



Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

State of the Region 2010

Issue: People

Metric: Population Growth

Central Ohio continues to be a growing region. The U.S. Census Bureau estimates populations each year between decennial censuses; according to these estimates, the region's population has grown continuously since 2000. The greatest growth by far has been in Delaware County. Only Fayette and Marion Counties have had an overall decrease in population between 2000 and 2009.

Between 2008 and 2009, population grew in all counties in the region except Fayette and Ross. Delaware County continued to grow at the highest rate, but Madison County overtook Union County for the second fastest growth rate.

Population growth is divided into two categories: natural increase (births minus deaths) and net migration (people moving in minus people moving out). Between 2008 and 2009, 61% of population growth was natural, and 39% was due to net migration. Significantly, central Ohio continued to have positive net migration (an estimated 8,700 people) from 2008 to 2009, while the state's overall net migration was -24,000. Even though Ohio as a whole lost people to migration, more people are moving to central Ohio than moving away.

	Estimated Total Population, July 1										% change, '00-'09
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	
Delaware	111,714	119,098	127,011	134,899	141,958	149,353	155,669	160,698	164,913	168,708	51.0%
Fairfield	123,414	125,963	128,860	131,982	135,055	137,457	139,503	141,239	142,299	143,712	16.4%
Fayette	28,434	28,170	28,152	28,133	28,078	28,212	28,227	28,272	28,198	28,117	-1.1%
Franklin	1,072,307	1,082,421	1,087,369	1,092,518	1,096,256	1,101,224	1,111,018	1,122,357	1,135,643	1,150,122	7.3%
Knox	54,642	55,364	56,124	56,818	57,460	57,975	58,403	58,967	59,373	59,637	9.1%
Licking	146,065	147,327	148,436	150,126	152,023	153,872	155,369	156,724	157,617	158,488	8.5%
Madison	40,208	40,175	40,353	40,578	40,714	40,781	41,269	41,702	41,856	42,539	5.8%
Marion	66,151	66,004	65,878	65,900	65,738	65,712	65,465	65,504	65,629	65,655	-0.7%
Morrow	31,795	32,390	32,868	33,376	33,836	34,033	34,283	34,637	34,576	34,642	9.0%
Pickaway	52,816	52,259	51,548	51,629	51,754	52,356	53,379	54,272	54,579	54,734	3.6%
Ross	73,448	73,590	73,895	74,303	74,326	74,800	75,316	75,927	76,129	75,972	3.4%
Union	41,195	42,479	42,899	43,719	44,642	45,387	46,680	47,719	48,339	48,903	18.7%
Region	1,842,189	1,865,240	1,883,393	1,903,981	1,921,840	1,941,162	1,964,581	1,988,018	2,009,151	2,031,229	10.3%
Change from previous year		1.3%	1.0%	1.1%	0.9%	1.0%	1.2%	1.2%	1.1%	1.1%	-
Ohio	11,363,844	11,396,874	11,420,981	11,445,180	11,464,593	11,475,262	11,492,495	11,520,815	11,528,072	11,542,645	1.6%

Source: [U.S. Census Bureau](http://www.census.gov)

	Estimated Population Change, 2008-2009	
	Natural Increase	Net Migration
Delaware	1,931	1,848
Fairfield	724	698
Fayette	38	-120
Franklin	8,819	5,822
Knox	150	111
Licking	756	136
Madison	130	562
Marion	124	-77
Morrow	156	-98
Pickaway	177	-10
Ross	103	-256
Union	451	123
Region	13,559	8,739
Ohio	40,241	-24,443

