



June 2026 Labor Market Review

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Economic Growth Region 3

Statistical Data Report for June 2026, Released August 2026

State Employment and Unemployment

Unemployment rates were lower in June in 8 states, higher in 2 states, and stable in 40 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Thirteen states had jobless rate increases from a year earlier, 7 states had decreases, and 30 states and the District had little change. The national unemployment rate, 4.2 percent, changed little both over the month and over the year.

In June 2026, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 3 states, decreased in 1, and was essentially unchanged in 46 states and the District of Columbia. The job gains occurred in Texas (+43,400, or +0.3 percent), Minnesota (+13,200, or +0.4 percent), and New Hampshire (+4,500, or +0.6 percent). Employment decreased in West Virginia (-9,100, or -1.2 percent).

Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 4 states, decreased in 1 state and the District of Columbia, and was essentially unchanged in 45 states. Employment increased in Texas (+177,900, or +1.2 percent), North Carolina (+62,900, or +1.2 percent), Minnesota (+45,900, or +1.5 percent), and Nevada (+36,700, or +2.3 percent). The job losses occurred in Virginia (-43,600, or -1.0 percent) and the District (-36,100, or -4.8 percent).



Economic Growth Region (EGR) 3

Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Grant, Huntington, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells, and Whitley Counties

Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): June 2026

U.S. - 4.2%

Illinois - 5.1%

Indiana - 3.3%

Kentucky - 4.7%

Michigan - 5%

Ohio - 3.6%

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

Unemployment Rank by County (of 92 counties): June 2026

#6 - Grant (4.1%)

#40 - Noble (3.5%)

#43 - Adams (3.4%)

#51 - Steuben (3.4%)

#53 - Wabash (3.4%)

#55 - Allen (3.3%)

#61 - LaGrange (3.3%)

#70 - DeKalb (3.2%)

#73 - Huntington (3.2%)

#89 - Whitley (3%)

#90 - Wells (2.9%)

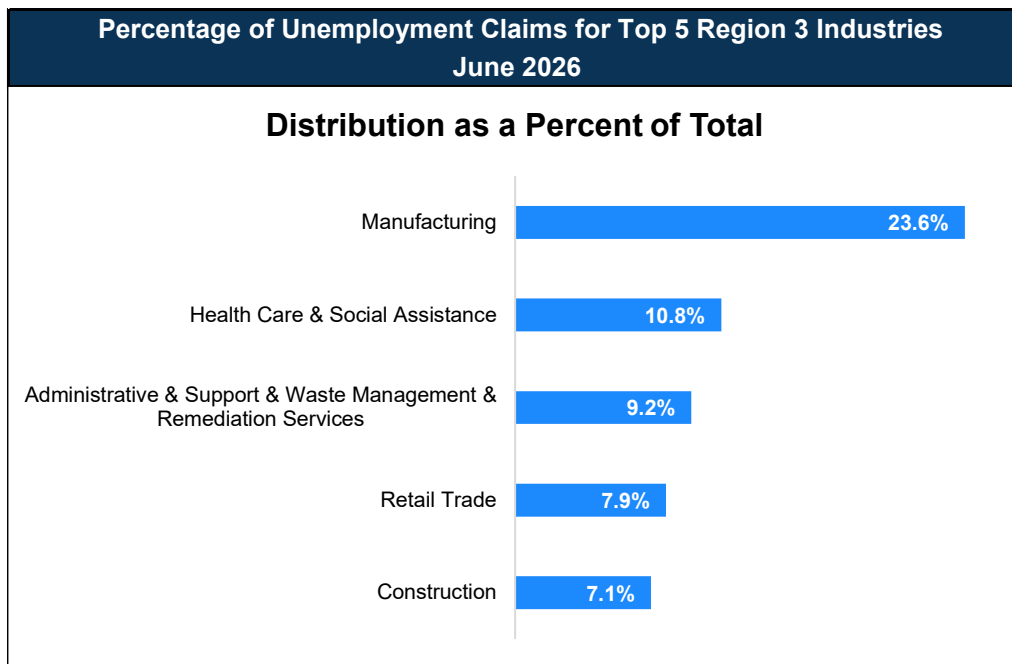
Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Development, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

June 2026 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Jun-26	May-26	Jun-25
U.S.	170,198,000	162,722,000	7,476,000	4.4%	4.1%	4.4%
IN	3,533,790	3,406,758	127,032	3.6%	3.2%	3.9%
EGR 3	404,228	390,611	13,617	3.4%	3.0%	3.7%
Fort Wayne MSA	241,030	233,110	7,920	3.3%	2.9%	3.6%
Adams Co.	16,307	15,758	549	3.4%	3.0%	3.7%
Allen Co.	206,675	199,762	6,913	3.3%	3.0%	3.6%
DeKalb Co.	22,623	21,894	729	3.2%	2.9%	3.4%
Grant Co.	30,195	28,944	1,251	4.1%	3.5%	4.8%
Huntington Co.	19,747	19,123	624	3.2%	2.8%	3.4%
Lagrange Co.	19,010	18,377	633	3.3%	2.8%	3.4%
Noble Co.	22,703	21,910	793	3.5%	3.1%	3.5%
Steuben Co.	17,826	17,213	613	3.4%	3.1%	3.8%
Wabash Co.	14,787	14,282	505	3.4%	3.0%	3.6%
Wells Co.	15,713	15,265	448	2.9%	2.5%	3.1%
Whitley Co.	18,642	18,083	559	3.0%	2.7%	3.4%
Fort Wayne	140,801	135,939	4,862	3.5%	3.1%	3.8%
Marion	12,072	11,493	579	4.8%	4.1%	5.3%

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released:07/26 | 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.

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to June 2026 from				
CPI Item	Jun-25	May-26	Jun-25	May-26
	U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	3.5%	-0.3%	3.8%	-0.5%
Food & Beverages	3.0%	0.2%	2.5%	-0.1%
Housing	3.3%	0.2%	3.9%	0.4%
Apparel	3.9%	-1.2%	4.4%	-1.8%
Transportation	6.5%	-2.4%	6.4%	-3.0%
Medical Care	2.0%	-0.1%	2.5%	0.0%
Recreation	2.8%	0.4%	5.2%	0.4%
Education & Communication	-0.1%	-0.8%	-0.1%	-0.9%
Other Goods & Services	4.6%	0.1%	2.5%	0.7%

*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



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

WARN Notices

WARN Notices for Region 3 for June 2026				
Company	City	County	# of workers affected	Notice Date
Conduent Commercial Solutions, LLC	Statewide		7	6/26/26

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/factsheet/warn.htm>

Unemployment Claims: June 2026

Region 3

Initial Claims

06/06/26 - 408(D)

06/13/26 - 149(D)

06/20/26 - 162(D)

06/27/26 - 215(D)

Continued Claims

06/06/26 - 1,365

06/13/26 - 1,353

06/20/26 - 1,402

06/27/26 - 1,381

Total Claims

06/06/26 - 1,773

06/13/26 - 1,502

06/20/26 - 1,564

06/27/26 - 1,596

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

06/06/26 - 2,897

06/13/26 - 2,365

06/20/26 - 2,043

06/27/26 - 2,171

Continued Claims

06/06/26 - 18,273

06/13/26 - 18,019

06/20/26 - 18,111

06/27/26 - 17,890

Total Claims

06/06/26 - 21,170

06/13/26 - 20,384

06/20/26 - 20,154

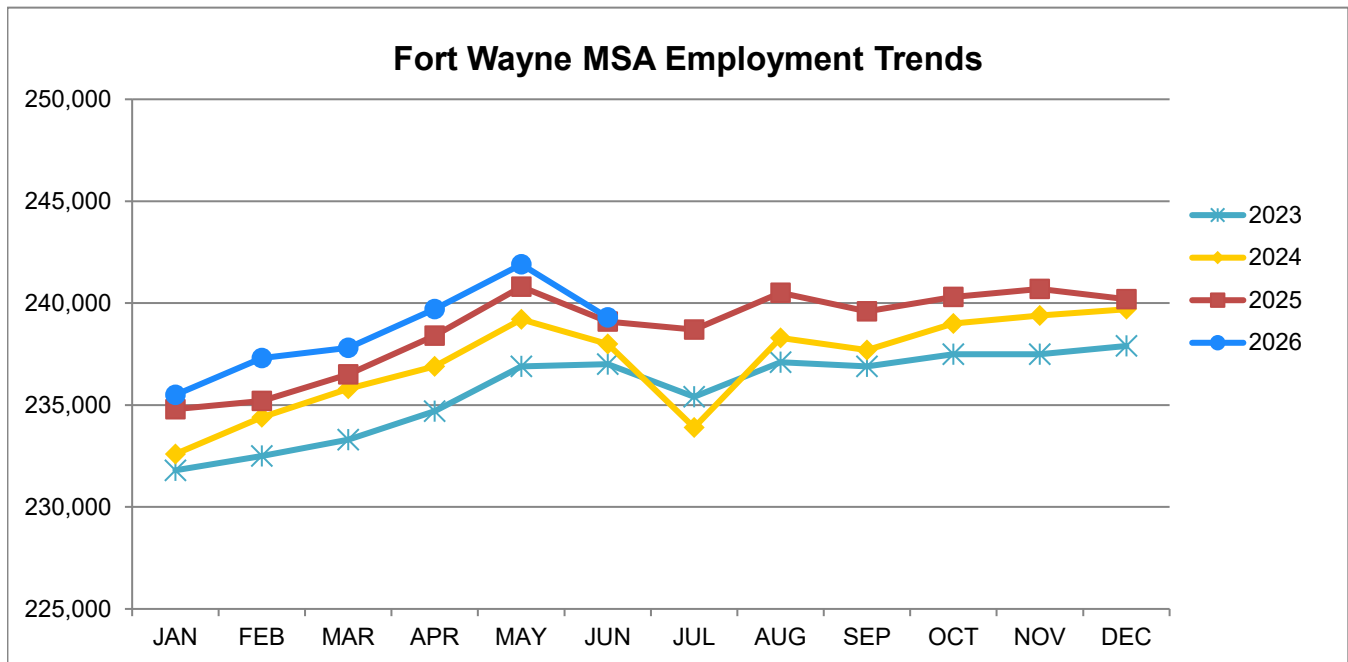
06/27/26 - 20,061

(D) indicates item is affected by non-disclosure issues relating to industry or ownership status |

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Development

Fort Wayne MSA							
Wage and Salaried Employment	June 2026			# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	Jun-26	May-26	Jun-25	May-26 to Jun-26		Jun-25 to Jun-26	
Total Nonfarm	239,300	241,900	239,100	-2,600	-1.1%	200	0.1%
Total Private	219,300	218,300	218,900	1,000	0.5%	400	0.2%
Goods Producing	53,000	52,500	52,700	500	1.0%	300	0.6%
Service Providing	186,300	189,400	186,400	-3,100	-1.6%	-100	-0.1%
Private Service Providing	166,300	165,800	166,200	500	0.3%	100	0.1%
Mining, Logging and Construction	14,400	14,100	14,300	300	2.1%	100	0.7%
Total Manufacturing	38,600	38,400	38,400	200	0.5%	200	0.5%
Durable Goods Manufacturing	28,400	28,100	28,400	300	1.1%	0	0.0%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	8,400	8,300	8,200	100	1.2%	200	2.4%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	45,800	45,800	46,000	0	0.0%	-200	-0.4%
Wholesale Trade	10,900	10,900	10,900	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	24,300	24,300	23,900	0	0.0%	400	1.7%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	10,600	10,600	11,200	0	0.0%	-600	-5.4%
Information	1,700	1,700	1,800	0	0.0%	-100	-5.6%
Financial Activities	12,200	12,100	12,400	100	0.8%	-200	-1.6%
Professional and Business Services	23,600	23,300	23,500	300	1.3%	100	0.4%
Education and Health Services	47,600	47,400	46,100	200	0.4%	1,500	3.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	21,700	21,800	22,200	-100	-0.5%	-500	-2.3%
Other Services	13,700	13,700	14,200	0	0.0%	-500	-3.5%
Total Government	20,000	23,600	20,200	-3,600	-15.3%	-200	-1.0%
Federal Government	2,100	2,100	2,200	0	0.0%	-100	-4.6%
State Government	3,500	4,000	3,800	-500	-12.5%	-300	-7.9%
Local Government	14,400	17,500	14,200	-3,100	-17.7%	200	1.4%
Local Government Educational Services	8,000	9,500	6,600	-1,500	-15.8%	1,400	21.2%

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



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.

Frequently Listed Jobs	
Top 20 job listings by number of openings in Region 3 in the past month	
Rank	Occupations
1	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
2	Registered Nurses
3	Retail Salespersons
4	First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers
5	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General
6	Production Workers, All Other
7	Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand
8	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
9	Customer Service Representatives
10	Food Service Managers
11	Nursing Assistants
12	Medical and Health Services Managers
13	Sales Representatives of Services, Except Advertising, Insurance, Financial Services, and Travel
14	Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other
15	Physicians, All Other
16	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
17	Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products
18	Teaching Assistants, Except Postsecondary
19	Coaches and Scouts
20	Home Health and Personal Care Aides

Source: Lightcast

Applicant Pool	
Top 20 Occupations Desired by Applicants on their Resumes in the past 12 months	
Occupations	# of applicants
Production Workers, All Other	699
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	382
Customer Service Representatives	322
Helpers--Production Workers	300
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	210
Cashiers	201
Office Clerks, General	200
Packers and Packagers, Hand	128
Managers, All Other	126
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	119
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	111
Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks	109
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	102
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	101
Team Assemblers	98
Retail Salespersons	96
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	90
Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants	89
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	86
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	84

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

SNAPSHOT

June Indiana Employment

Released July 21, 2026



Unemployment Rate

*seasonally adjusted

Unemployment Rate

3.3%

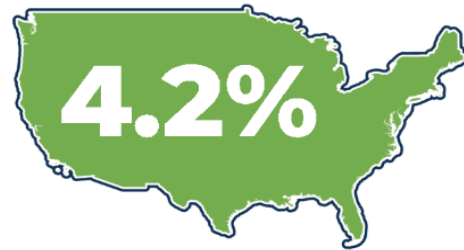


May 2026 Indiana

3.3%



National Unemployment Rate



LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE*

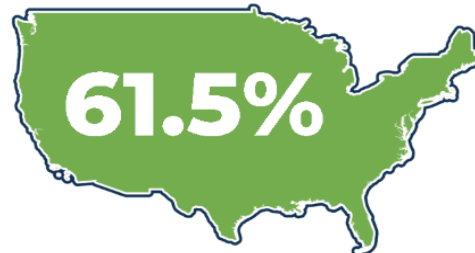
16+: **63.2%**

25-44: **83.8%**

25-54: **83.4%**



National Labor Force



Open Job Postings

100,062
Jobs

As of July 1, 2026



Weekly UI Continued Claims

18,023

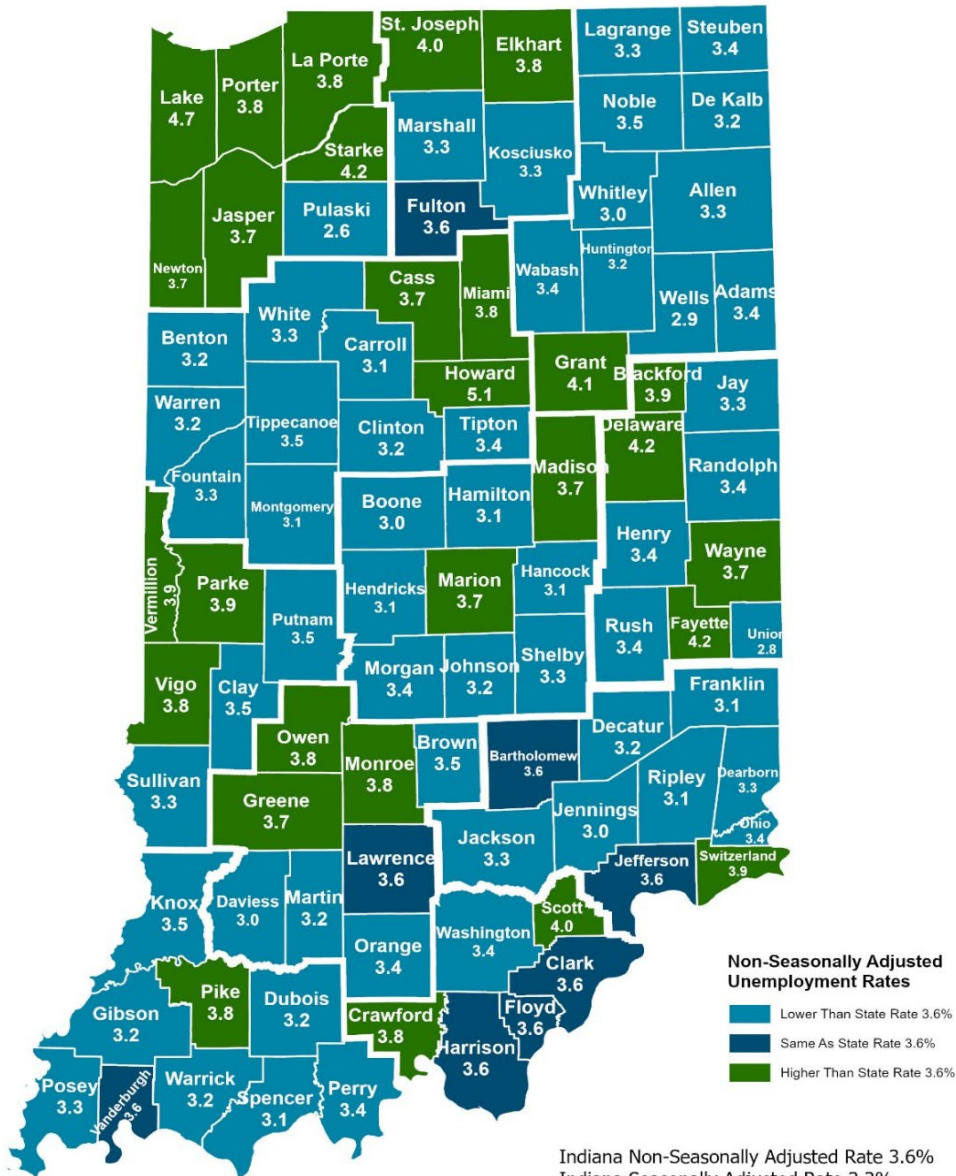


Filed Week Ending July 4, 2026

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics, Bureau of Labor Statistics; Indiana Career Connect

*The percentage of Hoosiers 16 and older who are either working or actively looking for work. Those not in the labor force include primarily, students, retirees and other non-working populations, such as individuals unable to work due to a disability or illness, or adults responsible for their family's childcare needs.

County Unemployment Rates June 2026



Non-Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates

- Lower Than State Rate 3.6%
- Same As State Rate 3.6%
- Higher Than State Rate 3.6%

Indiana Non-Seasonally Adjusted Rate 3.6%
 Indiana Seasonally Adjusted Rate 3.3%
 Source: DWD, Local Area Unemployment Statistics



Questions?

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