

## WORKFORCE IN BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO



Twelve [Fortune 500](#) companies and seven [Fortune 1000](#) businesses are headquartered in the Cincinnati - Dayton Region.

Butler County has a workforce advantage because of its position at the center of a population of 2.8 million. New employers can hire locally as well as from the Cincinnati and Dayton metro areas for employees with specialized training and skills.

The Cincinnati - Dayton region has a large, knowledge-based workforce of more than 1.54 million workers. This includes 25,750 working scientists and engineers - more than work in the Research Triangle Park in North Carolina - and a total of 40,000 scientists and engineers within a 50 mile radius. More than 51% of the population 25 and older has some college, associate degrees, bachelor degrees, graduate degrees, or professional degrees.

The county continues to produce new workers from its comprehensive career technical education schools.

The Butler Technology & Career Development School, the second largest career-technical school district in the State of Ohio, offers a broad spectrum of programs closely tied to the needs of the area businesses and industry.

[Butler Tech](#) provides career education for over 6,300 high school students and 7,900 adult students annually through programs at its D. Russel Lee Career-Technology Center campus and nine associate school districts

The Butler Technology & Career Development School Career Development Program offers leadership to 61 schools and nine associate school districts

Over 5,500 adults attend over 400 classes, and nearly 500 adult students participate in 11 occupational training programs at Butler Technical & Career School. Approximately 900 area employees participate in 98 customized courses designed to meet the needs of area business and industry.

The accessibility to higher education at the many colleges and universities in the region and Butler County's comprehensive career and technical education and training programs are very important in attracting new business and industry as well as the retention and expansion of existing businesses.

There are also many two-earner families in Butler County, bringing diversity and additional resources to the workforce. In Butler County, the civilian labor force totaled 203,800, with over 195,200 employed in 2004.

Of the 195,200 employees in Butler County in 2004, 107,360 or 55 percent, were male, and 87,840 or 45 percent, were female.

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Unemployment - Based on labor force estimates of workers covered under the Ohio Unemployment Law (excludes workers such as federal employees which are consider in total employment for the area), in 2004, 195,200 or 95.8 percent were employed and 8,600 or 42.2 percent were unemployed.

*Source: Ohio Bureau of Employment Services*

## Turn-Over Rates

Butler County has one of the lowest labor turn-over rates and separation rates among U.S. metropolitan statistical areas.

Among 145,240 total employees in Butler County in 1990, 79,420 or 55 percent, were male, and 65,820 or 45 percent, were female.

Unemployment - Based on labor force estimates of workers covered under the Ohio Unemployment Law (excludes workers such as federal employees which are consider in total employment for the area), in 1998, 169,500 or 96.8 percent were employed and 5,600 or 3.2 percent were unemployed.

*Source: Ohio Bureau of Employment Services*

## Employed by Industry

Industry	Number Employed	Percentage
Construction	6,268	5.5%
Manufacturing	21,282	18.6%
Transportation/Utilities	4,621	4.0%
Wholesale/Retail	32,452	28.3%
Financial/Insurance/Real Estate	6,247	5.5%
Services	27,027	23.6%
State & Local Government	15,908	13.9%
Agriculture	676	13.9%

## Employed by Occupation (2001 Employed Civilians-Occupation 163,769)

Occupation	% Employed
Executive, administrative, and managerial	12.77%
Professional specialty occupations	14.89%
Technicians and related support occupations	3.79%
Sales occupations	12.34%
Administrative support occupations, including clerical	16.47%
Private household occupations	.20%
Protective service occupations	1.16%
Service occupations, except protective and household	10.57%
Precision production, craft, and repair occupations	11.28%
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	7.10%
Transportation and material moving occupations	4.47%
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	4.00%
Farming, Forestry and Fishing	.96%

Source: Claritas Inc., 2002