

LABOR MARKET REVIEW

Economic Growth Region 3

Statistical Data Report for February 2009

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INDIANA
WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT

February 2009 Labor Force Estimates

(Not seasonally adjusted)

State Release Date: 03/27/2009

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Economic Growth Region (EGR) 3 includes: Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Grant, Huntington, Lagrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells, and Whitley Counties.



Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate Feb. 2009	Rate Jan. 2008	Rate Feb. 2008
U. S.	153,804,000	140,105,000	13,699,000	8.9%	8.5%	5.2%
Indiana	3,209,017	2,844,839	423,178	10.1%	9.9%	5.4%
Fort Wayne MSA	213,511	192,285	21,226	9.9%	9.6%	5.3%
EGR 3	377,310	332,909	44,401	11.8%	11.6%	5.8%
Adams County	16,045	13,706	2,339	14.6%	12.9%	8.2%
Allen County	180,611	162,932	17,679	9.8%	9.4%	5.3%
DeKalb County	20,738	17,945	2,793	13.5%	13.5%	6.0%
Grant County	32,318	28,419	3,899	12.1%	12.4%	7.2%
Huntington County	20,323	17,998	2,325	11.4%	11.0%	5.4%
Lagrange County	17,408	14,320	3,088	17.7%	17.9%	5.5%
Noble County	23,788	19,778	4,000	16.8%	17.9%	6.2%
Steuben County	16,465	13,920	2,545	15.5%	14.8%	6.8%
Wabash County	16,724	14,538	2,186	13.1%	12.9%	6.3%
Wells County	14,779	13,312	1,467	9.9%	9.6%	5.4%
Whitley County	18,212	16,041	2,080	11.5%	11.6%	5.5%

REGIONAL AND STATE UNEMPLOYMENT (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

COUNTY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AND RANKING

County Unemployment Rates
February 2009 Non-Seasonally Adjusted



The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported that regional and state unemployment rates were nearly all higher in February. Forty-nine states and the District of Columbia recorded over-the-month unemployment rate increases while all 50 states and the District of Columbia had higher rates than a year ago.

In February, Michigan reported the highest jobless rate at 12 percent. Wyoming registered the lowest unemployment rate at 3.9 percent.

Unemployment rates were higher in February than a year earlier in all 372 metropolitan areas. Fourteen areas recorded jobless rates of at least 15 percent, while 20 areas registered rates below 5 percent.

February 2009 Rate	February 2009 Ranking (High to Low)	County
17.7%	2	Lagrange
16.8%	3	Noble
15.5%	4	Steuben
14.6%	8	Adams
13.5%	13	DeKalb
13.1%	15	Wabash
12.1%	24	Grant
11.5%	32	Whitley
11.4%	33	Huntington
9.9%	61	Wells
9.8%	62	Allen

Non-Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate

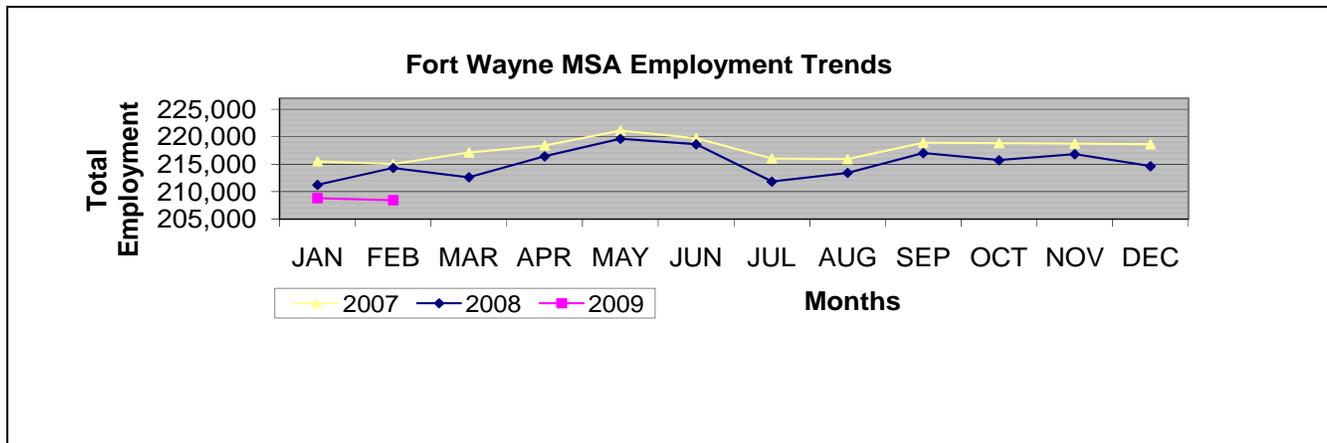
- Below State Rate
- Same as State Rate - 10.1%
- Above State Rate

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

Illinois	9.3
Indiana	10.1
Kentucky	10.2
Michigan	12.8
Ohio	10.2

	FEB. 2009	JAN. 2009	FEB. 2008	JAN. 09 TO FEB. 09 # CHG. % CHG.	FEB. 08 TO FEB. 09 # CHG. % CHG.
Total Nonfarm	208400	208800	214300	-400 -0.19%	-5,900 -2.75%
Total Private	186000	186600	191200	-600 -0.32%	-5,200 -2.72%
Goods Producing	43000	43700	47100	-700 -1.60%	-4,100 -8.70%
Service-Providing	165400	165100	167200	300 0.18%	-1,800 -1.08%
Private Service Providing	143000	142900	144100	100 0.07%	-1,100 -0.76%
Mining, Logging and Construction	9100	9300	9800	-200 -2.15%	-700 -7.14%
Manufacturing	33900	34400	37300	-500 -1.45%	-3,400 -9.12%
Durable Goods	25300	25800	28000	-500 -1.94%	-2,700 -9.64%
Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	5100	5200	4600	-100 -1.92%	500 10.87%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	5000	5200	6200	-200 -3.85%	-1,200 -19.35%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	44800	45000	45300	-200 -0.44%	-500 -1.10%
Wholesale Trade	12500	12600	12800	-100 -0.79%	-300 -2.34%
Retail Trade	22400	22600	22300	-200 -0.88%	100 0.45%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	9900	9800	10200	100 1.02%	-300 -2.94%
Information	3600	3600	3800	0 0.00%	-200 -5.26%
Financial Activities	11700	11700	11800	0 0.00%	-100 -0.85%
Professional and Business Services	19800	20000	20400	-200 -1.00%	-600 -2.94%
Education and Health Services	37100	36600	36100	500 1.37%	1,000 2.77%
Leisure and Hospitality	18400	18300	18800	100 0.55%	-400 -2.13%
Food Services and Drinking Places	15600	15700	16100	-100 -0.64%	-500 -3.11%
Other Services	7600	7700	7900	-100 -1.30%	-300 -3.80%
Government	22400	22200	23100	200 0.90%	-700 -3.03%
Federal Government	2200	2300	2400	-100 -4.35%	-200 -8.33%
State Government	3100	3100	3700	0 0.00%	-600 -16.22%
State Government Educational Services	2000	2000	2600	0 0.00%	-600 -23.08%
State Government Excluding Education	1100	1100	1100	0 0.00%	0 0.00%
Local Government	17100	16800	17000	300 1.79%	100 0.59%
Local Government Educational Services	10100	9800	10200	300 3.06%	-100 -0.98%
Local Government excluding Educational Services	7000	7000	6800	0 0.00%	200 2.94%

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

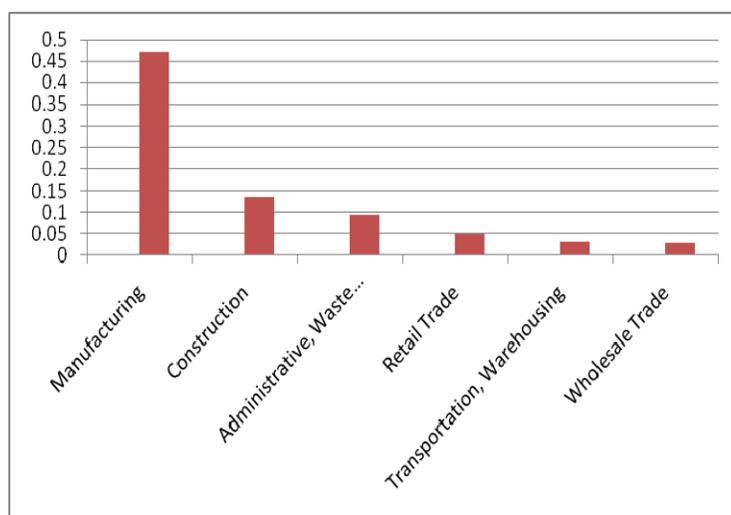


TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS BY REGION

Week Ending	2/7/2009	2/14/2009	2/21/2009	2/28/2009
Region 3	26,442	25,866	25,670	26,702
INDIANA	174,527	171,746	170,951	175,940

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

Monthly Unemployment Claims By Industry by Percentage of Total For Region 3, February 2009



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

EMPLOYER COSTS December 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.

WARN NOTICES for Region 3 in January/February 2009

Company	City	County	Affected Workers	Notice Date
MAHLE	Churubusco	Whitley	78	1/12/2009
Dexter Axle	North Manchester	Wabash	156	1/30/2009
Porter, Inc.	Decatur	Adams	225	2/3/2009

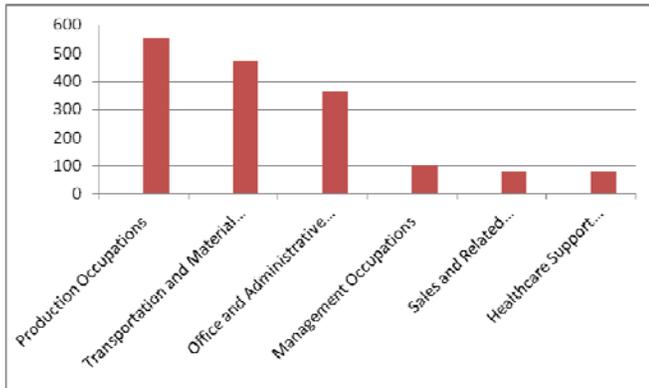
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Source: Hoosiers by the Numbers, WARN Notices

Indiana Department of Workforce Development, January/February 2009

Applicant Pool

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



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development. Indiana Career Connect Database.



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Annual Unemployment Rate Estimates

AREA	2005	2006	2007	2008
U.S.	5.1%	4.6%	4.6%	5.8%
Indiana	5.4%	5.0%	4.6%	5.9%
Fort Wayne MSA	5.2%	4.9%	4.7%	N/A
EGR 3	5.6%	5.3%	5.0%	6.7%
Adams County	4.7%	4.3%	4.3%	7.4%
Allen County	5.2%	4.9%	4.8%	6.0%
DeKalb County	6.2%	6.0%	5.5	7.2%
Grant County	8.3%	7.0%	6.1%	7.7%
Huntington County	5.5%	5.2%	4.7%	6.7%
Jay County	5.3%	4.4%	4.3%	5.9%
Lagrange County	4.8%	5.1%	4.9%	8.4%
Noble County	6.0%	6.0%	5.4%	8.3%
Steuben County	6.2%	6.3%	6.0%	7.4%
Wabash County	6.5%	5.5%	4.8%	7.3%
Wells County	4.7%	4.3%	4.1%	5.7%
Whitley County	5.0%	4.7%	4.5%	6.4%

*The Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program (LAUS) provides monthly and annual average estimates for labor force, employment, unemployment, and the unemployment rate for states, metropolitan areas, counties, and cities. The process of re-estimating the data, as more complete information becomes available, takes place each year and is called "benchmarking". Please discard all monthly and annual data acquired between 2005 and 2008.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI-U Change)

Unadjusted Percent Change to February 2009 from:

	<u>Feb. 2008</u>	<u>Jan. 2008</u>
U.S. City Average		
All Items	.2	.5
Food & Beverages	4.7	-.2
Housing	1.9	.1
Apparel	.8	3.5
Transportation	-11.0	1.7
Medical Care	2.8	.7
Recreation	1.9	.6
Education & Communication	3.6	.0
Other Goods & Services	3.2	.3
Midwest Region (All Items)*	-.2	.3

*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.

CPI-U=Consumer Price Index-Urban

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics