



Economic Growth Region 1

Statistical Data Report for April 2016, Released June 2016

Regional and State Unemployment (seasonally adjusted)

Unemployment rates were significantly lower in April in five states, higher in four states, and stable in 41 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Nineteen states had notable unemployment rate decreases from a year earlier, two states had increases, and 29 states and the District had no notable net change. The national jobless rate was unchanged from March at 5.0 percent and was 0.4 percentage point lower than in April 2015.

April 2016 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Apr 2016 Rate	Mar 2016 Rate	Apr 2015 Rate
U.S.	158,488,000	151,075,000	7,413,000	4.7%	5.1%	5.1%
IN	3,348,855	3,187,467	161,388	4.8%	5.5%	4.5%
Gary Metro Div	345,972	323,460	22,512	6.5%	7.5%	6.1%
MichCity-LaPorte MSA	48,806	45,623	3,183	6.5%	7.7%	5.8%
EGR 1	411,996	385,318	26,678	6.5%	7.5%	6.0%
Lake Co.	235,838	219,492	16,346	6.9%	7.8%	6.6%
Porter Co.	86,308	81,518	4,790	5.5%	6.6%	5.0%
LaPorte Co.	48,806	45,623	3,183	6.5%	7.7%	5.8%
Newton Co.	7,178	6,761	417	5.8%	7.0%	5.4%
Jasper Co.	16,648	15,689	959	5.8%	7.0%	5.2%
Starke Co.	10,810	10,156	654	6.0%	7.3%	5.6%
Pulaski Co.	6,408	6,079	329	5.1%	5.6%	4.3%
East Chicago	10,530	9,493	1,037	9.8%	11.0%	8.6%
Hammond	35,797	33,245	2,552	7.1%	7.9%	6.9%
Munster	12,066	11,480	586	4.9%	5.6%	4.4%
Dyer	8,954	8,513	441	4.9%	5.4%	3.8%
Schererville	16,478	15,564	914	5.5%	6.1%	4.6%
Crown Point	14,949	14,074	875	5.9%	6.7%	5.0%
Griffith	9,160	8,565	595	6.5%	7.4%	5.8%
Highland	12,997	12,228	769	5.9%	6.6%	4.7%
Gary	28,121	25,409	2,712	9.6%	10.1%	10.1%
Merrillville	17,465	16,244	1,221	7.0%	7.6%	6.8%
Hobart	15,360	14,214	1,146	7.5%	8.8%	7.4%
Lake Station	5,178	4,642	536	10.4%	12.2%	11.2%
Portage	18,300	17,032	1,268	6.9%	7.9%	5.9%
Chesterton	6,822	6,486	336	4.9%	5.9%	4.8%
Valparaiso	16,291	15,398	893	5.5%	6.0%	4.4%
Michigan City	12,966	12,030	936	7.2%	8.1%	6.8%
LaPorte	9,773	9,177	596	6.1%	7.7%	5.5%

The data displayed are presented as estimates only. The most recent month's data are always preliminary and are revised when the next month's data are released.

Source: Indiana Dept. of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Released 5-23-16

LaPorte City and Michigan City unemployment estimates were affected throughout 2014 by a coding error of local unemployment insurance claimant data. This only impacted LaPorte City and Michigan City. The yearly benchmarking process in April has corrected the error previously and moving forward.



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

Unemployment Rates by State - April 2016

(seasonally adjusted)

- U.S. - 5.0%
- Illinois - 6.6%
- Indiana - 5.2%**
- Kentucky - 5.3%
- Michigan - 4.8%
- Ohio - 5.2%

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

Unemployment Rank by County - April 2016

(high to low*)

- #3 - Lake (6.9%)
- #5 - LaPorte (6.5%)
- #10 - Starke (6%)
- #15 - Jasper (5.8%)
- #16 - Newton (5.8%)
- #22 - Porter (5.5%)
- #33 - Pulaski (5.1%)

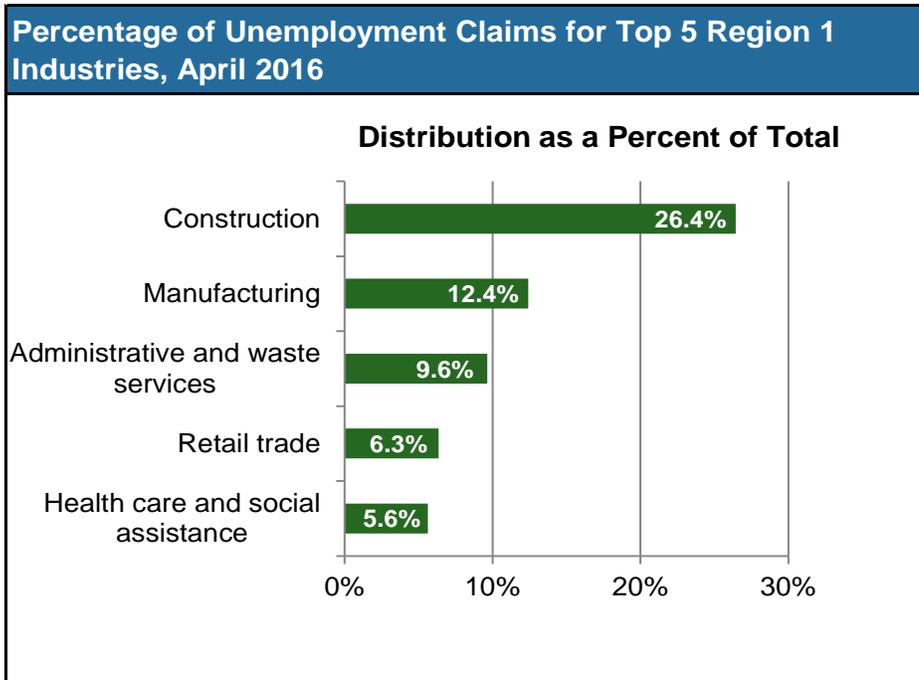
*of Indiana's 92 counties

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

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to April 2016 from:						
CPI Item	Apr-15	Mar-16	Apr-15	Mar-16	Apr-15	Mar-16
	Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI		Midwest Region*		U.S. City	
All Items	0.7%	0.6%	0.8%	0.4%	1.1%	0.5%
Food & Beverages	1.3%	1.1%	0.8%	0.4%	1.0%	0.2%
Housing	1.1%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	2.1%	0.1%
Apparel	-1.7%	0.6%	-0.6%	0.2%	-0.6%	0.3%
Transportation	-3.0%	2.5%	-2.9%	1.9%	-2.4%	2.2%
Medical Care	2.2%	0.2%	2.8%	0.2%	3.0%	0.3%
Recreation	2.8%	0.5%	1.1%	0.5%	1.3%	0.4%
Education & Communication	0.6%	0.4%	0.7%	0.3%	1.2%	0.0%
Other Goods & Services	1.0%	0.0%	1.9%	0.0%	2.1%	0.1%

*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



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

There were no WARN notices in Region 1 in April 2016

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.html>

Unemployment Claims April 2016

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Initial Claims

April 2nd, 2016 – 389 (D)
 April 9th, 2016 – 520 (D)
 April 16th, 2016 – 394 (D)
 April 23rd, 2016 – 368 (D)
 April, 30th, 2016 – 399 (D)

Continued Claims

April 2nd, 2016 – 4,477
 April 9th, 2016 – 4,140
 April 16th, 2016 – 3,479
 April 23rd, 2016 – 3,172
 April, 30th, 2016 – 3,003

Total Claims

April 2nd, 2016 – 4,866
 April 9th, 2016 – 4,660
 April 16th, 2016 – 3,873
 April 23rd, 2016 – 3,540
 April, 30th, 2016 – 3,402

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

State of Indiana

State of Indiana Initial Claims

April 2nd, 2016 – 2,722
 April 9th, 2016 – 3,317
 April 16th, 2016 – 2,879
 April 23rd, 2016 – 2,727
 April, 30th, 2016 – 2,655

Continued Claims

April 2nd, 2016 – 24,745
 April 9th, 2016 – 23,361
 April 16th, 2016 – 21,358
 April 23rd, 2016 – 20,423
 April, 30th, 2016 – 18,760

Total Claims

April 2nd, 2016 – 27,467
 April 9th, 2016 – 26,678
 April 16th, 2016 – 24,237
 April 23rd, 2016 – 23,150
 April, 30th, 2016 – 21,415

Source: Indiana Dept. of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

Gary Metropolitan Division							
<i>Wage and Salaried Employment - April 2016</i>				Number Change	Percent Change	Number Change	Percent Change
Industry	Apr-16	Mar-16	Apr-15	Mar-16 to Apr-16		Apr-15 to Apr-16	
Total Nonfarm	276,500	272,300	272,900	4,200	1.5%	3,600	1.3%
Total Private	240,000	235,800	237,400	4,200	1.8%	2,600	1.1%
Goods Producing	51,700	50,200	50,700	1,500	3.0%	1,000	2.0%
Service-Providing	224,800	222,100	222,200	2,700	1.2%	2,600	1.2%
Private Service Providing	188,300	185,600	186,700	2,700	1.5%	1,600	0.9%
Mining and Logging	100	100	200	0	0.0%	-100	-50.0%
Mining, Logging and Construction	15,800	14,300	15,200	1,500	10.5%	600	4.0%
Construction	15,700	14,200	15,000	1,500	10.6%	700	4.7%
Manufacturing	35,900	35,900	35,500	0	0.0%	400	1.1%
Durable Goods	28,100	28,100	28,700	0	0.0%	-600	-2.1%
Primary Metal Manufacturing	17,000	17,100	17,900	-100	-0.6%	-900	-5.0%
Iron and Steel Mills and Ferroalloy Manufacturing	16,000	16,100	16,600	-100	-0.6%	-600	-3.6%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	59,300	59,100	57,900	200	0.3%	1,400	2.4%
Wholesale Trade	9,800	9,500	9,600	300	3.2%	200	2.1%
Retail Trade	34,200	34,400	33,300	-200	-0.6%	900	2.7%
General Merchandise Stores	7,100	7,100	6,900	0	0.0%	200	2.9%
Other Gen Merch Stores	4,100	4,100	4,000	0	0.0%	100	2.5%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	15,300	15,200	15,000	100	0.7%	300	2.0%
Information	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	8,600	8,500	8,600	100	1.2%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	21,800	21,000	23,100	800	3.8%	-1,300	-5.6%
Employment Services	3,500	3,400	3,600	100	2.9%	-100	-2.8%
Education and Health Services	49,700	48,900	49,800	800	1.6%	-100	-0.2%
Educational Services	7,700	7,000	8,600	700	10.0%	-900	-10.5%
Health Care and Social Assistance	42,000	41,900	41,200	100	0.2%	800	1.9%
General Medical and Surgical Hospitals	13,300	13,300	13,000	0	0.0%	300	2.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	33,500	32,700	32,000	800	2.5%	1,500	4.7%
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	6,400	6,100	6,600	300	4.9%	-200	-3.0%
Food Services and Drinking Places	24,700	24,100	23,800	600	2.5%	900	3.8%
Other Services	13,400	13,400	13,300	0	0.0%	100	0.8%
Total Government	36,500	36,500	35,500	0	0.0%	1,000	2.8%
Federal Government	1,900	1,900	1,900	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	5,500	5,400	4,700	100	1.9%	800	17.0%
Local Government	29,100	29,200	28,900	-100	-0.3%	200	0.7%
Local Government Educational Services	16,500	16,600	16,500	-100	-0.6%	0	0.0%

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

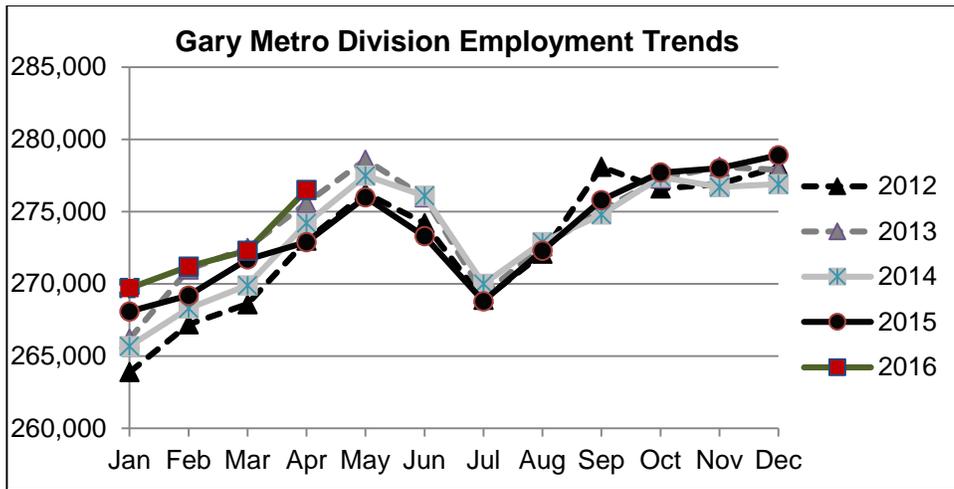
Applicant Pool

Top 20 occupations desired by applicants on their resumes in the past 12 months

- 1 Helpers--Production Workers - 1,683
- 2 Production Workers, All Other - 1,464
- 3 Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other - 1,404
- 4 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand - 1,303
- 5 Customer Service Representatives - 939
- 6 Cashiers - 904
- 7 Construction Laborers - 646
- 8 Stock Clerks and Order Fillers - 627
- 9 Office Clerks, General - 604
- 10 Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers - 560
- 11 Construction and Related Workers, All Other - 548
- 12 Carpenters - 547
- 13 Managers, All Other - 529
- 14 Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators - 523
- 15 Nursing Assistants - 459
- 16 Maintenance and Repair Workers, General - 432
- 17 Packers and Packers, Hand - 421
- 18 Retail Salespersons - 407
- 19 Administrative Services Managers - 405
- 20 Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants - 384

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect





Note: Historical data for the most recent 5 years (both seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted) are revised near the beginning of each calendar year, prior to the release of January estimates for statewide data.

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Current Employment Statistics5

Michigan City-LaPorte Metropolitan Statistical Area							
<i>Wage and Salaried Employment-April 2016</i>				Number	Percent	Number	Percent
				Change	Change	Change	Change
Industry	Apr-16	Mar-16	Apr-15	Mar-16 to Apr-16	Apr-15 to Apr-16	Apr-15 to Apr-16	Apr-15 to Apr-16
Total Nonfarm	41,000	40,500	41,600	500	1.2%	-600	-1.4%
Total Private	34,400	33,900	34,600	500	1.5%	-200	-0.6%
Goods Producing	9,500	9,400	9,500	100	1.1%	0	0.0%
Service-Providing	31,500	31,100	32,100	400	1.3%	-600	-1.9%
Private Service Providing	24,900	24,500	25,100	400	1.6%	-200	-0.8%
Mining, Logging and Construction	1,900	1,700	1,900	200	11.8%	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	7,600	7,700	7,600	-100	-1.3%	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	7,800	7,800	8,300	0	0.0%	-500	-6.0%
Wholesale Trade	1,200	1,200	1,300	0	0.0%	-100	-7.7%
Retail Trade	5,500	5,400	5,400	100	1.9%	100	1.9%
Information	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	2,800	2,700	2,800	100	3.7%	0	0.0%
Education and Health Services	5,700	5,700	5,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	5,600	5,300	5,300	300	5.7%	300	5.7%
Other Services	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total Government	6,600	6,600	7,000	0	0.0%	-400	-5.7%
Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	2,000	2,000	2,400	0	0.0%	-400	-16.7%
Local Government	4,400	4,400	4,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government Educational Services	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

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

Frequently Listed Jobs

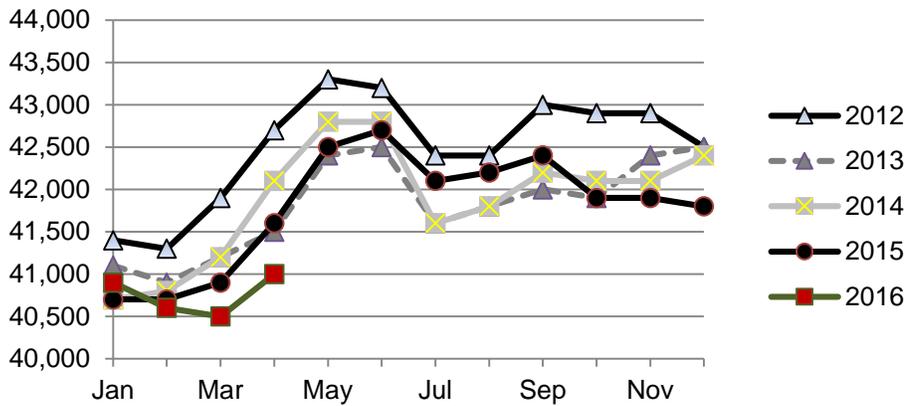
Top 20 job listings by number of openings in Region 1 for the month of April 2016

- 1 Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
- 2 Home Health Aides
- 3 Social and Human Service Assistants
- 4 Retail Salespersons
- 5 Registered Nurses
- 6 Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
- 7 Gaming Dealers
- 8 Production Workers, All Other
- 9 Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
- 10 Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Workers, All Other
- 11 Customer Service Representatives
- 12 Welders, Cutters, and Welder Fitters
- 13 Helpers--Production Workers
- 14 Therapists, All Other
- 15 Occupational Therapy Aides
- 16 Nursing Assistants
- 17 Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products
- 18 Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers
- 19 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand
- 20 Maintenance Workers, Machinery

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect



Mich City-LaPorte MSA Employment Trends



Note: Historical data for the most recent 5 years (both seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted) are revised near the beginning of each calendar year, prior to the release of January estimates for statewide data.

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

TED: The Economics Daily

Women more likely than men to have earned a bachelor's degree by age 29

April 13, 2016

Thirty-four percent of women born in the years 1980–84 had earned a bachelor's degree by age 29, compared with 26 percent of men. Among women and men born in 1980–84, 38 percent had attended some college or earned an associate degree by age 29. Twenty-four percent had earned a high school diploma or General Education Development (GED) credential.

Percent of people born in 1980–84 by their educational attainment at age 29

Characteristic	Total	High School Dropout	High school graduate			Some college or associate degree	Bachelor's degree or higher
			Total	High school diploma, no college	General Education Development (GED) recipient, no college		
Total	100%	7.7%	24.4%	17.0%	7.4%	37.7%	30.0%
Total men	100%	8.5%	28.0%	19.1%	8.9%	37.2%	25.9%
White non-Hispanic men	100%	6.9%	26.9%	19.6%	7.3%	35.5%	30.5%
Black non-Hispanic men	100%	13.0%	35.5%	19.2%	16.2%	38.5%	12.2%
Hispanic or Latino men	100%	12.6%	31.3%	21.2%	10.1%	41.8%	14.1%
Total women	100%	6.8%	20.6%	14.8%	5.8%	38.2%	34.2%
White non-Hispanic women	100%	6.0%	19.8%	14.2%	5.6%	35.1%	39.1%
Black non-Hispanic women	100%	8.5%	21.6%	15.1%	6.5%	48.4%	21.0%
Hispanic or Latino women	100%	10.0%	26.3%	19.6%	6.7%	43.2%	20.1%

Hours & Earnings by Industry Statewide

April 2016

Average Weekly Earnings

Construction	\$990.26
Manufacturing	\$779.58
Durable Goods	\$807.59
Fab Metal Prod Mfg	\$653.33
Transport Equip Mfg	\$892.25
Non-Durable Goods	\$713.58
Retail Trade	\$402.26
Financial Activities	\$779.36
Health Care & Soc Assistance	\$668.65
Accomm & Food Svc	\$242.32
Food Services/Bars	\$241.86

Average Weekly Hours

Construction	36.3
Manufacturing	41.6
Durable Goods	41.5
Fab Metal Prod Mfg	37.1
Transport Equip Mfg	43.0
Non-Durable Goods	42.0
Retail Trade	29.6
Financial Activities	36.3
Health Care & Soc Assistance	33.2
Accomm & Food Svc	23.3
Food Services/Bars	23.1

Average Hourly Earnings

Construction	\$27.28
Manufacturing	\$18.74
Durable Goods	\$19.46
Fab Metal Prod Mfg	\$17.61
Transport Equip Mfg	\$20.75
Non-Durable Goods	\$16.99
Retail Trade	\$13.59
Financial Activities	\$21.47
Health Care & Soc Assistance	\$20.14
Accomm & Food Svc	\$10.40
Food Services/Bars	\$10.47

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Current Employment Statistics

Within each racial and ethnic group examined, women were more likely than men to have earned a bachelor's degree. Thirty-nine percent of non-Hispanic White women had earned a bachelor's degree by age 29, compared with 31 percent of non-Hispanic White men. Twenty-one percent of non-Hispanic Black women had earned a bachelor's degree by age 29, compared with 12 percent of non-Hispanic Black men. Among Hispanics or Latinos, women also were also more likely than men to have earned a bachelor's degree by age 29 (20 percent versus 14 percent).

Among men at age 29, Hispanics and non-Hispanic Blacks were nearly twice as likely as non-Hispanic Whites to have dropped out of high school. Women in each of the racial and ethnic groups were less likely than men to have dropped out of high school.

About 36 percent of non-Hispanic Black men at age 29 were high school graduates who had not attended college. That compares with 31 percent of Hispanic or Latino men and 27 percent of non-Hispanic White men. About one in five Black, Hispanic, and White men had earned a regular high school diploma; Black men were more likely than Hispanic or White men to have earned a GED.

Among 29-year-old women, 26 percent of Hispanics or Latinos were high school graduates who had not attended college. That compares with 22 percent of non-Hispanic Black women and 20 percent of non-Hispanic White women. Women in all three groups were about equally likely to have earned a GED.

These data are from the [National Longitudinal Surveys](#) program. For more information, see "Labor Market Activity, Education, and Partner Status among America's Young Adults at 29: Results from a Longitudinal Survey" ([HTML](#)) ([PDF](#)).

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *The Economics Daily*, Women more likely than men to have earned a bachelor's degree by age 29 on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/opub/ted/2016/women-more-likely-than-men-to-have-earned-a-bachelors-degree-by-age-29.htm> (visited April 13, 2016).

Beyond the April 2016 Numbers...

Additional Data after Release of Indiana's Monthly Employment Report

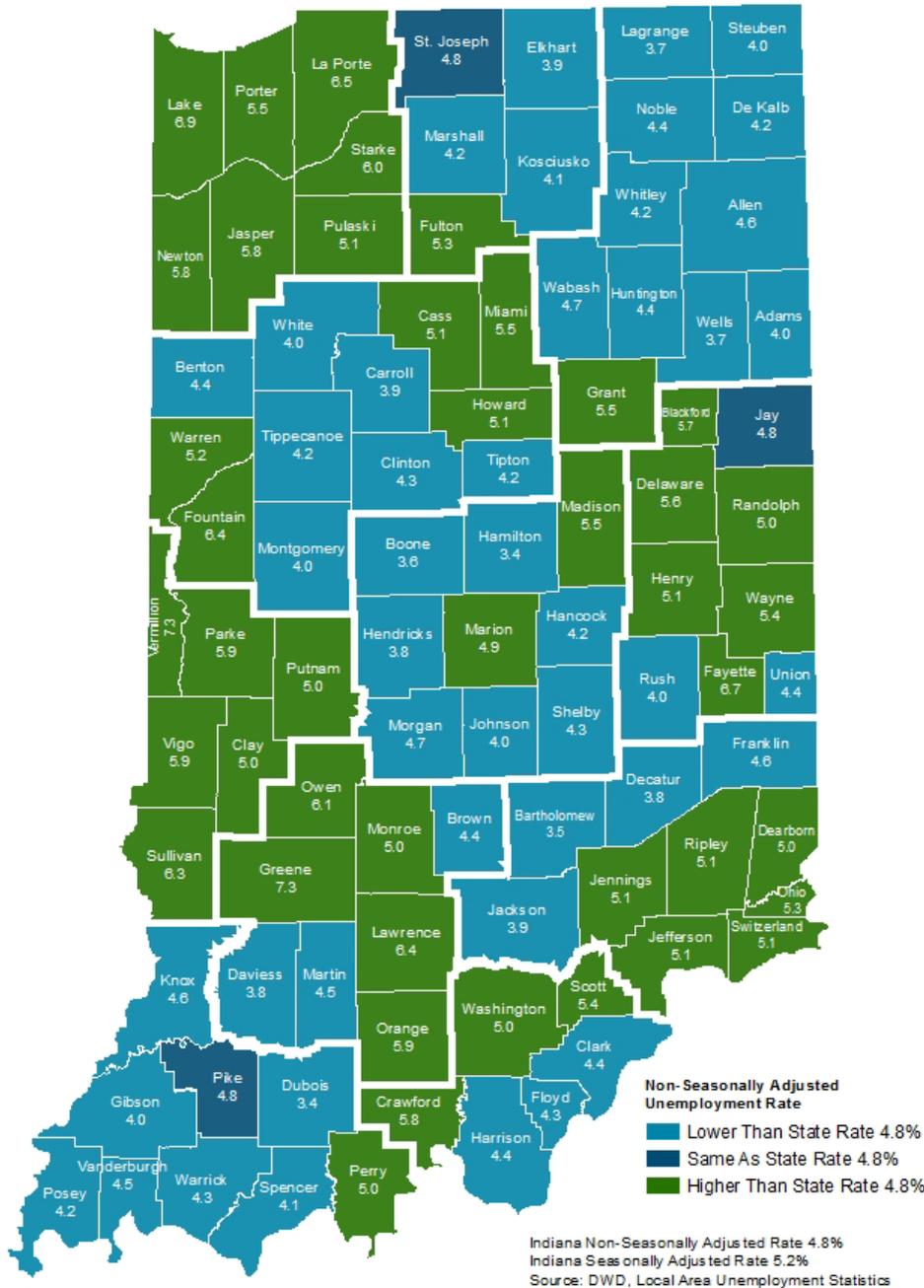
- Indiana Private Sector jobs is now 32,400 above the March 2000 peak employment levels.
- Indiana's unemployment rate decrease of -5.6% from July, 2009, the low point of employment, ranks 9th in the U.S.
- Indiana's rate decrease of -3.2% since January 2013 ranks 12th in the nation.
- The Hoosier labor force has grown by 178,442 individuals since January 2013.
- Indiana's labor force has grown at 0.6% over the month, ranks 1st in the nation.
- Indiana's labor force participation rate has outperformed the national average for 23 months in a row. (Indiana's rate increased to 65.3% vs. 62.8% for national.)
- Indiana Private Sector grew by 0.5% over the month, which ranks 5th in the U.S.
- Indiana's labor force has grown 21.5% since July 2009, the low point of employment, ranks 2nd in the nation.

All data are relayed by the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics and is further broken down by the Research and Analysis team at DWD.

County Unemployment Rates April 2016



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