



Ohio [OH]

Capital: Columbus
 Area: 44,825 sq. mi.
 Population: 11,536,504
 Pop. Density: 257.3/ sq. mi.
 Nickname: "The Buckeye State"
 State motto: "With God, All Things Are Possible"
 Governor: John Richard Kasish (R)
 U.S. Senators: Sherrod Brown (D), Rob Portman (R)



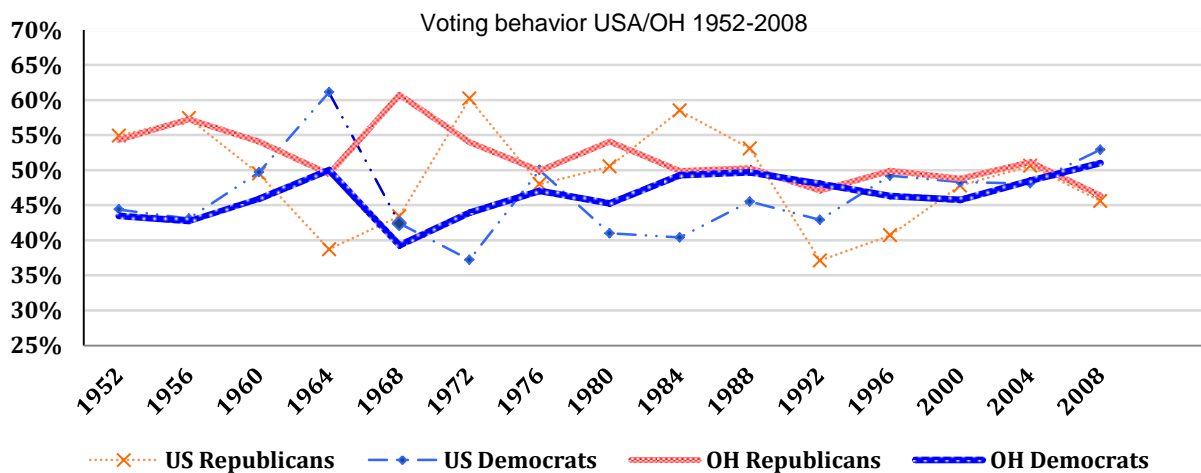
"Ohio." *Encyclopædia Britannica*. *Encyclopædia Britannica Online*. Encyclopædia Britannica Inc., 2012. Web. April 25, 2012. <<http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/34807/Ohio>>.



I. VOTING BEHAVIOR:

"Both the Democratic and Republican parties have much strength in Ohio. The Democratic Party is strongest in Cleveland and other metropolitan areas in northeastern Ohio. The Republican Party is dominant in most rural areas and is also strong in the Cincinnati and Columbus metropolitan areas. Since the end of World War II in 1945, Democratic and Republican candidates have won elections for governor about an equal number of times. Ohio is often called a barometer state in national politics. That is, the political views of Ohioans frequently indicate those of most Americans. For example, the winning presidential candidates have won Ohio's electoral votes in a great majority of presidential elections since 1804."

Resource: *World Book 2008*



Resource: "Election Information" *Office of the Clerk*. February 2008. April 25, 2012. <http://clerk.house.gov/member_info/electioninfo/index.aspx>

VOTING RATES

	Percent voted (citizen) US	Percent voted (citizen) OH
2000	50.3%	55.5%
2004	55.7%	65.1%
2008	57.1%	64.9%

Resource: US Census Bureau, ed. (2012). *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2012*. April 25, 2012. <<http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/39000.html>>

Ohio has a 2010 population of about 11.5 million. Ohio has a higher percentage of the non-Hispanic white-alone population and a lower percentage of Hispanics than the nation as a whole, according to U.S. Census Bureau statistics. About 65 percent of Ohio's citizens cast a ballot in the 2008 general election.

More information at: <http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/voting.html>



II. DEMOGRAPHICS

Selected Characteristics	Ohio	U.S.
Median age	37.6	36.4
Women	51.2%	50.8%
White persons, not Hispanic	82.9 %	63.7%
Black persons	12.0%	12.6%
Hispanic or Latino	2.3%	16.3%
Median household income	\$44,532	\$51,914
Foreign born	3,6%	12.7%
Persons below poverty	13,3%	13.8%
Bachelor's degree or higher (age 25+)	23.0%	27.9%
Median home value	\$135,200	\$188,400

Resource: US Census Bureau, ed. (2012). *State and County QuickFacts*. 17. January 2012. April 25, 2012.
<http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/39000.html>



III. MORE RESOURCES

Government Information

The Official Website for the State Ohio: <http://www.ohio.gov/>

Governor of Ohio: <http://governor.ohio.gov/>

Ohio – Elected officials in U.S. Senate:

http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm?State=OH

Ohio – Elected officials in U.S. House of Representatives

http://www.house.gov/house/MemberWWW_by_State.shtml#de

Elections 2008

My Time to Vote: <http://elections.mytimetovote.com/dates/ohio.html>

Politics 1: Ohio Directory <http://www.politicsone.com/oh.htm>

The Green Papers: Ohio 2008 General elections – General: <http://www.thegreenpapers.com/G08/OH.phtml>

Ohio – Secretary of State – Voter Services: <http://www.sos.state.oh.us/SOS/voter.aspx>

Statistics

Quick Facts from the US Census Bureau – Ohio: <http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/39000.html>

Election 2008 (Voting and Registration): <http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/socdemo/voting/index.html>

Polling Report – Collection of National Polling Results: <http://www.pollingreport.com/>

Gallup – America's largest Polling Institute: <http://www.gallup.com/poll/election.aspx>

Media

General Media Collection by the U.S. Embassy: <http://usa.usembassy.de/media.htm>

Local newspapers

News Link, newspapers: <http://www.newslink.org/ohnews.html>

U.S. Newspapers List (USNPL): <http://www.usnpl.com/ohnews.php>

Local radio stations

News Link, radio stations: <http://www.newslink.org/ohradi.html>

On the Radio: <http://www.ontheradio.net/states/ohio.aspx>

General Information

Infoplease – Ohio: <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108258.html>

50states.com – Ohio: <http://www.50states.com/ohio.htm>

Official Tourism Website: <http://consumer.discoverohio.com/>

Web 2.0-Representation of the State and Parties

Democratic Party

Official website: <http://ohiodems.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/OHDems>

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/user/OhioDems>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/OHDems>

Republican Party

<http://www.ohiogop.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/OhioRepublicans>

<http://www.youtube.com/user/GPOOhio?ob=0>

<https://twitter.com/ohiogop>