



# Economic Growth Region 8

Statistical Data Report for December 2015, Released February 2016

## Regional and State Unemployment (seasonally adjusted)

Regional and state unemployment rates were little changed in December. Twenty-five states had unemployment rate decreases from November, 14 states had increases, and 11 states and the District of Columbia had no change, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Forty-two states and the District of Columbia had unemployment rate decreases from a year earlier, while eight states had increases. The national jobless rate was unchanged from November at 5.0 percent and was 0.6 percentage point lower than in December 2014.

In December, the Midwest had the lowest regional unemployment rate, 4.7 percent, while the West had the highest rate, 5.4 percent. Over the month, no region had a statistically significant unemployment rate change. Significant over-the-year rate decreases occurred in all four regions: the West (-1.0 percentage point), Northeast (-0.8 point), Midwest (-0.6 point), and South (-0.4 point).



## Economic Growth Region (EGR) 8

Brown, Daviess, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Monroe, Orange and Owen Counties

## Unemployment Rates by State, Dec 2015

(seasonally adjusted)

- U.S. -5.0%
- Illinois -5.9%
- Indiana -4.4%**
- Kentucky -5.3%
- Michigan -5.1%
- Ohio -4.7%

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

## Unemployment Rank by County, Dec 2015

(high to low)

- #1 Greene 7.3%
- #7 Lawrence 6.4%
- #12 Owen 5.9%
- #15 Orange 5.8%
- #45 Monroe 4.6%
- #50 Brown 4.4%
- #67 Martin 4.0%
- #70 Daviess 3.9%

Source: Indiana Dept. of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

December Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Dec 2015 Rate	Nov 2015 Rate	Dec 2014 Rate
U.S.	157,245,000	149,703,000	7,542,000	4.8%	4.8%	5.4%
IN	3,290,348	3,140,143	150,205	4.6%	4.5%	5.7%
EGR 8	149,554	141,860	7,694	5.1%	4.9%	6.0%
Bloomington MSA	78,055	74,359	3,696	4.7%	4.7%	5.6%
Brown Co.	7,654	7,317	337	4.4%	4.2%	6.0%
Daviess Co.	15,590	14,983	607	3.9%	3.7%	4.5%
Greene Co.	14,128	13,097	1,031	7.3%	6.1%	7.5%
Lawrence Co.	20,669	19,340	1,329	6.4%	5.7%	7.4%
Martin Co.	4,969	4,768	201	4.0%	4.0%	5.3%
Monroe Co.	68,332	65,212	3,120	4.6%	4.6%	5.4%
Orange Co.	8,489	7,996	493	5.8%	5.5%	7.3%
Owen Co.	9,723	9,147	576	5.9%	5.3%	7.3%
Bloomington	37,579	35,854	1,725	4.6%	5.1%	5.6%

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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.

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

## Unemployment Claims, Dec 2015

### Economic Growth Region (EGR) 8

#### Initial Claims

Dec 5, 2015-267

Dec 12, 2015-372(D)

Dec 19, 2015-265(D)

Dec 26, 2015-309

#### Continued Claims

Dec 5, 2015-1,128

Dec 12, 2015-1,438

Dec 19, 2015-1,277

Dec 26, 2015-1,473

#### Total Claims\*

Dec 5, 2015-1,395

Dec 12, 2015-1,810

Dec 19, 2015-1,542

Dec 26, 2015-1,782

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

### State of Indiana

#### Initial Claims

Dec 5, 2015-5,354

Dec 12, 2015-4,657

Dec 19, 2015-5,085

Dec 26, 2015-5,314

#### Continued Claims

Dec 5, 2015-22,573

Dec 12, 2015-23,975

Dec 19, 2015-25,134

Dec 26, 2015-27,885

#### Total Claims\*

Dec 5, 2015-27,927

Dec 12, 2015-28,632

Dec 19, 2015-30,219

Dec 26, 2015-33,199

\*Total claims include EUC (Emergency Unemployment Compensation) and EB (State Extended Benefits).

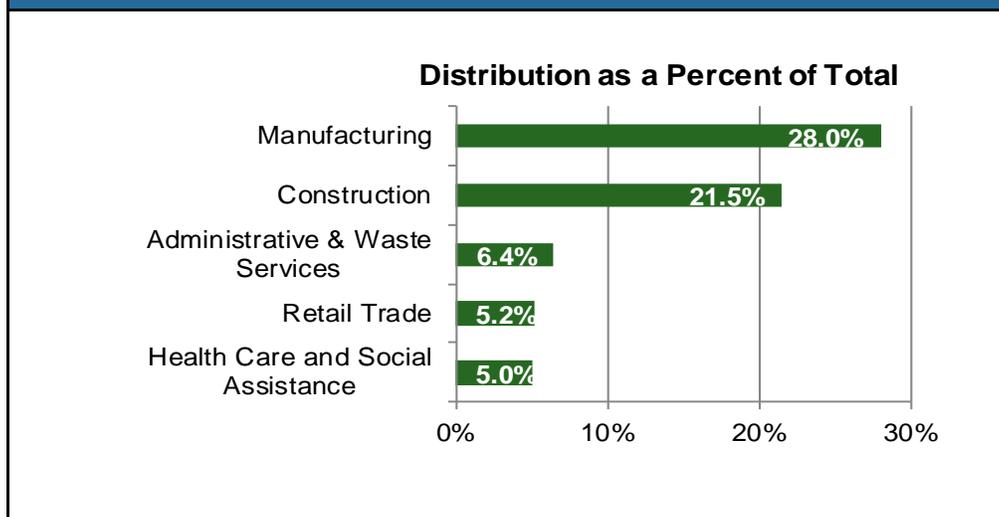
Source: Indiana Dept. of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to December 2015 from:				
CPI Item	14-Dec	15-Nov	14-Dec	15-Nov
	Midwest Region*		U.S. City	
<b>All Items</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>-0.3%</b>
Food & Beverages	0.6%	0.1%	0.8%	-0.2%
Housing	1.0%	0.0%	2.1%	0.1%
Apparel	-2.1%	-3.2%	-0.9%	-3.3%
Transportation	-5.2%	-3.1%	-4.1%	-1.5%
Medical Care	2.4%	0.0%	2.6%	-0.1%
Recreation	-0.1%	-0.1%	0.7%	-0.1%
Education & Communication	0.9%	0.0%	1.4%	-0.1%
Other Goods & Services	2.0%	0.0%	1.9%	0.0%

\*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 Five Region 8 Industries, December 2015



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

## WARN Notices

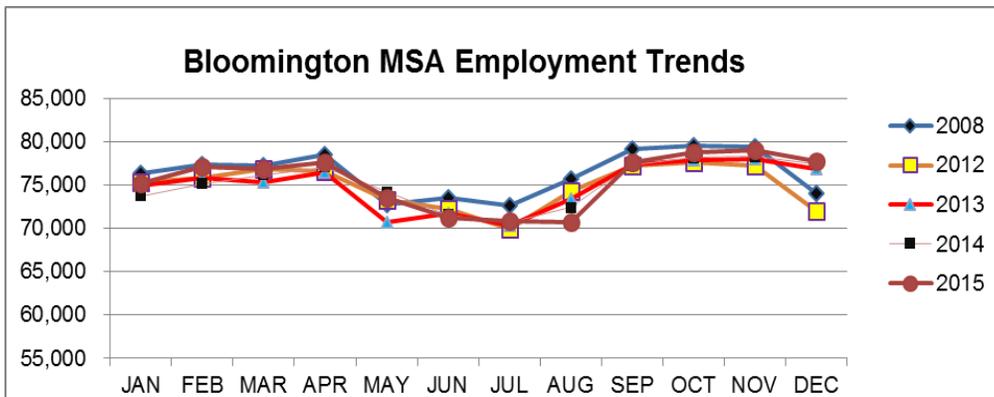
There are no WARN notices for December 2015 in EGR 8.

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>

Bloomington MSA							
Wage and Salaried Employment, December 2015				Number Change	Percent Change	Number Change	Percent Change
Industry	Dec-15	Nov-15	Dec-14	Nov-15 to Dec-15	Dec-14 to Dec-15	Dec-14 to Dec-15	Dec-14 to Dec-15
<b>Total Nonfarm Employment</b>	<b>77,800</b>	<b>79,000</b>	<b>77,400</b>	<b>-1,200</b>	<b>-1.5%</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>0.5%</b>
<i>Total Private Employment</i>	<i>51,800</i>	<i>52,400</i>	<i>51,600</i>	<i>-600</i>	<i>-1.2%</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>0.4%</i>
<b>Goods Producing</b>	<b>10,600</b>	<b>10,900</b>	<b>10,800</b>	<b>-300</b>	<b>-2.8%</b>	<b>-200</b>	<b>-1.9%</b>
---Mining, Logging and Construction	2,100	2,200	2,300	-100	-4.6%	-200	-8.7%
---Manufacturing	8,500	8,700	8,500	-200	-2.3%	0	0.0%
Durable Goods	5,800	5,800	5,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>67,200</b>	<b>68,100</b>	<b>66,600</b>	<b>-900</b>	<b>-1.3%</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>0.9%</b>
<i>Private Service Providing</i>	<i>41,200</i>	<i>41,500</i>	<i>40,800</i>	<i>-300</i>	<i>-0.7%</i>	<i>400</i>	<i>1.0%</i>
---Trade, Transportation and Utilities	11,000	11,000	11,200	0	0.0%	-200	-1.8%
Wholesale Trade	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	7,900	7,900	8,100	0	0.0%	-200	-2.5%
Transp/Warehousing/Utilities	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Information	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Financial Activities	3,000	3,000	2,800	0	0.0%	200	7.1%
---Professional and Business Services	4,000	4,100	4,200	-100	-2.4%	-200	-4.8%
---Education and Health Services	10,000	10,000	9,800	0	0.0%	200	2.0%
---Leisure and Hospitality	9,000	9,200	8,700	-200	-2.2%	300	3.5%
---Other Services	2,800	2,800	2,700	0	0.0%	100	3.7%
<b>Government</b>	<b>26,000</b>	<b>26,600</b>	<b>25,800</b>	<b>-600</b>	<b>-2.3%</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>0.8%</b>
---Federal Government	400	300	300	100	33.3%	100	33.3%
---State Government	20,700	21,300	20,300	-600	-2.8%	400	2.0%
---Local Government	4,900	5,000	5,200	-100	-2.0%	-300	-5.8%
Local Government Educational Services	2,400	2,500	2,600	-100	-4.0%	-200	-7.7%

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



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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.

## Applicant Pool

Top 20 occupations desired by active applicants on their resumes in the past 12 months in Region 8

- 1 Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other-160
- 2 Production Workers, All Other-100
- 3 Administrative Services Managers-99
- 4 Customer Service Representatives-96
- 5 Cashiers-80
- 6 Office Clerks, General-71
- 7 Managers, All Other-71
- 8 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand-69
- 9 Helpers--Production Workers-63
- 10 Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive-62
- 11 Receptionists and Information Clerks-55
- 12 Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks-50
- 13 Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other-48
- 14 Construction Laborers-45
- 15 Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants-41
- 16 Stock Clerks- Stockroom, Warehouse, or Storage Yard-40
- 17 Retail Salespersons-38
- 18 Maintenance and Repair Workers, General-37
- 19 Accountants-36
- 20 Nursing Assistants-35

Source: Indiana Dept of Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

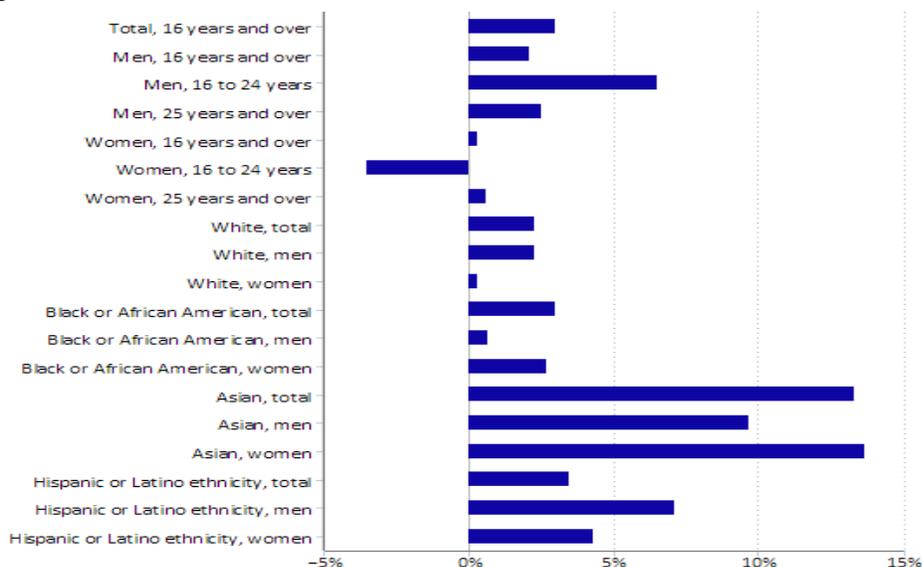


## Real Median Usual Weekly Earnings Increased 3 Percent Over the Year

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Median weekly earnings of the nation's 109.9 million full-time wage and salary workers were \$825 (not seasonally adjusted) in the fourth quarter of 2015. For those workers, real median usual weekly earnings increased 3.0 percent from the fourth quarter of 2014 to the fourth quarter of 2015. Over that period, real median usual weekly earnings increased 2.1 percent for men and 0.3 percent for women. In the fourth quarter of 2015, women who usually worked full time had median weekly earnings of \$729, or 80.4 percent of the \$907 median for men.

**Percent change in real median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, not seasonally adjusted, fourth quarter 2014 to fourth quarter 2015**



From the fourth quarter of 2014 to the fourth quarter of 2015, among 16- to 24-year-olds who usually worked full time, real median usual weekly earnings increased 6.5 percent for men and decreased 3.5 percent for women. Among workers age 25 and older, real median usual weekly earnings increased 2.5 percent for men and 0.6 percent for women.

Among Asians who usually worked full time, real median usual weekly earnings increased 13.3 percent from the fourth quarter of 2014 to the fourth quarter of 2015. That compared with 2.3 percent for Whites, 3.0 percent for Black or African Americans, and 3.5 percent for workers of Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *The Economics Daily*, Real median usual weekly earnings increased 3 percent over the year on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/opub/ted/2016/real-median-usual-weekly-earnings-increased-3-percent-over-the-year.htm>

## Frequently Listed Jobs

Top 20 Job listings by number of openings in Region 8 for the month of Dec 2015

- 1 Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other
- 2 Orderlies
- 3 Production Workers, All Other
- 4 Registered Nurses
- 5 Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment
- 6 Stock Clerks, Sales Floor
- 7 Maintenance and Repair Workers, General
- 8 Computer User Support Specialists
- 9 Social and Human Service Assistants
- 10 Customer Service Representatives
- 11 Healthcare Support Workers, All Other
- 12 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand
- 13 Market Research Analysts and Marketing Specialists
- 14 Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Workers, All Other
- 15 Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
- 16 Retail Salespersons
- 17 Therapists, All Other
- 18 Construction and Building Inspectors
- 19 Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
- 20 Managers, All Other

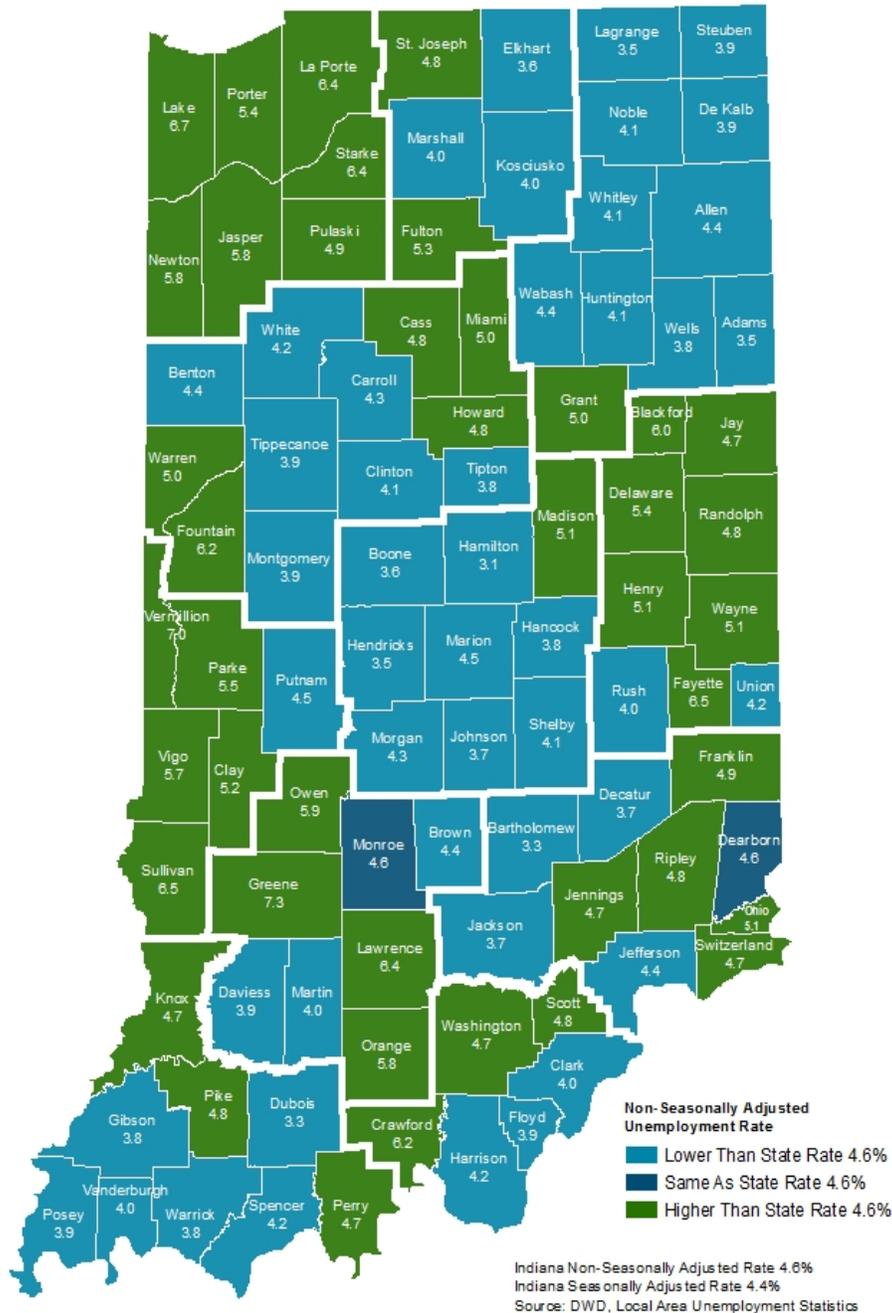
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