

RESOLUTION HOLDING EXECUTIVE SESSION – CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS, 121.22(G)(5)

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(5) the Board of Ashtabula County Commissioners shall meet in executive session to discuss confidential matters which includes review of proposals received; and

WHEREAS, the Board invites into executive session: Alissa Drees, Julie Carlo, Janet Discher, Lisa Hawkins

WHEREAS, Said Executive Session was convened at 10:55 a.m.; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio, that the above executive session was held. Said session adjourning at 11:41 a.m.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon re-entering open session at 11:41 a.m. the following action was taken by the Board:

The Board of Commissioners accepted the recommendation of the ACDJFS review committee to award the proposals received from the TANF, Title XX and Transportation RFP's as outlined in the attached file.

**ASHTABULA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CERTIFICATION PAGE**

Resolution No. 2023-451

September 07, 2023

**RESOLUTION HOLDING EXECUTIVE SESSION – CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS,
121.22(G)(5)A**

Upon the motion of J.P. Ducro IV, seconded by Kathryn L. Whittington.

VOTE:

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| Casey R. Kozlowski | Aye |
| Kathryn L. Whittington | Aye |
| J.P. Ducro IV | Aye |

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon and duly passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio, on the date noted above.



Lisa Hawkins, Clerk of the Board
Board of County Commissioners
Ashtabula County, Ohio

TANF Contract Comparison FY 2023 to FY2024

| Contract # | 2023 Contract Amount | 2023 Unit Rate | 2024 Contract Amount Requested | 2024 Unit Rate | Difference in Contract Amt. | 2024 Recommendation | Comments | |
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| 24-1009-TANF | \$ 250,000.00 | \$ 1,136.36 | \$ 488,555.00 | \$ 555.18 | \$ 238,555.00 | \$ 488,555.00 | \$555.18 | This Provider was a new program last year. The main objectives of the program will address student learning loss by eliminating barriers to attending and being successful in school and job preparation. The target will be in-school TANF identified and referred youth. As of 9 months into the contract ACESC has served 326 duplicated youth. We have a CMIEP TANF program that does the same services for 14 year olds to 24 year olds. we are encouraging ESC to focus on kindergarten to 13-year-olds (roughly 8th graders) and the credit recovery services for 9th -12th graders, though not restricting the other services for the 9th-12th graders. |
| 24-1001-TANF | \$ 60,424.00 | \$ 1,079.00 | \$ 69,056.00 | \$ 1,079.00 | \$ 8,632.00 | \$ 69,056.00 | \$ 1,079.00 | This Provider requested an increase in contract amount due to the rising rental costs and having to add additional funds to participant rental assistance. The demand for housing for homeless families has increased in Ashتبلا County. |
| 24-1004-TANF | \$ 96,825.31 | \$ 922.15 | \$ 105,038.01 | \$ 1,000.36 | \$ 8,212.70 | \$ 96,825.31 | \$ 1,000.36 | This was a NEW proposed program/service offered by ATECH last year. The ASPIRE program has been offering Basic Skills, GED/High school equivalency and English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes. ATECH has found that for parents attending classes it can be very difficult to complete the class and gain employment that will lead to self-sufficiency due to lack of transportation to the classes or the ability to purchase practice/actual GED tests. There is a need to navigate these adults through the process to also include the college entrance, with applying for Pell Grants, etc. and supply assistance to Career Navigation. ATECH has serviced 36 individuals throughout the first 6 months of the FY23 contract. Estimating their last 3 months of their current contract we predict they will have 30% of unused funds. |

TANF Contract Comparison FY 2023 to FY2024

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| 2023 Contract Amount | 2023 Unit Rate | 2024 Contract Amount Requested | 2024 Unit Rate | Difference in Contract Amt. | 2024 Recommendation | Comments |
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| <p>House of Blessings-Transitional Housing</p> <p>Provider Beatitude House</p> <p>This program's goals is to help provide safe and secure housing for homeless individuals and families. Program services include: case management, education assistance, employment assistance, financial literacy, mental health counseling, parenting programs, assistance in finding permanent housing and extended care for program graduates. Unit Cost is per night per person.</p> | \$ 66,000.00 | \$ 15.00 | \$ 50,000.00 | \$ 20.00 | \$ (16,000.00) | \$ 50,000.00 | \$ 20.00 | <p>This program is in its 7th year. It meets a big need in the community. Collaborates many different services for the entire family (adults & children) such as education, employment, financial literacy & budgeting, mental health and help securing permanent housing. They are requesting a decrease in funds this year, due to factors beyond their control which consist of: program limitations of 4 months, shortage of affordable housing and extended transition time of 8-12 months to move into new housing. There was a decrease in requested units provided due to this, from 4,400 to 2,500, and a requested increase of unit rate of +\$5.00 due to increased fixed costs and rising costs of utilities.</p> |
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24-1003-TANF

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| <p>Financial Literacy</p> <p>Provider Catholic Charities of Ashtabula County</p> <p>Clients receiving assistance through ACJFS. Prevention, Retention & Contingency program are required to attend mandatory Financial Literacy counseling. Appointments are scheduled with Catholic Charities staff of Certified Credit Counselors. A budget analysis, debt review and client action plan are completed. Counselors assist the client in creating a realistic budget, identifying problem areas and setting priorities for spending.</p> | \$ 2,500.00 | \$ 62.41 | \$ 2,500.00 | \$ 62.41 | \$ - | \$ 2,500.00 | \$ 62.41 | <p>This program was created specifically for ACJFS to meet Federal & State Prevention, Retention & Contingency (PRC) requirements. This program is required for those customers that receive PRC benefits to assist with things such as disconnected utilities, prevention of eviction, car repair, etc. The requested amount and unit rate stayed the same from previous year. There were minor increases and decreases in budget line-items which probably allowed for the amount requested to stay the same as the previous year.</p> |
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24-1005-TANF

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| <p>Opening Doors Parenting Program</p> <p>Provider Catholic Charities of Ashtabula County</p> <p>A comprehensive 10-session parent leadership and advocacy training program developed for low income parents with children ages 0 to 5.</p> | \$ 11,813.15 | \$ 24.03 | \$ 11,813.15 | \$ 24.03 | \$ - | \$ 11,813.15 | \$ 24.03 | <p>This Provider is not requesting an increase in the contract amount and there is no change in the unit rate. This provider only serves the people that ACJFS refers to them and this is only when the referred person actually follows through and participates. This is often beyond the providers control. Referrals for this program are starting to increase. Recommend to approve this service at the requested amount and unit rate. In the future, CCAC is proposing to offer 3-4 10-week sessions in the upcoming contract year. Each 10-week session projects 10-15 participants to enroll for a total of 45-60 total participants.</p> |
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24-1006-TANF

TANF Contract Comparison FY 2023 to FY2024

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| 2023 Contract Amount | 2023 Unit Rate | 2024 Contract Amount Requested | 2024 Unit Rate | Difference In Contract Amt. | 2024 Recommendation | Comments |
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| Provider Signature Health Provides pregnancy prevention & family planning services as offered by the Prevention, Retention & Contingency program, meeting one of the TANF purposes which is to prevent and reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies. | Family Planning | \$ 21,036.57 | \$ 262.96 | \$ 16,002.42 | \$ 266.71 | \$ (5,034.15) | \$ 16,002.42 | \$ 266.71 | This Provider is requesting a increase in the unit cost and a requested decrease in units and contract amount due to the Covid pandemic. The project has had difficulty reaching the proposed number of visits in the current grant year, the number of eligible patients has been decreasing and project has struggled to meet the projected visits over the last couple of years. The number of projected visits for the coming year has been decreased. They are decreasing their units from 80 to 60. Signature Health provided many statistics that this program is needed in the County. Signature Health has fixed costs for the program, no matter how many clients they receive, the fixed costs stay the same, with the decrease in units provided, the unit rate has increased by +\$3.75. ACJFS uses cost reimbursement on the contracts. |
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24-1008-TANF

24-1007-TANF

| Provider Signature | Pregnancy Prevention Education | 2023 Contract Amount | 2023 Unit Rate | 2024 Contract Amount Requested | 2024 Unit Rate | Difference In Contract Amt. | 2024 Recommendation | Comments | |
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| Provides pregnancy prevention & family planning services as offered by the Prevention, Retention & Contingency program, meeting one of the TANF purposes which is to prevent and reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies. | | \$ 10,053.45 | \$ 100.53 | \$ 10,725.66 | \$ 107.26 | \$ 672.21 | \$ 10,725.66 | \$ 107.26 | There is a slight increase in salaries and payroll related expenses. Signature Health is proposing a (3) day education program related to healthy decision-making, prevention of pregnancy & sexually transmitted infection. In addition to forming healthy relationships. The program will be delivered in a classroom setting, and primarily to high school students. They hope to reach 500 unduplicated students in all the school systems in Ashtabula County. |

| TANF Contracted Amounts FY2023 | TANF Proposal Requests FY2024 | TANF DIFFERENCE from FY2023 contracted amounts and requested proposal amounts | TANF Recommended Contract amounts for FY2024 |
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| \$518,652.48 | \$ 753,690.24 | \$ 235,037.76 | \$ 745,477.54 |
| Total TANF | | | |

Title XX Contract Comparison FY 2023-2024

| Contract # | Provider - Program | 2023 Contract Amount | 2023 Unit Rate | Title XX Transfer | 2024 Contract Amount Requested | 2024 Unit Rate | Difference In Contract Amt. | 2024 Recommendation | | Comments |
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| | | | | | | | | Contract Amt. | Unit Rate | |
| 24-2001-XX | ACCAA-Home Delivered Meals | \$ 25,050.00 | \$8.35 | \$ - | \$25,950.00 | \$8.65 | \$ 900.00 | \$ 25,950.00 | \$8.65 | This provider has provided these services for decades with good results. They are requesting a slight increase in the unit rate of \$.30. Due to our current economic situation (inflation=rising costs in gas, food & supplies) they are only requesting a minimal increase in the unit rate. They are very comparable to other funding requests for Home Delivered Meals. |
| 24-2002-XX | ACCAA-Information & Referral | \$ 9,000.00 | \$3.77 | \$ - | \$9,000.00 | \$3.77 | \$ - | \$ 9,000.00 | \$3.77 | Provider is requesting the same unit rate and the same contract amount as FY2023. They are receiving many more calls for assistance/referrals due to the Covid-19 and our current economic situation. This provider has maintained the same contract amount and unit rate for 3 years now. |
| 24-2003-XX | ACMC Regional Home Health Services -Personal Care & Homemaker Services | \$ 38,591.88 | \$38.59 | \$ - | \$40,396.17 | \$40.40 | \$ 1,804.29 | \$ 40,396.17 | \$40.40 | There is a slight increase (4%) in the funds requested from last year. The major change in this budget is the increased costs of travel & training expenses (in respect to the rising gas prices), along with increases in payroll related expenses (to provide a competitive wage) and Misc. Overhead Costs (in respect to inflation). This provider serves clients with functional deficits who do not have the financial resources or family support to assist with their daily living needs. |
| 24-2004-XX | Catholic Charities of Ashtabula County - Guardianship | \$ 48,126.00 | \$78.00 | \$ - | \$48,126.00 | \$78.00 | \$0.00 | \$ 48,126.00 | \$78.00 | There is no increase in requested funding amounts or unit rates. This is the only provider of such services in the area. There is a big need for this service. Additionally, this provider has over 20 years' experience in providing Guardianship services. |

Title XX Contract Comparison FY 2023-2024

| Contract # | Provider - Program | 2023 Contract Amount | 2023 Unit Rate | Title XX Transfer | 2024 Contract Amount Requested | 2024 Unit Rate | Difference In Contract Amt. | 2024 Recommendation | | Comments |
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| | | | | | | | | Contract Amt. | Unit Rate | |
| 24-2005-XX | Catholic Charities of Ashland County - SOAR Ohio Project (formerly known as SSI-Housing) | \$ 53,361.09 | \$555.84 | \$ - | \$53,361.09 | \$555.84 | \$ - | \$ 53,361.09 | \$555.84 | CCOAC is requesting the same unit rate and contract amount as the previous (2) years. They are the only agency in Ashland County that provides this service, and the demand for this service has increased over the past few years or so. |
| 24-2006-XX | Country Neighbor Program Inc.-Home Delivered Meals | \$ 58,450.00 | \$8.35 | \$ - | \$60,780.00 | \$8.68 | \$ 2,330.00 | \$ 60,780.00 | \$8.68 | There is a \$.33 increase in the unit rate due to the rising cost of operations, fuel and need to offer more competitive wages. The provider is requesting the same amount of units as previous year, as there is an increased need for Home Delivered Meals in the community. This provider is on track to use the entire contracted amount for FY2023. |
| 24-2007-XX | Lake Area Recovery Center-Residential Treatment | \$ 4,497.00 | \$190.00 | \$ - | \$4,497.00 | \$190.00 | \$ - | \$ 4,497.00 | \$190.00 | There is no change in contract amount or amount of units. Their funding request is low each year because they need to receive a small amount of Title XX Funds to make them eligible for Title XX ~TANF Transfer Funds. Hence, they provide a very needed service to the community. |

FY 2023

FY 2024

DIFFERENCE

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| Total Title | \$ 237,075.97 | \$ 882.90 | \$ - | \$ 242,110.26 | \$ 885.34 | \$ 5,034.29 | \$ 242,110.26 | \$ 885.34 |
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Transportation Contract Comparison FY 2023 TO FY2024

Health Related Transportation
Title XX, Non-Emergency Transportation (NET), Pregnancy Related Services (PRS)

| Contract # | Provider | 2023 Contract Amount | 2023 Unit Rate | 2024 Contract Amount Requested | 2024 Unit Rate | Difference in Contract Amt. | 2024 Recommendations | |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|---|--|-------------|
| | | | | | | | Contract Amount | Unit Rate |
| 24-3002-HRT | ACTS | \$400,000.00 | \$66.78/hr | \$500,000.00 | | \$100,000.00 | \$ 500,000.00 | \$66.31/hr. |
| 24-3004-HRT | Black Eagle Transit Company | \$600,000.00 | \$3.58 | \$708,700.00 | \$3.60 | \$108,700.00 | \$ 700,000.00 | \$ 3.45 |
| 24-3006-HRT | Country Neighbor Program Inc. | \$353,941.50 | \$2.09 | \$365,235.00 | \$2.15 | \$11,293.50 | \$ 365,235.00 | \$ 2.15 |
| 24-3012-HRT | Elite Executive Transportation | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$325,000.00 | \$3.45 | \$325,000.00 | \$ 300,000.00 | \$ 3.45 |
| 24-3008-HRT | Richmond Transportation | \$600,000.00 | \$3.58 | \$3,560,000.00 | \$3.58 | \$2,960,000.00 | \$ 700,000.00 | \$ 3.45 |
| 24-3010-HRT | Sunset Transportation & Rentals, LLC. | \$600,000.00 | \$3.58 | \$875,000.00 | \$3.58 | \$275,000.00 | \$ 700,000.00 | \$ 3.45 |
| | | HRT Contracted Amount FY 2023 | | HRT Proposal Requests FY 2024 | | from FY2023 contracted amounts and FY2024 requested Proposal amounts. | HRT Recommended Contract amounts for FY 2024 | |
| | HRT | \$2,553,941.50 | | \$6,333,935.00 | | | \$ 3,265,235.00 | |

Keep in mind in FY2023 (a few months ago) we had to do some amendments to contracts in a total amount of \$850,000 combined for all providers to cover the demand. For FY2021 total payments combined for ERT & HRT rides were \$1,488,104.66. For FY 2022 total payments combined for ERT & HRT rides were \$1,900,786.90 for transportation. Calculating for this year so far, with averaging the last 3 months of the contract, we are looking at \$2,944,862.49 combined for ERT & HRT to get us a better calculation on forecasting for next year. With a decline in gas prices and rides increasing, I recommend to increase the requested contract amounts and decrease the unit rate to the rate that was given in FY2022 when gas prices were at \$4.00 per gallon, which was \$3.45 per mile and a \$.45 wait time rate.

Transportation Contract Comparison FY 2022 TO FY2023
Employment Related Transportation (ERT)

| Contract # | Provider | 2023 | | 2024 | | Difference in Contract Amt. | 2024 Recommendations | |
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| | | Contract Amount | Unit Rate | Amount Requested | Unit Rate | | Contract Amount | Unit Rate |
| 24-3001-ERT | ACTS | \$ 30,000.00 | \$65.78/hr | \$ 30,000.00 | | \$0.00 | \$ 20,000.00 | |
| 24-3003-ERT | Black Eagle Transit Company | \$ 30,000.00 | \$3.58 | \$ 30,000.00 | \$ 3.60 | \$0.00 | \$ 20,000.00 | \$ 3.45 |
| 24-3005-ERT | Courtesy Neighbor Program Inc. | \$ 5,225.00 | \$2.09 | \$ 5,225.00 | \$ 2.15 | \$0.00 | \$ 5,225.00 | \$ 2.15 |
| 24-3011-HRT | Elite Executive Transportation | \$ - | \$0.00 | \$ 30,000.00 | \$ 3.45 | \$30,000.00 | \$ 20,000.00 | \$ 3.45 |
| 24-3007-ERT | Richmond Transportation | \$ 30,000.00 | \$3.58 | \$ 30,000.00 | \$ 3.58 | \$0.00 | \$ 20,000.00 | \$ 3.45 |
| 24-3009-ERT | Sunset Transportation & Rentals, LLC. | \$ 30,000.00 | \$3.58 | \$ 30,000.00 | \$ 3.58 | \$0.00 | \$ 20,000.00 | \$ 3.45 |
| ERT | ERT Contracted Amount FY 2023 | \$125,225.00 | | ERT Proposal Requests FY 2024 | | from FY2023 contracted amounts and FY2024 requested | Recommended Contract amounts for FY 2024 | |
| | | | | \$155,225.00 | | \$30,000.00 | \$105,225.00 | |

HRT & ERT Contracted Amount FY 2023

HRT & ERT Proposal Requests FY 2024

DIFFERENCE from FY2023 contracted amounts and FY2024

Recommended Contract amounts for FY 2024

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| Transportation Totals | \$2,679,166.50 | \$6,489,160.00 | \$30,000.00 | \$3,370,460.00 |
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| PROVIDER NAME | 2020 | | | 2021 | | | 2022 | | | 2023 | | | 9 months |
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| | HRT | ERT | Total | HRT | ERT | Total | HRT | ERT | Total | HRT | ERT | Total | |
| ACTS | \$ 197,158.48 | \$ 297,225.50 | \$ 494,383.98 | \$ 333,935.09 | \$ 251,416.03 | \$ 585,351.12 | \$ 437,961.51 | \$ 551,946.91 | \$ 475,618.42 | \$ 475,618.42 | \$ 951,236.84 | \$ 1,426,855.26 | |
| Black Eagle | \$ 493,431.95 | \$ 324,226.09 | \$ 817,658.04 | \$ 437,961.51 | \$ 551,946.91 | \$ 989,908.42 | \$ 437,961.51 | \$ 551,946.91 | \$ 475,618.42 | \$ 475,618.42 | \$ 951,236.84 | \$ 1,426,855.26 | |
| Country Neighbor | \$ 6,341.16 | \$ 3,186.66 | \$ 9,527.82 | \$ 1,916.13 | \$ 4,756.12 | \$ 6,672.25 | \$ 293,674.47 | \$ 238,296.35 | \$ 531,970.82 | \$ 856.48 | \$ 856.48 | \$ 1,713,927.30 | |
| Richmond | \$ 475,149.05 | \$ 378,349.31 | \$ 853,498.36 | \$ 436,660.17 | \$ 640,359.79 | \$ 1,077,019.96 | \$ 378,349.31 | \$ 436,660.17 | \$ 815,009.48 | \$ 378,349.31 | \$ 436,660.17 | \$ 815,009.48 | |
| Sunset | \$ 3,732.12 | \$ 11,335.06 | \$ 15,067.18 | \$ 4,566.13 | \$ 583.20 | \$ 5,149.33 | \$ 213,136.30 | \$ 193,627.38 | \$ 406,763.68 | \$ 328.14 | \$ 328.14 | \$ 730,391.82 | |
| Yearly Totals | \$1,625,002.18 | \$1,438,884.76 | \$3,063,886.94 | \$1,892,264.02 | \$2,211,055.14 | \$4,103,319.16 | \$1,467,361.13 | \$1,900,786.90 | \$3,368,148.03 | \$1,467,361.13 | \$1,900,786.90 | \$5,268,934.93 | |

last 3 month average for each FY 2020-2023
 Total est. amount for FY2023
 add RCI monies paid by ACTS
 Total including RCI monies, would be the average 12 month total of contracted amounts needed to cover services.

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| Yearly Totals | HRT | \$1,625,002.18 | \$1,438,884.76 | \$1,892,264.02 | \$2,211,055.14 |
| | ERT | \$25,098.39 | \$28,476.37 | \$8,522.88 | \$6,877.15 |
| | | \$1,650,100.57 | \$1,467,361.13 | \$1,900,786.90 | \$2,217,932.29 |
| | | | | \$14,616.00 | \$2,957,243.05 |
| | | | | \$0.00 | \$2,957,243.05 |
| | | | | \$3,265,235.00 | \$6,222,478.10 |
| | | | | \$105,225.00 | \$6,327,703.10 |
| | | | | \$3,370,460.00 | \$9,700,163.10 |

Recommended contract amounts for FY2024

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| HRT | \$3,265,235.00 |
| ERT | \$105,225.00 |
| Total (HRT&ERT) | \$3,370,460.00 |

TO the COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Ohio Department of Medicaid and Ohio Department of Job & Family Services has reiterated that all counties do a cost/price analysis before evaluating proposals for transportation services. This is very hard to do for Ashtabula County, as it is the largest county and does not have many comparables. I did look up land area of Ashtabula county vs. all other counties in the State of Ohio (Attachment #1). After consulting with our Transportation Supervisor, Carol Lennon, she did get me some transportation costs of some of the counties in Ohio from her affiliates in Transportation. I also reach out to some counties and asked for the rate they were paying to their providers. I have compiled a listing of the counties we received rates from (Attachment #2). I have pulled the average current price of gas in Ohio as of July 17, 2023, \$3.31 per gallon (Attachment #3), also the average gas price comparison by State as listed on "Gasbuddy" online at \$3.33 per gallon (Attachment #4). I also pulled a comparison of our county vs. Trumbull County from online site Mundi.com/facts, showing the population estimates and the land area in sq. miles. Even though our population is ½ the size of Trumbull County our land size is very comparable, therefore giving me the most comparable county to Ashtabula County (Attachment #5). Trumbull county's current cost for transportation services is \$3.05 per mile.

In FY2021 Ashtabula County Job & Family Services was paying \$2.20 and \$2.23/per mile for Transportation services. In FY2022, effective July 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022, The Executive Director of ACJFS and the Ashtabula County Board of Commissioner's after receiving requests from transportation providers, agreed that due to the drastic increase in fuel prices (near \$5.00 per gallon) all transportation providers would receive an increase in their per unit rate to \$3.45/per mile and that the per mile rate and wait times would be re-evaluated during the RFP process. The RFP process last year took place from July through September, 2022 and during that time gas prices were still up over \$4.00 per gallon. After evaluating all proposals last year, it was decided by the Executive Director of Ashtabula County Job & Family Services and the Ashtabula County Board of Commissioners to increase the unit rate to \$3.58 per mile. The gas prices have stabilized as of January, 2023 and are averaging around \$3.20 - \$3.30 per gallon. The current average of Ohio gas is \$3.31/gallon as of July 17, 2023. The providers requested \$3.45, \$3.58, and \$3.60 per unit, which equates to per mile. We have done comparables of 25 counties and the amounts are roughly on average \$2.45 - \$2.78 that they are paying per mile for transportation services. The counties that are of similar size to Ashtabula County are averaging \$2.50-\$3.05 per mile for transportation services.

Keep in mind if a provider goes 60 miles and gets 15 miles per gallon of gas at \$3.31 per gallon, this would cost the provider \$13.24 for gas for the trip and they would be billing us \$214.80 for that trip at the \$3.58 per mile unit rate. We do understand that they have overhead costs, such as payroll, vehicle lease and maintenance costs, among many other costs. With the research we have completed required by the Ohio Department of Medicaid of Cost/Price Analysis we have found we are at a very high unit rate versus other counties in the State of Ohio.



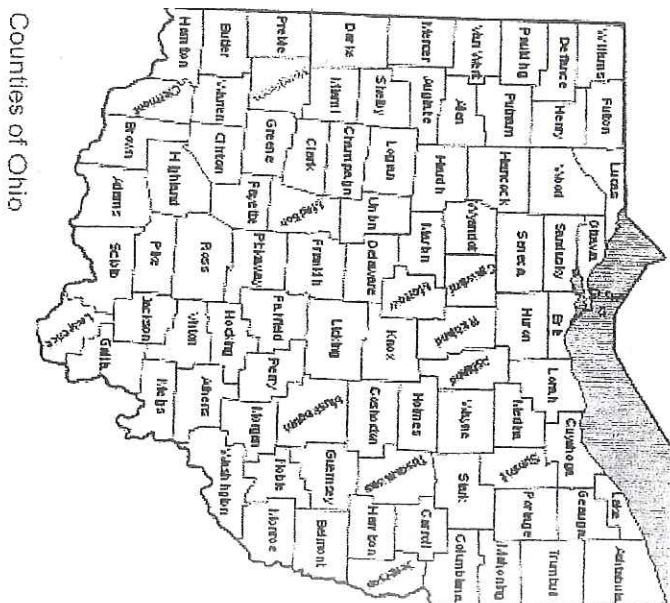
List of counties in Ohio

There are 88 counties in the U.S. state of Ohio. Nine of them existed at the time of the Ohio Constitutional Convention in 1802.^[1] A tenth county, Wayne, was established on August 15, 1796, and encompassed roughly the present state of Michigan.^[2] During the Convention, the county was opposed to statehood, and was not only left out of the Convention, but dissolved; the current Wayne County is in northeastern Ohio, considerably distant from the area that was the original Wayne County.^[1]

The Ohio Constitution allows counties to set up a charter government as many cities and villages do,^[3] but only Summit and Cuyahoga counties have done so,^[4] the latter having been approved by voters in November 2009.^[5] Counties do not possess home rule powers and can do only what has been expressly authorized by the Ohio General Assembly. The elected county officials in Ohio county governments include three commissioners, a sheriff (the highest law enforcement officer in the county); prosecutor (equivalent of a district attorney in other states); coroner; engineer; Recorder, auditor, treasurer, and clerk of courts.^{[6][7]}

Population figures are based on the 2022 vintage Census population estimates. The population of Ohio was 11,756,058 at that time, a decrease of 0.4% from 2020. The average population of Ohio's counties was 133,592; Franklin County was the most populous (1,321,820) and Vinton County was the least (12,565). The average land area is 464 sq mi (1,200 km²). The largest county by area is Ashtabula County at 702.44 sq mi (1,819.3 km²), and its neighbor, Lake County, is the smallest at 228.21 sq mi (591.1 km²). The total area of the state is 40,860.69 sq mi (105,828.7 km²).^{[8][9]}





The Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) is used by the U.S. government to uniquely identify counties, and is provided for each entry. These codes link to the United States Census Bureau's "quick facts" for each county. Ohio's FIPS code of 39 is used to distinguish from counties in other states. For example, Adams County's unique nationwide identifier is 39001.^[10] However, the Bureau








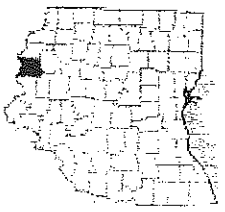
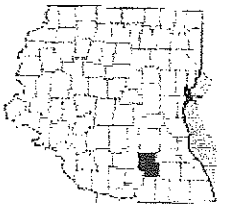
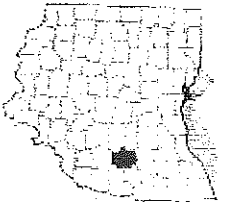
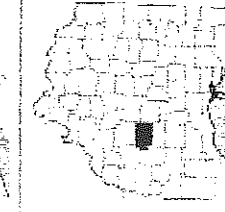
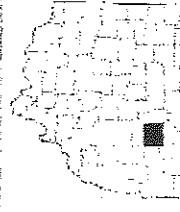
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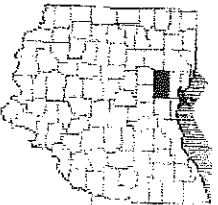
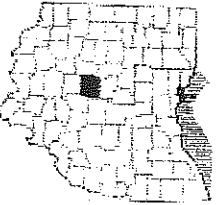
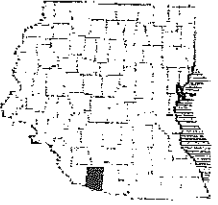
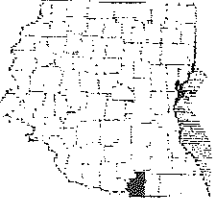
of Motor Vehicles and Department of Transportation instead identify counties by consecutive numbers and three-letter abbreviations,^[11] respectively. For historic preservation purposes, Ohio History Connection refers to counties by two- and three-letter abbreviations in the Ohio Archaeological Inventory and Ohio Historic Inventory, respectively.^[12]

List of counties

| County | FIPS code ^[10] | County Seat ^[13] | Est. ^[14] | Origin ^[15] | Etymology ^{[14][15]} | Population ^{[10][13][16]} | Area ^[13] | Map |
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| Ashtabula County | 007 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qc/ctfacts/lab/le/PST045 215/39007.00) | Jefferson | Jun 7, 1807 | Trumbull and Geauga Counties | Ashtabula River, which means "fish river" in an Algonquian language ^[18] | 97,014 | 702.44 sq mi (1,819 km ²) |  |
| Ross County | 141 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qc/ctfacts/lab/le/PST045 215/39141.00) | Chillicothe | Aug 20, 1798 | Adams and Washington Counties | Named for U.S. Senator from Pennsylvania James Ross by territorial governor Arthur St. Clair | 76,606 | 688.41 sq mi (1,783 km ²) |  |
| Licking County | 089 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qc/ctfacts/lab/le/PST045 215/39089.00) | Newark | Mar 1, 1808 | Fairfield County | Licking River, named for the salt licks in the area, or an English pronunciation of the Lenape word <i>Wili'ik/ink</i> meaning "where the flood waters recede" ^[21] | 181,359 | 686.50 sq mi (1,778 km ²) |  |
| Muskingum County | 119 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qc/ctfacts/lab/le/PST045 215/39119.00) | Zanesville | Mar 1, 1804 ^{[22][23]} | Washington and Fairfield Counties | An Indian word meaning "A town by the river" or "by the river side" | 86,113 | 664.63 sq mi (1,721 km ²) |  |

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| Washington County | 167 (http://www.cens.us.gov/quickfacts/lab/e/PST045 215/39167.00) | Marietta | Jul 27, 1788 | One of the original counties | George Washington (1732-1799), commander of the Continental Army, president of the Constitutional Convention, and future President of the United States | 58,901 | 635.15 sq mi (1,645 km ²) |  |
| Wood County | 173 (http://www.cens.us.gov/quickfacts/lab/e/PST045 215/39173.00) | Bowling Green | Apr 1, 1820 | Refactored from non-county territory | Eleazer D. Wood (1783-1814), founder of Fort Meigs | 131,592 | 617.32 sq mi (1,599 km ²) |  |
| Trumbull County | 155 (http://www.cens.us.gov/quickfacts/lab/e/PST045 215/39155.00) | Warren | Jul 10, 1800 | Jefferson and Wayne Counties | Jonathan Trumbull (1710-1785), Governor of Connecticut when the county was organized | 200,643 | 616.48 sq mi (1,597 km ²) |  |
| Scioto County | 145 (http://www.cens.us.gov/quickfacts/lab/e/PST045 215/39145.00) | Portsmouth | May 1, 1803 | Adams County | Scioto River; Scioto is a Wyandot Indian word meaning "deer" | 72,194 | 612.27 sq mi (1,586 km ²) |  |
| Darke County | 037 (http://www.cens.us.gov/quickfacts/lab/e/PST045 215/39037.00) | Greenville | Jan 3, 1809 | Miami County | General William Darke (1736-1801), Revolutionary War officer | 51,529 | 599.80 sq mi (1,553 km ²) |  |

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| <u>Adams County</u> | 001 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qulckfacts/lab le/PST045 215/3900 1.00) | <u>West Union</u> | Jul 10, 1797 | Hamilton County | John Adams (1735-1826), President of the <u>United States</u> when the county was organized | 27,420 | 583.91 sq mi (1,512 km ²) |  |
| <u>Stark County</u> | 151 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qulckfacts/lab le/PST045 215/3915 1.00) | <u>Canton</u> | Feb 13, 1808 | Columbiana County | General John Stark (1728-1822), a Revolutionary War officer, known as the "Hero of Bennington" for his exemplary service at the Battle of Bennington in 1777 | 372,657 | 576.14 sq mi (1,492 km ²) |  |
| <u>Tuscarawas County</u> | 157 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qulckfacts/lab le/PST045 215/3915 7.00) | <u>New Philadelphia</u> | Mar 15, 1808 | Muskingum County | Tuscarawas River, meaning "open mouth river" or the Tuscarawas tribe who lived on the river | 91,937 | 567.58 sq mi (1,470 km ²) |  |
| <u>Coshocton County</u> | 031 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qulckfacts/lab le/PST045 215/3903 1.00) | <u>Coshocton</u> | Jan 31, 1810 | Muskingum and Tuscarawas Counties | Delaware Indian word meaning "Union of waters" | 36,571 | 564.07 sq mi (1,461 km ²) |  |
| <u>Wayne County</u> | 169 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qulckfacts/lab le/PST045 215/3916 9.00) | <u>Wooster</u> | Mar 1, 1812 | Stark County | General Anthony Wayne (1745-1796), a Revolutionary War officer | 116,559 | 555.36 sq mi (1,438 km ²) |  |

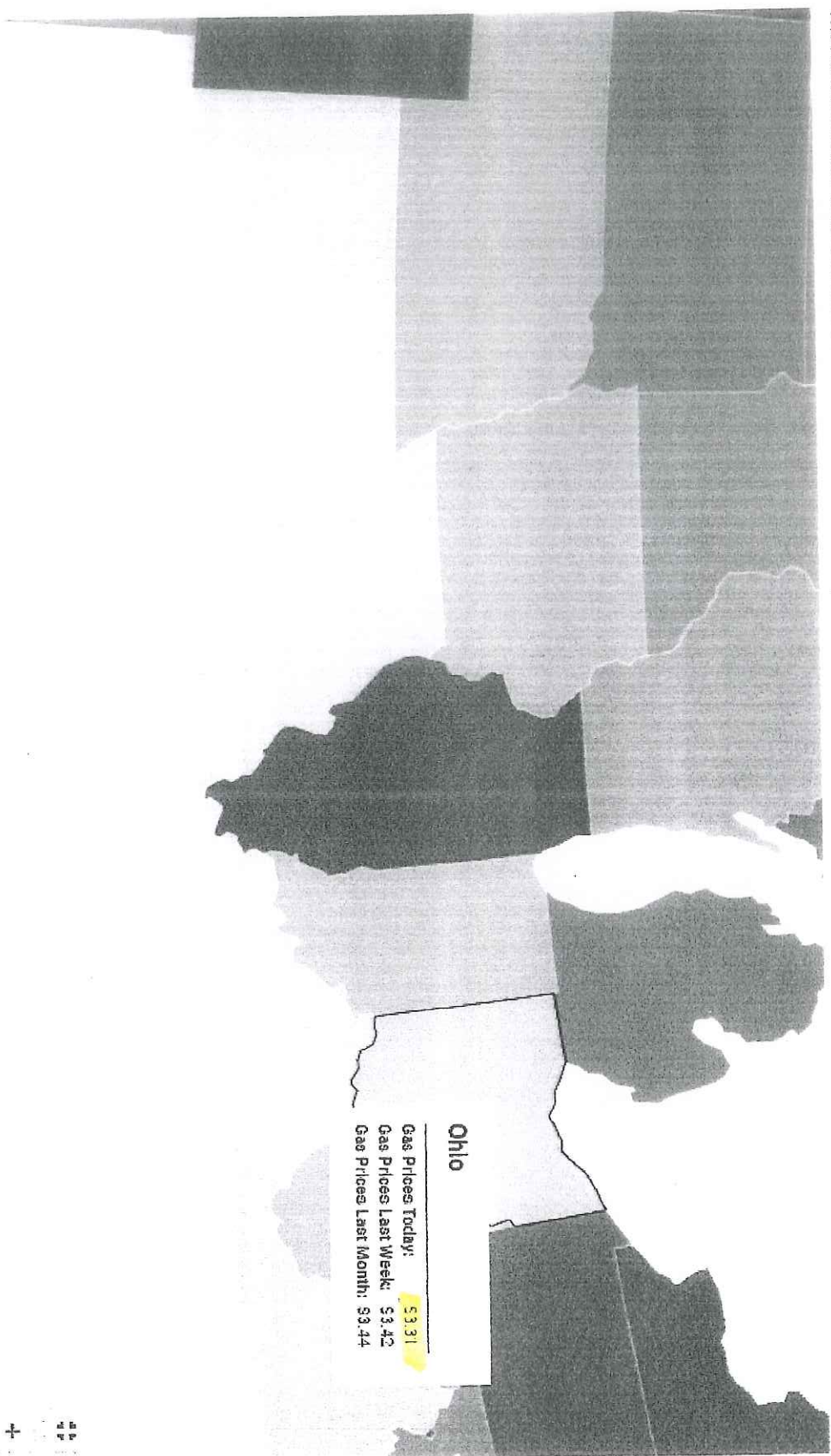
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| Highland County | 071 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qul/ckfacts/lab/le/PST045 215/3907 1,00) | Hillsboro | May 1, 1805 | Ross, Adams, and Clermont Counties | Descriptive of the county's terrain | 43,391 | 553.28 sq mi (1,433 km ²) |  |
| Seneca County | 147 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qul/ckfacts/lab/le/PST045 215/3914 7,00) | Tiffin | Apr 1, 1820 | Huron County | Seneca Indians, who had a reservation in the county area at the time | 54,632 | 550.59 sq mi (1,426 km ²) |  |
| Franklin County | 049 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qul/ckfacts/lab/le/PST045 215/3904 9,00) | Columbus | Apr 30, 1803 | Ross and Wayne Counties | Benjamin Franklin (1706-1791), Founding Father, author, printer, political theorist, scientist, inventor, and statesman | 1,321,820 | 539.87 sq mi (1,398 km ²) |  |
| Belmont County | 013 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qul/ckfacts/lab/le/PST045 215/3901 3,00) | St. Clairsville | Sep 7, 1801 | Jefferson and Washington Counties | French for "beautiful mountain" | 65,509 | 537.35 sq mi (1,392 km ²) |  |
| Columbiana County | 029 (http://www.cens.us.gov/qul/ckfacts/lab/le/PST045 215/3902 9,00) | Lisbon | May 1, 1803 | Jefferson and Washington Counties | Christopher Columbus, European explorer of the Americas | 100,511 | 532.46 sq mi (1,379 km ²) |  |

| County | Minimum Per Mile Range | Maximum Per Mile Range |
|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Allen County | \$ 1.75 | \$ 3.00 |
| Brown County | \$ 2.25 | \$ 2.60 |
| Carroll County | \$ 1.75 | \$ 1.75 |
| Champaign County | \$ 2.25 | \$ 2.25 |
| Columbiana County | \$ 2.77 | \$ 3.50 |
| Coshocton County | \$ 2.47 | \$ 2.47 |
| Gallia County | \$ 2.40 | \$ 2.40 |
| Geauga County | \$ 2.85 | \$ 2.85 |
| Hancock County | \$ 2.00 | \$ 3.50 |
| Knox County | \$ 2.92 | \$ 3.55 |
| Lorain County | \$ 1.67 | \$ 2.19 |
| Lucas County | \$ 2.30 | \$ 2.30 |
| Madison County | \$ 2.02 | \$ 2.02 |
| Morgan County | \$ 3.00 | \$ 4.53 |
| Muskingham County | \$ 2.50 | \$ 2.50 |
| Noble County | \$ 2.05 | \$ 2.05 |
| Ottawa County | \$ 3.15 | \$ 3.15 |
| Pickaway County | \$ 1.94 | \$ 2.75 |
| Pike County | \$ 2.50 | \$ 2.50 |
| Preble County | \$ 3.10 | \$ 3.10 |
| Scioto County | \$ 3.00 | \$ 3.00 |
| Seneca County | \$ 2.12 | \$ 2.12 |
| Trumbull County | \$ 3.05 | \$ 3.05 |
| Wayne County | \$ 3.33 | \$ 3.33 |
| Wyandot County | \$ 2.20 | \$ 3.00 |
| Average of 25 counties | \$ 2.45 | \$ 2.78 |

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Average Gas Prices by State

The Forbes Advisor team considered data from AAA. See how your state compares.



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Average Regular Gas Price Comparison by State

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| (/usa/ms) | |
| Tennessee | 3.085 |
| (/usa/tn) | |
| Alabama | 3.105 |
| (/usa/al) | |
| Louisiana | 3.107 |
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| Oklahoma | 3.123 |
| (/usa/ok) | |
| South Carolina | 3.128 |
| (/usa/sc) | |
| Texas | 3.144 |
| (/usa/tx) | |
| Arkansas | 3.150 |

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| (/usa/ks) | Missouri | 3.250 |
| (/usa/mo) | Kentucky | 3.297 |
| (/usa/ky) | North Carolina | 3.303 |
| (/usa/nc) | Ohio | 3.328 |
| (/usa/oh) | Iowa | 3.339 |
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| (/usa/wi) | West Virginia | 3.354 |
| (/usa/wv) | Florida | 3.366 |

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| Oregon | | 4.567 | ▼ |
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| California (/usa/ca) | 4.866 | ? |
| Washington (/usa/wa) | 4.888 | ▲ |

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Ashtabula County vs. Trumbull County

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| | Ashtabula County (OH) | Trumbull County (OH) |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Population estimates, July 1, 2019, (V2019) | 97,493 | 198,627 |
| Population, percent change - April 1, 2010 (estimates base) to July 1, 2019, (V2019) | -3.9% | -5.6% |
| Population estimates base, April 1, 2010, (V2019) | 101,490 | 210,325 |
| Population, Census, April 1, 2010 | 101,497 | 210,312 |
| Persons under 5 years, percent | 5.7% | 5.3% |
| Persons under 18 years, percent | 22.1% | 20.5% |
| Persons 65 years and over, percent | 19.1% | 21.6% |
| Female persons, percent | 49.6% | 51.3% |
| White alone, percent | 93.0% | 88.7% |
| Black or African American alone, percent | 3.9% | 8.4% |
| American Indian and Alaska Native alone, percent | 0.3% | 0.2% |
| Asian alone, percent | 0.5% | 0.6% |
| Two or More Races, percent | 2.3% | 2.1% |
| Hispanic or Latino, percent | 4.3% | 1.9% |
| White alone, not Hispanic or Latino, percent | 89.3% | 87.2% |
| Veterans, 2014-2018 | 7,755 | 15,828 |
| Foreign born persons, percent, 2014-2018 | 1.5% | 1.5% |
| Housing units, July 1, 2018, (V2018) | 46,190 | 95,695 |
| Owner-occupied housing unit rate, 2014-2018 | 70.1% | 70.7% |
| Median value of owner-occupied housing units, 2014-2018 | \$108,300 | \$102,500 |
| Median selected monthly owner costs -with a mortgage, 2014-2018 | \$1,084 | \$1,028 |
| Median selected monthly owner costs -without a mortgage, 2014-2018 | \$393 | \$405 |
| Median gross rent, 2014-2018 | \$679 | \$659 |
| Housing units in multi-unit structures, percent, 2009-2013 | 15.2% | 16.5% |

| | Ashtabula County (OH) | Trumbull County (OH) |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Building permits, 2018 | 114 | 94 |
| Households, 2014-2018 | 37,652 | 86,163 |
| Persons per household, 2014-2018 | 2.51 | 2.30 |
| Living in same house 1 year ago, percent of persons age 1 year+, 2014-2018 | 88.4% | 90.3% |
| Language other than English spoken at home, percent of persons age 5 years+, 2014-2018 | 6.9% | 5.0% |
| Households with a computer, percent, 2014-2018 | 81.2% | 82.7% |
| Households with a broadband Internet subscription, percent, 2014-2018 | 74.1% | 74.0% |
| High school graduate or higher, percent of persons age 25 years+, 2014-2018 | 86.0% | 89.1% |
| Bachelor's degree or higher, percent of persons age 25 years+, 2014-2018 | 14.1% | 18.5% |
| With a disability, under age 65 years, percent, 2014-2018 | 11.6% | 10.3% |
| Persons without health insurance, under age 65 years, percent | 8.3% | 7.8% |
| In civilian labor force, total, percent of population age 16 years+, 2014-2018 | 54.2% | 56.0% |
| In civilian labor force, female, percent of population age 16 years+, 2014-2018 | 50.7% | 51.6% |
| Total accommodation and food services sales, 2012 (\$1,000) | 121,505 | 516,287 |
| Total health care and social assistance receipts/revenue, 2012 (\$1,000) | 420,284 | 991,119 |
| Total manufacturers shipments, 2012 (\$1,000) | 2,449,503 | 9,668,411 |
| Total merchant wholesaler sales, 2012 (\$1,000) | 220,064 | 2,288,597 |
| Total retail sales, 2012 (\$1,000) | 1,081,075 | 2,495,337 |
| Total retail sales per capita, 2012 | \$10,769 | \$12,031 |
| Mean travel time to work (minutes), workers age 16 years+, 2014-2018 | 25.5 | 23.0 |
| Median household income (in 2018 dollars), 2014-2018 | \$44,823 | \$45,975 |
| Per capita income in past 12 months (in 2018 dollars), 2014-2018 | \$22,817 | \$26,116 |
| Persons in poverty, percent | 17.4% | 17.6% |
| Total employer establishments, 2017 | 1,900 | 3,963 |
| Total employment, 2017 | 25,210 | 61,808 |
| Total annual payroll, 2017 (\$1,000) | 899,161 | 2,382,253 |
| Total employment, percent change, 2016-2017 | 1.5% | -7.8% |

| | Ashtabula County (OH) | Trumbull County (OH) |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Total nonemployer establishments, 2017 | 6,243 | 12,832 |
| All firms, 2012 | 6,798 | 15,885 |
| Men-owned firms, 2012 | 4,193 | 8,573 |
| Women-owned firms, 2012 | 1,916 | 5,359 |
| Minority-owned firms, 2012 | 328 | 1,214 |
| Nonminority-owned firms, 2012 | 6,227 | 13,951 |
| Veteran-owned firms, 2012 | 609 | 1,629 |
| Nonveteran-owned firms, 2012 | 5,836 | 13,249 |
| Black-owned firms, percent, 2007 | 0.0% | 3.2% |
| American Indian- and Alaska Native-owned firms, percent, 2007 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Asian-owned firms, percent, 2007 | 1.2% | 1.2% |
| Native Hawaiian- and Other Pacific Islander-owned firms, percent, 2007 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Hispanic-owned firms, percent, 2007 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Women-owned firms, percent, 2007 | 24.3% | 22.9% |
| Population per square mile, 2010 | 144.6 | 340.1 |
| Land area in square miles, 2010 | 701.93 | 618.30 |

Source: [United States Census Bureau](#)

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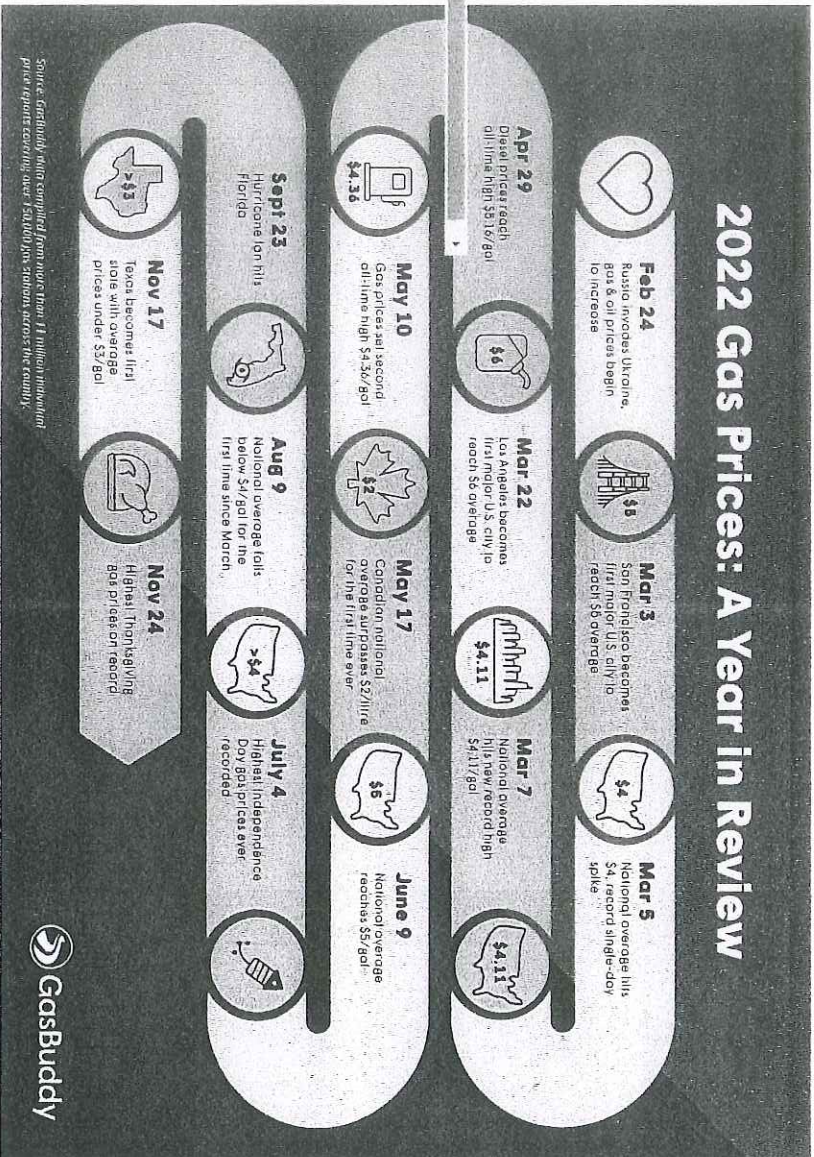
2022 GAS PRICES: A YEAR IN REVIEW

By GasBuddy (https://www.gasbuddy.com/go/author/gasbuddy) | December 27, 2022

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SEARCH

The highs and lows of gas prices in 2022 were like no other year seen before. From a \$3 per gallon national average in early January to a **\$4.11** per gallon national average in June, and then back again, this year was unpredictable for drivers across the country. Let's look back at some of the major gas price events over the last twelve months that helped shape the crazy roller coaster ride of 2022.



Beginning at around \$3.25/gal in early January, gas prices quickly began to rise, exacerbated by Russia's invasion of Ukraine in late February. Geopolitical events have the potential to put pressure on crude oil prices, which make up about 50% of the price of gas you pay at the pump. This was only the beginning of the price spikes to come.

MARCH

Many new gas price records were set in March 2022. Gas prices began to rise more substantially, and on March 3, San Francisco became the first major U.S. city to reach a \$5 per gallon average. Just two days later, on March 5, the national average price of gasoline hit \$4 per gallon, and saw a new record single-day spike, rising over 60¢ per gallon in just one day. On March 7, the national average price of gas surpassed the previously recorded all-time high, averaging over \$4.11 cents per gallon. Prices continued to rise throughout the month, and by the 22nd, Los Angeles became the first major U.S. city to reach a \$6 per gallon average gas price.

APRIL – MAY

In April, gas prices across the U.S. continued to rise, though it was diesel prices that took the spotlight. On April 29, diesel prices reached a new all-time high of \$5.16 per gallon. And after dipping slightly at the beginning of May, gas prices began to rise again in time for the <https://www.krakal.com/for-the-gasbuddy/Memorial-Day-weekend>. On May 10, gas prices rose above their previous record, setting a new all-time high of \$4.36 per gallon. Then, on May 17, the Canadian national average followed suit, surpassing \$2 per liter for the first time in history.

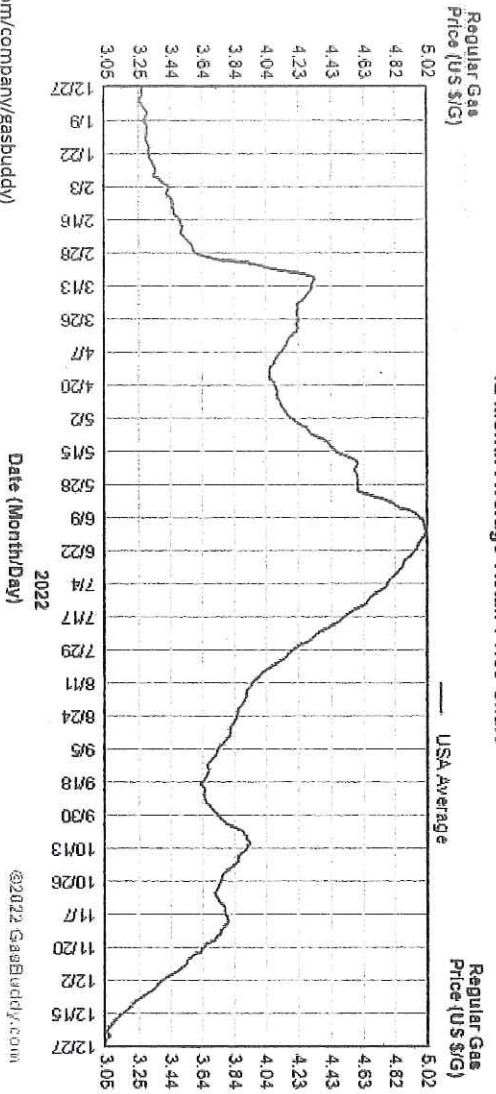
JUNE

The tumultuous year that was 2022 culminated in June, with the national average price of gas reaching \$5 per gallon for the first time ever recorded on June 9. Many states at this time saw averages sitting in the \$4 range, and California saw average prices near the \$7 per gallon mark.

JULY

Independence Day drivers were in for a holiday of fireworks at the pump. Though prices dipped slightly from their June peak, 2022's Fourth of July had the highest gas prices ever recorded on that day. At this point in the summer, demand for gasoline began to waver, as many chose to postpone or cancel their travel plans to avoid paying high prices.

12 Month Average Retail Price Chart



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AUGUST – SEPTEMBER

Some much-needed relief finally arrived in August. On August 9, the national average fell below \$4 per gallon for the first time since March. In September, after a quiet start to hurricane season, Hurricane Ian threatened Florida and oil refineries, many of which lie on the Gulf Coast. GasBuddy activated its Fuel Availability Tracker to help Floridians find fuel and power.

OCTOBER – NOVEMBER

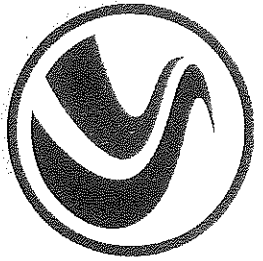
As temperatures dropped, gas prices also began to fall more substantially in November. On November 17, Texas became the first U.S. state to have average gas prices fall back under \$3 per gallon for the first time. Nevertheless, drivers still faced the highest Thanksgiving gas prices on record.

DECEMBER

After months of price highs and lows, Christmas came yearly and the year closed on a positive note for many drivers, with over half of U.S. states seeing a \$3 per gallon or lower average gas price by the end of the month. The national average dropped below its year-ago level on December 9, and at last fell back below \$3 per gallon on December 23.

What's In store for 2023?

While 2022 has proven that anything is possible when it comes to gas prices, GasBuddy is committed to keeping you informed and helping you pay the least amount possible to fill up your tank. Stay tuned for our 2023 forecast, coming very soon. In the meantime, make sure to download the free GasBuddy app and sign up for the Pay with GasBuddy fuel card to start 2023 by saving up to 25 cents per gallon.



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