



# Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages

## Fourth Quarter 2016

**Summary** - Employment covered under the Ohio Unemployment Compensation Law totaled 5.298 million in the fourth quarter of 2016 – up 0.9 percent from one year ago. Twelve industrial sectors experienced employment increases in the fourth quarter. Increases in total employment ranged from 2.8 percent in Finance and insurance to 0.4 percent in both Administrative & waste services and Other services, except public administration.

Seven private industrial sectors experienced an employment decline ranging from Mining at 11.8 percent to Manufacturing at 0.2 percent. State and local government employment increased 1.2 percent while Federal employment increased 1.9 percent since 2015.

The fourth quarter 2016 payroll of \$64.399 billion was a decrease of 1.6 percent from its same calendar point in 2015. Five industrial sectors experienced payroll increases in the fourth quarter. Increases in total wages ranged from 1.6 percent in Other services, except public administration to 0.2 percent in Real estate and rental and leasing. Fourteen sectors experienced a payroll decline since last year. Decreases ranged from 14.5 percent in Mining to 0.6 percent in Educational services. During this same period, State & local government wages increased 1.9 percent. Federal employees showed an 11.2 percent increase in wages compared to the previous year.

Industrial Sector	Average Employment Fourth Quarter 2016	Wages (in thousands) Fourth Quarter 2016	Percent Change Fourth Quarter 2015 to Fourth Quarter 2016	
			Employment	Wages
<b>Total Covered under Ohio UC Law</b>	<b>5,297,614</b>	<b>\$64,399,026</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>-1.6</b>
Agriculture, forestry, fishing & hunting	15,833	146,310	1.6	-3.7
Mining	11,237	200,150	-11.8	-14.5
Utilities	19,007	408,412	-1.0	-6.9
Construction	209,071	3,256,018	0.6	-1.5
Manufacturing	685,456	10,412,136	-0.2	-5.4
Wholesale trade	236,029	4,135,774	-0.4	-3.4
Retail trade	592,173	4,096,918	0.6	-2.3
Transportation & warehousing	192,041	2,284,119	2.5	-3.5
Information	71,554	1,185,123	-0.8	-1.3
Finance and insurance	221,205	3,986,490	2.8	1.4
Real estate and rental and leasing	63,324	750,079	0.9	0.2
Professional and technical services	258,266	5,069,534	2.1	0.9
Management of companies & enterprises	138,258	3,286,807	-1.0	-1.5
Administrative & waste services	337,292	2,822,461	0.4	-2.5
Educational services	98,470	862,045	-0.9	-0.6
Health care & social assistance	800,104	9,547,477	1.6	-1.4
Arts, entertainment, & recreation	71,255	732,424	1.1	-1.5
Accommodation & food services	473,026	1,942,675	1.6	1.2
Other services, except public administration	155,207	1,270,418	0.4	1.6
State and local government	648,805	8,003,657	1.2	1.9
Federal government	78,266	1,531,835	1.9	11.2

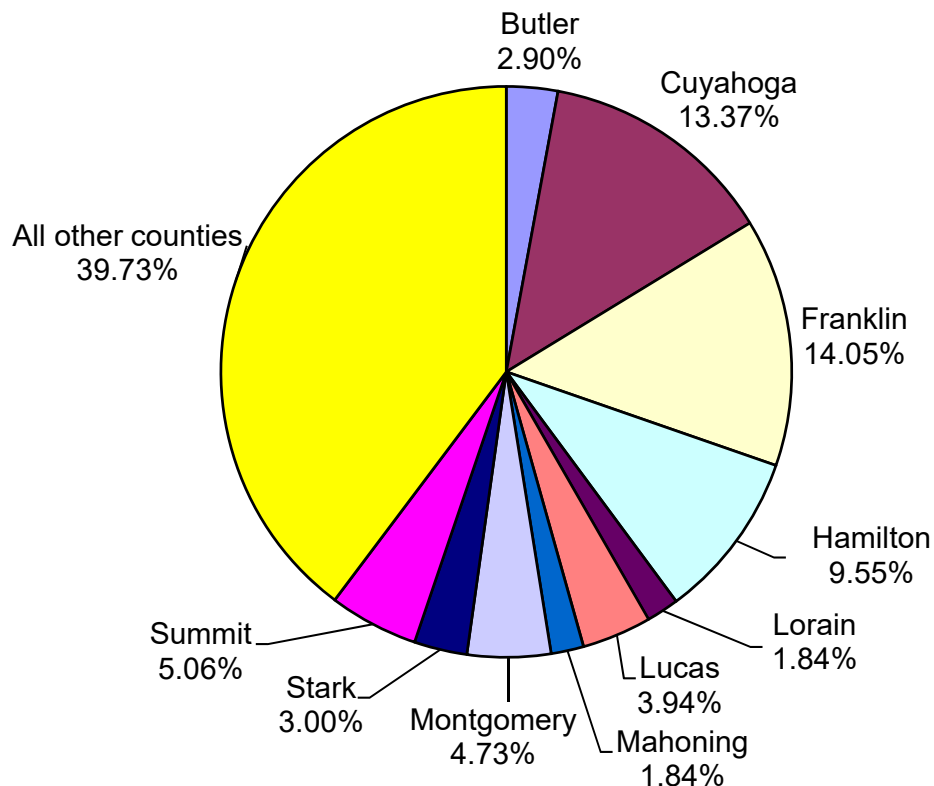
Seven of Ohio's largest counties experienced employment increases from their fourth quarter 2015 levels. Increases ranged from 2.9 percent in Butler County to 0.4 in both Cuyahoga and Montgomery Counties. Lucas and Mahoning Counties decreased 0.4 percent and 0.3 percent, respectively. Stark County was essentially unchanged.

Butler County experienced the only payroll increase since 2015 at 0.2 percent. Nine counties experienced payroll decreases ranging from 4.1 percent in Lucas County to 0.7 percent in Cuyahoga County.

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Butler	153,663	\$1,844,897	2.9	0.2
Cuyahoga	708,193	\$9,923,436	0.4	-0.7
Franklin	744,067	\$9,822,231	2.7	-1.9
Hamilton	505,695	\$7,302,481	0.6	-2.1
Lorain	97,219	\$1,026,163	0.7	-2.2
Lucas	208,931	\$2,440,989	-0.4	-4.1
Mahoning	97,724	\$939,658	-0.3	-2.5
Montgomery	250,671	\$2,887,125	0.4	-3.1
Stark	158,693	\$1,634,905	0.0	-2.8
Summit	267,889	\$3,276,738	0.7	-0.9
All other counties	2,104,869	\$23,300,403	0.6	-1.3

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

**Percentage of Fourth Quarter 2016 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 293,000 reporting units. Summary tabulations are published in preliminary form, for the fourth quarter of 2016, 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.

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