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March 2022 Labor Market Review

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Economic Growth Region 1

Statistical Data Report for March 2022, Released May 2022

State Employment and Unemployment

Unemployment rates were lower in March in 37 states and stable in 13 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. All 50 states and the District had jobless rate decreases from a year earlier. The national unemployment rate, 3.6 percent, declined by 0.2 percentage point over the month and was 2.4 points lower than in March 2021. Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 10 states and was essentially unchanged in 40 states and the District of Columbia in March 2022. Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 49 states and the District and was essentially unchanged in 1 state.



Economic Growth Region (EGR) 1

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

Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): March 2022

U.S. - 3.6%

Illinois - 4.7%

Indiana - 2.2%

Kentucky - 4%

Michigan - 4.4%

Ohio - 4.1%

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

Unemployment Rank by County (of 92 counties): March 2022

#1 - Lake (4.6%)

#3 - LaPorte (3.9%)

#6 - Starke (3.6%)

#10 - Newton (3.4%)

#16 - Jasper (3.1%)

#23 - Porter (3%)

#43 - Pulaski (2.6%)

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

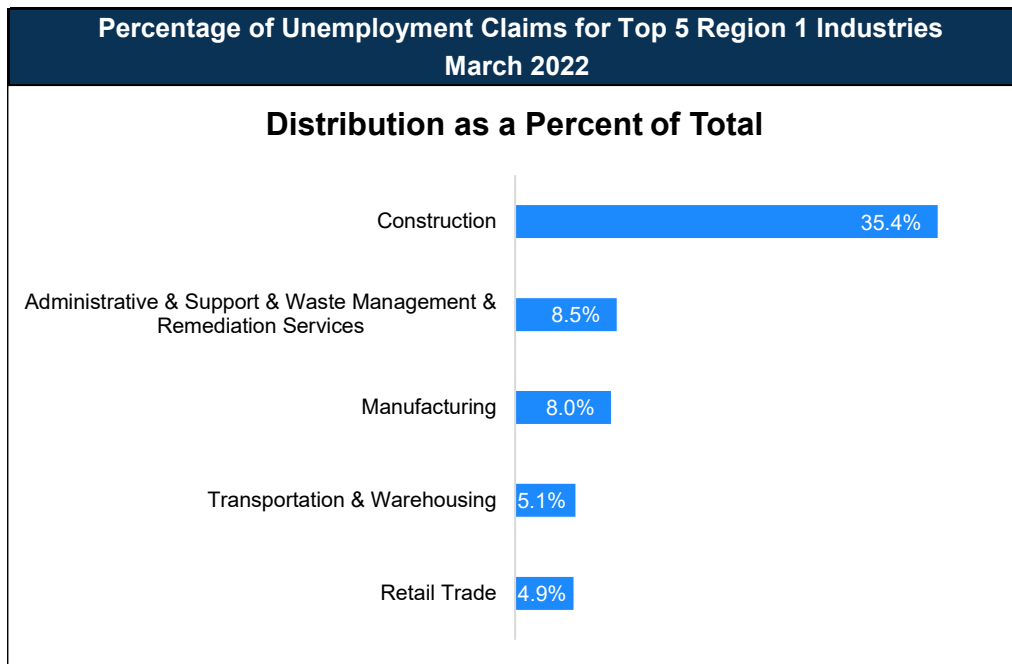
Labor Market Review EGR 1

March 2022 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Mar-22	Feb-22	Mar-21
U.S.	164,274,000	158,106,000	6,168,000	3.8%	4.1%	6.2%
IN	3,363,596	3,272,121	91,475	2.7%	2.7%	4.6%
Gary Metro Div	331,196	317,638	13,558	4.1%	4.4%	6.7%
MichCity-LaPorte MSA	46,399	44,607	1,792	3.9%	3.8%	6.7%
EGR 1	393,129	377,285	15,844	4.0%	4.3%	6.6%
Lake Co.	224,721	214,432	10,289	4.6%	5.0%	7.5%
Porter Co.	84,424	81,866	2,558	3.0%	3.2%	5.0%
LaPorte Co.	46,399	44,607	1,792	3.9%	3.8%	6.7%
Newton Co.	6,549	6,326	223	3.4%	3.4%	5.1%
Jasper Co.	15,502	15,014	488	3.1%	3.3%	4.8%
Starke Co.	9,316	8,985	331	3.6%	3.6%	5.5%
Pulaski Co.	6,218	6,055	163	2.6%	2.5%	4.0%
East Chicago	9,541	8,924	617	6.5%	7.4%	13.1%
Hammond	33,104	31,391	1,713	5.2%	6.3%	8.7%
Munster	11,287	10,975	312	2.8%	2.5%	4.6%
Dyer	8,510	8,251	259	3.0%	2.8%	3.9%
Schererville	15,672	15,113	559	3.6%	3.3%	4.5%
Crown Point	15,431	14,928	503	3.3%	3.4%	5.2%
Griffith	8,532	8,167	365	4.3%	4.8%	6.2%
Highland	12,090	11,574	516	4.3%	4.1%	5.8%
Gary	25,577	23,930	1,647	6.4%	7.6%	13.9%
Merrillville	16,484	15,717	767	4.7%	5.8%	8.4%
Hobart	14,312	13,611	701	4.9%	5.4%	6.8%
Lake Station	4,739	4,439	300	6.3%	6.1%	10.0%
Portage	17,519	16,885	634	3.6%	4.1%	5.9%
Chesterton	6,971	6,759	212	3.0%	2.8%	4.6%
Valparaiso	16,287	15,845	442	2.7%	2.7%	5.0%
Michigan City	12,322	11,789	533	4.3%	4.1%	8.6%
LaPorte	9,189	8,887	302	3.3%	3.1%	6.8%

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released:04/22 | Notes: 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.

Statewide Average Weekly Hours & Earnings by Industry for March 2022			
Industry	Avg. Earnings per hr	Avg. # of hours worked per week	Avg. Earnings per week
Construction	\$30.83	38.1	\$1,174.62
Manufacturing	\$23.00	42.7	\$982.10
Durable Goods	\$23.54	43.0	\$1,012.22
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	\$21.76	40.6	\$883.46
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	\$25.75	39.7	\$1,022.28
Non-Durable Goods	\$21.67	41.9	\$907.97
Retail Trade	\$18.10	28.7	\$519.47
Financial Activities	\$25.38	36.8	\$933.98
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$25.98	33.0	\$857.34
Accommodation and Food Services	\$14.76	22.9	\$338.00
Food Services and Drinking Places	\$14.22	22.4	\$318.53

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Current Employment Statistics



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

WARN Notices

WARN Notices for Region 1 for March 2022				
Company	City	County	# affected	Notice Date

There are no WARN Notices for March 2022 for Region 1.

Significant WARN Notices for nearby locations				
Company	City	County	# Affected	Notice Date
CATCO O'Hare, Inc.	Chicago, IL	Cook	120	03/02/22
Dometic Corporation	Elkhart	Elkhart	159	3/21/2022
Old Town Market, LLC	Chicago, IL	Cook	121	3/22/2022

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, WARN Notices | For information on WARN Act requirements, you may go to the U.S. Department of Labor Employment Training Administration Fact Sheet: <https://www.doleta.gov/programs/factsheet/warn.htm>

Unemployment Claims: March 2022

Region 1

Initial Claims

03/05/22 - 522(D)
03/12/22 - 551(D)
03/19/22 - 481(D)
03/26/22 - 467(D)

Continued Claims

03/05/22 - 2,407
03/12/22 - 2,234
03/19/22 - 1,981
03/26/22 - 1,768

Total Claims

03/05/22 - 2,929
03/12/22 - 2,785
03/19/22 - 2,462
03/26/22 - 2,235

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

03/05/22 - 3,295
03/12/22 - 3,508
03/19/22 - 3,274
03/26/22 - 3,226

Continued Claims

03/05/22 - 25,490
03/12/22 - 23,394
03/19/22 - 21,993
03/26/22 - 21,312

Total Claims

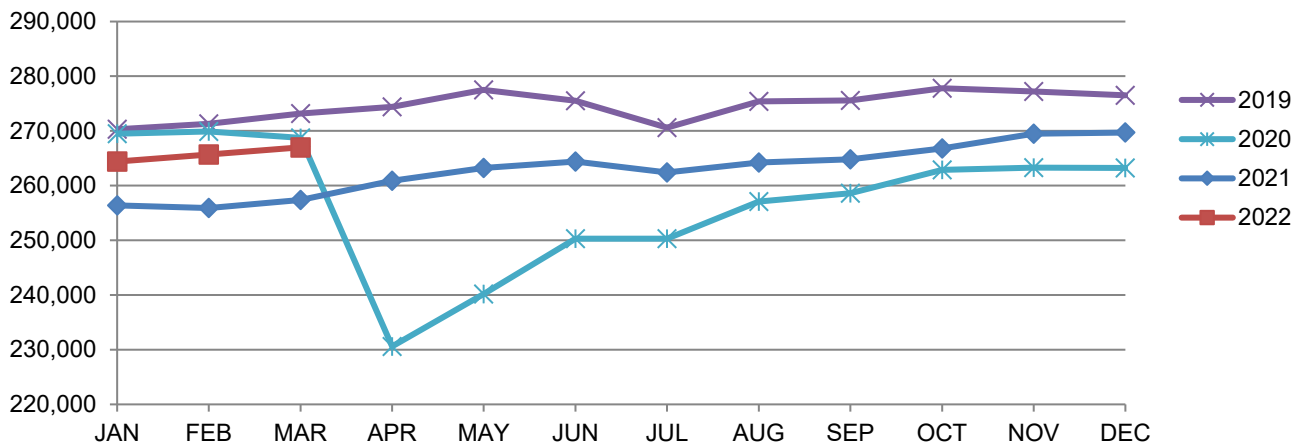
03/05/22 - 28,785
03/12/22 - 26,902
03/19/22 - 25,267
03/26/22 - 24,538

(D) Indicates one or more counties are excluded due to non-disclosure issues | Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

Gary Metropolitan Division							
Wage and Salaried Employment	March 2022			# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	Mar-22	Feb-22	Mar-21	Feb-22 to Mar-22	Mar-21 to Mar-22		
Total Nonfarm	267,000	265,700	257,400	1,300	0.5%	9,600	3.7%
Total Private	235,200	234,100	225,900	1,100	0.5%	9,300	4.1%
Goods Producing	50,500	49,400	47,500	1,100	2.2%	3,000	6.3%
Service Providing	216,500	216,300	209,900	200	0.1%	6,600	3.1%
Private Service Providing	184,700	184,700	178,400	0	0.0%	6,300	3.5%
Mining and Logging	200	200	100	0	0.0%	100	100.0%
Mining, Logging and Construction	17,100	16,300	14,400	800	4.9%	2,700	18.8%
Construction	16,900	16,100	14,300	800	5.0%	2,600	18.2%
Manufacturing	33,400	33,100	33,100	300	0.9%	300	0.9%
Durable Goods	25,000	24,600	24,800	400	1.6%	200	0.8%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	58,000	57,700	57,200	300	0.5%	800	1.4%
Wholesale Trade	9,300	9,300	9,100	0	0.0%	200	2.2%
Retail Trade	32,000	31,600	31,600	400	1.3%	400	1.3%
General Merchandise Stores	6,800	6,800	6,700	0	0.0%	100	1.5%
Other Gen Merch Stores	4,800	4,800	4,700	0	0.0%	100	2.1%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	16,700	16,800	16,500	-100	-0.6%	200	1.2%
Information	1,800	1,800	1,600	0	0.0%	200	12.5%
Financial Activities	9,000	8,900	9,000	100	1.1%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	25,500	25,500	24,400	0	0.0%	1,100	4.5%
Employment Services	4,200	4,200	3,700	0	0.0%	500	13.5%
Education and Health Services	48,200	47,800	47,300	400	0.8%	900	1.9%
Educational Services	5,100	5,000	4,800	100	2.0%	300	6.3%
Health Care and Social Assistance	43,100	42,800	42,500	300	0.7%	600	1.4%
General Medical and Surgical Hospitals	13,300	13,400	13,300	-100	-0.8%	0	0.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	31,900	32,700	29,000	-800	-2.5%	2,900	10.0%
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	3,900	3,900	4,300	0	0.0%	-400	-9.3%
Food Services and Drinking Places	28,000	28,800	24,700	-800	-2.8%	3,300	13.4%
Other Services	10,300	10,300	9,900	0	0.0%	400	4.0%
Total Government	31,800	31,600	31,500	200	0.6%	300	1.0%
Federal Government	1,900	1,900	1,900	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	4,400	4,400	4,200	0	0.0%	200	4.8%
Local Government	25,500	25,300	25,400	200	0.8%	100	0.4%
Local Government Educational Services	15,200	15,100	14,800	100	0.7%	400	2.7%

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

Gary Metropolitan Division Employment Trends

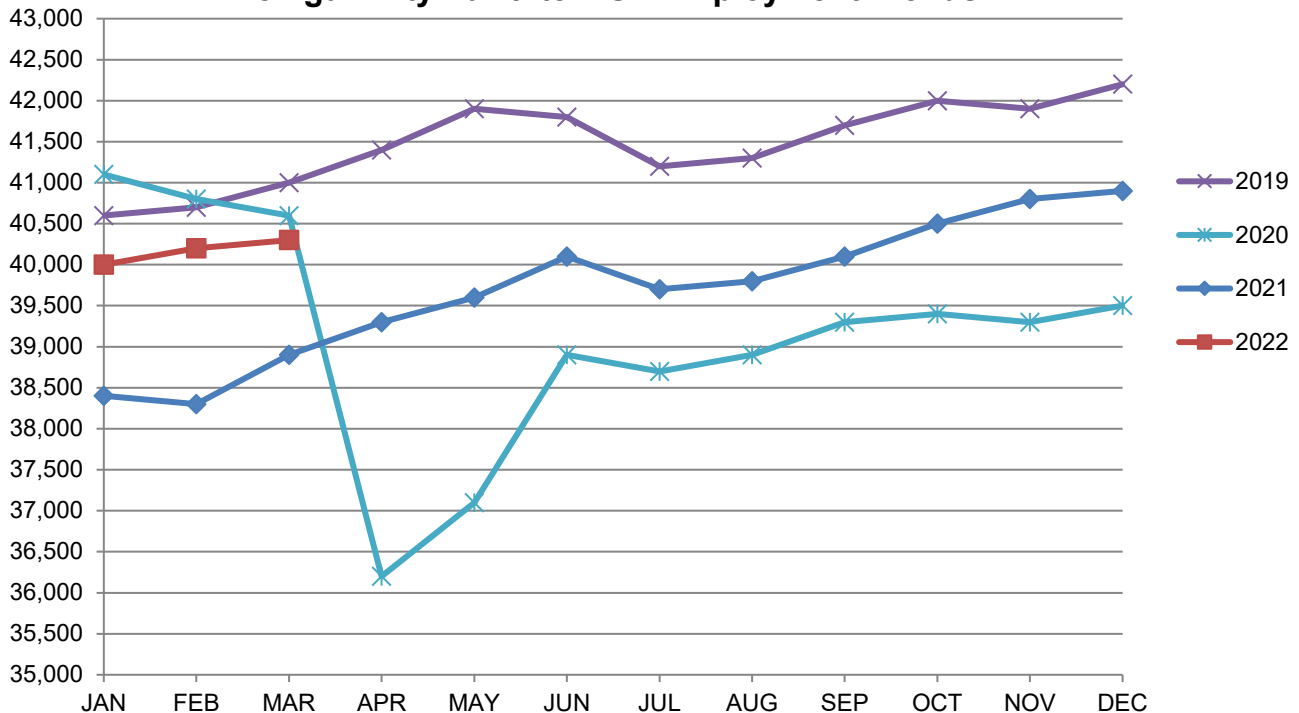


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Michigan City-LaPorte MSA							
Wage and Salaried Employment	March 2022			# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	Mar-22	Feb-22	Mar-21	Feb-22 to Mar-22		Mar-21 to Mar-22	
Total Nonfarm	40,300	40,200	38,900	100	0.3%	1,400	3.6%
Total Private	33,800	33,700	32,400	100	0.3%	1,400	4.3%
Goods Producing	9,700	9,600	9,300	100	1.0%	400	4.3%
Service Providing	30,600	30,600	29,600	0	0.0%	1,000	3.4%
Private Service Providing	24,100	24,100	23,100	0	0.0%	1,000	4.3%
Mining, Logging and Construction	1,900	1,800	1,800	100	5.6%	100	5.6%
Manufacturing	7,800	7,800	7,500	0	0.0%	300	4.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	8,300	8,400	8,200	-100	-1.2%	100	1.2%
Wholesale Trade	1,700	1,700	1,600	0	0.0%	100	6.3%
Retail Trade	5,000	5,000	4,900	0	0.0%	100	2.0%
Information	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	1,300	1,300	1,200	0	0.0%	100	8.3%
Professional and Business Services	2,800	2,800	2,400	0	0.0%	400	16.7%
Education and Health Services	5,900	5,800	5,700	100	1.7%	200	3.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	4,500	4,500	4,300	0	0.0%	200	4.7%
Other Services	1,100	1,100	1,100	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total Government	6,500	6,500	6,500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	2,100	2,100	2,200	0	0.0%	-100	-4.6%
Local Government	4,200	4,200	4,100	0	0.0%	100	2.4%
Local Government Educational Services	2,300	2,300	2,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

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

Michigan City-LaPorte MSA Employment Trends



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Frequently Listed Jobs	
Top 20 job listings by number of openings in Region 1 in the past month	
Rank	Occupations
1	Sales Representatives of Services, Except Advertising, Insurance, Financial Services, and Travel
2	Helpers--Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers
3	Food Preparation and Serving Related Workers, All Other
4	Registered Nurses
5	Nursing Assistants
6	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
7	First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers
8	Production Workers, All Other
9	Customer Service Representatives
10	Tellers
11	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General
12	Retail Salespersons
13	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
14	First-Line Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers
15	Helpers--Production Workers
16	Industrial Engineers
17	Stockers and Order Fillers
18	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
19	First-Line Supervisors of Transportation Workers, All Other
20	First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

Applicant Pool	
Top 20 occupations desired by applicants on their resumes in the past 12 months	
Occupations	# of applicants
Helpers--Production Workers	2,660
Production Workers, All Other	2,552
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	2,051
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	1,882
Cashiers	1,711
Customer Service Representatives	1,496
Office Clerks, General	921
Construction Laborers	872
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	857
Retail Salespersons	762
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	745
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	743
Managers, All Other	729
Receptionists and Information Clerks	707
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	672
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	666
Carpenters	663
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	642
Packers and Packagers, Hand	614
Extraction Workers, All Other	614

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to March 2022 from						
CPI Item	Mar-21	Feb-22	Mar-21	Feb-22	Mar-21	Feb-22
	Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, IN-IL-WI		U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	7.8%	1.4%	8.5%	1.3%	8.6%	1.3%
Food & Beverages	9.0%	1.3%	8.5%	1.0%	9.7%	1.3%
Housing	6.6%	0.5%	6.4%	0.7%	6.5%	0.6%
Apparel	6.6%	-1.6%	6.8%	0.8%	4.3%	0.2%
Transportation	22.5%	5.8%	22.6%	4.5%	22.6%	4.2%
Medical Care	0.5%	0.4%	2.9%	0.5%	1.6%	0.6%
Recreation	3.0%	0.5%	4.8%	0.2%	4.3%	0.3%
Education & Communication	-1.6%	-0.3%	1.5%	-0.3%	0.0%	-1.0%
Other Goods & Services	5.8%	1.1%	5.5%	0.5%	6.1%	0.5%

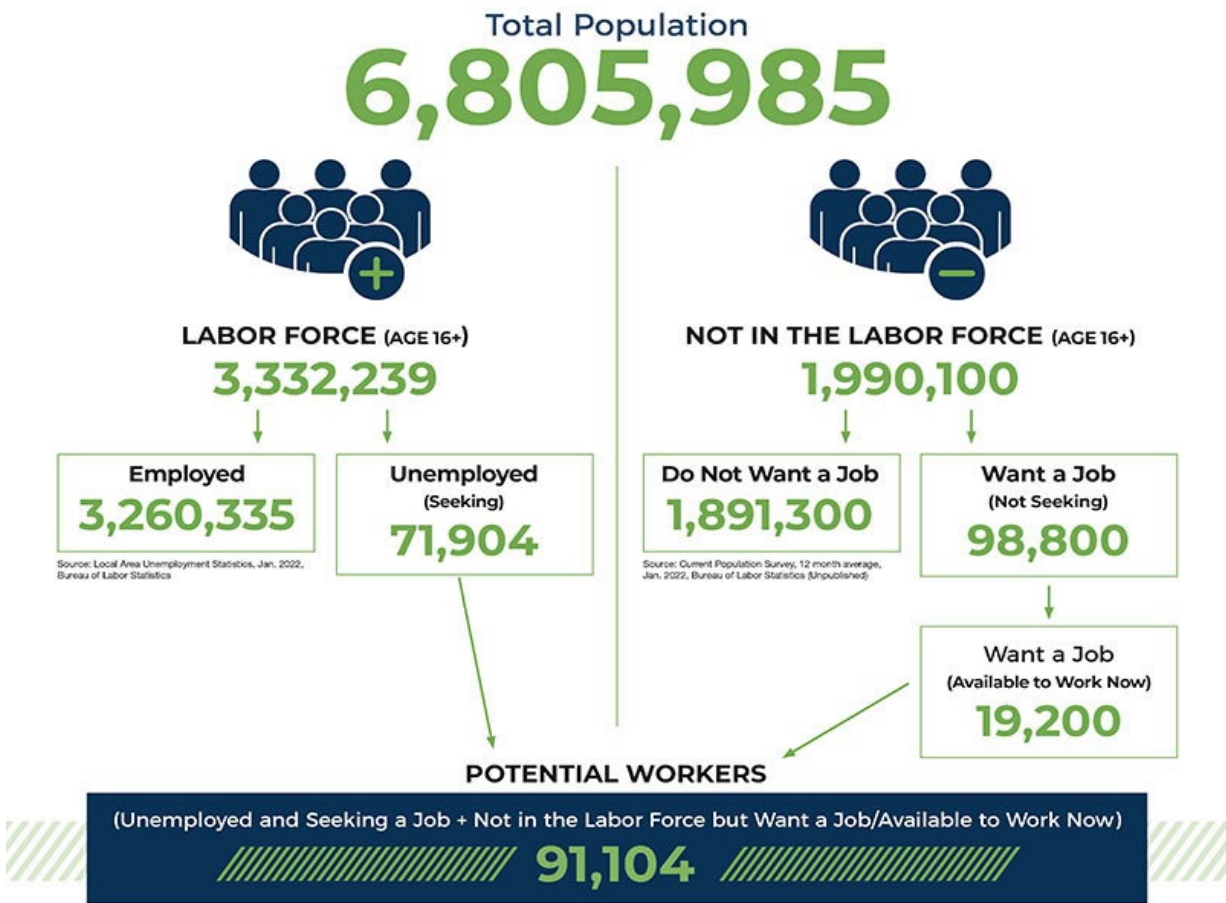
*Midwest region = Midwest Urban Average. Midwest Region includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin | Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

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March 2022 Indiana's Labor Force

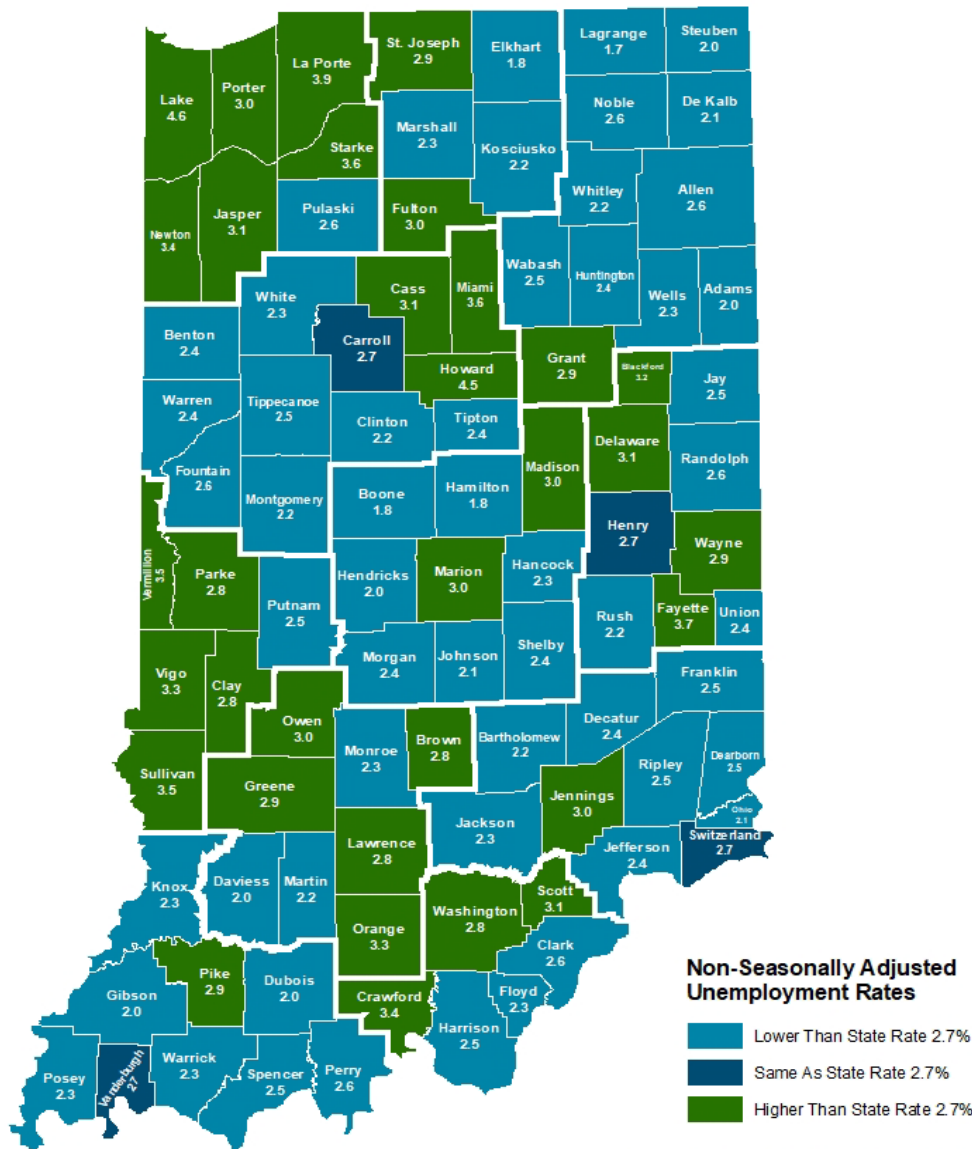
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More about the US Bureau of Labor Statistics data sources used within:
 Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS): Captures Indiana's labor force, which includes those currently employed and those who are unemployed and actively seeking work.
 Current Population Survey (CPS): Captures individuals not participating in Indiana's Labor Force. This set includes non-participants that do not want a job (i.e. retirees and students) and those that want a job, but are not actively seeking work.
 U.S. Census Bureau, Indiana Population 2021.
 Resource: Notes on Using Current Population Survey (CPS) Subnational Data and Differences Between CPS and LAUS Estimates

County Unemployment Rates March 2022



Non-Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates

- Lower Than State Rate 2.7%
- Same As State Rate 2.7%
- Higher Than State Rate 2.7%

Indiana Non-Seasonally Adjusted Rate 2.7%
 Indiana Seasonally Adjusted Rate 2.2%
 Source: DWD, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Questions?

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