COUNTY AT A GLANCE

The People

Population
531,542 (2017 Estimate)
22.5% persons under age 18
16.6% persons age 65 and over
Average household size 2.63
Caucasian 73.5%, African American 20.7%
   Hispanic 2.6%, All other 3.2%
Male 49.2%, Female 50.8%

Education
89.7% of population are high school graduates
26.2% have a bachelor’s degree or higher

Civic Participation (2017)
County Election Precincts: 360
Number of Registered Voters: 381,731
Voted – November 2018 Election: 210,758
Participation of Registered Voters: 55.2%

The Economy

Employment (2017 Average)
Unemployment rate: 4.9%
State: 5.0%
Labor force: 253,600

Incomes
Personal per capita income: $45,039 (2017)
Rank: 21st of 88 counties per capita income
County poverty rate: 14.4%
Median household income: $45,394

Other Vital Statistics
Birth rate: 65.6 per 1,000 (2017)
Death rate: 11.66 per 1,000 (2017)
Marriage rate: 5.8 per 1,000 (2016)
Divorce rate: 3.2 per 1,000 (2016)

The Land

Area
461.7 square miles
Largest cities are Dayton, Kettering and Huber Heights

Government, Weather & Housing

Government
19 municipalities
9 townships
16 school districts
7 county-wide special districts
3 elected County Commissioners
8 other elected officials
23 Judges

Weather
Average high 61.1 degrees Fahrenheit
Average low 42.8 degrees Fahrenheit
Average annual precipitation 41.09 inches

Housing
254,383 housing units
222,677 occupied housing units
Home ownership rate 60.8%
Median monthly owners’ cost $1,182
Median monthly gross rent $740

Source: Ohio Department of Development, Office of Strategic Research
Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Office of Workforce Development
Ohio Labor Market Information
United States Census Bureau
Bureau of Economic Analysis
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