



September 2023 Labor Market Review

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Economic Growth Region 9

Statistical Data Report for September 2023, Released November 2023

State Employment and Unemployment

Unemployment rates were higher in September in 16 states and stable in 34 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Twenty-four states had jobless rate decreases from a year earlier, 10 states and the district had increases, and 16 states had little change. The national unemployment rate, 3.8 percent, was unchanged over the month but was 0.3 percentage point higher than in September 2022.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 6 states and was essentially unchanged in 44 states and the District of Columbia in September 2023. Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 36 states and was essentially unchanged in 14 states and the district.

Maryland had the lowest jobless rate in September, 1.6 percent. The next lowest rates were in North Dakota, South Dakota, and Vermont, 1.9 percent each. The rates in Maryland (1.6 percent), Pennsylvania (3.4 percent), and Rhode Island (2.6 percent) set new series lows. (All state series begin in 1976.) Nevada had the highest unemployment rate, 5.4 percent. In total, 25 states had unemployment rates lower than the U.S. figure of 3.8 percent, 2 states and the District of Columbia had higher rates, and 23 states had rates that were not appreciably different from that of the nation.



Economic Growth Region (EGR) 9

Bartholomew, Dearborn, Decatur, Franklin, Jackson, Jefferson, Jennings, Ohio, Ripley, and Switzerland Counties

September 2023 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Sep-23	Aug-23	Sep-22
U.S.	167,718,000	161,669,000	6,049,000	3.6%	3.9%	3.3%
IN	3,397,364	3,284,422	112,942	3.3%	3.7%	2.5%
EGR 9	168,934	163,897	5,037	3.0%	3.3%	2.1%
Columbus MSA	44,090	42,858	1,232	2.8%	3.0%	1.9%
Bartholomew Co.	44,090	42,858	1,232	2.8%	3.0%	1.9%
Dearborn Co.	26,329	25,474	855	3.2%	3.6%	2.1%
Decatur Co.	14,588	14,202	386	2.6%	2.9%	2.0%
Franklin Co.	11,574	11,227	347	3.0%	3.3%	2.1%
Jackson Co.	22,920	22,288	632	2.8%	3.1%	2.2%
Jefferson Co.	15,190	14,718	472	3.1%	3.4%	2.3%
Jennings Co.	13,533	13,096	437	3.2%	3.4%	2.6%
Ohio Co.	3,239	3,147	92	2.8%	3.2%	1.9%
Ripley Co.	12,581	12,155	426	3.4%	3.7%	2.5%
Switzerland Co.	4,890	4,732	158	3.2%	3.3%	2.3%
Batesville	3,350	3,250	100	3.0%	3.2%	2.0%
Brookville	1,108	1,069	39	3.5%	3.3%	2.8%
Columbus	25,254	24,505	749	3.0%	3.1%	2.0%
Greensburg	6,446	6,267	179	2.8%	3.0%	2.2%
Lawrenceburg	2,019	1,923	96	4.8%	6.1%	3.1%
Madison	5,487	5,318	169	3.1%	3.6%	2.3%
North Vernon	2,884	2,776	108	3.7%	3.9%	2.8%
Seymour	10,401	10,113	288	2.8%	3.3%	2.7%

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released: 10/23 | 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.

Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): September 2023

U.S. - 3.8%

Illinois - 4.4%

Indiana - 3.6%

Kentucky - 4.1%

Michigan - 3.9%

Ohio - 3.4%

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

Unemployment Rank by County (of 92 counties): September 2023

#29 - Ripley (3.4%)

#37 - Dearborn (3.2%)

#39 - Jennings (3.2%)

#41 - Switzerland (3.2%)

#44 - Jefferson (3.1%)

#51 - Franklin (3%)

#68 - Bartholomew (2.8%)

#71 - Jackson (2.8%)

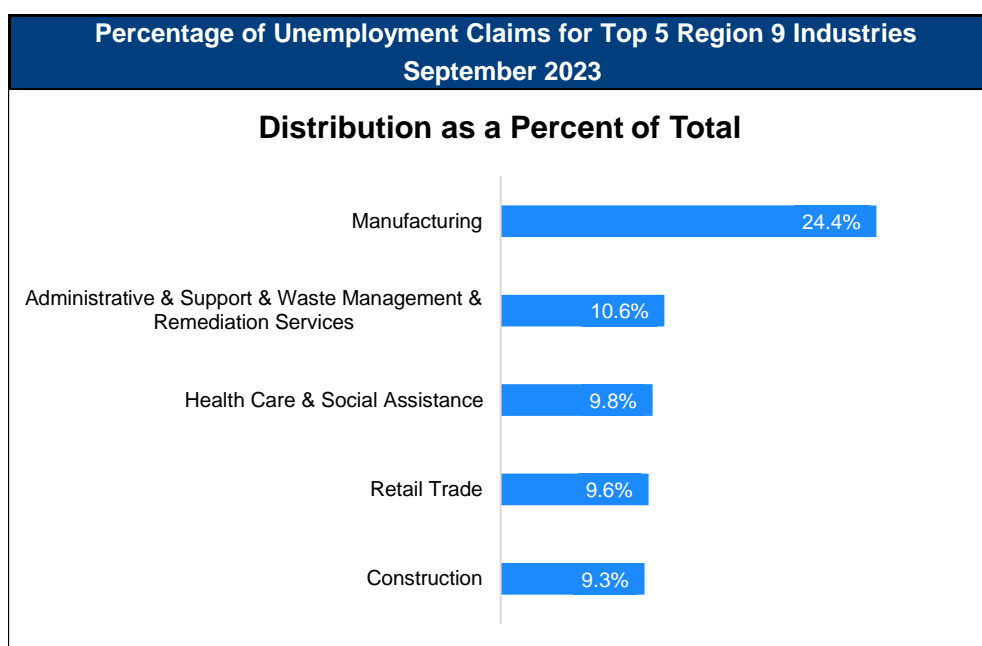
#74 - Ohio (2.8%)

#83 - Decatur (2.6%)

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

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to September 2023 from				
CPI Item	Sep-22	Aug-23	Sep-22	Aug-23
	U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	3.7%	0.2%	3.2%	0.1%
Food & Beverages	3.7%	0.2%	3.6%	0.3%
Housing	5.6%	0.5%	4.5%	0.2%
Apparel	2.3%	1.4%	3.2%	1.6%
Transportation	2.4%	-0.6%	2.5%	-0.9%
Medical Care	-1.4%	0.1%	-0.8%	-0.3%
Recreation	3.9%	0.4%	4.2%	0.3%
Education & Communication	1.0%	0.3%	0.8%	-0.1%
Other Goods & Services	6.0%	0.6%	5.9%	0.4%

*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 9 for September 2023				
Company	City	County	# of workers affected	Notice Date

There are no WARN Notices for September 2023 for EGR 9.

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/factsht/warn.htm>

Unemployment Claims: September 2023

Region 9

Initial Claims

09/02/23 - 35(D)
09/09/23 - 32(D)
09/16/23 - 36(D)
09/23/23 - 17(D)
09/30/23 - 33(D)

Continued Claims

09/02/23 - 380
09/09/23 - 367
09/16/23 - 360
09/23/23 - 357
09/30/23 - 361

Total Claims

09/02/23 - 415
09/09/23 - 399
09/16/23 - 396
09/23/23 - 374
09/30/23 - 394

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

09/02/23 - 3,296
09/09/23 - 5,923
09/16/23 - 3,162
09/23/23 - 2,457
09/30/23 - 2,763

Continued Claims

09/02/23 - 23,196
09/09/23 - 23,558
09/16/23 - 18,914
09/23/23 - 19,101
09/30/23 - 19,531

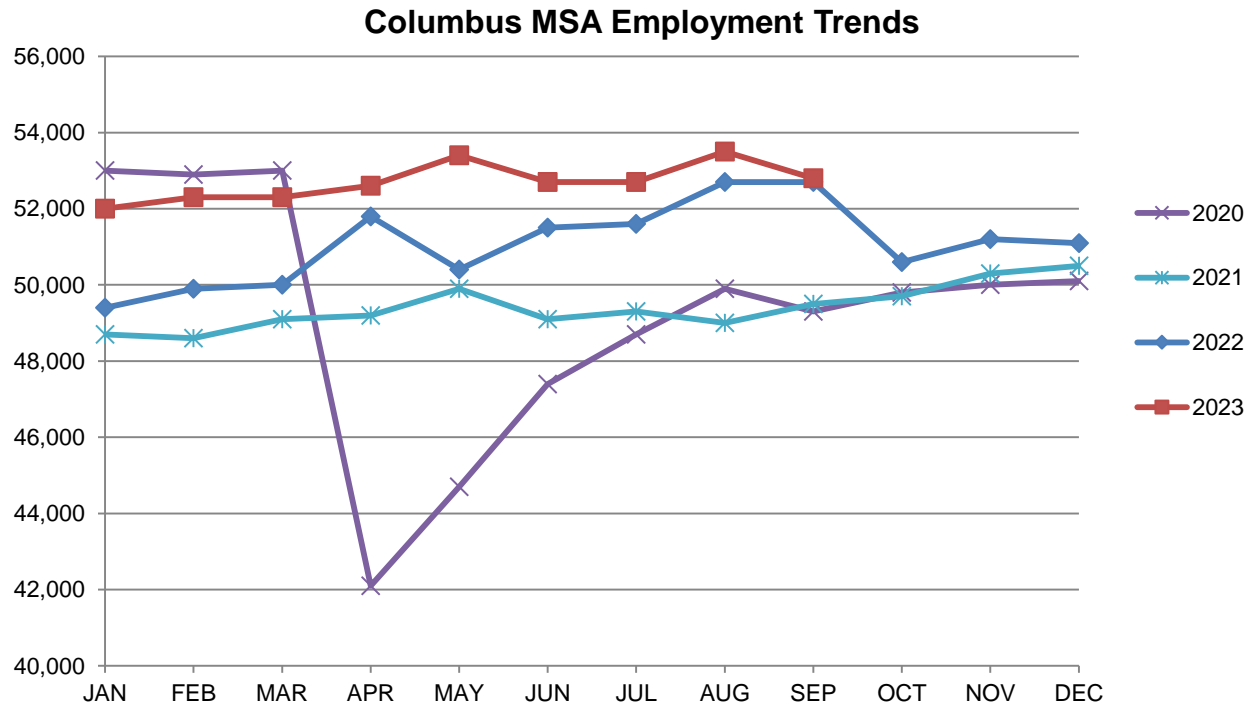
Total Claims

09/02/23 - 26,492
09/09/23 - 29,481
09/16/23 - 22,076
09/23/23 - 21,558
09/30/23 - 22,294

(D) indicates item is affected by non-disclosure issues relating to industry or ownership status |
*Numbers subject to weekly revision | Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

Columbus MSA							
Wage and Salaried Employment	September 2023			# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	Sep-23	Aug-23	Sep-22	Aug-23 to Sep-23	Sep-22 to Sep-23		
Total Nonfarm	52,800	53,500	52,700	-700	-1.3%	100	0.2%
Total Private	46,500	47,100	46,600	-600	-1.3%	-100	-0.2%
Goods Producing	21,300	21,500	21,200	-200	-0.9%	100	0.5%
Service-Providing	31,500	32,000	31,500	-500	-1.6%	0	0.0%
Private Service Providing	25,200	25,600	25,400	-400	-1.6%	-200	-0.8%
Mining, Logging and Construction	2,000	2,000	1,900	0	0.0%	100	5.3%
Manufacturing	19,300	19,500	19,300	-200	-1.0%	0	0.0%
Durable Goods	17,600	17,800	17,300	-200	-1.1%	300	1.7%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	7,400	7,400	7,500	0	0.0%	-100	-1.3%
Retail Trade	4,800	4,900	4,800	-100	-2.0%	0	0.0%
Information	200	300	300	-100	-33.3%	-100	-33.3%
Financial Activities	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	5,500	5,600	5,500	-100	-1.8%	0	0.0%
Education and Health Services	5,000	5,000	4,900	0	0.0%	100	2.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	4,000	4,100	4,100	-100	-2.4%	-100	-2.4%
Other Services	1,500	1,600	1,500	-100	-6.3%	0	0.0%
Total Government	6,300	6,400	6,100	-100	-1.6%	200	3.3%
Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	900	1,000	900	-100	-10.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	5,200	5,200	5,000	0	0.0%	200	4.0%
Local Government Educational Services	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

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



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 9 in the past month	
Rank	Occupations
1	Accountants and Auditors
2	Community and Social Service Specialists, All Other
3	Stockers and Order Fillers
4	Retail Salespersons
5	Registered Nurses
6	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General
7	First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers
8	Sales Representatives of Services, Except Advertising, Insurance, Financial Services, and Travel
9	Nursing Assistants
10	Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand
11	Production Workers, All Other
12	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
13	Customer Service Representatives
14	Education Administrators, Postsecondary
15	Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products
16	Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other
17	First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers
18	Managers, All Other
19	Security Guards
20	Tellers

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
Production Workers, All Other	652
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	488
Helpers--Production Workers	326
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	229
Cashiers	224
Customer Service Representatives	216
Office Clerks, General	154
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	148
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	140
Construction Laborers	136
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	135
Managers, All Other	132
Extraction Workers, All Other	129
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	126
Retail Salespersons	124
Packers and Packagers, Hand	109
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	108
Electrical and Electronic Equipment Assemblers	107
Carpenters	103
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	102

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

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UNEMPLOYMENT RATE *seasonally adjusted



August 2023
Indiana was

3.4%



National
Unemployment
Rate is



LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE

Labor Force
Participation Rate

63.4%



National Labor Force Rate



106,807

Open Job Postings

*As of Oct. 17, 2023



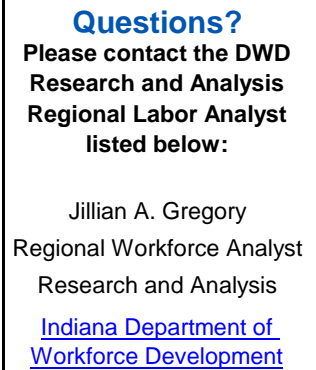
14,348

Regular UI Claims

Reference week (12th of the month) Input to
LAUS Unemployment Rate Model



Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Indiana Career Connect



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