

## 2005 Contributions to Ohio Gubernatorial Candidates

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**During 2005, contributions to all the gubernatorial candidates total \$8,238,876.**

### 2005 Contributions to Candidates for Governor\*

Candidate	Party	Total
<a href="#">Bryan Flannery</a>	Democrat	\$89,095
<a href="#">Ted Strickland</a>	Democrat	\$3,027,072
<a href="#">J. Kenneth Blackwell</a>	Republican	\$2,719,446
<a href="#">Jim Petro</a>	Republican	\$2,368,773
<b>Total</b>		\$8,204,386

\*Totals include both monetary and in-kind contributions.

### Average Individual Contributions

Candidate	Average Contribution
Bryan Flannery-D	\$253.95
Ted Strickland-D	\$384.40
J. Kenneth Blackwell-	\$162.84

There were 17,996 individual donors to gubernatorial candidates in 2005.

In 2005, the average individual

contribution size for the gubernatorial candidates was \$321.65.

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Jim Petro-R	\$485.39
<b>All Candidates</b>	<b>\$321.65</b>

Candidate	Number of Contributions from individuals less than \$200	Percentage of Contributions from individuals less than \$200	Number of Contributions from individuals \$200 & more	Percentage of Contributions from individuals \$200 & more	Total
Flannery	230	83.0%	47	17.0%	277
Strickland	4,800	72.0%	1,868	28.0%	6,668
Blackwell	14,308	90.3%	1,537	9.7%	15,845
Petro	1,869	50.7%	1,819	49.3%	3,688
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,207</b>	<b>80.1%</b>	<b>5,271</b>	<b>19.9%</b>	<b>26,478</b>

Blackwell received a surprising **14,308** contributions from small donors. Ninety percent of his contributions from individuals were small, grassroots donations. His opponent in the primary provides a striking contrast. Petro received only half of his contributions from small donors. All the candidates received at least half of their contributions from small donors (less than \$200). Eighty percent of the total contributions from individuals were in amounts less than \$200.

### Contribution Comparison

	Number of Individual Contributions less than \$200	Number of Individual Contributions greater than \$200	Number of \$10,000 contributions	Total
Democrats	5,030	1,914	75	6,944
Republicans	16,129	3,406	80	19,535
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,159</b>	<b>5,320</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>26,479</b>

In 2004, contribution limits were raised to \$10,000. Together all the gubernatorial candidates received 156 contributions of the maximum amount.

Candidate	Number of \$10,000 Contributions
Bryan Flannery	2
Ted Strickland	74
J. Kenneth Blackwell	62
Jim Petro	18
<b>All Candidates</b>	<b>156</b>

#### Total Amount from Political Party, Candidate Committees, and Leadership PAC

Petro received **79%** of the total amount of contributions to gubernatorial candidates from political party, candidate committees, and leadership PACs. Blackwell only received contributions from 11 candidate committees. He did not receive contributions from any Republican Party or candidate committees for statewide office.

Candidate	Dollar Amount
Flannery	\$100
Strickland	\$114,115
Blackwell	\$9,875
Petro	\$467,419
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$591,509</b>

Despite the relatively small difference in the total amount of money raised by Blackwell and Petro, Blackwell had significantly more contributions from small donors. He also received significantly more \$10,000 contributions. Strickland raised 32 times more money than his competitor, Bryan Flannery. Flannery did not break \$100,000 and his total represented only 1% of the total monies generated by gubernatorial candidates. Flannery did not receive the support of the Democratic party. Jim Petro's campaign has had strong support from the Republican Party as a whole. Despite a lack of similar support, Blackwell was able to generate slightly more money than Petro.

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Comparison of Contributions from the Top Three Economic Sectors for each of the  
Gubernatorial Candidates  
2005

Candidate	Top Sector	Second Sector	Third Sector
Bryan Flannery	Real Estate \$13,600	Insurance \$10,200	Unions \$10,250
Ted Strickland	Lawyers \$449,359	Real Estate \$326,723	Unions \$234,610
J. Kenneth Blackwell	Finance \$257,388	Manufacturing \$254,738	Health \$159,380
Jim Petro	Lawyers \$524,429	Ideological \$479,367	Finance \$117,187

Economic interests are more clearly defined than ideological interests because individual donors identify their employers and not their ideological affiliation. Although Petro appears to have more ideological support than Blackwell, this is likely not to be the case. These ideological contributions to Petro were primarily political party giving. It is hard to tease out ideological giving due to social issues like pro-life and anti-tax sentiments, especially from small donors. Both Strickland and Petro received most of their contributions from attorneys and law firms. Both Flannery and Strickland received support from labor unions.

### Contributions from Clergy

J. Kenneth Blackwell has received support in the media from conservative churches. He received more than **\$20,000** from pastors. This can be contrasted with Ted Strickland, a former United Methodist minister who received only **\$615** from clergy.

Candidate	Amount from Clergy
Bryan Flannery	\$0
Ted Strickland	\$615
J. Kenneth Blackwell	\$20,811
Jim Petro	\$5,535
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$26,961</b>

### Top Organizational Donors by Candidate

Bryan Flannery	Ted Strickland
1. Rysar Properties \$10,200	1. Visconsi Companies \$32,000
2. Anderson Ford of Omaha \$10,000	2. Woda Group LLC \$27,500
3. Office and Professional Employees	3. Boich Companies \$25,000

International Labor Union (OPEIU) \$ 10,000 4. Surace Agencies \$9,000 5. The George Group \$4,100	4. Carington Health Systems \$25,000 5. Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur \$23,450
J. Kenneth Blackwell	Jim Petro
1. R + L Carriers \$80,500 2. HSR Business to Business \$61,380 3. Ladd Industries \$55,000 4. American Trim LLC \$40,020 5. Security National Holding Company \$30,000	1. Ohio Republican State and Central Executive Committee \$380,313 2. Citizens for Heimlich \$57,717 3. Roetzel & Andress \$51,650 4. Altair Engineering \$35,000 5. Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs \$30,950

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