

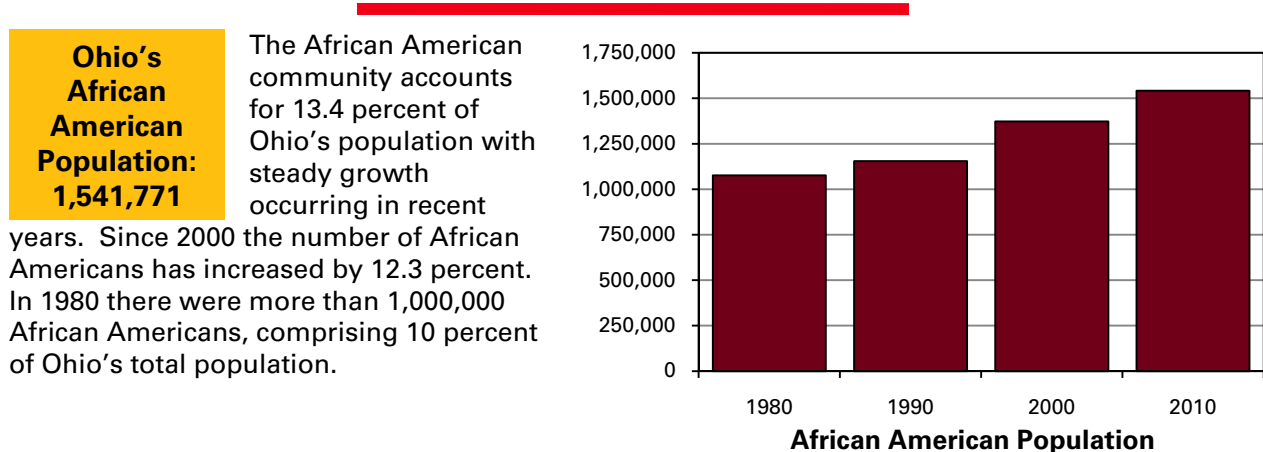
Ohio African Americans

Ohio's African American community is comprised of over 1.5 million people, accounting for 13.4 percent of the state's total population. According to the 2010 Census by the U.S. Census Bureau, Ohio's African American population has increased by 12.3 percent since 2000. For the United States taken as a whole, the African American population is nearly 42.0 million, accounting for 14 percent of the nation's total population. Since 2000, the African American community in the U.S. has experienced an increase of more than 5.6 million persons, or 15.4 percent.

OVERVIEW

- o 1,541,771 people - 13.4 percent of Ohio's total population
- o 12.3 percent increase in population since 2000
- o 53,800 were born outside the U.S.
- o Median age of 32.4 years compared to 38.8 years for Ohioans taken as a whole
- o 281,400 enrolled in public schools
- o Median household income: \$26,039
- o 52,100+ African American-owned businesses with \$4.7 billion in receipts

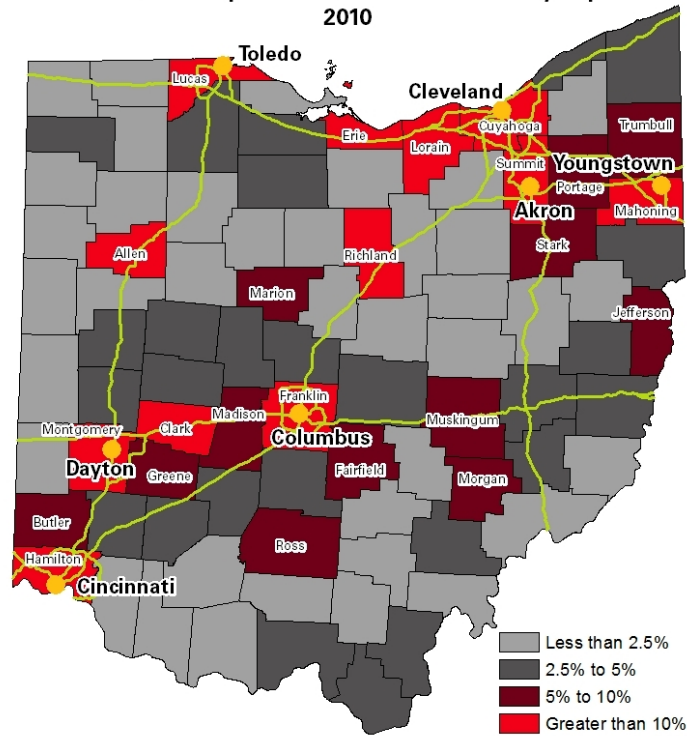
Note: African American refers to a person reporting their race as African American alone or in combination with one or more other race for total population counts only. A person reporting their race as African American alone is used for the other population characteristics. The recording of specific, multiple races was not done prior to 2000.



African American Population by County: 2010			
Total African American Population		Percent of County Population	
Cuyahoga	396,157	Cuyahoga	30.9%
Franklin	268,432	Hamilton	27.0%
Hamilton	216,782	Franklin	23.1%
Montgomery	119,559	Montgomery	22.3%
Lucas	92,260	Lucas	20.9%
Summit	85,046	Mahoning	17.0%
Mahoning	40,500	Summit	15.7%
Stark	34,010	Allen	13.7%
Butler	31,121	Richland	10.5%
Lorain	30,995	Erie	10.5%
Trumbull	19,704	Clark	10.4%
Allen	14,616	Lorain	10.3%

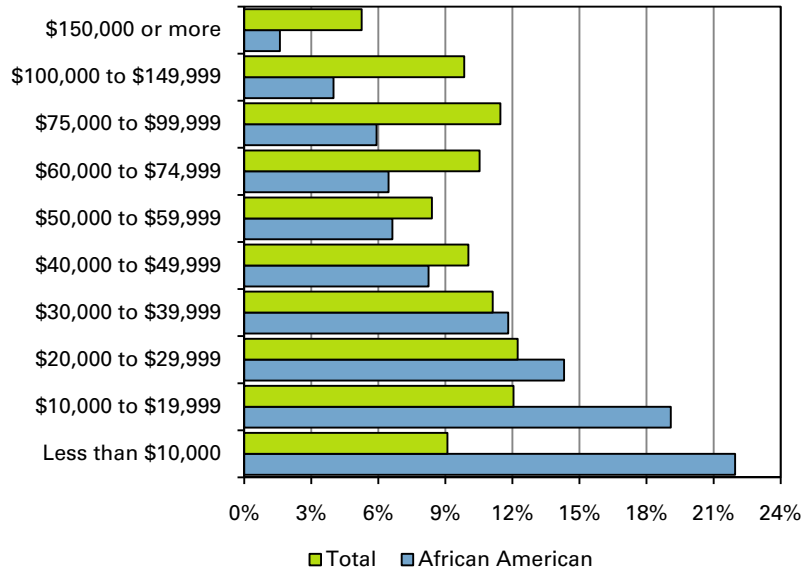
The majority of African Americans in Ohio live in urban areas. Nearly four out of every ten African Americans in the state live in the cities of Cincinnati, Cleveland, or Columbus. In Columbus there are 237,077 African American residents; in Cleveland there are 219,027; and in Cincinnati there are 138,296 African American residents. The Cleveland and the surrounding urbanized area alone is home to more than one-quarter of Ohio's African American population.

African American Population as Percent of County Population: 2010



Median Household Income: \$26,039

The income of African American Ohioans tends to be lower than that of Ohioans taken as a whole. The median household income for African Americans is less than \$26,100. For Ohio households overall, the median household income is \$45,400. A lack of full-time, year-round employment is one factor accounting for the lower income. Less than 33 percent of African American Ohioans aged 16 and older worked full-time over the previous year compared to 39 percent of Ohioans taken as a whole. The median earnings for African American Ohioans working less than full time is approximately \$8,000 compared to \$31,000 for African American workers employed full-time year-round.



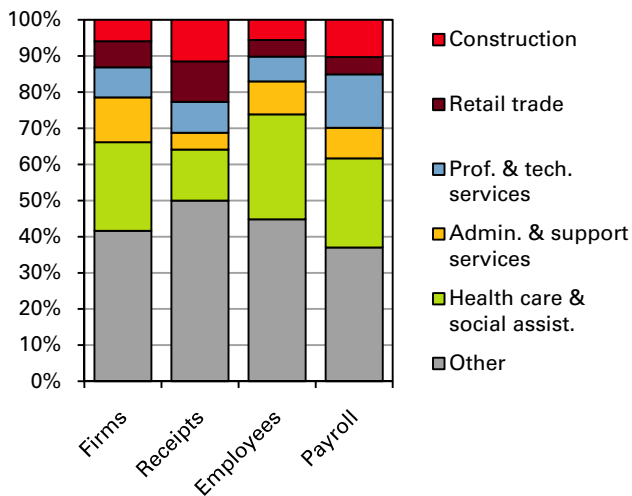
Household Income Distribution

Thirty-three percent of African Americans in Ohio live below the poverty line. Of Ohio's 312,000 African American family households, 29 percent live below the poverty line. Nearly half of these households have children younger than 5 years of age. Thirty-one percent of African American households received Food Stamps within the last 12 months.

**Business Receipts:
\$4.7 billion**

There are over 52,100 African American-owned businesses in Ohio, according to the most recent Survey of Business Owners conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau. Of that number, businesses with a payroll total more than 2,800 and, combined, employ nearly 33,300 workers with an annual payroll of more than \$807 million. Receipts for those businesses were more than \$3.7 billion with receipts for all African American-run businesses approaching \$4.7 billion.

With respect to business sectors, health care and social assistance businesses represent the largest portion of African American-owned firms at 25 percent. Within the African American business community, this sector is nearly 3 times larger than the proportion of Ohio businesses taken as a whole. Administrative and support/waste management services make up a significant proportion of firms accounting for more than 12 percent of all African American-owned businesses.



The distribution of receipts for African American-owned firms by sector varies greatly from that of Ohio firms overall.

More than 14 percent of receipts, the largest shares, came from both the manufacturing and healthcare/social assistance sectors. Construction, wholesale trade, and retail trade follow, accounting for roughly 11 percent each. For Ohio businesses overall, manufacturing brings in more than one-fourth of receipts; retail accounts for only 14 percent.

**Unemployment
Rate: 20.5%**

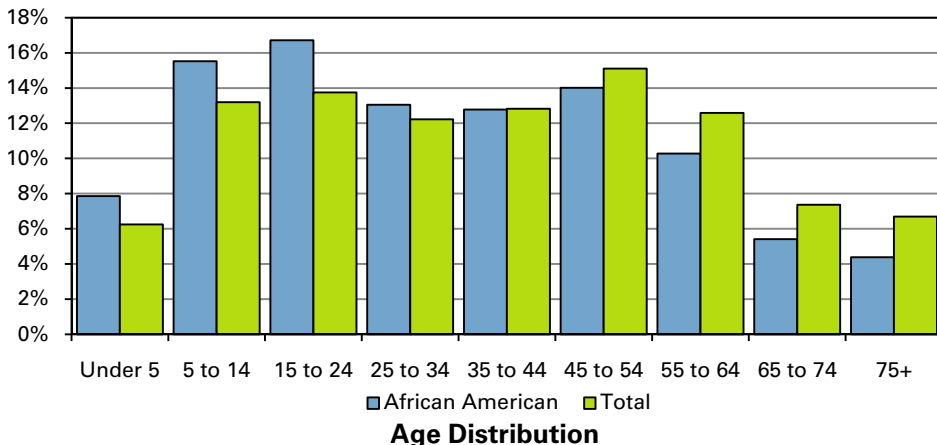
The number of African American Ohioans in the civilian labor force is more than 632,000; the unemployment rate for African American Ohioans is over 20 percent. African Americans between the ages of 25 and 64 have an unemployment rate of 17 percent while African Americans between the ages of 20 and 24 have an unemployment rate of nearly 32 percent. The unemployment rates just for African American men for the same age groups are 22 percent and 37 percent, respectively.

Employed African Americans are heavily represented in service and sales/office occupations. Of the nearly 502,000 employed African Americans in Ohio, 28 percent are in service occupations with 39,000 in healthcare support occupations. Sales and office occupations account for 26 percent with 89,000 African American Ohioans involved in office and administrative support occupations.



**Median Age:
32.4 years**

The median age of African Americans in Ohio is 32.4 years. For comparison, the median age of Ohioans taken as a whole is 38.8 years.



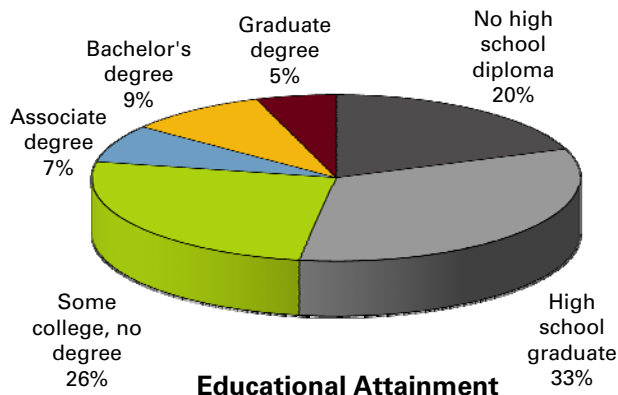
In Ohio, there are 128,000 marriages include at least one

African American spouse. Forty-one percent of these couples have children living at home. For married couples in Ohio taken as a whole, only 39 percent have children at home. Sixty-one percent of African American families with children consist of single mothers. There are nearly 19,000 African American grandparents living with and responsible for their grandchildren.

**Public School Enrollment:
281,400**

For the 2009-2010 school year, there were more than 281,400 African American

students enrolled in Ohio's public schools, making up 16.1 percent of Ohio's total student body. For the 2000-2001 school year, the figure was 16.2 percent.



The educational attainment level of the African American community lags behind the state as a whole. Twenty-two percent of African American Ohioans have obtained a post-secondary degree compared to 31 percent for Ohioans taken as a whole.

Correspondingly, almost 19 percent of African Americans do not have a high school diploma or equivalency compared to 12 percent for the state overall. Nonetheless, over 110,000 African American Ohioans are enrolled in college or graduate school.



**Foreign Born:
53,800**

There are nearly 54,000 foreign-born African Americans living in Ohio. This constitutes just 12 percent of all foreign-born residents but the number recently has been growing. A large portion of foreign-born African Americans emigrated from Africa. Close to half of the African migration came from Eastern Africa with about 9,000 coming from Somalia. Of foreign-born African Americans, nearly two-thirds report speaking only English or English “very well.”

The statistical source of this profile is the 2010 Census of Population and Housing and the Census Bureau’s 2009 American Community Survey. Business data came from the Census Bureau’s 2007 Survey of Business Owners. Although the census is the most comprehensive set of socio-economic data available, the estimates are subject to sampling and non-sampling error that may result in some over- or under-estimation of actual population characteristics. The source of public school enrollment was the Ohio Department of Education.