

T R A N S P O R T A T I O N

The following are general timeframes for transportation to these cities. These estimates are volume dependent.

Next Morning: Cedar Rapids, IA, Milwaukee, WI, Chicago, IL, Detroit, MI, Columbus, OH, Memphis and Nashville, TN, Atlanta, GA, New York, NY, Philadelphia, PA, Jacksonville, FL, Boston, MA, Washington, D.C., Baltimore, MD, Raleigh, SC and Columbia, SC.

Second Morning: New Orleans, LA, Little Rock, AK, Houston and Dallas, TX and Oklahoma City, OK.

Third Morning: Denver, CO.

Fourth Morning: Los Angeles, CA and Seattle, WA.

The Ohio Valley Regional Transit Authority and Eastern Ohio Regional Transit Authority service the eastern part of Belmont County and the Wheeling areas. Buses run 6 AM to 6 PM six days a week. No service is available Sundays or Holidays. Monthly passes are available at special rates for senior citizens, students and the handicapped. Chartered service is available.

Greyhound Bus Lines maintains a terminal in Wheeling, WV for passenger and parcel service via bus routes. Other services available locally include Federal Express, Roadway Express, Inc., United Parcel Service and Western Union telegraph service.

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Belmont County has two regional airports. Alderman Airport in St. Clairsville, OH has a 2,843' x 50' asphalt runway, tie down and hangar facilities, and is attended 24 hours a day. Bradfield Airport in Barnesville, OH has a 4,004' x 65' asphalt runway, tie down and hangar facilities, and is attended during daylight hours. Ohio and Marshall County airports are near Belmont County and Wheeling and Moundsville, WV. The Akron-Canton airport is 45 minutes from Belmont County.

Two international airports are also located within driving distance from Belmont County. Approximately 60 miles east, Pittsburgh International Airport Terminal opened in 1992. The longest of these runways is 10,500' x 150'. Eleven major and nine commuter airlines service the airport. Twelve cargo carriers service the airport including Federal Express, UPS and the United Postal Service. Cargo facilities include 24-hour customs service; mechanized processing of standard containers, refrigeration facilities, dangerous goods facilities, live animal facilities with a maximum load of 18,000 lbs.

Port Columbus International Airport is located approximately 120 miles west of Belmont County. The longest of three asphalt runways is 10,250' x 150'. Twenty-One major and

commuter passenger airlines service Port Columbus in addition to 4 cargo airlines. Two-thirds of the United States population can be reached from Columbus in less than 1.5 hours airtime. The premium market access extends to ground transport facilitating efficient distribution as well.

Ohio's Economic Profile...

- Ohio's 8,788,494 workers support the world's 29th largest economy and the 7th largest economy among all states.

- Ohio's most dominant economy sector is manufacturing, employing 1,082,185 and 26 of the largest 75 Ohio employers are primarily involved in manufacturing. These 26 firms employ 220,350 workers.

Motor Vehicle Production...

- 28% of Ohio's manufacturing activity is related to the production of motor vehicles. Five of the ten largest manufacturing employers are motor vehicle firms. The five companies are General Motors, Delphi Corp., Ford Motor Co., Honda Motor Corp., and Daimler Chrysler Corp. In total, these companies employ over 91,5409 workers.

- Motor vehicle products (motors, motorcycles, tractors, motor vehicle parts and accessories, trucks and motor bodies) are Ohio's 2nd leading manufacturing export.

- These motor vehicle exports account for 24% of Ohio's total merchandise exports. Major markets are Canada, Mexico, Japan, the United Kingdom, Belgium, and Saudi Arabia.

Machinery Production...

- Machinery products are Ohio's leading export, accounting for 29% of Ohio's merchandise exports. This accounts for 20% of the total U. S. machinery exports. Canada is the major export market for Ohio, receiving 43% of Ohio's total machinery exports.

Iron and Steel Production...

- The iron and steel industry is another dominant manufacturing sub-sector in Ohio. It is a crucial link to the motor vehicle and machinery sub-sectors. Iron and steel together make up Ohio's 6th leading manufacturing export market. Major markets include Canada, Mexico, the United Kingdom and Japan.

Rubber and Plastic Production...

- Ohio is one of the leading states for the rubber and plastics industries. This sector accounts for 5% of the total Ohio manufacturing shipments and 6% of the manufacturing sector employment. Plastic products are Ohio's 4th leading manufacturing export. Rubber products rank 7th highest.

