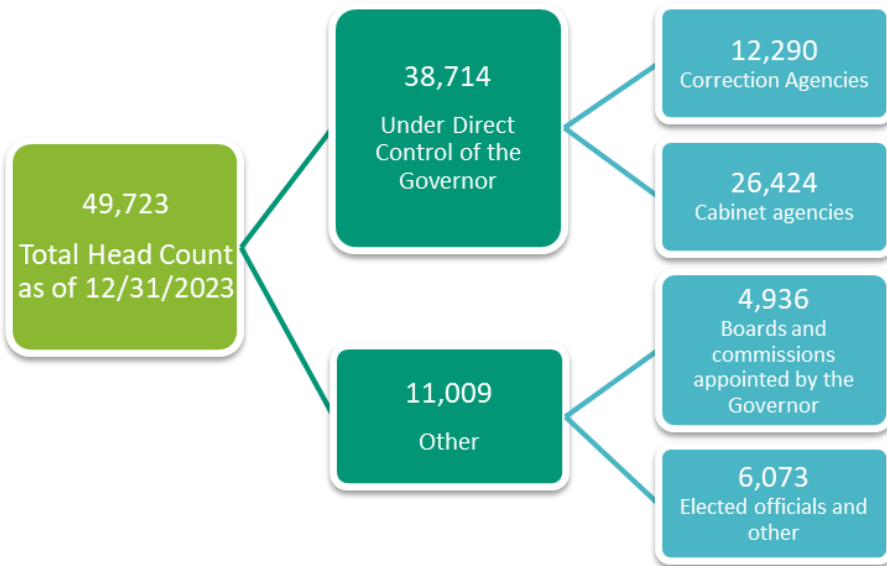




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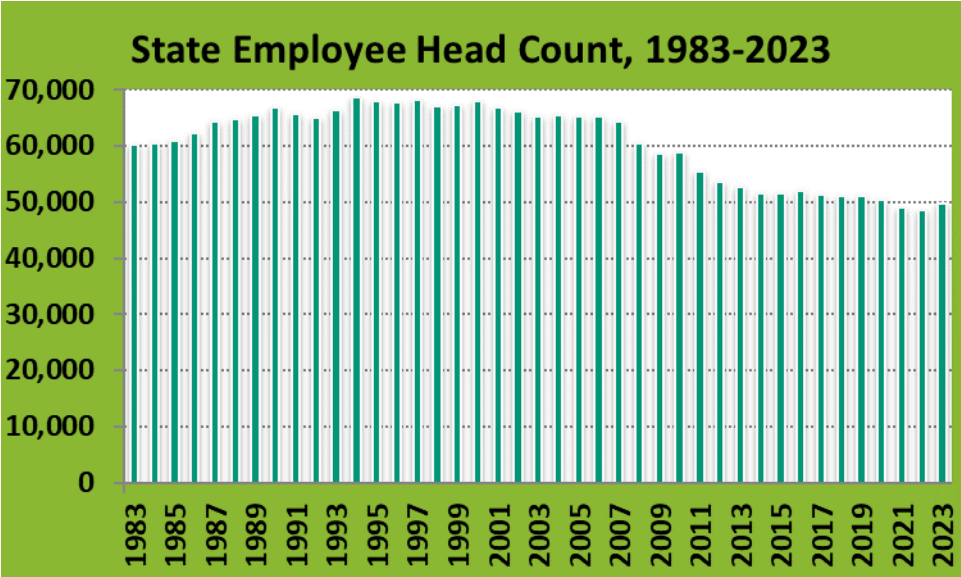


◇ The December 2023 head count of state employees was 49,723, an increase of 1,084 (2.2%) over the lowest count since 1983 of 48,639 reached in 2022 but 18,850 (27.5%) lower than the highest count of 68,573 that was recorded in 1994.

◇ 91.1% (45,300) of the 49,723 state employees were full-time permanent employees.

◇ For FY 2024, the state government’s operating expenses amounted to \$10.56 billion (10.6% of total state budget expenditures) across all funds:

- ◇ \$5.86 billion (5.9%) for employee payroll, including both salaries and fringe benefits;
- ◇ \$2.11 billion (2.1%) for purchased personal services; and
- ◇ \$2.59 billion (2.6%) for supplies and maintenance and equipment.



State government’s operating expenses and their shares of total state budget expenditures, FY 2020-FY 2023 (\$ in billions)

Category	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Total operating expenses	\$8.77 (11.7%)	\$9.17 (11.3%)	\$9.76 (10.8%)	\$9.94 (10.6%)
Payroll	\$5.08(6.8%)	\$5.16(6.4%)	\$5.46(6.1%)	\$5.49(5.9%)
Purchased personal services	\$1.66 (2.2%)	\$1.65 (2.0%)	\$1.89 (2.1%)	\$2.04 (2.2%)
Supplies, maintenance, & equipment	\$2.03 (2.7%)	\$2.35 (2.9%)	\$2.41 (2.7%)	\$2.41 (2.6%)

Data sources: Ohio Administrative Knowledge System; Ohio Department of Administrative Services