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#### September 2022 Labor Market Review

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### **Economic Growth Region 1**

Statistical Data Report for September 2022, Released November 2022

#### **State Employment and Unemployment**

Unemployment rates were lower in September in 11 states and the District of Columbia, higher in 9 states, and stable in 30 states, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Forty-six states and the District had jobless rate decreases from a year earlier and four states had little change. The national unemployment rate edged down to 3.5 percent over the month and was 1.2 percentage points lower than in September 2021.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 9 states, decreased in 1, and was essentially unchanged in 40 states and the District in September 2022. Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 49 states and the District and was essentially unchanged in 1.

Se	September 2022 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)								
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Sep-22	Aug-22	Sep-21			
U.S.	164,463,000	159,003,000	5,460,000	3.3%	3.8%	4.6%			
IN	3,370,633	3,295,072	75,561	2.2%	3.1%	2.9%			
Gary Metro Div	329,516	318,680	10,836	3.3%	4.6%	4.2%			
MichCity- LaPorte MSA	46,012	44,687	1,325	2.9%	3.8%	3.9%			
EGR 1	391,330	378,779	12,551	3.2%	4.5%	4.1%			
Lake Co.	223,078	214,816	8,262	3.7%	5.3%	4.8%			
Porter Co.	84,210	82,158	2,052	2.4%	3.4%	2.9%			
LaPorte Co.	46,012	44,687	1,325	2.9%	3.8%	3.9%			
Newton Co.	6,669	6,499	170	2.5%	3.6%	2.8%			
Jasper Co.	15,559	15,207	352	2.3%	3.2%	2.6%			
Starke Co.	9,381	9,116	265	2.8%	3.6%	3.4%			
Pulaski Co.	6,421	6,296	125	1.9%	2.7%	2.3%			
East Chicago	9,471	8,940	531	5.6%	8.6%	7.8%			
Hammond	32,669	31,447	1,222	3.7%	5.2%	5.7%			
Munster	11,263	10,994	269	2.4%	3.4%	2.4%			
Dyer	8,443	8,266	177	2.1%	3.1%	2.1%			
Schererville	15,559	15,140	419	2.7%	3.4%	2.9%			
Crown Point	15,380	14,954	426	2.8%	3.9%	2.5%			
Griffith	8,444	8,182	262	3.1%	4.9%	3.9%			
Highland	11,915	11,594	321	2.7%	4.5%	3.1%			
Gary	25,770	23,973	1,797	7.0%	9.7%	10.9%			
Merrillville	16,500	15,745	755	4.6%	6.4%	6.3%			
Hobart	14,174	13,635	539	3.8%	5.5%	4.1%			
Lake Station	4,664	4,446	218	4.7%	5.3%	6.7%			
Portage	17,498	16,945	553	3.2%	4.4%	4.2%			
Chesterton	6,947	6,783	164	2.4%	2.8%	3.0%			
Valparaiso	16,265	15,902	363	2.2%	3.2%	2.6%			
Michigan City	12,219	11,810	409	3.3%	4.8%	6.1%			
LaPorte	9,187	8,903	284	3.1%	4.2%	3.8%			

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released:10/22 | 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.



# Economic Growth Region (EGR) 1

Jasper, Lake, LaPorte, Newton, Porter, Pulaski and Starke Counties

#### Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): September 2022

U.S. - 3.5%

Illinois - 4.5%

Indiana - 2.8%

Kentucky - 3.8%

Michigan - 4.1% Ohio - 4%

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

# Unemployment Rank by County (of 92 counties): September 2022

#2 - Lake (3.7%)

#4 - LaPorte (2.9%)

#6 - Starke (2.8%)

#12 - Newton (2.5%)

#23 - Porter (2.4%)

#28 - Jasper (2.3%)

#65 - Pulaski (1.9%)

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Development, Local

Statewide Average Weekly Hours & Earnings by Industry for September 2022							
Industry	Avg. Earnings per hr	Avg. # of hours worked per week	Avg. Earnings per week				
Construction	\$31.76	41.6	\$1,321.22				
Manufacturing	\$23.55	42.0	\$989.10				
Durable Goods	\$24.05	42.4	\$1,019.72				
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	\$22.48	42.3	\$950.90				
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	\$27.09	40.6	\$1,099.85				
Non-Durable Goods	\$22.35	41.2	\$920.82				
Retail Trade	\$17.85	28.3	\$505.16				
Financial Activities	\$25.81	35.8	\$924.00				
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$26.62	33.5	\$891.77				
Accommodation and Food Services	\$15.06	23.1	\$347.89				
Food Services and Drinking Places	\$14.70	22.5	\$330.75				

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Current Employment Statistics

# Percentage of Unemployment Claims for Top 5 Region 1 Industries September 2022 Distribution as a Percent of Total Manufacturing Construction Administrative & Support & Waste Management & Remediation Services Health Care & Social Assistance Retail Trade Retail Trade

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

#### **WARN Notices**

WARN Notices for Region 1 for September 2022							
Company City County # affected Notice Date							

#### There are no WARN Notices for September 2022 for Region 1.

Significant WARN Notices for nearby locations							
Company	City	County	# Affected	Notice Date			
KGP Telecommunications, LLC	Warsaw	Kosciusko	189	09/08/22			
Masonite Corporation	Walkerton	St. Joseph	74	9/28/2022			

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:

## **Unemployment Claims: September 2022**

#### Region 1

#### **Initial Claims**

09/03/22 - 437(D) 09/10/22 - 378(D) 09/17/22 - 414(D) 09/24/22 - 366(D)

#### **Continued Claims**

09/03/22 - 1,416 09/10/22 - 1,514 09/17/22 - 1,453 09/24/22 - 1,358

#### **Total Claims**

09/03/22 - 1,853 09/10/22 - 1,892 09/17/22 - 1,867 09/24/22 - 1,724

#### State of Indiana

#### **Initial Claims**

09/03/22 - 3,933 09/10/22 - 4,671 09/17/22 - 3,568 09/24/22 - 3,110

#### **Continued Claims**

09/03/22 - 23,117 09/10/22 - 18,866 09/17/22 - 17,447 09/24/22 - 19,724

#### **Total Claims**

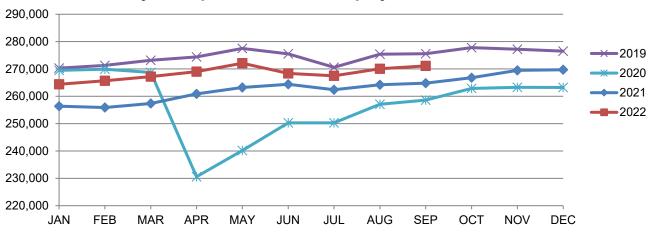
09/03/22 - 27,050 09/10/22 - 23,537 09/17/22 - 21,015 09/24/22 - 22,834

(D) Indicates one or more counties are excluded due to non-disclosure issues | Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

Gary Metropolitan Division							
Wage and Salaried Employment	5	September 2022		# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	Sep-22	Aug-22	Sep-21	Aug-22 t	o Sep-22	Sep-21 1	to Sep-22
Total Nonfarm	271,100	270,100	264,800	1,000	0.4%	6,300	2.4%
Total Private	238,800	241,000	232,800	-2,200	-0.9%	6,000	2.6%
Goods Producing	51,900	52,000	50,800	-100	-0.2%	1,100	2.2%
Service Providing	219,200	218,100	214,000	1,100	0.5%	5,200	2.4%
Private Service Providing	186,900	189,000	182,000	-2,100	-1.1%	4,900	2.7%
Mining and Logging	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Mining, Logging and Construction	18,900	18,800	18,400	100	0.5%	500	2.7%
Construction	18,700	18,600	18,200	100	0.5%	500	2.8%
Manufacturing	33,000	33,200	32,400	-200	-0.6%	600	1.9%
Durable Goods	24,700	24,900	24,300	-200	-0.8%	400	1.7%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	57,800	58,600	57,100	-800	-1.4%	700	1.2%
Wholesale Trade	9,400	9,400	9,200	0	0.0%	200	2.2%
Retail Trade	31,600	32,600	31,400	-1,000	-3.1%	200	0.6%
General Merchandise Stores	6,600	6,700	6,800	-100	-1.5%	-200	-2.9%
Other Gen Merch Stores	4,600	4,700	4,800	-100	-2.1%	-200	-4.2%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	16,800	16,600	16,500	200	1.2%	300	1.8%
Information	1,800	1,800	1,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	9,000	9,000	8,900	0	0.0%	100	1.1%
Professional and Business Services	27,200	26,900	25,500	300	1.1%	1,700	6.7%
Employment Services	4,200	4,200	4,100	0	0.0%	100	2.4%
Education and Health Services	49,300	48,200	47,200	1,100	2.3%	2,100	4.5%
Educational Services	4,900	4,300	5,000	600	14.0%	-100	-2.0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	44,400	43,900	42,200	500	1.1%	2,200	5.2%
General Medical and Surgical Hospitals	13,500	13,500	13,400	0	0.0%	100	0.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	31,400	34,100	31,500	-2,700	-7.9%	-100	-0.3%
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	3,900	4,400	4,100	-500	-11.4%	-200	-4.9%
Food Services and Drinking Places	27,500	29,700	27,400	-2,200	-7.4%	100	0.4%
Other Services	10,400	10,400	10,000	0	0.0%	400	4.0%
Total Government	32,300	29,100	32,000	3,200	11.0%	300	0.9%
Federal Government	1,900	1,900	2,000	0	0.0%	-100	-5.0%
State Government	4,500	3,800	4,300	700	18.4%	200	4.7%
Local Government	25,900	23,400	25,700	2,500	10.7%	200	0.8%
Local Government Educational Services	15,200	12,400	14,800	2,800	22.6%	400	2.7%

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

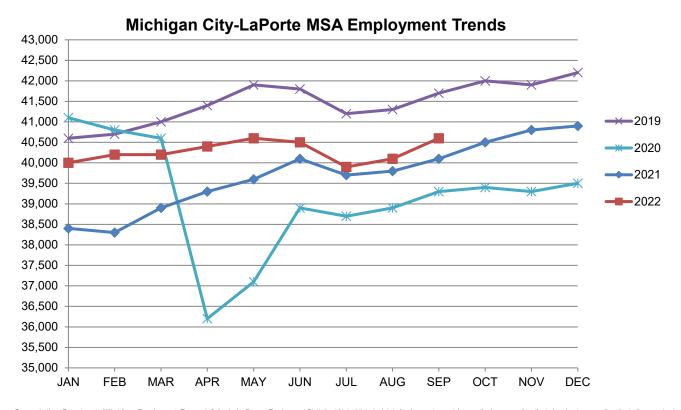
#### **Gary Metropolitan Division Employment Trends**



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.

Michigan City-LaPorte MSA								
Wage and Salaried Employment	S	September 2022			% Change	# Change	% Change	
Industry	Sep-22	Aug-22	Sep-21	Aug-22 to	o Sep-22	Sep-21 1	to Sep-22	
Total Nonfarm	40,600	40,100	40,100	500	1.3%	500	1.3%	
Total Private	34,100	34,300	33,600	-200	-0.6%	500	1.5%	
Goods Producing	9,900	9,900	9,700	0	0.0%	200	2.1%	
Service Providing	30,700	30,200	30,400	500	1.7%	300	1.0%	
Private Service Providing	24,200	24,400	23,900	-200	-0.8%	300	1.3%	
Mining, Logging and Construction	2,100	2,100	2,000	0	0.0%	100	5.0%	
Manufacturing	7,800	7,800	7,700	0	0.0%	100	1.3%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	8,100	8,200	8,100	-100	-1.2%	0	0.0%	
Wholesale Trade	1,700	1,700	1,600	0	0.0%	100	6.3%	
Retail Trade	5,000	5,000	4,900	0	0.0%	100	2.0%	
Information	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Financial Activities	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Professional and Business Services	2,800	2,900	2,700	-100	-3.5%	100	3.7%	
Education and Health Services	6,000	6,000	5,800	0	0.0%	200	3.5%	
Leisure and Hospitality	4,700	4,700	4,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Other Services	1,100	1,100	1,100	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Total Government	6,500	5,800	6,500	700	12.1%	0	0.0%	
Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
State Government	2,100	2,000	2,100	100	5.0%	0	0.0%	
Local Government	4,200	3,600	4,200	600	16.7%	0	0.0%	
Local Government Educational Services	2,300	1,700	2,300	600	35.3%	0	0.0%	

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



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Frequently Listed Jobs					
Top 20 job listings by number of openings in Region 1 in the past month					
Rank	Occupations				
1	Registered Nurses				
2	Retail Salespersons				
3	Nursing Assistants				
4	Stockers and Order Fillers				
5	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers				
6	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists				
7	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General				
8	First-Line Supervisors of Material-Moving Machine and Vehicle Operators				
9	First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers				
10	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses				
11	Tellers				
12	First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers				
13	Securities, Commodities, and Financial Services Sales Agents				
14	Customer Service Representatives				
15	Environmental Science and Protection Technicians, Including Health				
16	Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other				
17	Correctional Officers and Jailers				
18	Home Health Aides				
19	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners				
20	Industrial Engineers				

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

Applicant Pool					
Top 20 occupations desired by applic their resumes in the past 12 mon					
Industries	# of postings				
Production Workers, All Other	1,868				
HelpersProduction Workers	1,858				
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	1,496				
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	1,369				
Cashiers	1,356				
Customer Service Representatives	1,195				
Office Clerks, General	738				
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	696				
Construction Laborers	687				
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	628				
Retail Salespersons	588				
Receptionists and Information Clerks	563				
Managers, All Other	537				
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	536				
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	534				
Carpenters	520				
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	494				
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	489				
Extraction Workers, All Other	465				
Packers and Packagers, Hand	462				

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to September 2022 from							
	Sep-21	Aug-22	Sep-21	Aug-22	Sep-21	Aug-22	
CPI Item	Chicago-Naperville- Elgin, IN-IL-WI		U.S. City		Midwest Region*		
All Items	8.7%	0.2%	8.2%	0.2%	8.1%	0.2%	
Food & Beverages	9.3%	0.4%	10.8%	0.7%	12.0%	0.7%	
Housing	8.6%	0.4%	8.0%	0.7%	7.2%	0.4%	
Apparel	7.8%	1.1%	5.5%	2.2%	6.0%	2.3%	
Transportation	15.2%	-1.5%	12.6%	-1.6%	12.2%	-0.9%	
Medical Care	3.8%	1.2%	6.0%	0.5%	5.5%	0.5%	
Recreation	14.0%	0.9%	4.1%	0.1%	6.7%	0.5%	
Education & Communication	-1.0%	-0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	-0.3%	0.2%	
Other Goods & Services	6.1%	1.8%	6.9%	0.3%	7.9%	0.6%	

Statistics

September Indiana Employment Snapshot



Released Oct. 21, 2022

#### UNEMPLOYMENT RATE \*seasonally adjusted



2.8%

**Unemployment Rate** 12th consecutive month under 3%

August 2022 Indiana was

2.8%



National Unemployment Rate is



#### LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE

Labor Force Participation Rate



National Labor Force Rate



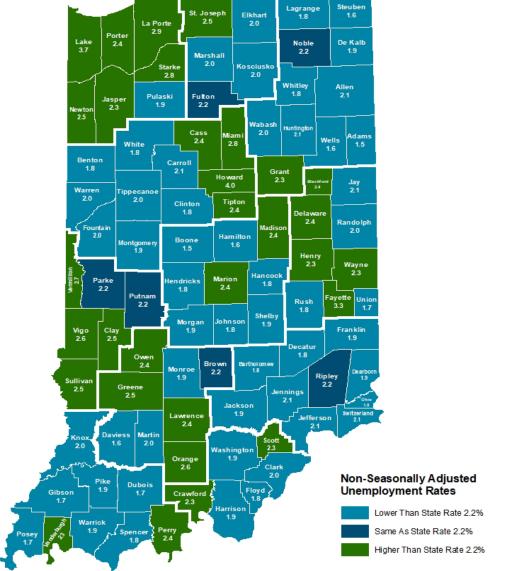
143,452

**Open Job Postings** \*As of Oct. 19, 2022

People Receiving **Unemployment Benefits** 

unique unemployment claims paid

#### County Unemployment Rates September 2022





#### **Questions?**

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Indiana Non-Seasonally Adjusted Rate 2.2% Indiana Seasonally Adjusted Rate 2.8% Source: DWD, Local Area Unemployment Statistics