

LABOR MARKET REVIEW

Statistical Data for December 2007

Region 10

February 2008

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES DECEMBER 2007 PRELIMINARY

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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AREA	LABOR FORCE	NUMBER EMPLOYED	NUMBER UNEMPL.	U.R. 12/07(p)	U.R. 11/07	U.R. 12/06
U.S.	153,705,000	146,334,000	7,371,000	4.8%	4.5%	4.3%
INDIANA	3,212,529	3,069,699	142,830	4.4%	4.4%	4.7%
Louisville, KY-IN MSA	633,226	598,970	34,256	5.4%	4.3%	4.8%
EGR 10*	143,222	136,738	6,484	4.5%	4.2%	4.6%
Clark	54,566	52,227	2,339	4.3%	4.1%	4.3%
Crawford	5,171	4,825	346	6.7%	5.4%	6.4%
Floyd	38,195	36,692	1,503	3.9%	3.7%	4.1%
Harrison	19,945	18,986	959	4.8%	4.2%	4.5%
Scott	11,026	10,433	593	5.4%	5.0%	5.8%
Washington	14,319	13,575	744	5.2%	4.7%	5.7%
Corydon	1,501	1,377	124	8.3%	6.9%	6.3%
Jeffersonville	15,252	14,567	685	4.5%	4.3%	4.5%
New Albany	18,588	18,741	847	4.6%	4.2%	4.7%
Salem	3,012	2,809	203	6.7%	5.9%	7.1%
Scottsburg	2,837	2,669	168	5.9%	5.4%	6.3%



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*EGR 10 includes Clark, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Scott, and Washington Counties.



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE RANKING BY COUNTY (HIGH TO LOW)

RANK - DEC 2007	COUNTY	DEC 2007 RATE (p)
1	Fayette	9.1%
2	Crawford	6.7%
16	Scott	5.4%
22	Washington	5.2%
39	Harrison	4.8%
57	Clark	4.3%
71	Floyd	3.9%
92	Dubois	2.8%

REGIONAL, STATE, & METROPOLITAN UNEMPLOYMENT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported regional and state unemployment rates were generally higher in December. All 4 regions and 46 states and the District of Columbia recorded over-the-month unemployment rate increases, while 2 states registered decreases and 2 states had no change in their rates. Over the year, jobless rates were up in 36 states, down in 12 states and the District of Columbia, and unchanged in 2 states.

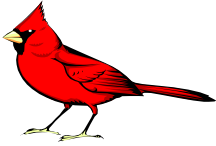
In December, Michigan continued to report the highest state unemployment rate, 7.6 percent, followed by Mississippi at 6.8 percent, South Carolina at 6.6 percent, and Alaska at 6.5 percent. Idaho and South Dakota posted the lowest jobless rates, 3.0 percent each.

Unemployment rates were higher in December than a year earlier in 277 of the 369 metropolitan areas, lower in 67 areas, and unchanged in 25 areas, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported. Eight metropolitan areas, seven of which are located in California, recorded jobless rates of at least 10.0 percent. Twenty-two areas registered rates below 3.0 percent.

SURROUNDING STATES DECEMBER 2007 UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

(Preliminary Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Illinois - 5.3% Indiana - 4.4% Kentucky - 5.4% Michigan - 7.4% Ohio - 5.8%

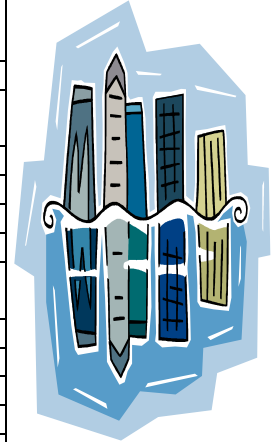


ECONOMIC GROWTH REGION 10

(Clark, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Scott, and Washington Counties)

AVERAGE ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT

<u>NAICS INDUSTRY</u>	<u>2ND QUARTER 2007</u>	<u>2ND QUARTER 2006</u>	<u># CHANGE FROM 2Q06 TO 2Q07</u>	<u>% CHANGE FROM 2Q06 TO 2Q07</u>
TOTAL COVERED EMPLOYMENT (includes Federal Employment)	104,241	103,525	716	.7%
Natural Resources & Mining	763	759	4	.5%
Construction	5,514	6,049	-535	-8.8%
Manufacturing	20,395	20,521	-126	-.6%
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	23,773	23,272	461	2.0%
Information Services	971	908	63	6.9%
Financial Activities	4,324	4,329	-5	-.1%
Professional & Business Services	7,715	7,339	376	5.1%
Educational & Health Services*	20,147	20,288	-141	-.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	12,449	11,852	597	5.0%
Other Services	2,758	2,616	142	5.4%
Public Administration	5,430	5,572	-142	-2.5%



*Educational and Health Services include both public and private facilities.

Current quarter data may have changed due to the receipt of additional statistics or data corrections.

Industry sectors may not add to total due to inclusion of unclassified data in total covered employment.

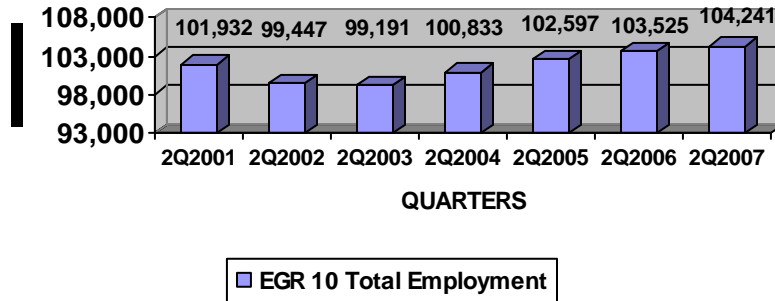
EGR 10 AVERAGE INDUSTRY EARNINGS WEEKLY WAGES

<u>NAICS INDUSTRY</u>	<u>2NDQ 2007</u>	<u>2NDQ 2006</u>	<u>\$ CHANGE FROM 2Q06 TO 2Q07</u>	<u>% CHANGE FROM 2Q06 TO 2Q07</u>
TOTAL NONFARM (includes Federal Employment)	\$604	\$586	\$ 18	3.1%
Natural Resources & Mining	\$649	\$631	\$ 18	2.8%
Construction	\$691	\$646	\$ 45	7.0%
Manufacturing	\$744	\$720	\$ 23	3.2%
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	\$578	\$561	\$ 17	3.1%
Information Services	\$545	\$531	\$ 14	2.6%
Financial Activities	\$828	\$746	\$ 82	11.0%
Professional & Business Services	\$553	\$535	\$ 18	3.3%
Educational & Health Services*	\$645	\$631	\$ 15	2.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	\$311	\$307	\$ 4	1.4%
Other Services	\$403	\$384	\$ 19	5.0%
Public Administration	\$630	\$601	\$ 29	4.9%

Notes for both tables: The above tables include employees working for firms subject to the Indiana Employment and Training Services Act. Unemployment insurance tax records are a very comprehensive count of workers by industrial category. The Act, in general, includes employers with one or more employees. Railroads, small nonprofit institutions, and churches are excluded. Only part of the employment in private households and on farms is included. Federal government employees are covered by a federal unemployment insurance program but are included in these figures. Educational and Health Services include both public and private employment.

Average Weekly Wages are computed from quarterly earnings and average employment. These figures are computed from payroll totals so they include all employees.

EGR 10 Total Employment 2nd Quarter 2001 - 2nd Quarter 2007 Annual Averages



LOCAL EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS

Local Employment Dynamics (LED), a partnership between the Indiana Department of Workforce Development and the U.S. Census Bureau, provides innovative demographic employment information (Quarterly Workforce Indicators) for local decision makers, economic development agencies, education and training institutions, and transportation agencies. The Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) measure the performance of the local economy. Turnover, separations, new hires, and average new hire earnings by county, metropolitan area, and Workforce Investment area are among the data items on the web site. The web address is: <http://lehd.dsd.census.gov/led/>.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI-U)

Unadjusted percent change to December 2007 from:

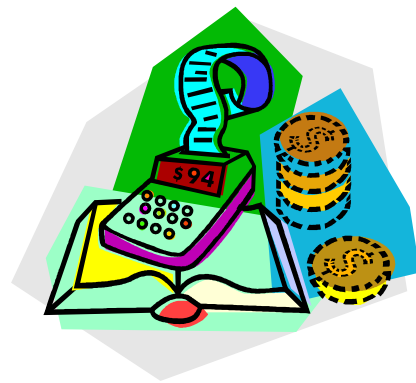
	Dec 06	Nov 07
U.S. City Average		
All Items	4.1%	-.1%
Food & Beverages	4.8%	.2%
Housing	3.0%	.1%
Apparel	-.3%	-2.4%
Transportation	8.3%	-.4%
Medical Care	5.2%	.2%
Recreation	.8%	-.1%
Education & Communication	3.0%	.1%
Other Goods & Services	3.3%	.4%
Midwest Region (All Items)*	3.8%	.3%

Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) Quick Facts Indiana, Economic Growth Region 10

Top 10 Industries Ranked on Greatest Growth in Hiring

NAICS CODE	INDUSTRIES	HIRING GROWTH, 4Q2005 – 4Q2006
713	Amusement, Gambling, & Recreation Industries	81
442	Furniture & Home Furnishings Stores	53
441	Motor Vehicle & Parts Dealers	41
311	Food Manufacturing	30
332	Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	29
721	Accommodation	23
425	Wholesale Electronic Markets & Agents & Brokers	20
236	Construction of Buildings	18
443	Electronics & Appliance Stores	18
238	Specialty Trade Contractors	11

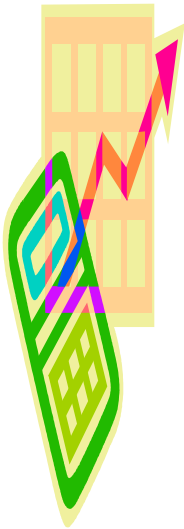
Source: U.S. Bureau of Census, Local Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD), Local Employment Dynamics (LED), 4th Quarter 2006.



*Midwest Region = Midwest Urban Average. Expenditure categories are not available on a regional basis. 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

ANNUAL COMPARISON OF UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS BY OFFICE



<u>Local Office</u>	<u>Dec. 2007</u>	<u>Nov. 2007</u>	<u>Dec. 2006</u>	<u>% Change from Previous Month</u>	<u>% Change from Previous Year</u>
<u>INITIAL CLAIMS</u>					
New Albany	1,848	1,065	1,425	73.5%	29.7%
Indiana	66,273	42,158	58,550	57.2%	13.2%
<u>TOTAL CLAIMS*</u>					
New Albany	10,204	6,425	8,550	58.8%	19.3%
Indiana	360,516	237,104	298,213	52.0%	20.9%

*Total Claims include both initial and continued unemployment insurance claims.



REGION 10 JOB OPENINGS

The following hourly wage information is for selected occupations that the Indiana Workforce Development office in New Albany received during December 2007. The data are from the agency's Customer Self Service System (CS3) and Seagate Crystal reports software. Occupations are listed in descending order based on number of openings.

SELECTED DECEMBER 2007 JOB OPENINGS & STARTING WAGES FOR REGION 10

<u>OCCUPATIONAL TITLES</u>	<u>MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE</u>	<u>AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE</u>	<u>MAXIMUM HOURLY WAGE</u>
Production Laborers	\$8.25	\$10.23	\$12.59
Production Helpers	9.45	10.65	11.85
Registered Nurses	14.25	19.82	28.85
Waiters & Waitresses	1.60	3.58	7.00
Administrative Assistants	9.00	9.50	10.00
General Office Clerks	6.00	8.63	13.88
Social Workers	6.38	10.13	15.38
Cashiers	6.00	6.75	7.50
Community Organization Social Workers	6.38	7.50	8.63
Electricians	20.00	22.71	25.42
Janitors & Cleaners	5.85	6.00	6.75
Licensed Practical Nurses	14.25	15.44	16.62
Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	5.85	6.19	6.75
Medical Assistants	8.38	9.19	10.00
Medical Secretaries	10.50	11.25	12.00
Purchasing Agents & Contract Specialists	\$9.00	\$10.50	\$12.00



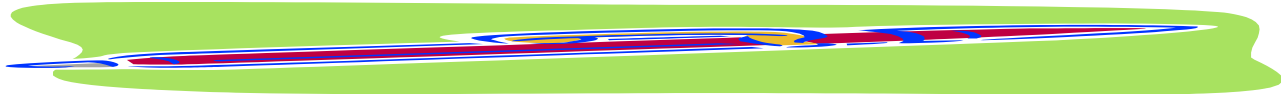
REGION 10* APPLICANT POOL December 31, 2007



The Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3) performs matches between applicants seeking work and employers looking for new employees. **Applicant Pool** provides a numerical ranking of the top jobs being sought by applicants.

<u>REGION 10 JOB TITLES</u>	<u>NUMBER OF APPLICANTS</u>
Production Laborers	1,002
Assemblers	963
General Office Clerks	554
Forklift/Industrial Truck Operators	554
Cashiers	489
Production Helpers	470
Hand Packers & Packagers	468
Receptionists/Information Clerks	447
All Other Machine Operators	441
File Clerks	413
Administrative Assistants	390
All Other Hand Workers	382
Production Inspectors, Testers, Graders	343
Shipping & Receiving Clerks	334
Data Entry Keyers, Except Composing	314
Customer Service Representatives	307
Secretaries – Other	281
All Other Managers & Administrators	277
Postal Service Clerks	265
Stock Clerks: Stockroom/Warehouse	247

The pool of applicants who are registered in the CS3 system is examined each week. The data are available from the state level to the county level. For other areas, check out our web site: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov> under Applicant Pool on the Site Map/Index.



ECONOMIC GROWTH REGION 10* WAGE DEMAND

The Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3) performs matches between job applicants seeking work and employers looking for new employees. **Wage Demand** provides the applicants' desired wages and the number of applicants registered in CS3. The pool of applicants who are registered in the CS3 system is examined each week. Applicants define their wage expectations for the work that they would like to obtain. An average wage demand and median wage demand are calculated for the selected geographical area. The data are available from the state level to the county level. For other areas, check out our web site: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov> under Wage Demand on the Site Map/Index.



<u>AREA (12/31/07)</u>	<u>Average Annual Wage Demand</u>	<u>Median Annual Wage Demand</u>	<u>Number of Applicants</u>
EGR 10	\$25,788	\$20,800	4,661
Clark	\$27,409	\$20,800	1,522
Crawford	\$22,273	\$18,720	363
Floyd	\$24,512	\$20,800	1,015
Harrison	\$25,057	\$20,800	757
Scott	\$29,801	\$19,932	517
Washington	\$22,529	\$20,800	487



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Community Economic Development HotReport

For the first time, the newly released Community Economic Development (CED) HotReport provides community and business leaders speedy access to information tailored to economic development decision-making. The CED HotReport is a free, easy-to-use portal to instantly obtain detailed information for local and regional areas on a wide variety of topics from a multitude of sources.

This HotReport gives communities a multi-faceted view of conditions using charts, maps, tables and dynamic text. Topics include the economy, transportation, housing, schools, and much more. The top industries and occupations as well as wages for an area workforce can be retrieved in a click or two.

To help communities and businesses plan for economic expansions and contractions using the best available information, the Employment and Training Administration (ETA), the Economic Development Administration (EDA), the Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA) and the U.S. Census Bureau collaboratively designed the CED HotReport.

In the tradition of integrating disparate data to create new and useful products begun by the Census Bureau's Data Integration Division, the CED HotReport searches a vast online network of public databases and knits together a series of interactive web pages that incorporate calculations, maps, charts, text, and tables on demand. The data are extracted each time from the source without the user having to download or store it.

Information comes from a variety of sources including the Department of Labor's Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages and State Occupational Projections; the Department of Education's Common Core of Data and Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System; and from the Census Bureau's Local Employment Dynamics (LED), Census 2000, American Community Survey, Population Estimates, and County Business Patterns.

You will find the CED HotReport link on the U.S. Census Bureau's Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics web site under Quick Links: <http://lehd.did.census.gov/led/>.



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