By 1860, 14% of Ohio's population were immigrants.

Many miles of canal were built in Ohio during the 1800s. This included the Ohio and Erie canal finished in 1833 and the Miami and Erie Canal finished in 1845.

The Canals allowed famers and factory owners to sell more of their products to places further away. It also attracted many people to move to Ohio to work on the canals. This changed life in Ohio in many different ways.

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The effect of these groups of immigrants on the culture of Ohio can still be seen today.

By the 1850's most of the canals began to be replaced by railroads.

Immigration was one of the most important reasons for the huge growth in the economy and population of Ohio in the 1800's.