

JUDICIAL OFFICEHOLDERS COMPENSATION

Information Provided by the County Commissioners Association of Ohio

Senate Bill 296 (effective 12.27.18) provides judges with 1.75 percent COLA beginning in calendar year 2020 and continuing through calendar year 2028. These increases are calculated based on the total salary payable to the judge, exclusive of any amounts payable pursuant to ORC 1901.11(B)(2), 1907.16(C), or 1907.17, but added only to the state's portion of the judges' compensation.

Common Pleas Judges (ORC 141.04 and 141.05)

The compensation of common pleas judges is paid by both the state and the county. The county pays an amount equal to 18 cents per capita. This dollar amount may not be less than \$3,500 nor more than \$14,000 based on the official latest federal census. See Tables 43-45.

Full-time Municipal Court Judges and Part-time Municipal Court Judges Who Serve a Territory Exceeding 50,000 Population (ORC 141.04 and 1901.11)

The compensation for full-time municipal court judges and those part-time municipal court judges who serve in a territory with a population exceeding 50,000, is financed by the state and local funding authorities. The local share is a fixed amount equal to \$61,750. See Table 46.

Part-time Municipal Court Judges Except Those Part-time Judges Who Serve a Territory Exceeding 50,000 Population (ORC 141.04 and 1901.11)

The compensation for part-time municipal court judges, other than those who serve in a territory with a population exceeding 50,000 is financed by the state and local funding authorities. The amount of the local share is fixed at \$35,500. See Table 47.

County Court Judges (ORC 141.04 and 1907.16)

Again, the compensation of county court judges is covered by the state and the county. The county's fixed share is \$35,500. See Table 48.

County Optional Compensation for County Court Judges (ORC 1907.17)

In addition to the compensation of county court judges specified in the tables below, the ORC authorizes the Board of County Commissioners to permissively supplement the salaries of county court judges by an amount not to exceed \$2,500 in any year. It should be noted that this provision must be uniformly applied in counties with more than one county court judge. Also, this additional compensation, once provided, cannot be reduced during the term of office of any county court judge, but can be changed at the beginning of a new term of office. (OAG 70-142)

Table 43: Common Pleas Judges in Counties with Populations of 77,778 or Greater

Source of Funding	Calendar Year 2018	CY 2019	CY 2020	CY 2021	CY 2022
County	\$14,000	\$14,000	\$14,000	\$14,000	\$14,000
State	126,550	133,600	136,183	138,811	141,485
Total	140,550	147,600	150,183	152,811	155,485
CY 2023	CY 2024	CY 2025	CY 2026	CY 2027	CY 2028
\$14,000	\$14,000	\$14,000	\$14,000	14,000	14,000
144,206	146,975	149,792	152,658	155,575	158,543
158,206	160,975	163,792	166,658	169,575	172,543

Table 44: Common Pleas Judges in Counties with Populations from 77,777 – 19,445

Source of Funding	Calendar Year 2018	CY 2019	CY 2020	CY 2021	CY 2022
County	18 cents per capita \$	18 cents per capita \$	18 cents per capita \$	18 cents per capita \$	18 cents per capita \$
State	Total Salary minus County Paid	Total Salary minus County Paid	Total Salary minus County Paid	Total Salary minus County Paid	Total Salary minus County Paid
Total	140,550	147,600	150,183	152,811	155,485
CY 2023	CY 2024	CY 2025	CY 2026	CY 2027	CY 2028
18 cents per capita \$	18 cents per capita \$	18 cents per capita \$	18 cents per capita \$	18 cents per capita \$	18 cents per capita \$
Total Salary minus County Paid	Total Salary minus County Paid	Total Salary minus County Paid	Total Salary minus County Paid	Total Salary minus County Paid	Total Salary minus County Paid
158,206	160,975	163,792	166,658	169,575	172,543

Table 45: Common Pleas Judges in Counties with Populations of 19,444 or Fewer

Source of Funding	Calendar Year 2018	CY 2019	CY 2020	CY 2021	CY 2022
Local	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500
State	137,050	144,100	146,683	149,311	151,985
Total	140,550	147,600	150,183	152,811	155,485
CY 2023	CY 2024	CY 2025	CY 2026	CY 2027	CY 2028
\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500
154,706	157,475	160,292	163,158	166,075	169,043
158,206	160,975	163,792	166,658	169,575	172,543

Table 46: Full-time Municipal Judges and Part-time Municipal Judges Who Serve in a Territory Exceeding 50,000 Population

Source of Funding	Calendar Year 2018	CY 2019	CY 2020	CY 2021	CY 2022
Local	\$61,750	\$61,750	\$61,750	\$61,750	\$61,750
State	70,400	77,050	79,479	81,951	84,466
Total	132,150	138,800	141,229	143,701	146,216
CY 2023	CY 2024	CY 2025	CY 2026	CY 2027	CY 2028
\$61,750	\$61,750	\$61,750	\$61,750	\$61,750	\$61,750
87,025	89,629	92,278	94,973	97,716	100,507
148,775	151,379	154,028	156,723	159,466	162,257

Note: Municipalities generally pay 60%, counties 40%, except in county operated municipal courts where county pays 100%.

Table 47: Part-time Municipal Judges Except Those Part-time Municipal Court Judges Who Serve in a Territory Exceeding 50,000 Population

Source of Funding	Calendar Year 2018	CY 2019	CY 2020	CY 2021	CY 2022
Local	\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500
State	40,550	44,400	45,798	47,221	48,669
Total	76,050	79,900	81,298	82,721	84,169
CY 2023	CY 2024	CY 2025	CY 2026	CY 2027	CY 2028
\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500
50,142	51,641	53,166	54,718	56,297	57,903
85,642	87,141	88,666	90,218	91,797	93,403

Note: Municipalities generally pay 60%, counties 40%, except in county operated municipal courts where county pays 100%

Table 48: County Court Judges

Source of Funding	Calendar Year 2018	CY 2019	CY 2020	CY 2021	CY 2022
Local	\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500
State	40,550	44,400	45,798	47,221	48,669
Total	76,050	79,900	81,298	82,721	84,169
CY 2023	CY 2024	CY 2025	CY 2026	CY 2027	CY 2028
\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500	\$35,500
50,142	51,641	53,166	54,718	56,297	57,903
85,642	87,141	88,666	90,218	91,797	93,403

Note: Excludes county permissive payments pursuant to ORC 1907.17

Table 49: Additional Compensation for Presiding & Administrative Judges in Municipal Courts

Number of Judges	Designation	ORC Reference	Additional Annual Compensation	ORC Reference	Source of Payment
One Judge	Specified in Statute	1901.09 (A)	\$1,500	1901.11 (B) (2)	Local Funding Authorities
Two or More Judges	Elected or designated as provided in the Rules of Superintendence for the Courts of Ohio	1901.09 (B)			

Note: These amounts are generally paid 40% by the county; 60% by the municipality. If the court is a county operated municipal court, the county pays 100% of the additional compensation.

Table 50: Additional Compensation for Presiding & Administrative Judges in County Courts

Number of Judges	Designation	ORC Reference	Additional Annual Compensation	ORC Reference	Source of Payment
One Judge	Specified in Statute	1907.131 (A)	\$1,500	1907.16 (C)	County
Two or More Judges	Elected or designated as provided in the Rules of Superintendence for the Courts of Ohio	1907.131 (B)			