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Economic Growth Region 1

Statistical Data Report for January 2019, Released March 2019

State Employment and Unemployment

Unemployment rates were lower in January in 3 states, higher in 3 states, and stable in 44 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Nine states had jobless rate decreases from a year earlier, 1 state had an increase, and 40 states and the District had little or no change. The national unemployment rate edged up to 4.0 percent over the month and was little changed from January 2018. Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 13 states in January 2019 and was essentially unchanged in 37 states and the District of Columbia.



Economic Growth Region (EGR) 1

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

Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): January 2019

U.S. - 4%

Illinois - 4.3%

Indiana - 3.5%

Kentucky - 4.2%

Michigan - 4%

Ohio - 4.7%

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

Unemployment Rank by County (of 92 counties): January 2019

#3 - Lake (5.8%)

#6 - LaPorte (5.5%)

#7 - Newton (5.5%)

#8 - Starke (5.5%)

#13 - Jasper (5%)

#23 - Porter (4.6%)

#61 - Pulaski (3.8%)

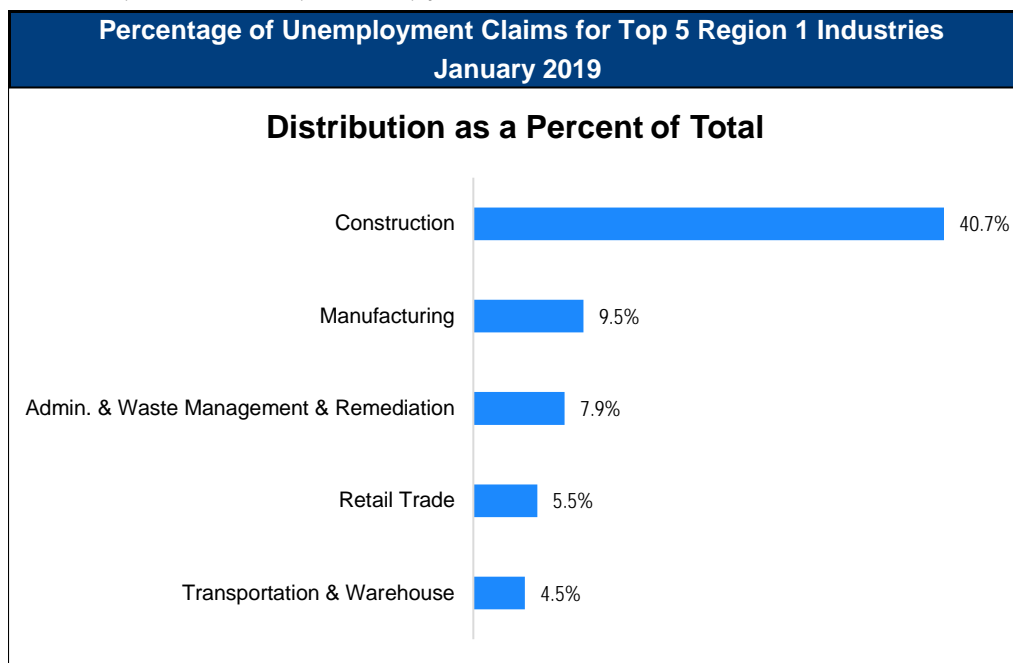
Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Development, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

January 2019 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Jan-19	Dec-18	Jan-18
U.S.	162,104,000	154,964,000	7,140,000	4.4%	3.7%	4.5%
IN	3,390,894	3,252,471	138,423	4.1%	3.4%	3.6%
Gary Metro Div	345,618	326,796	18,822	5.4%	4.8%	5.0%
MichCity-LaPorte MSA	47,714	45,110	2,604	5.5%	4.7%	5.1%
EGR 1	410,245	388,002	22,243	5.4%	4.7%	5.0%
Lake Co.	234,445	220,860	13,585	5.8%	5.1%	5.3%
Porter Co.	87,414	83,400	4,014	4.6%	3.9%	4.2%
LaPorte Co.	47,714	45,110	2,604	5.5%	4.7%	5.1%
Newton Co.	7,152	6,759	393	5.5%	4.3%	5.2%
Jasper Co.	16,607	15,777	830	5.0%	3.8%	5.0%
Starke Co.	10,412	9,839	573	5.5%	4.5%	5.2%
Pulaski Co.	6,501	6,257	244	3.8%	3.0%	3.7%
East Chicago	10,220	9,385	835	8.2%	7.0%	7.2%
Hammond	35,202	33,008	2,194	6.2%	5.7%	5.6%
Munster	12,016	11,466	550	4.6%	3.8%	3.8%
Dyer	8,902	8,525	377	4.2%	3.8%	3.8%
Schererville	16,326	15,648	678	4.2%	3.9%	3.8%
Crown Point	15,506	14,796	710	4.6%	3.7%	4.8%
Griffith	9,012	8,509	503	5.6%	4.7%	4.8%
Highland	12,800	12,130	670	5.2%	4.9%	4.4%
Gary	27,152	25,179	1,973	7.3%	6.9%	6.9%
Merrillville	17,341	16,231	1,110	6.4%	5.9%	5.3%
Hobart	15,188	14,246	942	6.2%	5.3%	5.9%
Lake Station	5,073	4,634	439	8.7%	8.4%	8.6%
Portage	18,236	17,246	990	5.4%	4.5%	4.9%
Chesterton	6,935	6,632	303	4.4%	3.5%	4.0%
Valparaiso	16,832	16,116	716	4.3%	3.7%	3.9%
Michigan City	12,579	11,883	696	5.5%	5.0%	5.0%
LaPorte	9,571	9,054	517	5.4%	5.0%	4.8%

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released:03/19 | 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 2019			
Industry	Avg. Earnings per hr	Avg. # of hours worked per week	Avg. Earnings per week
Construction	\$26.04	40.2	\$1,046.81
Manufacturing	\$21.08	41.8	\$881.14
Durable Goods	\$21.55	42.1	\$907.26
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	\$17.22	40.5	\$697.41
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	\$25.31	46.0	\$1,164.26
Non-Durable Goods	\$19.85	41.2	\$817.82
Retail Trade	\$14.59	28.5	\$415.82
Financial Activities	\$22.72	35.3	\$802.02
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$22.83	32.9	\$751.11
Accommodation and Food Services	\$11.79	22.7	\$267.63
Food Services and Drinking Places	\$11.14	21.8	\$242.85

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 2019				
Company	City	County	# affected	Notice Date

There are no WARN Notices for January 2019 for Region 1.

Significant WARN Notices for nearby locations				
Company	City	County	# affected	Notice Date
Innovel Solutions, Inc.	Manteno, IL	Kankakee	105	1/17/2019
Schneider Logistics Transloading and Distribution, Inc.	Elwood, IL	Will	589	1/22/2019

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: January 2019

Region 1

Initial Claims

01/05/19 - 690(D)

01/12/19 - 675

01/19/19 - 603(D)

01/26/19 - 491(D)

Continued Claims

01/05/19 - 3,035

01/12/19 - 2,969

01/19/19 - 3,133

01/26/19 - 3,146

Total Claims

01/05/19 - 3,725

01/12/19 - 3,644

01/19/19 - 3,736

01/26/19 - 3,637

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

01/05/19 - 4,309

01/12/19 - 4,575

01/19/19 - 3,536

01/26/19 - 3,121

Continued Claims

01/05/19 - 17,896

01/12/19 - 17,861

01/19/19 - 18,630

01/26/19 - 18,878

Total Claims

01/05/19 - 22,205

01/12/19 - 22,436

01/19/19 - 22,166

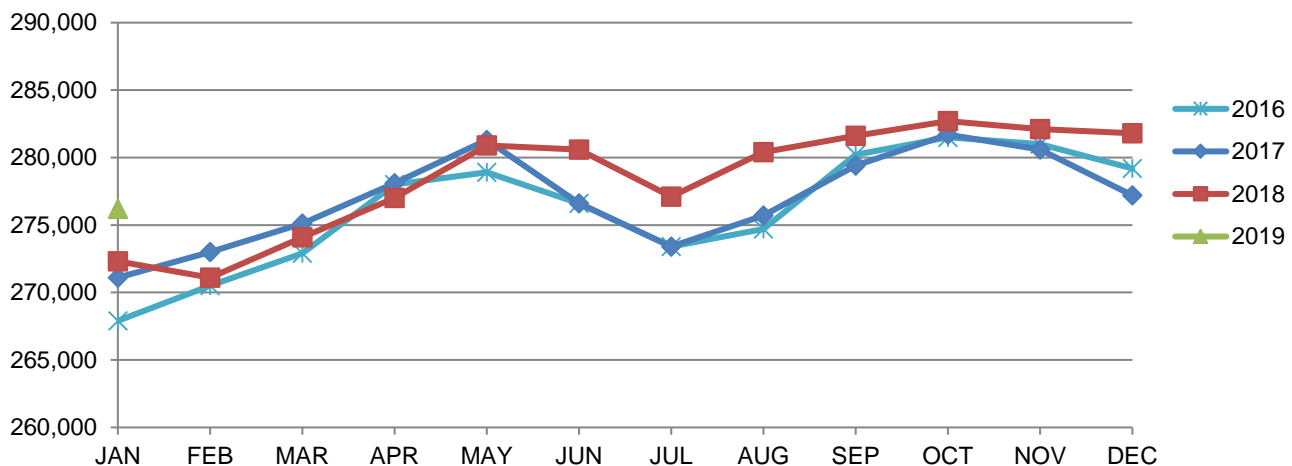
01/26/19 - 21,999

(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 2019			# Change	% Change	# Change % Change
Industry	Jan-19	Dec-18	Jan-18	Dec-18 to Jan-19	Jan-18 to Jan-19	
Total Nonfarm	276,200	281,800	272,300	-5,600	-2.0%	3,900 1.4%
Total Private	241,700	246,200	238,100	-4,500	-1.8%	3,600 1.5%
Goods Producing	52,200	53,700	50,600	-1,500	-2.8%	1,600 3.2%
Service Providing	224,000	228,100	221,700	-4,100	-1.8%	2,300 1.0%
Private Service Providing	189,500	192,500	187,500	-3,000	-1.6%	2,000 1.1%
Mining and Logging	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0 0.0%
Mining, Logging and Construction	16,800	18,200	15,300	-1,400	-7.7%	1,500 9.8%
Construction	16,600	18,000	15,100	-1,400	-7.8%	1,500 9.9%
Manufacturing	35,400	35,500	35,300	-100	-0.3%	100 0.3%
Durable Goods	27,300	27,400	27,200	-100	-0.4%	100 0.4%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	56,900	58,700	57,400	-1,800	-3.1%	-500 -0.9%
Wholesale Trade	9,200	9,300	9,400	-100	-1.1%	-200 -2.1%
Retail Trade	33,100	34,400	33,300	-1,300	-3.8%	-200 -0.6%
General Merchandise Stores	7,300	7,800	7,300	-500	-6.4%	0 0.0%
Other Gen Merch Stores	4,600	4,800	4,300	-200	-4.2%	300 7.0%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	14,600	15,000	14,700	-400	-2.7%	-100 -0.7%
Information	1,700	1,700	1,900	0	0.0%	-200 -10.5%
Financial Activities	8,600	8,700	8,500	-100	-1.2%	100 1.2%
Professional and Business Services	25,000	24,600	23,900	400	1.6%	1,100 4.6%
Employment Services	3,900	4,000	3,800	-100	-2.5%	100 2.6%
Education and Health Services	51,300	52,200	50,300	-900	-1.7%	1,000 2.0%
Educational Services	7,500	8,100	6,600	-600	-7.4%	900 13.6%
Health Care and Social Assistance	43,800	44,100	43,700	-300	-0.7%	100 0.2%
General Medical and Surgical Hospitals	14,000	13,700	13,900	300	2.2%	100 0.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	31,600	32,000	31,300	-400	-1.3%	300 1.0%
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	5,700	5,800	5,700	-100	-1.7%	0 0.0%
Food Services and Drinking Places	25,900	26,200	25,600	-300	-1.2%	300 1.2%
Other Services	14,400	14,600	14,200	-200	-1.4%	200 1.4%
Total Government	34,500	35,600	34,200	-1,100	-3.1%	300 0.9%
Federal Government	1,900	2,000	1,900	-100	-5.0%	0 0.0%
State Government	4,800	4,900	4,800	-100	-2.0%	0 0.0%
Local Government	27,800	28,700	27,500	-900	-3.1%	300 1.1%
Local Government Educational Services	15,800	16,400	15,900	-600	-3.7%	-100 -0.6%

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

Gary Metropolitan Division Employment Trends

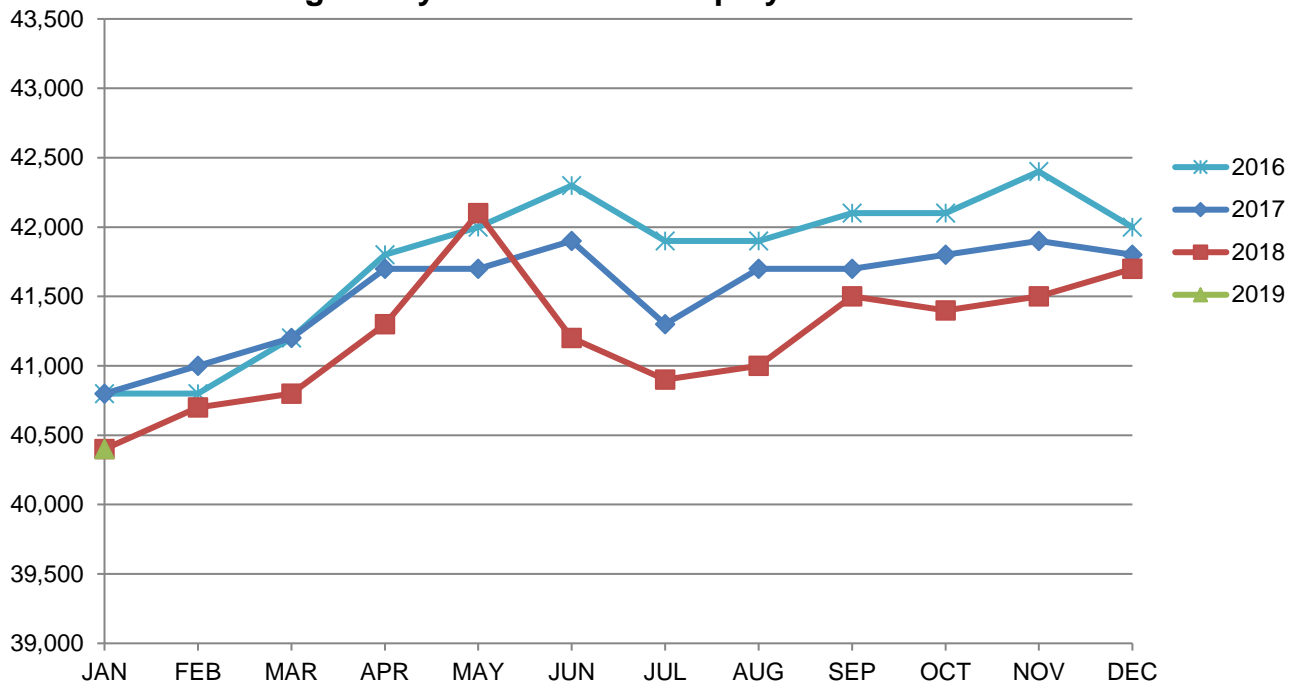


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Michigan City-LaPorte MSA							
Wage and Salaried Employment	January 2019			# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	Jan-19	Dec-18	Jan-18	Dec-18 to Jan-19		Jan-18 to Jan-19	
Total Nonfarm	40,400	41,700	40,400	-1,300	-3.1%	0	0.0%
Total Private	33,700	34,800	33,700	-1,100	-3.2%	0	0.0%
Goods Producing	9,600	9,900	9,300	-300	-3.0%	300	3.2%
Service Providing	30,800	31,800	31,100	-1,000	-3.1%	-300	-1.0%
Private Service Providing	24,100	24,900	24,400	-800	-3.2%	-300	-1.2%
Mining, Logging and Construction	1,800	2,000	1,700	-200	-10.0%	100	5.9%
Manufacturing	7,800	7,900	7,600	-100	-1.3%	200	2.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	7,900	8,400	8,100	-500	-6.0%	-200	-2.5%
Wholesale Trade	1,400	1,400	1,500	0	0.0%	-100	-6.7%
Retail Trade	5,200	5,400	5,300	-200	-3.7%	-100	-1.9%
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	2,800	2,900	2,800	-100	-3.5%	0	0.0%
Education and Health Services	5,500	5,600	5,700	-100	-1.8%	-200	-3.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	5,000	5,100	5,000	-100	-2.0%	0	0.0%
Other Services	1,500	1,500	1,400	0	0.0%	100	7.1%
Total Government	6,700	6,900	6,700	-200	-2.9%	0	0.0%
Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	2,300	2,300	2,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	4,200	4,400	4,200	-200	-4.6%	0	0.0%
Local Government Educational Services	2,300	2,500	2,300	-200	-8.0%	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	Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers
2	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
3	Electrical Engineering Technicians
4	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
5	Waiters and Waitresses
6	Registered Nurses
7	Customer Service Representatives
8	Agricultural Workers, All Other
9	Counter Attendants, Cafeteria, Food Concession, and Coffee Shop
10	Retail Salespersons
11	Production Workers, All Other
12	Pharmacy Technicians
13	Therapists, All Other
14	Managers, All Other
15	First-Line Supervisors of Transportation and Material-Moving Machine and Vehicle Operators
16	Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Workers, All Other
17	Machine Feeders and Offbearers
18	Nursing Assistants
19	Plumbers
20	Security Guards

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	895
Helpers--Production Workers	800
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	689
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	561
Customer Service Representatives	560
Cashiers	442
Office Clerks, General	324
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	301
Construction Laborers	282
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	272
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	268
Retail Salespersons	264
Managers, All Other	259
Nursing Assistants	249
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	247
Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants	213
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	211
Administrative Services Managers	206
Receptionists and Information Clerks	204
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	201

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

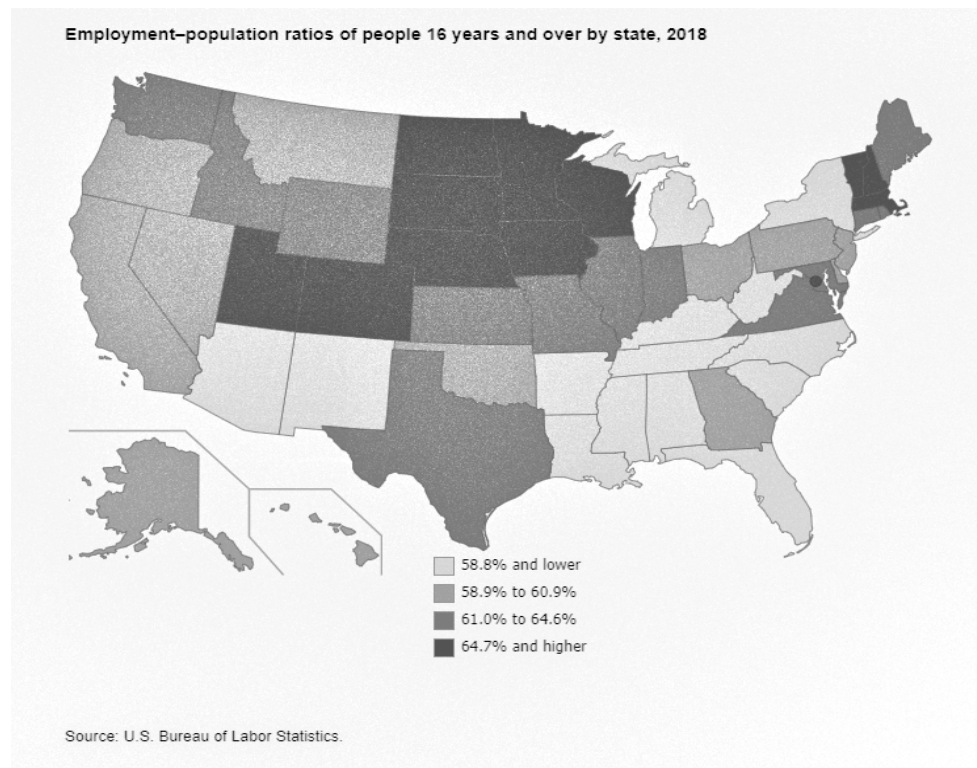
Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to January 2019 from						
CPI Item	Jan-18	Dec-18	Jan-18	Dec-18	Jan-18	Dec-18
	Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IN-IL-WI		U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	0.8%	0.6%	1.6%	0.2%	0.8%	0.2%
Food & Beverages	2.3%	0.8%	1.6%	0.5%	1.0%	0.5%
Housing	2.8%	0.6%	2.9%	0.4%	2.8%	0.3%
Apparel	-5.8%	2.8%	0.1%	1.6%	-1.5%	1.3%
Transportation	-3.7%	-0.2%	-1.3%	-1.0%	-3.7%	-1.2%
Medical Care	2.5%	0.8%	1.9%	0.6%	2.4%	1.0%
Recreation	-1.0%	1.6%	1.4%	0.5%	-0.9%	0.5%
Education & Communication	-0.9%	0.0%	0.3%	0.1%	-0.1%	0.3%
Other Goods & Services	-0.5%	-0.5%	1.9%	0.2%	2.4%	-0.1%

*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

Minnesota, North Dakota, and Nebraska had the highest employment–population ratios in 2018

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Among the states, Minnesota had the highest employment–population ratio in 2018 (67.8 percent), followed by North Dakota (67.7 percent) and Nebraska (67.3 percent). West Virginia had the lowest employment–population ratio among the states in 2018 (51.0 percent), as it has since the data series began in 1976. Overall, 22 states and the District of Columbia had employment–population ratios significantly higher than the U.S. ratio of 60.4 percent and 17 states had ratios that were appreciably below it.



The largest employment–population ratio increase among the states in 2018 occurred in Massachusetts (+1.6 percentage points). Eight other states also had significant increases in their ratios. North Dakota was the only state with a statistically significant decrease in its employment–population ratio over the year (–1.2 percentage points). The remaining 40 states and the District of Columbia had ratios that were not notably different from those of the previous year, though some had changes that were at least as large numerically as the significant changes.

These data are from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics program. The employment–population ratio is the proportion of the civilian noninstitutional population 16 years of age and over who are employed. To learn more, see “Regional and State Unemployment – 2018 Annual Averages.”

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, The Economics Daily, Minnesota, North Dakota, and Nebraska had the highest employment–population ratios in 2018 on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/opub/ted/2019/minnesota-north-dakota-and-nebraska-had-the-highest-employment-population-ratios-in-2018.htm> (visited March 08, 2019).

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