



CLERMONT
COUNTY OHIO



B U S I N E S S I N V E S T M E N T G U I D E



Located just east of downtown Cincinnati, Clermont County's population is 198,217 and comprises part of 2.2 million residents in the Cincinnati metro area. With its own labor force of almost 110,000 people, Clermont County is positioned well in the greater Cincinnati area, whose labor force is nearly 1.5 million.

COST STRUCTURE...

#1 best cost structure in the nation and is #16 for global trade
 GLOBAL TRADE MAGAZINE 2012

OUTRANKING...

Cincinnati USA outranks New York City, Boston, Chicago and Los Angeles in the number of Fortune 500 headquarters per million residents. Ten Fortune 500 companies have their HQ in the region, including Procter and Gamble, Macy's, Kroger, Fifth Third Bancorp, Omnicare and AK Steel.

EXPANSION...

Ranked #8 in the U.S. for business expansion
 SITE SELECTION MAGAZINE 2013



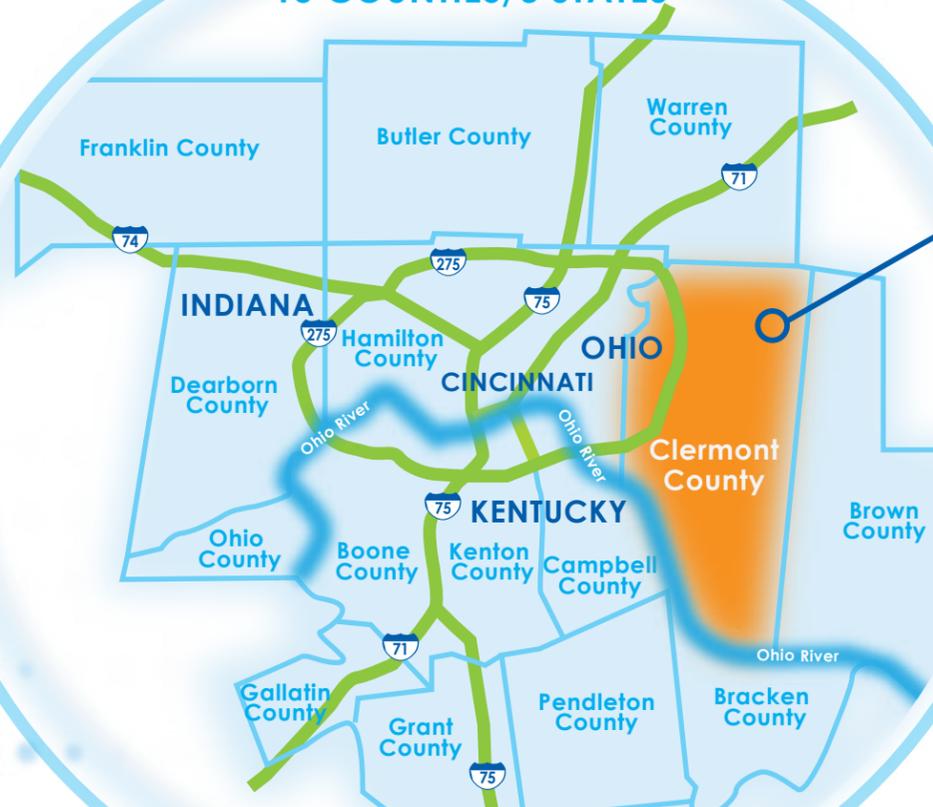
MARKET ACCESS...

44% of all U.S. manufacturing and 43% of the U.S. population are located within a 600 mile radius of Cincinnati.

COSTS...

Lowest operating costs of all larger U.S. cities
 KPMG COMPETITIVE ALTERNATIVES STUDY 2012

**CINCINNATI USA
 15 COUNTIES/3 STATES**



CLERMONT COUNTY



The greater Cincinnati area consistently ranks below the national average in several Cost of Living Index (COLI) categories.

GREATER CINCINNATI COST OF LIVING INDEX (COLI):

CATEGORY (% Weight)	CINCINNATI OH	NATIONAL AVERAGE
Composite (100%)	91.6	100.0
Grocery (13.56%)	99.8	100.0
Housing (27.02%)	78.2	100.0
Utilities (10.30%)	87.4	100.0
Transportation (12.35%)	103.4	100.0
Health (4.60%)	102.6	100.0
Miscellaneous (32.17%)	94.5	100.0

Council for Community and Economic Research, First Quarter 2013

ECONOMIC GROWTH...

Ranked #9 in the nation for economic growth potential and #6 among the top ten manufacturing cities

BUSINESS FACILITIES 2012 METRO RANKING REPORT

Clermont County offers convenient access to Interstates 71 and 75 via the I-275 beltway.

BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

The Clermont County Department of Community and Economic Development can assist companies in accessing resources from a variety of agencies depending on your business needs. Contact us for assistance with operating costs, project financing and workforce development.

Clermont County Department
of Community and Economic
Development: 513.732.7825
www.ClermontCountyOhio.biz

Ohio Means Jobs – Clermont County (also known as Workforce One) connects companies with potential employees. The Business Services Division acts as an extension to a company's HR department and can provide many services at no cost to the business. The Business Services Division can conduct pre-employment screening, assist in developing customized workforce solutions for employers through available grant programs and provide job posting assistance through www.OhioMeansJobs.com (an affiliate of Monster.com) at no cost to the company.

Contact the Business Services Division of Ohio Means Jobs - Clermont County at: 513.943.3000
www.WorkforceOneClermont.com



Small Business Development Center- The mission of the SBDC is to "accelerate Ohio's economy by helping people start, sustain and grow their business." The SBDC at the Clermont Chamber of Commerce provides a consulting approach to entrepreneurs by providing a network of business professionals that are willing to guide and educate business owners. The SBDC provides information and assistance with numerous business related topics, including small business loan packaging, marketing, human resources and business management.



Contact the Clermont SBDC
directly at: 513.576.5007
www.ClermontChamber.com



UC East, Advanced Manufacturing Lab



UNIVERSITY OF
Cincinnati



UC East, Computer Lab

UC East, the hub of a 25 year growth plan for the University of Cincinnati, offers Bachelor level degrees in numerous programs, as well as certificate programs and associate degrees. Located in a former automotive transmission plant, this university campus provides an Advanced Manufacturing Program designed to train workers by providing hands-on experience. The program works in collaboration with area manufacturers for customized training programs.



www.ucclermont.edu

Great Oaks and U.S. Grant career centers, located in Clermont County, provide career and technical training for high school students, as well as adults, in high demand fields such as healthcare, engineering design, and metal fabrication.



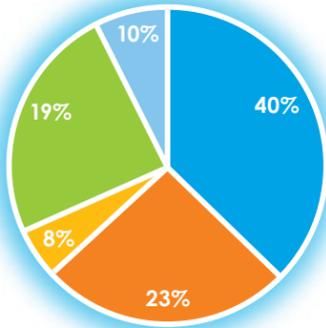
www.greatoaks.com



www.grantcareer.com

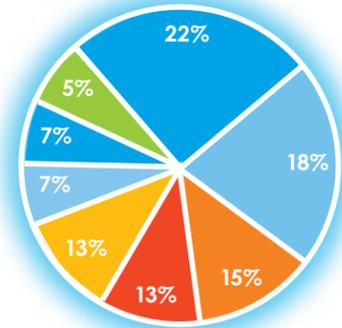
Clermont County offers a highly skilled workforce well-suited to many fields and industries. The county's continued population growth ensures a growing number of workers for the area's employers from a multitude of educational backgrounds.

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT



- HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE
- SOME COLLEGE, NO DEGREE
- ASSOCIATE DEGREE
- BACHELOR DEGREE
- GRADUATE OR/ PROFESSIONAL DEGREE

EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



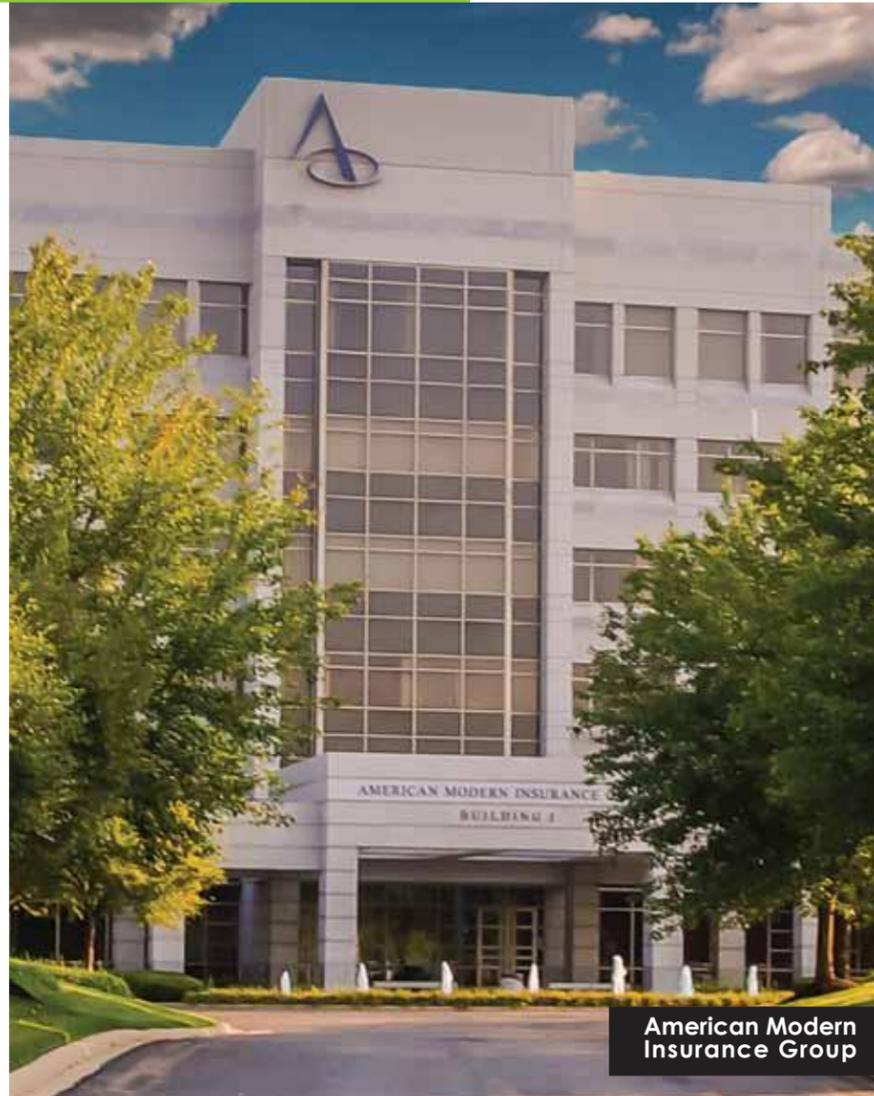
- RETAIL TRADE
- GOVERNMENT
- ACCOMODATIONS & FOOD SERVICE
- MANUFACTURING
- HEALTHCARE & SOCIAL ASSISTANCE
- FINANCE & INSURANCE
- CONSTRUCTION
- ADMINSTRATIVE & SUPPORT

The strength of the workforce's knowledge base is demonstrated by the presence of Siemens PLM and Tata Consultancy Services' North American Delivery Center. These two companies combined employ over 1,000 computer programmers and software engineers in Clermont County.



Scan to view Clermont County's largest private employer list

Clermont County is also home to many defense industry advanced manufacturers, such as L-3 Fuzing & Ordnance, MilAir and Engineered Mobile Solutions. The county's rich manufacturing tradition is best exemplified by Milacron Plastics Machinery, a plastics machinery OEM, founded in 1884.



American Modern Insurance Group

Clermont County's largest and fastest growing employers are professional service businesses. American Modern Insurance Group (AMIG) and Total Quality Logistics (TQL) have invested nearly \$45 million in new headquarters facilities and are Clermont County's two largest employers.



Total Quality Logistics



Begins Today...

Many of Clermont County's largest employers have found the young professional talent they need to help their companies grow here. Over 50% of the county's labor force commutes to other communities for employment opportunities. Clermont County has the hidden workforce companies need, right in our own backyard.



Tata Consultancy Services

Why Companies Chose Clermont County for their Business Location



Watch the CEO Testimonials

INFRASTRUCTURE & UTILITIES

State Route 32 serves as Clermont County's most vital transportation artery, bisecting the county from west to east. State Route 32 will be transformed within the next five years with over \$80 million in improvements planned. The interchange with Interstate 275 will be reconstructed to improve the flow of traffic. Parallel access roads will provide local access and allow State Route 32 to better function as a limited access freeway. These changes will improve safety and decrease travel times, particularly to industrial areas in the eastern part of the county.

State Route 32 begins in eastern Cincinnati and provides four lane highway access to all of southern Ohio.

transportation

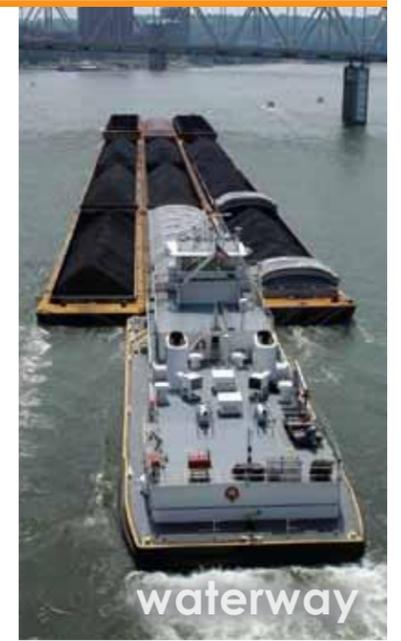


Clermont County companies benefit from the proximity of the larger regional infrastructure of the Cincinnati metropolitan area.

Business and leisure travelers are a direct 30 minute drive from the Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG). The airport provides non-stop service to nearly 40 destinations via eight different airline carriers.



Connecting greater Cincinnati to the U.S. inland waterway system is the Port of Cincinnati, located at mile marker 472 on the Ohio River. With tri-modal transportation access that connects barges to the rail and interstate highway networks, the port provides strong links north and south for bulk commodities and raw materials.



waterway



State Route 32, Roadway Improvements

More information on planned roadway improvements can be found at: www.GoClermont.org

Electricity and natural gas services are provided by Duke Energy and rates are among the lowest in the nation. For more information and a rate calculator, visit: www.locationcincinnatiusa.com/ratecalculator.asp



Clermont County Water Tower & Union Township Firehouse



rail

Freight rail services are provided by Conrail, CSX, Indiana & Ohio, and Norfolk Southern. The Queensgate rail yard, just west of downtown Cincinnati, is one of the largest and most efficient switching facilities in the United States.

Water and sewer services for most commercial and industrial developments are served by the Clermont County Water Resources Department. Our rates are among the lowest in the region. For information on rates visit: www.wrd.clermontcountyohio.gov

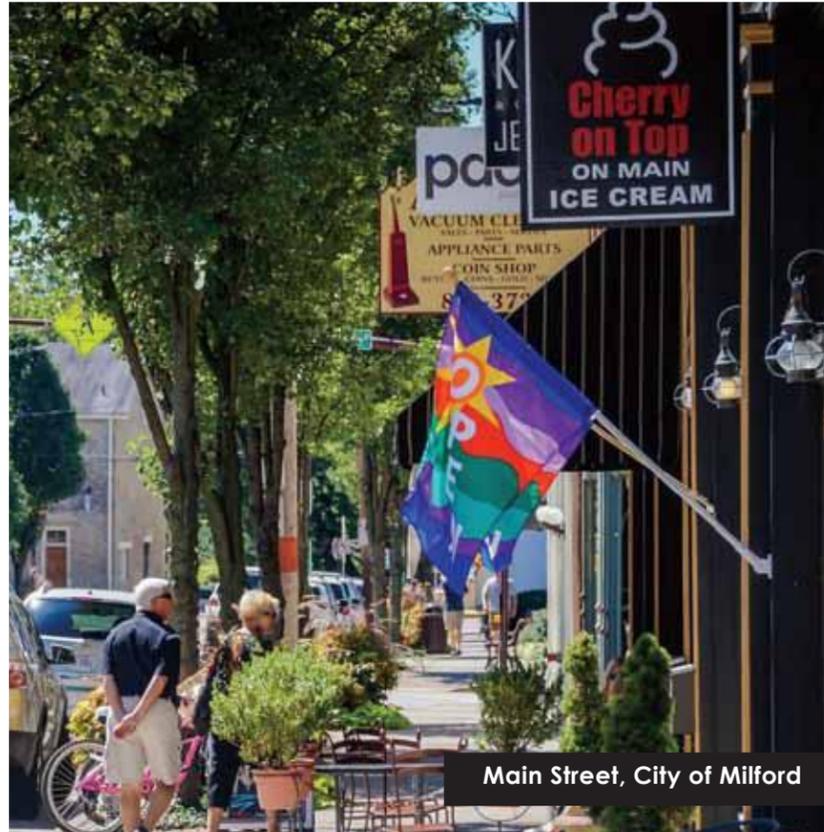
water & sewer

Clermont County residents are attracted to the county's great neighborhoods and historic districts set against a backdrop of rolling hills and meandering waterways. These vibrant landscapes are just a short drive from Cincinnati's rich arts and culture, professional sports and recreational offerings. The city of Cincinnati offers some of the nation's oldest professional opera, symphony and ballet companies. Professional sports enthusiasts can enjoy Cincinnati Reds and Bengals games.



Harsha Lake, East Fork State Park

Clermont County's beautiful natural environment provides residents with a wealth of outdoor recreation activities. East Fork State Park is one of Ohio's largest parks and features a public beach, boating, hiking and equestrian trails. Harsha Lake at East Fork State Park has a world-class rowing facility that has hosted Olympic trials and NCAA tournaments.



Main Street, City of Milford

Clermont County offers an assortment of shopping and dining choices in its main retail corridor known as Eastgate, as well as specialty shops and unique restaurants in historic downtown Milford and New Richmond.



Eastgate Mall



Horner's Run Waterfalls

The Cincinnati Nature Center has preserved 1,600 acres of Clermont County's natural beauty and is considered one of the USA's best nature education centers.

Clermont County offers amateur golfers nine public courses, in addition to another 100 regional ones.



Little Miami Scenic Trail

The Little Miami Scenic Trail offers more than 50 miles of paved trails ideal for walking, running and biking. Nearly 13 miles of the trail run through Miami Township, connecting the cities of Loveland and Milford.



Jungle Jim's International Market



Hole #9, Stonelick Hills Golf Course



Department of Community & Economic Development