



# Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages

## Second Quarter 2024

**Summary** - Employment covered under the Ohio Unemployment Compensation Law totaled 5.452 million in the second quarter of 2024 – up 0.8 percent from one year ago. Eleven industrial sectors experienced employment increases in the second quarter. Increases ranged from 4.2 percent in Health Care & Social Assistance to 0.6 percent in Real Estate and Rental and Leasing.

Eight industrial sectors experienced employment declines. Declines ranged from 5.2 percent in Administrative & Waste Services to 0.5 percent in Retail Trade. State and Local Government employment increased 2.1 percent and Federal Government employment increased 3.1 percent compared to the previous year.

The second quarter 2024 payroll of \$85.46 billion was an increase of 5.5 percent from its same calendar point in 2023. Seventeen industrial sectors experienced payroll increases in the second quarter. Increases ranged from 10.5 percent in Construction to 1.6 percent in Retail Trade. Two industrial sectors, Mining (0.5 percent) and Administrative & Waste Services (3.7 percent) experienced payroll decreases. During this same period, State and Local Government wages increased 8.8 percent. Federal Government employees showed a 5.7 percent increase in wages compared to the previous year.

Industrial Sector	Average Employment Second Quarter 2024	Wages (in thousands) Second Quarter 2024	Percent Change Second Quarter 2023 to Second Quarter 2024	
			Employment	Wages
<b>Total Covered under Ohio UC Law</b>	<b>5,451,526</b>	<b>\$85,464,208</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>5.5</b>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	20,027	226,204	4.1	6.9
Mining	8,781	184,351	-5.0	-0.5
Utilities	18,525	509,149	2.6	4.9
Construction	249,661	4,677,717	3.7	10.5
Manufacturing	684,127	12,668,153	-0.6	5.1
Wholesale Trade	240,245	5,245,475	-0.7	4.7
Retail Trade	539,618	4,937,317	-0.5	1.6
Transportation & Warehousing	246,971	3,834,158	1.8	6.5
Information	66,399	1,649,975	-2.6	7.6
Finance and Insurance	234,875	5,558,491	-1.7	4.1
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	69,833	1,042,401	0.6	3.9
Professional and Technical Services	288,559	6,884,375	-0.9	3.8
Management of Companies & Enterprises	145,908	4,529,511	1.8	7.1
Administrative & Waste Services	295,594	3,615,105	-5.2	-3.7
Educational Services	93,826	1,104,450	2.4	6.7
Health Care & Social Assistance	846,001	12,758,332	4.2	7.0
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	95,981	941,199	2.7	8.7
Accommodation & Food Services	490,518	2,812,455	1.0	3.7
Other Services, Except Public Administration	160,456	1,760,376	1.7	5.0
State and Local Government	655,620	10,525,013	2.1	8.8
Federal Government	84,887	1,897,347	3.1	5.7

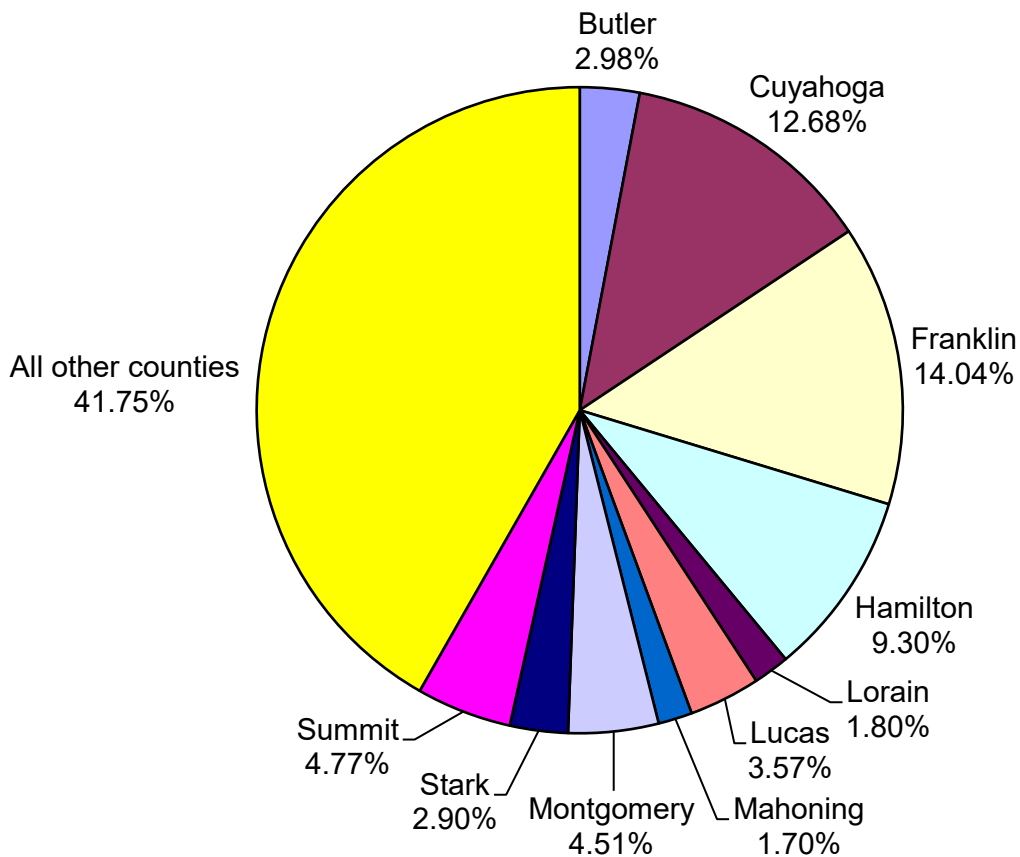
Seven of Ohio’s largest counties experienced employment increases from their second quarter 2023 levels. Increases ranged from 2.1 percent in Butler and Stark Counties to 0.3 percent in Mahoning County. Hamilton, Lucas, and Summit Counties experienced employment decreases of 0.3, 0.6, and 0.2 percent, respectively.

All ten of Ohio’s largest counties experienced payroll increases since 2023. Payroll increases ranged from 8.0 percent in Butler County to 3.1 percent in Summit County.

County	Average Employment Second Quarter 2024	Wages (in thousands) Second Quarter 2024	Percent Change Second Quarter 2023 to Second Quarter 2024	
			Employment	Wages
<b>Total Covered under Ohio UC Law</b>	<b>5,451,526</b>	<b>\$85,464,208</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>5.5</b>
Butler	162,529	2,560,232	2.1	8.0
Cuyahoga	691,034	12,049,275	0.4	3.9
Franklin	765,600	13,586,515	1.1	6.6
Hamilton	507,100	9,149,584	-0.3	4.0
Lorain	98,148	1,319,287	0.7	6.7
Lucas	194,570	2,911,398	-0.6	5.0
Mahoning	92,492	1,129,225	0.3	3.9
Montgomery	245,930	3,622,557	1.3	4.8
Stark	158,105	2,056,408	2.1	6.6
Summit	259,939	3,831,417	-0.2	3.1
All other counties	2,276,079	33,248,310	1.1	6.1

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 Second Quarter 2024 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 342,000 reporting units. Summary tabulations are published in preliminary form, for the second quarter of 2024, by industrial sector and county. They present average quarterly employment tabulations and second 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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