



Economic Growth Region 1

Statistical Data Report for December 2013, Released February 2014

Regional and State Unemployment (seasonally adjusted)

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally lower in December. Thirty-nine states and the District of Columbia had unemployment rate decreases from November, two states had increases, and nine states had no change, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported recently. Forty-two states and the District of Columbia had unemployment rate decreases from a year earlier, six states had increases, and two states had no change. The national jobless rate declined to 6.7 percent from November and was 1.2 percentage points lower than in December 2012.



Economic Growth Region (EGR) 1

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

December 2013 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Dec 2013 Rate	Nov 2013 Rate	Dec 2012 Rate
U.S.	154,408,000	144,423,000	9,984,000	6.5%	6.6%	7.6%
IN	3,159,417	2,958,980	200,437	6.3%	7.2%	8.5%
Gary Metro Div	324,444	298,540	25,904	8.0%	8.6%	9.6%
MichCity-LaP MSA	49,391	45,301	4,090	8.3%	8.9%	10.5%
EGR 1	390,998	359,840	31,158	8.0%	8.6%	9.7%
Lake Co.	219,790	201,284	18,506	8.4%	9.1%	10.1%
Porter Co.	82,471	76,777	5,694	6.9%	7.3%	8.3%
LaPorte Co.	49,391	45,301	4,090	8.3%	8.9%	10.5%
Newton Co.	6,722	6,219	503	7.5%	7.9%	9.4%
Jasper Co.	15,462	14,260	1,202	7.8%	7.8%	9.2%
Starke Co.	10,323	9,531	792	7.7%	8.2%	10.8%
Pulaski Co.	6,839	6,468	371	5.4%	6.3%	7.7%
Gary	28,561	25,314	3,247	11.4%	13.0%	13.4%
Hammond	33,331	30,382	2,949	8.8%	9.7%	10.8%
East Chicago	9,669	8,614	1,055	10.9%	12.0%	12.9%
Hobart	14,024	12,701	1,323	9.4%	9.4%	11.3%
Merrillville	17,285	15,913	1,372	7.9%	8.5%	9.7%
Michigan City	13,056	11,925	1,131	8.7%	9.4%	11.6%
Portage	17,929	16,436	1,493	8.3%	8.5%	9.6%
Schererville	15,295	14,390	905	5.9%	6.5%	7.8%
Valparaiso	15,860	14,895	965	6.1%	7.0%	7.6%
Crown Point	13,237	12,267	970	7.3%	8.0%	8.8%
LaPorte	9,965	9,187	778	7.8%	8.3%	9.3%

Unemployment Rates by State, December 2013

(seasonally adjusted)

- U.S. - 6.7%
- Illinois - 8.6%
- Indiana - 6.9%**
- Kentucky - 8.0%
- Michigan - 8.4%
- Ohio - 7.2%

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

Unemployment Rank by County, December 2013 (high to low)

- #3 - Lake (8.4%)
- #4 - LaPorte (8.3%)
- #8 - Jasper (7.8%)
- #10 - Starke (7.7%)
- #14 - Newton (7.5%)
- #30 - Porter (6.9%)
- #74 - Pulaski (5.4%)

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

State Release Date: 1/28/2014.

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

Unemployment Claims, December 2013 Economic Growth Region 1 (EGR1)

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to December 2013 from:				
CPI Item	Dec-12	Nov-13	Dec-12	Nov-13
	Midwest Region*		U.S. City	
All Items	1.0%	-0.2%	1.5%	0.0%
Food & Beverages	0.8%	0.1%	1.1%	0.1%
Housing	1.8%	0.1%	2.2%	0.2%
Apparel	0.6%	-3.5%	0.6%	-2.3%
Transportation	-1.2%	-0.6%	0.5%	0.0%
Medical Care	2.5%	-0.1%	2.0%	-0.2%
Recreation	-0.1%	-0.7%	0.4%	-0.4%
Education & Communication	1.3%	-0.1%	1.6%	0.0%
Other Goods & Services	2.3%	0.3%	1.8%	0.3%

*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

Initial Claims

Dec 7 2013 – 1,062
Dec 14 2013 – 1,008
Dec 21 2013 – 928
Dec 28 2013 – 1,081

Continued Claims

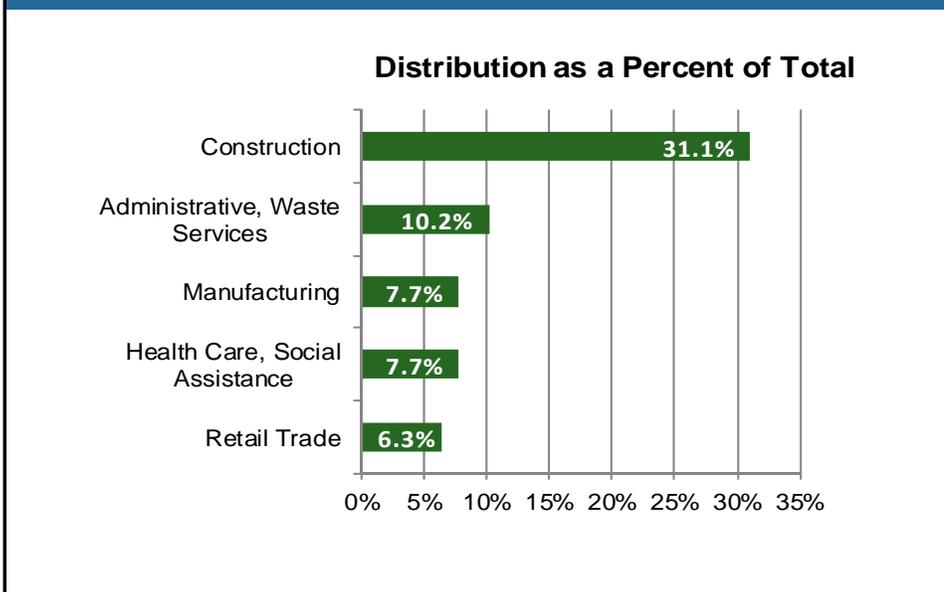
Dec 7 2013 – 6,586
Dec 14 2013 – 6,966
Dec 21 2013 – 7,238
Dec 28 2013 – 7,957

Total Claims*

Dec 7 2013 – 10,616
Dec 14 2013 – 11,008
Dec 21 2013 – 11,150
Dec 28 2013 – 11,889

(D): Indicates one or more counties are excluded due to non-disclosure issues.

Percentage of Unemployment Claims for Top 5 Region 1 Industries, December 2013



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

WARN Notices

There were no Region 1 WARN Notices for December 2013

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

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

Dec 7 2013 – 6,009
Dec 14 2013 – 7,326
Dec 21 2013 – 6,117
Dec 28 2013 – 7,093

Continued Claims

Dec 7 2013 – 41,411
Dec 14 2013 – 44,650
Dec 21 2013 – 46,524
Dec 28 2013 – 50,820

Total Claims*

Dec 7 2013 – 68,444
Dec 14 2013 – 73,473
Dec 21 2013 – 74,134
Dec 28 2013 – 78,262

*Total claims include EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation) and EB (State Extended Benefits). Please see www.hoosierdata.in.gov for additional information.

Source: IN Dept. of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, UI Statistics

Gary Metropolitan Division Wage and Salaried Employment, December 2013							
Industry	Dec-13	Nov-13	Dec-12	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
				Change	Change	Change	Change
				Nov-13 to Dec-13		Dec-12 to Dec-13	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	275,200	275,900	274,000	-700	-0.3%	1,200	0.4%
Total Private Employment	240,200	240,800	237,100	-600	-0.3%	3,100	1.3%
GOODS PRODUCING	52,500	53,900	55,700	-1,400	-2.6%	-3,200	-5.8%
---Mining & Logging	100	100	200	0	0.0%	-100	-50.0%
---Construction	16,400	17,800	19,200	-1,400	-7.9%	-2,800	-14.6%
---Manufacturing	36,000	36,000	36,300	0	0.0%	-300	-0.8%
Durable Goods	28,900	29,000	28,900	-100	-0.3%	0	0.0%
Primary Metal Mfg	18,100	18,100	18,800	0	0.0%	-700	-3.7%
Iron and Steel Mills	17,000	17,000	16,900	0	0.0%	100	0.6%
SERVICE PROVIDING	222,700	222,000	218,300	700	0.3%	4,400	2.0%
Private Service Providing	187,700	186,900	181,400	800	0.4%	6,300	3.5%
---Trade, Transp, & Utilities	62,900	62,100	58,400	800	1.3%	4,500	7.7%
Wholesale Trade	9,100	9,100	8,900	0	0.0%	200	2.3%
Retail Trade	38,300	37,200	34,500	1,100	3.0%	3,800	11.0%
Gen Merch Stores	7,700	7,400	7,600	300	4.1%	100	1.3%
Other Gen Merch Stores	4,000	4,000	3,900	0	0.0%	100	2.6%
Transp/Warehousing/Utils	15,500	15,800	15,000	-300	-1.9%	500	3.3%
---Information	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Financial Activities	9,100	9,000	9,100	100	1.1%	0	0.0%
---Professional & Business	21,900	22,100	21,500	-200	-0.9%	400	1.9%
Employment Services	3,400	3,400	3,100	0	0.0%	300	9.7%
---Educational & Health	48,200	48,100	48,100	100	0.2%	100	0.2%
Educational Services	7,700	7,700	7,900	0	0.0%	-200	-2.5%
Health Care/Social Assist.	40,500	40,400	40,200	100	0.3%	300	0.8%
Med/Surgical Hospitals	13,000	13,000	13,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Leisure & Hospitality	31,100	31,100	29,900	0	0.0%	1,200	4.0%
Arts/Entertnmt/Recn	6,100	6,300	6,300	-200	-3.2%	-200	-3.2%
Food Svcs/Drinkg Plcs	23,000	23,000	22,500	0	0.0%	500	2.2%
---Other Services	12,500	12,500	12,400	0	0.0%	100	0.8%
Government	35,000	35,100	36,900	-100	-0.3%	-1,900	-5.2%
---Federal Government	1,800	1,800	1,900	0	0.0%	-100	-5.3%
---State Government	4,500	4,600	4,500	-100	-2.2%	0	0.0%
---Local Government	28,700	28,700	30,500	0	0.0%	-1,800	-5.9%
Local Govt Educ Svcs	16,800	16,700	17,600	100	0.6%	-800	-4.6%

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 - 1028
- 2 Helpers--Production Workers - 696
- 3 Customer Service Representatives - 692
- 4 Assemblers and Fabricators All Other - 652
- 5 Maintenance and Repair Workers, General - 476
- 6 Cashiers - 473
- 7 Office Clerks, General - 344
- 8 Construction Laborers - 313
- 9 Managers, All Other - 312
- 10 Administrative Services Managers - 290
- 11 Structural Iron and Steel Workers - 285
- 12 Nursing Assistants - 243
- 13 Retail Salespersons - 227
- 14 Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners - 22
- 15 Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants - 218
- 16 Stock Clerks- Stockroom, Warehouse, or Storage Yard - 216
- 17 Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers - 208
- 18 Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks - 195
- 19 Welders, Cutters, and Welder Fitters - 190
- 20 Receptionists and Information Clerks - 185

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

Michigan City-LaPorte MSA Wage and Salaried Employment, December 2013

Industry	Dec-13	Nov-13	Dec-12	Nov-13 to Dec-13		Dec-12 to Dec-13	
				Number Change	Percent Change	Number Change	Percent Change
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	43,300	43,400	43,100	-100	-0.2%	200	0.5%
Total Private Employment	36,500	36,500	36,200	0	0.0%	300	0.8%
GOODS PRODUCING	9,600	9,700	9,600	-100	-1.0%	0	0.0%
--Mining, Logging, Constr	1,700	1,800	1,700	-100	-5.6%	0	0.0%
--Manufacturing	7,900	7,900	7,900	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
SERVICE PROVIDING	33,700	33,700	33,500	0	0.0%	200	0.6%
Private Service Providing	26,900	26,800	26,600	100	0.4%	300	1.1%
--Trade, Transp, & Utilities	9,100	9,000	9,100	100	1.1%	0	0.0%
Wholesale Trade	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	6,000	5,900	6,000	100	1.7%	0	0.0%
--Information	200	200	300	0	0.0%	-100	-33.3%
--Financial Activities	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
--Professional & Business	3,000	3,000	2,700	0	0.0%	300	11.1%
--Educational & Health	5,900	6,000	6,100	-100	-1.7%	-200	-3.3%
--Leisure & Hospitality	5,700	5,600	5,400	100	1.8%	300	5.6%
--Other Services	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Government	6,800	6,900	6,900	-100	-1.5%	-100	-1.5%
--Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
--State Government	2,200	2,200	2,300	0	0.0%	-100	-4.4%
--Local Government	4,400	4,500	4,400	-100	-2.2%	0	0.0%
Local Govt Educ Svcs	2,600	2,600	2,500	0	0.0%	100	4.0%

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

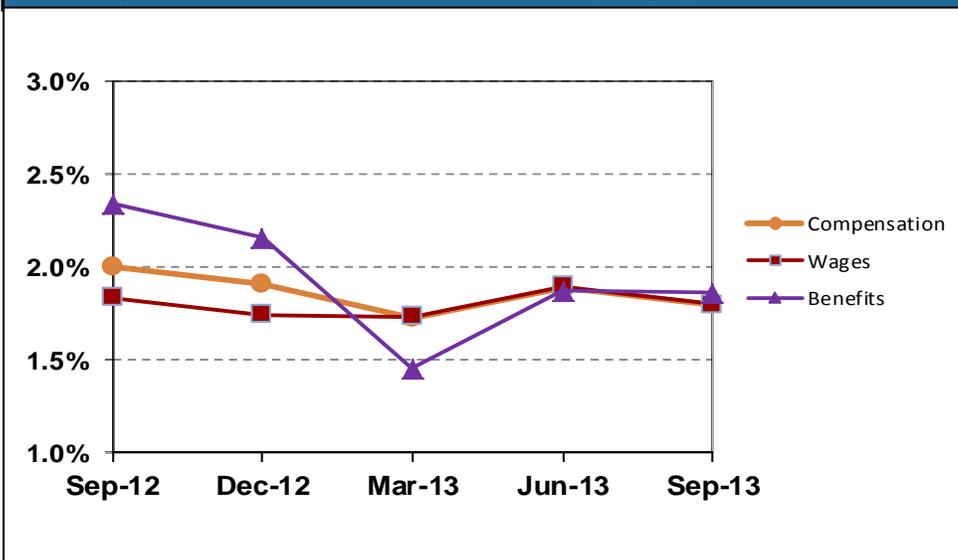
Frequently Listed Jobs

Top 20 Job listings by number of openings in Region 1 for the month of December 2013

- 1 Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
- 2 Home Health Aides
- 3 Customer Service Representatives
- 4 Cooks, Fast Food
- 5 Packaging and Filling Machine Operators and Tenders
- 6 Stock Clerks- Stockroom, Warehouse, or Storage Yard
- 7 Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
- 8 Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers
- 9 Production Workers, All Other
- 10 Security Guards
- 11 Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologists
- 12 Sales Representatives, Services, All Other
- 13 Cement Masons and Concrete Finishers
- 14 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand
- 15 Maintenance and Repair Workers, General
- 16 Managers, All Other
- 17 Retail Salespersons
- 18 Roofers
- 19 Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
- 20 Building Cleaning Workers, All Other

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

Employment Cost Index data for U.S. Private Industry Annual percent increases in total compensation, wages, and benefits



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

Union Members --- 2013

(Excerpted from the Bureau of Labor Statistics report released January 24, 2014)

In 2013, the union membership rate, the percent of wage and salary workers who were members of unions, was 11.3 percent, the same as in 2012, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported recently. The number of wage and salary workers belonging to unions, at 14.5 million, was little different from 2012. In 1983, the first year for which comparable union data are available, the union membership rate was 20.1 percent, and there were 17.7 million union workers.

In 2013, 7.2 million employees in the public sector belonged to a union, compared with 7.3 million workers in the private sector. The union membership rate for public-sector workers (35.3 percent) was substantially higher than the rate for private-sector workers (6.7 percent). Within the public sector, the union membership rate was highest for local government (40.8 percent), which includes employees in heavily unionized occupations, such as teachers, police officers, and firefighters. In the private sector, industries with high unionization rates included utilities (25.6 percent), transportation and warehousing (19.6 percent), telecommunications (14.4 percent), and construction (14.1 percent). Low unionization rates occurred in agriculture and related industries (1.0 percent), finance (1.0 percent), and in food services and drinking places (1.3 percent).

Among occupational groups, the highest unionization rates in 2013 were in education, training, and library occupations and protective service occupations (35.3 percent each). Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations (2.1 percent) and sales and related occupations (2.9 percent) had the lowest unionization rates.

Highlights From the 2013 Data

- Public-sector workers had a union membership rate (35.3 percent) more than five times higher than that of private-sector workers (6.7 percent).
- Workers in education, training, and library occupations and in protective service occupations had the highest unionization rate, at 35.3 percent for each occupation group.
- Men had a higher union membership rate (11.9 percent) than women (10.5 percent).
- Black workers were more likely to be union members than white, Asian, or Hispanic workers.
- Among states, New York continued to have the highest union membership rate (24.4 percent), and North Carolina had the lowest rate (3.0 percent).

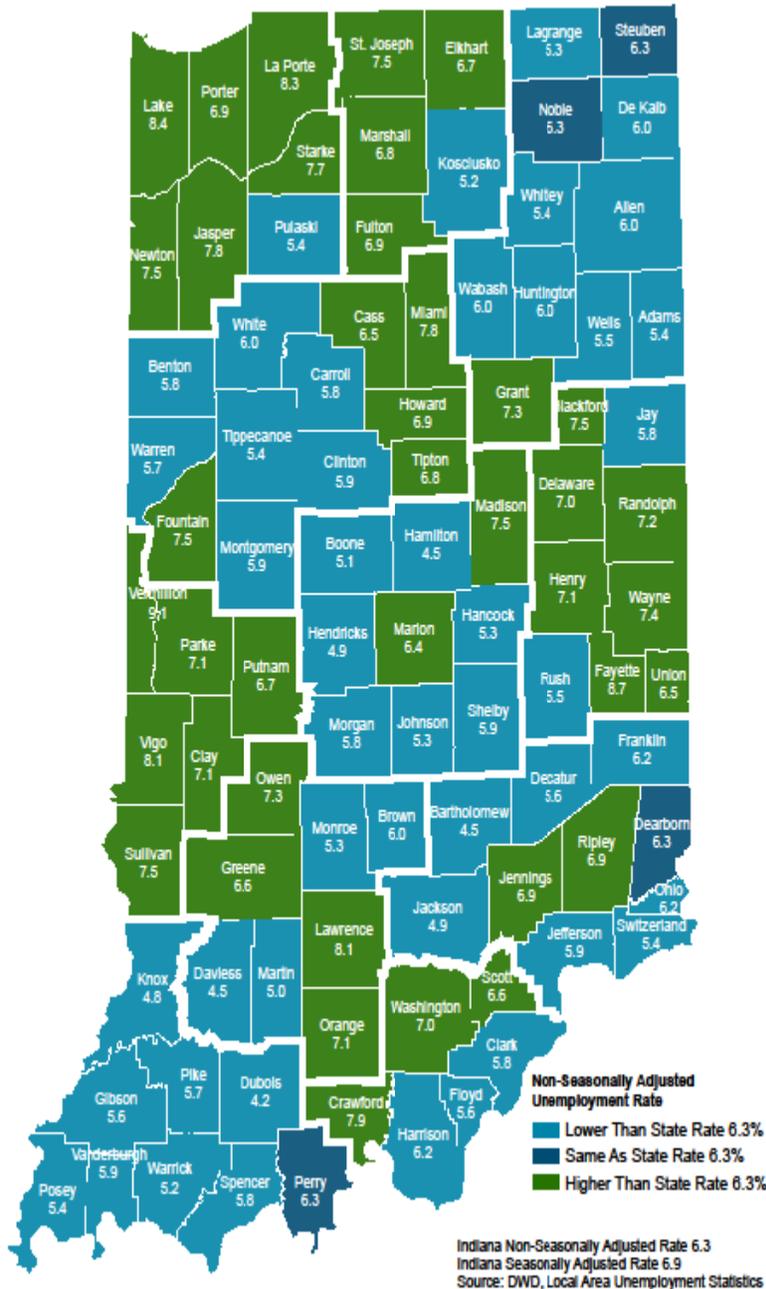
For the full BLS report on union members in 2013 in pdf format including data tables, click the Internet link:

<http://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/union2.pdf>

County Unemployment Rates December 2013



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