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# Economic Growth Region 2

*Statistical Data Report for May 2018, Released July 2018*

## State Employment and Unemployment

Unemployment rates were lower in May in 14 states and stable in 36 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Eleven states had jobless rate decreases from a year earlier and 39 states and the District had little or no change. The national unemployment rate edged down from April to 3.8 percent and was 0.5 percentage point lower than in May 2017.

Hawaii had the lowest unemployment rate in May, 2.0 percent. Alaska had the highest jobless rate, 7.2 percent. In total, 13 states had unemployment rates lower than the U.S. figure of 3.8 percent, 17 states and the District of Columbia had higher rates, and 20 states had rates that were not appreciably different from that of the nation.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 7 states in May 2018 and was essentially unchanged in 43 states and the District of Columbia. Over the year, 35 states added nonfarm payroll jobs and 15 states and the District were essentially unchanged.

Thirty-five states had over-the-year increases in nonfarm payroll employment in May. The largest job gains occurred in Texas (+352,100), California (+306,000), and Florida (+180,200). The largest percentage gain occurred in Utah (+3.4 percent), followed by Idaho (+3.1 percent) and Texas and Washington (+2.9 percent each).

| May 2018 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Area | Labor Force | Employed | Unemployed | May-18 | Apr-18 | May-17 |
| U.S. | 161,765,000 | 156,009,000 | 5,756,000 | 3.6% | 3.7% | 4.1% |
| IN | 3,406,833 | 3,297,563 | 109,270 | 3.2% | 2.9% | 3.2% |
| EGR 2 | 332,873 | 323,402 | 9,471 | 2.8% | 2.5% | 2.8% |
| Elkhart-Goshen MSA | 118,329 | 115,514 | 2,815 | 2.4% | 2.0% | 2.4% |
| South Bend-Mishawaka MSA | 162,824 | 157,339 | 5,485 | 3.4% | 3.2% | 3.3% |
| Elkhart Co. | 118,329 | 115,514 | 2,815 | 2.4% | 2.0% | 2.4% |
| Fulton Co. | 10,051 | 9,749 | 302 | 3.0% | 3.0% | 3.0% |
| Kosciusko Co. | 42,770 | 41,667 | 1,103 | 2.6% | 2.2% | 2.5% |
| Marshall Co. | 23,809 | 23,098 | 711 | 3.0% | 2.7% | 2.7% |
| St Joseph Co. | 137,914 | 133,374 | 4,540 | 3.3% | 3.0% | 3.2% |
| Elkhart | 27,659 | 26,906 | 753 | 2.7% | 2.3% | 2.8% |
| Goshen | 18,405 | 17,951 | 454 | 2.5% | 2.0% | 2.3% |
| Mishawaka | 26,375 | 25,560 | 815 | 3.1% | 2.8% | 3.0% |
| Plymouth | 4,477 | 4,296 | 181 | 4.0% | 3.8% | 3.4% |
| South Bend | 48,829 | 47,042 | 1,787 | 3.7% | 3.4% | 3.6% |
| Warsaw | 7,742 | 7,523 | 219 | 2.8% | 2.4% | 2.7% |

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released:06/18 | 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) 2

Elkhart, Fulton, Kosciusko, Marshall and St. Joseph Counties

### Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): May 2018

**U.S. - 3.8%**

Illinois - 4.3%

**Indiana - 3.2%**

Kentucky - 4.1%

Michigan - 4.6%

Ohio - 4.3%

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

### Unemployment Rank by County (of 92 counties): May 2018

#39 - St. Joseph (3.3%)

#54 - Fulton (3%)

#55 - Marshall (3%)

#82 - Kosciusko (2.6%)

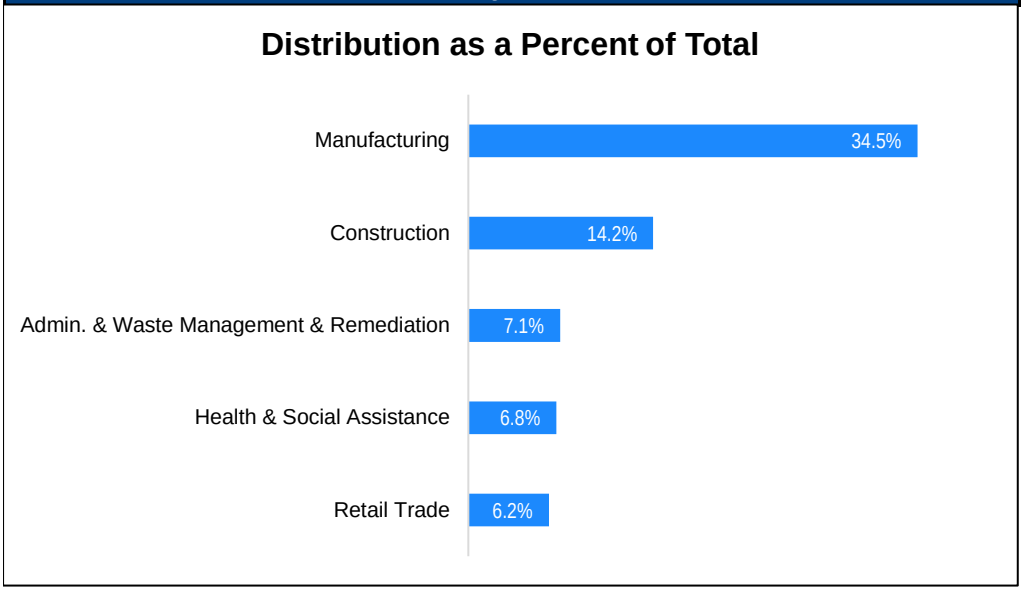
#91 - Elkhart (2.4%)

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

| Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to May 2018 from | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| CPI Item | May-17 | Apr-18 | May-17 | Apr-18 |
| | U.S. City | | Midwest Region* | |
| **All Items** | **2.8%** | **0.4%** | **2.3%** | **0.5%** |
| Food & Beverages | 1.2% | -0.1% | 1.0% | -0.2% |
| Housing | 3.0% | 0.4% | 2.4% | 0.4% |
| Apparel | 1.4% | -0.8% | -0.6% | -1.0% |
| Transportation | 5.9% | 1.6% | 5.5% | 2.0% |
| Medical Care | 2.4% | 0.2% | 1.3% | 0.5% |
| Recreation | 0.2% | -0.1% | 1.0% | -0.1% |
| Education & Communication | 0.5% | 0.2% | 0.7% | 0.1% |
| Other Goods & Services | 2.5% | 0.0% | 2.7% | -0.2% |

*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 2 Industries May 2018**




Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

## WARN Notices

| WARN Notices for Region 2 for May 2018 | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Company | City | County | # affected | Notice Date |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

**There are no WARN Notices for May 2018 for Region 2.**

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 2018

### *Region 2*

**Initial Claims**
05/05/18 - 203(D)
05/12/18 - 191(D)
05/19/18 - 183(D)
05/26/18 - 178(D)

**Continued Claims**
05/05/18 - 1,069
05/12/18 - 1,035
05/19/18 - 1,036
05/26/18 - 988

**Total Claims**
05/05/18 - 1,272
05/12/18 - 1,226
05/19/18 - 1,219
05/26/18 - 1,166

### *State of Indiana*

**Initial Claims**
05/05/18 - 1,953
05/12/18 - 2,004
05/19/18 - 1,908
05/26/18 - 1,892

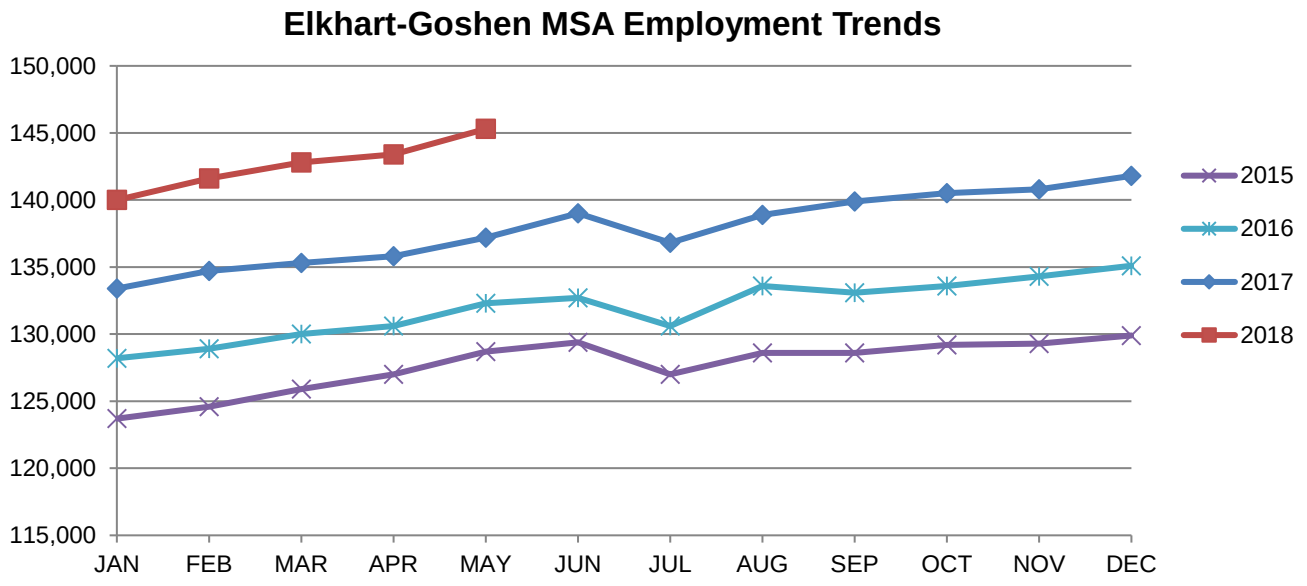
**Continued Claims**
05/05/18 - 12,852
05/12/18 - 12,447
05/19/18 - 12,262
05/26/18 - 11,998

**Total Claims**
05/05/18 - 14,805
05/12/18 - 14,451
05/19/18 - 14,170
05/26/18 - 13,890

(D) Indicates one or more counties are excluded due to non-disclosure issues | Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

| Elkhart-Goshen MSA | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wage and Salaried Employment | May 2018 | | | # Change | % Change | # Change | % Change |
| **Industry** | **May-18** | **Apr-18** | **May-17** | **Apr-18 to May-18** | | **May-17 to May-18** | |
| **Total Nonfarm** | **145,300** | **143,400** | **137,200** | **1,900** | **1.3%** | **8,100** | **5.9%** |
| **Total Private** | **136,600** | **134,800** | **128,300** | **1,800** | **1.3%** | **8,300** | **6.5%** |
| Goods Producing | 76,700 | 75,900 | 70,400 | 800 | 1.1% | 6,300 | 9.0% |
| Service-Providing | 68,600 | 67,500 | 66,800 | 1,100 | 1.6% | 1,800 | 2.7% |
| Private Service Providing | 59,900 | 58,900 | 57,900 | 1,000 | 1.7% | 2,000 | 3.5% |
| Mining, Logging and Construction | 3,700 | 3,500 | 3,600 | 200 | 5.7% | 100 | 2.8% |
| Manufacturing | 73,000 | 72,400 | 66,800 | 600 | 0.8% | 6,200 | 9.3% |
| Durable Goods | 60,500 | 60,300 | 56,900 | 200 | 0.3% | 3,600 | 6.3% |
| Transportation Equipment Manufacturing | 39,100 | 38,900 | 35,200 | 200 | 0.5% | 3,900 | 11.1% |
| Motor Vehicle Body and Trailer Manufacturing | 32,700 | 32,700 | 29,600 | 0 | 0.0% | 3,100 | 10.5% |
| Trade, Transportation, and Utilities | 20,700 | 20,400 | 19,800 | 300 | 1.5% | 900 | 4.6% |
| Wholesale Trade | 7,100 | 7,000 | 6,600 | 100 | 1.4% | 500 | 7.6% |
| Retail Trade | 10,100 | 10,000 | 9,800 | 100 | 1.0% | 300 | 3.1% |
| Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities | 3,500 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 100 | 2.9% | 100 | 2.9% |
| Information | 400 | 400 | 400 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Financial Activities | 2,800 | 2,800 | 2,800 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Professional and Business Services | 11,100 | 10,900 | 10,700 | 200 | 1.8% | 400 | 3.7% |
| Education and Health Services | 12,200 | 12,200 | 12,200 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Leisure and Hospitality | 8,500 | 8,100 | 7,900 | 400 | 4.9% | 600 | 7.6% |
| Other Services | 4,200 | 4,100 | 4,100 | 100 | 2.4% | 100 | 2.4% |
| **Government** | **8,700** | **8,600** | **8,900** | **100** | **1.2%** | **-200** | **-2.3%** |
| Federal Government | 300 | 300 | 300 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| State Government | 200 | 200 | 200 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Local Government | 8,200 | 8,100 | 8,400 | 100 | 1.2% | -200 | -2.4% |
| Local Government Educational Services | 5,500 | 5,400 | 5,900 | 100 | 1.9% | -400 | -6.8% |

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

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| South Bend-Mishawaka MSA | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wage and Salaried Employment | May 2018 | | | # Change | % Change | # Change | % Change |
| **Industry** | **May-18** | **Apr-18** | **May-17** | **Apr-18 to May-18** | | **May-17 to May-18** | |
| **Total Nonfarm** | **145,400** | **144,100** | **144,100** | **1,300** | **0.9%** | **1,300** | **0.9%** |
| **Total Private** | **129,500** | **128,100** | **128,200** | **1,400** | **1.1%** | **1,300** | **1.0%** |
| Goods Producing | 23,700 | 23,400 | 23,600 | 300 | 1.3% | 100 | 0.4% |
| Service Providing | 121,700 | 120,700 | 120,500 | 1,000 | 0.8% | 1,200 | 1.0% |
| Private Service Providing | 105,800 | 104,700 | 104,600 | 1,100 | 1.1% | 1,200 | 1.2% |
| Mining, Logging and Construction | 5,700 | 5,500 | 5,700 | 200 | 3.6% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Manufacturing | 18,000 | 17,900 | 17,900 | 100 | 0.6% | 100 | 0.6% |
| Trade, Transportation and Utilities | 25,400 | 25,100 | 25,300 | 300 | 1.2% | 100 | 0.4% |
| Wholesale Trade | 6,500 | 6,400 | 6,400 | 100 | 1.6% | 100 | 1.6% |
| Retail Trade | 14,900 | 14,700 | 15,000 | 200 | 1.4% | -100 | -0.7% |
| General Merchandise Stores | 3,500 | 3,400 | 3,400 | 100 | 2.9% | 100 | 2.9% |
| Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities | 4,000 | 4,000 | 3,900 | 0 | 0.0% | 100 | 2.6% |
| Information | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,500 | 0 | 0.0% | -100 | -6.7% |
| Financial Activities | 6,100 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 100 | 1.7% | 100 | 1.7% |
| Professional & Business Services | 13,500 | 13,300 | 14,000 | 200 | 1.5% | -500 | -3.6% |
| Educational & Health Services | 37,100 | 37,100 | 37,000 | 0 | 0.0% | 100 | 0.3% |
| Hospitals | 6,300 | 6,300 | 6,200 | 0 | 0.0% | 100 | 1.6% |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 16,000 | 15,500 | 14,500 | 500 | 3.2% | 1,500 | 10.3% |
| Food Services and Drinking Places | 11,800 | 11,500 | 11,900 | 300 | 2.6% | -100 | -0.8% |
| Other Services | 6,300 | 6,300 | 6,300 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| **Total Government** | **15,900** | **16,000** | **15,900** | **-100** | **-0.6%** | **0** | **0.0%** |
| Federal Government | 900 | 900 | 1,000 | 0 | 0.0% | -100 | -10.0% |
| State Government | 2,600 | 2,700 | 2,800 | -100 | -3.7% | -200 | -7.1% |
| Local Government | 12,400 | 12,400 | 12,100 | 0 | 0.0% | 300 | 2.5% |
| Local Government Educational Services | 6,800 | 7,000 | 7,000 | -200 | -2.9% | -200 | -2.9% |

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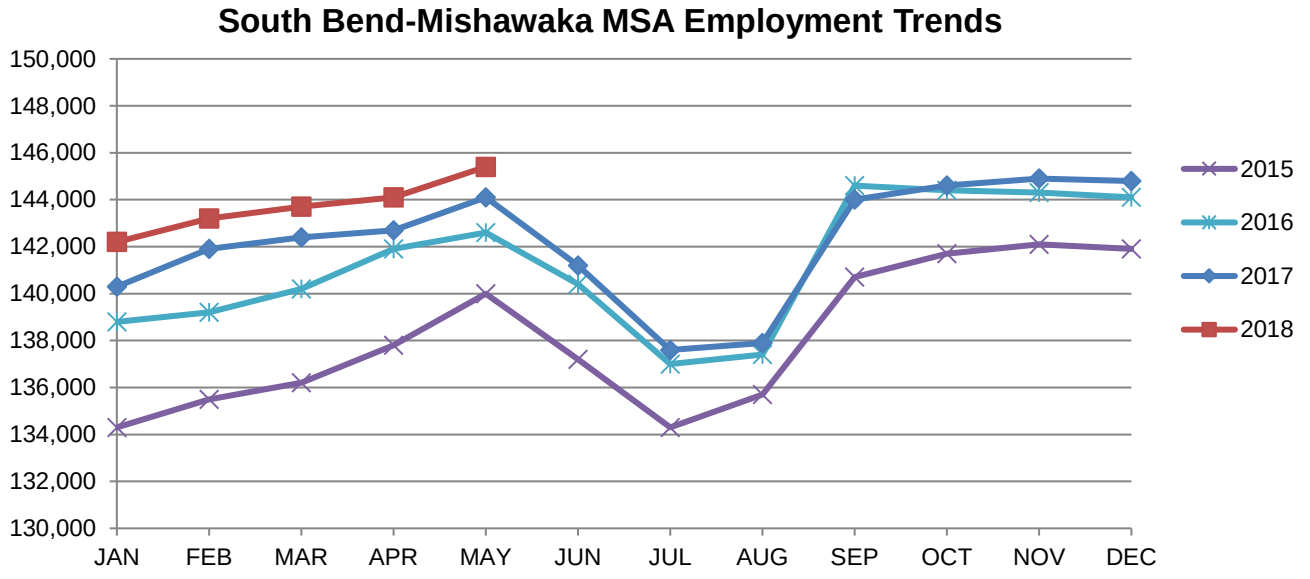


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## Frequently Listed Jobs

**Top 20 job listings by number of openings in Region 2 in the past month**

| Rank | Occupations |
|---|---|
| 1 | Registered Nurses |
| 2 | Production Workers, All Other |
| 3 | Nursing Assistants |
| 4 | Helpers--Production Workers |
| 5 | Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses |
| 6 | Customer Service Representatives |
| 7 | Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners |
| 8 | Managers, All Other |
| 9 | Security Guards |
| 10 | Printing Press Operators |
| 11 | Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food |
| 12 | Construction Laborers |
| 13 | Packers and Packagers, Hand |
| 14 | Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers |
| 15 | Home Health Aides |
| 16 | Stock Clerks, Sales Floor |
| 17 | Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand |
| 18 | Engineers, All Other |
| 19 | Retail Salespersons |
| 20 | Sales Representatives, Services, All Other |

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 | 1,383 |
| Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other | 918 |
| Helpers--Production Workers | 670 |
| Customer Service Representatives | 400 |
| Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand | 394 |
| Cashiers | 330 |
| Office Clerks, General | 267 |
| Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other | 244 |
| First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers | 227 |
| Stock Clerks and Order Fillers | 220 |
| Managers, All Other | 199 |
| Team Assemblers | 199 |
| Nursing Assistants | 199 |
| Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks | 195 |
| Retail Salespersons | 191 |
| Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators | 187 |
| Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers | 185 |
| Receptionists and Information Clerks | 177 |
| Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers | 175 |
| Packers and Packagers, Hand | 170 |

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

| Statewide Average Weekly Hours & Earnings by Industry for May 2018 | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Industry | Average Earnings (per hour) | Average # of hours worked (weekly) | Average Earnings (per week) |
| Construction | $27.78 | 41.4 | $1,150.09 |
| Manufacturing | $20.65 | 42.2 | $871.43 |
| Durable Goods | $20.79 | 42.6 | $885.65 |
| Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing | $16.91 | 41.9 | $708.53 |
| Transportation Equipment Manufacturing | $22.83 | 45.5 | $1,038.77 |
| Non-Durable Goods | $20.26 | 41.3 | $836.74 |
| Retail Trade | $14.68 | 30.2 | $443.34 |
| Financial Activities | $23.09 | 36.6 | $845.09 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | $22.61 | 33.8 | $764.22 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | $11.36 | 24.5 | $278.32 |
| Food Services and Drinking Places | $10.88 | 23.8 | $258.94 |

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Current Employment Statistics

## *Foreign-born labor force nearly half Hispanic and one-quarter Asian in 2017*

In 2017, nearly half (47.9 percent) of the foreign-born labor force was Hispanic, and one-quarter (25.2 percent) was Asian. Hispanics and Asians made up much lower percentages of the native-born labor force, at 10.7 percent and 2.0 percent, respectively. About 16.5 percent of the foreign-born labor force was White and 9.4 percent was Black, compared with 72.3 percent and 12.2 percent, respectively, of the native-born labor force.

In 2017, men accounted for 57.5 percent of the foreign-born labor force, compared with 52.2 percent of the native-born labor force. The proportion of the foreign-born labor force made up of 25- to 54-year-olds was 73.1 percent, higher than for the native-born labor force (62.2 percent).

The share of the foreign-born labor force age 25 and over that had not completed high school was 21.8 percent in 2017, much higher than the figure for the native-born labor force, at 4.2 percent. The foreign born were less likely than the native born to have some college or an associate degree, 16.8 percent versus 29.4 percent.

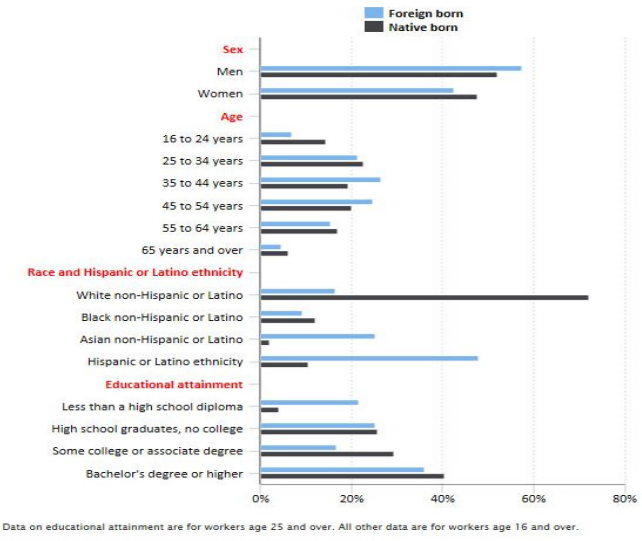
In 2017, foreign-born men were considerably more likely to be labor force participants (78.1 percent) than their native-born counterparts (67.3 percent). In contrast, 54.5 percent of foreign-born women were labor force participants, somewhat lower than the rate of 57.5 percent for native-born women.

Among the foreign born, the labor force participation rate was 71.5 percent for Blacks, 64.3 percent for Asians, 59.9 percent for Whites, and 68.3 percent for Hispanics. Among the native born, the participation rate was 60.7 percent for Blacks, 62.0 percent for Asians, 62.2 percent for Whites, and 64.2 percent for Hispanics.

These data are from the Current Population Survey. For more information, see "Foreign-Born Workers: Labor Force Characteristics — 2017". The foreign born are U.S. residents born outside the country or one of its outlying areas to parents who were not U.S. citizens. The foreign born include legally admitted immigrants, refugees, temporary residents such as students and temporary workers, and undocumented immigrants. Data do not separately identify the numbers of people in these categories.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *The Economics Daily*, Foreign-born labor force nearly half Hispanic and one-quarter Asian in 2017 on the Internet at https://www.bls.gov/opub/ted/2018/foreign-born-labor-force-nearly-half-hispanic-and-one-quarter-asian-in-2017.htm (visited *May 30, 2018*).

**Share of foreign-born and native-born labor force by selected characteristics, 2017**

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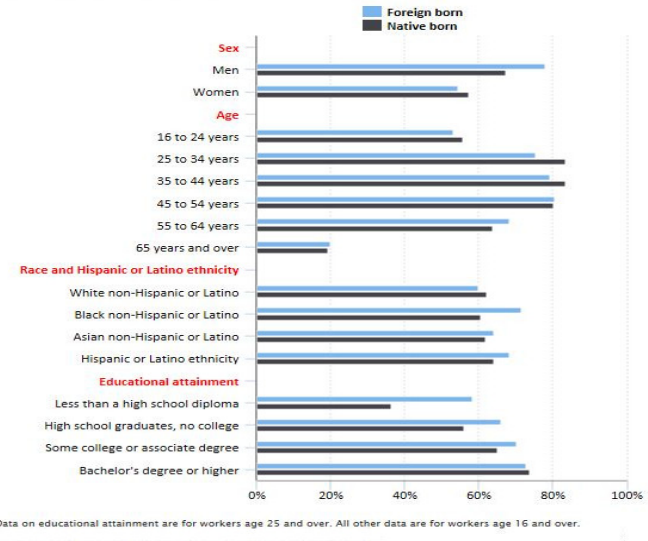
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

**Labor force participation rates of the foreign born and native born by selected characteristics, 2017**

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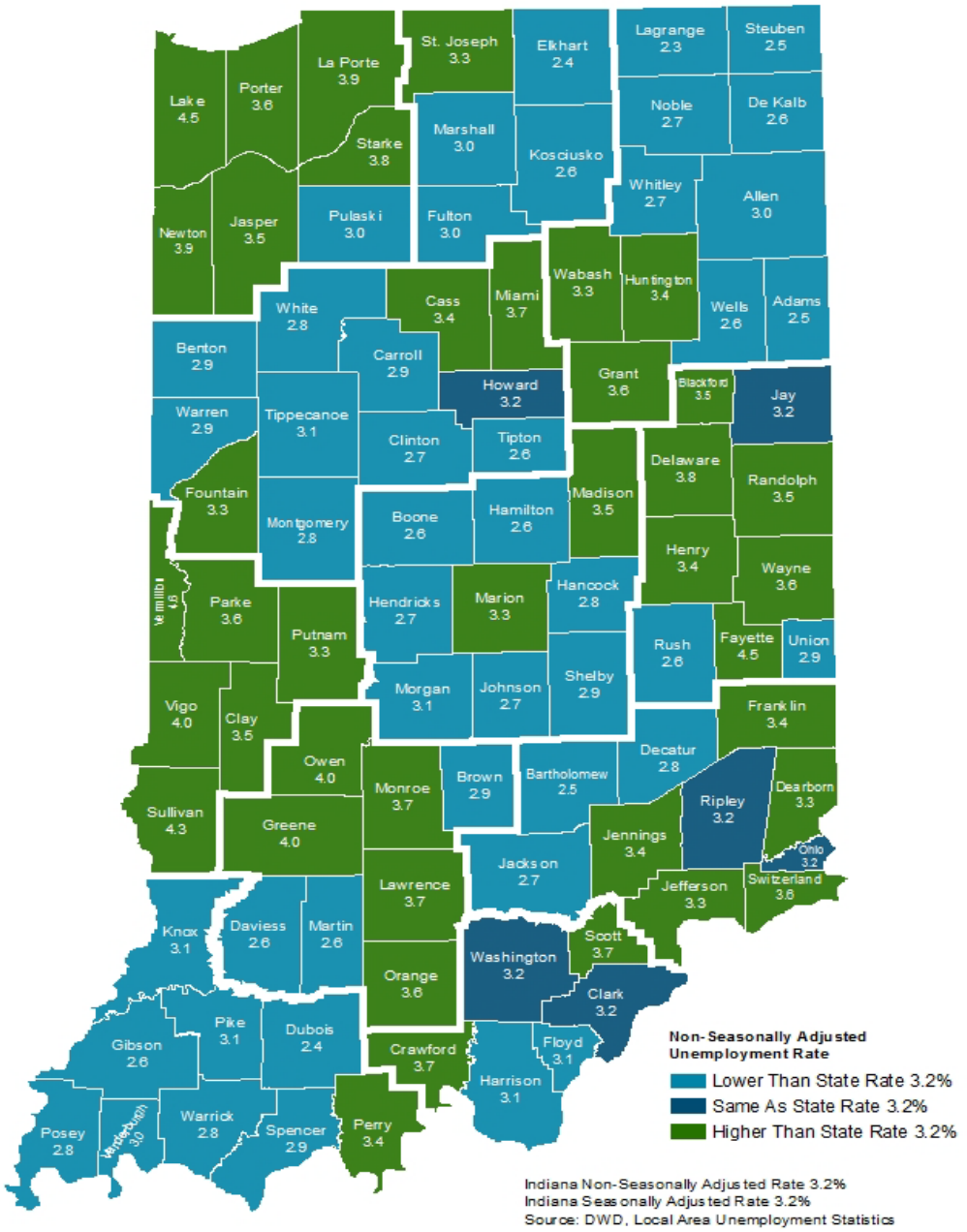
# County Unemployment Rates
# May 2018




Indiana Non-Seasonally Adjusted Rate 3.2%
Indiana Seasonally Adjusted Rate 3.2%
Source: DWD, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

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## Questions?

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