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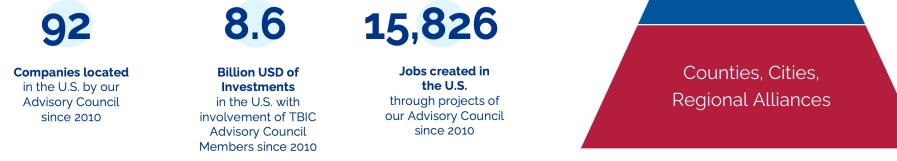
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INTRO: OUR MISSION



The Transatlantic Business & Investment Council (TBIC) provides an effective platform for **local and regional economic development organizations** (EDOs) to market themselves to **potential investors from Europe** through membership and events designed to connect EDOs to potential investors and multipliers.

The TBIC bridges the gap between EDOs and European investors searching for a location in the U.S.





SOME FACTS ABOUT FDI TO THE U.S. (1)



As of 2022:

- **7,940,200 U.S. workers** were employed by U.S. affiliates of majority-foreign-owned companies
- Majority foreign-owned companies contributed to \$US 412.1 billion of export



Source: SelectUSA 2022

 Majority foreign-owned firms spent \$78.3 billion on research and development (R&D)



SOME FACTS ABOUT FDI TO THE U.S. (2)

Bringing back U.S. Manufacturing

80% of new manufacturing jobs created from 2016 to 2020 are attributed to international companies

Growing the local community

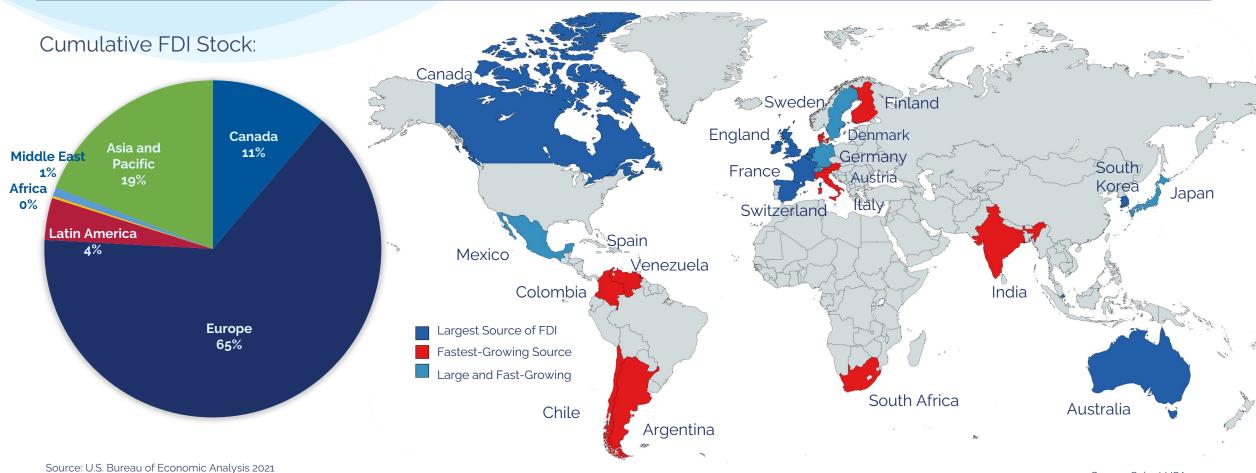
International companies have increased their charitable contributions by 123% in the past decade, while the increased from domestic firms was only 19%

Secure Long-term Investment & Job Creation

International firms enter the market with innovative products, sound business plans, financial stability and usually grow significantly over the long term

LARGEST SOURCE COUNTRIES OF U.S. FDI



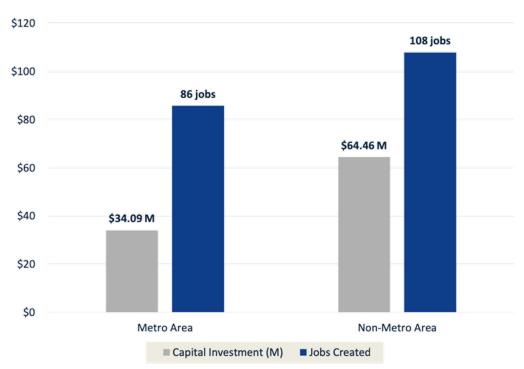


METRO VS RURAL AREAS



In terms of FDI, rural areas only account for 7% of investments projects according to a study from the US Department of Commerce.

- The average FDI value of a project is 89% higher in rural areas than in metro areas
- The average jobs created by a FDI project is 26% higher in a rural area than in a metro area
- Also, due to a lower population density in rural areas, the job creation effect is more strongly felt there



GREENFIELD PROJECTS, CAPITAL INVESTMENT AND JOBS CREATED, BY METRO AND NON-METRO

FIGURE 2: AVERAGE SIZE OF AN FDI PROJECT

Source: fDi Markets, www.fdimarkets.com and GRT calculations. Accessed February 2017, data from Jan. 2003 – Feb. 2017

Source: US Department of Commerce, 2018

RURAL VS METRO AREA BY EMPLOYMENT



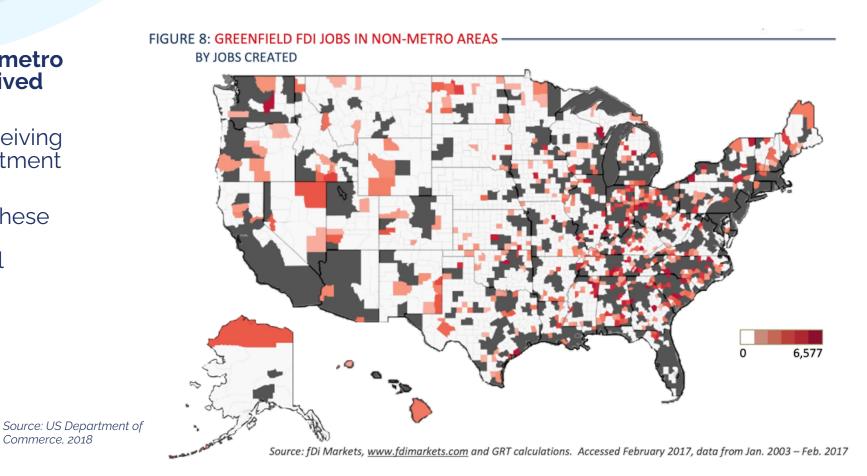
• **Example from Illinois**, how **manufacturing is proportionally** more present in the rural counties of La Salle and Bureau, than in Chicago (**by employment**).

Sector Size by Employment increasing rurality				
Chicago, IL	La Salle County, IL	Bureau County, IL		
1 Prof. & Business Services	1 Healthcare	1 Manufacturing		
2 Life Sciences / Tech	2 Manufacturing	2 Healthcare		
Transportation/Logistics	8 Retail Trade	8 Retail Trade		
4 Manufacturing	4 Education	4 Education		
5 Hospitality	5 Transport	5 Transport		

JOBS CREATION THROUGH FDI IN RURAL COUNTIES



- In total, 23% of all non-metro US counties have received FDI
- 80% of the counties receiving FDI only received investment through 1 or 2 projects
- However, the value of these projects, and the jobs created, are substantial



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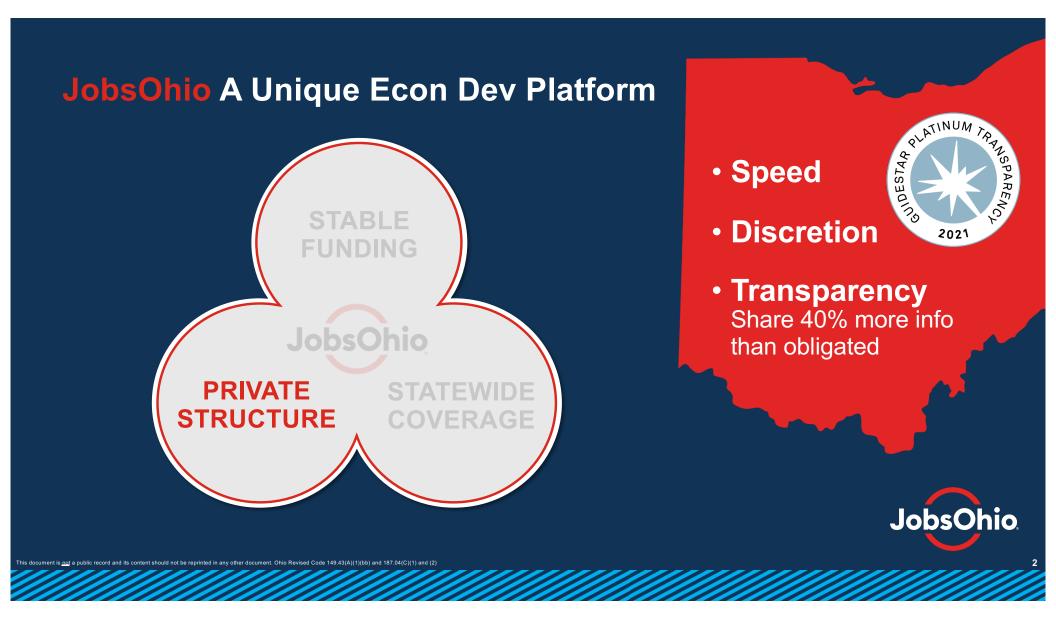


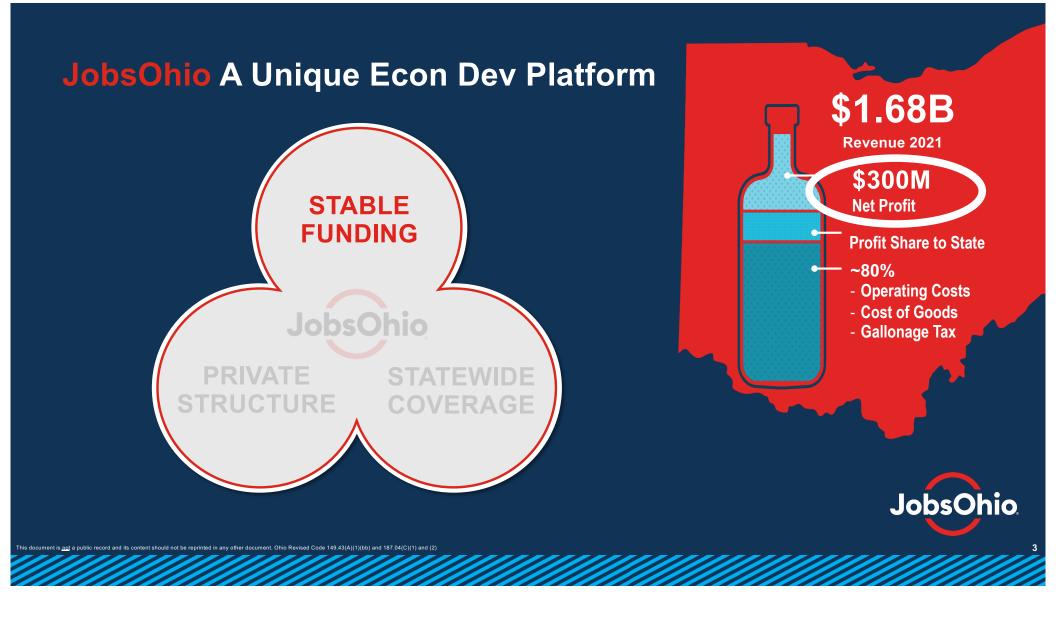


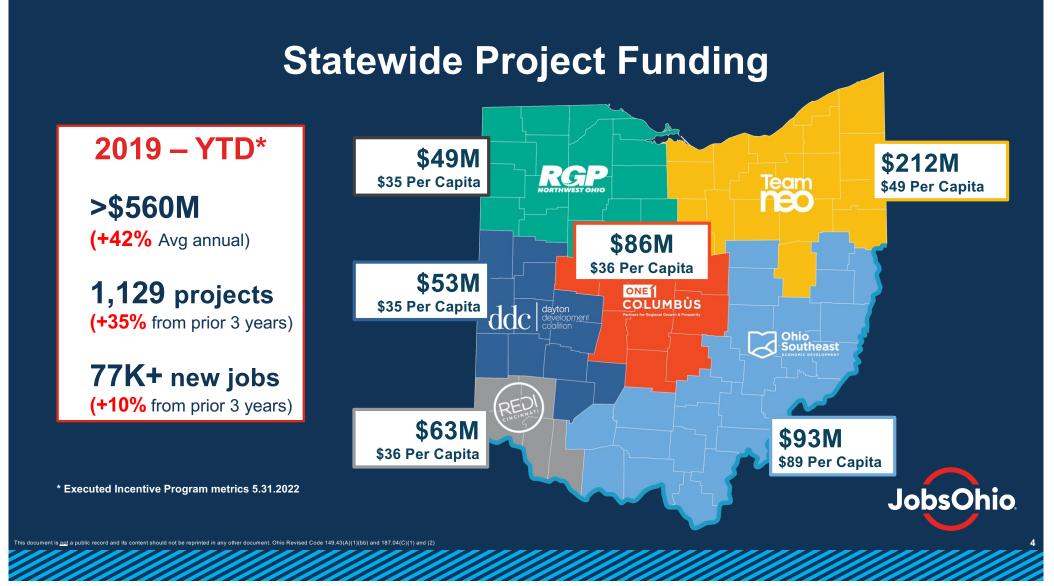












JobsOhio Focus – 9 Sectors + 1

- **1** Advanced Manufacturing
- **2** Logistics & Distribution
- **3** Financial Services
- **4** Automotive
- **5** Information Technology
- 6 Energy & Chemicals
- 7 Healthcare
- 8 Food Processing & Agro
- **9** Aerospace & Aviation
- +1 Military & Federal

1.2 Million Jobs36% GSP21% Employment28% Payroll

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Foreign investment in Ohio has grown dramatically

	Country	Ohio Jobs	Project Wins
1		73K	~150
2		28K	~40
3		36K	~60
4	*	25K	~55
5	Benelux	17K	~30
6		18K	~25
7	*1	7K	~20
8		5K	~20

>1,100 employers

>270,000 Ohio jobs directly supported

~6.5% of all Ohio jobs

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7 Sister States*

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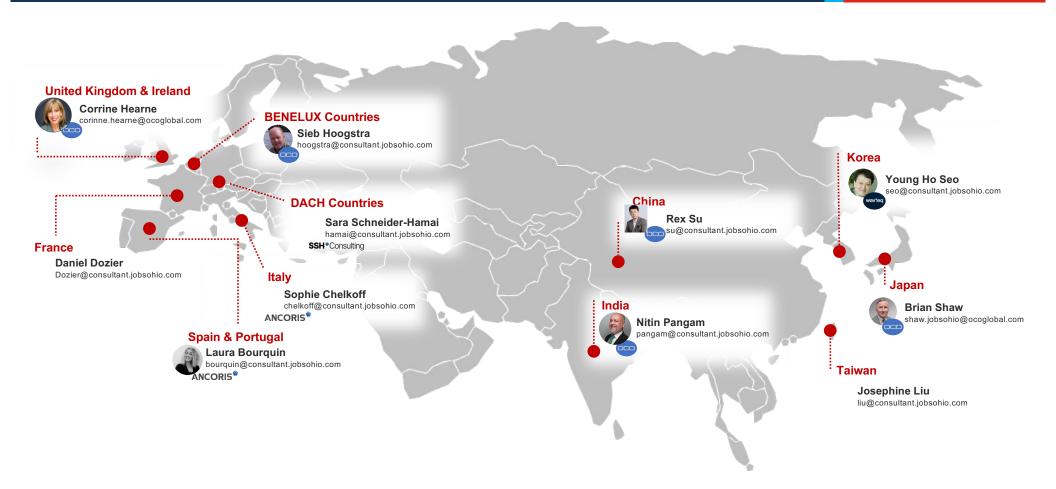
Saitama Prefecture, Japan

- Gyeongsang Bugdo, South Korea
- Hubei Province, China
- Taiwan
- Lower Austria, Austria
- Parana, Brazil
- Anambra, Nigeria

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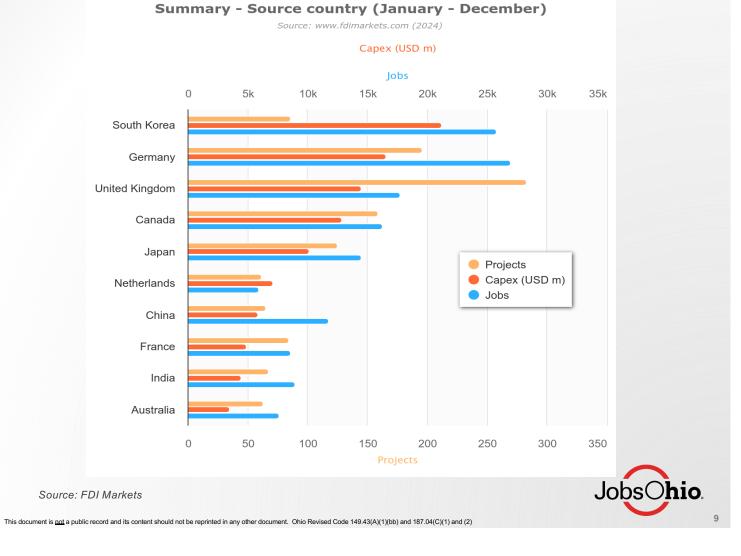
FDI Lead Generation Partners





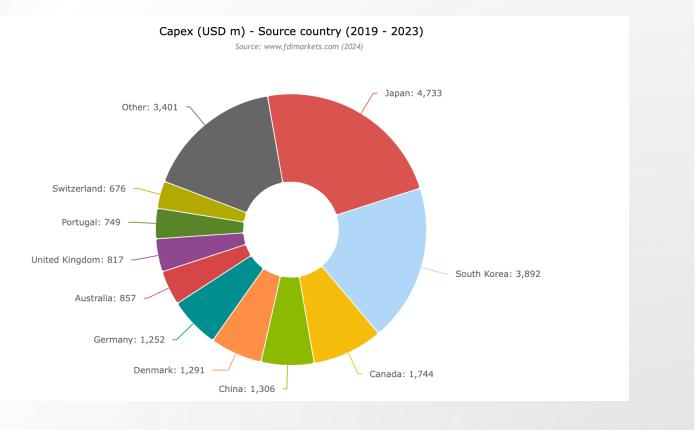
FDI to the U.S. 2023

- Top 5 source countries by capex:
 - South Korea
 - Germany
 - *UK*
 - Canada
 - Japan



FDI to Ohio 2019-2023

- This pie chart provides a near-term projection of top FDI source countries if the 5-year trend continues (highly likely).
- Japan, South Korea and Canada account for about 50% of FDI activities in Ohio (by capex).



Source: FDI Markets

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Return to historic norms of FDI

2023 International Business Development Recap

- After historic highs of Jobs and Capex in 2022, 2023 saw a return to historic levels of FDI in Ohio
- Expect a challenging year in 2024 with concerns about US elections and high interest rates

KEY TRENDS & INFLUENCING FACTORS

- Federal funding driving FDI projects into solar, renewables, hydrogen however, delays in disbursement impacting investment
- Slowdown of EV sales (plus interest rates) resulting in projects being reduced



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Keys to Successful SelectUSA engagement

- Make sure you have a site and workforce story!
- Work with your state EDO
- Leverage the networking platform
- Take advantage of your community's cultural connections; engage the respective embassies
- Bring your 'networking hat' lots of opportunities to meet people





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Community Certification











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Holistic Approach towards Community Certification



Assessment of a wide range of business location factors through the demanding eyes of an International Executive



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Robust Exchange with EDO Team & Stakeholders













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Mock Site Visit













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- **1.** The Certification differentiates your community
- 2. The Certification attracts Projects with short timelines
- 3. The Certification is attractive to banks and other lenders who see development risks mitigated
- 4. The Certification process provides the community insight into the strengths and weaknesses of its properties
- 5. The Certification process helps the community better understand how to promote and represent its properties

Certification Success



Awarding Certification to Successful Communty EDO's



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. Mar. 21: How to "Sell" Your Community to Foreign Investors | <u>Webpage Link</u>

 Apr. 17: Crash Course on the Site Selection Process | Registration Link

3. May 1: "Nailing It" at the 2024 SelectUSA Investment Summit – An Opportunity for Action | <u>Registration Link</u>

4. May 16: Understanding Your County's Competitive Advantage and Forming Your Value Proposition | <u>Registration Link</u>

5. Jun. 12: Wrap-Up Discussion and NACo Resources <u>Registration Link</u>

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