April 8, 2024 Total Solar Eclipse



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Total Solar Eclipses: 2017 vs. 2024

	August 21, 2017	April 8, 2024
Population in path	12 million	32 million
Max Duration	2 min 40.2 secs	4 min 28.1 secs
Path width	71 miles	124 miles







Eclipse Pathway

- Eclipse will travel across Ohio from southwest to northeast
- Totality begins in Greenville, Ohio at approximately 3:00 pm and will exit near Avon Lake, Ohio at approximately 3:10 pm
- 2-4 minutes of totality







What to Expect

- 9 Ohio counties intersect with the center line of totality
- 26 Ohio counties are entirely within the area of totality
- 20 counties have part of county in the area of totality
- 33 counties are outside area of totality – partial eclipse only









Path of totality

0-2 hours

2-4 hours

4-6 hours

6-8 hours

8-10 hours

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What are the Impacts?

- Ohio is within a one-day drive of 70% of the U.S. population
- Local population in center-line communities could triple to quadruple
- Local population in other totality communities could double
- Extreme demand for hotels, campsites, restaurants, entertainment facilities, parks, etc.
- Extreme traffic, stresses to local infrastructure
- Potential for local income generation
- Educational opportunities





Planning Considerations

- Local eclipse festivals and viewing parties "Arrive Early, Stay Late"
- Population surge
- Traffic management
- Local emergency operational support
 - Public works
 - Law enforcement
 - Supplies
 - Sanitation
 - Communications
- Health, safety, and welfare





What is the State Doing?

- Formed a State-level Eclipse Planning Task Force
- Development of state level plans, guidance documents, and agency specific plans
- State eclipse website
- Conducting exercises to test and develop plan with local and state partner input



Ohio Eclipse Planning Task Force

































































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Department of Administrative Services

Department of Health

Department of Commerce



State Eclipse Webpage

- Centralized location for eclipse information in the state
 - Links to other agency pages for updated information
 - Interactive map for searching for events and resources







