NORTHEAST OHIO

A POWERHOUSE IN MIDDLE AMERICA
Ohio is a powerhouse with a global outlook:

- Has a population of 4.5 million
- Encompasses 28,650 square kilometers (11,054 square miles)
- Is headquarters to 26 Fortune 1000 firms
- Is ranked in the top 5 industrial markets in the U.S. with almost 10,000 manufacturing companies
- Is a leader in new technology
- Is home to more than 2,500 companies that actively participate in international business
- Has 200 firms wholly- or partially-owned by foreign companies representing 23 countries
- Is Ohio’s leading export region and Ohio is the 6th largest exporter state in the U.S.
A Link to International Business

Proximity to market within 800 kilometers (500 miles) or an overnight trucking distance:

41% of all U.S. households
53% of the total U.S. population
56% of total U.S. effective buying power
49% of total U.S. manufacturing employment
55% of total U.S. manufacturing facilities
58% of the TOP 500 U.S. industrial headquarters
56% of the TOP 500 U.S. service corporate headquarters
65% of Canadian GDP

Transportation
- 100 trucking firms
- 30 steamship companies
- Third largest port on the Great Lakes
- Major rail corridor
- Two major airports
- 2,400 km (1,500 miles) of expressways
- Major air freight terminal
- Foreign Trade Zones
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Economic Profile

NORTHEAST OHIO:

• Is a leading production center in the U.S. If Ohio were a country, it would rank as the world’s 25th largest economy. Northeast Ohio represents 50% of Ohio’s GDP.

• Has a diverse, strong manufacturing capability in all major industries.

• Has a large, comprehensive business infrastructure with established support services in finance, accounting, legal and logistics to serve industrial clients.

• Has a workforce rated among the most productive in the nation.

With a highly-skilled and educated labor pool, the region is a national leader in high tech, production and technical applications.

POLYMERS

• Northeast Ohio is the center of the polymer industry and Ohio leads the nation in polymer production.
• 80% of the U.S. academic research in polymers is done in this area.
• A wide range of tooling and machinery for the plastic and rubber industries are developed and produced in this area.
• Public sectors funds provide links/support to the industry.

AUTOMOTIVE

• Northeast Ohio is a major center of the auto industry, including design services, assembly and parts.
• Plants of the “Big 3”, as well as suppliers working at all tiers, are located in the region.
• Area companies have full quality capabilities and certification, including all phases of ISO, QS and TS.

General Motors Plant, Lordstown
Ford Ohio Assembly Plant, Avon Lake
Sherwin-Williams Company, Cleveland
Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., Akron
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**Lifestyle**

**MEDICAL FACILITIES**
Northeast Ohio has the fifth largest concentration of medical facilities in the U.S., including the world-famous Cleveland Clinic, University Hospitals, MetroHealth System and Akron Children’s Hospital.

**COST OF LIVING**
Northeast Ohio is ranked among the most affordable major metro areas in the U.S.

**DIVERSITY**
Northeast Ohio is one of the most ethnically-diverse areas in the U.S. Over 117 ethnic and racial groups have strong and active cultural organizations.

**CULTURE AND THE ARTS**
Northeast Ohio has the fourth largest concentration of museums, theaters, and concert halls in the U.S. and the largest theater restoration project in the world.

In Northeast Ohio you will find:
- The world-famous Cleveland Orchestra
- The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame
- The Cleveland Museum of Art
- The Pro Football Hall of Fame
- The National Inventors Hall of Fame
- The Great Lakes Science Museum
- A fine ballet company
- Two nationally-recognized opera companies
- The second largest concentration of performing arts theaters in the U.S.
Lifestyle

**HIGHER EDUCATION**
- Twenty-six universities with an enrollment of 200,000
- Ten private prep schools
- Twenty-three technical trade schools

**SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT**
- Northeast Ohio has three large amusement parks including Cedar Point, the third largest in the U.S. and the number one rollercoaster park in the world
- Major league baseball, basketball, football, ice hockey and soccer (international football)
- Four major entertainment centers with fine restaurants and clubs, including one that’s rated as the fourth largest in the U.S.
- Fifth largest zoo in the U.S., with one of the largest rain forest displays in the world
- Championship auto racing

**RECREATION**
- 250 championship golf courses, included the famed Firestone Country Club
- 112 parks and conservatories including the largest arboretum in North America
- 55 ice skating rinks
- The highest concentration of recreational boating in the world
- 1,600 km (1,000 miles) of hiking and bike trails
Some of the Companies in the Region

AGILYSYS
ALCAN ALUMINUM CORPORATION
ALCOA
ALLEN BRADLEY/ROCKWELL
ALLIED SIGNAL BRAKE SYSTEM
ALLEN GROUP
ALLTEL CORP.
AMERICAN GREETINGS
APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES
ARMCO CORPORATION
AUTOMATED PACKAGING SYSTEMS
avery - dennison
BABCOCK - WILCOX
BANK ONE
BAKER & HOSTETLER
BELDEN & BLAKE CORPORATION
BENESCH, FRIEDLANDER, COPLAN & ARONOFF
BENVENUE LABS
BRIDGESTONE FIRESTONE, INC.
BRUSH WELLMAN
BUCKINGHAM, DOOLITTLE & BURROUGHS
CALFEE, HALTER & GRISWOLD
CALIBER SYSTEMS, INC.
CEDAR FAIR
CF MOTOR FREIGHT
CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL
CHRYSLER CORPORATION
CLEVELAND CLIFFS, INC.
CLEVELAND CLINIC
COMMERCIAL INTERTECH / PARKER
CORPRO COMPANIES
CSC LTD STEEL
DELOITTE & Touche
DELPHI PACKARD ELECTRIC
DIEBOLD, INC.
DOMINIUM GAS
DURAMAX MARINE
EATON CORPORATION
ELSAG BAILEY / ABB
ERNST & YOUNG
FERRO CORPORATION
FIFTH THIRD BANK
FIRSTENERGY CORPORATION
FIRST MERIT CORPORATION
FORD MOTOR CORPORATION
FORST CITY ENTERPRISES
FURON
G.E. LIGHTING
GENCORP
GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION
GERSTENSLAGER
GIANT EAGLE
GLIDDEN COMPANY / ICI
GOODRICH LANDING SYSTEM
GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER
GORMAN - RUPP
HAHN, LOESER & PARKS
M.A. HANNA CO.
THE HOOVER COMPANY / WHIRLPOOL
HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK
INDUSTRIAL PLASTICS
INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT GROUP
INVCARE
JO-ANN STORES, INC.
JONES, DAY, REAVIS & POGUE
KEY CORPORATION
KITCHENMAID
KPMG PEAT MARWICK
LAMSON - SESSIONS
LESCO
LINCOLN ELECTRIC CO.
LITTLE TYKES / NEWALL
LOCKHEED MARTIN
LUBRIZOL CORPORATION
MARCONI PLC
MBNA
MCDONALD INVESTMENTS
MEDICAL MUTUAL
MEDUSA CEMENT
MITTAL STEEL
MTD
MYERS INDUSTRIES
NACCO INDUSTRIES, INC.
NATIONAL CITY CORPORATION
NESCO, INC.
NESTLE FROZEN FOODS
NORDSON CORPORATION
OGLEBAY - NORTON
OLYMPIC STEEL
OM GROUP, INC.
OMNOVA SOLUTIONS
PARK - OHIO INDUSTRIES
PARKER HANNIFIN CORPORATION
PHILLIPS MEDICAL
PIONEER STANDARD ELECTRONICS
POLYONE CORP.
PPG INDUSTRIES
PREMIER FARNELL INDUSTRIES
PRICE WATERHOUSE
PROGRESSIVE CORPORATION
RELIANCE ELECTRIC / ROCKWELL
REPUBLIC ENGINEERED PRODUCTS
Rex ROth / MANNESMANN
RIDGE TOOL / EMERSON ELECTRIC
RMI TITANIUM
ROADWAY EXPRESS / YELLOW
ROYAL APPLIANCE
RPM, INC.
SBC
SCHNEIDER NATIONAL CARRIERS
A. SCHULMAN, INC.
SCOTT FETZER CO.
SEaly, INC.
THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY
SHILOH INDUSTRIES
J.M. SMUCKERS CO.
SQUIRE, SANDERS & DEMPSEY
STERIS, INC.
STERLING, INC.
SUDbury, INC.
SUMMA HEALTH SYSTEMS
THOMAS STEEL STRIP
THOMPSON, HINE & FLORY
TIMKEN CO.
TRAVEL CENTERS OF AMERICA
TUCKER, ELLIS & WEST
UNION METAL
UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS
US BANK CORP.
VOLVO - GM HEAVY TRUCK CORP.
WCI STEEL, INC.
WEIGHT WATCHERS GOURMET FOODS
WESTFIELD COMPANIES
YELLOW FREIGHT SYSTEMS
YORK INTERNATIONAL