Introduction

The Legislative Budget Office of the Ohio Legislative Service Commission (LBO) is pleased to present Ohio Facts. This publication is designed to provide Ohio legislators, legislative staff, and others with a broad overview of Ohio's economy, public finances, and major government programs.

Ohio Facts was redesigned in 2022 from a booklet format to a series of PowerPoint slides available on the Legislative Service Commission's website: <u>lsc.ohio.gov</u> under "Popular Publications" and "Budget Central." The slides address many questions frequently asked of our office.

Ohio Facts slides are grouped into the following eight categories: Demographics, Economy, Natural Resources and Environment, Public Finances, K-12 Education, Higher Education, Health and Human Services, and Justice and Public Safety Systems. Clicking on the category headings will open up links to the slides in that category. Most links open single slides, but there are also several that open up a group of slides on one topic. The slides are offered in both PowerPoint and PDF formats.

Much of the annual data in Ohio Facts is presented for a state fiscal year (FY). The state fiscal year runs from July through June and is numbered by the calendar year in which it ends. So, FY 2022 ran from July 2021 through June 2022. Some data may be presented for a federal fiscal year (FFY). The federal fiscal year runs from October through September and is also numbered by the calendar year in which it ends. So, FFY 2022 ran from October 2021 through September 2022. Slides may also refer to a calendar year (CY) or tax year (TY), both of which run from January to December.

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