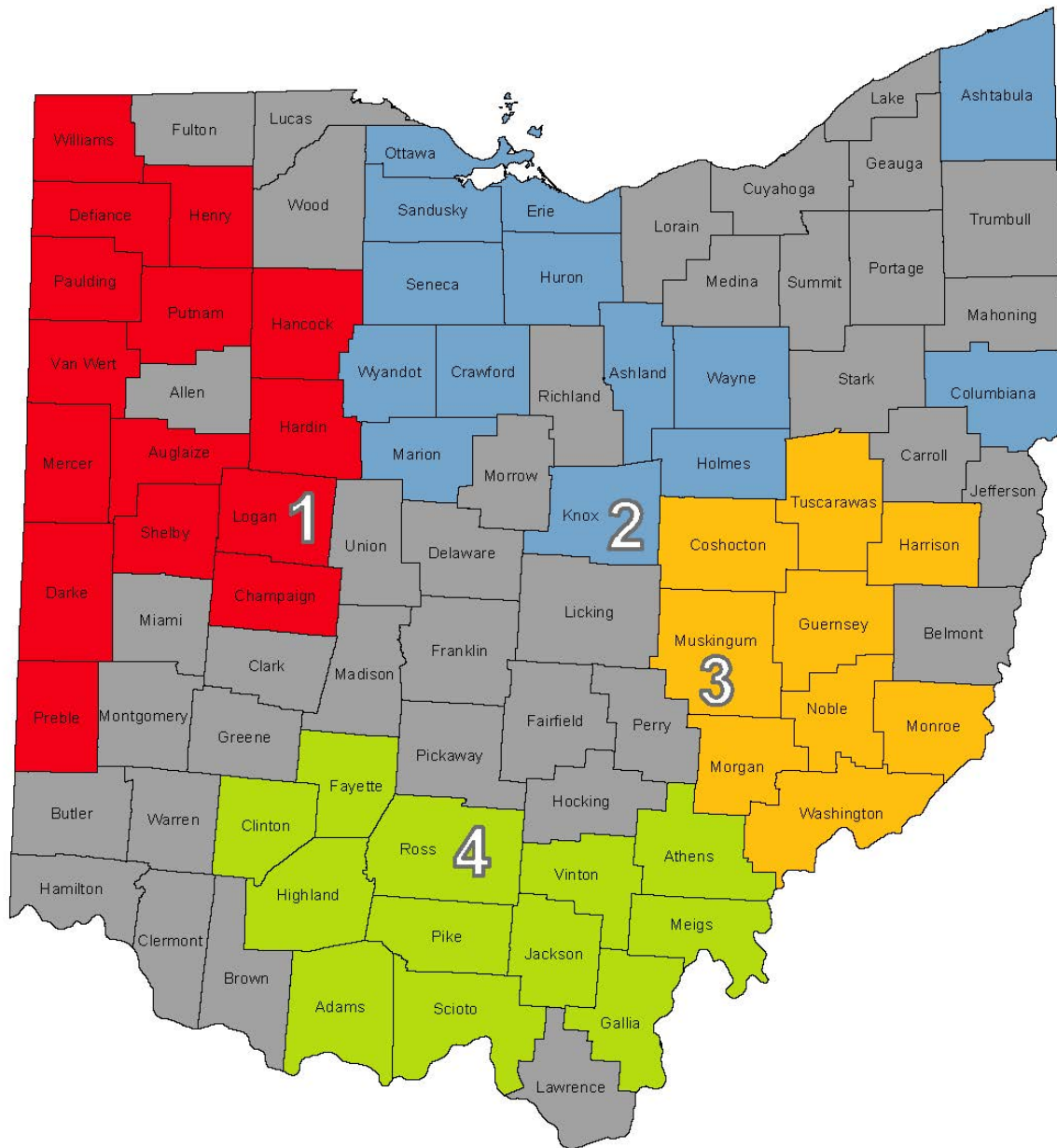


Ohio Nonmetropolitan Statistical Areas

Nonmetropolitan areas are state-defined and, along with the metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs), exhaust the state's geographical regions. These areas may be non-contiguous, dependent upon the location of the MSAs, which are defined by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).



1. West Northwestern Ohio

Auglaize, Champaign, Darke, Defiance, Hancock, Hardin, Henry, Logan, Mercer, Paulding, Preble, Putnam, Shelby, Van Wert, and Williams counties

2. North Northeastern Ohio (noncontiguous)

Ashland, Ashtabula, Columbiana, Crawford, Erie, Holmes, Huron, Knox, Marion, Ottawa, Sandusky, Seneca, Wayne, and Wyandot counties

3. Eastern Ohio

Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Monroe, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Tuscarawas, and Washington counties

4. Southern Ohio

Adams, Athens, Clinton, Fayette, Gallia, Highland, Jackson, Meigs, Pike, Ross, Scioto, and Vinton counties