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Greetings!

Welcome to the latest issue of *Economic News from Ohio's Regions*, a new weekly newsletter from the [Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs](#) and [Cleveland State University](#). We'll search Ohio's papers to bring you economic news and key happenings that impact Ohio's regions.

[Pollution up 10% in Ohio since 1990](#) (Marietta Register, Nov. 10, 2009) Ohio's global warming pollution increased by 10 percent since 1990, according to a new analysis of government data released by Environment Ohio: Too Much Pollution: State and National Trends in Global Warming Emissions from 1990-2007. Ohio ranks 4th nationwide for the highest levels of global warming pollution.

[City studies reviving neighborhoods](#) (Cincinnati Enquirer, Nov. 11, 2009) Hoping to use the \$2 billion-plus Brent Spence Bridge project and others as catalysts, the city of Cincinnati has launched an ambitious study aimed at finding ways to capitalize on those plans to enhance neighborhoods along the Interstate 75 corridor.

[Editorial: Competitive spirit](#) (Akron Beacon Journal, Nov. 11, 2009) State leaders are keenly aware of the need to move beyond the patchwork of standards, which makes it difficult to compare educational achievement across states. The response is an effort to develop a core of common standards in English and mathematics for kindergarten through 12th grade.

[Creating new industry in NW Ohio](#) (Toledo on the Move.com, Nov. 12, 2009) Northwest Ohio could use a hand up out of the current economic rut. Venture Fair, a three-day meeting of the minds and the business plans, hopes to provide just that.

[Hard-hit community learns to grow food](#) (Associated Press, Nov. 12, 2009) Many of the new gardeners didn't know how to grow vegetables, and weren't sure what to do with them once they did. They learned, though, as

part of a project by a local college to help a community hard-hit by the recession grow some of its own food.

Region's economy rises in rankings (Columbus Dispatch, Nov. 13, 2009) Columbus sets the pace for Ohio in job growth and economic development, and its ranking among U.S. metropolitan areas has improved in those areas, according to a new study.

Cleveland considers asking hospital, nonprofits to pay fee (The Plain Dealer, Nov. 15, 2009) In the search for dollars that could help shore up Cleveland's budget shortfall, consultants hired by the city propose that hospitals, universities, museums and other tax-exempt institutions pay an annual fee.

Incubating a dream (Zanesville Times Recorder, Nov. 15, 2009) Through a partnership with the Appalachian Regional Entrepreneurship Group (AREG), the incubator also makes use of graduate students from the Ohio University Voinovich School as consultants.

YSU economist accesses local economy (Youngstown Business Journal, Nov. 16, 2009) Unemployment could have reached 16% this summer in the Mahoning Valley were it not for the nearly \$1 billion in federal stimulus spending, says A.J. Sumell, professor of economics at Youngstown State University.

Inch by inch, employees lose ground (Cincinnati Business Courier, Nov. 16, 2009) In a recent statewide survey conducted by the Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati, 34% of adults polled said they suffered a pay cut in the last 12 months.

Outsiders struggle to find footing in NE Ohio (Crain's Cleveland Business, Nov. 16, 2009) Northeast Ohio can be a tough place for a newcomer to make a mark, especially if the newcomer is an agent of change.

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