



Economic Growth Region 1

Statistical Data Report for September 2016, Released November 2016

Regional and State Unemployment (seasonally adjusted)

Unemployment rates were significantly lower in September in seven states, higher in one state, and stable in 42 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported Six states had notable jobless rate decreases from a year earlier, four states had increases, and 40 states and the District had no significant change. The national unemployment rate was 5.0 percent in September, little changed from that of both August 2016 and September 2015.



Economic Growth Region (EGR) 1

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

September 2016 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Sept 2016 Rate	Aug 2016 Rate	Sept 2015 Rate
U.S.	159,636,000	151,977,000	7,658,000	4.8%	5.0%	4.9%
IN	3,361,624	3,221,019	140,605	4.2%	4.6%	4.1%
Gary Metro Div	347,415	327,870	19,545	5.6%	6.2%	5.5%
MichCity-LaPorte MSA	48,971	46,308	2,663	5.4%	6.0%	5.1%
EGR 1	413,879	390,865	23,014	5.6%	6.1%	5.4%
Lake Co.	236,786	222,568	14,218	6.0%	6.6%	5.8%
Porter Co.	86,845	82,639	4,206	4.8%	5.3%	4.6%
LaPorte Co.	48,971	46,308	2,663	5.4%	6.0%	5.1%
Newton Co.	7,200	6,817	383	5.3%	5.3%	4.9%
Jasper Co.	16,584	15,846	738	4.5%	5.1%	4.9%
Starke Co.	11,100	10,553	547	4.9%	5.2%	4.9%
Pulaski Co.	6,393	6,134	259	4.1%	4.6%	3.7%
East Chicago	10,534	9,626	908	8.6%	8.9%	7.9%
Hammond	35,974	33,711	2,263	6.3%	6.9%	6.1%
Munster	12,164	11,641	523	4.3%	5.1%	3.9%
Dyer	8,996	8,632	364	4.0%	4.6%	4.0%
Schererville	16,483	15,782	701	4.3%	5.1%	4.2%
Crown Point	15,009	14,272	737	4.9%	5.6%	5.1%
Griffith	9,187	8,685	502	5.5%	6.1%	5.9%
Highland	13,014	12,399	615	4.7%	5.3%	4.6%
Gary	28,480	25,765	2,715	9.5%	9.9%	9.1%
Merrillville	17,621	16,472	1,149	6.5%	6.9%	5.9%
Hobart	15,353	14,413	940	6.1%	6.9%	6.3%
Lake Station	5,125	4,707	418	8.2%	9.2%	8.6%
Portage	18,315	17,266	1,049	5.7%	6.3%	5.4%
Chesterton	6,924	6,575	349	5.0%	5.1%	4.5%
Valparaiso	16,394	15,610	784	4.8%	5.1%	4.7%
Michigan City	13,025	12,211	814	6.2%	6.9%	6.3%
LaPorte	9,793	9,314	479	4.9%	5.4%	4.8%

Unemployment Rates by State - September 2016

(seasonally adjusted)

- U.S. - 5.0%
- Illinois - 5.5%
- Indiana - 4.5%**
- Kentucky - 5.0%
- Michigan - 4.6%
- Ohio - 4.8%

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

Unemployment Rank by County - September 2016

(high to low*)

- #1 - Lake (6%)
- #6 - LaPorte (5.4%)
- #7 - Newton (5.3%)
- #16 - Starke (4.9%)
- #19 - Porter (4.8%)
- #25 - Jasper (4.5%)
- #44 - Pulaski (4.1%)

*of Indiana's 92 counties

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

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.

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics. Released 10-24-2016

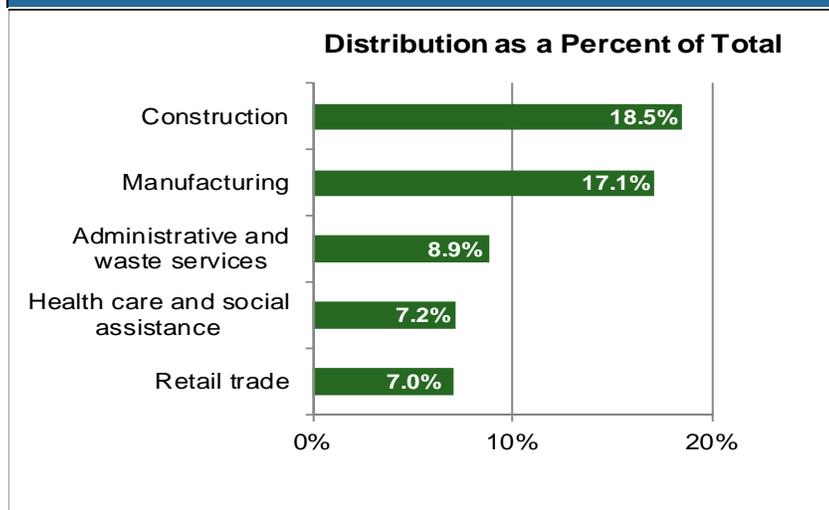
LaPorte City and Michigan City unemployment estimates were affected throughout 2014 by a coding error of local unemployment insurance claimant data. This only impacted LaPorte City and Michigan City. The yearly benchmarking process in May has corrected the error previously and moving forward.

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to September 2016 from:

CPI Item	Sep-15	Aug-16	Sep-15	Aug-16	Sep-15	Aug-16
	Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI		Midwest Region*		U.S. City	
All Items	0.6%	0.6%	1.1%	0.2%	1.5%	0.2%
Food & Beverages	-0.6%	-0.3%	-0.5%	0.0%	-0.2%	0.1%
Housing	2.2%	0.6%	2.3%	0.3%	2.7%	0.3%
Apparel	0.2%	3.4%	-2.2%	2.5%	-0.1%	2.8%
Transportation	-3.1%	0.5%	-1.8%	-0.1%	-1.1%	0.1%
Medical Care	3.6%	1.0%	5.1%	0.2%	4.9%	0.2%
Recreation	-1.9%	1.8%	0.9%	0.1%	0.8%	-0.1%
Education & Communication	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	-0.1%
Other Goods & Services	0.4%	0.3%	2.1%	0.4%	2.2%	0.3%

*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

Percentage of Unemployment Claims for Top 5 Region 1 Industries, September 2016



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

WARN Notices

WARN Notices for Region 1 - September 2016				
Company	City	County	Affected Workers	Notice Date
Kmart	Merrillville	Lake	99	9/16/2016
CPX Incorporated	Kentland & North Vernon	Newton & Jennings	214	9/12/2016
WARN notices for nearby locations				
Bretford Manufacturing, Inc.	Franklin Park, IL	Cook	128	9/9/2016
Kmart	Tinley Park, IL	Cook	128	9/30/2016
Kmart	Chicago, IL	Cook	146	9/30/2016
Maplehurst Bakeries, LLC	Chicago, IL	Cook	26	9/19/2016
Preferrred Hotel Group, Inc	Chicago, IL	Cook	25	9/12/2016
Rocket Farms Herbs, Inc.	Carol Stream, IL	DuPage	59	9/12/2016

For information on WARN Act requirements, you may go to the U.S. Department of Labor Employment Training Administration Fact Sheet: <http://www.doleta.gov/programs/factsht/warn.htm>
Indiana WARN: <http://www.in.gov/dwd/2567.htm>
Illinois WARN: <http://www2.illinoisworknet.com/LayoffRecovery/Pages/ArchivedWARNReports.aspx>
Michigan WARN: http://www.michigan.gov/wda/0,5303,7-304-64178_64179---,00.html

Unemployment Claims September 2016 Economic Growth Region (EGR) 1

Initial Claims

September 3rd, 2016 – 390 (D)
September 10th, 2016 – 371 (D)
September 17th, 2016 – 379 (D)
September 24th, 2016 – 331 (D)

Continued Claims

September 3rd, 2016 – 2,850
September 10th, 2016 – 2,846
September 17th, 2016 – 2,708
September 24th, 2016 – 2,558

Total Claims

September 3rd, 2016 – 3,240
September 10th, 2016 – 3,217
September 17th, 2016 – 3,087
September 24th, 2016 – 2,889

*(D): Indicates one or more counties are excluded due to non-disclosure issues.

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

September 3rd, 2016 – 2,635
September 10th, 2016 – 2,411
September 17th, 2016 – 2,450
September 24th, 2016 – 2,299

Continued Claims

September 3rd, 2016 – 17,607
September 10th, 2016 – 17,546
September 17th, 2016 – 17,361
September 24th, 2016 – 17,162

Total Claims

September 3rd, 2016 – 20,242
September 10th, 2016 – 19,957
September 17th, 2016 – 19,811
September 24th, 2016 – 19,461

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

Gary Metropolitan Division							
Wage and Salaried Employment September 2016				Number Change	Percent Change	Number Change	Percent Change
Industry	Sep-16	Aug-16	Sep-15	Aug-16 to Sept-16	Sept-15 to Sept-16	Sept-15 to Sept-16	Sept-15 to Sept-16
Total Nonfarm	281,500	276,400	275,800	5,100	1.9%	5,700	2.1%
Total Private	244,400	242,600	239,900	1,800	0.7%	4,500	1.9%
Goods Producing	52,700	53,000	51,900	-300	-0.6%	800	1.5%
Service-Providing	228,800	223,400	223,900	5,400	2.4%	4,900	2.2%
Private Service Providing	191,700	189,600	188,000	2,100	1.1%	3,700	2.0%
Mining and Logging	100	100	100	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Mining, Logging and Construction	16,500	16,600	15,400	-100	-0.6%	1,100	7.1%
Construction	16,400	16,500	15,300	-100	-0.6%	1,100	7.2%
Manufacturing	36,200	36,400	36,500	-200	-0.6%	-300	-0.8%
Durable Goods	27,800	27,900	28,500	-100	-0.4%	-700	-2.5%
Primary Metal Manufacturing	16,500	16,600	17,500	-100	-0.6%	-1,000	-5.7%
Iron and Steel Mills and Ferroalloy Manufacturing	15,600	15,700	16,200	-100	-0.6%	-600	-3.7%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	60,700	61,100	58,800	-400	-0.7%	1,900	3.2%
Wholesale Trade	9,800	9,900	9,500	-100	-1.0%	300	3.2%
Retail Trade	35,200	35,600	34,100	-400	-1.1%	1,100	3.2%
General Merchandise Stores	7,300	7,300	7,100	0	0.0%	200	2.8%
Other Gen Merch Stores	4,200	4,200	4,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Warehousing and Utilities	15,700	15,600	15,200	100	0.6%	500	3.3%
Information	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	8,700	8,800	8,700	-100	-1.1%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	22,800	22,300	23,200	500	2.2%	-400	-1.7%
Employment Services	4,000	3,800	3,800	200	5.3%	200	5.3%
Education and Health Services	49,700	48,300	49,600	1,400	2.9%	100	0.2%
Educational Services	7,300	5,800	7,800	1,500	25.9%	-500	-6.4%
Health Care and Social Assistance	42,400	42,500	41,800	-100	-0.2%	600	1.4%
General Medical and Surgical Hospitals	13,300	13,400	13,100	-100	-0.8%	200	1.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	34,400	33,600	32,300	800	2.4%	2,100	6.5%
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	6,800	7,000	6,600	-200	-2.9%	200	3.0%
Food Services and Drinking Places	25,300	25,100	24,000	200	0.8%	1,300	5.4%
Other Services	13,400	13,500	13,400	-100	-0.7%	0	0.0%
Total Government	37,100	33,800	35,900	3,300	9.8%	1,200	3.3%
Federal Government	1,900	1,900	1,900	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	5,600	5,100	4,700	500	9.8%	900	19.2%
Local Government	29,600	26,800	29,300	2,800	10.5%	300	1.0%
Local Government Educational Services	16,800	13,200	16,200	3,600	27.3%	600	3.7%

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

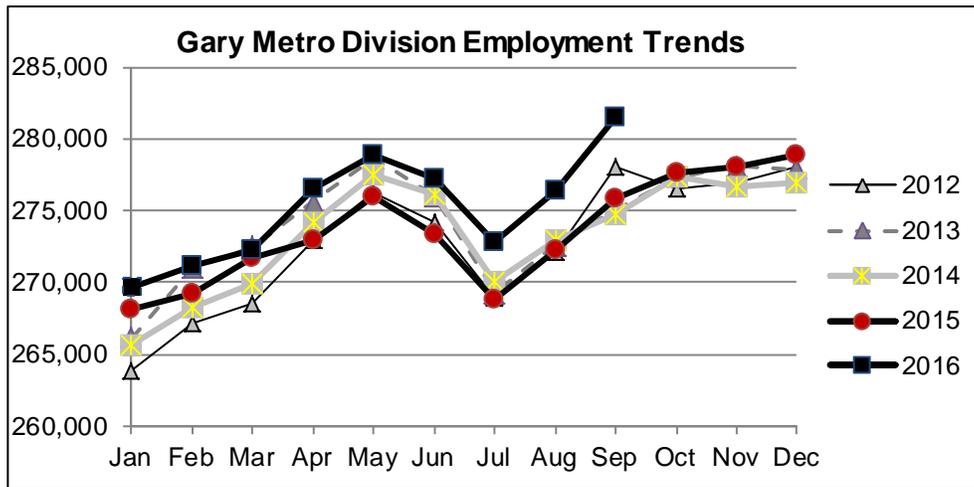
Applicant Pool

Top 20 occupations desired by applicants on their resumes in the past 12 months

- 1 Production Workers, All Other - 1,242
- 2 Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other - 645
- 3 Extraction Workers, All Other - 643
- 4 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand - 601
- 5 Helpers--Production Workers - 442
- 6 Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other - 389
- 7 Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners - 359
- 8 Cashiers - 348
- 9 Material Moving Workers, All Other - 315
- 10 Managers, All Other - 286
- 11 Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers - 285
- 12 Maintenance and Repair Workers, General - 285
- 13 Sales Representatives, Services, All Other - 281
- 14 Agricultural Workers, All Other - 272
- 15 Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food - 263
- 16 Nursing Assistants - 257
- 17 Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers, All Other - 255
- 18 Retail Salespersons - 238
- 19 Stock Clerks and Order Fillers - 222
- 20 Boilermakers - 202

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect





Note: Historical data for the most recent 5 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.

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Frequently Listed Jobs

Top 20 job listings by number of openings in Region 1 for the month of September 2016

- 1 First-Line Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers
- 2 Healthcare Support Workers, All Other
- 3 Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
- 4 Registered Nurses
- 5 Cashiers
- 6 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand
- 7 Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
- 8 Production Workers, All Other
- 9 Sales and Related Workers, All Other
- 10 Food Service Managers
- 11 Retail Salespersons
- 12 Building Cleaning Workers, All Other
- 13 Helpers--Production Workers
- 14 Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Workers, All Other
- 15 Stock Clerks- Stockroom, Warehouse, or Storage Yard
- 16 Therapists, All Other
- 17 Customer Service Representatives
- 18 Occupational Therapists
- 19 Maintenance Workers, Machinery
- 20 Home Health Aides

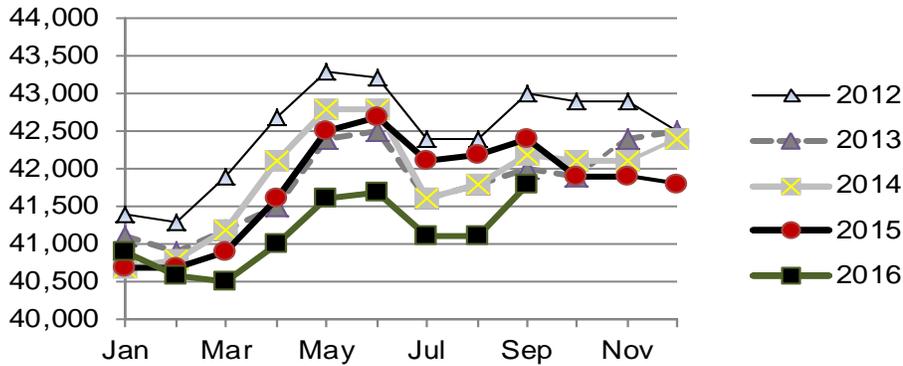
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Michigan City-LaPorte Metropolitan Statistical Area						
<i>Wage and Salaried Employment-September 2016</i>			Number Change	Percent Change	Number Change	Percent Change
Industry	Sep-16	Aug-16	Sep-15	Aug-16 to Sept-16	Sept-15 to Sept-16	
Total Nonfarm	41,800	41,100	42,400	700	-600	1.7% -1.4%
Total Private	35,000	35,100	35,400	-100	-400	-0.3% -1.1%
Goods Producing	9,600	9,600	9,700	0	-100	0.0% -1.0%
Service-Providing	32,200	31,500	32,700	700	-500	2.2% -1.5%
Private Service Providing	25,400	25,500	25,700	-100	-300	-0.4% -1.2%
Mining, Logging and Construction	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0	0.0% 0.0%
Manufacturing	7,600	7,600	7,700	0	-100	0.0% -1.3%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	7,900	7,900	8,400	0	-500	0.0% -6.0%
Wholesale Trade	1,200	1,300	1,300	-100	-100	-7.7% -7.7%
Retail Trade	5,500	5,500	5,500	0	0	0.0% 0.0%
Information	200	200	200	0	0	0.0% 0.0%
Financial Activities	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0	0.0% 0.0%
Professional and Business Services	2,900	2,900	2,900	0	0	0.0% 0.0%
Education and Health Services	5,700	5,700	5,800	0	-100	0.0% -1.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	5,900	6,000	5,600	-100	300	-1.7% 5.4%
Other Services	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0	0.0% 0.0%
Total Government	6,800	6,000	7,000	800	-200	13.3% -2.9%
Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0	0.0% 0.0%
State Government	1,900	1,800	2,400	100	-500	5.6% -20.8%
Local Government	4,700	4,000	4,400	700	300	17.5% 6.8%
Local Government Educational Services	2,100	1,900	2,400	200	-300	10.5% -12.5%

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

Mich City-LaPorte MSA Employment Trends

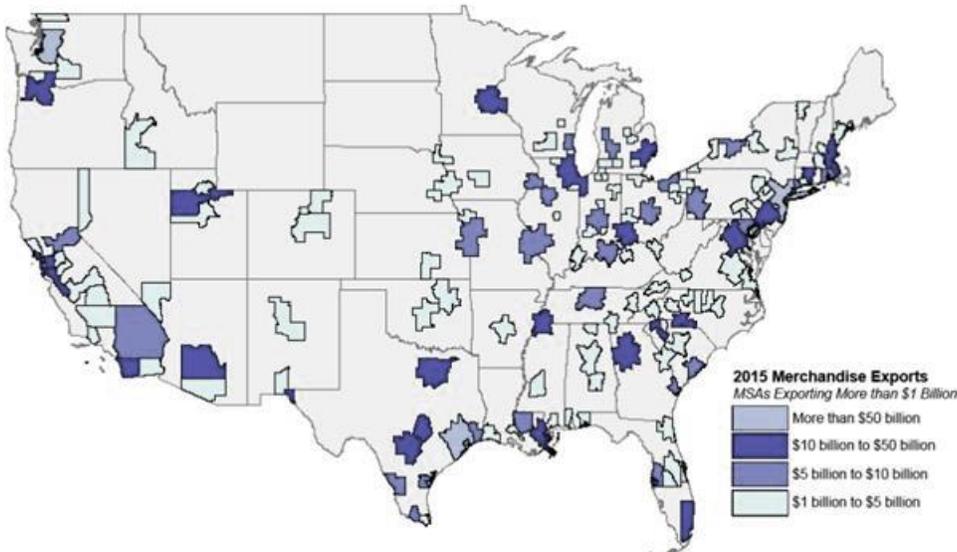


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U.S. Map of the 2015 Metropolitan Area Export Overview showing that 156 metro areas exported more than \$1 billion of goods to consumers around the globe.

156 Metro Areas Exported More than \$1 Billion each in 2015



Source: U.S. Department of Commerce

<https://www.commerce.gov/media/photo/exportmappng>

Industry Statewide

September 2016

Average Weekly Earnings

Construction	\$1,089.02
Manufacturing	\$788.13
Durable Goods	\$819.95
Fab Metal Prod Mfg	\$669.76
Transport Equip Mfg	\$872.20
Non-Durable Goods	\$718.76
Retail Trade	\$413.51
Financial Activities	\$794.19
Health Care & Soc Assistance	\$714.47
Accomm & Food Svc	\$246.99
Food Services/Bars	\$240.47

Average Weekly Hours

Construction	38.7
Manufacturing	41.7
Durable Goods	42.2
Fab Metal Prod Mfg	36.4
Transport Equip Mfg	44.5
Non-Durable Goods	40.7
Retail Trade	29.6
Financial Activities	36.7
Health Care & Soc Assistance	34.7
Accomm & Food Svc	23.5
Food Services/Bars	23.1

Average Hourly Earnings

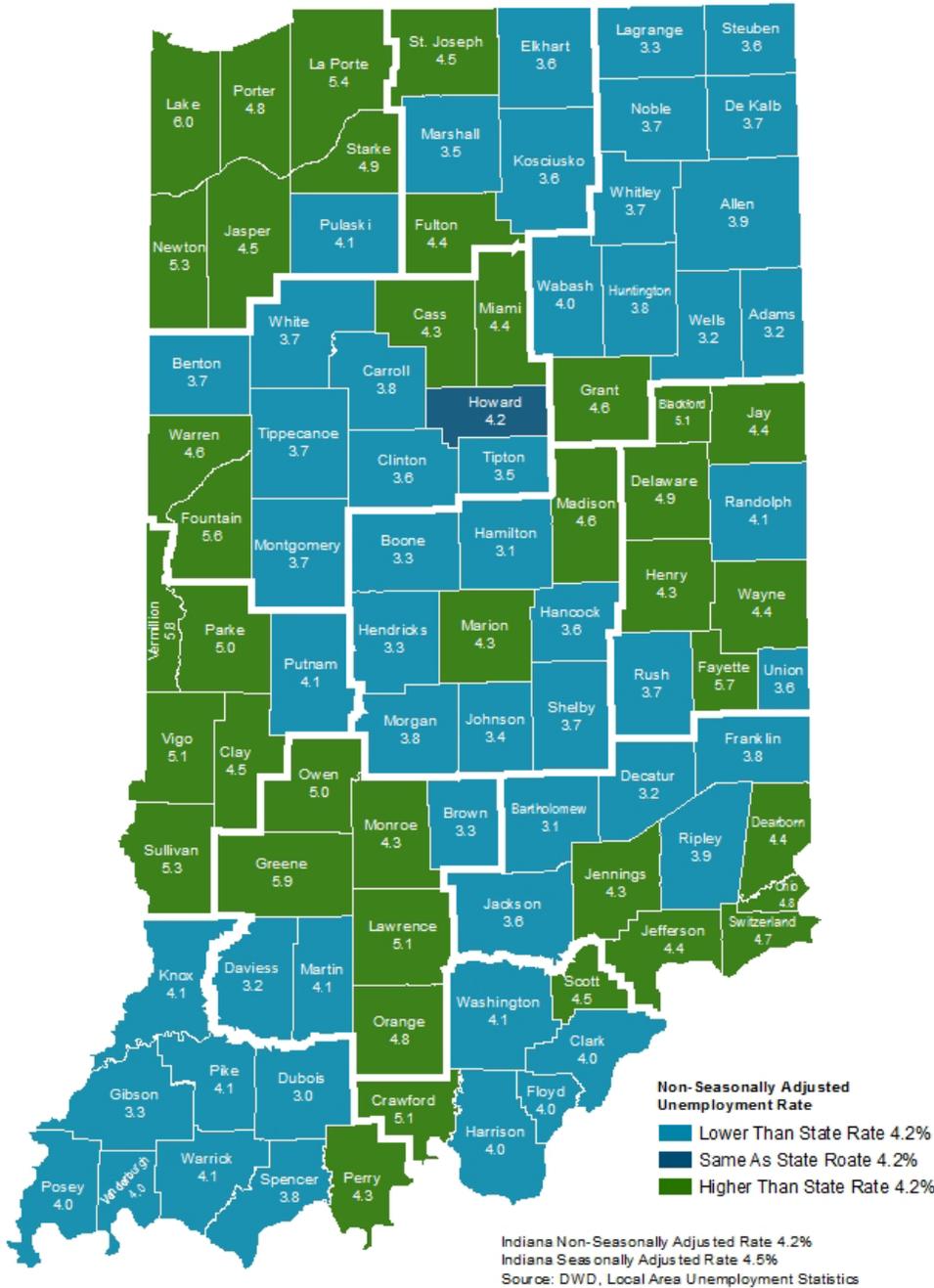
Construction	\$28.14
Manufacturing	\$18.90
Durable Goods	\$19.43
Fab Metal Prod Mfg	\$18.40
Transport Equip Mfg	\$19.60
Non-Durable Goods	\$17.66
Retail Trade	\$13.97
Financial Activities	\$21.64
Health Care & Soc Assistance	\$20.59
Accomm & Food Svc	\$10.51
Food Services/Bars	\$10.41

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Current Employment Statistics

County Unemployment Rates September 2016



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