



Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages

First Quarter 2012

Summary - Employment covered under the Ohio Unemployment Compensation Law totaled 4.85 million in the first quarter of 2012 – up 1.9 percent from one year ago. Fifteen industrial sectors experienced employment increases in the first quarter. Increases in total employment ranged from 12.1 percent in Management of companies & enterprises to 0.4 percent in both Utilities and Real estate and rental and leasing.

Four private industrial sectors experienced an employment decline. Decreases in these sectors ranged from 2.0 percent in Educational Services to 0.6 percent in Finance and insurance. State and local government decreased 1.9 percent and Federal employment decreased 2.5 percent since 2011.

The first quarter 2012 payroll of \$54.554 billion was an increase of 8.5 percent from its same calendar point in 2011. All nineteen industrial sectors experienced payroll increases in the first quarter. Increases in total wages ranged from 32.9 percent in Management of companies & enterprises to 1.7 percent in Educational services. During this same period, State & local government wages increased 3.5 percent while Federal employees experienced an 11.2 percent increase.

Industrial Sector	Average Employment First Quarter 2012	Wages (in thousands) First Quarter 2012	Percent Change First Quarter 2011 to First Quarter 2012	
			Employment	Wages
Total Covered under Ohio UC Law	4,854,421	\$54,554,464	1.9	8.5
Agriculture, forestry, fishing & hunting	11,826	84,981	4.5	12.2
Mining	11,531	203,863	9.1	13.0
Utilities	19,247	468,286	0.4	6.7
Construction	162,620	1,952,047	7.7	13.8
Manufacturing	647,288	9,367,659	3.5	7.7
Wholesale trade	220,162	3,544,596	3.5	11.0
Retail trade	547,678	3,503,318	1.2	8.1
Transportation & warehousing	158,530	1,727,644	2.9	8.9
Information	74,789	1,209,392	-1.2	3.9
Finance and insurance	206,628	3,827,882	-0.6	3.6
Real estate and rental and leasing	56,102	564,577	0.4	9.6
Professional and technical services	241,590	3,851,351	-1.3	2.1
Management of companies & enterprises	126,384	3,951,219	12.1	32.9
Administrative & waste services	285,477	2,209,632	4.5	9.2
Educational services	93,618	774,809	-2.0	1.7
Health care & social assistance	739,625	7,360,177	1.7	8.2
Arts, entertainment, & recreation	48,932	361,243	3.7	10.2
Accommodation & food services	412,481	1,457,114	3.0	9.4
Other services, except public administration	150,601	1,002,985	1.7	9.2
State and local government	639,313	7,131,690	-1.9	3.5
Federal government	78,607	1,448,464	-2.5	11.2

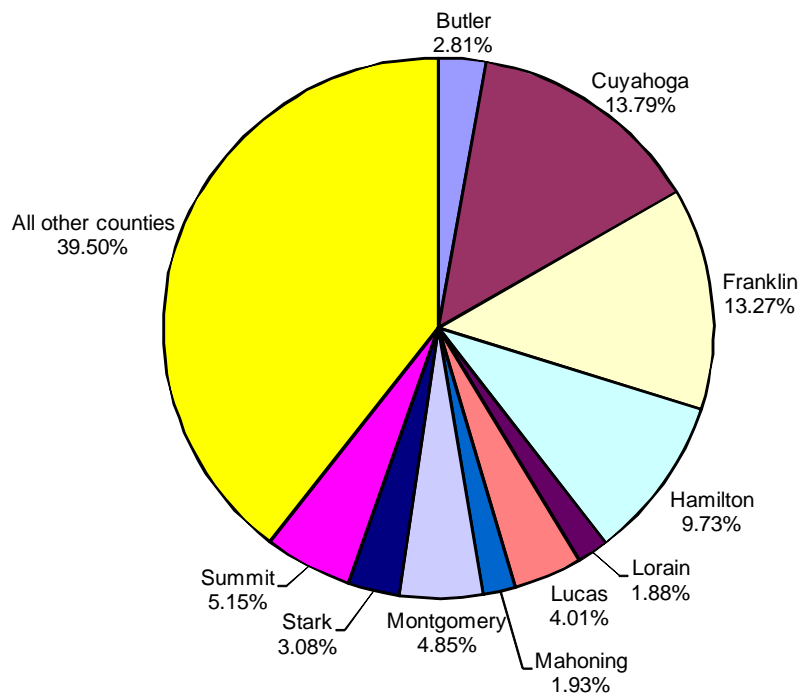
All of Ohio's ten largest counties experienced employment increases from their first quarter 2011 levels. Increases ranged from 2.4 percent in Franklin County to 0.5 percent in Butler County.

Each of the ten largest counties experienced payroll increases since 2011. Payroll gains since the first quarter of 2011 ranged from 11.6 percent in Hamilton County to 6.4 percent in Lucas County.

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Butler	135,998	\$1,466,707	0.5	7.0
Cuyahoga	669,331	\$8,634,812	1.9	7.0
Franklin	644,258	\$8,072,732	2.4	8.0
Hamilton	472,213	\$6,662,613	1.3	11.6
Lorain	91,319	\$927,278	2.1	8.4
Lucas	194,900	\$2,109,342	0.8	6.4
Mahoning	93,875	\$808,464	1.7	7.8
Montgomery	235,590	\$2,512,396	0.9	7.0
Stark	149,518	\$1,440,647	2.0	8.0
Summit	249,956	\$2,903,936	1.5	8.3
All other counties	1,917,463	19,015,537	2.1	8.9

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 more than 60 percent of the state's covered employment.

Percentage of First Quarter 2012 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 287,000 reporting units. Summary tabulations are published in preliminary form, for the first quarter of 2012, 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.

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