



Description and Suggestion for Card Use:

This card activity provides students with basic information about **major cities in Ohio**. Six of Ohio's largest cities have cards that include information about that city's size, location, businesses, institutions of higher education, sports, and general facts. Students may select a city to write about or may compare information about two or more cities in regard to any of the categories listed. Additional information could be researched either about one of these six cities or one of the cities not included in the cards but listed on the map.

It is recommended that these pages be printed on card stock and laminated to extend their durability. After cutting out the cards, an envelope or library pouch may be attached to the back of the map card to "house" the smaller informational cards.

The original intent was for these cards to be placed in a space in the classroom or center for independent or cooperative student work as a pre-writing activity. They were created to meet the needs of 4th graders in the state of Ohio and correlate to the Ohio Academic Content Standards in Social Studies. Depending on how they are used in the classroom, they may also fulfill some of the requirements of standards in Language Arts.

Akron: Facts

- Rubber capital of the world
- Center for zeppelin (blimp) production in U.S.
- Averages about 47 inches of snow every winter

Akron: Higher Education

- University of Akron

Close to:

- Hiram College
- College of Wooster
- Kent State University

Akron: Sports

- Akron Aeros-baseball
- Akron Racers-softball
- Soap Box Derby World Championships
- Golf Tournaments-PGA and WGC Bridgestone Invitational

Akron: Business

- Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company.
- First Energy
- Roadway Express
- Purell
- Lockheed Martin
- Acme Fresh Market

Akron: Location

- County seat of Summit County
- Northeastern Ohio on the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Canton
- About 60 miles west of the Pennsylvania border

Akron: Size

- Population-207,934
- 5th largest city in Ohio
- Area-62.4 square miles

Cincinnati: Sports

- Cincinnati Reds-baseball
- Cincinnati Bengals-football
- Cincinnati Excite-soccer
- Cincinnati Cyclones-ice hockey
- Cincinnati Kings-soccer

Cincinnati: Location

- County seat of Hamilton County
- On the Ohio River in the southwestern corner of state
- On the Kentucky/Ohio border

Cincinnati: Size

- Greater Cincinnati population-2.1 million
- Cincinnati city population-332,252
- 2nd largest city in Ohio (pop.)
- Area-70.6 square miles

Cincinnati: Business

- Procter & Gamble
- Kroger Company
- Sunny Delight Beverages
- GE Aviation
- Macy's Incorporated
- Chiquita Brands International

Cincinnati: Facts

- Listed on the National Register of Historic Places
- National Underground Railroad Freedom Center; home of Harriet Beecher Stowe

Cincinnati: Business

- Great American Insurance
- Western-Southern Financial Group
- Fifth Third Bank
- J.M. Smuckers Co.
- Health Alliance

Cincinnati: Facts

- Considered to have been first major boomtown in U.S.
- Medical community includes at least eight major hospitals

Cincinnati: Higher Education

- University of Cincinnati
- Xavier University
- University of Mount St. Joseph
- Cincinnati Christian University
- Cincinnati State Tech
- Antonelli College

Cleveland: Size

- Population about 478,000
- 2nd largest city in Ohio (pop.)
- 40th largest city in the U.S.
- Area-77.6 square miles (4.8 square miles is water)

Cleveland: Location

- County seat of Cuyahoga County
- Located on Lake Erie
- Nicknames include the "Forest City" and "C-town"

Cleveland: Higher Education

- Case Western Reserve
- Cleveland State University
- Cleveland Institute of Art
- Cleveland Institute of Music
- Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine

Cleveland: Sports

- Cleveland Browns-football
- Cleveland Indians-baseball
- Cleveland Cavaliers-basketball
- Lake Erie Monsters-ice hockey
- Cleveland City Stars- soccer

Cleveland: Facts

- Ranked 7th most dangerous U.S. city in which to live because of high poverty and high crime rates
- Home of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame

Cleveland: Business

- National City Corporation
- American Greeting
- Sherwin-Williams Company
- NASA: Glenn Research Center
- Progressive Auto Insurance
- Jones Day Law Firm

Columbus: Cusiness

- Nationwide Insurance
- Bank One
- Battelle Memorial Institute
- Abbott Laboratories
- Ashland Oil
- McGraw-Hill

Columbus: Business

- American Electric Power
- CompuServe
- Victoria's Secret
- Retail Ventures
- Donato's Pizza
- Wendy's

Columbus: Facts

- Capital city
- Named for explorer Christopher Columbus
- 9th most dangerous city in U.S. (when compared to cities with similar populations)

Columbus: Size

- Largest city in Ohio
- Most populated city in Ohio, 759,755 people
- 15th largest city in U.S.

Columbus: Location

- Central Ohio
- County seat of Franklin County
- At the confluence of the Scioto and Olentangy Rivers

Columbus: Sports

- Ohio State Buckeyes-football
- Columbus Blue Jackets-ice hockey
- Columbus Crew-soccer
- Arnold Classic-fitness expo
- All American Quarter Horse Congress

Columbus: Higher Education

- Columbus College of Art and Design
- DeVry University
- Ohio Dominican University
- Trinity Lutheran Seminary
- Otterbein College (Westerville)
- Ohio Wesleyan (Delaware)

Columbus: Higher Education

- Ohio State University (largest university in the United States)
- Capital University
- Franklin University
- Columbus State Community College

Toledo: Business

- Owen-Illinois
- Owens-Corning
- Libbey Glass
- Pilkington North America
- Johns Manville
- Jeep

Toledo: Higher Education

- University of Toledo
- Bowling Green State University
- Lourdes College (Sylvania)
- Mercy College
- Monroe County Community College

Toledo: Business

- Dana Corporation
- Fifth-Third Banks
- HCR Manor Care
- UPS & BAX Global
- Willys-Overland

Toledo: Sports

- Toledo Mud Hens-baseball
- Toledo Walleye-ice hockey
- Toledo Bullfrogs-football
- Home of Toledo Speedway

Toledo: Facts

- Named for Toledo, Spain
- Nickname-the "Glass City" and "Frog Town"

Toledo: Location

- County seat of Lucas County
- City whose northern neighbor is Michigan
- Sits between the Maumee River and the Maumee Bay at the western inlet of Lake Erie

Toledo: Size

- Population of 313,619
- 4th largest city in state (pop.)
- Area-84.1 square miles

Dayton: Business

- NCR
- Reynolds and Reynolds
- Cargill
- Liberty Bank
- NewPage Corporation
- Huffy Bicycles
- LexisNexis

Dayton: Size

- Population 152,090
- 6th largest city in Ohio (pop.)
- Area-56.6 square miles

Dayton: Location

- County seat of Montgomery County
- Situated in Miami Valley region
- North of Cincinnati
- West of Columbus

Dayton: Sports

- Dayton Dragons-baseball
- Dayton Bombers-ice hockey
- Dayton Diamonds-women's football
- Dayton Flyers-NCAA basketball and football

Dayton: Higher Education

- University of Dayton
- Wright State University
- Kettering College of Medical Arts
- Ohio Institute of Photography and Technology

Dayton: Facts

- Nicknames: the "Gem City" and the "Dragon City"
- Advertised as the cleanest city in America
- Birthplace of aviation, hometown of Wright Brothers