



Economic Growth Region 1

Statistical Data Report for January 2012, Released March 2012

Regional and State Unemployment (seasonally adjusted)

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally lower in January. Forty-five states and the District of Columbia recorded unemployment rate decreases, New York posted a rate increase, and four states had no change, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Forty-eight states and the District of Columbia registered unemployment rate decreases from a year earlier, while New York experienced an increase and Illinois had no change. The national jobless rate decreased to 8.3 percent from December and was 0.8 percentage point lower than in January 2011.



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Lake, Porter, LaPorte, Newton, Jasper, Starke and Pulaski Counties.

January 2012 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Jan 2012 Rate	Dec 2011 Rate	Jan 2011 Rate
U.S.	153,485,000	139,944,000	13,541,000	8.8%	8.3%	9.8%
IN	3,169,745	2,877,868	291,877	9.2%	8.6%	9.8%
Gary Metro Div	325,024	293,520	31,504	9.7%	9.0%	10.1%
MichCity-LaP MSA	50,085	44,548	5,537	11.1%	10.0%	11.7%
EGR 1	392,583	353,781	38,802	9.9%	9.1%	na
Lake County	220,656	198,284	22,372	10.1%	9.6%	10.5%
Porter County	81,890	75,019	6,871	8.4%	7.4%	8.8%
LaPorte County	50,085	44,548	5,537	11.1%	10.0%	11.7%
Newton County	6,935	6,157	778	11.2%	9.9%	11.3%
Jasper County	15,544	14,060	1,484	9.5%	8.1%	11.0%
Starke County	10,678	9,431	1,247	11.7%	10.5%	12.1%
Pulaski County	6,795	6,282	513	7.5%	7.2%	8.5%
Gary	28,980	24,936	4,044	14.0%	14.3%	12.1%
Hammond	33,549	29,929	3,620	10.8%	10.4%	11.1%
East Chicago	9,748	8,486	1,262	12.9%	12.6%	13.9%
Hobart	14,097	12,512	1,585	11.2%	10.0%	11.7%
Merrillville	17,372	15,675	1,697	9.8%	9.9%	9.7%
Michigan City	13,333	11,727	1,606	12.0%	11.1%	12.8%
Portage	17,762	16,059	1,703	9.6%	8.7%	10.6%
Schererville	15,225	14,177	1,048	6.9%	6.4%	8.3%
Valparaiso	15,803	14,562	1,241	7.9%	7.0%	8.0%
Crown Point	13,134	11,862	1,272	9.7%	8.9%	9.9%
LaPorte City	9,991	8,814	1,177	11.8%	11.1%	na

Unemployment Rates by State, Jan. 2012

(seasonally adjusted)

U.S. - 8.3%

Illinois - 9.4%

Indiana - 8.7%

Kentucky - 8.8%

Michigan - 9.0%

Ohio - 7.7%

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Unemployment Rank by County, Jan. 2012

(high to low)

#6 - Starke (11.7%)

#15 - Newton (11.2%)

#17 - LaPorte (11.1%)

#36 - Lake (10.1%)

#48 - Jasper (9.5%)

#68 - Porter (8.4%)

#80 - Pulaski (7.5%)

Source: Indiana Dept. of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

State Release Date: 03/13/2012 na = Not available at this time.

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to January 2012 from:				
CPI Item	Jan-11	Dec-11	Jan-11	Dec-11
	U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	2.9%	0.4%	2.8%	0.6%
Food & Beverages	4.2%	0.6%	4.6%	0.8%
Housing	1.9%	0.3%	1.5%	0.3%
Apparel	4.7%	-1.1%	6.6%	-0.7%
Transportation	5.0%	1.1%	4.7%	1.3%
Medical Care	3.6%	0.6%	3.7%	0.9%
Recreation	1.4%	0.6%	0.3%	0.5%
Education & Communication	1.8%	0.3%	1.7%	0.2%
Other Goods & Services	1.7%	0.1%	1.8%	0.0%

*Midwest region = Midwest Urban Average. Midwest Region includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Unemployment Claims, January 2012

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Initial Claims

Jan 7, 2012 – 1,497
Jan 14, 2012 – 922
Jan 21, 2012 – 789
Jan 28, 2012 – 736

Continued Claims

Jan 7, 2012 – 8,283
Jan 14, 2012 – 8,757
Jan 21, 2012 – 8,684
Jan 28, 2012 – 8,731

Total Claims

Jan 7, 2012 – 9,780
Jan 14, 2012 – 9,679
Jan 21, 2012 – 9,473
Jan 28, 2012 – 9,467

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

Jan 7, 2012 – 12,528
Jan 14, 2012 – 8,385
Jan 21, 2012 – 6,731
Jan 28, 2012 – 6,241

Continued Claims

Jan 7, 2012 – 74,242
Jan 14, 2012 – 76,901
Jan 21, 2012 – 73,500
Jan 28, 2012 – 74,635

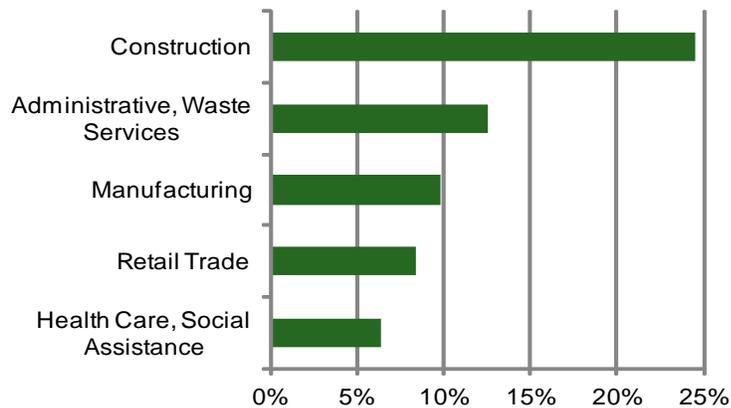
Total Claims

Jan 7, 2012 – 86,770
Jan 14, 2012 – 85,286
Jan 21, 2012 – 80,231
Jan 28, 2012 – 80,876

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, UI Statistics

Percentage of Unemployment Claims for Top 5 Region 1 Industries, January 2012

Distribution as a Percent of Total



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, UI Statistics

WARN Notices

WARN Notices for Region 1 - January 2012				
Company	City	County	Affected Workers	Notice Date
Dominion/State Line Energy Station	Hammond	Lake	109	40938
K Mart Store 7474	St. John	Lake	62	1/25/2012
Alverno Clinical Labs	Hammond	Lake	79	40933
Kmart Store 4108	Portage	Porter	209	1/24/2012

For information on WARN Act requirements, you may go to the U.S. Department of Labor Employment Training Administration Fact Sheet: <http://www.doleta.gov/programs/factsht/warn.htm>

Gary Metropolitan Division Wage and Salaried Employment, January 2012							
Industry				Number Change	Percent Change	Number Change	Percent Change
	Jan-12	Dec-11	Jan-11	Dec-11 to Jan-12		Jan-11 to Jan-12	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	262,300	272,200	259,400	-9,900	-3.6%	2,900	1.1%
Total Private Employment	225,900	235,000	222,200	-9,100	-3.9%	3,700	1.7%
GOODS PRODUCING	50,700	52,200	49,700	-1,500	-2.9%	1,000	2.0%
--Mining & Logging	300	300	300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
--Construction	15,500	16,900	14,900	-1,400	-8.3%	600	4.0%
--Manufacturing	34,900	35,000	34,500	-100	-0.3%	400	1.2%
Durable Goods	27,500	27,600	27,000	-100	-0.4%	500	1.9%
Primary Metal Mfg	17,400	17,400	17,800	0	0.0%	-400	-2.3%
Iron and Steel Mills	16,200	16,300	16,300	-100	-0.6%	-100	-0.6%
SERVICE PROVIDING	211,600	220,000	209,700	-8,400	-3.8%	1,900	0.9%
Private Service Providing	175,200	182,800	172,500	-7,600	-4.2%	2,700	1.6%
--Trade, Transp, & Utilities	56,100	58,700	54,100	-2,600	-4.4%	2,000	3.7%
Wholesale Trade	9,000	9,100	8,700	-100	-1.1%	300	3.5%
Retail Trade	33,300	35,000	31,900	-1,700	-4.9%	1,400	4.4%
Gen Merch Stores	7,100	8,100	6,700	-1,000	-12.4%	400	6.0%
Other Gen Merch Stores	3,300	3,400	3,200	-100	-2.9%	100	3.1%
Transp/Warehousing/Utils	13,800	14,600	13,500	-800	-5.5%	300	2.2%
--Information	2,000	2,100	2,000	-100	-4.8%	0	0.0%
--Financial Activities	8,500	8,900	8,700	-400	-4.5%	-200	-2.3%
--Professional & Business	19,500	21,000	20,100	-1,500	-7.1%	-600	-3.0%
Employment Services	2,800	3,000	2,600	-200	-6.7%	200	7.7%
--Educational & Health	47,200	48,600	46,700	-1,400	-2.9%	500	1.1%
Educational Services	7,000	7,700	7,000	-700	-9.1%	0	0.0%
Health Care/Social Assist.	40,200	40,900	39,700	-700	-1.7%	500	1.3%
Med/Surgical Hospitals	13,400	13,500	13,300	-100	-0.7%	100	0.8%
--Leisure & Hospitality	29,600	30,900	28,800	-1,300	-4.2%	800	2.8%
Arts/Entertnmt/Recn	6,600	7,000	6,700	-400	-5.7%	-100	-1.5%
Food Svcs/Drinkg Plcs	21,100	22,000	20,700	-900	-4.1%	400	1.9%
--Other Services	12,300	12,600	12,100	-300	-2.4%	200	1.7%
Government	36,400	37,200	37,200	-800	-2.2%	-800	-2.2%
--Federal Government	1,900	2,000	2,000	-100	-5.0%	-100	-5.0%
--State Government	4,200	4,400	4,500	-200	-4.6%	-300	-6.7%
--Local Government	30,300	30,800	30,700	-500	-1.6%	-400	-1.3%
Local Govt Educ Svcs	18,200	18,600	18,300	-400	-2.2%	-100	-0.6%

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Current Employment Statistics

Applicant Pool

Top 20 Occupations Desired by Active Applicants on Their Resumes in the Past 12 Months

- 1 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand - 1085
- 2 Customer Service Representatives - 887
- 3 Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other - 847
- 4 Helpers -- Production Workers - 709
- 5 Production Workers, All Other - 664
- 6 Cashiers - 550
- 7 Structural Iron and Steel Workers - 432
- 8 Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants - 412
- 9 Office Clerks, General - 407
- 10 Construction Laborers - 385
- 11 Administrative Services Managers - 355
- 12 Maintenance and Repair Workers, General - 318
- 13 Managers, All Other - 316
- 14 Retail Salespersons - 292
- 15 Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants - 288
- 16 Receptionists and Information Clerks - 275
- 17 Stock Clerks- Stockroom, Warehouse, or Storage Yard - 270
- 18 Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners - 229
- 19 Construction and Related Workers, All Other - 225
- 20 Medical Assistants - 221

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

Michigan City-LaPorte MSA Wage and Salaried Employment, January 2012							
Industry	Jan-12	Dec-11	Jan-11	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
				Change	Change	Change	Change
				Dec-11 to Jan-12		Jan-11 to Jan-12	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	41,200	42,700	41,100	-1,500	-3.5%	100	0.2%
Total Private Employment	34,500	35,900	34,200	-1,400	-3.9%	300	0.9%
GOODS PRODUCING	9,600	9,800	9,100	-200	-2.0%	500	5.5%
--Mining, Logging, Constr	1,700	1,900	1,400	-200	-10.5%	300	21.4%
--Manufacturing	7,900	7,900	7,700	0	0.0%	200	2.6%
SERVICE PROVIDING	31,600	32,900	32,000	-1,300	-4.0%	-400	-1.3%
Private Service Providing	24,900	26,100	25,100	-1,200	-4.6%	-200	-0.8%
--Trade, Transp, & Utilities	8,700	9,100	8,600	-400	-4.4%	100	1.2%
Wholesale Trade	1,400	1,400	1,300	0	0.0%	100	7.7%
Retail Trade	5,500	5,900	5,500	-400	-6.8%	0	0.0%
--Information	300	300	300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
--Financial Activities	1,200	1,300	1,200	-100	-7.7%	0	0.0%
--Professional & Business	2,400	2,600	2,400	-200	-7.7%	0	0.0%
--Educational & Health	5,700	5,800	6,100	-100	-1.7%	-400	-6.6%
--Leisure & Hospitality	4,900	5,200	4,800	-300	-5.8%	100	2.1%
--Other Services	1,700	1,800	1,700	-100	-5.6%	0	0.0%
Government	6,700	6,800	6,900	-100	-1.5%	-200	-2.9%
--Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
--State Government	1,900	1,900	2,200	0	0.0%	-300	-13.6%
--Local Government	4,600	4,700	4,500	-100	-2.1%	100	2.2%
Local Govt Educ Svcs	2,800	2,900	2,700	-100	-3.5%	100	3.7%

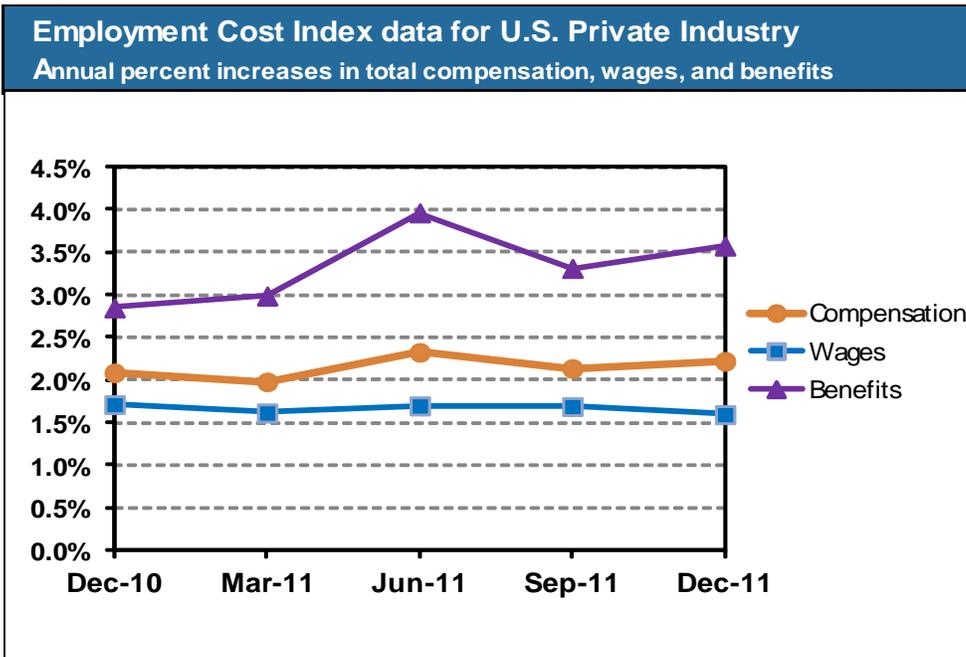
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Frequently Listed Jobs

Top 20 Job listings by number of openings in Region 1 for the month of January 2012

- 1 Team Assemblers
- 2 Packaging and Filling Machine Operators and Tenders
- 3 Helpers--Production Workers
- 4 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand
- 5 Packers and Packagers, Hand
- 6 Personal and Home Care Aides
- 7 Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer
- 8 Sales Representatives, Services, All Other
- 9 Customer Service Representatives
- 10 Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants
- 11 Machine Feeders and Offbearers
- 12 Managers, All Other
- 13 Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
- 14 Security Guards
- 15 Helpers--Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers
- 16 Retail Salespersons
- 17 Waiters and Waitresses
- 18 Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators, Metal and Plastic
- 19 Food Preparation Workers
- 20 Machinists

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

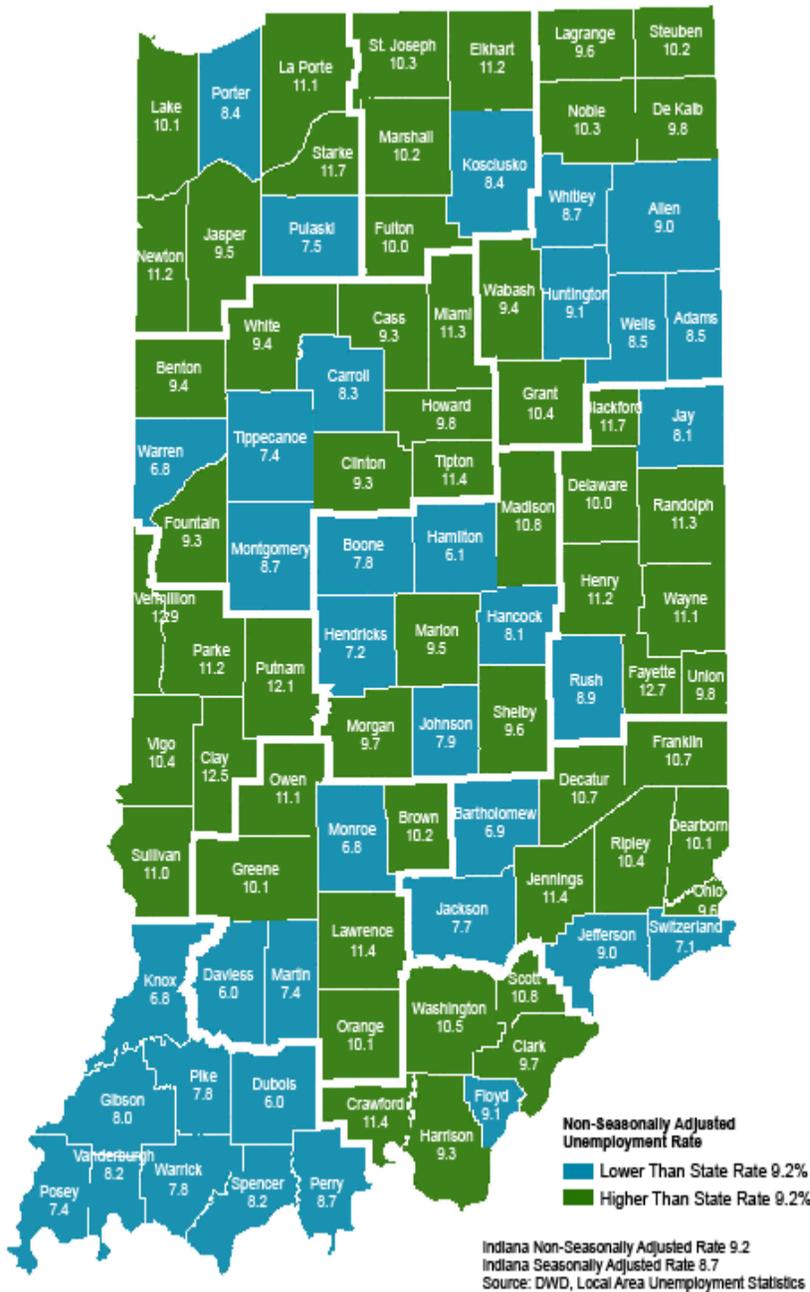


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistic, Pay & Benefits & Workplace Injuries

County Unemployment Rates January 2012



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