 9.5 percent in Cuyahoga County to 4.4 percent in Lucas County.

Industrial Sector	Average Employment Fourth Quarter 2021	Wages (in thousands) Fourth Quarter 2021	Percent Change Fourth Quarter 2020 to Fourth Quarter 2021	
			Employment	Wages
Total Covered under Ohio UC Law	5,271,432	\$83,129,713	2.9	8.3
Butler	153,205	\$2,321,043	0.7	4.9
Cuyahoga	685,667	\$12,475,977	2.3	9.5
Franklin	748,432	\$12,919,048	3.1	6.9
Hamilton	498,118	\$9,293,522	3.3	7.5
Lorain	94,647	\$1,250,542	2.9	6.8
Lucas	196,450	\$2,948,901	0.6	4.4
Mahoning	92,594	\$1,148,342	1.6	7.8
Montgomery	241,144	\$3,639,229	0.8	6.2
Stark	153,923	\$2,030,952	1.9	5.2
Summit	257,554	\$3,944,072	1.9	7.6
All other counties	2,149,698	\$31,108,085	3.8	10.0

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 2021 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 320,000 reporting units. Summary tabulations are published in preliminary form, for the fourth quarter of 2021, 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/>.

Ohio Department of Job and Family Services
Office of Workforce Development
Bureau of Labor Market Information
Columbus 43266 07/29/2022 RS 203