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February 2021 Labor Market Review

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Economic Growth Region 8

Statistical Data Report for February 2021, Released April 2021

State Employment and Unemployment

Unemployment rates were lower in February in 23 states and the District of Columbia, higher in 4 states, and stable in 23 states, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Forty-five states and the District had jobless rate increases from a year earlier and five states had little or no change. The national unemployment rate, 6.2 percent, was little changed over the month, but was 2.7 percentage point.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 11 states, decreased in 3 states, and was essentially unchanged in 36 states and the District of Columbia in February 2021. Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment decreased in 48 states and the District and was essentially unchanged in 2 states. ts higher than in February 2020.

Hawaii and New York had the highest unemployment rates in February, 9.2 percent and 8.9 percent, respectively, while South Dakota, 2.9 percent, and Utah, 3.0 percent, had the lowest rates. In total, 27 states had unemployment rates lower than the U.S. figure of 6.2 percent, 12 states and the District of Columbia had higher rates, and 11 states had rates that were not appreciably different from that of the nation.



Economic Growth Region (EGR) 8

Brown, Daviess, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Monroe, Orange and Owen Counties

Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): February 2021

U.S. - 6.2%

Illinois - 7.4%

Indiana - 4%

Kentucky - 5.2%

Michigan - 5.2%

Ohio - 5%

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

Unemployment Rank by County (of 92 counties): February 2021

#8 - Orange (5.8%)

#16 - Owen (5.3%)

#26 - Greene (5%)

#27 - Lawrence (5%)

#29 - Brown (4.8%)

#54 - Monroe (4.1%)

#81 - Martin (3.5%)

#88 - Daviess (3.2%)

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

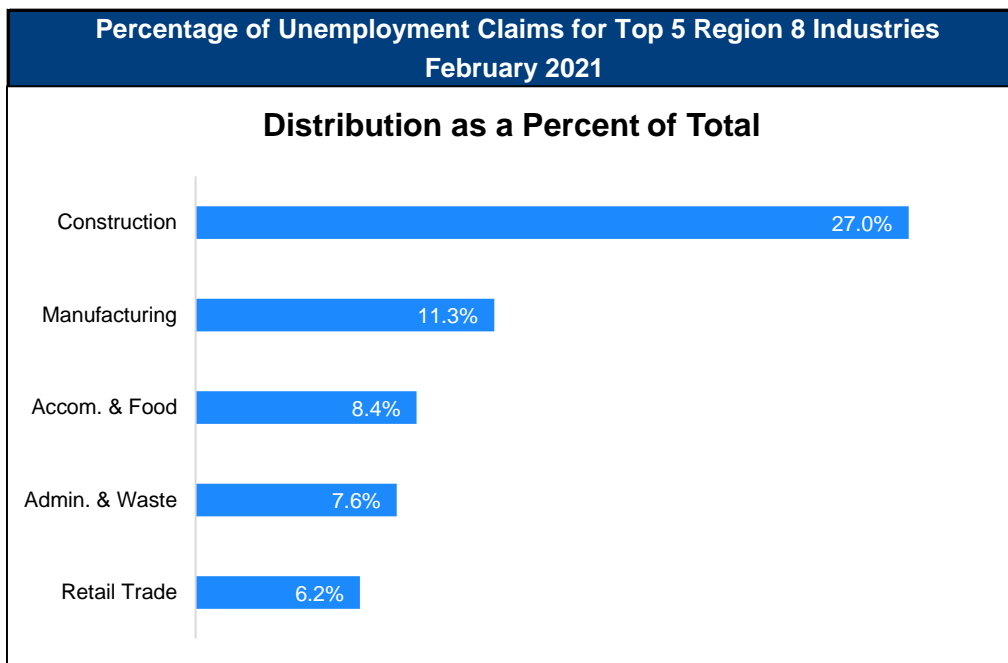
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February 2021 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Feb-21	Jan-21	Feb-20
U.S.	160,008,000	149,522,000	10,486,000	6.6%	6.8%	3.8%
IN	3,300,855	3,144,768	156,087	4.7%	4.7%	3.4%
EGR 8	149,649	143,065	6,584	4.4%	4.3%	3.4%
Bloomington MSA	77,653	74,351	3,302	4.3%	4.2%	3.3%
Brown Co.	7,557	7,196	361	4.8%	4.7%	3.4%
Daviess Co.	16,581	16,049	532	3.2%	2.9%	2.8%
Greene Co.	13,310	12,649	661	5.0%	4.8%	4.6%
Lawrence Co.	20,611	19,571	1,040	5.0%	4.7%	3.7%
Martin Co.	5,451	5,258	193	3.5%	3.4%	2.5%
Monroe Co.	68,578	65,757	2,821	4.1%	4.1%	3.2%
Orange Co.	8,486	7,991	495	5.8%	5.9%	3.7%
Owen Co.	9,075	8,594	481	5.3%	5.3%	4.1%
Bloomington	37,486	35,891	1,595	4.3%	4.2%	3.5%

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released: 03/21 | 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.

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to February 2021 from				
CPI Item	Feb-20	Jan-21	Feb-20	Jan-21
	U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	1.7%	0.5%	1.7%	0.8%
Food & Beverages	3.5%	0.2%	2.8%	0.1%
Housing	1.8%	0.3%	1.9%	0.5%
Apparel	-3.6%	1.9%	-2.1%	2.4%
Transportation	0.6%	1.7%	0.6%	2.3%
Medical Care	2.0%	0.4%	2.5%	0.5%
Recreation	0.8%	0.7%	1.5%	1.2%
Education & Communication	1.7%	0.1%	1.5%	0.2%
Other Goods & Services	2.1%	0.4%	0.6%	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

WARN Notices

WARN Notices for Region 8 for February 2021				
Company	City	County	# of workers affected	Notice Date

There are no WARN Notices for February 2021 for Region 8.

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.dolela.gov/programs/factsht/warn.htm>

Unemployment Claims: February 2021

Region 8

Initial Claims

02/06/21 - 801

02/13/21 - 530

02/20/21 - 763

02/27/21 - 796

Continued Claims

02/06/21 - 2,106

02/13/21 - 2,130

02/20/21 - 2,198

02/27/21 - 2,039

Total Claims

02/06/21 - 2,907

02/13/21 - 2,660

02/20/21 - 2,961

02/27/21 - 2,835

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

02/06/21 - 13,508

02/13/21 - 12,287

02/20/21 - 9,735

02/27/21 - 10,081

Continued Claims

02/06/21 - 77,782

02/13/21 - 73,668

02/20/21 - 72,770

02/27/21 - 69,343

Total Claims

02/06/21 - 91,290

02/13/21 - 85,955

02/20/21 - 82,505

02/27/21 - 79,424

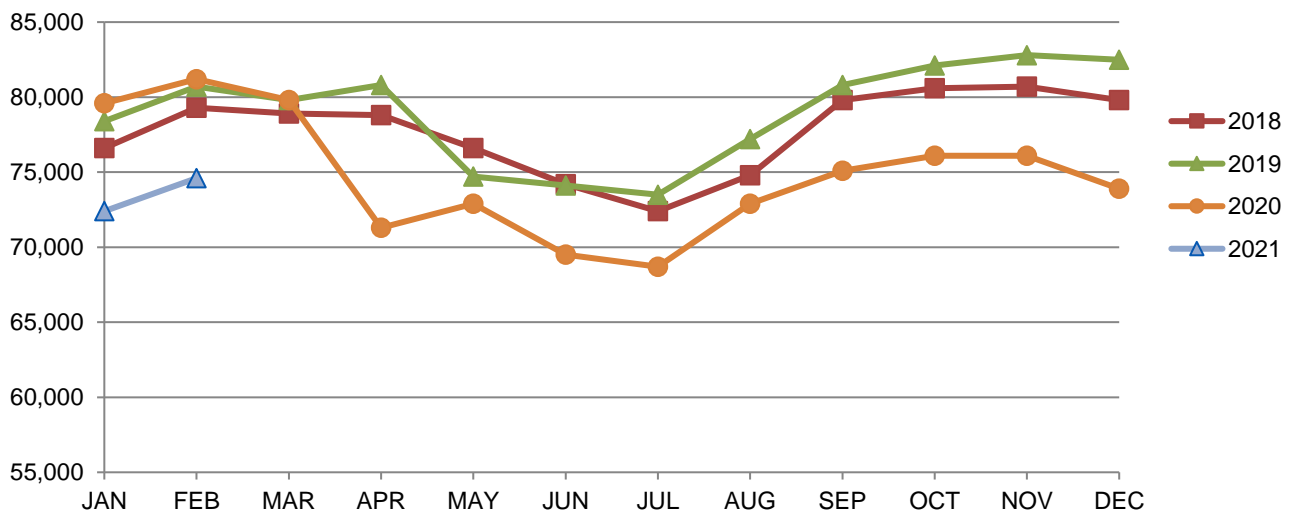
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Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Development

Bloomington MSA							
Wage and Salaried Employment	February 2021			# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	Feb-21	Jan-21	Feb-20	Jan-21 to Feb-21		Feb-20 to Feb-21	
Total Nonfarm	74,600	72,400	81,200	2,200	3.0%	-6,600	-8.1%
Total Private	51,400	50,900	54,500	500	1.0%	-3,100	-5.7%
Goods Producing	12,600	12,500	12,700	100	0.8%	-100	-0.8%
Service-Providing	62,000	59,900	68,500	2,100	3.5%	-6,500	-9.5%
Private Service Providing	38,800	38,400	41,800	400	1.0%	-3,000	-7.2%
Mining, Logging and Construction	3,100	3,100	2,900	0	0.0%	200	6.9%
Manufacturing	9,500	9,400	9,800	100	1.1%	-300	-3.1%
Durable Goods	5,900	5,900	6,600	0	0.0%	-700	-10.6%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	9,400	9,500	9,700	-100	-1.1%	-300	-3.1%
Wholesale Trade	1,800	1,700	1,800	100	5.9%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	6,500	6,600	6,800	-100	-1.5%	-300	-4.4%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	1,100	1,200	1,100	-100	-8.3%	0	0.0%
Information	800	800	1,000	0	0.0%	-200	-20.0%
Financial Activities	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	5,500	5,500	5,400	0	0.0%	100	1.9%
Education and Health Services	10,900	10,800	11,100	100	0.9%	-200	-1.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	7,200	6,800	9,200	400	5.9%	-2,000	-21.7%
Other Services	2,000	2,000	2,400	0	0.0%	-400	-16.7%
Total Government	23,200	21,500	26,700	1,700	7.9%	-3,500	-13.1%
Federal Government	300	300	300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	18,000	16,300	21,100	1,700	10.4%	-3,100	-14.7%
Local Government	4,900	4,900	5,300	0	0.0%	-400	-7.6%
Local Government Educational Services	2,500	2,400	2,700	100	4.2%	-200	-7.4%
Local Government excluding Educational Services	2,400	2,500	2,600	-100	-4.0%	-200	-7.7%

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

Bloomington MSA Employment Trends



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Current Employment Statistics | Note: Historical data for the most recent 4 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.

Frequently Listed Jobs	
Top 20 job listings in Region 8 in the past month	
Rank	Occupations
1	Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop
2	Registered Nurses
3	Nursing Assistants
4	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
5	Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria
6	Home Health Aides
7	Social and Human Service Assistants
8	Agricultural Workers, All Other
9	Dining Room and Cafeteria Attendants and Bartender Helpers
10	Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other
11	Software Developers, Applications
12	Information Security Analysts
13	Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
14	Medical and Health Services Managers
15	Personal Care Aides
16	Network and Computer Systems Administrators
17	Order Fillers, Wholesale and Retail Sales
18	Security Guards
19	Computer User Support Specialists
20	Mental Health and Substance Abuse Social 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
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	1,738
Production Workers, All Other	1,507
Helpers--Production Workers	958
Cashiers	886
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	636
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	570
Office Clerks, General	569
Customer Service Representatives	536
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	482
Receptionists and Information Clerks	451
Extraction Workers, All Other	438
Construction Laborers	431
Retail Salespersons	431
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	430
Managers, All Other	408
Nursing Assistants	407
Waiters and Waitresses	396
Construction and Related Workers, All Other	385
Carpenters	367
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	354

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

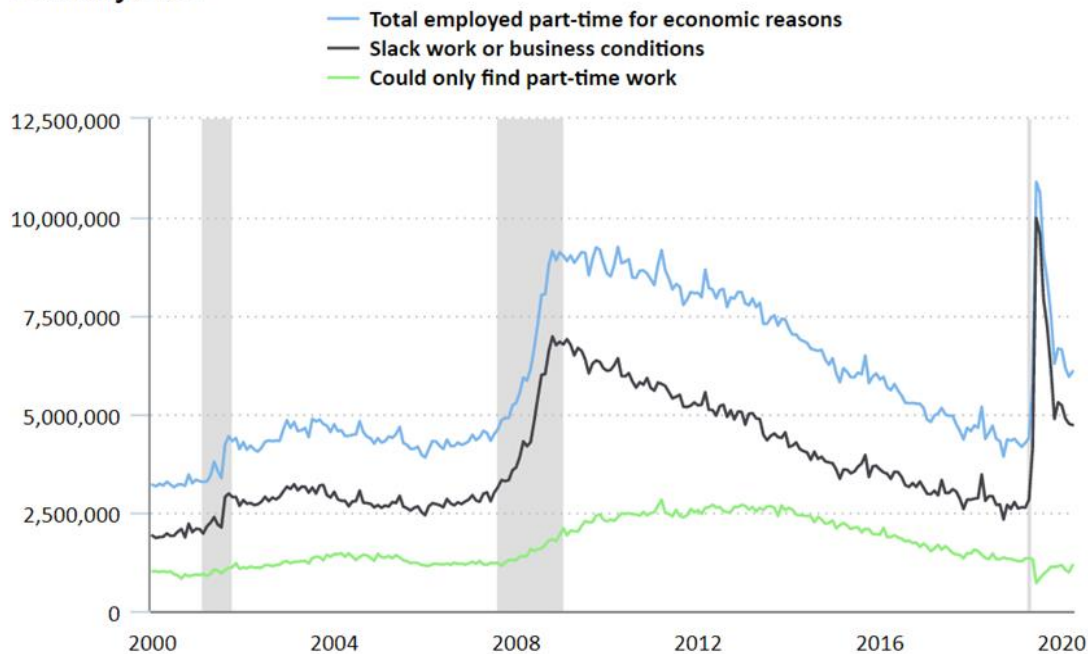
TED: The Economics Daily

Number of involuntary part-time workers in February 2021 down from record highs

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The number of people at work part time for economic reasons, also called involuntary part-time workers, totaled 6.1 million in February 2021. This was down from 10.9 million in April 2020 but is 1.7 million higher than in February 2020. These workers would have preferred full-time employment but were working part time because their hours had been reduced due to slack work or they were unable to find full-time jobs.

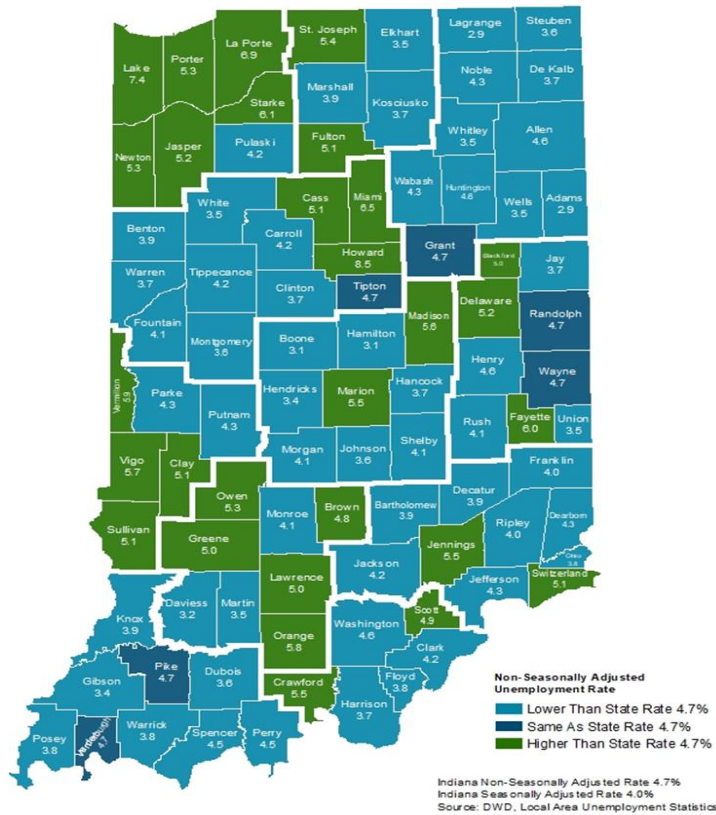
Number of people employed part time for economic reasons, January 2000 to February 2021



The share of the employed who were involuntary part-time workers increased sharply following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, as businesses around the country cut back operations in response to the pandemic and efforts to contain the spread of the virus. The share was 2.8 percent in February 2020 but rose to 8.2 percent in April 2020. By February 2021, this share had fallen to 4.1 percent. The rapid rise of involuntary part-time work and subsequent decline occurred almost entirely among those whose hours were cut due to slack work or business conditions; the changes among those who could only find part-time jobs were comparatively small.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *The Economics Daily*, Number of involuntary part-time workers in February 2021 down from record highs at <https://www.bls.gov/opub/ted/2021/number-of-involuntary-part-time-workers-in-february-2021-down-from-record-highs.htm>

County Unemployment Rates February 2021



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