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Summary Article: **Ohio**

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Navigable river in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois; formed by confluence of Allegheny and Monongahela rivers at Pittsburgh, SW Pennsylvania, flows W and SW to form Ohio-West Virginia, Ohio-Kentucky, Indiana-Kentucky, and Illinois-Kentucky boundaries; empties into Mississippi River at Cairo, S extremity of Illinois; 975 mi. (1569 km.) long; area of its basin 203,900 sq. mi. (528,101 sq. km.).

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A north central state of U.S.A., bounded on N by Michigan and Lake Erie, on E by Pennsylvania and Ohio River, on S by Ohio River, and on W by Indiana; 35th state in area, 41,222 sq. mi. (106,765 sq. km.); in addition to this area Ohio has also 3457 sq. mi. (8954 sq. km.) of water of the Great Lakes; 7th state in population, (2000c) 11,353,140; * Columbus; 17th state admitted to Union (1803).

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Name of counties in three states of the U.S. See tables at indiana kentucky west virginia.

Nickname:

Buckeye State.

State flower:

Scarlet carnation.

Rivers:

Ohio (SE and S boundary) and its tributaries the Muskingum, Scioto, and Miami; Maumee and Sandusky flowing to Lake Erie.

Highest point:

Campbell Hill, 1550 ft. (472 m.), in Logan co.

Chief products:

Corn, soybeans, oats; livestock; natural gas, coal; manufacturing: iron and steel, rubber products, machinery.

Chief cities:

Columbus, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Toledo, Akron, Dayton.

Political divisions:

Divided into the following 88 counties (for pronunciation of their names, see their individual entries):

name	area ¹ (sq. mi.)	area ¹ (sq. km.)	pop. (2000c)	co. seat
Adams	587	1,520	27,330	West Union
Allen	410	1,062	108,473	Lima

Ashland name	424 area (sq. mi.)	1,098 area (sq. km.)	52,523 pop. (2000c)	Ashland co. seat
Ashtabula	700	1,813	102,728	Jefferson
Athens	504	1,305	62,223	Athens
Auglaize	400	1,036	46,611	Wapakoneta
Belmont	534	1,383	70,226	Saint Clairsville
Brown	490	1,269	42,285	Georgetown
Butler	471	1,220	332,807	Hamilton
Carroll	390	1,010	28,836	Carrollton
Champaign	432	1,119	38,890	Urbana
Clark	402	1,041	144,742	Springfield
Clermont	458	1,186	177,977	Batavia
Clinton	410	1,062	40,543	Wilmington
Columbiana	534	1,383	112,075	Lisbon
Coshocton	562	1,456	36,655	Coshocton
Crawford	404	1,046	46,966	Bucyrus
Cuyahoga	456	1,181	1,393,978	Cleveland
Darke	605	1,567	53,309	Greenville
Defiance	412	1,067	39,500	Defiance
Delaware	450	1,166	109,989	Delaware
Erie	264	684	79,551	Sandusky
Fairfield	505	1,308	122,759	Lancaster
Fayette	406	1,052	28,433	Washington Court House
Franklin	538	1,393	1,068,978	Columbus
Fulton	407	1,054	42,084	Wauseon
Gallia	471	1,220	31,069	Gallipolis
Geauga	407	1,054	90,895	Chardon
Greene	415	1,075	147,886	Xenia
Guernsey	528	1,368	40,792	Cambridge
Hamilton	414	1,072	845,303	Cincinnati
Hancock	532	1,378	71,295	Findlay
Hardin	467	1,210	31,945	Kenton
Harrison	401	1,039	15,856	Cadiz
Henry	416	1,077	29,210	Napoleon
Highland	549	1,422	40,875	Hillsboro
Hocking	421	1,090	28,241	Logan
Holmes	424	1,098	38,943	Millersburg

Huron name	497 area (sq. mi.)	1,287 area (sq. km.)	59,487 pop. (2000c)	Norwalk co. seat
Jackson	419	1,085	32,641	Jackson
Jefferson	411	1,064	73,894	Steubenville
Knox	531	1,375	54,500	Mount Vernon
Lake	231	598	227,511	Painesville
Lawrence	456	1,181	62,319	Ironton
Licking	686	1,777	145,491	Newark
Logan	460	1,191	46,005	Bellefontaine
Lorain	495	1,282	284,664	Elyria
Lucas	343	888	455,054	Toledo
Madison	464	1,202	40,213	London
Mahoning	415	1,075	257,555	Youngstown
Marion	405	1,049	66,217	Marion
Medina	425	1,101	151,095	Medina
Meigs	436	1,129	23,072	Pomeroy
Mercer	454	1,176	40,924	Celina
Miami	407	1,054	98,868	Troy
Monroe	456	1,181	15,180	Woodsfield
Montgomery	459	1,189	559,062	Dayton
Morgan	420	1,088	14,897	McConnelsville
Morrow	403	1,044	31,628	Mount Gilead
Muskingum	667	1,728	84,585	Zanesville
Noble	398	1,031	14,058	Caldwell
Ottawa	258	668	40,985	Port Clinton
Paulding	417	1,080	20,293	Paulding
Perry	410	1,062	34,078	New Lexington
Pickaway	507	1,313	52,727	Circleville
Pike	443	1,147	27,695	Waverly
Portage	495	1,282	152,061	Ravenna
Preble	428	1,109	42,337	Eaton
Putnam	486	1,259	34,726	Ottawa
Richland	496	1,285	128,852	Mansfield
Ross	687	1,779	73,345	Chillicothe
Sandusky	409	1,059	61,792	Fremont
Scioto	608	1,575	79,195	Portsmouth
Seneca	551	1,427	58,683	Tiffin

Shelby name	408 area (sq. mi.)	1,057 area (sq. km.)	47,910 pop. (2000c)	Sidney co. seat
Stark	576	1,492	378,098	Canton
Summit	410	1,062	542,899	Akron
Trumbull	615	1,593	225,116	Warren
Tuscarawas	569	1,474	90,914	New Philadelphia
Union	434	1,124	40,909	Marysville
Van Wert	409	1,059	29,659	Van Wert
Vinton	411	1,064	12,806	McArthur
Warren	408	1,057	158,383	Lebanon
Washington	641	1,660	63,251	Marietta
Wayne	561	1,453	111,564	Wooster
Williams	421	1,090	39,188	Bryan
Wood	619	1,603	121,065	Bowling Green
Wyandot	406	1,052	22,908	Upper Sandusky

History:

Has many earthwork mounds of prehistoric Mound Builders; inhabited by various Indian tribes (incl. Miami, Shawnee, Delaware, and Wyandot) when Europeans began settling the area; claimed by both France and Britain in colonial times; ceded to Britain 1763 following French and Indian War; became part of U.S. by Treaty of Paris 1783 following American Revolution; included 1787 in Northwest Terr. (q.v.); first permanent white settlement at Marietta 1788; W boundary with Indian lands determined by Maj. Gen. Anthony Wayne's defeat of Indians 1794 at Fallen Timbers and by Treaty of Greenville 1795; Western Reserve (q.v.) incorp. 1800; first constitution 1802; unofficially entered Union Feb. 19, 1803. In 1953, by resolution of U.S. Congress, Mar. 1, 1803 declared official day of admission to Union.



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Area = land area.

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