

April 8, 2024 Total Solar Eclipse



Eclipse Pathway

- First total solar eclipse in Ohio since 1806
- Eclipse will travel across Ohio from southwest to northeast
- 55 counties will experience totality
 - 2 – 4 minutes of totality



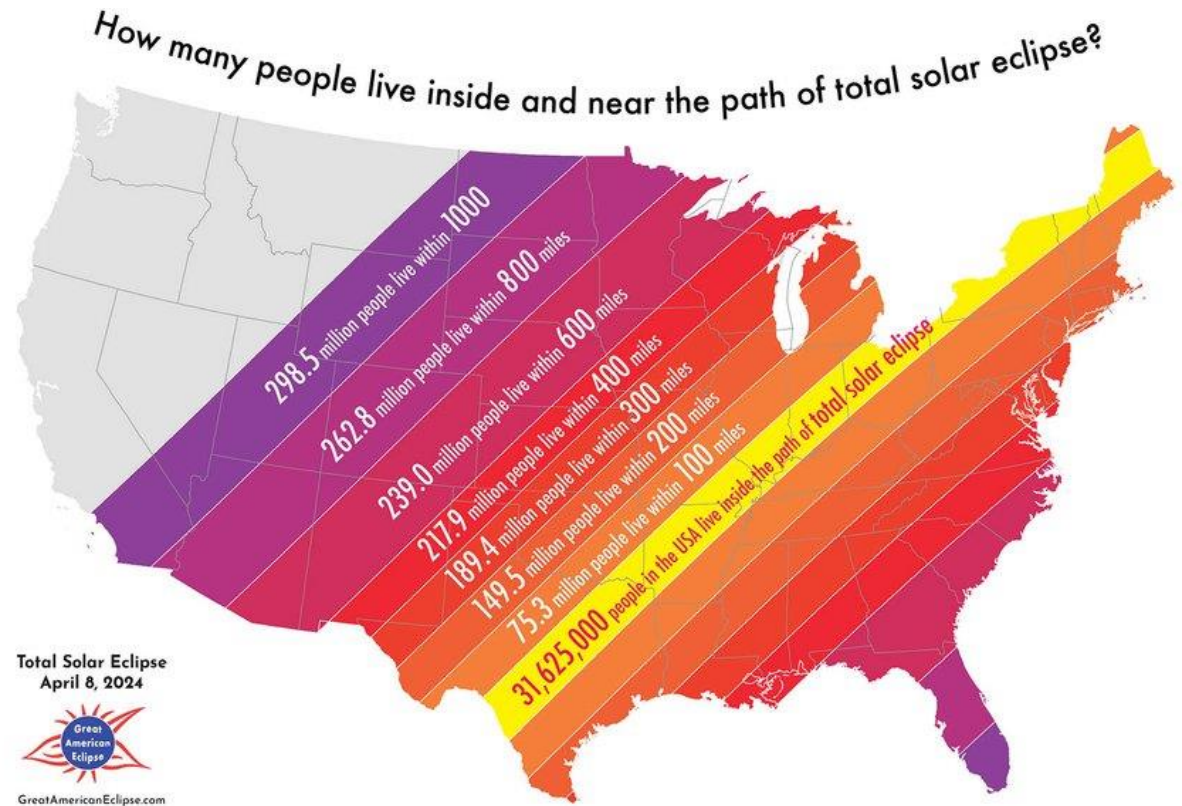
Main Areas of Concern

- Unified messaging
 - Public safety notices, roadway closures, information sharing
- Operational communications
 - Large crowds resulted in impacts to public safety, public health, and air/ground transportation operations
- Traffic management
 - Large-scale traffic congestion, increased air and ground transportation, infrastructure failures



What are the Potential Impacts?

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



State Planning Efforts Conducted

- Formed a state-level eclipse planning task force
 - Six subcommittees
- Bring awareness to partners (private, local, state, and federal)
- Conducted exercises with local and state partners
- Development of eclipse planning and guidance documents
- Development of 2024 solar eclipse website



Task Force Partners



Ohio

Department of Public Safety

Department of Education

Department of Development

Public Utilities Commission

Department of Administrative Services

Department of Health

Department of Commerce



Current State Actions & Efforts

- 2024 Solar Eclipse Task Force-level meetings
- Development of eclipse event plan
- Maintaining situational awareness of local concerns and potential issues





Questions?

