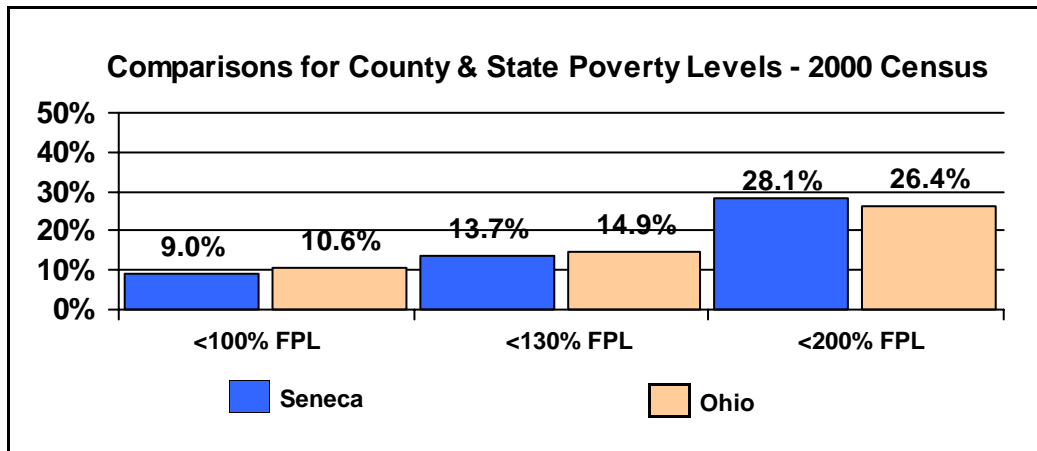


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County Overview

Through its partnerships with community organizations and state and federal government agencies, Seneca County provides a number of services to families and individuals in need of assistance. These services range from food stamps, cash assistance, and child care subsidies to child support enforcement, job training, and access to medical care.



*Federal Poverty Level as issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and published in the *Federal Register*.

Population

2006 Census Population: 57,255

2000 Census Population: 58,683

Seneca County	Ohio	
36.3	36.2	Median Age (2000)
2.56	2.49	Average Household Size (2000)
87.8%	85.9%	High School Graduation Rate (2004)
22.5%	17.1%	Rate of Dependency on Income Supports* (2005)
County Rank: 28 of 88		

*The 'Rate of Dependency on Income Supports' is the total amount of income support provided by taxpayer dollars (e.g. Retirement and Disability payments, Unemployment Compensation, Worker's Compensation, TANF, SSI, etc.) divided by total personal income.

Vital Statistics

	Total	County Rate	Ohio Rate
2002 Births / Rate per 1,000	740	13	13
2002 Teen Births / Rate per 1,000	99	43	39
2001 Marriages / Rate per 1,000	447	7.7	7.1
2001 Divorces / Rate per 1,000	257	4.4	4.0

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Child Care

Ohio counties provide child care services and early learning opportunities that families need to succeed at work and at school. Through state and federal funding, families whose income is at or below 185 percent of the federal poverty guideline can receive payment for all or part of their monthly child care expenses while parents work or attend job training.

The state's Early Learning Initiative (ELI), which was implemented in 2006, gives low-income children the kinds of social and educational experiences they need to be ready for kindergarten.

Children Served	CY 2006		CY 2005	
	County	State	County	State
Number of Children Using Publicly Funded Child Care	598	185,059	510	179,190
Public Funds Used for Child Care Expenditures	\$1,093,511	\$460,727,131	\$980,957	\$409,097,834
Annual Average Spent per Child	\$1,829	\$2,490	\$1,923	\$2,283
Children Enrolled in ELI - YTD CY 2007	21	13,280	N/A*	N/A*

*(No data exists for CY 2005. ELI was initiated in CY 2006)

Providers	County	State
Number of Licensed Child Care Centers as of December 2006*	17	3,433

*(includes licensed full-time, part-time, Head Start, school-based and combination centers with 7 or more children)

Child Safety and Care/Placement

The Seneca County Public Children Services Agency administers local adoption assistance, foster care services, and child welfare intervention programs. The agency strives to reunify children with their families when possible, or find other permanent living arrangements for them when they cannot safely return home.

Child Maltreatment and Care/Placement	CY 2006		CY 2005	
	County	State	County	State
Number of Reports and Investigations of Alleged Child Abuse and Neglect	572	76,167	492	75,641
Number of First-Time Child Abuse and Neglect Cases	192	27,599	179	28,755
Annual Unduplicated Number of Children in Care/Placement*	106	28,569	105	29,091
Percent of Child Reunifications within 12 Months	58.3%	76.6%	62.1%	74.2%

*Number of children in care/placement is calculated by counting the number of children in the care/placement of public agencies on January 1 of the reporting year, plus the unduplicated number of children who entered care/placement during the year. Any child who was in care/placement, even for a single day, was counted. Even if a child re-entered care/placement during the year, they were only counted once. The source data is from FACSIS, and may not match exactly to the data in the county's annual report.

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Adoption

Ohio counties provide a comprehensive scope of services to birth parents, adoptive parents, and adoptive children, particularly those children who have been in foster care.

Adoptions	CY 2006		CY 2005	
	County	State	County	State
Number of Children Adopted	8	1,829	3	2,040
Adoptions Completed within 24 Months	3	609	1	592
Average Monthly Number of Children Receiving Adoption Assistance Funding	75	20,610	74	20,051
Average Annual Adoption Assistance Expenditures per Child	\$3,405	\$4,628	\$3,236	\$4,581

Prevention, Retention, and Contingency

The Prevention, Retention, and Contingency (PRC) program is the part of Ohio's TANF program designed to provide job training, employment assistance, and work support services to help parents find and maintain employment.

	CY 2006		CY 2005		CY 2004	
	County	State	County	State	County	State
PRC Expenditures	\$632,887	\$175,552,585	\$737,011	\$160,801,862	\$782,768	\$118,760,394

To find out more about the county's PRC program, go to:

<http://www.jfs.ohio.gov/owf/prc/county/countytable.stm>

Child Support

The Seneca County Child Support Enforcement Agency establishes paternitys and obtains, enforces, and collects child support funds for children.

\$8,304,318 in IV-D child support was collected by the county during FFY 2006.

Child Support Cases	FFY 2006		FFY 2005	
	County	State	County	State
Number of Cases	4,723	956,491	4,635	941,062
Paternity Establishment Rate*	103.6%	89.9%	101.5%	88.0%
Cases with Support Orders	3,977	701,380	3,867	684,103
Percentage of Cases with Support Orders	84.2%	73.3%	83.4%	72.7%
Collection Rate on Current Support Due	68.7%	69.1%	68.9%	69.0%
Rate of Cases Paying on Arrears	70.0%	67.6%	66.9%	66.5%

*The Paternity Establishment Rate is the total number of children born out-of-wedlock, who had active child support cases, for whom paternity was established or acknowledged as of the end of the reporting period, divided by the total number of children born out-of-wedlock, who had active child support cases, as reported 12 months prior to the reporting period. In some cases, the rate can exceed 100%.

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Food Stamps

The federal Food Stamp Program helps families whose gross monthly income is within 130 percent of the federal poverty guideline pay for food. Half of all recipients are children, and 65 percent live in single-parent households.

Food Stamps	CY 2006		CY 2005	
	County	State	County	State
Number of Recipients (Annual Unduplicated)	7,366	1,635,591	6,864	1,585,516
Percentage of County Population	12.9%	14.2%	12.0%	13.8%
Annual FS Net Expenditures	\$4,838,288	\$1,273,752,532	\$4,295,133	\$1,184,866,706
Average Annual FS Payment per Recipient	\$657	\$779	\$626	\$747

Ohio Works First

Ohio Works First (OWF) is the financial-assistance portion of the state's Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program, which provides cash benefits to needy families for up to 36 months.

9 out of every 1,000 residents in Seneca County received cash benefits through OWF during CY 2006.

Cash Assistance	CY 2006		CY 2005	
	County	State	County	State
Number of Recipients (Annual Unduplicated)	523	354,866	583	373,307
Percentage of Population	0.9%	3.1%	1.0%	3.3%
Annual OWF Net Expenditures	\$574,466	\$317,682,259	\$499,245	\$311,211,705
Average Annual Cash Assistance Payment per Recipient	\$1,098	\$895	\$856	\$834

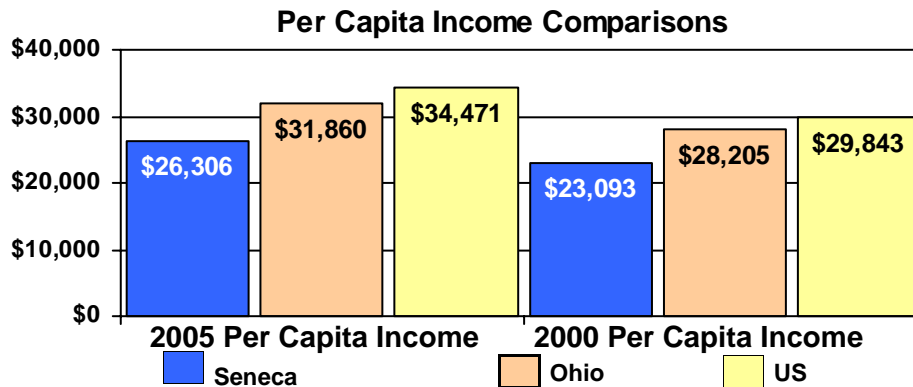
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Income

The per capita income of a region provides a good barometer of its economic health. Over the last decade, per capita income growth in Ohio has been highly correlated with employment growth.



Labor Force and Employment

The size of a county's labor force is an indication of economic health. It is influenced by both the economy and the size and composition of the population.

	<u>CY 2006</u>			<u>CY 2005</u>		
	County	State	U.S.	County	State	U.S.
Labor Force	31,400	5,934,000	151,428,000	31,300	5,891,600	149,320,000
Employment	29,800	5,609,100	144,427,000	29,400	5,546,500	141,730,000
Unemployment	1,700	324,900	7,001,000	1,900	345,100	7,591,000
Unemployment Rate	5.3	5.5	4.6	6.0	5.9	5.1
Total UC Benefits Issued	\$5,864,497	\$1,177,610,230				

Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment (REA)

132 Seneca County residents, during FFY 2006, through the local One-Stop Center, participated in the Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment (REA) program, which provides unemployed job seekers with services that promote quicker re-entry into the workforce.

Commuting to Work

Metropolitan areas tend to draw the most commuters from their own and neighboring counties. The net commuter flow is the difference between the number of people commuting into a county for work and the number of people commuting out of the county for work. According to the 2000 census:

-31.3% /net commuter flow **20.5** minutes average commute time

* To find out more about Labor Market and Employment information, go to:

<http://www.ohioworkforceinformer.org/cgi/dataanalysis/dataTypeSelection.asp?tableName=notable>

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Workforce Investment Act

The federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA) provides federal funds to states for job training and employment services. Ohio has a network of offices and 91 One-Stop Centers that provide free job training and other employment services to Ohioans looking for work. One-Stop Centers also provide services to employers looking to hire workers. The goal is to increase employment, job retention, earnings, and occupational skills. The following data is from Ohio's Annual WIA Report for Program Year 2006:

Adult Program	County	State	Older Youth	County	State
Total Participants:	19	34,676	Total Participants:	29	3,304
Total Exiters:	3	7,798	Total Exiters:	3	1,287
Employment			Employment		
Exiters:	6	5,718	Exiters:	8	914
Employed after Exit:	6	4,541	Employed after Exit:	5	706
Employment Rate:	100.0%	79.4%	Employment Rate:	62.5%	77.2%
Employment Retention			Employment Retention		
Exiters:	9	6,270	Exiters:	12	940
Employed after Exit:	6	5,320	Employed after Exit:	11	781
Retention Rate:	66.7%	84.8%	Retention Rate:	91.7%	83.1%
Earnings Increase			Earnings Increase		
Exiters:	4	3,128	Exiters:	N/A	85
Difference of Earnings after Exit:	\$59,920	\$46,480,754	Difference in Pre-Post Program Earnings:	N/A	\$518,538
Avg. Earnings Change:	\$14,980	\$14,860	Avg. Earnings Change:	N/A	\$6,100
Employment and Credentials			Employment and Credentials		
Exiters:	9	3,901	Exiters:	10	1,202
Empl. / Cred. after Exit:	5	2,709	Empl. / Cred. after Exit:	5	722
Empl. / Cred. Rate:	55.6%	69.4%	Empl. / Cred. Rate:	50.0%	60.1%
Dislocated Workers			Younger Youth		
Total Participants:	42	8,732	Total Participants:	63	8,430
Total Exiters:	9	3,145	Total Exiters:	10	2,859
Employment			Skills Attainment		
Exiters:	14	3,082	Goals for Skills Attained:	49	8,446
Employed after Exit:	14	2,663	Actual Skills Attained:	27	6,406
Employment Rate:	100.0%	86.4%	Skill Attainment Rate:	55.1%	75.8%
Employment Retention			Retention		
Exiters:	15	3,047	Exiters:	7	1,529
Employed after Exit:	14	2,826	Actively Involved after Exit:	6	1,166
Retention Rate:	93.3%	92.7%	Retention Rate:	85.7%	76.3%
Earnings Increase			Diploma or Equivalent		
Exiters:	13	2,151	Exiters:	3	1,356
Post-Dislocation Earnings:	\$209,213	\$36,016,914	Attained Diploma or Equivalent after Exit:	2	1,102
Avg. Earnings Change:	\$16,093	\$16,744	Diploma or Equivalent Rate:	66.7%	81.3%
Employment and Credentials			Total Youth (14-21)		
Exiters:	14	2,088	Placement in Empl./Edu. Exiters:	24	3,364
Empl. / Cred. after Exit:	13	1,594	Attained Employment/Edu.:	16	2,132
Empl. / Cred. Rate:	92.9%	76.3%	Employment/Edu. Rate:	66.7%	63.4%
			Diploma/Certification Exiters:	32	3,824
			Diploma/Certification after Exit:	10	2,005
			Diploma / Cert. Attainment Rate:	31.3%	52.4%

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Medical Assistance

Ohio offers a variety of assistance programs to give those with limited resources access to basic medical care. The most comprehensive of these is Medicaid, the federally funded, state-administered program that reimburses doctors and health-care facilities for providing services to eligible individuals with low income.

According to the 2005 Medicaid Profile report for Seneca County:

52.3% of all reported physician visits were received outside the county

47.4% of hospital visits were received outside the county

15.5% of all residents were enrolled in the Medicaid program

31.6% of all children were enrolled in the Medicaid program

40.6% of all births were paid by Medicaid

53.2% of mothers receiving Medicaid had two or more risk factors for poor birth outcomes

Help Me Grow

Ohio's Help Me Grow (HMG) program is designed to promote the health, learning, and development of children up to age 3. It offers welcome home visits to parents of newborns, health screenings, developmental information, and early intervention to identify developmental delays.

<u>CY 2006</u>				
# At Risk Children	# Completed Newborn Home Visits	# Referred for Ongoing HMG Services	% Referred for Ongoing HMG Services	Statewide % Referred for Ongoing HMG Services
131	176	37	21.0%	15.2%

HEALTHCHEK

HEALTHCHEK is Ohio's Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) program for Medicaid-eligible children and teens (birth through age 20). If a potential health problem is found, further diagnosis and treatment are covered.

<u>SFY 2005</u>				
	Total Eligibles	Medicaid Recipients Receiving EPSDT Exam	% Receiving EPSDT Exam	Statewide % Receiving EPSDT Exam
1 Year Olds	359	302	84.1%	54.1%
2 Year Olds	363	138	38.0%	31.2%

Healthy Families/Healthy Start

Many Ohio children receive their immunizations through the Healthy Families/Healthy Start program, which is Ohio's primary public health insurance program for low-income children and families.

	<u>CY 2006</u>		<u>CY 2005</u>	
	County	State	County	State
Average # Eligibles/Month	1,586	265,167	1,622	248,979
Annual Expenditures	\$4,532,933	\$799,803,615	\$4,725,991	\$691,036,381
Average Annual Cost/Recipient	\$2,859	\$3,016	\$2,913	\$2,775

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OWF and Related Medicaid Eligibles

Children and adults in families that are eligible for Ohio Works First (OWF) cash assistance are also automatically entitled to Medicaid coverage. This program helps pay the medical expenses of eligible low-income families, children up to age 19, and pregnant women. These individuals receive their care through managed care plans (MCPs). MCPs function much like HMOs and PPOs. They often cover services that the traditional fee-for-service Medicaid program does not.

	CY 2006		CY 2005	
	County	State	County	State
OWF Average Monthly Eligibles	4,366	1,032,614	4,240	1,027,124
OWF Average Monthly Expenditures	\$11,736,487	\$2,943,503,787	\$9,465,729	\$2,674,047,952
OWF Average Annual Cost per Recipient	\$2,688	\$2,851	\$2,232	\$2,603

ABD Medicaid Eligibles

The Aged, Blind, and Disabled (ABD) program helps pay the medical expenses of eligible participants who are 65 or older, legally blind, or classified by the Social Security Administration as having a disability. Some consumers in the ABD population participate in managed care plans while others use the traditional fee-for-service program. ABD Medicaid covers primary and acute care, as well as long-term care and a variety of other services.

	CY 2006		CY 2005	
	County	State	County	State
ABD Average Monthly Eligibles	1,746	390,905	1,732	386,801
ABD Average Monthly Expenditures	\$62,566,017	\$8,176,963,545	\$63,810,060	\$8,858,575,942
ABD Average Annual Cost Per Recipient	\$35,825	\$20,918	\$36,837	\$22,902

Nursing Facilities/Residential Care

In 2007:

10 nursing facilities

6 residential care facilities

In CY 2006:

332 monthly average number of residents resided in nursing/residential care facilities.

\$16,712,249 was spent for care provided at nursing/residential care facilities for the year.

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Alternatives to Nursing Facilities (Waiver Programs)

Waiver programs allow people on Medicaid with disabilities to receive care in their homes and communities instead of in nursing homes. The following chart lists the waiver programs available in Ohio for CY 2005 and 2006, and the number of Seneca County residents participating in them.

Waiver Type	Unduplicated Number of Residents Receiving Services			
	CY 2006		CY 2005	
	County	State	County	State
Choices - age 60 or older	0	269	0	175
PASSPORT - Pre-admission Screening System Providing Options and Resources Today - age 60 or older	123	32,235	124	31,159
Assisted living - age 21 or older	2	71	N/A*	N/A*
Residential Facilities - For persons with MR/DD	N/A**	N/A**	23	2,680
Individual Options Waiver - Available to all ages	68	12,082	64	11,835
Level One Waiver - Available to all ages with an ICF/MR Level of Care	4	4,812	0	2,494
Ohio Home Care - age 59 or younger	28	9,579	28	7,736
Transitions - age 60 or older	6	3,235	5	2,442
Transitions Carve Out - all ages	1	548	N/A*	N/A*

*Programs not available in 2005

**Program phased out in 2006

For more Medical Information on Seneca County, go to 2005 Ohio Medicaid Report:

http://jfs.ohio.gov/ohp/bhpp/reports/omr2005/OMR_SFY_2003.pdf