



FCFC 
Warren County

COMMUNITY REPORT 2011

**THE SOCIAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH
OF WARREN COUNTY CITIZENS**





**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WARREN COUNTY, OHIO**

406 Justice Drive, Lebanon, Ohio 45036

www.co.warren.oh.us

commissioners@co.warren.oh.us

Telephone (513) 695-1250
(513) 261-1250
(513) 925-1250
(937) 425-1250
Facsimile (513) 695-2054

**TOM ARISS
PAT ARNOLD SOUTH
DAVID G. YOUNG**

October 3, 2011

Dear Community Members:

Many people agree that Warren County is a wonderful place to live and raise a family as evidenced by our population growth of nearly 3% annually from 2000 through 2010. The health and well-being of our families, children and adults is a shared priority of the County Commissioners and of the Family and Children First Council.

This report reflects a combined effort to build on two previous community reports in order to highlight trends and issues in Warren County. It allows us to see and celebrate our successes and shows us where more focused work needs to be done in order to create and sustain a healthy community.

We continue to have strength in the Young People Succeeding indicators. Our schools are excellent and our juvenile court systems are successfully supporting troubled youth. However, several indicators in Stable Families continue to trend negatively. The continued decline in the economy is yielding a growing number of families struggling financially which can impact other areas of their lives.

Warren County is blessed in many ways but our greatest asset is the people who live and work here. This report is meant to inform, as well as to invite community discussion that will help us create common goals, guide decisions, and work toward desired results.

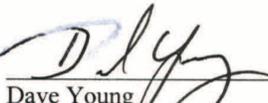
The Board of County Commissioners would like to express our gratitude and appreciation to the individuals who helped make this document possible and to all those who are helping keep Warren County a truly incredible place to live, work and play.

Sincerely,

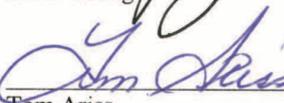
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Pat South

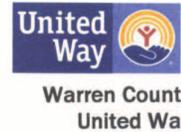


Dave Young



Tom Ariss

645 Oak Street
Lebanon, Ohio 45036



Dear Community Members:

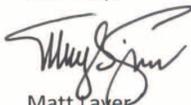
Warren County United Way salutes Warren County Family and Children First Council, community leaders, volunteers, and government leaders for their cooperation which allowed for the creation of this important document addressing the issues currently impacting Warren County and its residents. The updating of this report continues an important study of needs throughout our community and helps chart the path allowing for the fulfillment of those needs.

Residents of Warren County are fortunate to live in a prosperous and economically viable area within the state which has been adeptly managed by our local and county officials. They have supervised our growth and protected our natural resources creating a wonderful place for the current as well as the next generation of residents. This report reveals however, that within our county boundaries there are still areas of needs which must be addressed.

With the support of schools, organizations, businesses, government entities and individuals, Warren County United Way and 29 local service agencies are administering to the needs throughout our county. We are please to support this endeavor by Family and Children First Council to regularly categorize the critical areas which need attention within our communities. This report works as a tool to allow all organizations to help solve problems as opposed to spending precious time, energy and financial resources trying to identify areas of concern. Collectively this process provides for an efficient and well managed system of identifying and targeting needs as well as for the procurement of funds and manpower for the fulfillment of those same needs within the county.

The Board of Directors and Staff of Warren County United Way greatly appreciates the hard work and dedication of all of those involved in the completion of the 2011 SOC report. It is with genuine gratitude we say Thank You for your time, energy and effort to make Warren County a better place to live.

Sincerely,



Matt Layer
President
Warren County United Way Board of Directors

LIVE UNITED



Introduction

The Warren County Family and Children First Council (FCFC) is the collaboration established to cooperatively address issues impacting the lives of children, families, and special populations. The FCFC links nearly 40 non-profit organizations, government agencies, school representatives, parents, and interested citizens together to identify and address needs in Warren County.

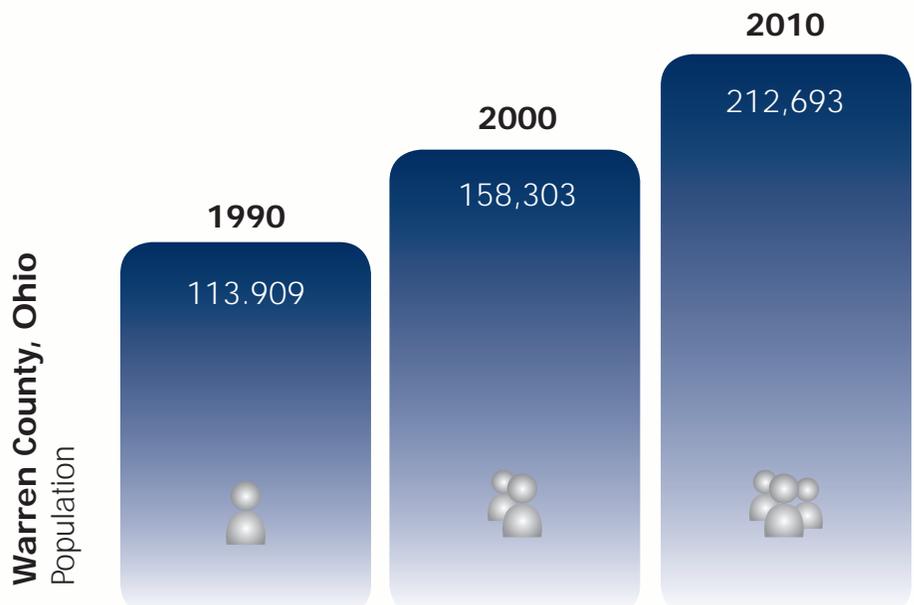
This publication is a comprehensive follow-up to a report developed and published in 2006 by the Support and Outreach Committee of the Warren County Family and Children First Council. The 2006 report established benchmarks from which to measure progress in four outcome areas: Healthy People and Behaviors, Stable Families, Young People Succeeding, and Safe and Supportive Neighborhoods. This publication builds on the foundation laid in 2006 by extending most of the original indicator data into 2009 or 2010 thereby providing solid trend lines over nearly a decade.

Within each desired outcome area various indicators were identified to measure the condition of well-being. The current report examines thirty one indicators. In 2006, indicators were compared with three like counties and with the state of Ohio. That model is used again in this 2011 report. The comparison counties are Clermont, Greene, and Medina. These three Ohio counties are most like Warren County in population characteristics, land use, and proximity to a large city. There were times, however, that the three counties and Ohio were not included due to lack of adequate comparison data.

For a full explanation of rationale and definitions for data used, please refer to the 2006 report available online at the Warren County website or the Warren County United Way website. (www.co.warren.oh.us and www.warrencountyunitedway.org)

Collectively, measurements that reflect desired outcomes can be used as points of reference to determine success within society. The data, and the correlated narrative are provided here as tools for service delivery professionals, decision-makers, elected officials, faith-based organizations and anyone striving to improve well being and health for the citizens of Warren County.

This report is dedicated to the thousands of Warren County citizens whose numbers have grown substantially over the past two decades:



The indicators considered in this report include:

Healthy People/Healthy Behaviors, Indicators 1-9

1. Low Birth Weight
2. Infant Mortality
3. Access to Primary Care
4. Common Health Issues
5. Sexually Transmitted Diseases, HIV and AIDS
6. Developmental Disabilities
7. Mental Health Issues
8. Suicide
9. Substance Abuse



Stable Families, Indicators 10-21

10. Marriage
11. Divorce
12. Child Abuse/Neglect
13. Domestic Violence
14. Median Income/Self Sufficiency
15. Unemployment
16. Poverty
17. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP/Food Stamps)
18. Homelessness
19. Foreclosures
20. Public Transportation
21. Services for Seniors

Young People Succeeding, Indicators 22-28

22. Public School Attendance
23. High School Graduation
24. 4th Grade Proficiency
25. Ohio Graduation Test Results
26. Juvenile Delinquency
27. Unruly Court Filings
28. Juvenile Substance Abuse Charges

Safe & Supportive Neighborhoods, Indicators 29-31

29. Voter Participation
30. Property Crime
31. Violent Crime



Executive Team

The following team members of the Support and Outreach Committee (SOC) of the Warren County Family and Children First Council are recognized for their contributions in the development of this publication:

Kathy Michelich

Lead Author; Support and Outreach Committee, Chair

Janet Hoffman

Ohio State University Extension – Warren County, Director

Lisa Cayard

Abuse and Rape Crisis Shelter, Executive Director

Sue Miller

Warren County Community Services, Early Learning Centers Director

Kevin Stevens

Warren County Community Services, Family Services Director

Kim Sellers

Coordinated Care and Clinical Committee Coordinator

Lori Smyth

Coordinated Care, Program Director

Patti Ahting

Warren County Combined Health District, Director of Nursing

Jennifer Koetter

Mental Health and Recovery Services of Warren and Clinton Counties,
Associate Director

Jerri Langworthy

Warren County Children Services, Quality Assurance Supervisor

Madelyn Coons

Warren County United Way, Director of Allocations

Sandy Smoot

Community Volunteer

Judy Webb

Family and Children First Council Coordinator

Carol Heil

Director, Care Management and Intake Services

Scott Michelich

Warren County Elderly Services Program

Community Resource Director, Warren County Board of Developmental Disabilities

Technical Consultant

Executive Summary

Warren County continues to have many strengths that makes it a safe and healthy place to live. Our schools continue to provide an excellent education for our young people.

Several indicators continue to trend in a positive direction such as a decrease in child abuse and neglect and an increase in services to individuals with special needs such as those with developmental disabilities, mental illness, and substance abuse issues. Services to our elderly also continue to increase to meet the growing need.

Those familiar with Warren County will likely notice that while the well-being indicators reported in this publication are strong, some once positive trends have leveled out or are now heading in a less desirable direction. Of note are unemployment and property crime rates, both of which reflect a marked increase over the past three years.

Challenges continue to face Warren County in the areas of domestic violence, cases of STDs/HIV, public transportation, foreclosures, divorce, poverty, and suicide.



Indicators 1 & 2

Low Birth Weight and Infant Mortality

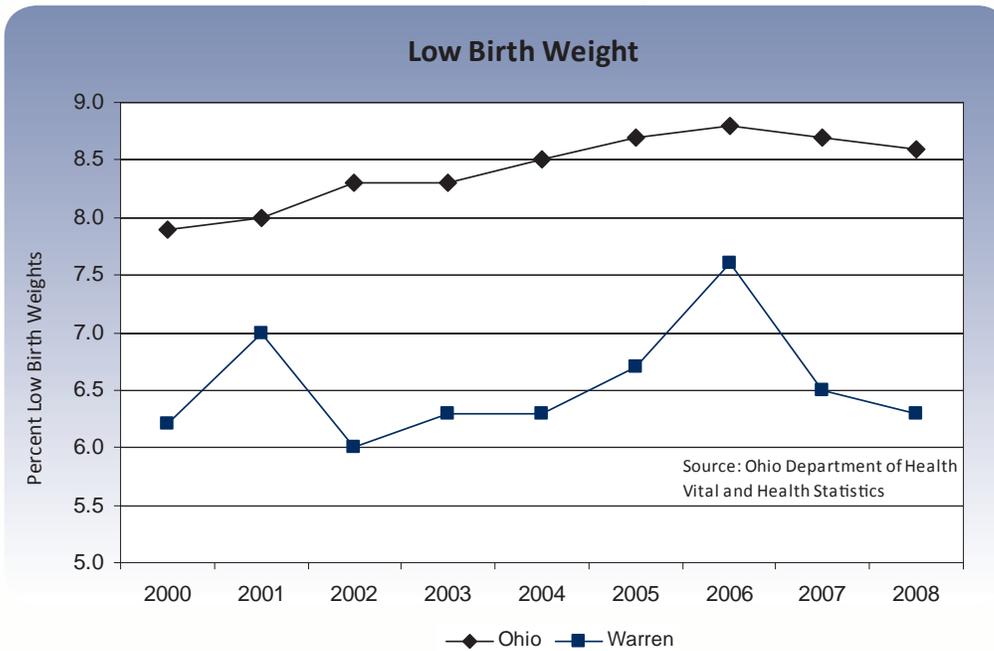
The term “low birth weight” (LBW) is used to describe infants born weighing less than 5 lbs. 8 oz. , and infant mortality describes infant deaths during the first year of life. Babies of LBW are more likely to suffer future illnesses, have disabilities or developmental delays, and ultimately perform poorly in school. LBW is a factor in 65% of infant deaths. In 2006, two of the primary causes of infant death in Ohio were congenital abnormalities and pre-term/low birth weight. Communities can play a role in decreasing infant mortality and LBW by encouraging pregnant women to seek prenatal care early in the first



Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Stable



trimester, and practice proper prenatal care. The following factors negatively affect birth weight and outcomes: fertility drugs, late childbearing year pregnancies, smoking and substance abuse, as well as poor nutrition during pregnancy. In 2008, both infant mortality and LBW rates decreased for Warren County.

Healthy People/Healthy Behaviors

By County Percent of newborns with low birth weight

2004	
Ohio	8.5
Medina	7.2
Greene	6.9
Clermont	6.8
Warren	6.3

2005	
Ohio	8.7
Clermont	6.9
Greene	6.8
Medina	6.8
Warren	6.7

2006	
Ohio	8.8
Warren	7.6
Clermont	7.5
Greene	6.7
Medina	6.7

2007	
Ohio	8.7
Greene	7.7
Medina	7.7
Clermont	6.5
Warren	6.5

2008	
Ohio	8.6
Medina	7.5
Greene	7.4
Clermont	6.7
Warren	6.3

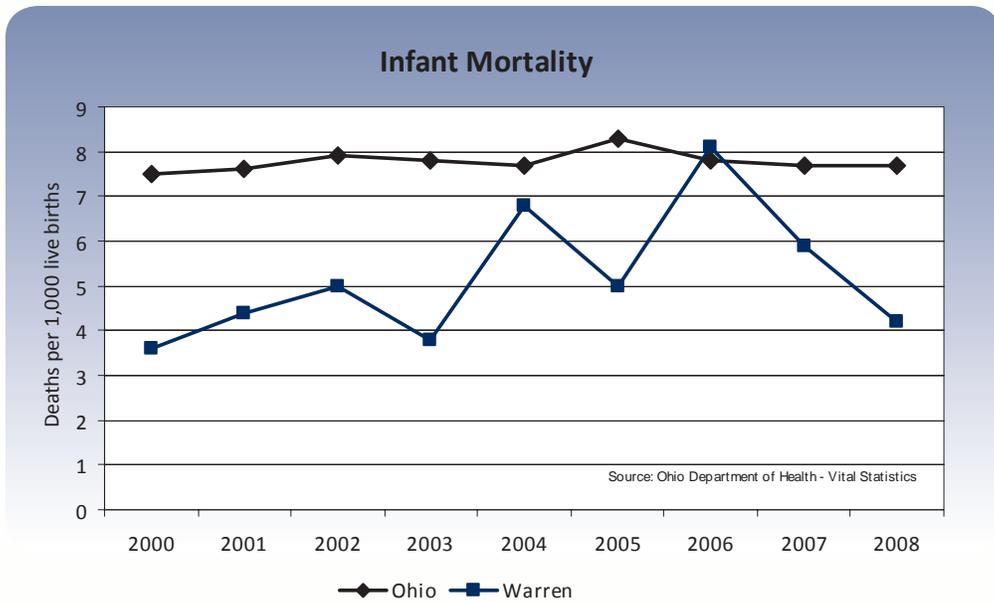
Continued



Indicators 1 & 2

Low Birth Weight and Infant Mortality

Continued



By County Deaths per 1,000 live births

2004	
Ohio	7.7
Warren	6.8
Clermont	5.8
Greene	5.2
Medina	3.4

2005	
Ohio	8.3
Medina	7.2
Clermont	6.6
Warren	5.0
Greene	4.4

2006	
Ohio	7.8
Warren	8.1
Medina	7.5
Clermont	6.2
Greene	4.5

2007	
Ohio	7.7
Clermont	5.9
Warren	5.9
Greene	5.4
Medina	3.1

2008	
Ohio	7.7
Clermont	6.9
Greene	6.8
Medina	5.3
Warren	4.2



Indicator 3

Access to Primary Care

Adequate and timely health care is dependent on health insurance coverage and the number of accessible physicians willing and able to meet with patients when needed. When access to primary health care is insufficient, people tend to put off visiting the doctor until their health concern is at a critical level. This results in more costly treatment, longer recovery time and more lost work hours.



According to the Ohio Department of Health, Warren County had no shortage of health care professionals in 2010. Almost two thirds of the 600 respondents to the 2011 Warren County Community Health Assessment survey indicated that health care is very accessible in Warren County. The same percentage of respondents also rated Warren County health care professionals as excellent or very good. (Source: www.odh.ohio.gov/odhPrograms/cfhs/cf_hlth/cha/hsprofiles.aspx)

Health Insurance In 2008	Percent of Adults Uninsured	Percent of Children Uninsured
Ohio	17.7	4.0
Greene	6.5	2.9
Medina	10.5	5.0
Warren	12.4	3.7
Clermont	13.1	6.4

Source: Ohio Family Health Survey at <http://grc.osu.edu/ofhs>



Indicator 4

Common Health Issues

Leading causes of death may differ in a population depending on the age, sex, race and socioeconomic status of individuals. In 2006, chronic diseases, particularly heart disease, stroke, and cancer, along with unintentional injuries, accounted for the majority of the deaths in Warren County. These three diseases are the primary causes of disability and contribute heavily to the burden of health care costs not only for residents

of Warren County, but for all Ohioans. In Warren County, death due to heart disease trended down till 2007, deaths due to stroke are on the decrease but death by cancer is on the rise.



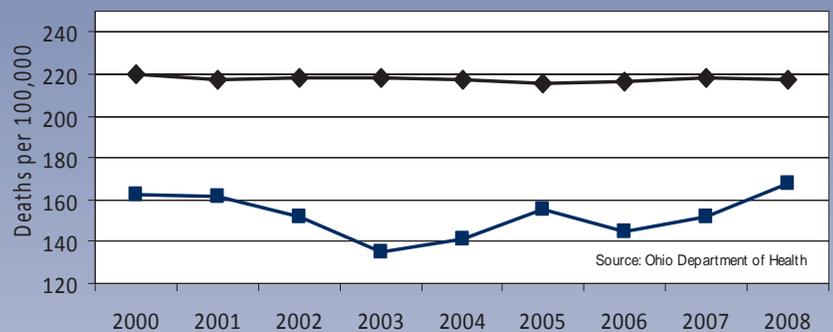
Desired Trend:
Down



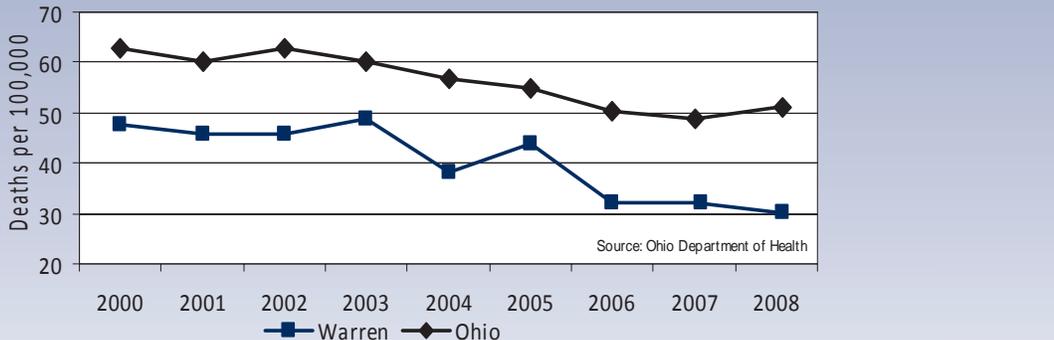
Our Trend:
Down



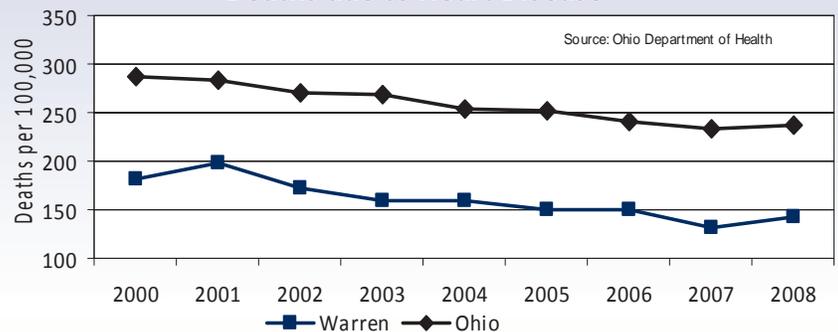
Deaths due to Cancer



Deaths due to Stroke



Deaths due to Heart Disease



Indicator 5

Sexually Transmitted Diseases:
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)
Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS)



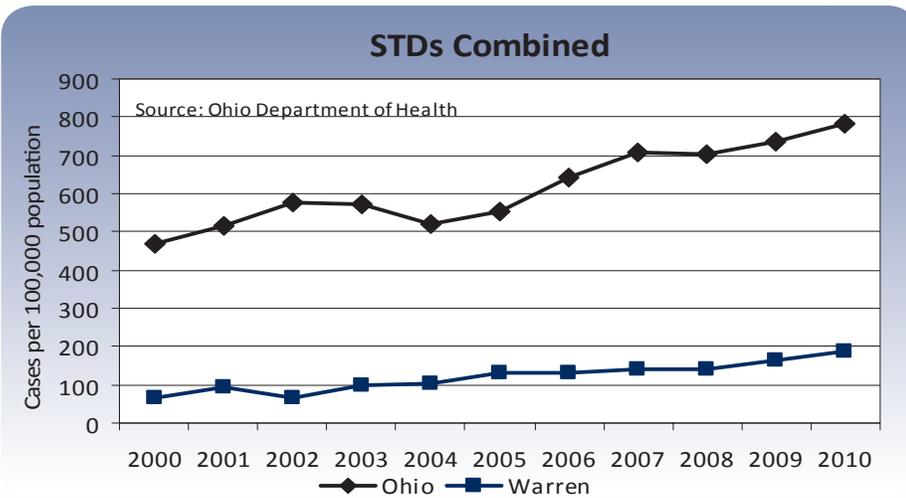
Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Up

Infectious diseases comprise the largest number of human illnesses. With an estimated 15 million new cases each year, sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) represent the largest number of reported cases of infectious diseases in the U.S. About four million of these infections occur in adolescents. All sexually active persons have the potential to be exposed to STDs, but women are more likely to suffer more serious complications. STDs in women can lead to health complications such as infertility and pelvic inflammatory disease if the STD is not detected and treated early. Furthermore, STD's in general increase the risk for HIV transmission.

Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS), the disease caused by Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), continues to spread within the U.S. population. In the United States, it is estimated that over 1 million persons have HIV infection and at least a quarter of these people do not know they are infected. In Warren County, the number of reported cases of AIDS remains relatively unchanged. However, the number of STDs continues to increase in Warren County.



Healthy People/Healthy Behaviors

By County Cases of STDs per 100,000 population.
(Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, and Syphilis combined)

2006	
Ohio	640
Greene	280
Clermont	169
Warren	132
Medina	66

2007	
Ohio	706
Greene	325
Clermont	209
Warren	141
Medina	90

2008	
Ohio	704
Greene	363
Clermont	240
Warren	143
Medina	116

2009	
Ohio	735
Greene	357
Clermont	260
Warren	166
Medina	121

2010	
Ohio	783
Greene	380
Clermont	263
Warren	188
Medina	120



Indicator 5

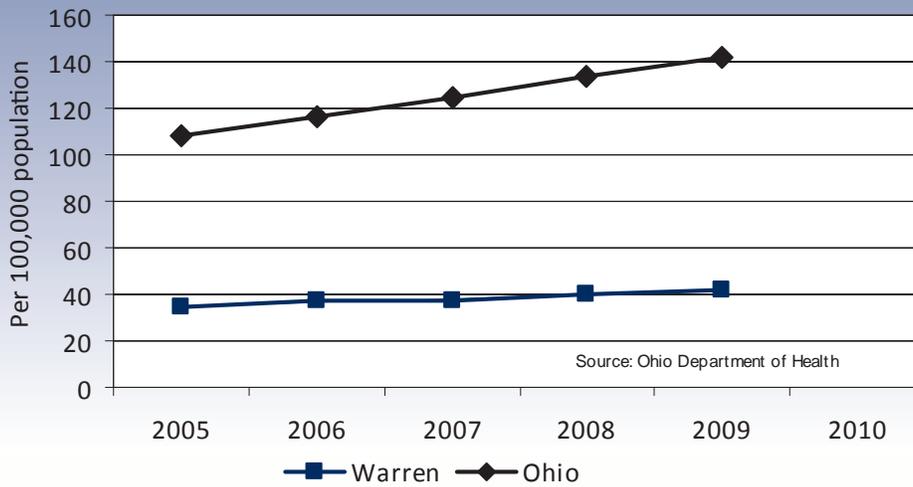
Sexually Transmitted Diseases:

Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)

Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS)

Continued

Reported persons living with HIV infection



By County People Living with HIV per 100,000 population.

2005	
Ohio	108
Greene	46
Warren	35
Clermont	18
Medina	17

2006	
Ohio	116
Greene	51
Warren	37
Medina	21
Clermont	19

2007	
Ohio	124
Greene	54
Warren	38
Clermont	23
Medina	22

2008	
Ohio	133
Greene	60
Warren	40
Clermont	25
Medina	23

2009	
Ohio	142
Greene	67
Warren	42
Clermont	29
Medina	24

Reported cases of AIDS (actual numbers)					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Ohio	574	595	533	577	620
Clermont	3	2	3	2	4
Greene	4	4	7	5	6
Medina	0	3	3	1	2
Warren	5	3	4	5	6



Indicator 6

Services for those with Developmental Disabilities

Severe, chronic disabilities that result in mental and physical impairments impact the overall well-being of families and communities. Developmental disabilities limit life activities such as self care and self support. The earlier we detect a developmental delay and intervene, the easier it is to help children reach their full potential with less time, energy and expense.

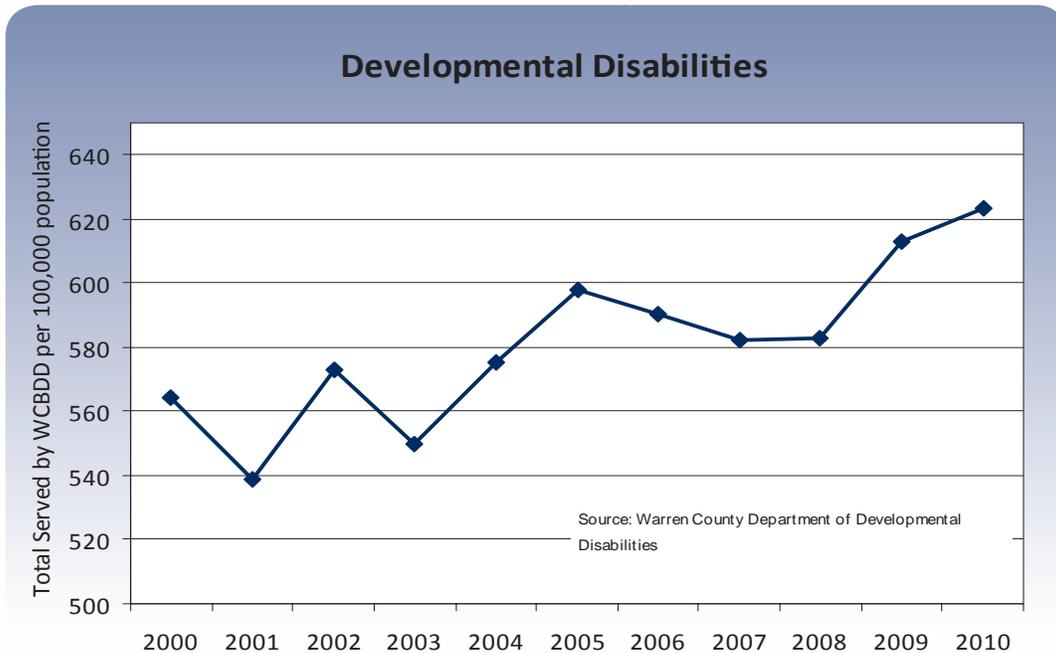


Desired Trend:
Up



Our Trend:
Up

The Warren County Board of Developmental Disabilities (DD) supports approximately 1,330 individuals and their families. In 2010, there were 437 individuals with developmental disabilities waiting for services in Warren County. Reducing the size of this waiting list was established as a goal by the Warren County Board of Developmental Disabilities. In order to reach this goal, lower cost funding options and local matching funds are used to provide increased levels of service to meet the growing need.



Healthy People/Healthy Behaviors



Indicator 7

Treatment for Mental Health Issues

Mental health treatment includes counseling, case management, psychiatric services and other supportive care. The graph represents only the number of clients receiving publicly funded mental health treatment, which typically are those on Medicaid and who are uninsured or underinsured. It should be noted that the rates statewide



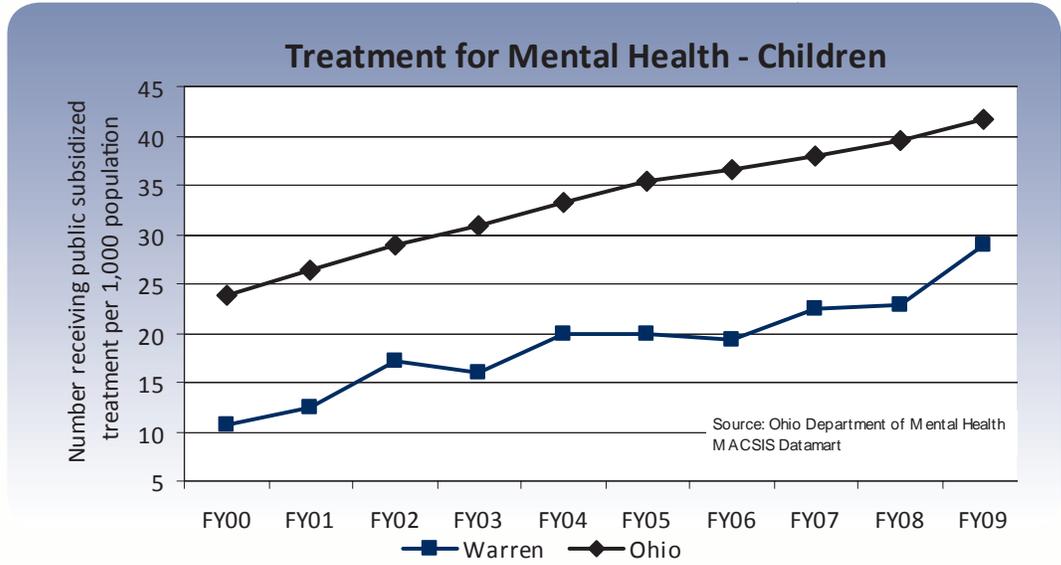
Desired Trend:
Up



Our Trend:
Up

are considerably higher than Warren County and other comparison counties due to demographic differences. In particular, the state reflects a much higher level of Medicaid recipients and individuals in poverty, as well as a lower median income. Therefore, it is likely that many individuals with insurance and financial resources seek care from private practice professionals, and thus are not reflected in this data.

Given this difference, Warren County has still increased services considerably in the past 10 years. The number of children served has increased by over 200% over the last decade and is now outpacing all other comparison counties. This is largely due to enhanced school-based mental health services available in nearly all Warren County school districts. Similarly, the number of adults receiving mental health services in Warren County has increased by 124%, largely in the General Outpatient Mental Health plan, which provides short-term counseling. These increases have been



achieved through careful strategic planning, as funding from Ohio Department of Mental Health has declined by over 20% in the past four years, resulting in increased reliance upon the local levy to support these needed services.



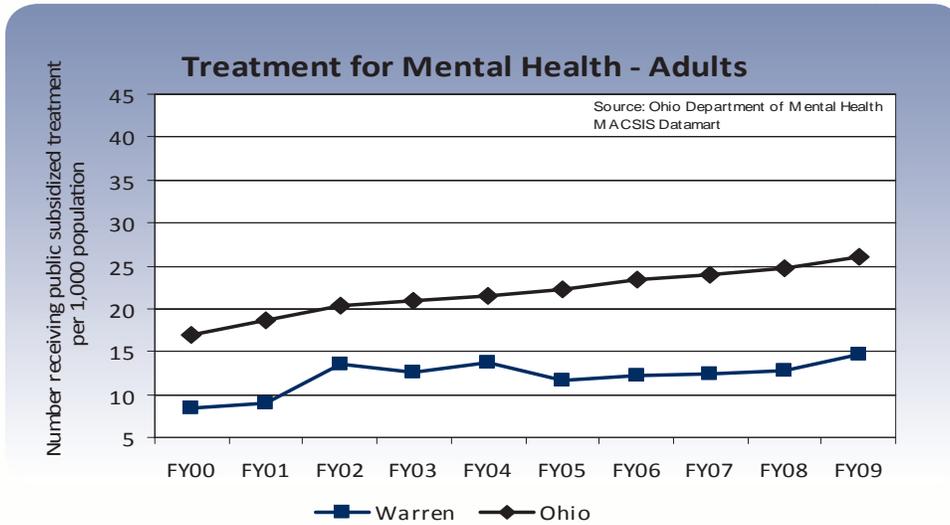
Indicator 7

Treatment for Mental Health Issues

Continued

By County Publicly Subsidized Mental Health Treatment per 1000 population (Children)

2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
Ohio	35.3	Ohio	36.6	Ohio	37.9	Ohio	39.5	Ohio	41.7
Clermont	23.4	Clermont	24.3	Clermont	25.7	Clermont	27.5	Warren	28.9
Warren	19.9	Warren	19.3	Warren	22.4	Warren	22.9	Clermont	28.2
Medina	17.0	Medina	16.8	Medina	17.9	Medina	19.1	Medina	18.5



By County Publicly Subsidized Mental Health Treatment per 1000 population (Adults)

2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
Ohio	22.3	Ohio	23.3	Ohio	23.9	Ohio	24.8	Ohio	26.1
Medina	13.8	Medina	13.6	Medina	14.3	Medina	14.8	Medina	15.4
Clermont	11.9	Clermont	12.2	Warren	12.3	Warren	12.9	Warren	14.7
Warren	11.6	Warren	12.2	Clermont	11.4	Clermont	12.0	Clermont	12.3

Healthy People/Healthy Behaviors



Indicator 8 Suicide

The rate of suicide deaths in Warren County has risen substantially over the past ten years, with 2009 and 2010 producing the highest numbers. Comparable counties displayed rate spikes in 2008-2009. Speculation as to the cause of these increases often leads to a discussion about the economic recession. While this may contribute to the results, it is too soon to assert this as a causal factor. A common confirmed factor is, however, depression. Approximately 90% of those who die by suicide

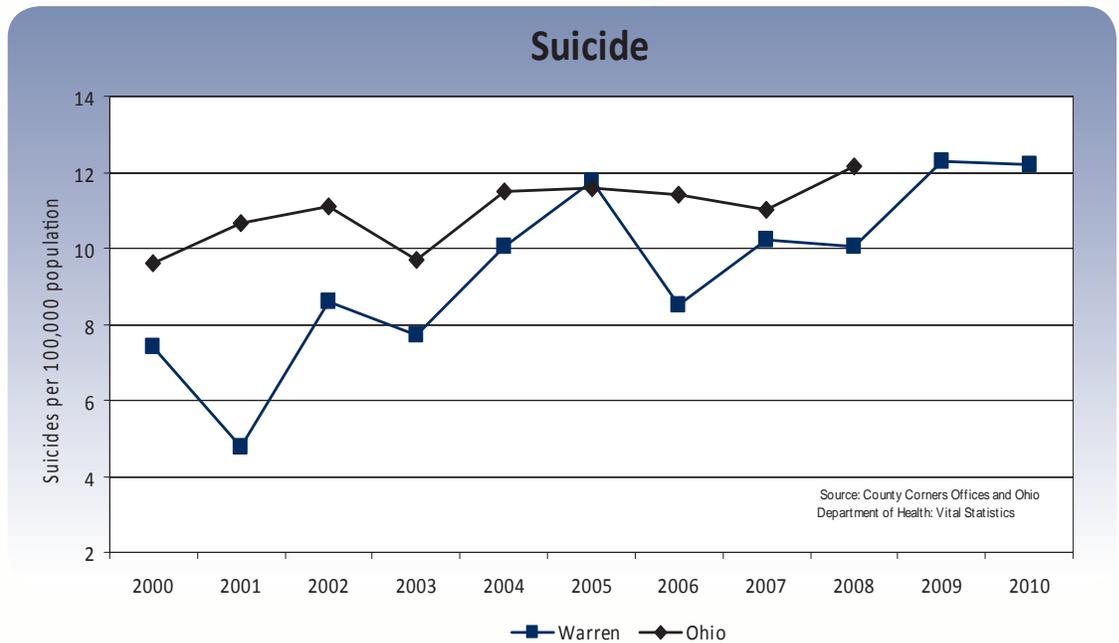
were suffering from depression, often undiagnosed and untreated. This is sometimes complicated by reduced judgment and inhibitions resulting from the use or abuse of substances including alcohol, illegal drugs, and prescription drugs. Suicide is preventable through treatment for depression and substance abuse.



Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Up



By County Suicides per 100,000 population

2006	
Ohio	11.4
Clermont	12.6
Warren	8.5
Medina	7.1
Greene	5.1

2007	
Ohio	11.0
Clermont	13.0
Medina	11.2
Warren	10.2
Greene	7.6

2008	
Ohio	12.2
Clermont	16.5
Greene	12.6
Warren	10.1
Medina	9.3

2009	
Ohio	11.4
Clermont	16.9
Greene	15.7
Medina	14.4
Warren	12.3

2010	
Ohio	11.4
Warren	12.2
Clermont	11.2
Medina	9.2
Greene	8.2



Indicator 9

Treatment for Substance Abuse

Substance abuse and addiction have destructive consequences for individuals, families and the community. According to the American Society of Addiction Medicine, addiction is no longer defined as a behavioral or moral problem but rather a chronic disease which affects brain neurotransmission and circuitry. Fortunately, treatments are available to help counter the intense urges to use substances. These can include individual and group counseling, medications, and case management services. According to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, individuals who meet the criteria for a substance addiction often do not seek or receive treatment. This is because the vast majority (93.7%) do not perceive the need for treatment. Therefore, any increase in service utilization is a positive sign.

The rate of publicly funded substance abuse treatment services provided in Warren County has increased in the past several years in spite of funding decreases. The number of children receiving substance abuse treatment has

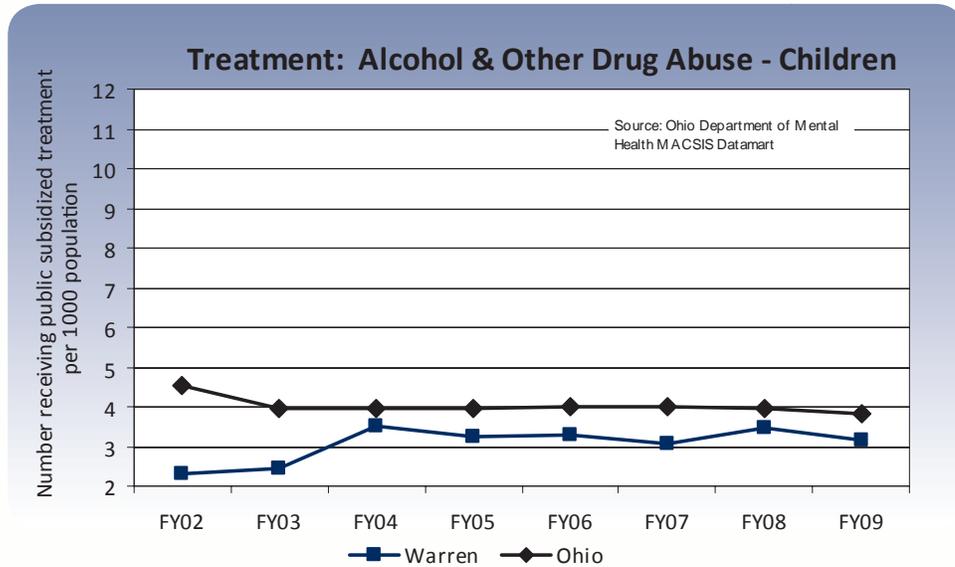


Desired Trend:
Up



Our Trend:
Up

increased by over 60% in the past decade. Only one other comparison county displayed an increase, the rest experienced a decline in numbers served. During this same time period, the number of adults receiving substance abuse treatment in Warren County increased by over 90% while the number of adults receiving services statewide increased by only 12%.



Healthy People/Healthy Behaviors

Continued



Indicator 9

Treatment for Substance Abuse

Continued

By County Treatment for Substance Abuse per 1000 population (Children)

2005	
Ohio	4.0
Clermont	4.3
Warren	3.3
Medina	2.1

2006	
Ohio	4.0
Clermont	4.6
Warren	3.3
Medina	2.2

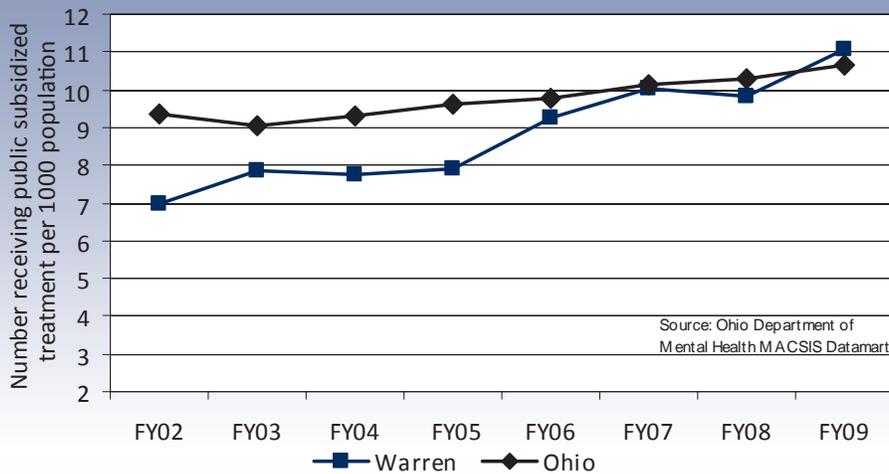
2007	
Ohio	4.0
Clermont	3.4
Medina	3.1
Warren	3.1

2008	
Ohio	4.0
Medina	3.6
Clermont	3.5
Warren	3.5

2009	
Ohio	3.8
Medina	4.3
Warren	3.2
Clermont	2.9

Healthy People/Healthy Behaviors

Treatment: Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse - Adults



By County Treatment for Substance Abuse per 1000 population (Adults)

2005	
Ohio	9.6
Clermont	11.6
Warren	7.9
Medina	5.9

2006	
Ohio	9.8
Clermont	11.5
Warren	9.2
Medina	5.4

2007	
Ohio	10.2
Clermont	11.7
Warren	10.0
Medina	6.7

2008	
Ohio	10.3
Clermont	11.4
Warren	9.8
Medina	5.9

2009	
Ohio	10.7
Clermont	12.6
Warren	11.1
Medina	5.8



Indicator 10 Marriage

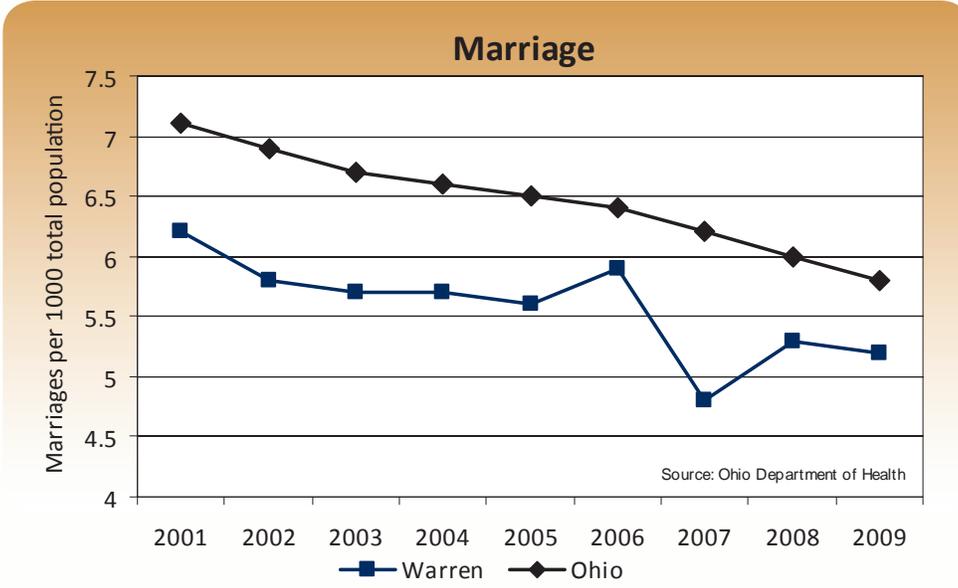
The benefits of healthy marriages to individuals and communities are well documented. Researchers have found that a higher percentage of couples in healthy marriages correlates directly with lower crime, higher property values, and higher rates of physically and emotionally healthy citizens. Marriages, however, are on the decline in Ohio and Warren County.



Desired Trend:
Up



Our Trend:
Down



Stable Families

By County Marriages per 1000 total population

2005	
Ohio	6.5
Clermont	6.3
Greene	5.9
Warren	5.6
Medina	5.4

2006	
Ohio	6.4
Clermont	6
Greene	5.9
Warren	5.9
Medina	5.7

2007	
Ohio	6.2
Clermont	5.9
Greene	5.9
Medina	5.4
Warren	4.8

2008	
Ohio	6
Clermont	5.8
Greene	5.6
Medina	5.6
Warren	5.3

2009	
Ohio	5.8
Greene	6.1
Clermont	5.5
Warren	5.2
Medina	4.9



Indicator 11
Divorce

Over half of all first marriages in the U.S. end in divorce. And because a high proportion of all new births now occur out of wedlock, the majority of America's children will spend a significant amount of childhood in single-parent households. Research, however, shows that children who grow up in a household with both biological parents have better health and educational outcomes than do children who grow up in a single-parent household.

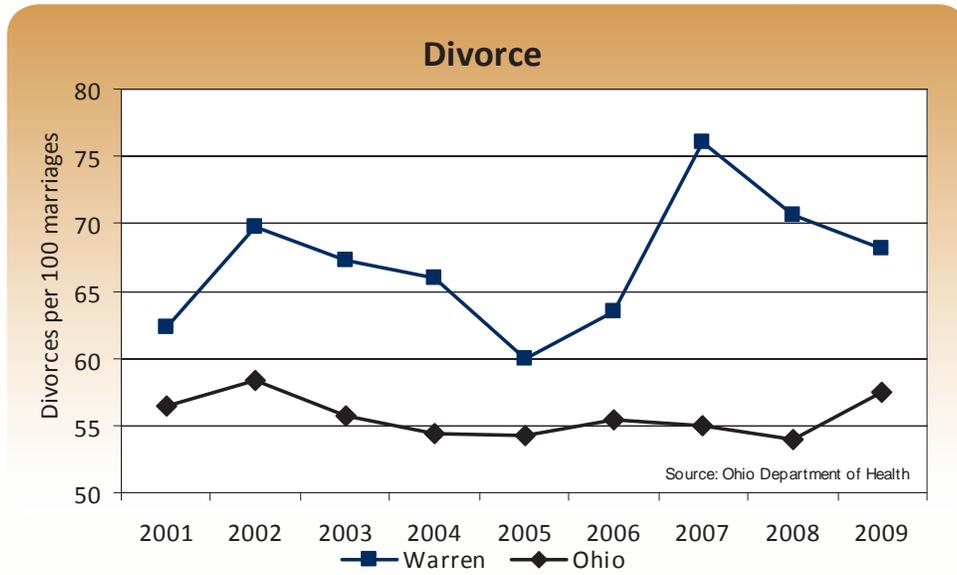


Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Up

(McLanahan and Sandefur, 1994) Over the past ten years, Warren County has experienced an increased rate of divorce overall and is consistently at a greater rate than Ohio.



Stable Families

By County Divorces per 100 marriages

2005	
Ohio	54.2
Medina	67.1
Greene	64.7
Clermont	60.4
Warren	59.9

2006	
Ohio	55.4
Clermont	73.1
Medina	67.3
Warren	63.4
Greene	58.3

2007	
Ohio	55
Warren	76
Clermont	72.4
Medina	62
Greene	56.4

2008	
Ohio	54
Warren	70.6
Clermont	67.3
Greene	59.6
Medina	55.1

2009	
Ohio	57.4
Clermont	74
Warren	68.1
Medina	61.4
Greene	52.6



Indicator 12

Child Abuse/Neglect

The face of child abuse and neglect has changed over the years, as has the response, but concern for the child victim remains constant. Over the past few years, the internal process regarding screening, case management and documentation have changed, but child safety remains the guiding priority.

As Warren County continues to grow, officials in all disciplines have begun to see issues with children and families that have historically been more commonplace in metro counties throughout the state.

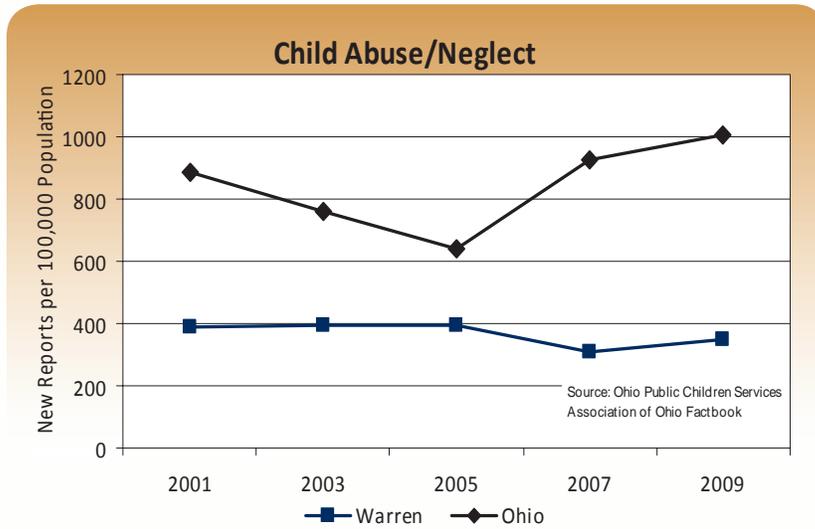
A high number of cases in the past year have involved substance abuse, specifically heroin. Providers and caseworkers struggle with effective treatment and rehabilitation of parents who are battling these, and other, highly addictive substances.



Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Down



Physical abuse, sexual abuse, domestic violence and neglect have been, and continue to be, areas of concern for our county's children. Data supports the fact that abuse and neglect as a child can often contribute to physical and mental health issues as well as to an increased risk that victims will become the next generation's abusers. Current data also supports the notion that the socioeconomic levels of adults are lower if they had been a victim of abuse and/or neglect as a child. A continued partnership of Warren County professionals allows for the provision of wrap around services to children and families.

Stable Families

By County New Reports of Child Abuse/Neglect per 100,000 population

	2001
Ohio	888
Clermont	739
Greene	711
Warren	391
Medina	227

	2003
Ohio	761
Greene	639
Clermont	530
Warren	395
Medina	379

	2005
Ohio	637
Greene	750
Warren	393
Clermont	377
Medina	184

	2007
Ohio	925
Clermont	716
Greene	706
Medina	335
Warren	308

	2009
Ohio	1008
Greene	901
Clermont	881
Warren	351
Medina	327



Indicator 13

Domestic Violence

Domestic violence is rarely an isolated event but rather a pattern of assaulting and coercive behaviors that includes physical, sexual, verbal and psychological abuse between those who are related by blood, marriage, or a child. Many victims of domestic violence seek civil protection orders (CPO) issued by Domestic Relations Court. A CPO does not require the abuser to be arrested rather it provides a legal judgment to protect the victim and censure abuse and threats of bodily harm.



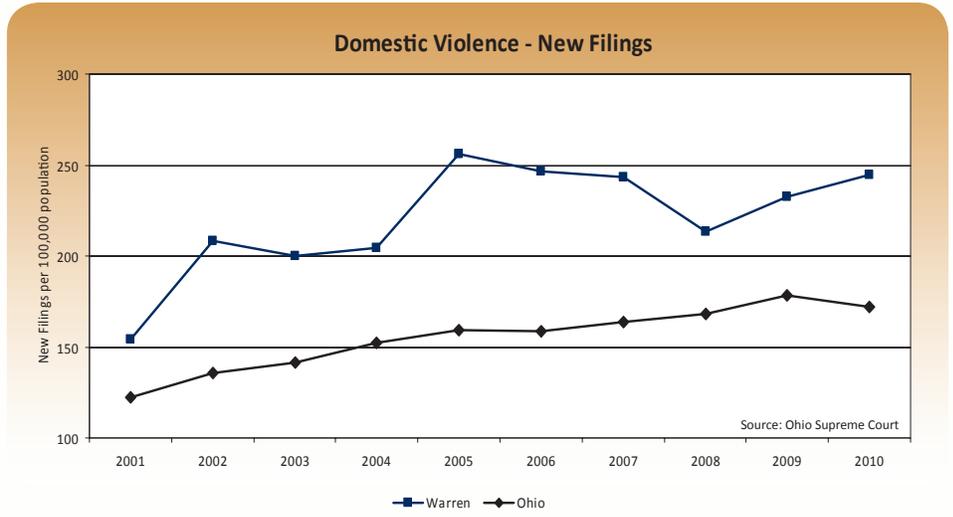
Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Up

Stable Families

Warren County domestic violence civil protection orders have doubled from 259 filed in 2000 to 522 in 2010. Warren County, while a more highly populated county than Clermont, reflects half as many protection orders filed. However, Warren County has experienced a 100% increase in protection orders compared to Clermont County's 34% rate of increase over the same 10 year period. (Source: Ohio Supreme Court, Ohio Courts Statistical Summaries 2000-2010).



According to the Ohio Youth Risk Behavior Study, nearly 10% of all Ohio high school students report dating violence. In addition, over 10% report having been physically forced to have sexual intercourse. In June 2010, Ohio law began allowing juveniles to obtain CPOs in Juvenile Court when they experience violence in relationships with other teens under 18 years of age (O.R.C. 2151.34). Warren County Juvenile Court has a history of providing teen protection orders even prior to this new law. Warren County ranks 10th highest amongst Ohio's 88 counties in the number of civil protection orders issued. Warren County issues a higher number of CPOs per population compared to Ohio. (Source: Ohio Health Policy Institute).

By County New filings of domestic violence per 100,000 population

Year	Ohio	Clermont	Warren	Medina	Greene
2006	158.6	451.2	246.5	165.3	104.2
2007	163.7	450.6	243.2	156.0	121.7
2008	168.2	478.1	213.3	177.7	120.7
2009	178.2	460.5	232.3	180.7	134.9
2010	172.2	524.6	244.7	139.9	127.9



Indicator 14

Median Income/Self Sufficiency

Median income is the point at which half the households have an income above that amount, and half have a household income below that amount. Higher median incomes indicate a financially healthy community. Household income, however, tells only part of the story. Geographic areas with higher median household incomes generally have higher costs of living.



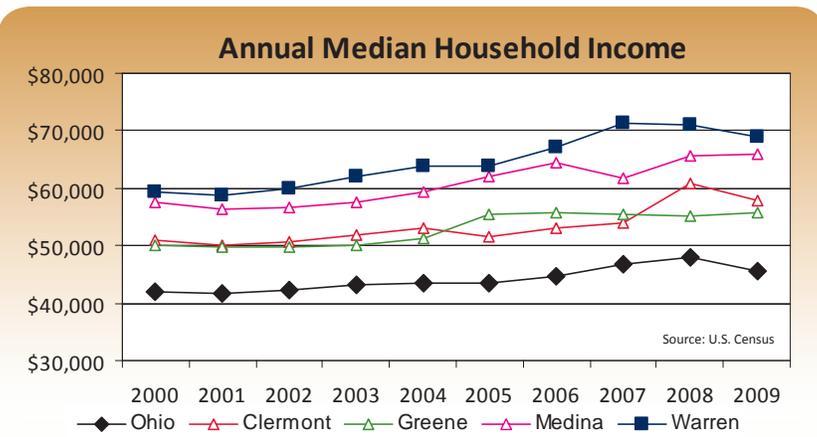
Desired Trend:
Up



Our Trend:
Up

The "Self-Sufficiency Standard"

While median income can be viewed as an indicator of financial well-being, it must be coupled with information regarding cost of living in a geographic area to be more meaningful. The "Self-Sufficiency Standard for Ohio – 2011" defines how much income a family needs to meet their basic living expenses without public or private assistance. In both 2008 and 2011, Warren County was identified as the most expensive county in which to live in Ohio. The following table provides a snapshot comparison of both median income and the cost of living through the Self Sufficiency Standard for all four counties. The table also includes poverty rates for all four counties.



	Clermont	Greene	Medina	Warren
Median Household Income - 2009	\$57,877	\$55,615	\$65,927	\$68,798
Self Sufficiency income needed for family of four - 2011	\$51,466	\$50,852	\$53,726	\$55,970
Percent of population living in poverty - 2009	10.4%	12.3%	6.6%	5.9%

By County Median Household Income

Year	Ohio	Warren	Medina	Greene	Clermont
2005	\$43,547	\$63,870	\$61,907	\$55,451	\$51,456
2006	\$44,609	\$67,167	\$64,354	\$55,656	\$52,914
2007	\$46,645	\$71,178	\$61,812	\$55,362	\$54,037
2008	\$48,011	\$71,139	\$65,621	\$55,168	\$60,735
2009	\$45,467	\$68,798	\$65,927	\$55,615	\$57,877

Stable Families



Indicator 15

Unemployment

The overall economic health of a community can be measured by the rate of unemployment. Nearly all of Ohio has experienced a rise in unemployment over the past five years. Warren County is no exception.



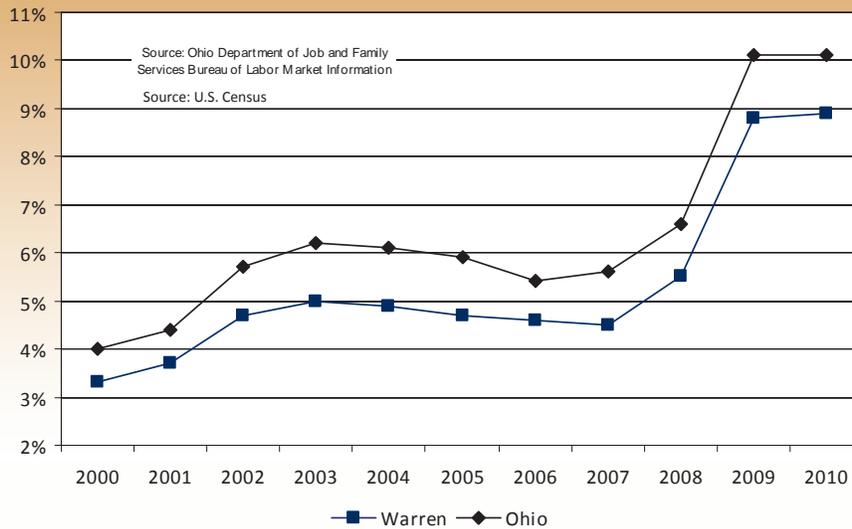
Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Up

Stable Families

Unemployment Rates: Annual Average
Not Seasonally Adjusted



By County Unemployment Rates: Annual Average

Not Seasonally Adjusted

2007	
Ohio	5.6
Medina	5.3
Greene	5.2
Clermont	5
Warren	4.5

2008	
Ohio	6.6
Greene	6.2
Medina	6
Clermont	5.9
Warren	5.5

2009	
Ohio	10.1
Clermont	9.6
Greene	9.6
Warren	8.8
Medina	8.3

2010	
Ohio	10.1
Greene	10
Clermont	9.9
Warren	8.9
Medina	8.2

July 2011	
Greene	9.4
Ohio	9.2
Clermont	9.1
Warren	8.1
Medina	7



Indicator 16 Poverty

Poverty not only has a direct negative impact on physical well-being, but on social well-being. A person's ability to make positive social connections, gain access to information, education, health care, and develop political influence are all challenged if a family is living in poverty.

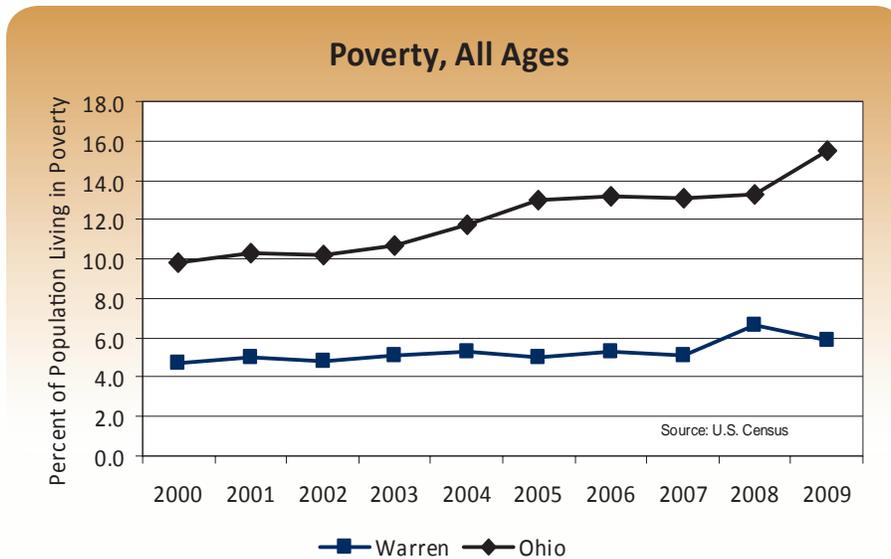
The official threshold for measuring poverty is based on a formula using the price of food as its foundation. Although the official poverty index has increased over the years due to the rising cost of food, the amount of income that defines "in poverty" is generally recognized as half the amount needed to meet basic living expenses. The weighted average annual income for defining poverty for a family of four in 2011 was \$22,350.



Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Up



By County Percent of population living in poverty

2005	
Ohio	13.0
Greene	9.4
Clermont	8.4
Medina	5.4
Warren	5.0

2006	
Ohio	13.2
Greene	10.9
Clermont	9.1
Medina	5.6
Warren	5.3

2007	
Ohio	13.1
Greene	9.2
Clermont	9.0
Medina	6.7
Warren	5.1

2008	
Ohio	13.3
Greene	10.7
Clermont	8.8
Warren	6.6
Medina	5.8

2009	
Ohio	15.5
Greene	12.3
Clermont	10.4
Medina	6.6
Warren	5.9

Stable Families



Indicator 17

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)



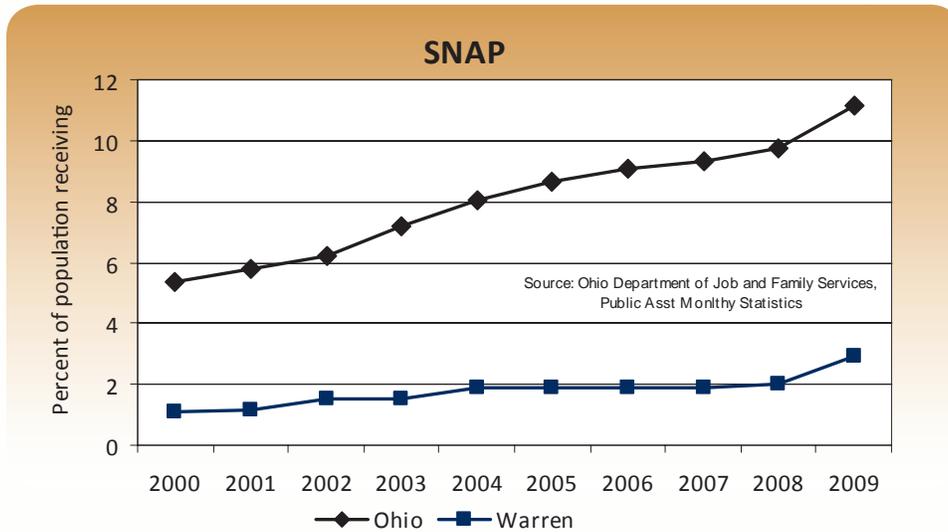
Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Up



With the increase in unemployment and poverty comes an increase in the need for public assistance. Eligibility for SNAP (formerly known as Food Stamps) services is based largely on household income but the eligibility level is above the federal poverty guideline. An upward trend indicates that more families are seeking assistance to supplement their incomes in order to feed their families.



Stable Families

By County Percent of population receiving SNAP

Year	Ohio	Greene	Clermont	Medina	Warren
2005	8.6	5.2	4.9	2.6	1.9
2006	9.1	5.2	5.4	2.9	1.9
2007	9.3	5.3	5.6	3.0	1.9
2008	9.8	5.5	6.0	3.1	2.0
2009	11.1	6.4	7.3	4.0	2.9



Indicator 18 & 19

Homelessness

According to the National Coalition for the Homeless, homelessness is defined as a person who “lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.” An increased number of homeless individuals and families results in a number of social and financial costs. These include costs to staff and operate shelters, increased challenges for adults seeking stable employment, increased chronic disease, delays in child development, and poor performance in school.

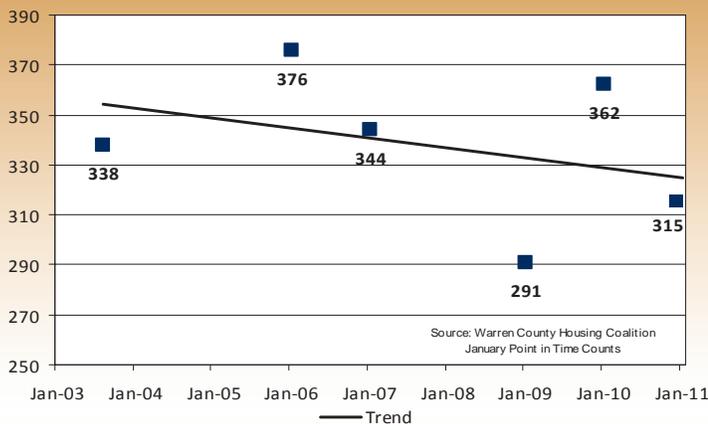


Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Down

Warren County Homeless Population



The face of the typical homeless person in Warren County is not a single adult man; rather it is one of a child. According to the Warren County Housing Coalition Point in Time Count, nearly 53% of the 315 homeless counted in January 2011 were under 18 years of age. The top three “primary cause” reasons of homelessness in Warren County were mental illness, family break up, and loss of work.

Foreclosures

Communities in which owners occupy their homes are normally more stable and reflect positive economic conditions. According to the U.S. Census, owner occupied housing units in Warren County have increased from 74.7% in 1990 to 80.4% in 2010. During

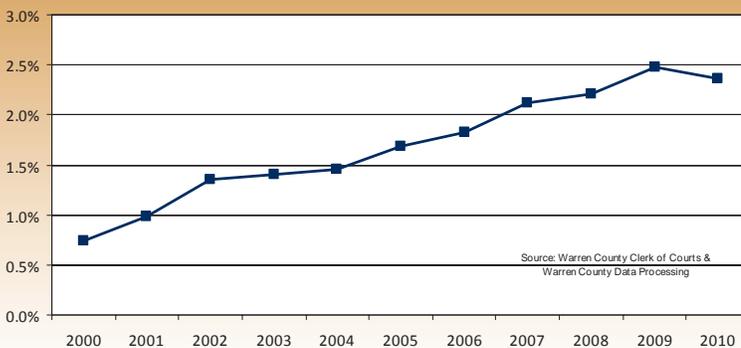


Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Up

Percent of Warren County Houses Foreclosed



that same time however, vacant housing units have also increased: 3.8% in 1990 to 5.9% in 2010.

Like most areas in our nation, foreclosures have increased significantly in Warren County over the past decade. There has however been a slight decrease in foreclosures from 2009 to 2010 but there is not enough evidence to assign it a downward trend.

Stable Families



Indicator 20

Public Transportation

Lack of adequate, reliable public transportation can have a negative community impact, both economically and socially. Public transportation is largely provided by the Warren County Transit Service (WCTS). Due to budgetary constraints the scope of WCTS has not increased since 1990.



Desired Trend:
Up



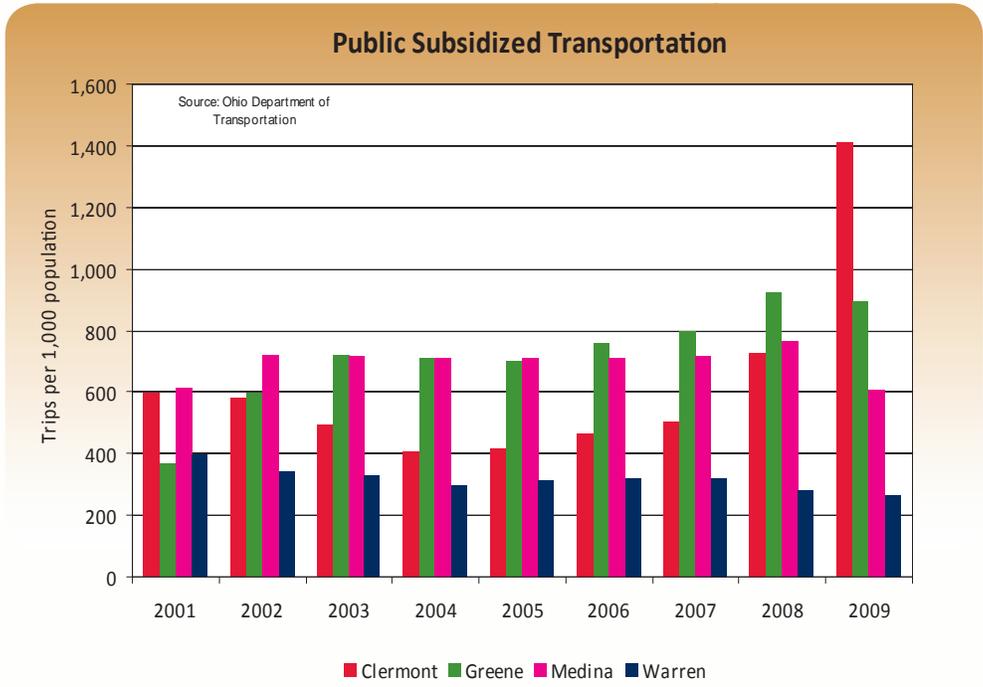
Our Trend:
Down

Warren County's re-designation from rural to urban will result in a dramatic decrease in federal funding available for public transportation and will create incentives to partner with neighboring counties. Effective 2013, Warren County will likely be competing for transportation dollars with cities like Cincinnati, Columbus, as well as Greene and Clermont counties.

Warren County Transit Services (WCTS) is a demand response system and service is provided only to those who call and schedule for service prior to the day needed. The cost for service is paid through subsidies from the Ohio Department of Transportation and fares which are largely backed by social service agencies that provide for the transportation needs of their clients. These, however, do not cover the actual cost of providing the service.

The lack of convenient transit service in Warren County is a frequent topic of conversation with social service agencies and residents who are dependent on this service for medical care, employment, child care and other basic needs. It is also becoming a concern for our growing elderly population.

Stable Families



The steep rise in Clermont County ridership coincides with the addition of a fixed route service that began in 2007.

Indicator 21

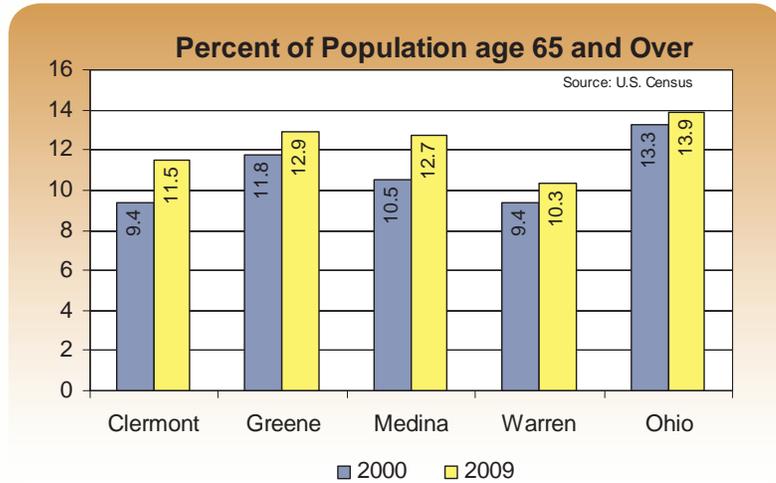
Services for Seniors

People age 65 and over comprised 9.4% of the Warren County population in 2000 and rose to over 10% in 2009. Ohio, and all comparison counties, experienced a larger percent of elderly in their populations over the past decade.



Desired Trend:
Up

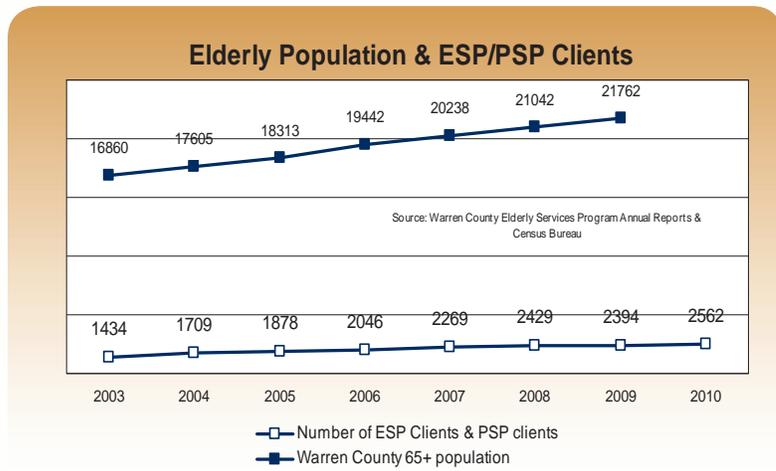
Our Trend:
Up



According to the Scripps Gerontology Center at Miami University, there will be an estimated 145% increase in the 60+ Warren County population between 2000 and 2020. An increasing number of seniors generates a number of challenges: adequate and affordable housing, public transportation, access to healthcare, insurance, and home safety to name a few.

In Warren County, there are two community-based programs, PASSPORT and the Warren County Elderly Services Program (WCESP), which assist eligible elders who are showing signs of frailty but have chosen to remain in their homes. Services include home delivered meals, assistance with homemaking or personal care, and electronic monitoring devices.

Enrollment in senior service programs is on the rise with the population. However, as reflected on the graph, the number of clients using Passport and ESP is not keeping pace with the elder population increase. Availability of these services will need to be closely monitored to ensure that the needs of citizens age 60 and over are met. Concerns regarding seniors who are unable to protect themselves from physical, mental or financial abuse will likely increase with the population. Reports of elder abuse across the State and nation are on the rise.



In 2010, there were over 230 reports of elder abuse made to Warren County Adult Protective Services and the Nursing Home Ombudsman Office. About 50% of these cases were due to self-neglect. The rest were identified abuses including financial exploitation, physical, verbal, and sexual abuse, as well as neglect by caregivers. Statistics show that 90% of abusers are family members or caregivers. Continued state budget reductions have had a serious effect on the ability to investigate reports.

Stable Families



Indicator 22

Public School Attendance

The effects of truancy can be felt immediately upon a community. Absences from school have been linked to serious delinquent behavior in youth and have long term consequences upon the individual student, family and community. Warren County Juvenile Court has an intensive program to work directly with families with the highest rate of truancy. Warren County continues to maintain a public school attendance at or above 95.6%



Desired Trend:
Up



Our Trend:
Up

By County Percent of public school students attending.

Year: school year ending

	2007
Ohio	94.1
Medina	95.7
Warren	95.6
Greene	94.9
Clermont	94.6

	2008
Ohio	94.2
Medina	95.8
Warren	95.7
Greene	95.1
Clermont	94.8

	2009
Ohio	94.3
Warren	95.8
Medina	95.7
Greene	95.1
Clermont	94.7

	2010
Ohio	94.3
Warren	96.6
Medina	95.4
Greene	94.9
Clermont	94.4

	2011
Ohio	94.5
Warren	95.9
Medina	95.8
Greene	95.2
Clermont	94.6

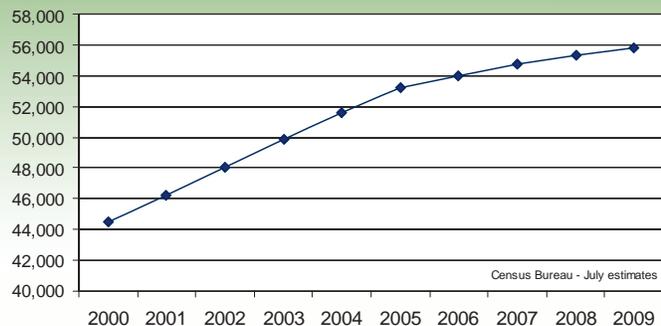
Young People Succeeding



Did You Know?

The population of children in Warren County has nearly mirrored the percent rise in the general population from 2000 to 2009. The number of children rose from 44,527 in July 2000 to 55,822 in July 2009. This reflects an increase of 25.4% in juveniles age 0-17 as compared to an increase in the total population of 30.6%.

Warren County Juvenile Population - Ages 0-17



Indicator 23

High School Graduation

Graduation rates are a critical indicator of school performance for parents, policy makers and other concerned community members. High school graduates earn on average nearly \$10,000 more per year than non high school graduates. Individuals who drop out of school can become a financial burden on communities.

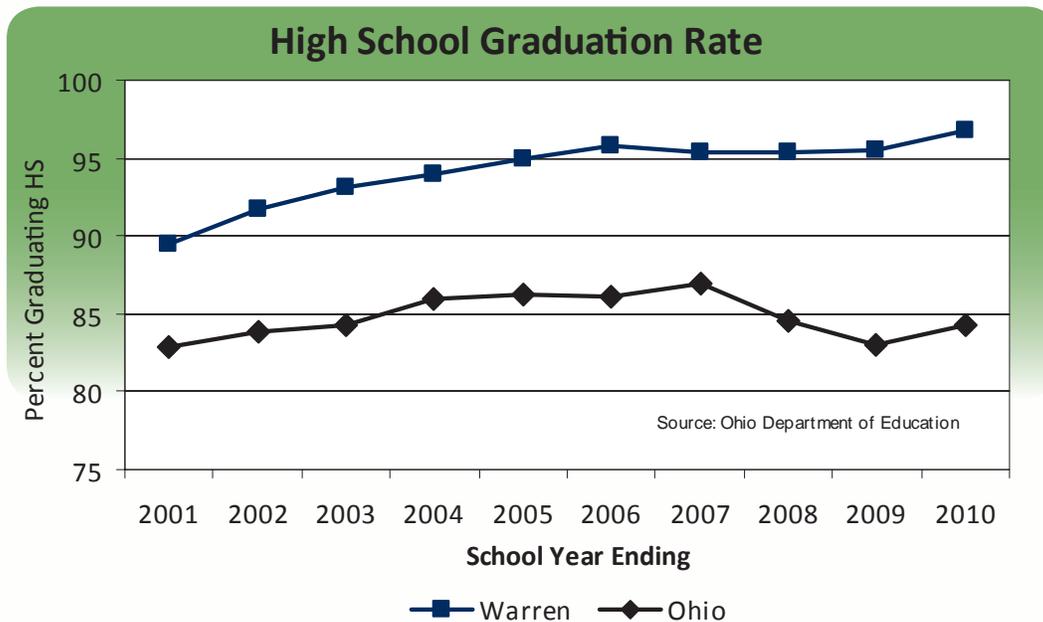
County graduation rates were figured by taking the percent graduated for each school district and then dividing by the total number of school districts within the county. There are eight school districts in Warren County.



Desired Trend:
Up



Our Trend:
Up



Young People Succeeding

By County Percent of high school seniors graduating.
Year: school year ending

2006	
Ohio	86.1
Medina	96.8
Warren	95.8
Greene	91
Clermont	88.5

2007	
Ohio	86.9
Medina	96.6
Warren	95.4
Greene	93.2
Clermont	92.8

2008	
Ohio	84.6
Medina	96.8
Warren	95.4
Greene	93.1
Clermont	90.9

2009	
Ohio	83
Medina	96.6
Warren	95.5
Greene	94.2
Clermont	92.4

2010	
Ohio	84.3
Warren	96.8
Medina	96.1
Greene	94.3
Clermont	90.9



Indicator 24 & 25

4th Grade Proficiency Ohio Graduation Test Results



Desired Trend:
Up



Our Trend:
Up

Testing provides a method to measure academic proficiency. Ohio House Bill 1, passed in July 2009, suspended the Ohio Achievement Assessments in writing at grades 4 and 7. This change took effect the 2009/2010 school year and this change likely explains the small decrease in the percent of fourth grade students who were rated proficient via the fourth grade proficiency tests.

Public school students in Ohio are required to pass all five sections of the Ohio Graduation Test in order to receive a high school diploma. This test is administered in the 10th grade.

Warren County's fourth graders continue to consistently outperform their peers in both the comparison counties and the state. Ohio has seen an increasing percentage of youth passing the Ohio Graduation Test. Warren County students continue to pass the Ohio Graduation Test above the state average.

By County Percent proficient on 4th grade test

Year: school year ending

2007		2008		2009		2010		2011	
Ohio	79.4	Ohio	79.1	Ohio	81.6	Ohio	78.6	Ohio	82.8
Warren	92.6	Warren	91.6	Warren	93.3	Warren	92.1	Warren	92.3
Medina	90.5	Clermont	87.5	Medina	92.1	Medina	89.6	Medina	90.5
Clermont	90.3	Medina	86.4	Clermont	89.8	Clermont	87.5	Clermont	88.9
Greene	85.6	Greene	85.2	Greene	86.4	Greene	83.0	Greene	87.4

Did You Know?

Academic Proficiency

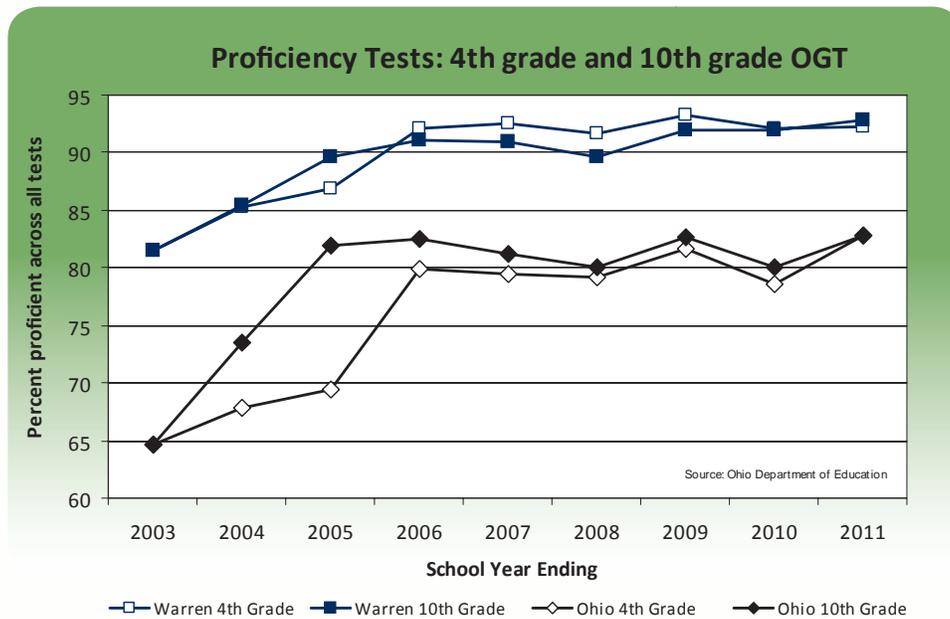
Warren County continues to provide high quality public schools. Seven of the eight school districts in Warren County ranked "Excellent" or better in the 2010 Ohio Department of Education school report card.



Indicator 24 & 25

4th Grade Proficiency Ohio Graduation Test Results

Continued



By County Percent proficient on 10th grade test

Year: school year ending

2007	
Ohio	81.2
Medina	91.8
Warren	91
Greene	87
Clermont	86.8

2008	
Ohio	80.1
Medina	90.3
Warren	89.6
Greene	86.8
Clermont	83.9

2009	
Ohio	82.6
Warren	92
Medina	91.8
Greene	89.4
Clermont	88.4

2010	
Ohio	80
Warren	91.9
Medina	89.7
Greene	86.5
Clermont	86.2

2011	
Ohio	82.8
Warren	92.8
Medina	92.3
Greene	90.9
Clermont	87.2

Young People Succeeding



Indicator 26

Juvenile Delinquency

The interaction between a child and his or her family has an impact on the well-being of the entire community. In order to develop into productive healthy adults, young people need to learn how to cope positively with life challenges. At times, the development potential of youth is limited when their behavior is contrary to social norms and expectations.



Desired Trend:
Down

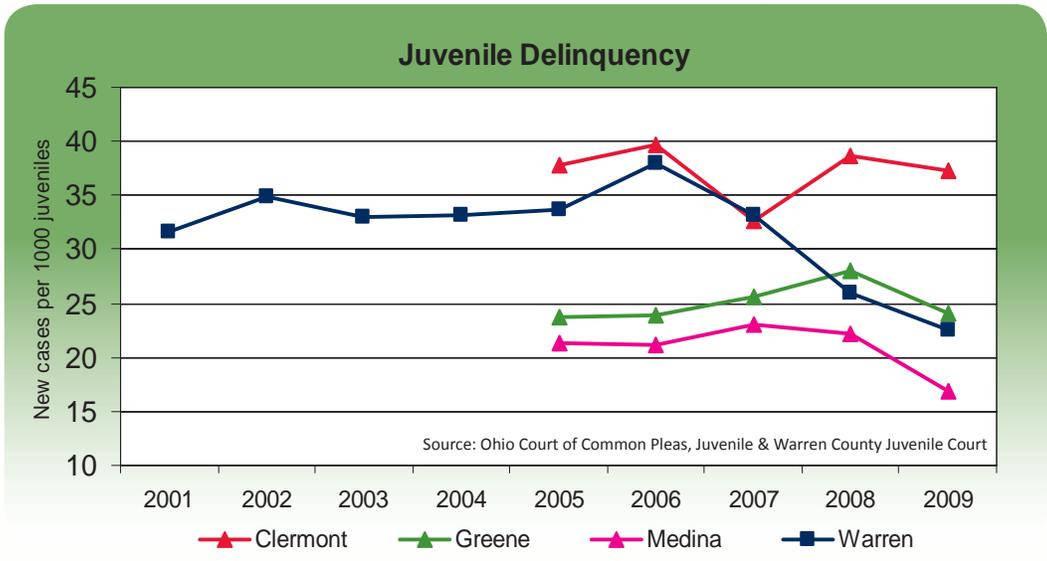


Our Trend:
Down

Researchers have determined that there is no one single cause of delinquency. Contributing factors to juvenile delinquency may include family concerns such as lack of stability, abuse or neglect. Additional factors contributing to delinquency include substance abuse, poor academic performance and lack of community support for troubled youth.

The juvenile court system provides a measurement of the extent of juvenile delinquency or unruliness in a community. Youth related crime continues to be an important public policy issue. There were 1,251 cases of juvenile delinquency in Warren

County in 2010 compared to 1,259 in 2009. The graph does not include 2010 normalized numbers as the population of juveniles was not available.



Young People Succeeding

By County

2005	
Clermont	37.8
Warren	33.6
Greene	23.7
Medina	21.2

2006	
Clermont	39.7
Warren	37.9
Greene	23.8
Medina	21.1

2007	
Warren	33.1
Clermont	32.7
Greene	25.6
Medina	23.0

2008	
Clermont	38.7
Greene	28.1
Warren	26.0
Medina	22.2

2009	
Clermont	37.3
Greene	24.0
Warren	22.6
Medina	16.8

Indicator 27

Unruly Court Filings

The Ohio Revised Code defines unruly as: (A) Any child who does not submit to the reasonable control of the child’s parents, teachers, guardian, or custodian, by reason of being wayward or habitually disobedient; (B) Any child who is an habitual truant from school and who previously has not been adjudicated an unruly child for being an habitual truant; (C) Any child who behaves in a manner as to injure or endanger the child’s own health or morals or the health or morals of others.

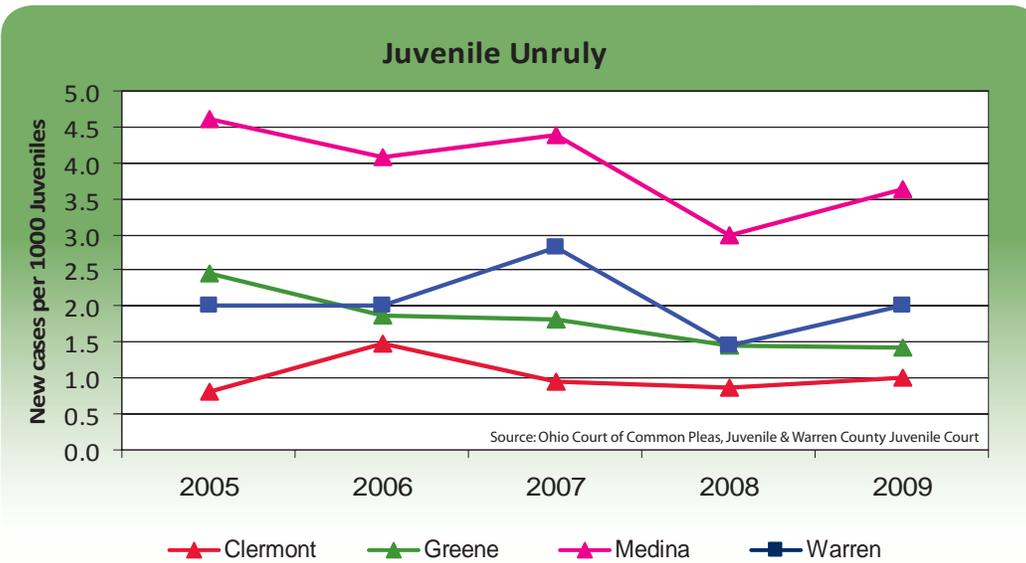


Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Stable

There were 105 cases of unruly juveniles in Warren County in 2010 compared to 112 in 2009. The graph does not include 2010 normalized numbers as the population of juveniles was not available.



Although unruly numbers reveal no clear direction for a trend in Warren County, the new cases have not increased with the population rise in the number of juveniles.

As an alternative to court contact, unruly children are referred to the Diversion Program through Coordinated

Care which provides home and school based services. Studies indicate that mixing unruly youth with youth who are adjudicated delinquent only leads to further antisocial behaviors.

By County New unruly cases per 1000 juveniles

2005	
Medina	4.61
Greene	2.44
Warren	2.01
Clermont	0.80

2006	
Medina	4.1
Warren	2.0
Greene	1.9
Clermont	1.5

2007	
Medina	4.4
Warren	2.8
Greene	1.8
Clermont	0.9

2008	
Medina	3.0
Greene	1.5
Warren	1.4
Clermont	0.9

2009	
Medina	3.6
Warren	2.0
Greene	1.4
Clermont	1.0

Young People Succeeding



Indicator 28

Juvenile Substance Abuse Charges

When adolescents use alcohol or other drugs, they compromise their ability to make healthy choices and open themselves to the possibility of becoming addicted long-term.



Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Down

Law enforcement and drug treatment programs have seen an alarming increase in nonmedical use of prescription drugs among our youth.

Juveniles are getting these from the medicine cabinets of family members and friends. There has also been the emergence of K-2 (Spice) or “synthetic marijuana” that is often marketed as “herbal incense” or “herbal smoking blends”. The nonmedical use of medicines like Coricidin and those containing the ingredient dextromethorphan such as Robitussin-DM (“robotripping”) continue to be prevalent among abusing youth.

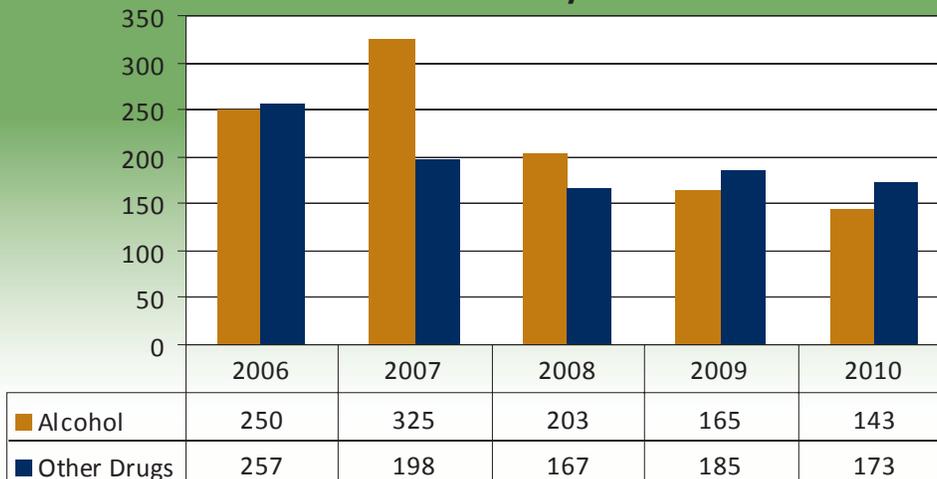
Marijuana accounts for the majority of youth trafficking cases. “Bath salts” is the latest disturbing item that juveniles can obtain to get high. Recent legislation has made both K-2 and bath salts illegal in Ohio.

The following graph illustrates the number of alcohol and drug convictions among juveniles in Warren County from 2006 through 2010.

The overall number of drug and alcohol charges filed against youth in Warren County is declining. It is of note however that charges for ‘other drugs’ has overtaken those filed for alcohol use.

Young People Succeeding

**Youth Drug and Alcohol Charges
Warren County Juvenile Court**



Indicator 29

Voter Participation

Voter turnout is a reflection of the level of civic engagement and belief in personal responsibility for the political health of government. The data reported shows voter turnout for general elections held every November. Historically voter turnout is highest during presidential elections, those being in 2000, 2004 and 2008. Gubernatorial elections took place in 2002, 2006, and 2010. The years 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007, and 2009 decided local elected positions and issue outcomes.

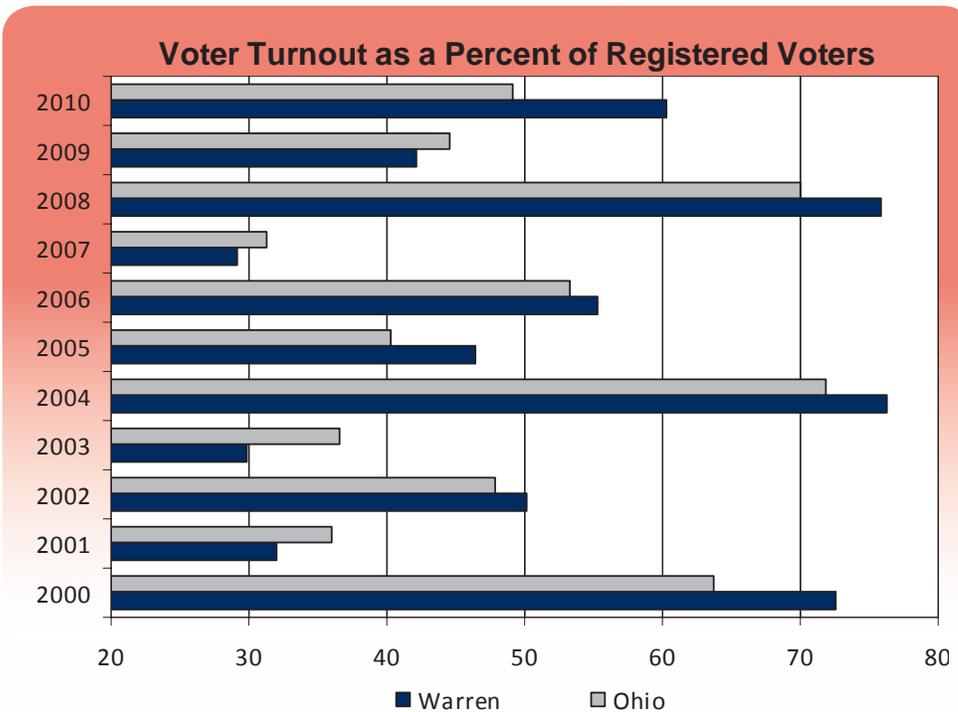


Desired Trend:
Up



Our Trend:
Stable

Warren County voter participation was higher than Ohio's and the comparison counties in the presidential election years. During the gubernatorial elections of 2002 and 2010, Warren County voters turned out at a higher rate than Ohio or any of the comparison counties. However, voter turnout in Warren County during local elections of 2007 and 2009 was lower than Ohio's and all comparison counties except Clermont in 2009.



Warren County voter participation was higher than Ohio's and the comparison counties in the presidential election years. During the gubernatorial elections of 2002 and 2010, Warren County voters turned out at a higher rate than Ohio or any of the comparison counties. However, voter turnout in Warren County during local elections of 2007 and 2009 was lower than Ohio's and all comparison counties except Clermont in 2009.

Safe & Supportive Neighborhoods

By County Percent of Registered Voters Turning Out to Vote in November Elections

2006	
Ohio	53.3
Greene	55.5
Medina	55.5
Warren	55.3
Clermont	52.7

2007	
Ohio	31.3
Greene	49.5
Clermont	31.9
Medina	30.2
Warren	29.1

2008	
Ohio	70
Warren	75.9
Greene	73.8
Clermont	71.1
Medina	70.8

2009	
Ohio	44.6
Medina	44.51
Greene	42.4
Warren	42.15
Clermont	37.84

2010	
Ohio	49.22
Warren	60.25
Medina	51.13
Greene	50.92
Clermont	49.29



Indicator 30

Property Crime

National, State and County Trends

Nationally, between 2000-2009, every type of violent and property crime measured by United States Department of Justice, National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) declined and were at their lowest levels since NCVS first began measuring crime in 1973.



Desired Trend:
Down

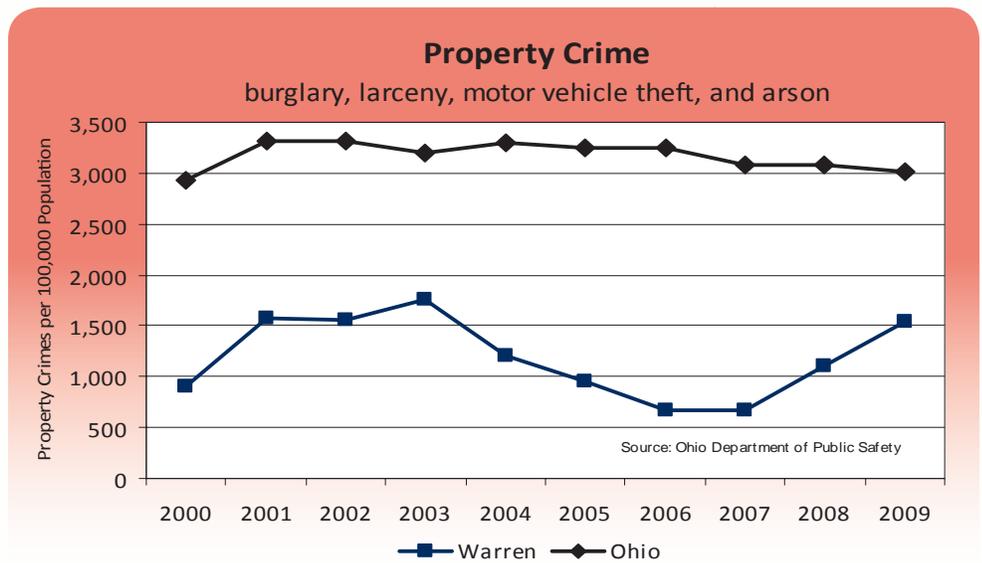


Our Trend:
Up

Ohio's crime rate mirrors the national downward trend in 2007 through 2009. Warren County's rate in those same years began to show an increase in both violent and property crimes through 2009 and reflecting a return to higher crime rates experienced from 2001 through 2003.

However, compared to 'like' Counties, State, and National crime rates, Warren County's violent and property crime rates suggest that despite rapid population growth and accompanying law enforcement challenges, it is a safe community in which to live.

In 2009, the U.S. overall victimization rate for property crimes was 127.4 per 1000 households compared to Warren County property crime rate of 62.3 per 1000 households. (Source: Ohio Department of Safety/Office of Criminal Justice Services)



Safe & Supportive Neighborhoods

By County Property Crimes per 100,000 population

2005	
Ohio	3,254
Greene	3,193
Clermont	1,824
Warren	949
Medina	453

2006	
Ohio	3,245
Greene	2,902
Clermont	2,282
Warren	669
Medina	366

2007	
Ohio	3,086
Greene	2,994
Clermont	2,089
Warren	665
Medina	398

2008	
Ohio	3,083
Greene	2,849
Clermont	2,209
Warren	1,110
Medina	421

2009	
Ohio	3,007
Greene	2,904
Clermont	2,175
Warren	1,548
Medina	440

Indicator 31
Violent Crime

In 2009, the U.S. overall victimization rate for violent crime was 17.1 per 1000 persons. Warren County's violent crime victimization rate was 1.5 per 1000 persons.

In Warren County and the three comparison counties there were more Aggravated Assaults reported than any other violent crime. This is in contrast to State and National statistics that report more Robberies than any other violent crime category.

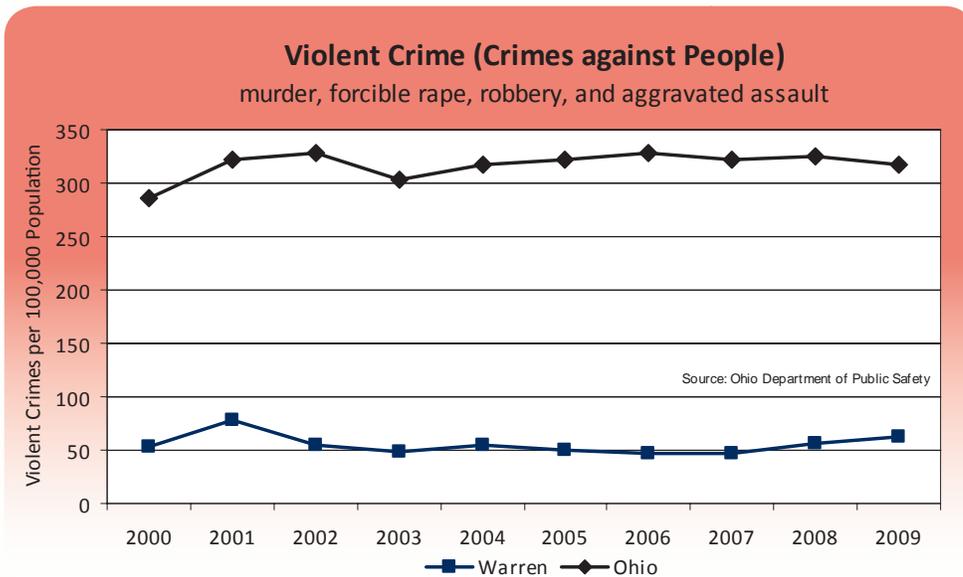


Desired Trend:
Down



Our Trend:
Stable

It is important to note that while universally used, the Office of Criminal Justice Services data used to track crime statistics is dependent upon consistent accurate reporting by local law enforcement agencies. In the years 2005 to 2009, less than half of the police agencies reported each year. However, those that did report consistently tended to be the larger municipalities and Sheriff's Offices.



Safe & Supportive Neighborhoods

By County Violent Crimes per 100,000 population

2005	
Ohio	322
Greene	176
Clermont	87
Warren	51
Medina	14

2006	
Ohio	328
Greene	146
Clermont	82
Warren	47
Medina	12

2007	
Ohio	322
Greene	138
Clermont	86
Warren	46
Medina	12

2008	
Ohio	326
Greene	122
Clermont	74
Warren	56
Medina	9

2009	
Ohio	318
Greene	116
Clermont	94
Warren	63
Medina	14



Indicator Summary

The data presented here provides an overview of the information offered throughout this publication. Rankings were determined using the most recent three years data. The trends for Warren County are also presented. There are times when “n/a” is used if a desired trend is difficult to establish or not appropriate. The symbol “n/a” was also used when comparison data was not available.

Outcome	Indicator	Warren County vs. comparisons	Is Warren County trending in the desired direction?
Healthy People and Behaviors	1. Low Birth Weight	better	neutral
	2. Infant Mortality	mixed	neutral
	3. Access to Primary Care	mixed	n/a
	4. Common Health Issues	n/a	yes
	5. STDs/HIV/AIDS	better	no
	6. Services for Developmental Disabilities	n/a	yes
	7. Treatment for Mental Health	mixed	yes
	8. Suicide	mixed	no
	9. Treatment for Substance Abuse	mixed	yes
Stable Families	10. Marriage	worse	no
	11. Divorce	mixed	no
	12. Child Abuse/Neglect	better	yes
	13. Domestic Violence	worse	no
	14. Median Income	better	yes
	15. Unemployment	better	no
	16. Poverty	better	no
	17. SNAPs	better	no
	18. Homelessness	n/a	yes
	19. Foreclosures	n/a	no
	20. Public Transportation	worse	no
21. Services for Seniors	n/a	yes	
Young People Succeeding	22. Public School Attendance	better	yes
	23. HS Graduation Rate	better	yes
	24. 4th Grade Proficiency	better	yes
	25. Ohio Graduation Test	better	yes
	26. Juvenile Delinquency	mixed	yes
	27. Unruly Court Filings	mixed	neutral
	28. Juvenile Alcohol and Other Drug Charges	n/a	yes
	Safe Neighborhoods	29. Voter Turnout	mixed
30. Property Crime		better	no
31. Violent Crime		better	neutral

Totals

better	13	yes	14
mixed	9	neutral	5
worse	3	no	11
n/a	6	n/a	1

better/yes	52%	46.7%
mixed/ neutral	36%	16.6%
worse/no	12%	36.7%



Final Messages

Change is a given and examining change is the central theme of this report. Our responses to the changes and challenges we face should be guided by the best and most accurate data available. The challenges we encountered in gathering data for this report led us to advocate for a more uniform, state-wide data collection system for the key indicators that can be used to measure the social and physical health of a community. We would like to see more open and timely access to data so that communities can obtain information that is current and meaningful for making the important decisions affecting our citizens.

Those who worked on this report hope each reader is enlightened and encouraged by reading it. Our goal is to make this report accessible in hardcopy or on-line to everyone who wants to read it, and that it will be helpful to the general public as a way to examine the strengths and challenges affecting the social and physical health of Warren County.

We hope this report will help promote reflective discussion and decision making, as well as encourage collaborative work and more focused targeting of funds and resources. We also hope that the information presented here will be used to help evaluate the effectiveness of our systems and community resources.

Demographics

Throughout this publication, the U.S. Census estimates for county and state populations in July of each year were used to normalize data to per population.

The Warren County, Ohio population number and make-up has experiencing a number of notable changes between the 2000 and 2010 census. Several notable profile facts from the Ohio Office of Policy, Research and Strategic Planning Includes:

A population increase of 158,383 in 2000 to 212,693 in 2010 reflected a 34.3% increase. That being said, the number of people moving into Warren County has declined steadily since 2005 and people moving out of the county has also dropped slightly since 2006.

The demographics are also changing:

Race (top 4)	1990	2000	2010
White	97.0%	94.7%	91.8%
African American	2.1%	2.7%	3.1%
Asian	.5%	1.3%	3.1%
Hispanic (of any race)	.4%	1.0%	1.8%
Source: U.S. Census			

As is our land use:

399.9 Square Miles Total	1992	1996	2002	2007	2010
Approximate Acres in Farms	142,000	139,000	126,000	94,000	89,000
Source: U.S. Census and www.agcensus.usda.gov					



References

- American Society of Addiction Medicine. Public Policy Statement on Definition of Addiction, Adopted April 12, 2011.
- Bureau of Justice Statistics at <http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov>
- Casey Foundation Knowledge Center Juvenile Justice section at <http://www.aecf.org/KnowledgeCenter/JuvenileJustice.aspx>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at www.cdc.gov
- Council on Aging of Southwestern Ohio Annual Reports 2004 through 2010.
- Listening to Our Children – Results of the Ohio Youth Survey in Clinton and Warren Counties, September 2010.
- McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (PL100-77)
- McLanahan, S., and G. D. Sandefur. 1994. *Growing Up with a Single Parent: What Hurts? What Helps?* Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.
- Ohio Court of Commons Pleas – Juvenile Division
- Ohio Department of Development, Office of Policy Research and Strategic Planning at <http://www.development.ohio.gov/research/>
- Ohio Department of Education at <http://ilrc.ode.state.oh.us/>
- Ohio Department of Health - Center for Public Health Statistics and Informatics
www.odh.ohio.gov/healthstats
www.odh.ohio.gov/odhPrograms/cfhs/cf_hlth/cha/hsprofiles.aspx
- Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Factsheet: Adult Protective Services, July 2010.
- Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. Labor Force, Employment & Unemployment from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) Program <http://ohiolmi.com/laus/laus.html>
- Ohio Department of Public Safety/Office of Criminal Justice Services/Crime Stats and Crime Report/Ohio Incident Based Reporting System (OIBRS).
- Ohio Department of Transportation at <http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Planning/Transit/Pages/StatusofPublicTransit.aspx>
- Ohio Domestic Violence Network/DELTA, Pathways In Prevention, 2009.
- Ohio Domestic Violence Network, Teen Relationship Violence: A Resource Guide for Increasing Safety, 2010.
- Ohio Family Health Survey at <http://grc.osu.edu/ofhs>
- Ohio Health Policy Institute, 2010 Census
- Ohio Mental Health Consumer Outcomes Initiative, outcomesdatamart.mh.state.oh.us
- Ohio Revised Code: sections 2151.34 (Protection order against a minor.) and 2151.022 (Unruly defined)
- Ohio Secretary of State at www.sos.state.oh.us
- Ohio Youth Survey - 2008-2009 school year results for Warren and Clinton Counties available at www.mhrsonline.org/ohioyouthsurvey
- Pearce, Diana M. 'The Self-Sufficiency Standard for Ohio 2008', Ohio Association of Community Action Agencies. University of Washington School of Social Work. July 2008.
- Pearce, Diana M. 'The Self-Sufficiency Standard for Ohio 2011', Ohio Association of Community Action Agencies. University of Washington School of Social Work. May 2011.
- Public Children Services Association of Ohio Factbook, 10th Edition. 2001-2012 at <http://www.pcsao.org/PCSAOFactbook/PCSAOFactBook10thEdition.htm>
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation at <http://www.rwjf.org/pr/>
- Scripps Gerontology Center at Miami University of Ohio
- Supreme Court of Ohio and Ohio Judicial System website at <http://www.sconet.state.oh.us/> Ohio Courts of Common Pleas – Domestic Relations Division Statistical Summaries.
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. (2008). Results from the 2007 *National Survey on Drug Use and Health: National Findings* (Office of Applied Studies, NSDUH Series H-34, DHHS Publication No. SMA 08-4343). Rockville, MD.
- Suicide Facts: Warren and Clinton Counties, Ohio 2005-2007, Suicide Prevention Coalition of Warren and Clinton Counties, September 2008.U.S. Census at factfinder.census.gov
- Warren County Board of Developmental Disabilities
- Warren County Children Services
- Warren County Clerk of Courts – Common Pleas Division
- Warren County Combined Health District
- Warren County Community Health Assessment, 2011.prepared by Center for Urban & Public Affairs, Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio
- Warren County Data Processing Department
- Warren County Housing Coalition Point in Time Homeless Survey Report, 2011.
- Warren County Juvenile Court – Website and Annual reports.
- U.S. Census
- U.S. Department of Agriculture at www.agcensus.usda.gov
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families at www.acf.hhs.gov/healthymarriagebenefits
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, at <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/11poverty.shtml>
- Zielinski, D.S. (2009). Child maltreatment and adult socioeconomic well-being. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 33(10), 666-678.

The Family and Children First Council is a community partnership that includes the following members and supporters:

Abuse and Rape Crisis Shelter of Warren County
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Warren County
Community Volunteers
Coordinated Care Team
Family Representatives
Family Services of Warren County Community Services
4C . . . for Children
Interfaith Hospitality Network of Warren County
Lebanon Optimist Club
Mental Health & Recovery Services of Warren and Clinton Counties
Metropolitan Housing Authority
Ohio Department of Youth Services
Ohio State University Extension of Warren County
Schools:
 Resource Coordinators in Schools
 Representatives from:
 Carlisle Local Schools
 Franklin City Schools
 Kings Local Schools
 Lebanon City Schools
 Little Miami Local Schools
 Mason City Schools
 Springboro Community City Schools
 Wayne Local Schools
 Warren County Career Center
Solutions Community Counseling & Recovery Centers
Warren County Child Support Enforcement Agency
Warren County Children Services
Warren County Commissioners
Warren County Early Learning Centers
Warren County Education Service Centers
Warren County Combined Health District
Warren County Help Me Grow
Warren County Department of Human Services
Warren County Juvenile Court
Warren County Developmental Disabilities
Warren County United Way
Workforce ONE of Warren County

This booklet was made possible through financial contributions from the following:

Warren County United Way
Warren County Family and Children First Council
Warren County Community Services, Inc.
Private Donations
Graphic design by Heather Clark Design, heatherclarkdesigns@yahoo.com



COMMUNITY REPORT 2011

The Warren County Family and Children First Council meets to pool resources in order to "promote and support strong and stable individuals and their families as well as a safe and social environment that will encourage the success and resiliency of children, families and communities."

Warren County Family and Children First Council

416 S. East Street
Lebanon, OH 45036

513-695-1679

Fax: 513-695-2957

Website: www.co.warren.oh.us/fcfc

E-Mail : famch1@aol.com

This report is available on-line at The Warren County United Way website:
<http://www.warrencountyunitedway.org>

and
The Warren County website:
www.co.warren.oh.us

