

# LABOR MARKET REVIEW

Region 1

Statistical Data Report for January 2009

Released March 2009



**INDIANA  
WORKFORCE  
DEVELOPMENT**

Economic Growth Region (EGR) 1 includes: Lake, Porter, LaPorte, Newton, Jasper, Starke, and Pulaski Counties.



*January 2009 Labor Force Estimates  
(not seasonally adjusted)  
State Release Date: 03/06/09*

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate Jan. 2009	Rate Dec. 2008	Rate Jan. 2008
<b>U. S.</b>	<b>153,445,000</b>	<b>140,436,000</b>	<b>13,009,000</b>	<b>7.6%</b>	<b>7.2%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>
<b>Indiana</b>	<b>3,219,681</b>	<b>2,899,880</b>	<b>319,801</b>	<b>9.2%</b>	<b>7.8%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
<b>Gary Metro Div</b>	<b>335,753</b>	<b>302,525</b>	<b>33,228</b>	<b>9.9%</b>	<b>8.2%</b>	<b>5.4%</b>
<b>MichCity-LaP MSA</b>	<b>52,508</b>	<b>46,696</b>	<b>5,812</b>	<b>11.1%</b>	<b>9.2%</b>	<b>6.2%</b>
<b>EGR 1</b>	<b>405,845</b>	<b>364,521</b>	<b>41,324</b>	<b>10.2%</b>	<b>8.5%</b>	<b>5.4%</b>
<b>Lake County</b>	<b>228,367</b>	<b>205,477</b>	<b>22,890</b>	<b>10.0%</b>	<b>8.6%</b>	<b>5.7%</b>
<b>Porter County</b>	<b>84,347</b>	<b>76,562</b>	<b>7,785</b>	<b>9.2%</b>	<b>7.3%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>
<b>LaPorte County</b>	<b>52,508</b>	<b>46,696</b>	<b>5,812</b>	<b>11.1%</b>	<b>9.2%</b>	<b>6.2%</b>
<b>Newton County</b>	<b>7,139</b>	<b>6,327</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>8.8%</b>	<b>6.9%</b>
<b>Jasper County</b>	<b>15,900</b>	<b>14,159</b>	<b>1,741</b>	<b>10.9%</b>	<b>8.5%</b>	<b>6.2%</b>
<b>Starke County</b>	<b>10,873</b>	<b>9,316</b>	<b>1,557</b>	<b>14.3%</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>7.1%</b>
<b>Pulaski County</b>	<b>6,711</b>	<b>5,984</b>	<b>727</b>	<b>10.8%</b>	<b>9.0%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>
<b>Gary City</b>	<b>35,412</b>	<b>31,608</b>	<b>3,804</b>	<b>10.7%</b>	<b>9.8%</b>	<b>6.6%</b>
<b>Hammond City</b>	<b>34,249</b>	<b>30,159</b>	<b>4,090</b>	<b>11.9%</b>	<b>10.4%</b>	<b>6.8%</b>

## REGIONAL AND STATE UNEMPLOYMENT (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE RANKING (HIGH TO LOW)	
January 2009	COUNTY
50	Lake
66	Porter
32	LaPorte
30	Newton
38	Jasper
11	Starke
40	Pulaski

County Unemployment Rates  
January 2009 - Non Seasonally Adjusted



### Non Seasonal Unemployment Rate

- Same as State Rate - 4.7%
- Below State Rate
- Above State Rate

Regional and state unemployment rates were nearly all higher in January. Forty-nine states and the District of Columbia recorded over-the-month unemployment rate increases, while all states and the District of Columbia had higher rates than a year earlier, the U.S. Department of Labor has reported. The national unemployment rate rose from 7.6 percent in January to 8.1 percent in February. In January, nonfarm payroll employment decreased in 42 states, increased in 7 states as well as the District of Columbia, and was unchanged in 1 state (Vermont). The largest over-the-month decreases in the level of employment were recorded in California, Michigan, Ohio, and Texas. Michigan reported the largest over-the-month percentage decrease in employment, followed by Arizona and Ohio and Nevada. The largest over-the-month increases in the level of employment were reported by Maryland, the District of Columbia, and New Hampshire.

## INDIANA and SURROUNDING STATES UNEMPLOYMENT January 2009 (Not seasonally adjusted)

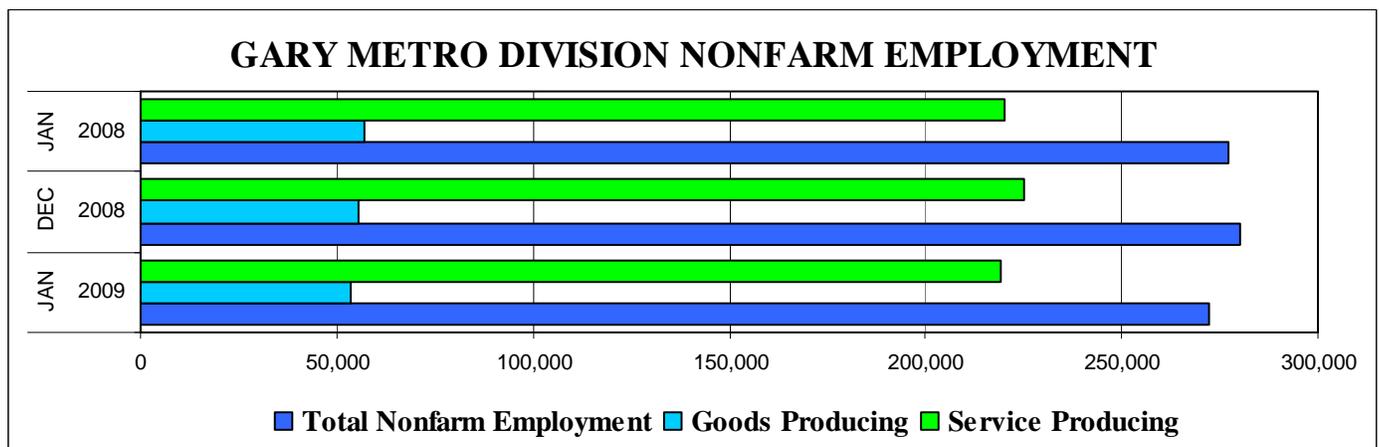
Illinois	7.9%
Indiana	9.2%
Kentucky	8.7%
Michigan	11.6%
Ohio	8.8%

# Gary Metro Division

## WAGE AND SALARIED EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	JAN 2009	DEC 2008	JAN 2008	CHANGE FROM DEC 2008 TO JAN 2009		FROM JAN 2008 TO JAN 2009	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT</b>	<b>272,400</b>	<b>280,300</b>	<b>277,100</b>	<b>-7,900</b>	<b>-2.8%</b>	<b>-4,700</b>	<b>-1.7%</b>
Total Private Employment	233,600	240,500	239,100	-6,900	-2.9%	-5,500	-2.3%
<b>GOODS PRODUCING</b>	<b>53,400</b>	<b>55,400</b>	<b>57,000</b>	<b>-2,000</b>	<b>-3.6%</b>	<b>-3,600</b>	<b>-6.3%</b>
Natural Resources & Construction	400	400	400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Construction	15,700	17,200	18,400	-1,500	-8.7%	-2,700	-14.7%
Manufacturing	37,300	37,800	38,200	-500	-1.3%	-900	-2.4%
---Durable Goods	29,300	29,700	30,000	-400	-1.3%	-700	-2.3%
Primary Metal Mfg	19,300	19,400	18,900	-100	-0.5%	400	2.1%
Iron and Steel Mills	17,600	17,600	17,100	0	0.0%	500	2.9%
<b>SERVICE PRODUCING</b>	<b>219,000</b>	<b>224,900</b>	<b>220,100</b>	<b>-5,900</b>	<b>-2.6%</b>	<b>-1,100</b>	<b>-0.5%</b>
Private Service Providing	180,200	185,100	182,100	-4,900	-2.6%	-1,900	-1.0%
---Trade, Transportation, Utilities	59,800	62,100	60,700	-2,300	-3.7%	-900	-1.5%
Wholesale Trade	10,800	10,900	10,300	-100	-0.9%	500	4.9%
Retail Trade	33,900	35,600	35,200	-1,700	-4.8%	-1,300	-3.7%
General Merch Stores	6,500	7,100	7,000	-600	-8.5%	-500	-7.1%
Other Gen Merch Stores	3,300	3,600	3,300	-300	-8.3%	0	0.0%
Transp/Warehousing/Utilities	15,100	15,600	15,200	-500	-3.2%	-100	-0.7%
---Information	2,100	2,100	2,200	0	0.0%	-100	-4.5%
---Financial Activities	9,000	9,200	9,400	-200	-2.2%	-400	-4.3%
---Professional & Business	21,900	22,400	22,000	-500	-2.2%	-100	-0.5%
Admin/Support/Waste Svcs	2,500	2,700	3,300	-200	-7.4%	-800	-24.2%
Employment Services	44,900	45,900	45,400	-1,000	-2.2%	-500	-1.1%
---Educational & Health	7,100	7,900	7,600	-800	-10.1%	-500	-6.6%
Educational Services	37,800	38,000	37,800	-200	-0.5%	0	0.0%
Health Care/Social Assist.	12,800	12,900	12,900	-100	-0.8%	-100	-0.8%
Med/Surgical Hospitals	30,200	31,100	30,000	-900	-2.9%	200	0.7%
---Leisure & Hospitality	7,600	7,800	7,400	-200	-2.6%	200	2.7%
Arts/Entertainment/Recr'n	21,300	22,000	21,300	-700	-3.2%	0	0.0%
Food Svcs / Drinking Places	12,300	12,300	12,400	0	0.0%	-100	-0.8%
---Other Services	38,800	39,800	38,000	-1,000	-2.5%	800	2.1%
Government	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Federal Government	4,000	4,200	4,000	-200	-4.8%	0	0.0%
---State Government	32,800	33,600	32,000	-800	-2.4%	800	2.5%
---Local Government	18,800	19,600	18,700	-800	-4.1%	100	0.5%

-- EMPLOYMENT DATA ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST HUNDRED AND THUS MAY NOT ADD TO THE TOTAL SHOWN  
-- GARY METROPOLITAN DIVISION OF THE CHICAGO CSA EQUALS LAKE, PORTER, JASPER, AND NEWTON COUNTIES

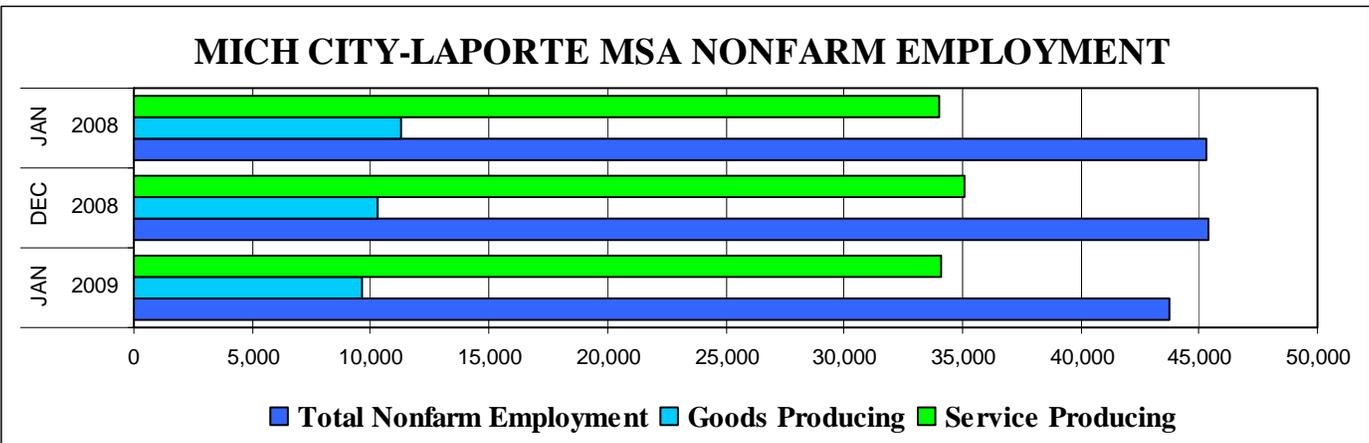


# MichCity-LaPorte MSA

# WAGE AND SALARIED EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	JAN 2009	DEC 2008	JAN 2008	CHANGE FROM		FROM	
				DEC 2008 TO JAN 2009	2008	JAN 2008 TO JAN 2009	2008
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT</b>	<b>43,700</b>	<b>45,400</b>	<b>45,300</b>	<b>-1,700</b>	<b>-3.7%</b>	<b>-1,600</b>	<b>-3.5%</b>
Total Private Employment	36,300	37,800	37,700	-1,500	-4.0%	-1,400	-3.7%
<b>GOODS PRODUCING</b>	<b>9,600</b>	<b>10,300</b>	<b>11,300</b>	<b>-700</b>	<b>-6.8%</b>	<b>-1,700</b>	<b>-15.0%</b>
Natural Resources & Construction	1,900	2,100	2,300	-200	-9.5%	-400	-17.4%
Manufacturing	7,700	8,200	9,000	-500	-6.1%	-1,300	-14.4%
<b>SERVICE PRODUCING</b>	<b>34,100</b>	<b>35,100</b>	<b>34,000</b>	<b>-1,000</b>	<b>-2.8%</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0.3%</b>
Private Service Providing	26,700	27,500	26,400	-800	-2.9%	300	1.1%
---Trade, Transportation, Utilities	8,800	9,400	8,800	-600	-6.4%	0	0.0%
Wholesale Trade	1,400	1,400	1,300	0	0.0%	100	7.7%
Retail Trade	5,700	6,200	5,700	-500	-8.1%	0	0.0%
Transp/Warehousing/Utilities	1,700	1,800	1,800	-100	-5.6%	-100	-5.6%
---Information	500	600	600	-100	-16.7%	-100	-16.7%
---Financial Activities	1,300	1,300	1,200	0	0.0%	100	8.3%
---Professional & Business	2,700	2,700	2,600	0	0.0%	100	3.8%
---Educational & Health	6,900	7,000	6,700	-100	-1.4%	200	3.0%
---Leisure & Hospitality	4,800	4,800	4,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Other Services	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Government	7,400	7,600	7,600	-200	-2.6%	-200	-2.6%
---Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---State Government	2,400	2,500	2,600	-100	-4.0%	-200	-7.7%
---Local Government	4,800	4,900	4,800	-100	-2.0%	0	0.0%
Education	2,900	3,000	2,800	-100	-3.3%	100	3.6%

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 -- MSA - METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MICHIGAN CITY-LAPORTE MSA = LAPORTE COUNTY)  
 NOTE: MICHIGAN CITY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA IS CURRENTLY PUBLISHED AS UNOFFICIAL/NON-BLS AREA ESTIMATES.  
 BLS FUNDING FOR THIS MSA & OTHERS WAS SUSPENDED FOR 2008 BUT INDIANA WILL CONTINUE TO ESTIMATE FOR THESE AREAS.



## TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS BY REGION

WEEK ENDING >	1/3/2009	1/10/2009	1/17/2009	1/24/2009	1/31/2009
EGR 1	16,625	18,909	18,635	18,310	18,592
INDIANA	144,268	161,401	156,238	152,599	154,675

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, UI Statistics

## Monthly Claims by Industry Region 1 January 2009

### EMPLOYER COSTS – DEC 2008

Employer costs for employee compensation for civilian workers averaged \$29.18 per hour worked in December 2008, the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics has reported. Wages and salaries, which averaged \$20.37, accounted for 69.8 percent of these costs, while benefits, which averaged \$8.81, accounted for the remaining 30.2 percent. Employer costs for legally required benefits averaged \$2.27, or 7.8 percent of total compensation per hour worked in December 2008. Legally required benefits--which include Social Security, Medicare, federal and state unemployment insurance, and workers' compensation--is only one of several benefit categories included along with wages and salaries. Employer costs for insurance benefits--life, health, and disability--averaged \$2.45 per hour (8.4 percent of total compensation). Paid leave benefits (vacations, holidays, sick leave, and personal) averaged \$2.06 (7.1 percent); retirement and savings averaged \$1.29 (4.4 percent); and supplemental pay averaged 74 cents (2.5 percent) per hour worked.

Industry	Number of Claims	Percent of Total
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunting	73	0.4%
Mining	114	0.6%
Utilities	16	0.1%
Construction	5,514	29.2%
Manufacturing	3,964	21.0%
Wholesale Trade	726	3.8%
Retail Trade	1,087	5.8%
Transportation, Warehousing	854	4.5%
Information	91	0.5%
Finance, Insurance	293	1.6%
Real Estate, Rental, Leasing	162	0.9%
Professional, Technical	498	2.6%
Management of Companies, Enterprises	34	0.2%
Administrative, Waste Services	1,783	9.4%
Educational Services	136	0.7%
Health Care, Social Assistance	581	3.1%
Arts, Entertainment, Recreation	414	2.2%
Accommodations, Food Services	419	2.2%
Other Services except Public Adm.	282	1.5%
Public Administration	225	1.2%
Unclassified	191	1.0%
<b>Region 1 Total</b>	<b>18,876</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## WARN NOTICES for Region 1 in December 2008

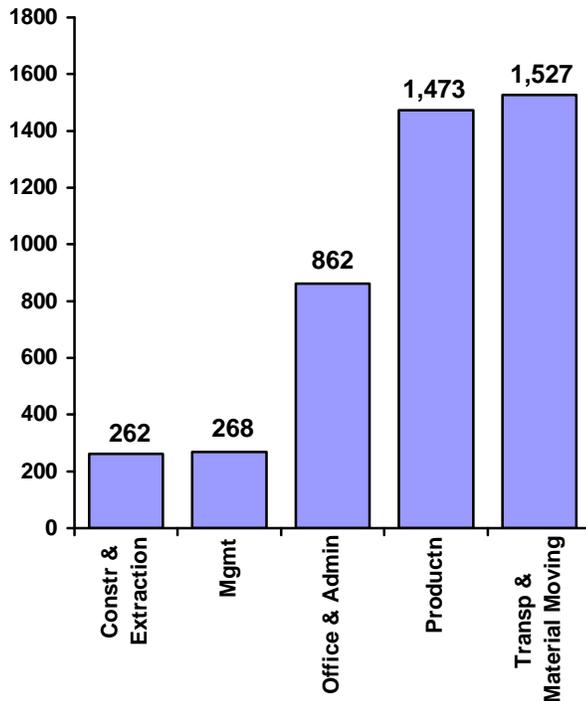
Company	City	County	Affected Workers	Notice Date
SourceNet, Inc	East Chicago	Lake	48	12/1/08

Data are rounded.

Source: Hoosiers by the Numbers, WARN Notices  
Indiana Workforce Development, December 2008

## Applicant Pool

Top Five Occupational Groups selected by Active Applicants in Past Twelve Months



Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect



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Lake, Porter, LaPorte, St. Joseph, Elkhart, Newton, Jasper, Starke, Pulaski, Marshall, Fulton, and Kosciusko Counties.

## Wage Information

EGR 1 Employment & Wages  
2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2008

AREA	AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS	
		All Industries	Manufacturing
Lake	193,887	\$740	\$1,345
Porter	57,803	\$742	\$1,412
LaPorte	44,867	\$626	\$827
Newton	3,937	\$552	\$596
Jasper	12,237	\$630	\$794
Starke	4,260	\$484	\$632
Pulaski	4,583	\$617	\$820
EGR 1	323,962	\$716	\$918
Indiana	2,869,743	\$709	\$960

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages (QCEW).

## CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

(CPI-U Change)

Unadjusted Percent Change to January 2009 from:

	Jan. 2008	Dec. 2008
<b>U.S. City Average</b>		
All Items	0.0	0.4
Food & Beverages	5.2	0.1
Housing	2.2	0.0
Apparel	-0.9	0.3
Transportation	-12.6	1.3
Medical Care	2.6	0.4
Recreation	1.6	0.0
Education & Communication	3.6	0.3
Other Goods & Services	3.3	0.3
Midwest Region (All Items)*	-0.3	0.6

\*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

