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Economic Growth Region 1

Statistical Data Report for January 2023, Released March 2023

State Employment and Unemployment

Unemployment rates were lower in January in 5 states, higher in 2 states and the District of Columbia, and stable in 43 states, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Fifteen states and the District had jobless rate decreases from a year earlier, 11 states had increases, and 24 states had little change. The national unemployment rate, 3.4 percent, was little changed over the month, but was 0.6 percentage point lower than in January 2022. Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 20 states and was essentially unchanged in 30 states and the District of Columbia in January 2023. Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 47 states and was essentially unchanged in 3 states and the District.



Economic Growth Region (EGR) 1

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

January 2023 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Jan-23	Dec-22	Jan-22
U.S.	165,070,000	158,692,000	6,378,000	3.9%	3.3%	4.4%
IN	3,395,175	3,281,436	113,739	3.4%	2.6%	3.3%
Gary Metro Div	336,011	320,590	15,421	4.6%	3.9%	4.7%
MichCity-LaPorte MSA	46,983	44,924	2,059	4.4%	3.4%	4.3%
EGR 1	399,105	380,919	18,186	4.6%	3.8%	4.6%
Lake Co.	227,399	216,238	11,161	4.9%	4.3%	5.2%
Porter Co.	85,869	82,584	3,285	3.8%	3.1%	3.6%
LaPorte Co.	46,983	44,924	2,059	4.4%	3.4%	4.3%
Newton Co.	6,787	6,461	326	4.8%	3.6%	4.0%
Jasper Co.	15,956	15,307	649	4.1%	3.1%	3.7%
Starke Co.	9,503	9,024	479	5.0%	4.0%	4.3%
Pulaski Co.	6,608	6,381	227	3.4%	2.2%	3.1%
East Chicago	9,679	9,000	679	7.0%	6.2%	8.2%
Hammond	33,327	31,655	1,672	5.0%	4.1%	6.0%
Munster	11,460	11,067	393	3.4%	2.5%	2.8%
Dyer	8,583	8,321	262	3.1%	2.5%	2.8%
Schererville	15,950	15,240	710	4.5%	3.5%	3.5%
Crown Point	15,684	15,053	631	4.0%	3.1%	3.7%
Griffith	8,631	8,236	395	4.6%	4.4%	4.7%
Highland	12,143	11,671	472	3.9%	3.3%	3.9%
Gary	25,878	24,132	1,746	6.7%	6.9%	8.8%
Merrillville	16,711	15,849	862	5.2%	4.7%	6.2%
Hobart	14,482	13,725	757	5.2%	4.7%	5.4%
Lake Station	4,779	4,476	303	6.3%	5.8%	5.9%
Portage	17,842	17,033	809	4.5%	3.5%	4.3%
Chesterton	7,077	6,818	259	3.7%	3.3%	3.4%
Valparaiso	16,517	15,984	533	3.2%	2.5%	3.2%
Michigan City	12,420	11,872	548	4.4%	3.8%	4.9%
LaPorte	9,350	8,950	400	4.3%	3.1%	3.8%

Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): January 2023

U.S. - 3.6%

Illinois - 4.5%

Indiana - 3.1%

Kentucky - 3.9%

Michigan - 4.3%

Ohio - 4%

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

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

#3 - Starke (5%)

#5 - Lake (4.9%)

#6 - Newton (4.8%)

#8 - LaPorte (4.4%)

#15 - Jasper (4.1%)

#23 - Porter (3.8%)

#39 - Pulaski (3.4%)

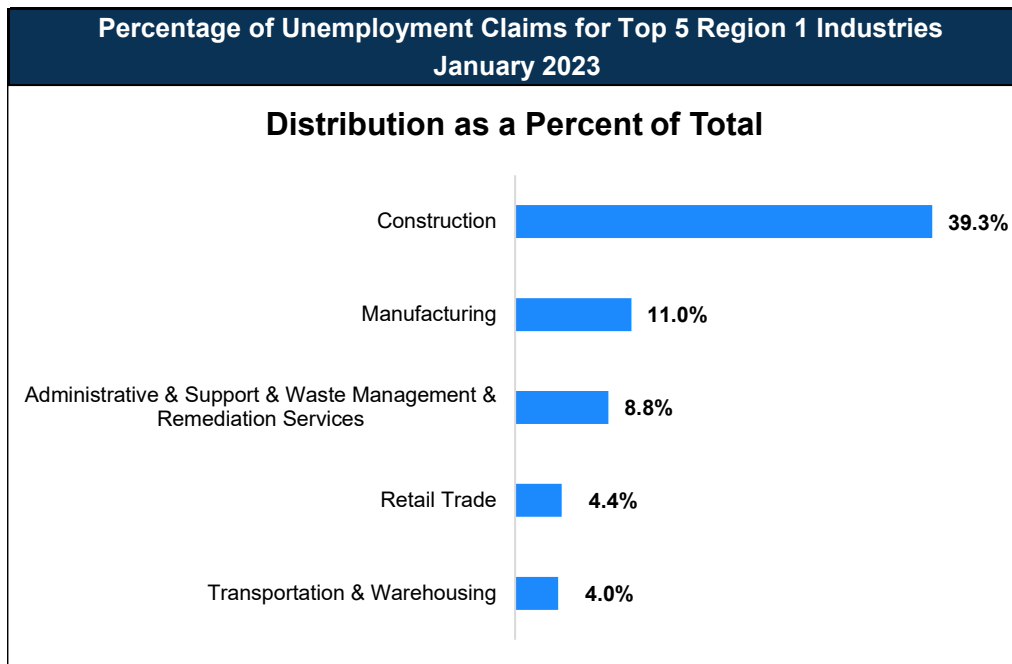
Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Development, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

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Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released:03/23 | 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.

Statewide Average Weekly Hours & Earnings by Industry for January 2023			
Industry	Avg. Earnings per hr	Avg. # of hours worked per week	Avg. Earnings per week
Construction	\$32.63	39.7	\$1,295.41
Manufacturing	\$24.08	41.2	\$992.10
Durable Goods	\$24.17	42.0	\$1,015.14
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	\$23.23	43.4	\$1,008.18
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	\$26.85	37.9	\$1,017.62
Non-Durable Goods	\$23.85	39.4	\$939.69
Retail Trade	\$18.04	27.7	\$499.71
Financial Activities	\$27.01	35.0	\$945.35
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$28.15	32.8	\$923.32
Accommodation and Food Services	\$15.45	21.8	\$336.81
Food Services and Drinking Places	\$15.01	21.3	\$319.71

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Current Employment Statistics



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

WARN Notices

WARN Notices for Region 1 for January 2023				
Company	City	County	# affected	Notice Date

There are no WARN Notices for January 2023 for Region 1.

Significant WARN Notices for nearby locations				
Company	City	County	# Affected	Notice Date
Illinois Central School Bus	Kankakee	Kankakee	67	01/11/23
Evolent Health	Chicago	Cook	461	1/12/2023
Amount, Inc.	Chicago	Cook	130	1/13/2023

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/facts/warn.htm>

Unemployment Claims: January 2023

Region 1

Initial Claims

01/07/23 - 782
01/14/23 - 615(D)
01/21/23 - 473(D)
01/28/23 - 478(D)

Continued Claims

01/07/23 - 2,601
01/14/23 - 2,565
01/21/23 - 2,653
01/28/23 - 2,664

Total Claims

01/07/23 - 3,383
01/14/23 - 3,180
01/21/23 - 3,126
01/28/23 - 3,142

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

01/07/23 - 6,934
01/14/23 - 5,469
01/21/23 - 4,216
01/28/23 - 4,225

Continued Claims

01/07/23 - 34,266
01/14/23 - 31,699
01/21/23 - 32,137
01/28/23 - 32,407

Total Claims

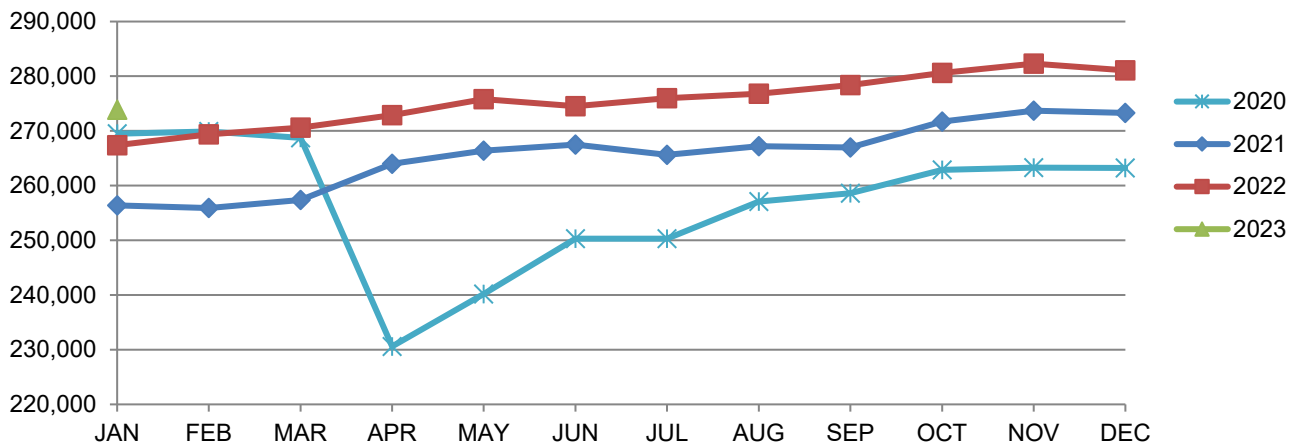
01/07/23 - 41,200
01/14/23 - 37,168
01/21/23 - 36,353
01/28/23 - 36,632

(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	January 2023			# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	Jan-23	Dec-22	Jan-22	Dec-22 to Jan-23	Jan-22 to Jan-23	Jan-22 to Jan-23	Jan-22 to Jan-23
Total Nonfarm	273,900	281,100	267,400	-7,200	-2.6%	6,500	2.4%
Total Private	242,300	248,100	236,100	-5,800	-2.3%	6,200	2.6%
Goods Producing	51,200	52,400	48,800	-1,200	-2.3%	2,400	4.9%
Service Providing	222,700	228,700	218,600	-6,000	-2.6%	4,100	1.9%
Private Service Providing	191,100	195,700	187,300	-4,600	-2.4%	3,800	2.0%
Mining and Logging	100	100	100	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Mining, Logging and Construction	17,400	18,000	15,800	-600	-3.3%	1,600	10.1%
Construction	17,300	17,900	15,700	-600	-3.4%	1,600	10.2%
Manufacturing	33,800	34,400	33,000	-600	-1.7%	800	2.4%
Durable Goods	25,100	25,400	24,700	-300	-1.2%	400	1.6%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	59,700	62,100	58,600	-2,400	-3.9%	1,100	1.9%
Wholesale Trade	10,200	10,400	9,400	-200	-1.9%	800	8.5%
Retail Trade	32,000	33,400	32,000	-1,400	-4.2%	0	0.0%
General Merchandise Stores	6,900	7,400	7,200	-500	-6.8%	-300	-4.2%
Other Gen Merch Stores	4,900	5,000	5,000	-100	-2.0%	-100	-2.0%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	17,500	18,300	17,200	-800	-4.4%	300	1.7%
Information	1,800	1,900	1,800	-100	-5.3%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	8,900	9,100	8,900	-200	-2.2%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	26,400	27,300	27,200	-900	-3.3%	-800	-2.9%
Employment Services	4,400	4,600	4,700	-200	-4.4%	-300	-6.4%
Education and Health Services	47,400	48,000	46,600	-600	-1.3%	800	1.7%
Educational Services	4,500	4,900	4,900	-400	-8.2%	-400	-8.2%
Health Care and Social Assistance	42,900	43,100	41,700	-200	-0.5%	1,200	2.9%
General Medical and Surgical Hospitals	12,800	12,900	13,000	-100	-0.8%	-200	-1.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	32,300	32,700	31,100	-400	-1.2%	1,200	3.9%
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	3,700	3,700	3,600	0	0.0%	100	2.8%
Food Services and Drinking Places	28,600	29,000	27,500	-400	-1.4%	1,100	4.0%
Other Services	14,600	14,600	13,100	0	0.0%	1,500	11.5%
Total Government	31,600	33,000	31,300	-1,400	-4.2%	300	1.0%
Federal Government	1,900	2,000	1,900	-100	-5.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	4,000	4,300	3,900	-300	-7.0%	100	2.6%
Local Government	25,700	26,700	25,500	-1,000	-3.8%	200	0.8%
Local Government Educational Services	14,900	15,600	15,000	-700	-4.5%	-100	-0.7%

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

Gary Metropolitan Division Employment Trends

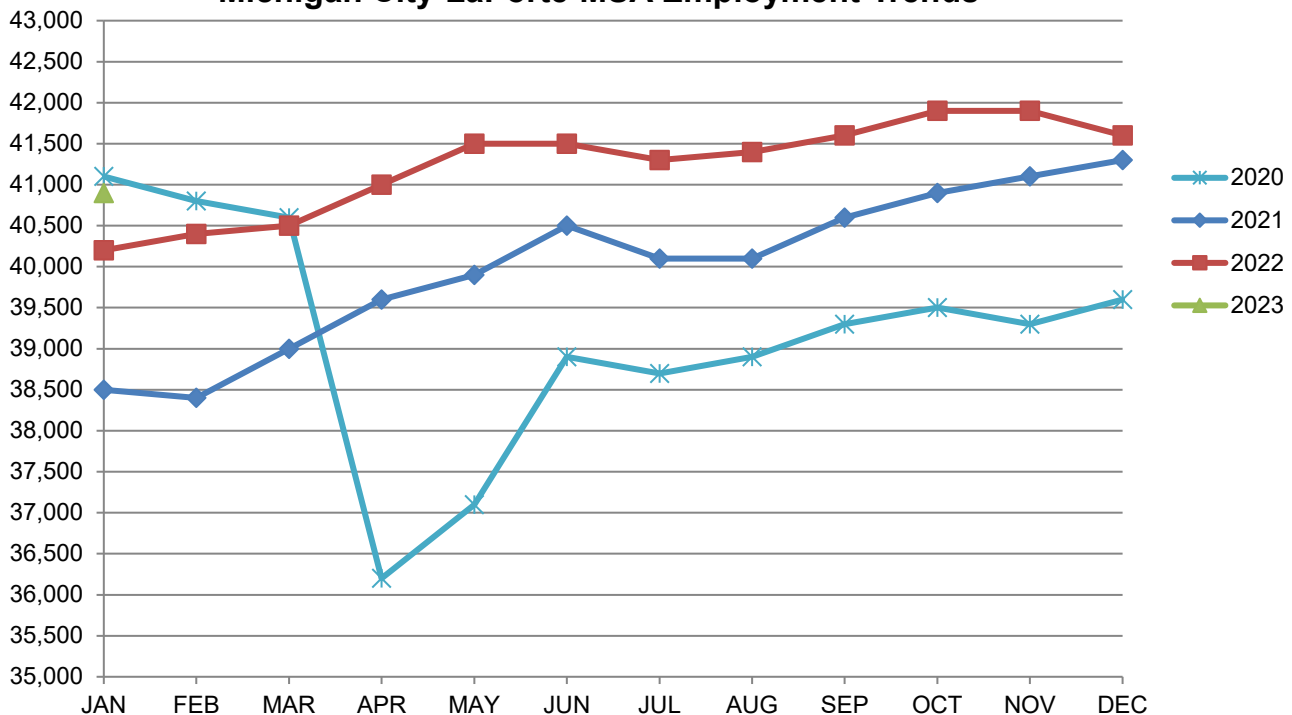


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Michigan City-LaPorte MSA							
Wage and Salaried Employment	January 2023			# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	Jan-23	Dec-22	Jan-22	Dec-22 to Jan-23	Jan-22 to Jan-23		
Total Nonfarm	40,900	41,600	40,200	-700	-1.7%	700	1.7%
Total Private	34,600	35,200	33,900	-600	-1.7%	700	2.1%
Goods Producing	10,200	10,400	9,900	-200	-1.9%	300	3.0%
Service Providing	30,700	31,200	30,300	-500	-1.6%	400	1.3%
Private Service Providing	24,400	24,800	24,000	-400	-1.6%	400	1.7%
Mining, Logging and Construction	2,000	2,100	1,800	-100	-4.8%	200	11.1%
Manufacturing	8,200	8,300	8,100	-100	-1.2%	100	1.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	8,100	8,500	8,400	-400	-4.7%	-300	-3.6%
Wholesale Trade	1,700	1,700	1,800	0	0.0%	-100	-5.6%
Retail Trade	5,000	5,200	5,000	-200	-3.9%	0	0.0%
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	2,900	2,900	2,800	0	0.0%	100	3.6%
Education and Health Services	5,800	5,800	5,600	0	0.0%	200	3.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	4,700	4,700	4,400	0	0.0%	300	6.8%
Other Services	1,400	1,400	1,300	0	0.0%	100	7.7%
Total Government	6,300	6,400	6,300	-100	-1.6%	0	0.0%
Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	4,100	4,200	4,100	-100	-2.4%	0	0.0%
Local Government Educational Services	2,300	2,400	2,300	-100	-4.2%	0	0.0%

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

Michigan City-LaPorte MSA Employment Trends



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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	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
2	Customer Service Representatives
3	Registered Nurses
4	Nursing Assistants
5	First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers
6	First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers
7	Agricultural Equipment Operators
8	Retail Salespersons
9	Stockers and Order Fillers
10	First-Line Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers
11	Medical Assistants
12	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General
13	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
14	New Accounts Clerks
15	Purchasing Agents, Except Wholesale, Retail, and Farm Products
16	Accountants and Auditors
17	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists
18	Correctional Officers and Jailers
19	First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers
20	Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products

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
Helpers--Production Workers	730
Production Workers, All Other	702
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	552
Cashiers	530
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	481
Customer Service Representatives	434
Office Clerks, General	317
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	282
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	278
Managers, All Other	243
Receptionists and Information Clerks	241
Construction Laborers	228
Retail Salespersons	222
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	221
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	201
Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants	192
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	181
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	175
Carpenters	174
Packers and Packagers, Hand	163

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to January 2023 from						
CPI Item	Jan-22	Dec-22	Jan-22	Dec-22	Jan-22	Dec-22
	Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, IN-IL-WI		U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	5.4%	0.9%	6.4%	0.8%	6.0%	0.8%
Food & Beverages	7.2%	0.9%	9.9%	0.7%	10.8%	0.8%
Housing	6.0%	0.5%	8.2%	1.0%	6.8%	0.5%
Apparel	6.6%	7.7%	3.1%	2.6%	2.7%	3.9%
Transportation	5.1%	1.2%	3.8%	0.7%	4.6%	1.8%
Medical Care	0.9%	-0.3%	3.1%	0.1%	2.8%	-0.1%
Recreation	7.5%	0.7%	4.8%	0.7%	5.6%	0.0%
Education & Communication	1.3%	1.0%	1.0%	0.3%	0.8%	0.6%
Other Goods & Services	5.3%	0.4%	6.2%	0.6%	6.5%	0.6%

*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

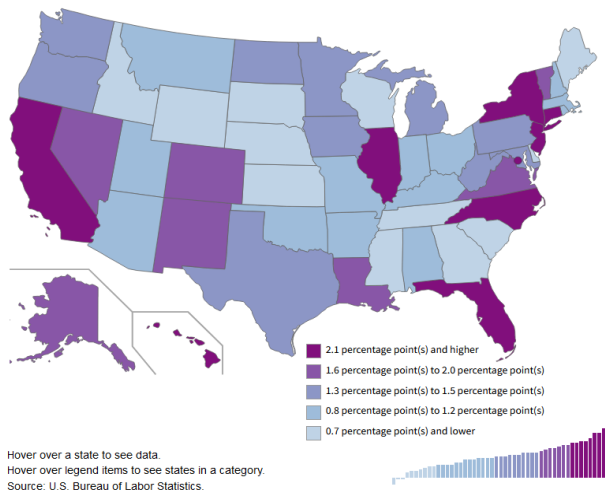
Nebraska had the highest proportion of employed people in 2022

Nebraska had the highest proportion of employed people in 2022, 68.1 percent, followed by North Dakota, 67.8 percent. The District of Columbia had the highest annual average employment–population ratio in its history, 67.4 percent. West Virginia (52.5 percent) and Mississippi (52.7 percent) had the lowest employment–population ratios among the states. Overall, 23 states and the District had employment–population ratios higher than the U.S. ratio of 60.0 percent, 18 states had lower ratios, and 9 states had ratios that were not appreciably different from that of the nation.

Employment–population ratios by state, 2022 annual averages

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Change in employment–population ratios by state, 2021 to 2022

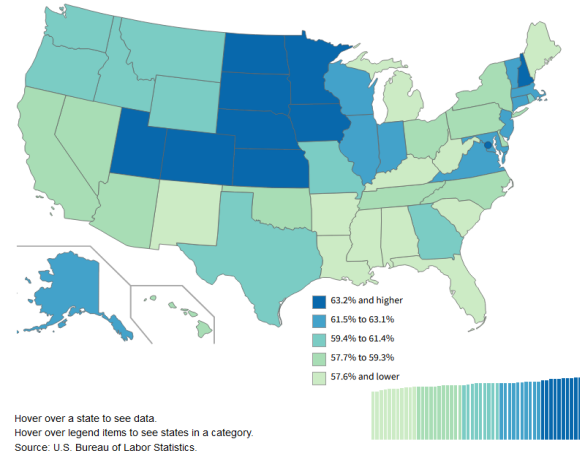


Employment–population ratios by state, 2022 annual averages

Select a measure to display:

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U.S. employment population ratio: 60.0%

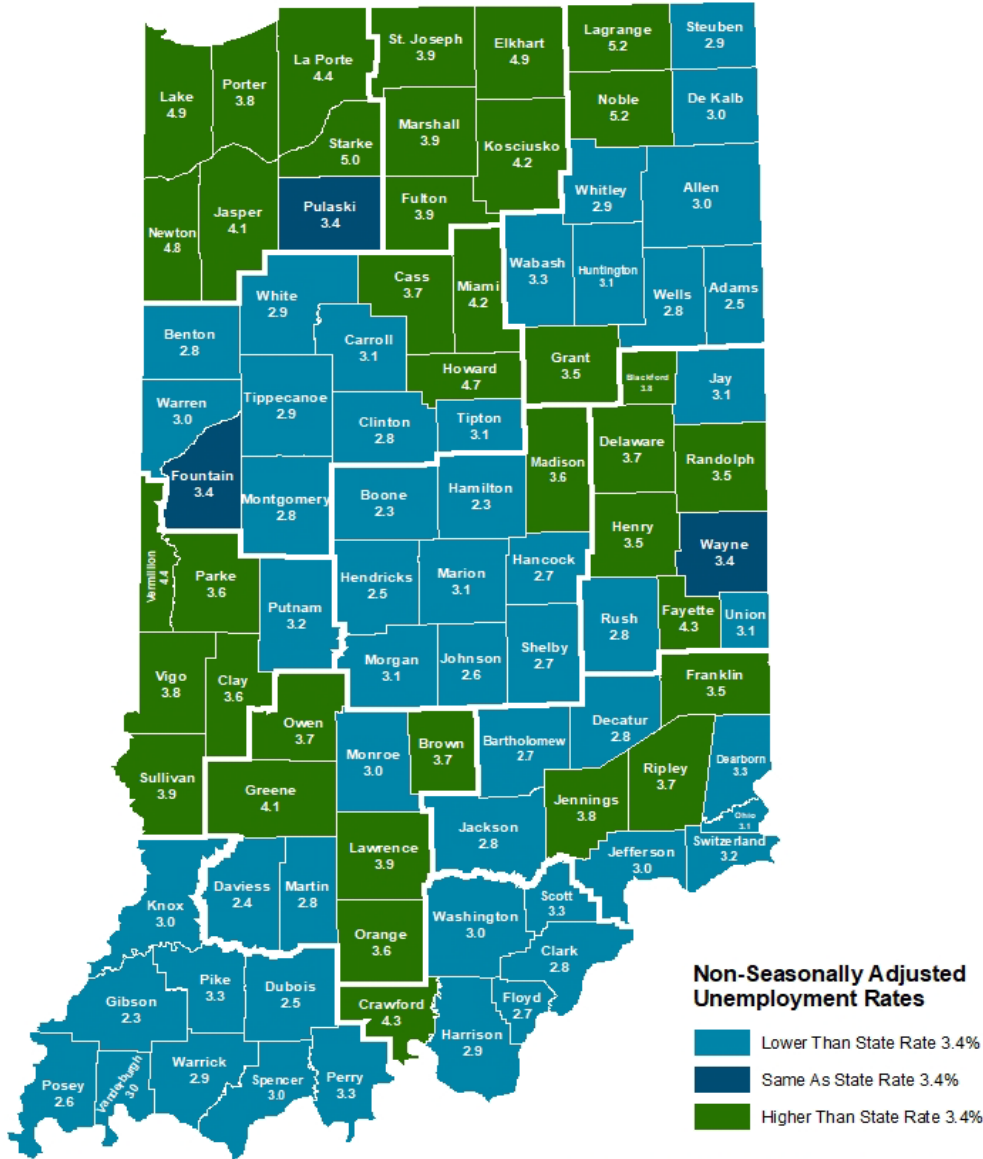


In 2022, employment–population ratios increased in 36 states and the District of Columbia. Connecticut (3.6 percentage points) and the District (3.0 points) had the largest increases, with an additional nine states experiencing ratio increases of at least 2.0 points. Three states—Maine, South Carolina, and Wisconsin—had employment–population ratios that decreased over the past year.

These data are from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics program. To learn more, see “Regional and State Unemployment – 2022 Annual Averages.” The employment–population ratio is the proportion of the civilian population age 16 years and older who are employed.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, The Economics Daily, Nebraska had the highest proportion of employed people in 2022 at <https://www.bls.gov/opub/ted/2023/nebraska-had-the-highest-proportion-of-employed-people-in-2022.htm>

County Unemployment Rates January 2023



Indiana Non-Seasonally Adjusted Rate 3.4%
 Indiana Seasonally Adjusted Rate 3.1%
 Source: DWD, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Questions?

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