



## **A PROFILE OF AGING ADULTS**

A Demographic Summary of Older Adults  
in Portage, Stark, Summit, and Wayne Counties in Ohio



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## PREFACE

This report profiles the characteristics of older adults reside in the Planning and Service Area [PSA] 10B region, which covers Portage, Stark, Summit and Wayne counties where over 211,000 senior citizens 60 years and older reside. It was prepared by the Hana Research Group using US Census 2010 and other relevant socio-economic and demographic data available to date.

We hope this report will be an important and relevant source of information on the status of aging adults living in our region for policy makers as well as service providers in their planning and delivering needed services for the better future of senior citizens we proudly serve.



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## I. INTRODUCTION

Area Agencies on Aging are private non-profit or public agencies that plan, develop, coordinate, and advocate for a comprehensive network of services and resources for aging adults within their planning jurisdictions. This national aging network was created in response to the 1973 amendments to the Older Americans Act of 1965.

The Older Americans Act also directs Area Agencies on Aging to stimulate private and public investments, in order to support and expand existing services and resources for aging adults. To accomplish these broad legislative mandates, Area Agencies on Aging must be knowledgeable about the aging adult population they serve and be able to educate other community planning bodies about the needs of senior citizens.

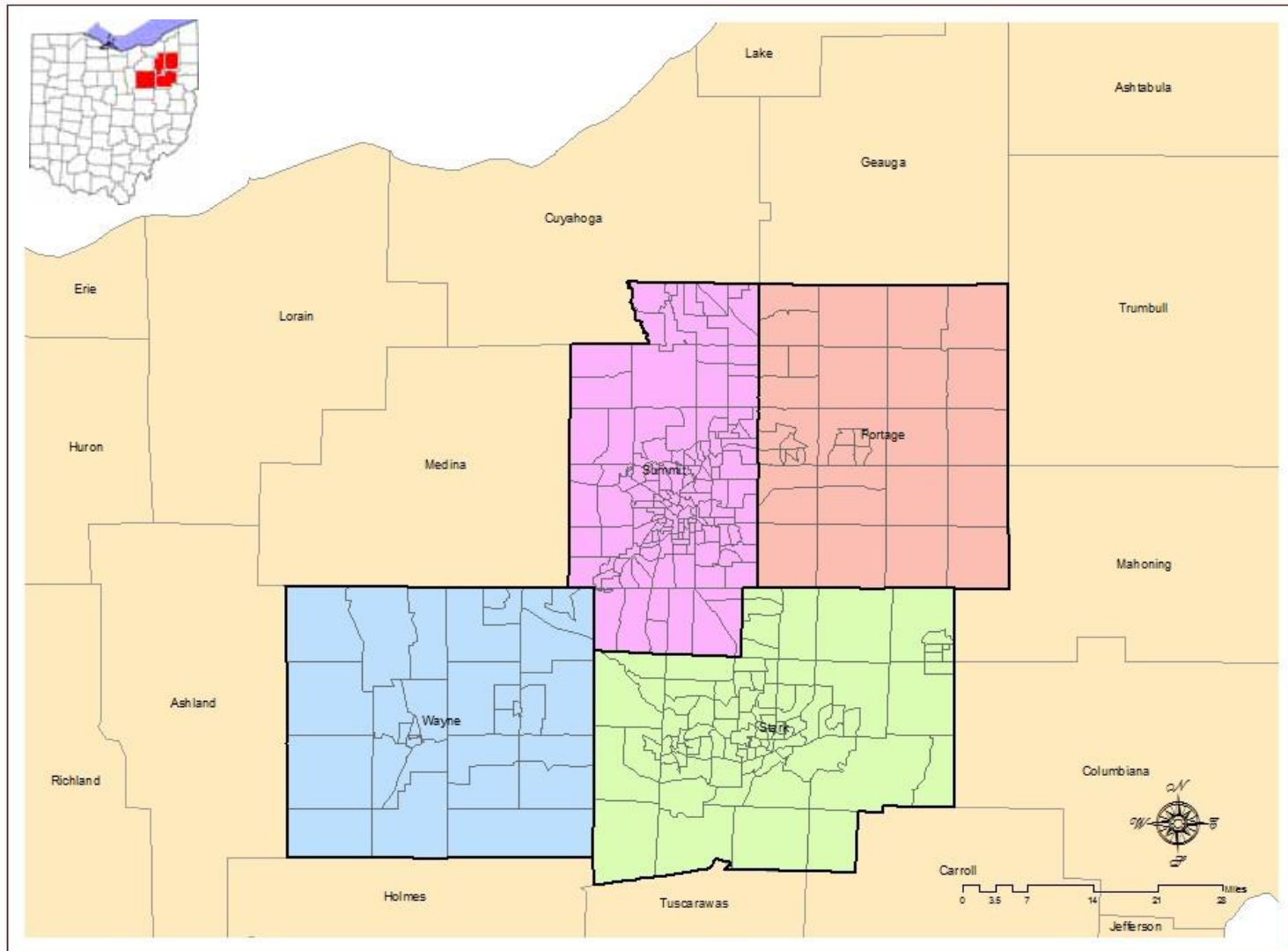
In Ohio, this aging network consists of the State Unit on Aging, the Ohio Department of Aging [ODA], and twelve Area Agencies on Aging [AAA], each representing a regional planning and service area [PSA]. In 1980, the Ohio Department of Aging redrew regional boundaries throughout the state assigning each PSA a numerical identification ranging from 1 to 11 [including 10A and 10B].

Following established ODA guidelines, the Area Agency on Aging 10B, Inc. [“Agency”] became the State authorized, but locally governed, private non-profit corporation. The PSA 10B encompasses all of Portage, Stark, Summit and Wayne Counties. [See Map A. Area Agencies on Aging in Ohio and Map B. PSA 10B Region for detail.]



Map A. Area Agencies on Aging in Ohio

Map B. PSA 10B Region by County





The objective of this profile is to help state and local planners develop strategies to better serve our senior citizens in the region. It is also intended to be a planning and service delivery guide to senior service providers throughout the PSA. Information presented in this profile can also be used as a tool for answering questions frequently asked about the counties and aging adults we serve from the various public and private entities.

Every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the data presented in this profile. Because census data is only published every ten years, much of the material is subject to frequent updates and changes. As such, the data should not be cited as the most recent official agency information.

Information in this profile is regularly updated in a database available to the public through the AAA 10B, Inc. and the Hana Research Group. Any inquiries or comments about data or information in the profile should be directed to the AAA 10B, Inc. at [info@services4aging.org](mailto:info@services4aging.org). Information presented in this report can be found in <http://www.services4aging.org/information/censusInformation.asp>.

## II. CONTENTS

The Aging Adult Profile is primarily a summary of regional data on aging adult population reside in PSA 10B area. The Profile has been compiled from 2010 Census data made available to the public as well as other data provided by the US Census Bureau, the Ohio Department of Development, other federal and state government organizations and Universities.

**Section 1** of the profile presents basic data on the aging adult population in PSA 10B. This data is provided at the regional level and includes an aggregation of the data for the entire PSA, which include:

- General population census
- Age distribution
- Gender proportion
- Racial distribution
- Living arrangement
- Poverty status
- 60+ Population trend over time

**Section 2** presents the same data delineated in Section 1 at the sub-county level for the four respective counties in the PSA. The data is presented at the level of the political jurisdictions that comprise each county as well as information by county subdivisions for each of the county seats.

**Section 3** presents population trends for the aging adult population in PSA 10B to the year 2010 and beyond. The historical and current data up to 2010 was taken from US Census information. The Ohio Department of Development prepared the forecast based on life expectancy and migration for those age 60 and older population. Based on American Community Survey, summary of physical disability related data is also presented.