



Office of Workforce Development  
Bureau of Labor Market Information

# Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages

## First Quarter 2007

**Summary** - Employment covered under the Ohio Unemployment Compensation Law totaled 5.14 million in the first quarter of 2007 – down 0.4 percent from one year ago. Management of companies & enterprises experienced the largest increase – up 3.9 percent since the first quarter of 2006. The following sectors also experienced increases in employment from twelve months ago: Mining; Utilities; Wholesale trade; Transportation & warehousing; Professional and technical services; Educational services; Health care & social assistance; and Accommodation & food services.

Ten private industrial sectors experienced employment declines. Decreases in these sectors ranged from 3.7 percent in Construction to 0.1 percent in Arts, entertainment, & recreation. State & local government employment decreased 0.2 percent and Federal employment decreased by 0.5 percent since 2006.

The first quarter 2007 payroll of \$52.473 billion was an increase of 5.1 percent from its same calendar point in 2006. Eighteen industrial sectors experienced payroll increases in the first quarter. Increases in total wages ranged from 12.4 percent in Management of companies & enterprises to 0.3 percent in Real estate and rental and leasing. Only two sectors experienced wage decreases. Construction payroll decreased 0.5 percent since last year. During this same period, State & local government wages increased 6.2 percent while Federal employees experienced a 8.7 percent increase.

Industrial Sector	Average Employment First Quarter 2007	Wages (in thousands) First Quarter 2007	Percent Change First Quarter 2006 to First Quarter 2007	
			Employment	Wages
<b>Total Covered under Ohio UC Law</b>	<b>5,135,112</b>	<b>\$52,472,627</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>5.1</b>
Agriculture, forestry, fishing & hunting	10,970	70,690	-2.7	1.6
Mining	10,785	162,137	2.6	6.4
Utilities	20,592	463,966	1.3	2.5
Construction	202,726	2,134,617	-3.7	-0.5
Manufacturing	776,034	10,388,759	-2.8	3.8
Wholesale trade	236,488	3,392,945	0.3	5.3
Retail trade	591,077	3,492,544	-0.6	3.0
Transportation & warehousing	177,312	1,813,488	3.2	6.5
Information	87,303	1,235,289	-1.8	3.0
Finance and insurance	227,830	3,974,934	-1.0	5.7
Real estate and rental and leasing	65,770	577,619	-2.1	0.3
Professional and technical services	247,118	3,512,438	3.2	9.4
Management of companies & enterprises	104,869	2,876,981	3.9	12.4
Administrative & waste services	296,649	2,038,634	-0.4	6.5
Educational services	87,481	662,966	0.3	3.0
Health care & social assistance	678,397	6,041,137	1.0	3.9
Arts, entertainment, & recreation	49,716	385,331	-0.1	7.5
Accommodation & food services	421,986	1,330,065	0.2	5.9
Other services, except public administration	162,441	975,262	-1.3	2.1
State and local government	679,567	6,942,824	-0.2	6.2
Federal government	75,951	1,214,656	-0.5	8.7

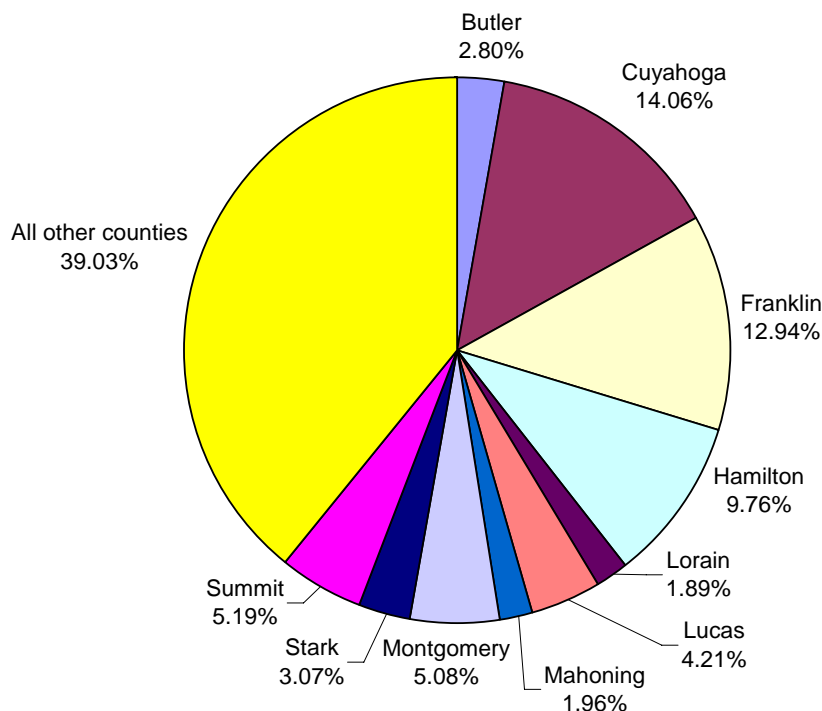
Four of Ohio's ten largest counties experienced employment increases from their first quarter 2006 levels. Increases ranged from 1.9 percent in Butler County to 0.5 percent in Mahoning County. Cuyahoga, Hamilton, Lorain, Lucas, Montgomery, and Stark Counties all suffered employment declines from one year ago with drops ranging from 2.7 percent in Montgomery County to 0.4 percent in Stark County.

All of the ten largest counties experienced payroll increases since 2006. Payroll gains ranged from 7.8 percent in Franklin County to 1.2 percent in Lucas County.

County	Average Employment First Quarter 2007	Wages (in thousands) First Quarter 2007	Percent Change First Quarter 2006 to First Quarter 2007	
			Employment	Wages
<b>Total Covered under Ohio UC Law</b>	<b>5,135,112</b>	<b>\$52,472,627</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>5.1</b>
Butler	143,765	1,399,149	1.9	5.2
Cuyahoga	722,195	8,492,152	-0.5	5.3
Franklin	664,368	7,705,054	0.6	7.8
Hamilton	501,381	6,190,959	-1.6	3.4
Lorain	97,130	874,377	-0.9	1.5
Lucas	216,154	2,164,851	-2.1	1.2
Mahoning	100,789	803,704	0.5	4.7
Montgomery	260,825	2,803,335	-2.7	6.6
Stark	157,835	1,370,873	-0.4	3.9
Summit	266,298	2,735,109	0.6	5.3
All other counties	2,004,372	17,933,064	-0.1	4.9

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 almost 61 percent of the state's covered employment.

**First Quarter 2007 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 292,000 reporting units. Summary tabulations are enclosed in preliminary form, for the first quarter of 2007, by industrial sector and county. They present average quarterly employment tabulations and first 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 <http://www.lmi.state.oh.us/cep/cep.htm>.

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