

Appendix J- Morrow County Components

The 2023-2050 CORPO Transportation Plan is updated every five years and covers transportation needs for the entire region. The plan includes regional transportation goals, objectives, and performance measures, summarizes population and economic trends for the CORPO planning area, describes CORPO’s multimodal transportation system and its conditions, and identifies strategies and projects associated with the management and development of the CORPO transportation system.

This County Components appendix is intended to supplement the content in the 2023-2050 CORPO Transportation Plan document, providing a copy of the seven-county information included in the document, with a highlighted focus on data for Morrow County.

Sections in this appendix correspond with chapters in the full document text. This appendix provides highlighted data for Morrow County without additional analysis or context. For context and analysis about each measure provided in this appendix, reference the corresponding chapters of the full plan document, listed below.

- Morrow County Population, Employment, and Households Overview- [Chapter 2, Regional Trends and Conditions](#)
- Morrow County Transportation System- [Chapter 3, The Regional Transportation System](#)
 - [Appendix A: Inventory of Bridge Conditions](#), for a complete inventory of bridges and condition ratings as of 2023.
- Morrow County Projects- [Chapter 4, Recommended Strategies and Projects](#)

J.1 Morrow County Population, Employment, and Households Overview

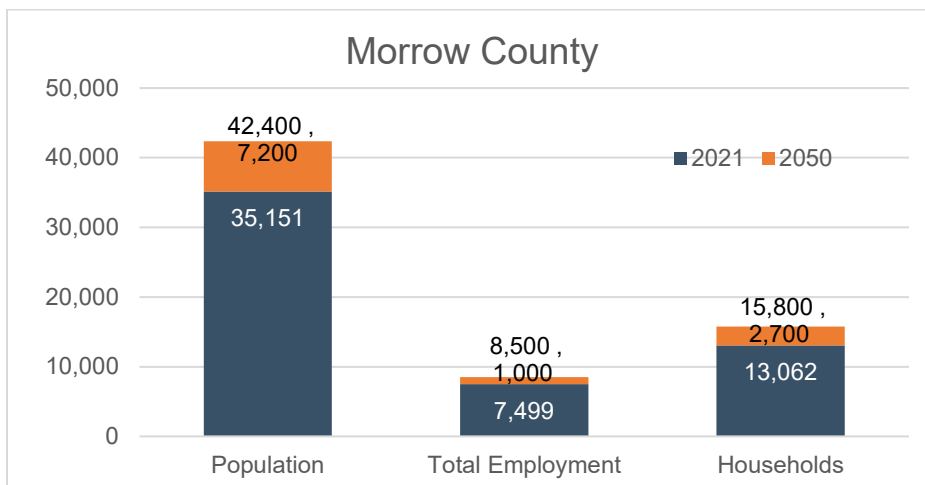
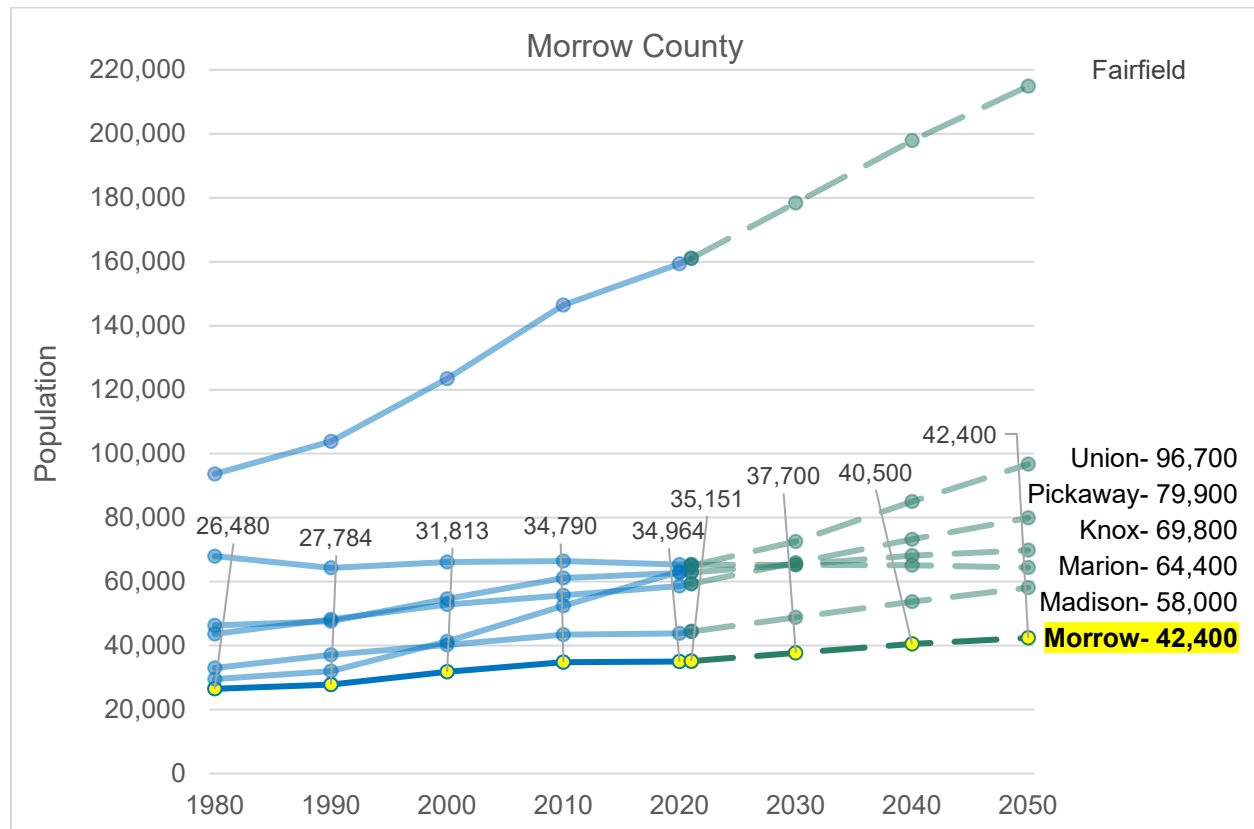


Figure J. 1 Projected Population, Households, and Jobs Growth

Source: MORPC Forecasts

*Forecasted population, employment, and households rounded to nearest 100

Characteristics of Population Growth



County	HISTORIC					FORECASTED		
	1980	1990	2000	2010	2021	2030	2040	2050
Total All CORPO	340,638	360,911	410,413	460,393	493,093	533,800	583,600	626,100
Fairfield	93,678	103,823	123,485	146,417	161,064	178,400	197,900	214,900
Union	29,536	32,010	41,338	52,464	64,971	72,500	85,000	96,700
Pickaway	43,662	48,257	52,808	55,740	59,333	65,900	73,200	79,900
Knox	46,304	47,637	54,616	61,090	62,897	65,300	68,100	69,800
Marion	67,974	64,289	66,135	66,458	65,291	65,200	65,100	64,400
Madison	33,004	37,111	40,218	43,434	44,386	48,800	53,700	58,100
Morrow	26,480	27,784	31,813	34,790	35,151	37,700	40,500	42,400

Figure J. 2 Population Growth, Historic and Forecasted

Source: Census Population Estimates Program & MORPC Population Forecasts

*Forecasted populations rounded to the nearest 100

County	Historic Growth Overview				Forecasted Growth Overview			
	1980 - 2021				2021 - 2050			
	Growth	% Growth	Period Annual Growth Rate	Period Annual Growth	Growth	% Growth	Period Annual Growth Rate	Period Annual Growth
Total ALL CORPO	152,455	45%	1%	3,718	133,007	27%	1%	4,586
Fairfield	67,386	72%	1%	1,644	53,836	33%	1%	1,856
Union	35,435	120%	2%	864	31,729	49%	1%	1,094
Pickaway	15,671	36%	1%	382	20,567	35%	1%	709
Knox	16,593	36%	1%	405	6,903	11%	0%	238
Marion	(2,683)	-4%	0%	(65)	(891)	-1%	0%	(31)
Madison	11,382	34%	1%	278	13,714	31%	1%	473
Morrow	8,671	33%	1%	211	7,249	21%	1%	250

Table J. 1 Population Growth Rates, Historic and Forecasted

Source: Census Population Estimates Program & MORPC Population Forecasts

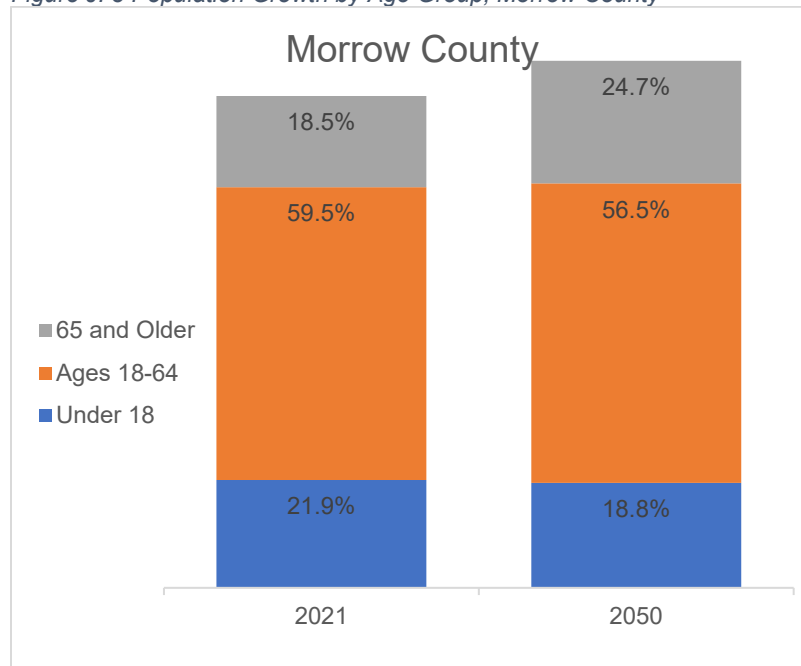
AGE

Table J. 2 Population Growth by Age Group

County	2021			2050		
	Under 18 %	18-64%	65+ %	Under 18 %	18-64%	65+ %
Total ALL CORPO	22.6%	60.6%	16.8%	22.2%	59.3%	18.5%
Fairfield	24.1%	60.0%	17.0%	24.1%	58.9%	17.0%
Knox	24.5%	57.3%	20.0%	24.5%	55.5%	20.0%
Madison	17.7%	63.5%	21.1%	17.7%	61.1%	21.1%
Marion	20.5%	60.2%	18.9%	20.5%	60.6%	18.9%
Morrow	18.8%	59.5%	24.7%	18.8%	56.5%	24.7%
Pickaway	19.0%	62.2%	19.7%	19.0%	61.3%	19.7%
Union	24.3%	62.8%	15.2%	24.3%	60.5%	15.2%

Source: Census Population Estimates Program & MORPC Population Forecasts

Figure J. 3 Population Growth by Age Group, Morrow County

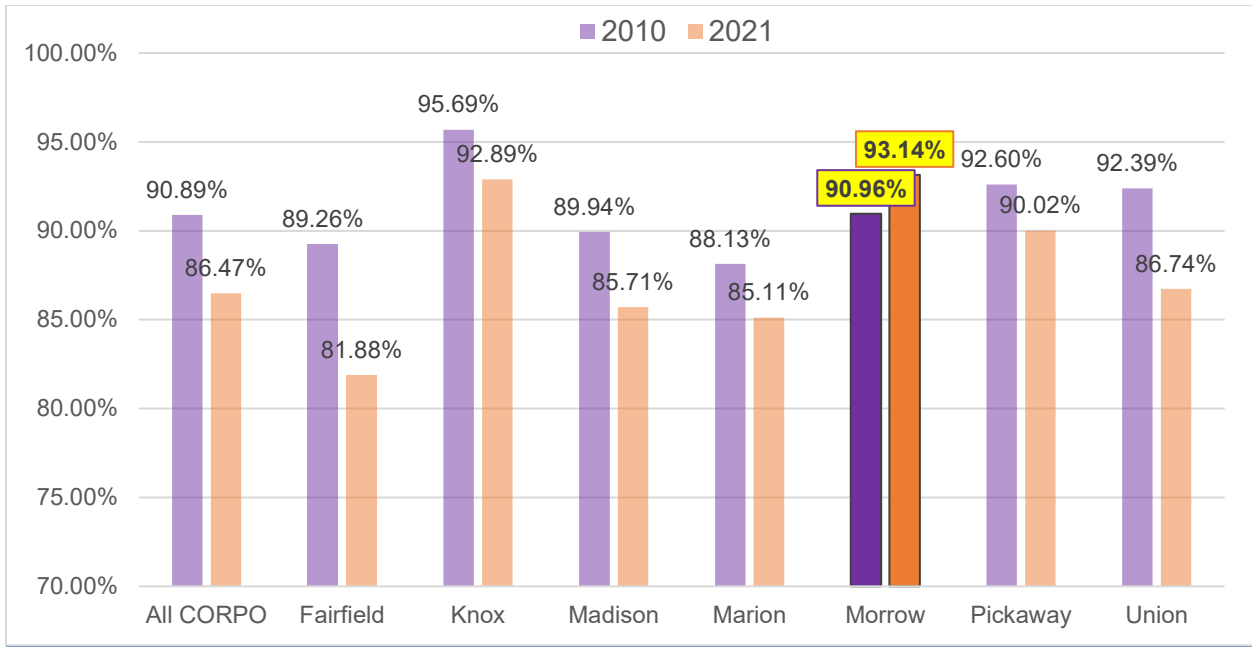


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POPULATION DEMOGRAPHIC AND SOCIOECONOMIC FACTORS

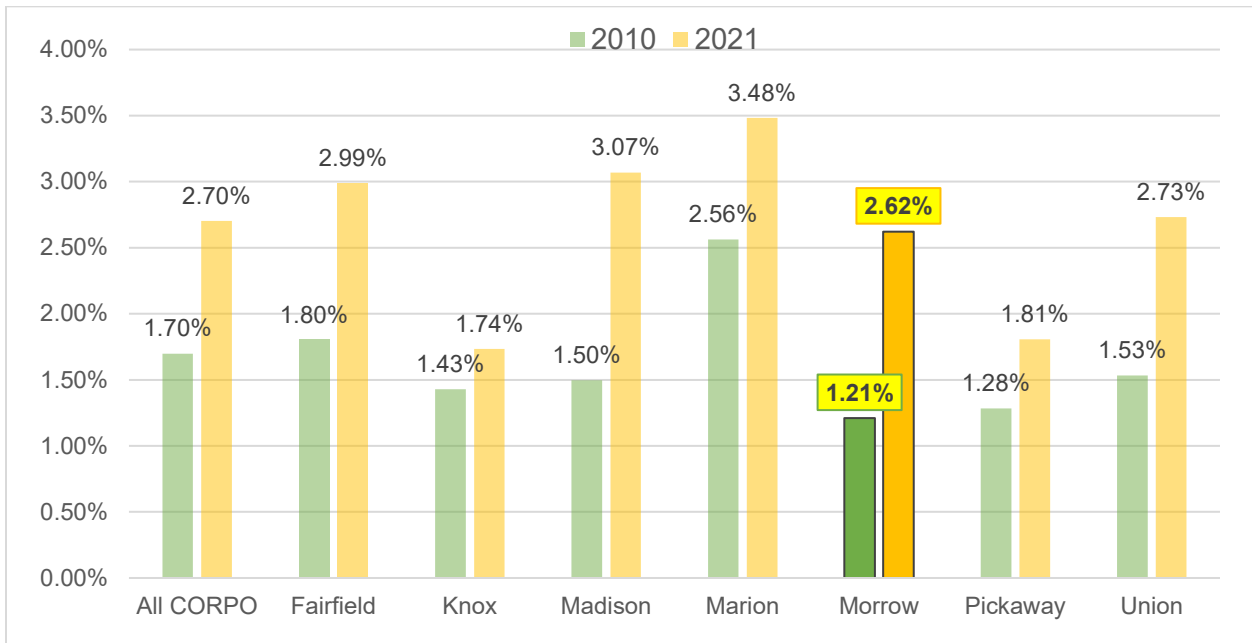
RACE AND ETHNICITY

Figure J. 4 Share of Population Identifying as White Alone, 2010 & 2021



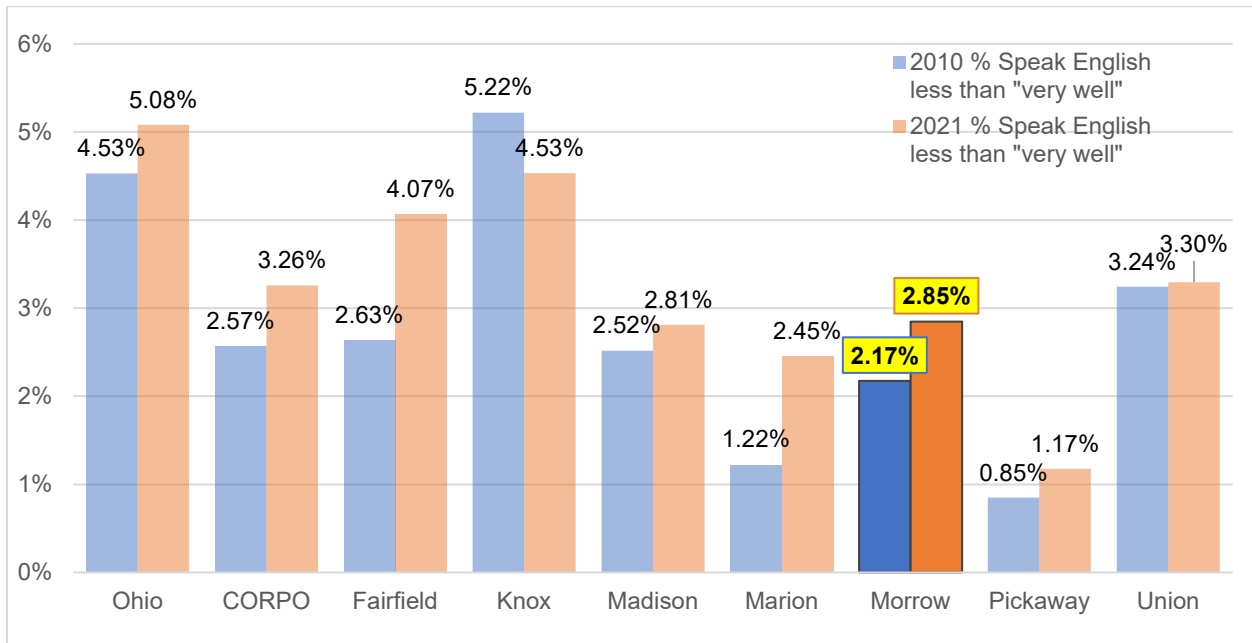
Source: American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates
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Figure J. 5 Share of Population Identifying as Hispanic or Latino, 2010 & 2021



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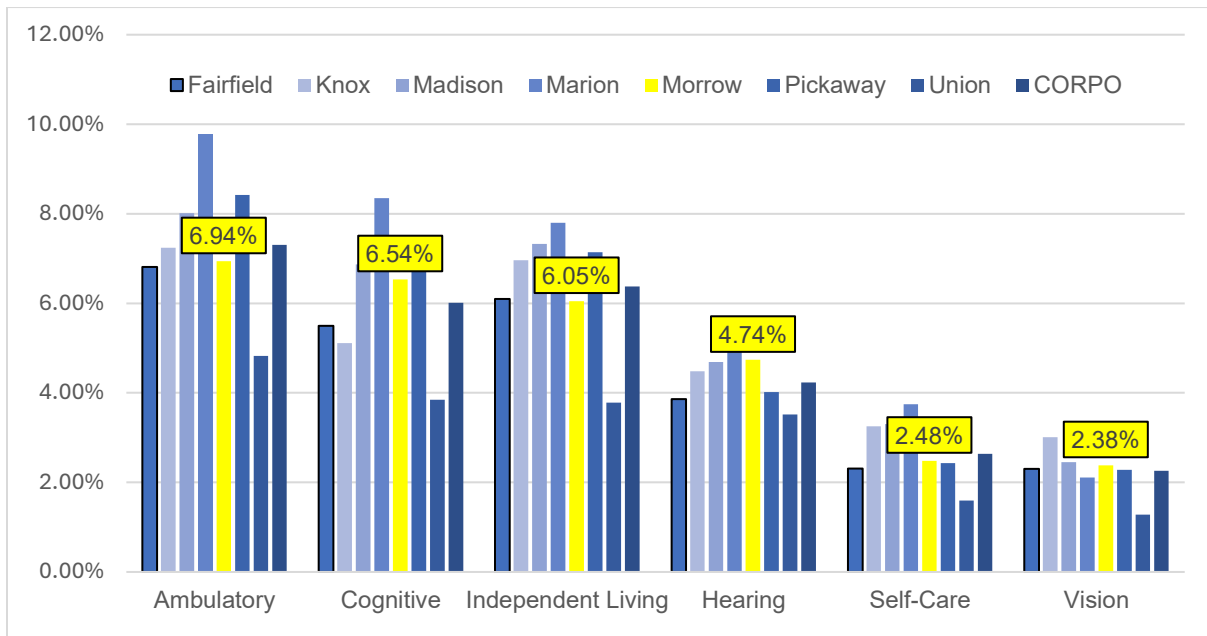
Figure J. 6 Percent of Population Age 5 years & over, LEP, 2010 & 2021



Source: American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates
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DISABILITY STATUS

Figure J. 7 Percent of Population* with Denoted Disabilities by County, 2021

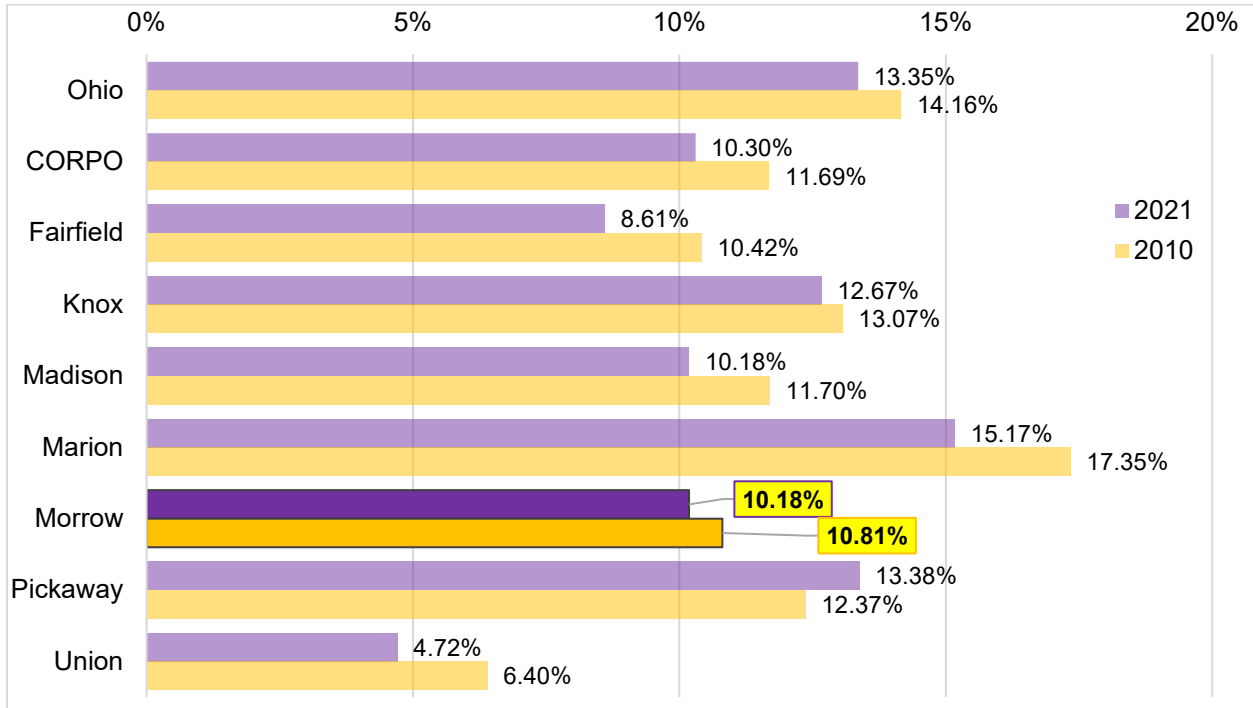


*Populations of Interest age groups- Ambulatory, Cognitive, and Self-Care disabilities cover populations over 5 years of age, independent living disability covers populations over 18 years of age, and hearing and vision disabilities cover all ages.

* Persons may have more than one denoted disability Source- American Community Survey 5-Year Population Estimates, **2017-2021

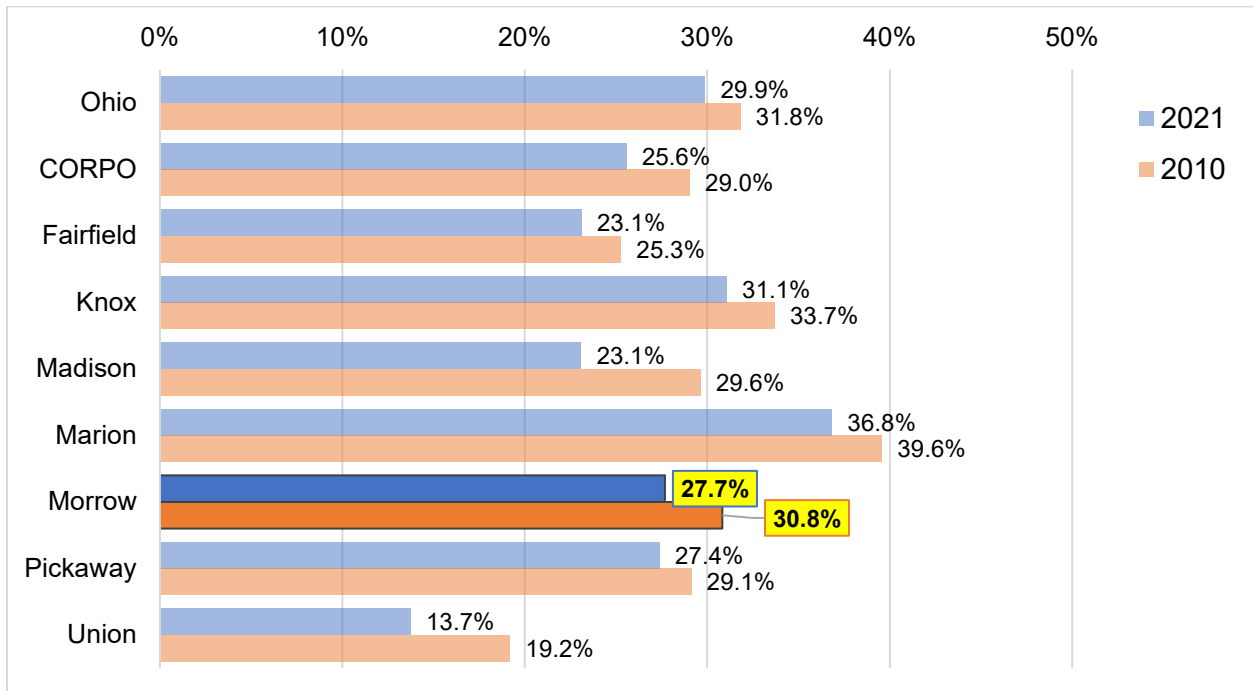
POPULATION IN POVERTY

Figure J. 8 Percent of Population under 100% Federal Poverty Line, 2010 & 2021



Source: American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates
 *2006-2010 ACS 5-Year Estimate, 2017-2021 5-Year Estimate

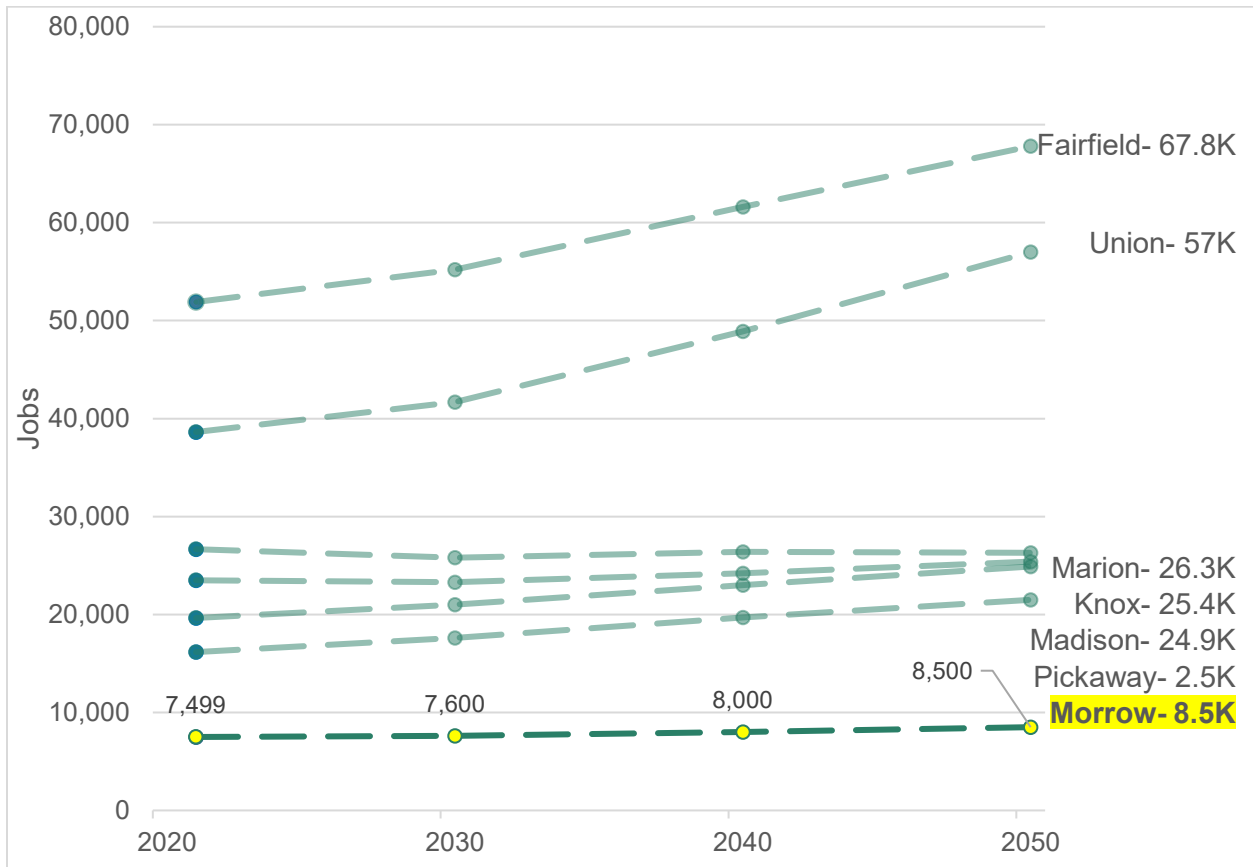
Figure J. 9 Percent of Population under 200% Federal Poverty Line, 2010 & 2021



Source: American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates
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Characteristics of Employment Growth

Figure J. 10 Total Employment Trend, 2021-2050



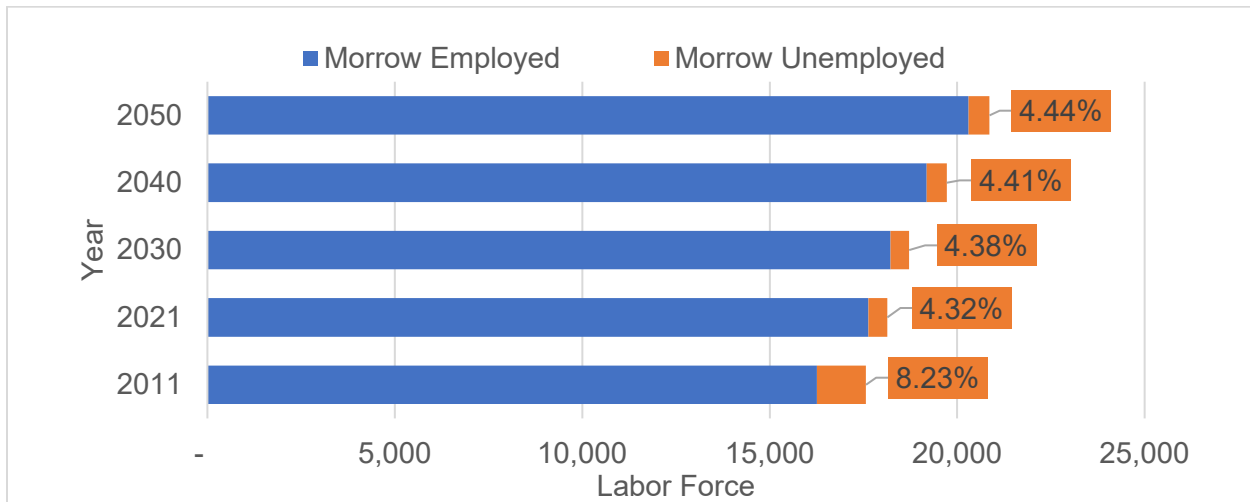
County	HISTORIC	FORECASTED		
	2021	2030	2040	2050
Total All CORPO	183,992	192,200	211,800	231,400
Fairfield	51,897	55,200	61,600	67,800
Union	38,627	41,700	48,900	57,000
Marion	26,665	25,800	26,400	26,300
Knox	23,493	23,300	24,200	25,400
Madison	19,646	21,000	23,000	24,900
Pickaway	16,165	17,600	19,700	21,500
Morrow	7,499	7,600	8,000	8,500

Source: MORPC Employment Forecasts

*Forecasted employment rounded to the nearest 100

UNEMPLOYMENT

Figure J. 11 Morrow County Unemployment Historic & Projected



Source: American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates 2007-2011; 2021-2050 MORPC Employment Forecasts

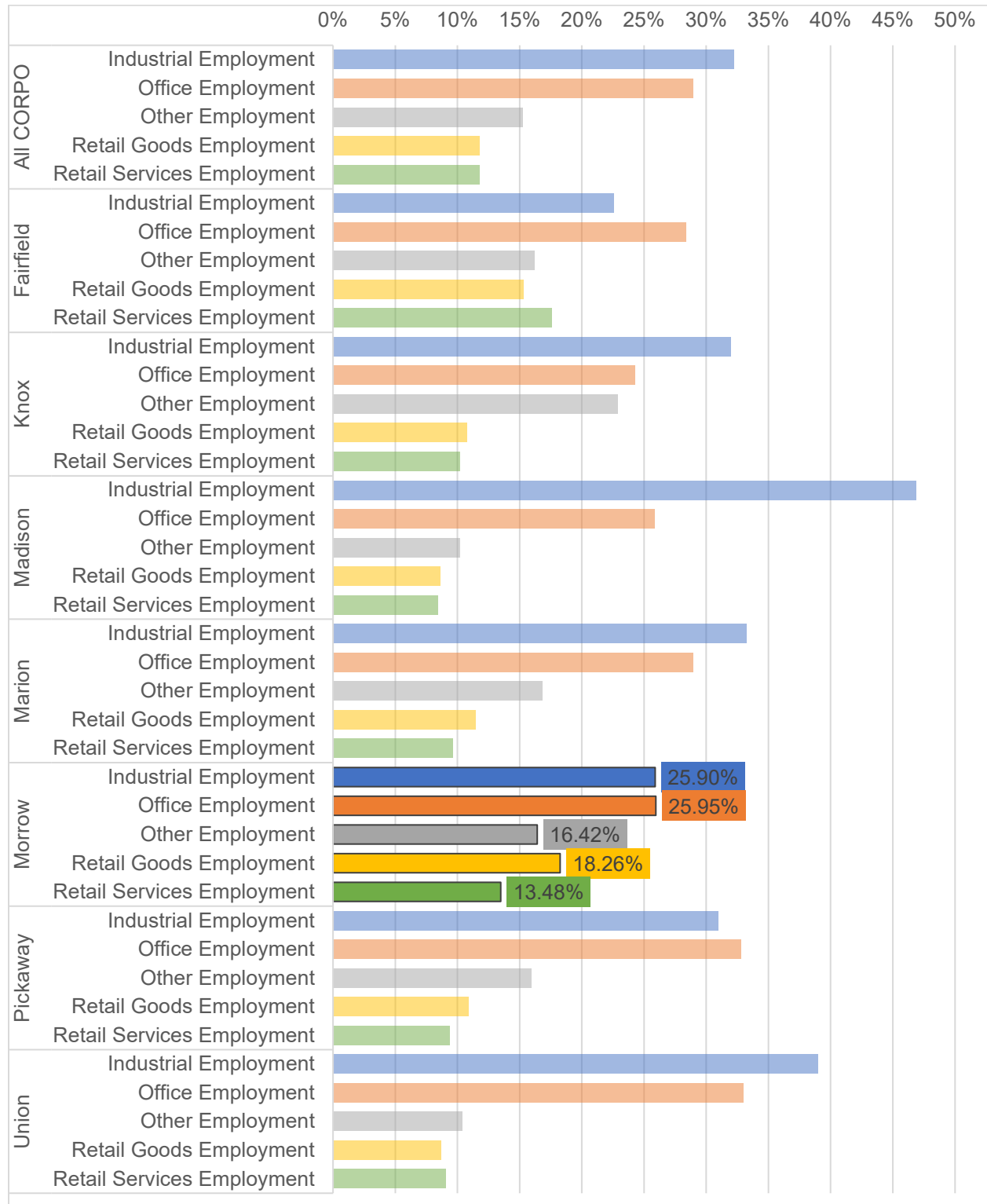
Table F. 3 Morrow County Unemployment Compared to CORPO, Historic & Forecasted

County	Historic				Forecasted					
	2011		2021		2030		2040		2050	
	Labor Force	% Unemployed	Labor Force	% Unemployed	Labor Force	% Unemployed	Labor Force	% Unemployed	Labor Force	% Unemployed
Total All CORPO	224,685	7.58%	236,364	4.18%	249,400	4.15%	273,200	4.14%	297,100	4.09%
Fairfield	74,419	8%	80,424	4%	86,600	4%	96,100	4%	105,800	4%
Knox	30,742	8%	30,456	4%	30,400	4%	31,600	4%	33,100	4%
Madison	20,447	6%	20,158	4%	21,700	4%	23,700	4%	25,700	4%
Marion	30,892	9%	27,820	6%	27,100	6%	27,800	6%	27,600	6%
Morrow	17,568	7%	18,136	3%	18,700	3%	19,700	3%	20,900	3%
Pickaway	25,074	8%	26,311	4%	28,900	4%	32,100	4%	35,000	4%
Union	25,543	6%	33,059	3%	36,000	3%	42,000	3%	49,000	3%

Source: American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates 2007-2011; 2021-2050 MORPC Employment Forecasts*
*2030-2050 forecasts rounded to the nearest 100

INDUSTRIES

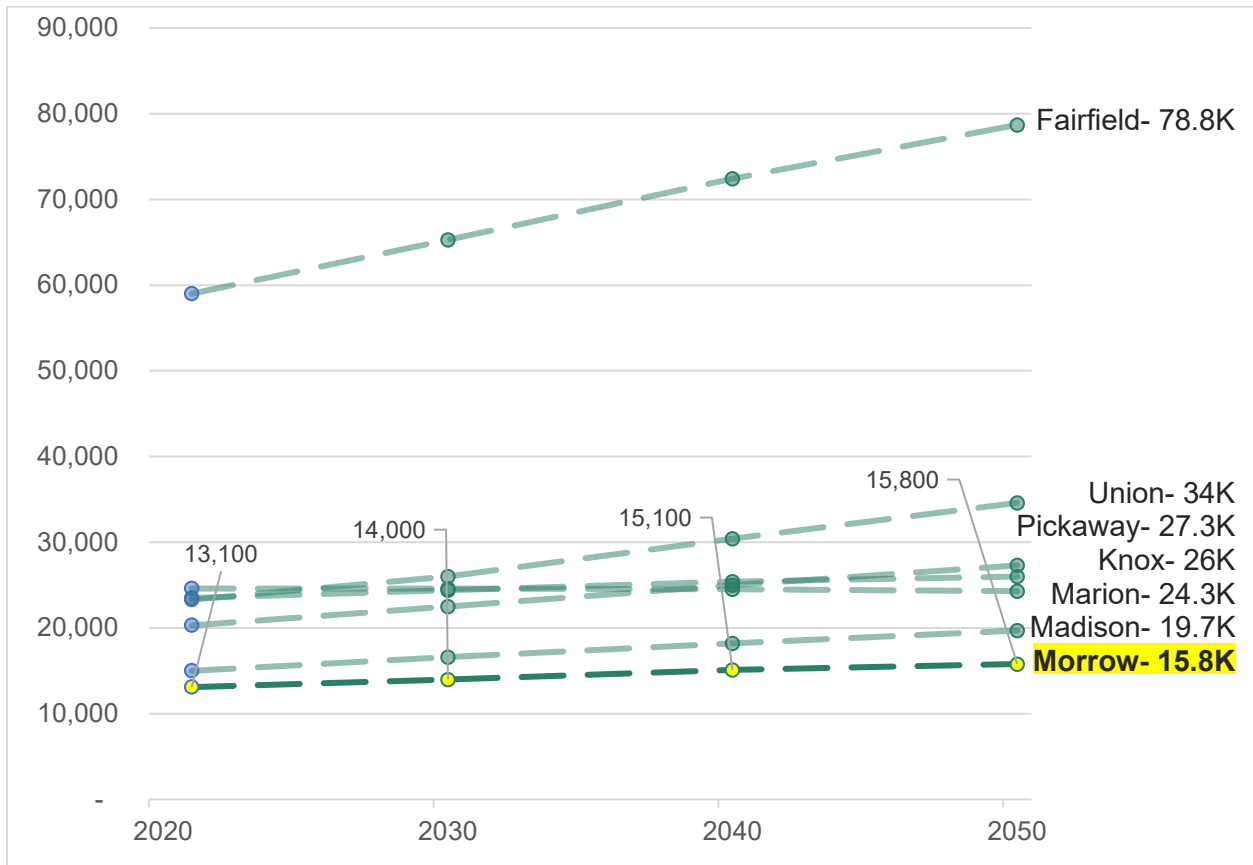
Figure J. 12 Share of Employment by Industry, 2021



Source: MORPC Employment Forecasts

Characteristics of Household Growth

Figure J. 13 Total Household Trend, 2021-2050



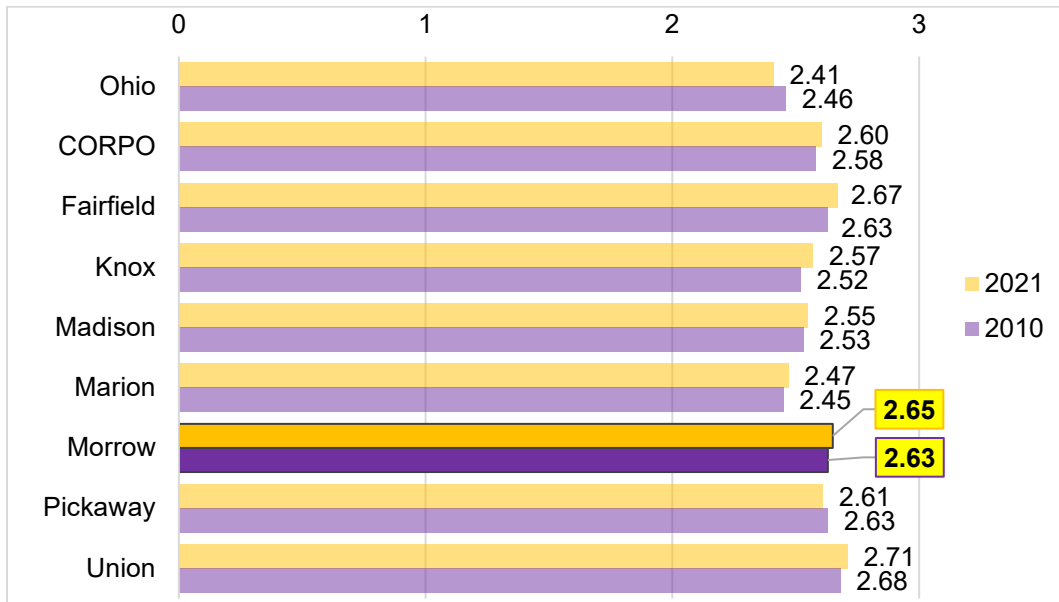
County	HISTORIC	FORECASTED		
	2021	2030	2040	2050
Total all CORPO	178,700	193,300	211,100	226,400
Fairfield	59,000	65,300	72,400	78,700
Marion	24,600	24,600	24,500	24,300
Knox	23,500	24,400	25,400	26,000
Union	23,300	26,000	30,400	34,600
Pickaway	20,300	22,500	25,000	27,300
Madison	15,000	16,600	18,200	19,700
Morrow	13,100	14,000	15,100	15,800

Source: MORPC Population Forecasts

*Forecasted households rounded to the nearest 100

HOUSEHOLD SIZE

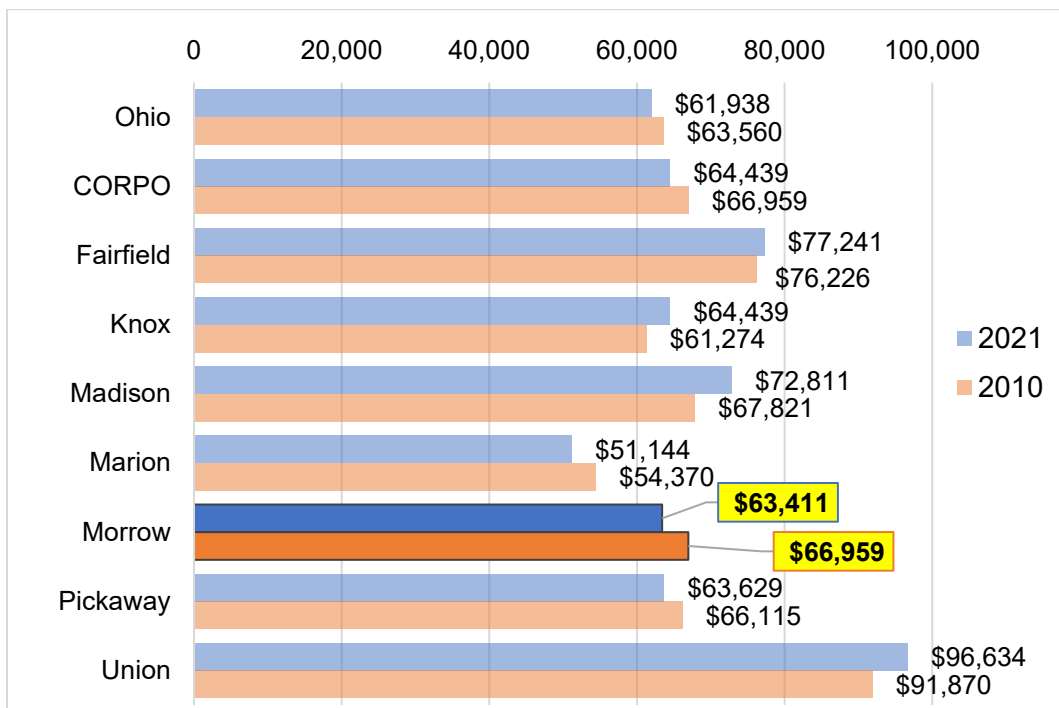
Figure J. 14 Household Size, 2010 & 2021



Source: American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates
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HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Figure J. 15 Median Household Income, 2010 & 2021 (Inflation Adjusted to 2021 Dollars)

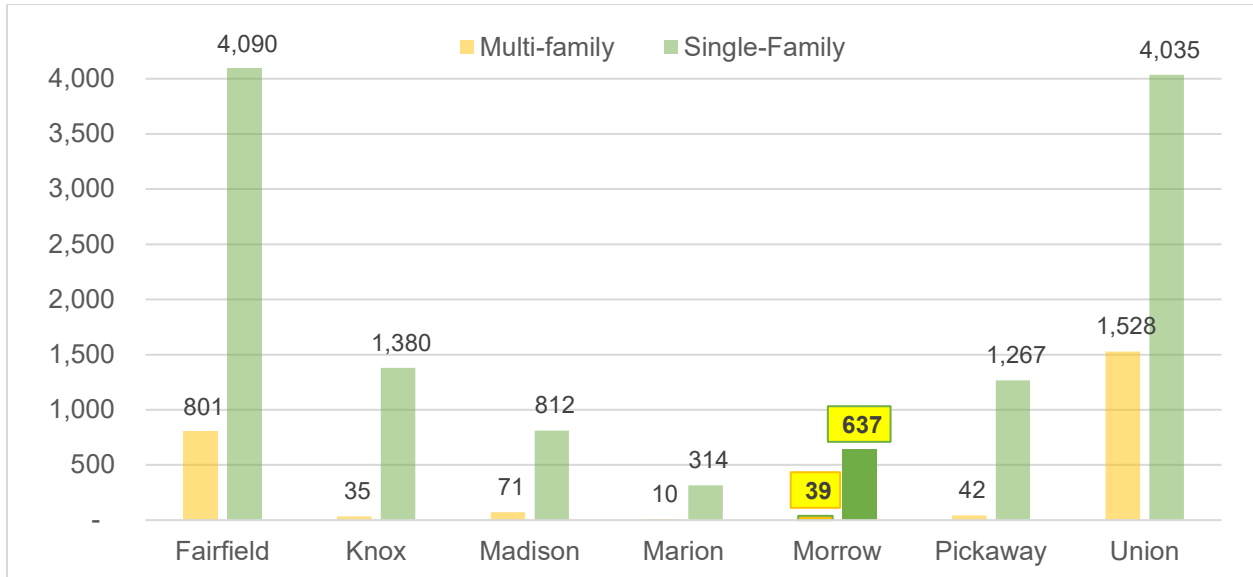


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Morrow County Land Use and Development Patterns

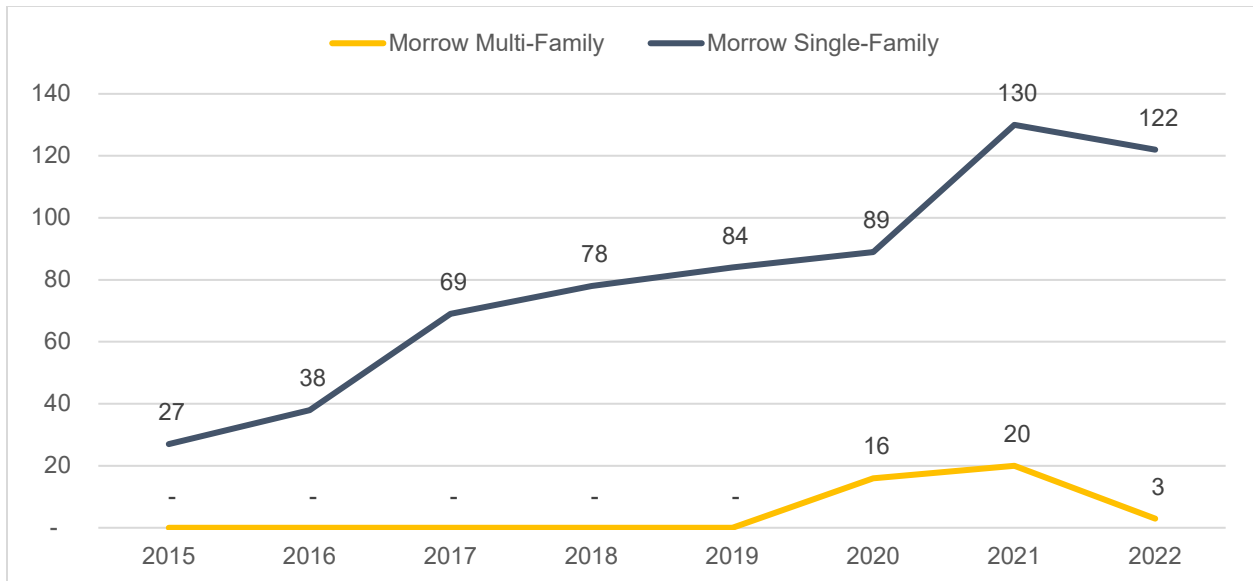
RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT TRENDS

Figure J. 16 Total Residential Building Permits Issued, 2015-2021



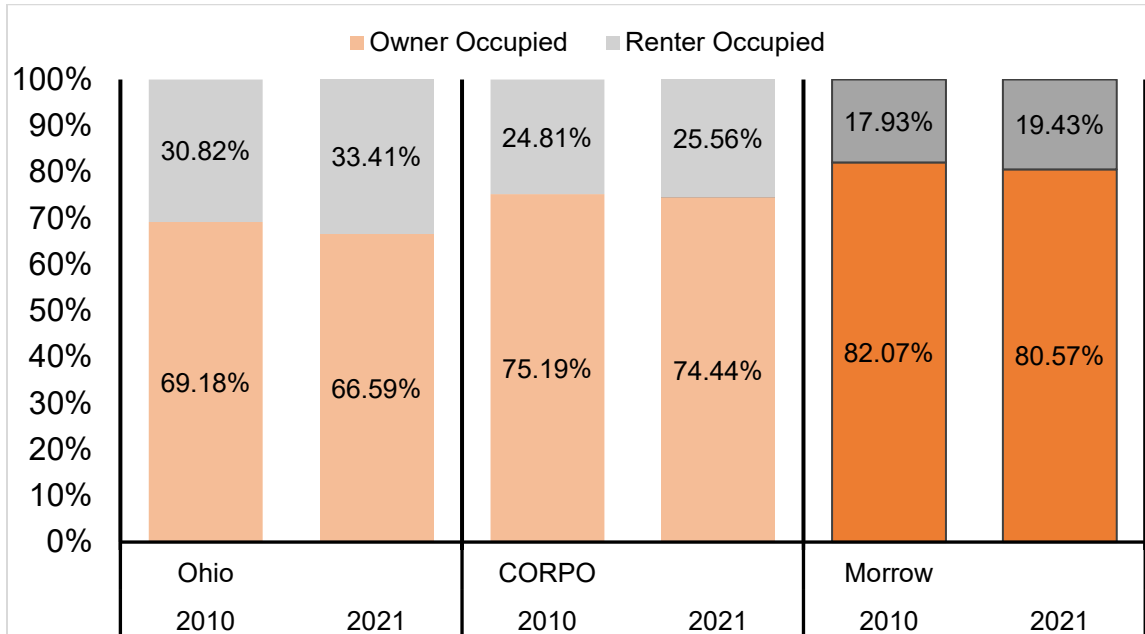
Source: Census Building Permit Survey Data, 2015 – 2021

Figure J. 17 Morrow County Residential Permits Issued, 2015-2021



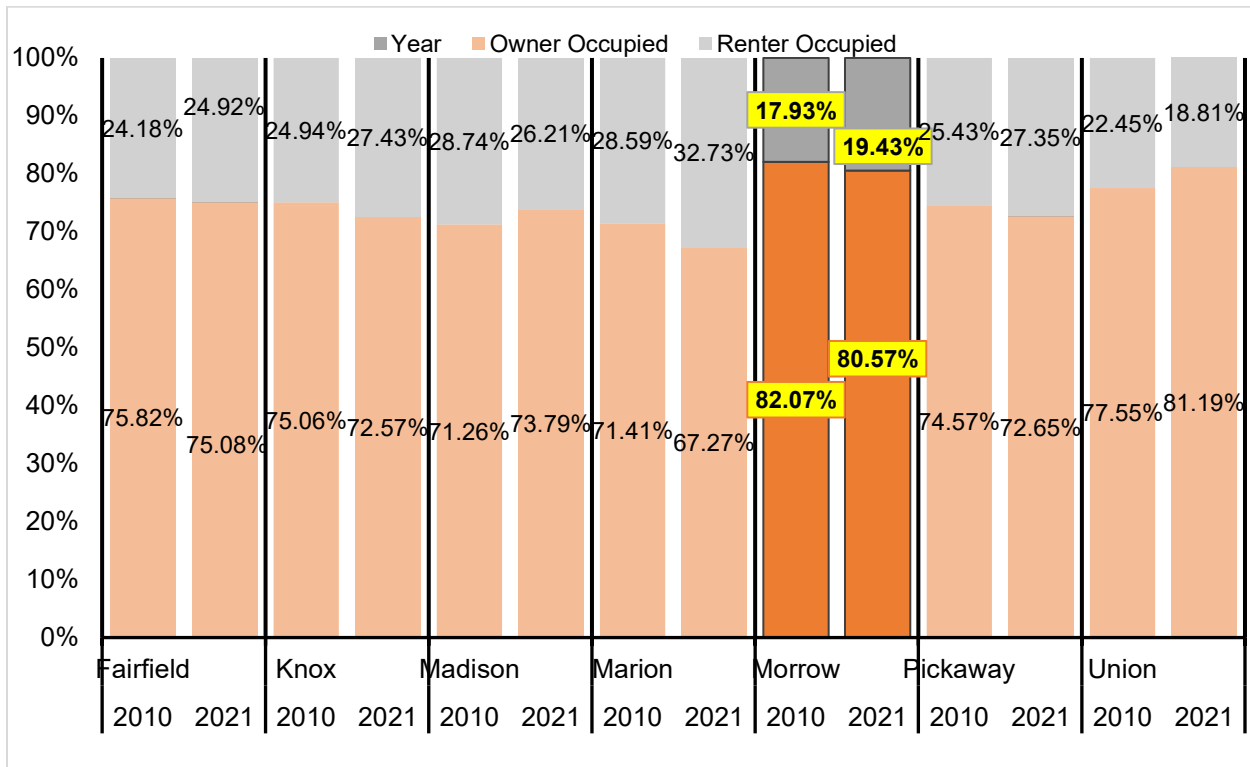
Source: Census Building Permit Survey Data, 2015 – 2021

Figure J. 18 Housing Tenure Ohio, CORPO, & Morrow County, 2010 & 2021



Source: American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates
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Figure J. 19 Housing Tenure by County, 2010 & 2021

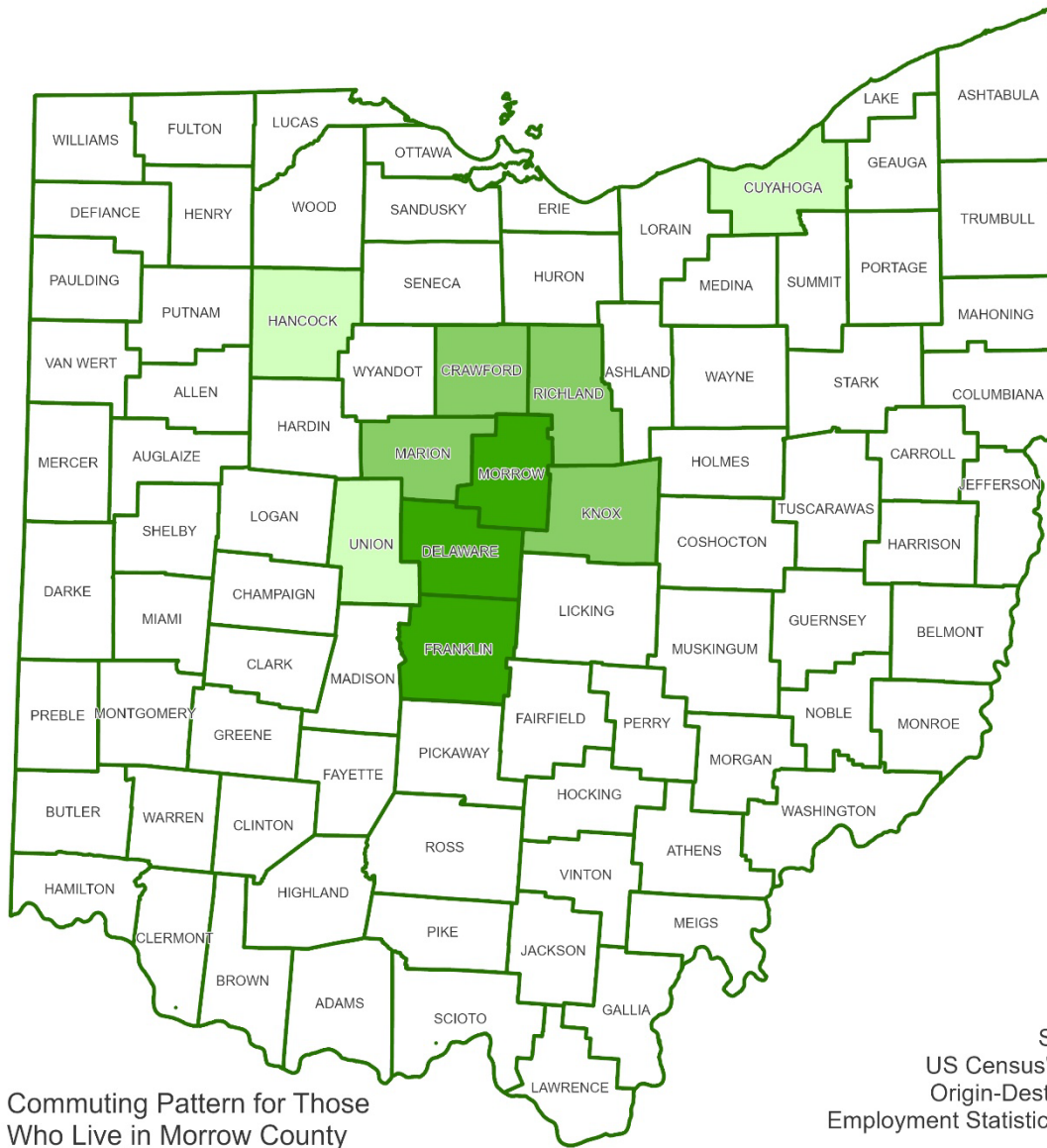


Source: American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates
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REGIONAL TRAVEL PATTERNS

Figure J. 20 Commuting Pattern for Workers who Live in Morrow County, 2020

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Commuter Data**



Source:
US Census' LEHD
Origin-Destination
Employment Statistics 2020

- Number of Commuters
- Under 500
 - 500 - 2000
 - More than 2000



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Figure J. 21 Commuting Patterns for Workers who Work in Morrow County, 2020

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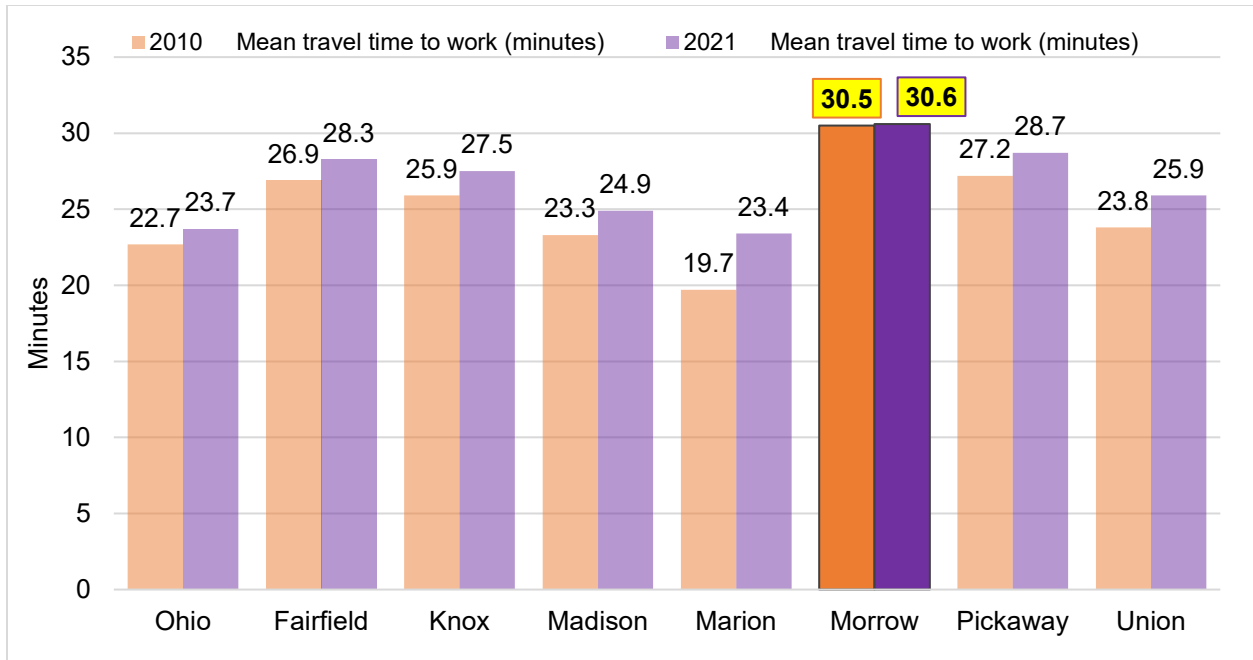


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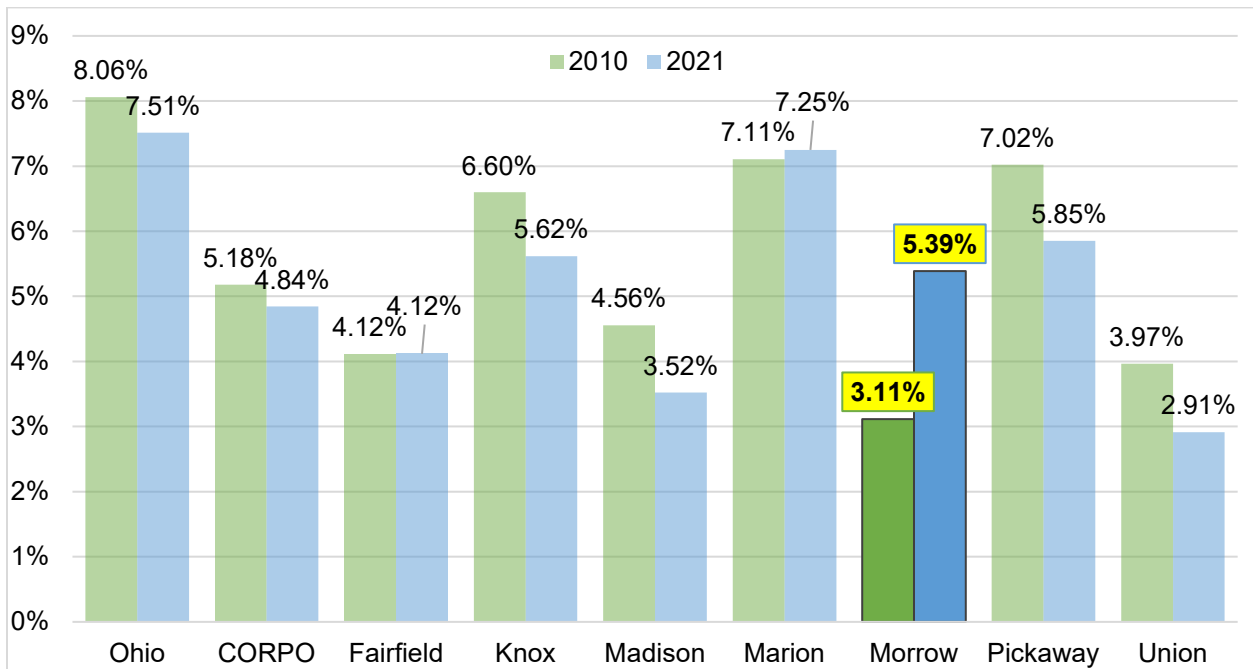
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Figure J. 22 State & CORPO Mean Commute Times, 2010 & 2021



Source: American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates
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Figure J. 23 Percent of Households with No Vehicle, 2010 & 2021



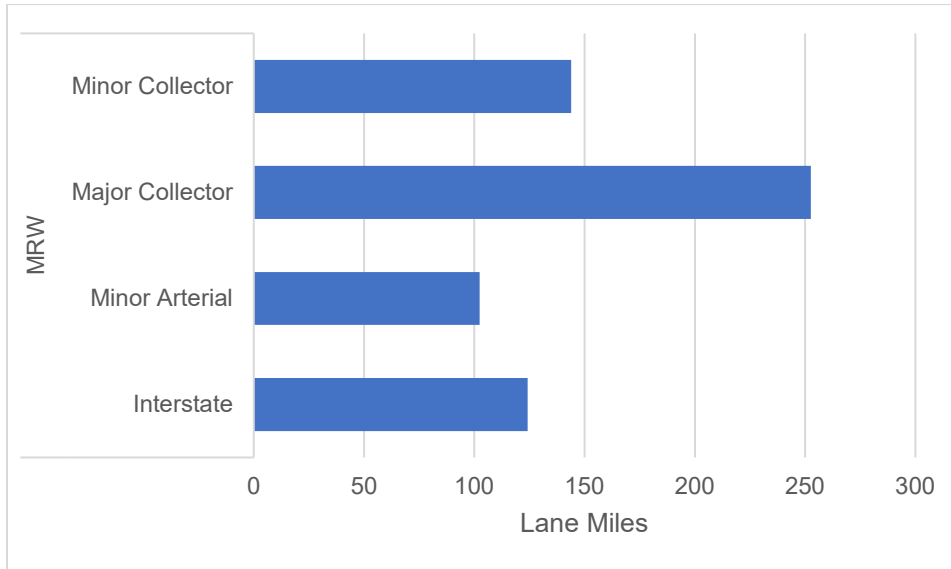
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J.2 Morrow County Transportation System

Morrow County Roadway System

FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

Figure J. 24 Morrow County Sum of Lane Miles by Functional Classification, 2023



Source: ODOT TIMS

Table J. 4 Morrow County Lane Miles by Functional Classification

County	Functional Classification Type	Functional Class Code	Sum of Lane Miles	% of Total Lane Miles
MRW	Interstate	1	124.19	20%
MRW	Minor Arterial	4	102.44	16%
MRW	Major Collector	5	252.55	41%
MRW	Minor Collector	6	143.94	23%
Total			623.12	100%

Figure J. 25 Morrow County Roadway Functional Classification, 2022

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Road
Functional
Classification
Morrow County



Functional Class

- Interstate
- Other Freeway and Expressway
- Principal Arterial
- Minor Arterial
- Major Collector
- Minor Collector

County Boundary



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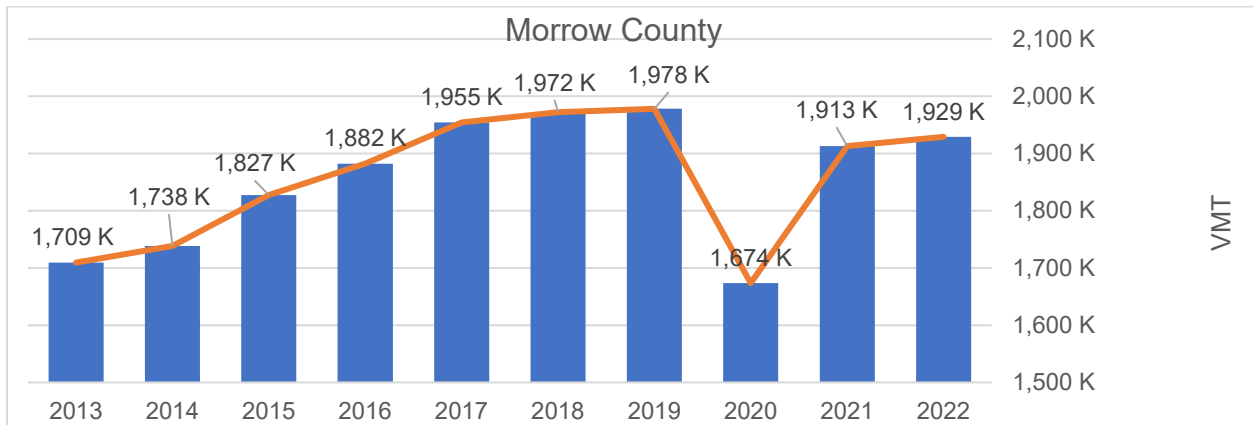
VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED (VMT)

Table J. 5 Morrow County VMT & VMT Change by Year, 2013-2022

COUNTY:	MORROW	
YEAR	VMT	% CHANGE
2022	1,929 K	0.83%
2021	1,913 K	12.52%
2020	1,674 K	-18.20%
2019	1,978 K	0.29%
2018	1,972 K	0.91%
2017	1,955 K	3.69%
2016	1,882 K	2.92%
2015	1,827 K	4.88%
2014	1,738 K	1.67%
2013	1,709 K	

Source: ODOT Traffic Monitoring, Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled, 2013-2022

Figure J. 26 Morrow County VMT by Year, 2013-2022



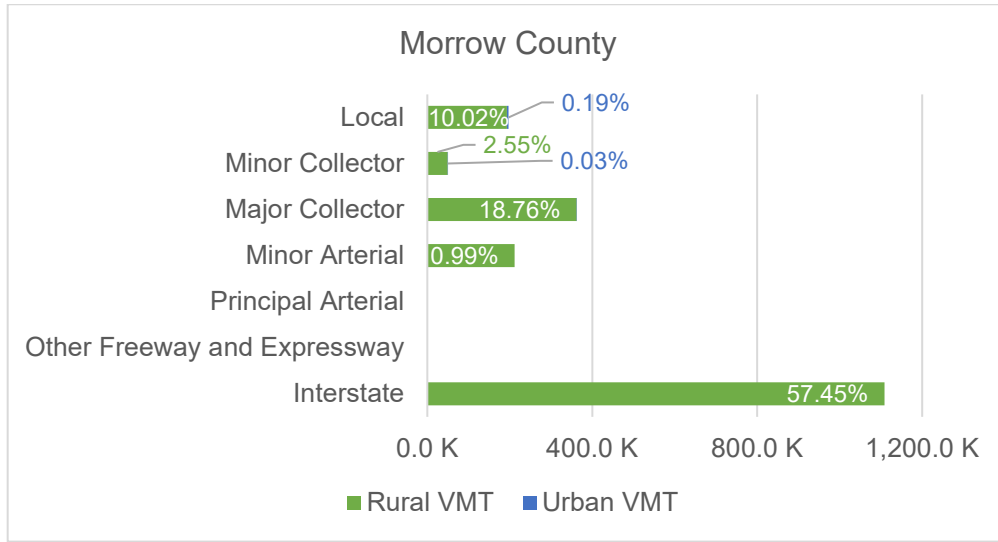
Source: ODOT Traffic Monitoring, Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled, 2013-2022

Table J. 6 VMT & VMT Change by County, 2013 & 2022

COUNTY	VMT		% Change
	2013	2022	
Total All CORPO	13,263.97 K	14,608.92 K	10.1%
Fairfield	3.16 K	3.23 K	2.2%
Knox	1.11 K	1.15 K	4.0%
Madison	1.98 K	2.32 K	16.9%
Marion	1.70 K	1.50 K	-11.5%
Morrow	1.71 K	1.93 K	12.9%
Pickaway	1.80 K	1.91 K	6.4%
Union	1.80 K	2.56 K	42.1%

Source: ODOT Traffic Monitoring, Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled, 2013-2022

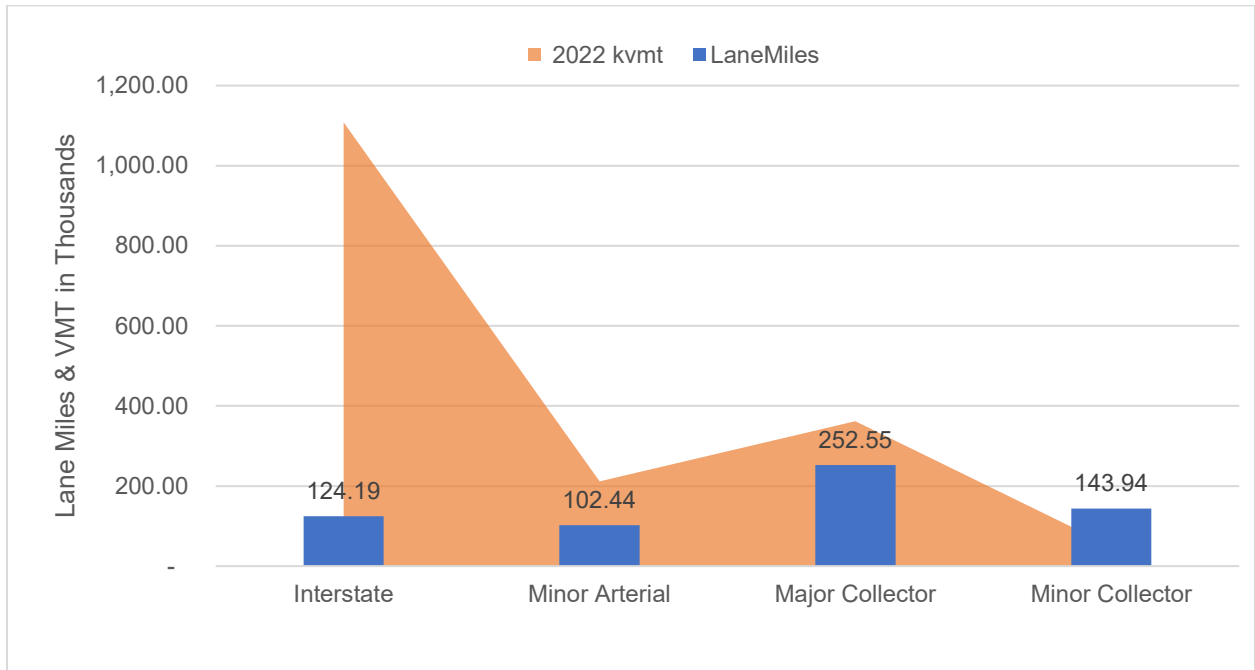
Figure J. 27 2022 Morrow County VMT by Functional Classification



COUNTY: Morrow					
Functional Classification Code	Functional Classification Type	Rural VMT	% of Total	Urban VMT	% of Total
1	Interstate	1,108,310	57.45%	-	0.00%
2	Other Freeway and Expressway	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
3	Principal Arterial	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
4	Minor Arterial	211,990	10.99%	-	0.00%
5	Major Collector	361,870	18.76%	60	0.00%
6	Minor Collector	49,130	2.55%	660	0.03%
7	Local	193,280	10.02%	3,760	0.19%
Total		1,924,582	99.77%	4,486.00	0.23%

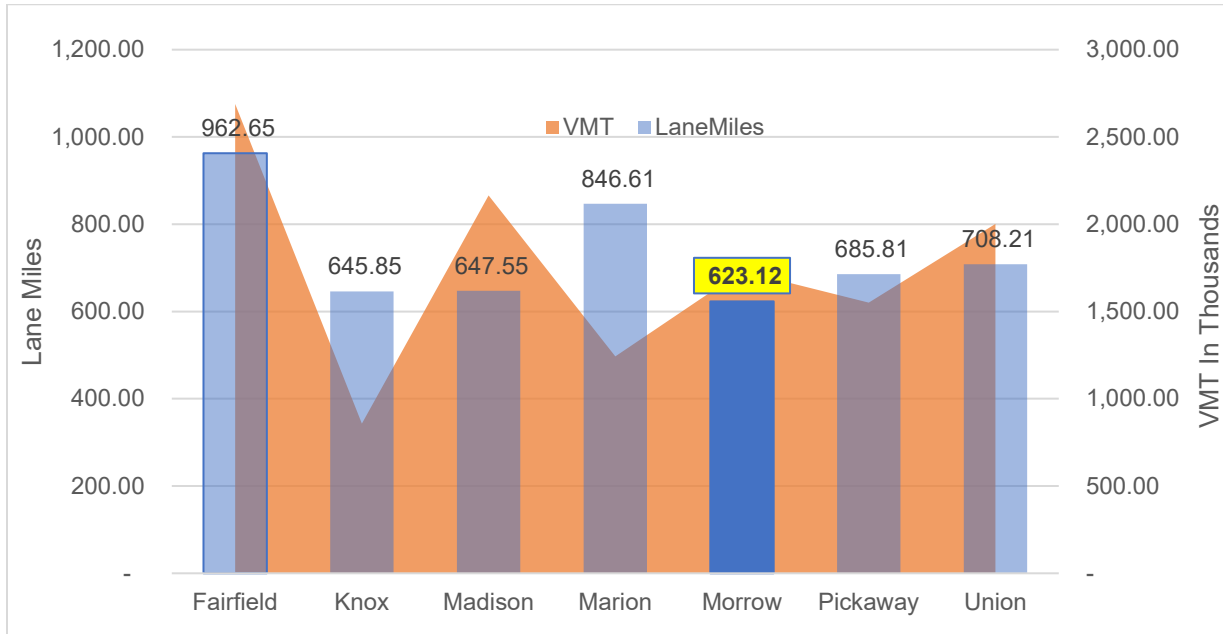
Source: ODOT Traffic Monitoring, Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled, 2022

Figure J. 28 2022 Morrow County Lane Miles & VMT by Functional Class



Source: ODOT TIMS and ODOT Traffic Monitoring, Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled, 2022

Figure J. 29 2022 Lane Miles and VMT by CORPO County



Source: ODOT TIMS and ODOT Traffic Monitoring, Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled, 2022

CONGESTION

Figure J. 30 Morrow County AM Peak Congestion, 2023

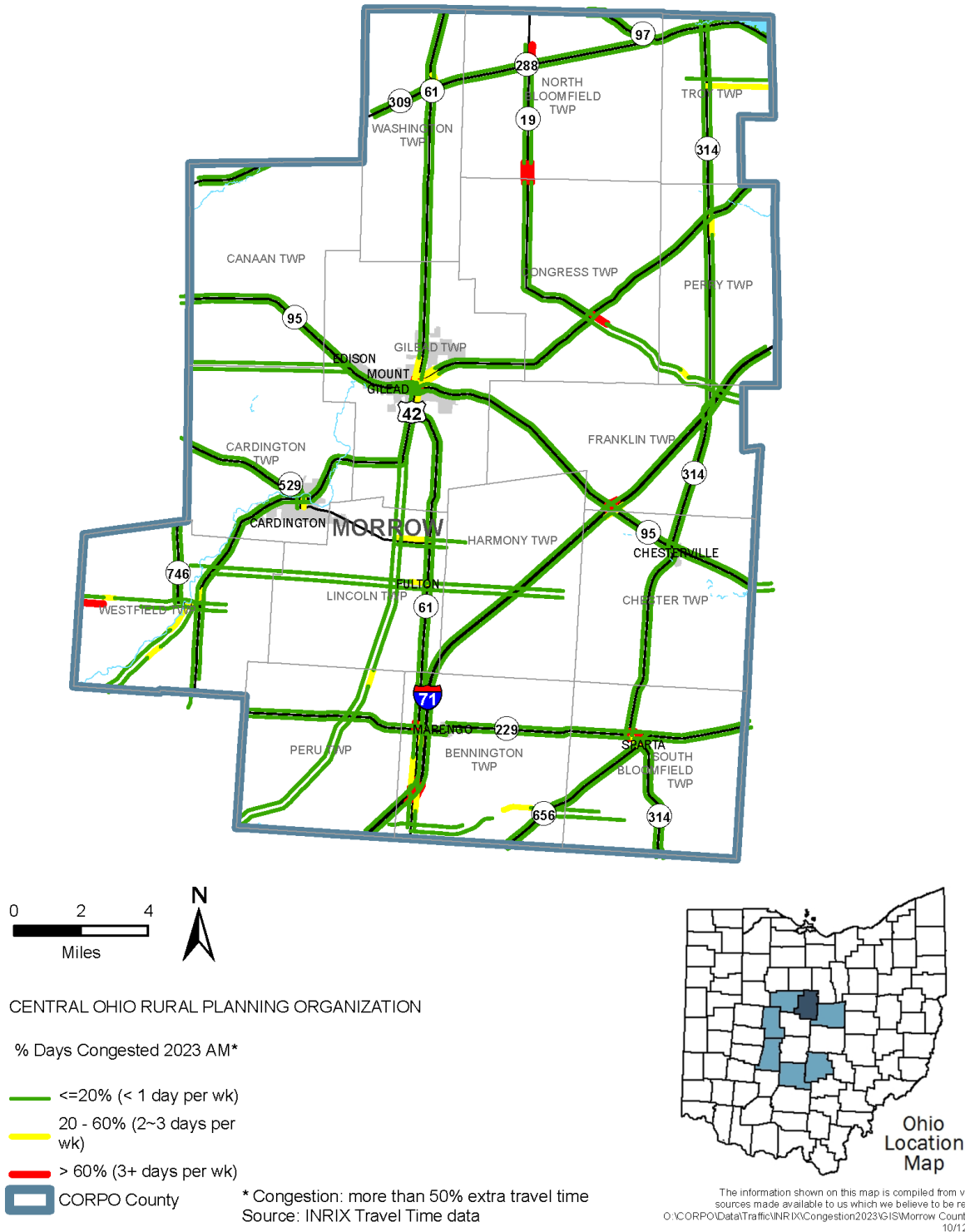
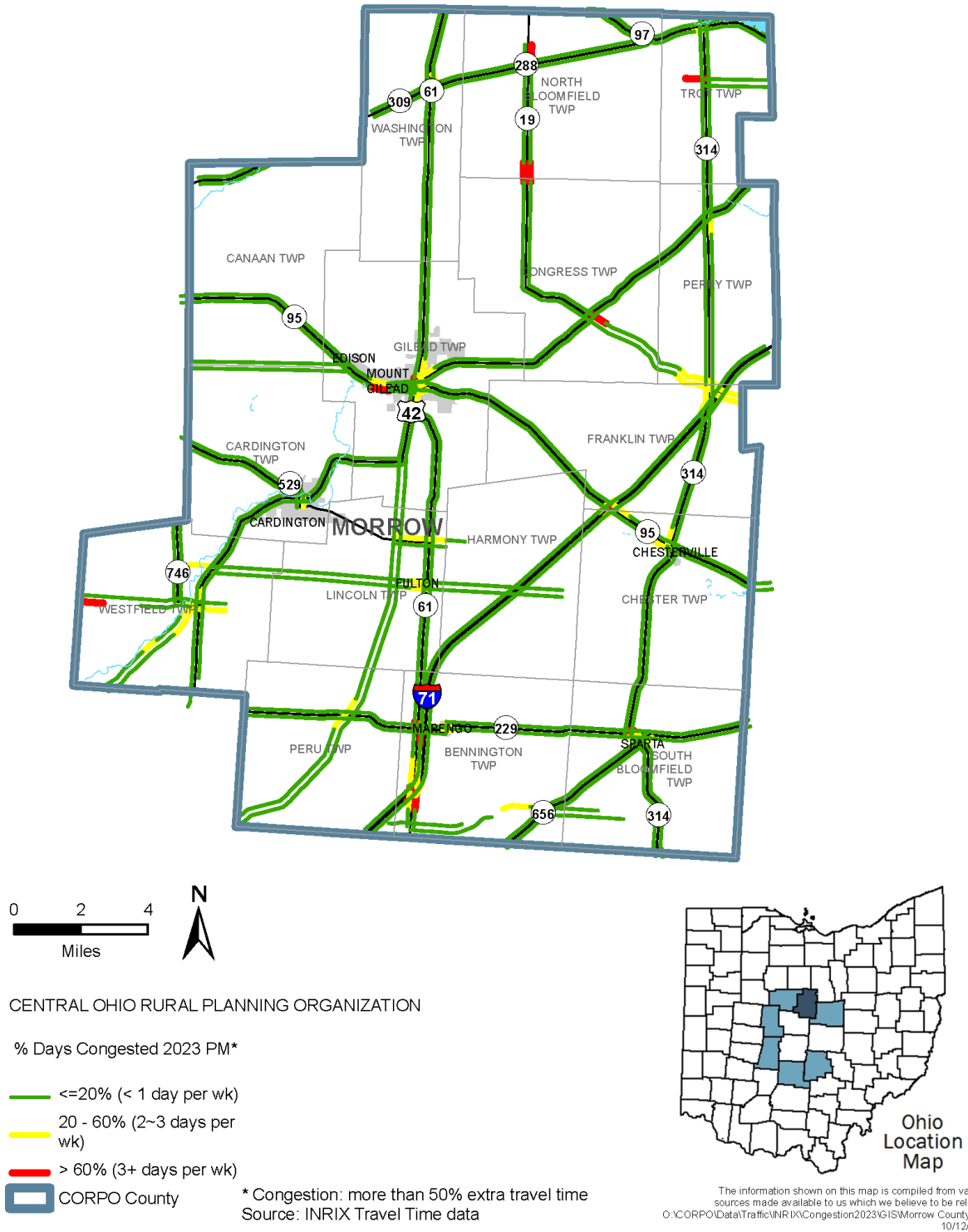


Figure J. 31 Morrow County PM Peak Congestion, 2023



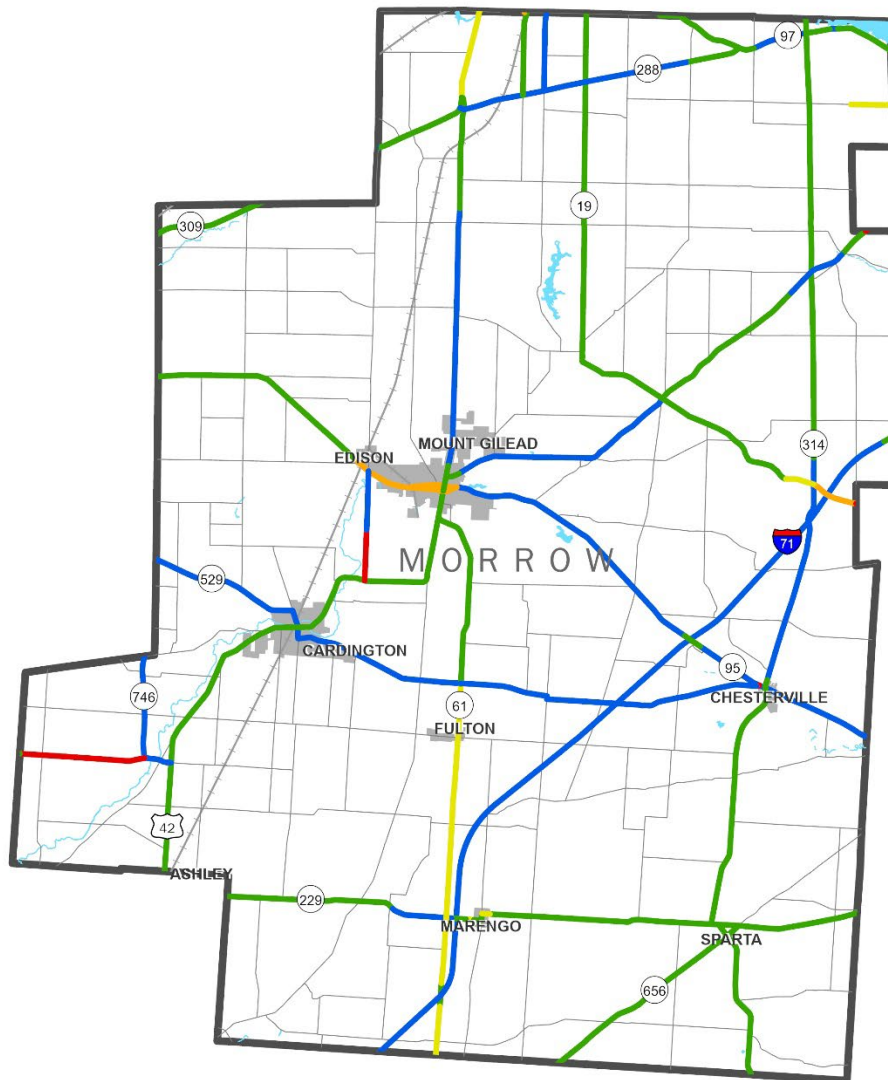
Morrow County Roadway Condition Performance Measures

PAVEMENT CONDITION RATINGS

Figure J. 32 Morrow County Roadway Network, Pavement Condition Ratings, 2022

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Pavement
Condition
Rating
Morrow County



- Pavement Condition
- Below 56 (Poor)
 - 56 - 65 (Fair to Poor)
 - 66 - 75 (Fair)
 - 76 - 90 (Good)
 - 91 - 100 (Very Good)

County Boundary



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J.3 Morrow County Projects

To carry out the strategies, priority transportation projects have been identified through data analysis and stakeholder engagement. The projects include those that add roadway capacity, provide bicycle and pedestrian facilities, or enhance transit systems. Some of the identified projects encompass the ongoing operation, maintenance and preservation, or study of the existing transportation system.

Each project priority listed includes a brief project description and cost estimate in year of construction dollars, based on its prioritization as near- or long- term between 2023 and 2050.

2023-2050 CORPO Transportation Plan Project Listing

County: *Morrow*

County	ID	Timeframe	Type	Location/Roadway	Project Description	Termini		2023 Cost Estimate (Millions)
Morrow	MRW1	2025-2035	Study	I-71 Interchanges Knox County	Planning around I-71 interchanges to maximize development potential			\$0.15 - \$0.2
Morrow	MRW2	2023-2030	Bridge Repair / Replacement	CR 15, Big Walnut Creek Bridge	CR 15 over Big Walnut Creek - Bridge Replacement			\$0.8 - \$1
Morrow	MRW4	2030-2040	Study	Study high-capacity transit corridor from US 36	Study high-capacity transit corridor from US 36 to Nationwide Blvd			\$0.2 - \$0.3
Morrow	MRW5	2030-2040	Study	SR 314, SR 95, SR 42	Study scenic byways for SR 314, SR 95, and SR 42			\$0.15 - \$0.2
Morrow	MRW6	2023-2030	Major Widening	SR 229	SR 229 Full or partial limited access connection between US 23 and I-71 generally along SR 229 (MRW6 A Priority MAR7 C Priority)	US 23	I-71	\$145 - \$187
Morrow	MRW7	TBD	Intersection Modification	SR 61/Bennington Way Intersection	Add a signal to improve truck traffic flow from the industrial park to the I-71/SR 61 interchange			\$0.6 - \$1.1
Morrow	MRW8	TBD	Major Widening	SR 95	Widen SR 95 between I-71 and Mt. Gilead and add a multi-use path between downtown Mt. Gilead and Mt. Gilead State Park	I-71	Downtown Mt. Gilead	\$13 - \$23
Morrow	MRW9	TBD	Major Widening	SR 61	Widen SR 61 between I-71 and SR 229	I-71	SR 229	\$7 - \$12
Morrow	MRW10	2025-2030	Other / To Be Determined	SR 61/Morrow County Fairgrounds	Safety improvements for pedestrian crossing on SR 61 adjacent to the Morrow County Fairgrounds			\$0.3 - \$0.4