

Ohio
(Dollars in Thousands)

Ohio	2012 Total*	5% Sequester	Revised Total
Estimate of Total Interior Funding	46,863	-2,323	44,540

* The 2012 Total does not include project specific funding for land acquisition, construction, and Bureau of Reclamation projects or competitive grant allocations.

Interior funding in Ohio totaled about \$47 million in 2012. A five percent sequester of Interior funding at this level would mean a loss of about \$2.3 million. This estimate will be updated once the sequestration order is issued and allocations are finalized. There could be further reductions in competitive grants, land acquisition and construction projects, and wildland fire expenditures that are not included in this estimate.

- The Department of Interior has a presence in Ohio with over 300 employees. Ohio has numerous parks, historic sites, heritage areas, trails, and national memorials. In addition, Ohio hosts three refuges for preservation of habitat and protection of species.
- Together these assets attracted over 3.2 million visitors, created over 1,400 jobs, and generated \$98 million for local economies in 2011.
- Under the sequester, Interior operations in Ohio stand to lose an estimated:
 - \$927 thousand from Fish and Wildlife Service sites like *Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge, Cedar Point National Wildlife Refuge, and West Sister Island National Wildlife Refuge.*
 - \$945 thousand from National Park Service sites like *Cuyahoga Valley National Park and Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historic Park.*

Within this total, major grants and direct payments to Ohio would drop by about \$2 million.

Interior Grants and Payments	Estimate Total	Sequester	Revised Total
Abandoned Mine Land Grants	16,047	-818	15,229
Historic Preservation Fund	1,106	-55	1,051
LWCF State Grants w/GOMESA	1,282	-64	1,218
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	538	-27	511
Sport Fish & Wildlife Restoration	19,234	-981	18,253
State and Wildlife Grants	1,364	-68	1,296
Mineral Revenue Payments	284	-14	270
Total, Ohio	39,855	-2,029	37,826

Note: The sequester is an across-the-board reduction that reduces every account and activity (with few exemptions). The result will be reduced levels of direct services provided to the American public. Cut backs in visitor hours and programs will impact tourism and travel and have ripple effects on communities and economies that are reliant on these activities. Reductions in permanent and seasonal staffing and reductions in contracts will impact surrounding communities where employees live and where supplies and services are acquired. Reductions in grants and payments will impact the abilities of States, Tribes and counties to sustain ongoing services in emergency response, education, and others. As these impacts are defined, we will provide details.