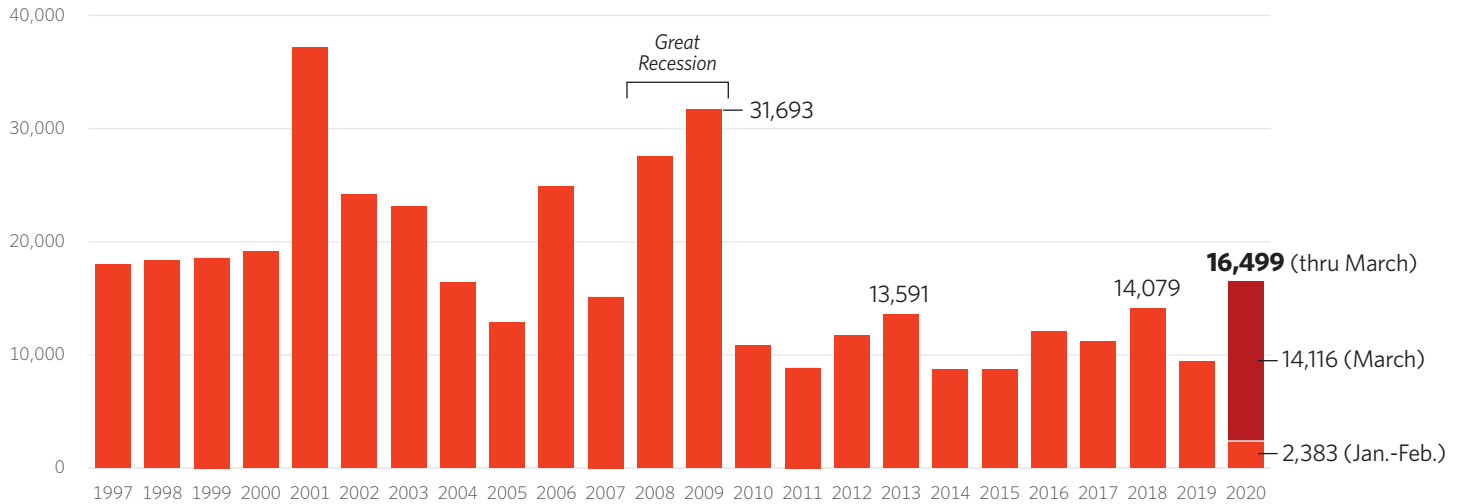


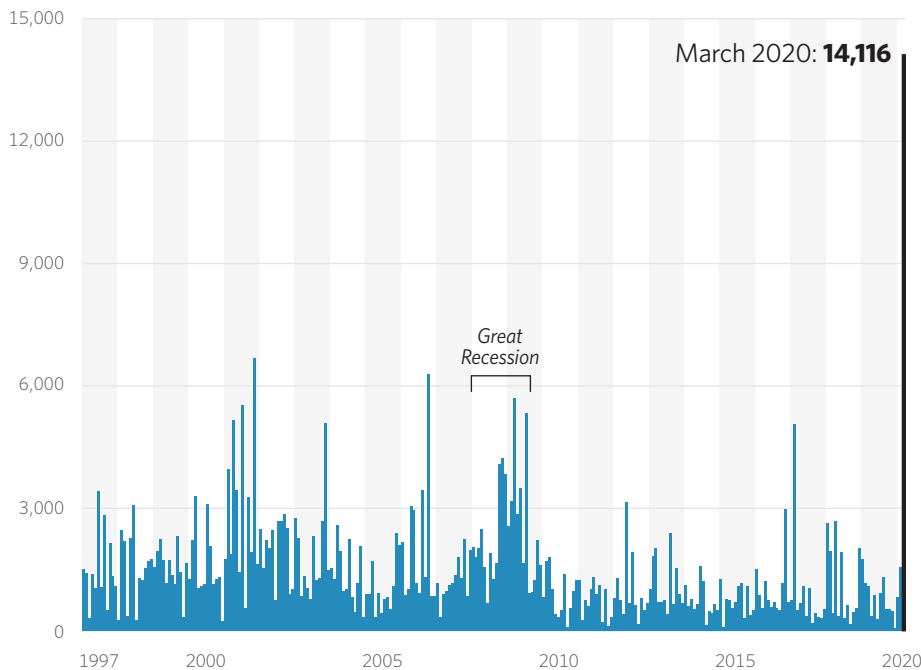
Ohio Hammered by March's Mass Layoffs

Fears over the spread of COVID-19, and the subsequent closures and stay-at-home warnings, have been devastating to Ohio's economy. Through March, there have been nearly **16,500 mass layoffs this year, 14,116 (86 percent) of which occurred in March**. The total for March is greater than the combined total over the previous 15 months.

Mass Layoffs in Ohio

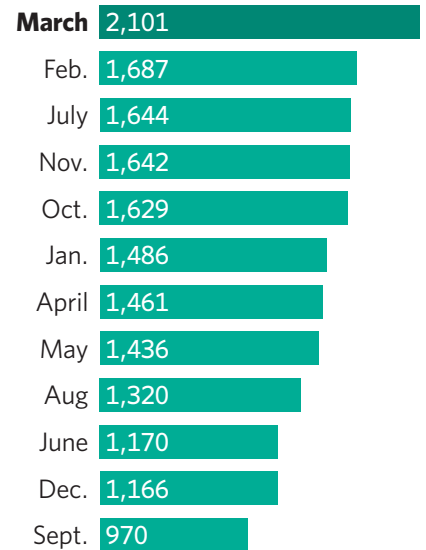


Monthly Mass Layoffs in Ohio



Mass Layoffs by Month

Average layoffs in Ohio by month, 1997-2020



SOURCE: Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Current Public Notices of Layoffs and Closures, <https://jfs.ohio.gov/warn/current.stm>.