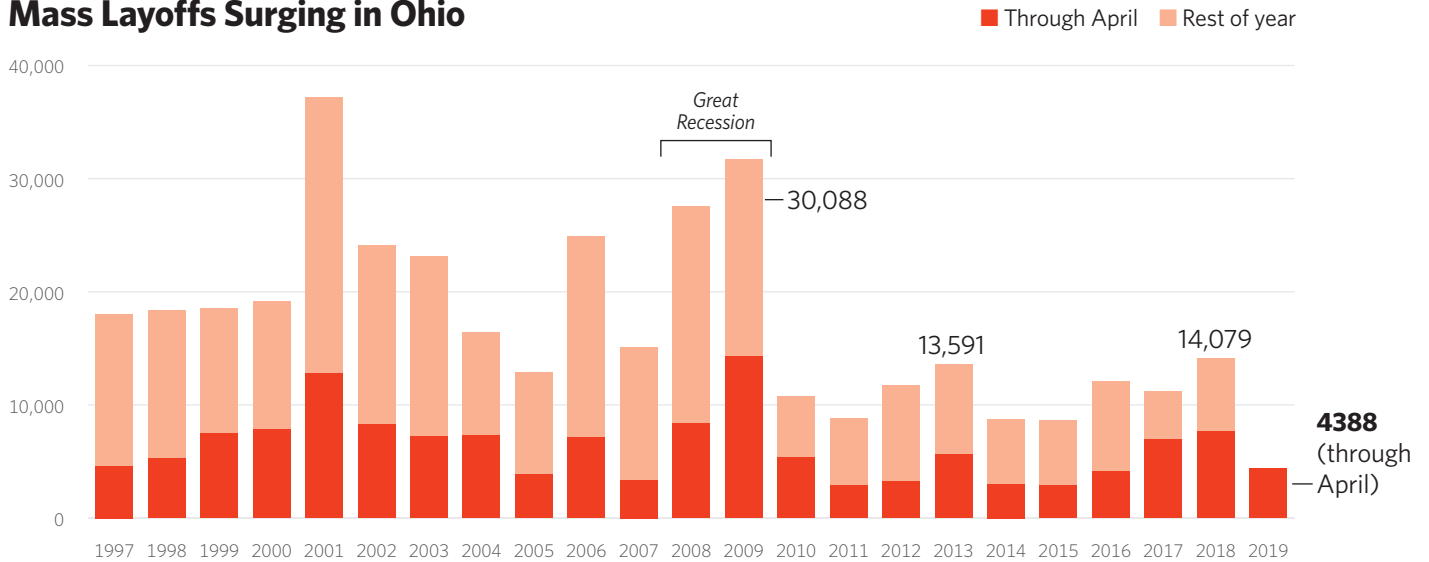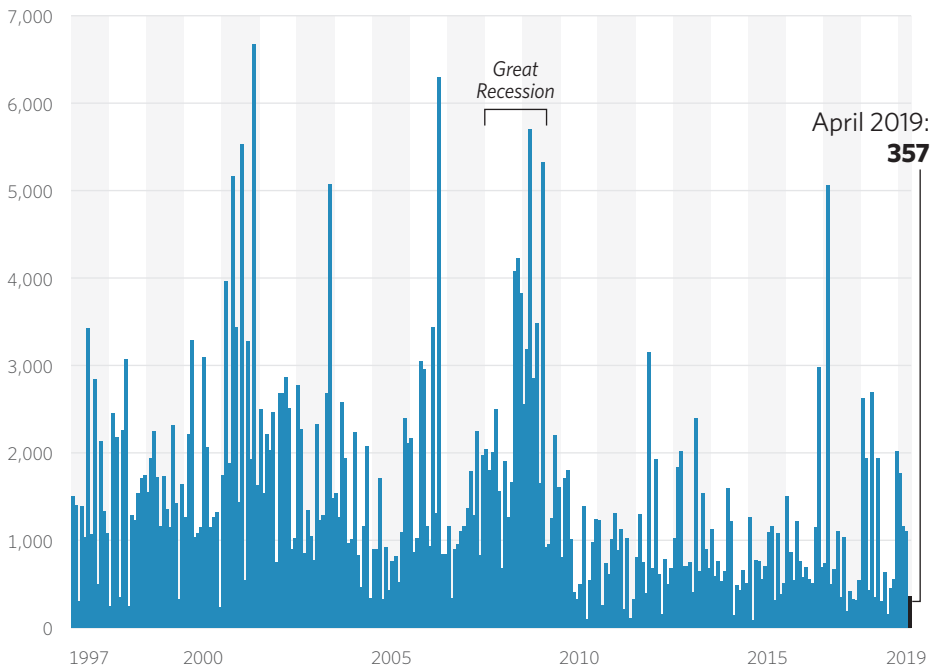# Ohio's Recovery Hindered by Mass Layoffs

While job opportunities in Ohio have increased, there are signs the state may not be making the most of the strong national economy. Jobs lost in the state from mass layoffs spiked last year—there were **14,079 such layoffs in 2018**, the highest year-to-date total since the Great Recession. In 2019, there have been **4,388** layoffs through April.
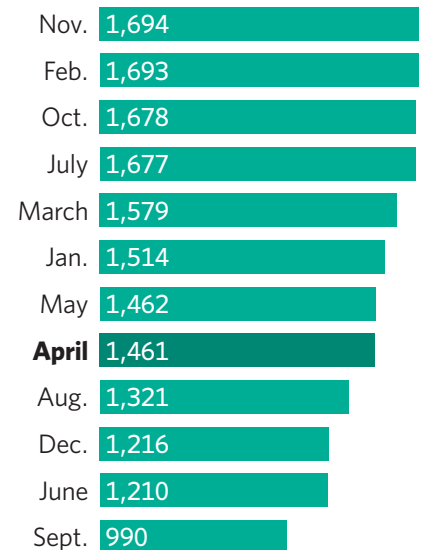
Mass Layoffs Surging in Ohio

■ Through April ■ Rest of year

Monthly Mass Layoffs in Ohio

Mass Layoffs by Month

Average layoffs in Ohio by month, 1997–2019

Month	Average
Nov.	1,694
Feb.	1,693
Oct.	1,678
July	1,677
March	1,579
Jan.	1,514
May	1,462
April	1,461
Aug.	1,321
Dec.	1,216
June	1,210
Sept.	990

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