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U.S. Postal Service Salary Data for Ohio Added to Buckeye Institute Searchable Data Tools

COLUMBUS – The Buckeye Institute for Public Policy Solutions today added a “Federal Salary” searchable data tool to its website, which is the sixth data tool on the website. It also upgraded the Better Days Ohio county data tool so users can compare up to three counties. The new data tool initially includes the 2010 salary data for the 26,098 salaried and hourly employees at the United States Postal Service in Ohio. Additional salary data on the remaining federal employees in Ohio will be added as the Buckeye Institute obtains the data.

Since the launch of the new website on April 30, 2010, over 81,000 visitors from 408 Ohio cities have spent over 9,400 hours on the website doing more than 650,000 searches using the state government salary, K-12 teacher salary, higher education salary, school performance, and lobbyist data tools. The searchable data tools are on track to hit **1,000,000** searches within the first sixth months of operation.

Highlights of the 2010 U.S. Postal Service salary data include:

- 33 postal workers have a base pay over \$100,000, with the highest postal worker getting a base pay of \$175,524;
- 96% of the salaried employees earn a base pay of \$50,000 or more; and
- 7,842 hourly employees get paid an hourly rate from \$32.54 to \$9.00, with 88% getting paid over \$15.00 per hour (or a full-time equivalent pay of \$31,200).

Buckeye Institute President Matt A. Mayer noted, “Ohioans are enthusiastically using the salary data tools to get informed about the personnel costs of government. With budget deficits growing at all levels of government, compensation packages of government workers must be on the table.”

The Federal Salary data tool is available at www.buckeyeinstitute.org.

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