



May 2023 Labor Market Review

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Economic Growth Region 9

Statistical Data Report for May 2023, Released July 2023

State Employment and Unemployment

Unemployment rates were lower in May in 11 states and stable in 39 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Seventeen states had jobless rate decreases from a year earlier, 8 states and the District had increases, and 25 states had little change. The national unemployment rate rose by 0.3 percentage point over the month to 3.7 percent but was little changed from May 2022. Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 5 states and was essentially unchanged in 45 states and the District of Columbia in May 2023. Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 42 states and was essentially unchanged in 8 states and the District.

Real average hourly earnings for all employees increased 0.3 percent from April to May, seasonally adjusted, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. This result stems from an increase of 0.3 percent in average hourly earnings combined with an increase of 0.1 percent in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U). Real average weekly earnings decreased 0.1 percent over the month due to the change in real average hourly earnings combined with a 0.3-percent decrease in the average workweek. Real average hourly earnings increased 0.2 percent, seasonally adjusted, from May 2022 to May 2023. The change in real average hourly earnings combined with a decrease of 0.9 percent in the average workweek resulted in a 0.7-percent decrease in real average weekly earnings over this period.

May 2023 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	May-23	Apr-23	May-22
U.S.	166,702,000	161,002,000	5,700,000	3.4%	3.1%	3.4%
IN	3,421,867	3,300,807	121,060	3.5%	2.6%	2.8%
EGR 9	170,043	164,532	5,511	3.2%	2.4%	2.5%
Columbus MSA	44,753	43,424	1,329	3.0%	2.2%	2.2%
Bartholomew Co.	44,753	43,424	1,329	3.0%	2.2%	2.2%
Dearborn Co.	26,345	25,445	900	3.4%	2.7%	2.4%
Decatur Co.	14,501	14,058	443	3.1%	2.1%	2.4%
Franklin Co.	11,495	11,114	381	3.3%	2.4%	2.5%
Jackson Co.	23,333	22,599	734	3.1%	2.3%	2.6%
Jefferson Co.	15,198	14,670	528	3.5%	2.6%	2.6%
Jennings Co.	13,599	13,140	459	3.4%	2.8%	3.1%
Ohio Co.	3,255	3,153	102	3.1%	2.4%	2.1%
Ripley Co.	12,786	12,320	466	3.6%	2.7%	2.8%
Switzerland Co.	4,778	4,609	169	3.5%	2.6%	2.7%
Batesville	3,381	3,273	108	3.2%	2.5%	2.4%
Brookville	1,099	1,059	40	3.6%	3.0%	2.4%
Columbus	25,627	24,829	798	3.1%	2.3%	2.3%
Greensburg	6,410	6,203	207	3.2%	2.3%	2.8%
Lawrenceburg	2,046	1,921	125	6.1%	4.9%	3.0%
Madison	5,491	5,300	191	3.5%	2.5%	2.5%
North Vernon	2,896	2,785	111	3.8%	3.0%	4.1%
Seymour	10,601	10,254	347	3.3%	2.3%	2.7%

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released: 06/23 | 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.



Economic Growth Region (EGR) 9

Bartholomew, Dearborn, Decatur, Franklin, Jackson, Jefferson, Jennings, Ohio, Ripley, and Switzerland Counties

Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): May 2023

U.S. - 3.7%

Illinois - 4.1%

Indiana - 3.1%

Kentucky - 3.8%

Michigan - 3.7%

Ohio - 3.6%

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

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

#33 - Ripley (3.6%)

#36 - Jefferson (3.5%)

#39 - Switzerland (3.5%)

#41 - Dearborn (3.5%)

#44 - Jennings (3.4%)

#52 - Franklin (3.3%)

#67 - Decatur (3.1%)

#70 - Jackson (3.1%)

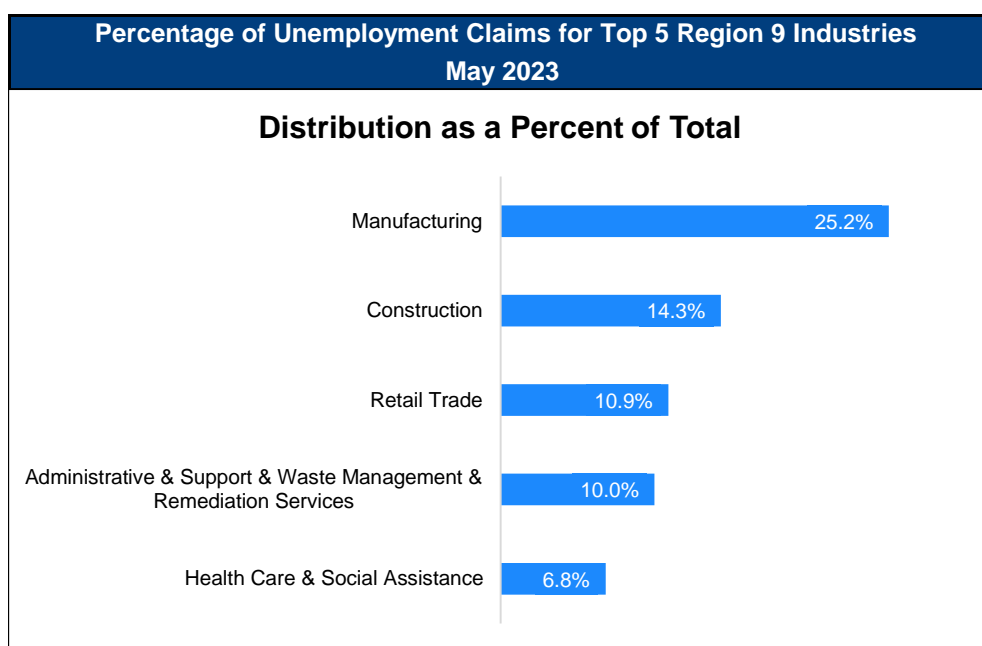
#72 - Ohio (3.1%)

#75 - Bartholomew (3.1%)

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

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to May 2023 from				
CPI Item	May-22	Apr-23	May-22	Apr-23
	U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	4.0%	0.3%	3.7%	0.3%
Food & Beverages	6.6%	0.2%	6.8%	0.7%
Housing	6.8%	0.3%	5.8%	0.5%
Apparel	3.5%	-0.3%	3.2%	-0.8%
Transportation	-2.0%	0.5%	-0.8%	0.2%
Medical Care	0.7%	0.0%	0.4%	-0.6%
Recreation	4.5%	-0.1%	5.9%	-0.6%
Education & Communication	1.5%	-0.2%	1.5%	-0.3%
Other Goods & Services	6.7%	0.5%	6.1%	0.5%

*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 9 for May 2023				
Company	City	County	# of workers affected	Notice Date

There are no WARN Notices for May 2023 for EGR 9.

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/factsht/warn.htm>

Unemployment Claims: May 2023

Region 9

Initial Claims

05/06/23 - 26(D)

05/13/23 - 33(D)

05/20/23 - 33(D)

05/27/23 - 34(D)

Continued Claims

05/06/23 - 395

05/13/23 - 400

05/20/23 - 396

05/27/23 - 377

Total Claims

05/06/23 - 421

05/13/23 - 433

05/20/23 - 429

05/27/23 - 411

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

05/06/23 - 3,568

05/13/23 - 2,915

05/20/23 - 2,837

05/27/23 - 2,940

Continued Claims

05/06/23 - 19,757

05/13/23 - 19,441

05/20/23 - 19,842

05/27/23 - 19,628

Total Claims

05/06/23 - 23,325

05/13/23 - 22,356

05/20/23 - 22,679

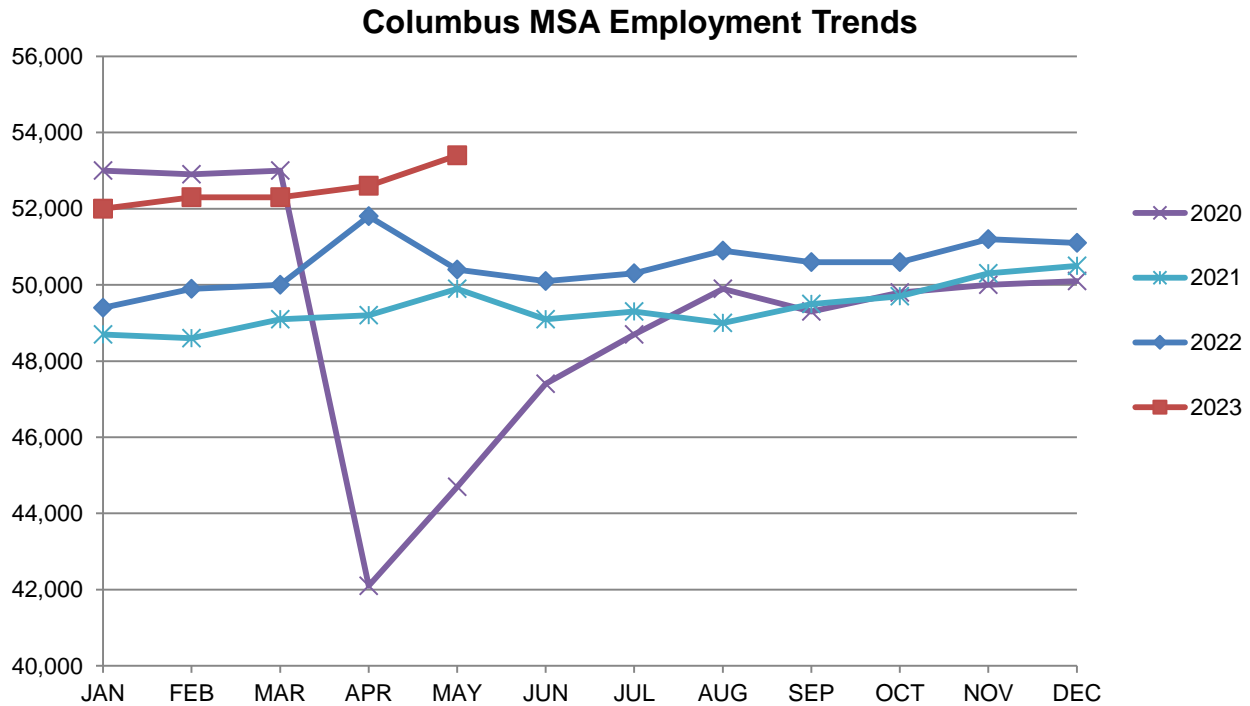
05/27/23 - 22,568

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

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Development

Columbus MSA							
Wage and Salaried Employment	May 2023			# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	May-23	Apr-23	May-22	Apr-23 to May-23	May-22 to May-23		
Total Nonfarm	53,400	52,600	52,000	800	1.5%	1,400	2.7%
Total Private	47,100	46,400	46,000	700	1.5%	1,100	2.4%
Goods Producing	21,200	20,900	20,800	300	1.4%	400	1.9%
Service-Providing	32,200	31,700	31,200	500	1.6%	1,000	3.2%
Private Service Providing	25,900	25,500	25,200	400	1.6%	700	2.8%
Mining, Logging and Construction	2,000	1,900	1,800	100	5.3%	200	11.1%
Manufacturing	19,200	19,000	19,000	200	1.1%	200	1.1%
Durable Goods	17,500	17,300	16,900	200	1.2%	600	3.6%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	7,600	7,500	7,600	100	1.3%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	5,000	4,900	4,900	100	2.0%	100	2.0%
Information	300	300	300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	1,600	1,600	1,500	0	0.0%	100	6.7%
Professional and Business Services	5,600	5,500	5,600	100	1.8%	0	0.0%
Education and Health Services	5,000	5,000	4,600	0	0.0%	400	8.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	4,200	4,100	4,100	100	2.4%	100	2.4%
Other Services	1,600	1,500	1,500	100	6.7%	100	6.7%
Total Government	6,300	6,200	6,000	100	1.6%	300	5.0%
Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	1,000	900	900	100	11.1%	100	11.1%
Local Government	5,100	5,100	4,900	0	0.0%	200	4.1%
Local Government Educational Services	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.0%	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 in Region 9 in the past month	
Rank	Occupations
1	Personal Care Aides
2	Registered Nurses
3	Nursing Assistants
4	Social and Human Service Assistants
5	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
6	Electrical Engineers
7	Merchandise Displayers and Window Trimmers
8	First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers
9	Industrial Engineers
10	Mental Health and Substance Abuse Social Workers
11	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General
12	Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
13	Physical Therapists
14	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
15	Home Health Aides
16	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
17	Retail Salespersons
18	Tree Trimmers and Pruners
19	Career/Technical Education Teachers, Postsecondary
20	Computer User Support Specialists

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
Production Workers, All Other	636
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	469
Helpers--Production Workers	319
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	231
Cashiers	210
Customer Service Representatives	206
Office Clerks, General	146
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	139
Construction Laborers	138
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	131
Managers, All Other	128
Extraction Workers, All Other	126
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	121
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	117
Retail Salespersons	110
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	104
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	104
Construction and Related Workers, All Other	102
Packers and Packagers, Hand	102
Carpenters	98

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

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UNEMPLOYMENT RATE *seasonally adjusted



April 2023
Indiana was

3.0%



National
Unemployment
Rate is



LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE

Labor Force
Participation Rate

63.6%



National Labor Force Rate



124,313

Open Job Postings

*As of June 1, 2023



14,478

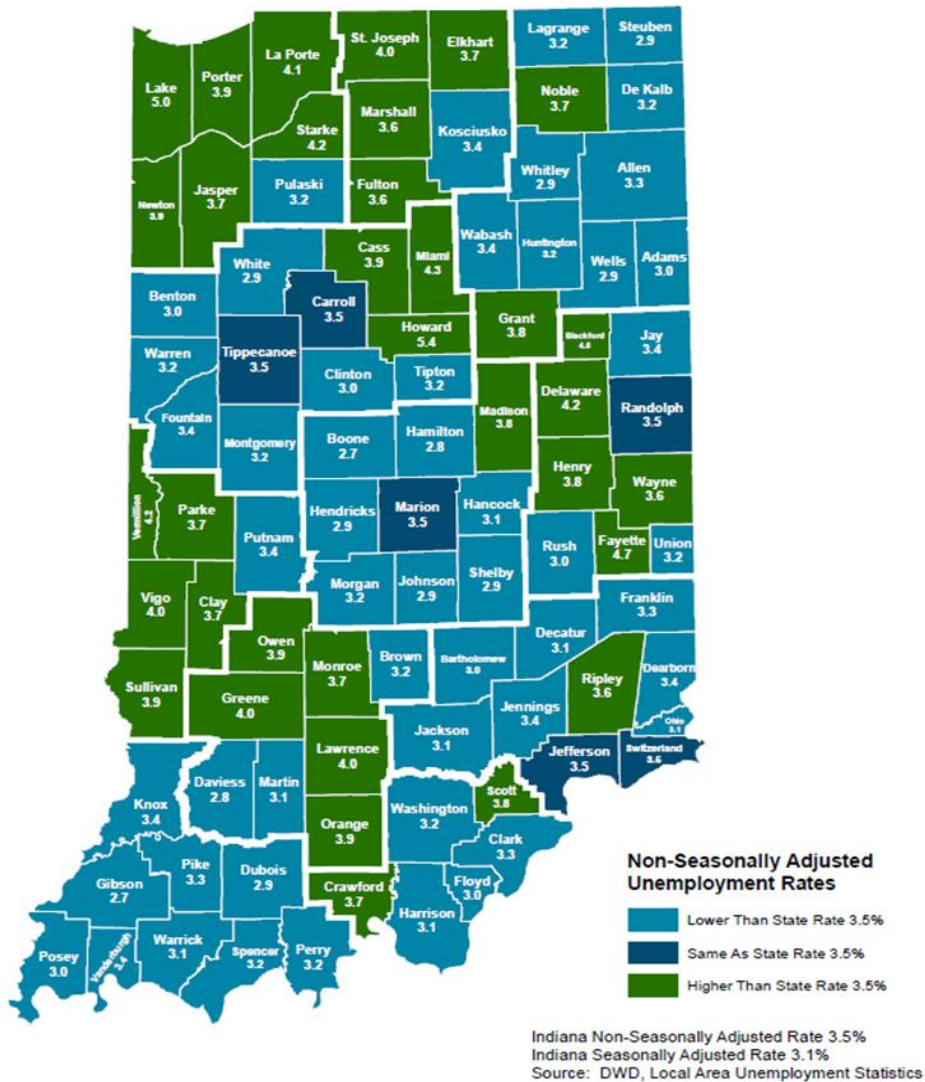
Regular UI Claims

Reference week (12th of the month) input to
LAUS Unemployment Rate Model



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

County Unemployment Rates May 2023



Questions?

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