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## July 2024 Labor Market Review

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## Economic Growth Region 6

Statistical Data Report for July 2024, Released September 2024

### State Employment and Unemployment

STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT -- The unemployment rate of the State of Indiana in July stood at 4.0%, according to the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. By comparison, the national unemployment rate for July stands at 4.3%. In addition, Indiana’s labor force participation rate of 62.5% is now .1% higher than it was in June but still slightly below the national rate of 62.7%. This rate is the percentage of Hoosiers 16 and older that are either working or actively looking for work. Those not in the labor force include, primarily, students, retirees and other non-working populations, such as individuals unable to work due to a disability or illness, or adults responsible for their family's childcare needs. Indiana’s total labor force stands at 3,387,066.

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development

July 2024 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Jul-24	Jun-24	Jul-23
U.S.	169,723,000	162,038,000	7,685,000	4.5%	4.3%	3.8%
IN	3,451,630	3,279,702	171,928	5.0%	4.4%	3.7%
EGR 6	150,539	142,208	8,331	5.5%	4.9%	4.0%
Muncie MSA	50,131	46,950	3,181	6.3%	5.6%	4.5%
Blackford Co.	4,702	4,393	309	6.6%	5.0%	4.1%
Delaware Co.	50,131	46,950	3,181	6.3%	5.6%	4.5%
Fayette Co.	8,280	7,712	568	6.9%	6.2%	5.0%
Henry Co.	22,863	21,811	1,052	4.6%	4.1%	3.5%
Jay Co.	9,218	8,784	434	4.7%	4.4%	3.5%
Randolph Co.	11,956	11,356	600	5.0%	4.6%	3.4%
Rush Co.	9,455	9,091	364	3.8%	3.7%	3.0%
Union Co.	3,747	3,581	166	4.4%	3.6%	3.0%
Wayne Co.	30,187	28,530	1,657	5.5%	4.7%	3.7%
Connersville	4,220	3,888	332	7.9%	7.4%	5.8%
Muncie	28,893	26,938	1,955	6.8%	6.1%	5.0%
New Castle	7,838	7,454	384	4.9%	4.4%	4.2%
Richmond	14,770	13,863	907	6.1%	5.2%	4.3%

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released: 08/24 | 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) 6

Blackford, Delaware, Fayette, Henry, Jay, Randolph, Rush, Union, and Wayne Counties

### Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): July 2024

U.S. - 4.3%

Illinois - 5.2%

Indiana - 4%

Kentucky - 4.7%

Michigan - 4.4%

Ohio - 4.5%

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

### Unemployment Rank by County (of 92 counties): July 2024

#2 - Fayette (6.9%)

#4 - Blackford (6.6%)

#6 - Delaware (6.3%)

#18 - Wayne (5.5%)

#33 - Randolph (5%)

#45 - Jay (4.7%)

#51 - Henry (4.6%)

#64 - Union (4.4%)

#88 - Rush (3.8%)

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

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to July 2024 from				
CPI Item	Jul-23	Jun-24	Jul-23	Jun-24
	U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
<b>All Items</b>	<b>2.9%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>2.7%</b>	<b>0.5%</b>
Food & Beverages	2.2%	0.2%	1.8%	0.4%
Housing	4.4%	0.3%	4.2%	0.6%
Apparel	0.2%	-1.6%	0.5%	-0.4%
Transportation	1.0%	-0.1%	0.4%	0.3%
Medical Care	3.2%	-0.2%	2.4%	0.2%
Recreation	1.4%	0.1%	1.5%	1.6%
Education & Communication	0.9%	0.2%	0.6%	0.3%
Other Goods & Services	4.2%	0.2%	6.7%	0.6%

\*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

**Unemployment Claims:  
July 2024**

**Region 6**

**Initial Claims**

07/06/24 - 284(D)  
07/13/24 - 131(D)  
07/20/24 - 88(D)  
07/27/24 - 91(D)

**Continued Claims**

07/06/24 - 594  
07/13/24 - 611  
07/20/24 - 614  
07/27/24 - 732

**Total Claims**

07/06/24 - 878  
07/13/24 - 742  
07/20/24 - 702  
07/27/24 - 823

**State of Indiana**

**Initial Claims**

07/06/24 - 5,729  
07/13/24 - 4,322  
07/20/24 - 3,045  
07/27/24 - 2,733

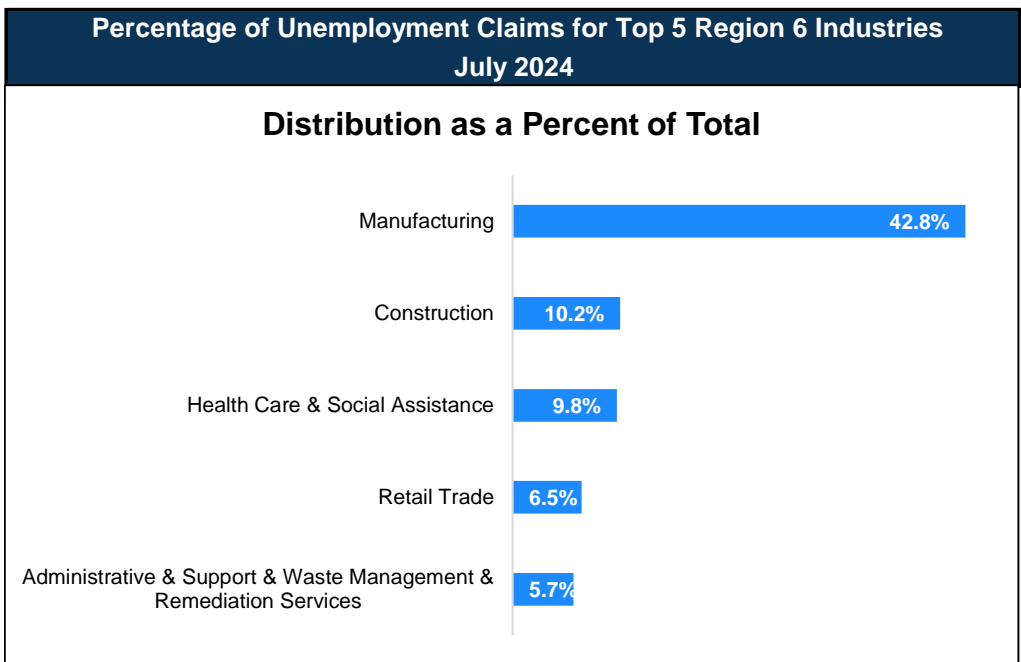
**Continued Claims**

07/06/24 - 22,019  
07/13/24 - 23,222  
07/20/24 - 20,275  
07/27/24 - 19,820

**Total Claims**

07/06/24 - 27,748  
07/13/24 - 27,544  
07/20/24 - 23,320  
07/27/24 - 22,553

(D) indicates item is affected by non-disclosure issues relating to industry or ownership status | Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Development. Numbers subject to revision.



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

**WARN Notices**

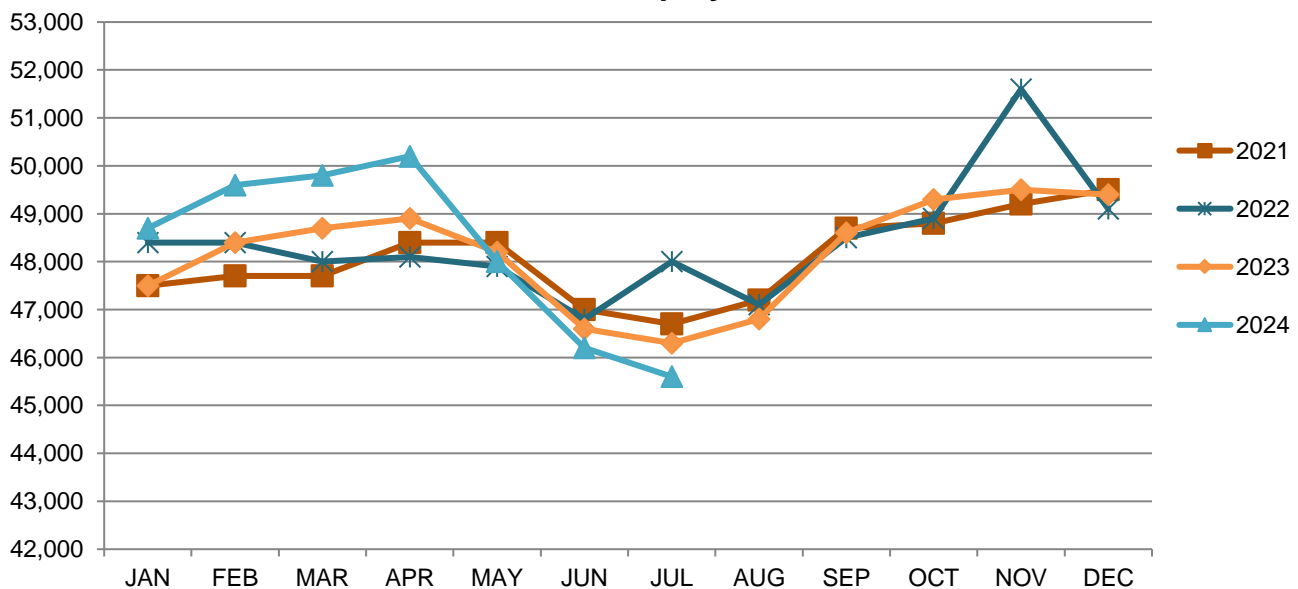
WARN Notices for Region 6 for July 2024				
Company	City	County	# of workers affected	Notice Date
Triple Canopy	Muncie, Richmond	Delaware, Wayne	123	7/23/2024
TBK American Inc	Richmond	Wayne	86	7/30/2024

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/factshl/warn.htm>

Muncie MSA							
Wage and Salaried Employment	July 2024			# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	Jul-24	Jun-24	Jul-23	Jun-24 to Jul-24	Jul-23 to Jul-24	Jul-23 to Jul-24	Jul-23 to Jul-24
<b>Total Nonfarm</b>	<b>45,600</b>	<b>46,200</b>	<b>46,300</b>	<b>-600</b>	<b>-1.3%</b>	<b>-700</b>	<b>-1.5%</b>
<b>Total Private</b>	<b>39,200</b>	<b>39,200</b>	<b>38,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>3.2%</b>
Goods Producing	5,700	5,700	5,600	0	0.0%	100	1.8%
Service-Providing	39,900	40,500	40,700	-600	-1.5%	-800	-2.0%
Private Service Providing	33,500	33,500	32,400	0	0.0%	1,100	3.4%
Mining, Logging and Construction	1,700	1,700	1,600	0	0.0%	100	6.3%
Manufacturing	4,000	4,000	4,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	8,300	8,200	8,100	100	1.2%	200	2.5%
Wholesale Trade	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	5,900	5,800	5,700	100	1.7%	200	3.5%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Information	300	300	300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	2,200	2,200	2,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Education and Health Services	9,700	9,800	9,600	-100	-1.0%	100	1.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	5,200	5,300	5,100	-100	-1.9%	100	2.0%
Other Services	2,200	2,300	2,100	-100	-4.4%	100	4.8%
Government	6,400	7,000	8,300	-600	-8.6%	-1,900	-22.9%
State Government	2,400	2,800	3,800	-400	-14.3%	-1,400	-36.8%
State Government Educational Services	2,200	2,600	3,600	-400	-15.4%	-1,400	-38.9%
State Government Excluding Education	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	3,500	3,500	3,400	0	0.0%	100	2.9%
Local Government Educational Services	1,800	1,900	1,700	-100	-5.3%	100	5.9%
Local Government excluding Educational Services	1,700	1,600	1,700	100	6.3%	0	0.0%

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

### Muncie MSA Employment Trends



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Current Employment Statistics | Note: Historical data for the most recent 4 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.

Frequently Listed Jobs	
Top 20 job listings in Region 6 in the past month	
Rank	Occupations
1	Registered Nurses
2	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
3	Nursing Assistants
4	Cashiers
5	First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers
6	Packaging and Filling Machine Operators and Tenders
7	Production Workers, All Other
8	First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers
9	Food Preparation Workers
10	Art, Drama, and Music Teachers, Postsecondary
11	Social and Human Service Assistants
12	Recreation Workers
13	Career/Technical Education Teachers, Postsecondary
14	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General
15	Speech-Language Pathologists
16	Helpers--Production Workers
17	Industrial Engineering Technologists and Technicians
18	Educational, Guidance, and Career Counselors and Advisors
19	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
20	Home Health Aides

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect. \* Due to an upgrade in the reporting system, there is a notable change in Job Postings recorded. The tool used to measure Job Postings was upgraded to prevent malicious or false postings. While customers adjust to the enhancements a drop in the record is to be expected.

Applicant Pool	
Top 20 occupations desired by applicants on their resumes in the past 12 months	
Occupations	# of Applicants
Production Workers, All Other	650
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	450
Helpers--Production Workers	282
Customer Service Representatives	244
Cashiers	216
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	199
Office Clerks, General	129
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	124
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	121
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	117
Construction Laborers	106
Team Assemblers	96
Packers and Packagers, Hand	92
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	92
Managers, All Other	90
Extraction Workers, All Other	88
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	86
Electrical and Electronic Equipment Assemblers	85
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	84
Construction and Related Workers, All Other	83

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect



BREAKDOWN

# July Indiana Labor Force

Released August 16, 2024



## Total Population

# 6,862,199



Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics, July 2024, Bureau of Labor Statistics

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## Potential Workers

(Unemployed and Seeking a Job + Not in the Labor Force but Want a Job/Available to Work Now)

# 170,845

More about the US Bureau of Labor Statistics data sources used within:  
Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS): Captures Indiana's labor force, which includes those currently employed and those who are unemployed and actively seeking work.  
Current Population Survey (CPS): Captures individuals not participating in Indiana's Labor Force. This set includes non-participants that do not want a job (i.e. retirees and students) and those that want a job, but are not actively seeking work.  
U.S. Census Bureau, Indiana Population 2023.

Resource: Notes on Using Current Population Survey (CPS) Subnational Data and Differences Between CPS and LAUS Estimates

# County Unemployment Rates July 2024

## Questions?

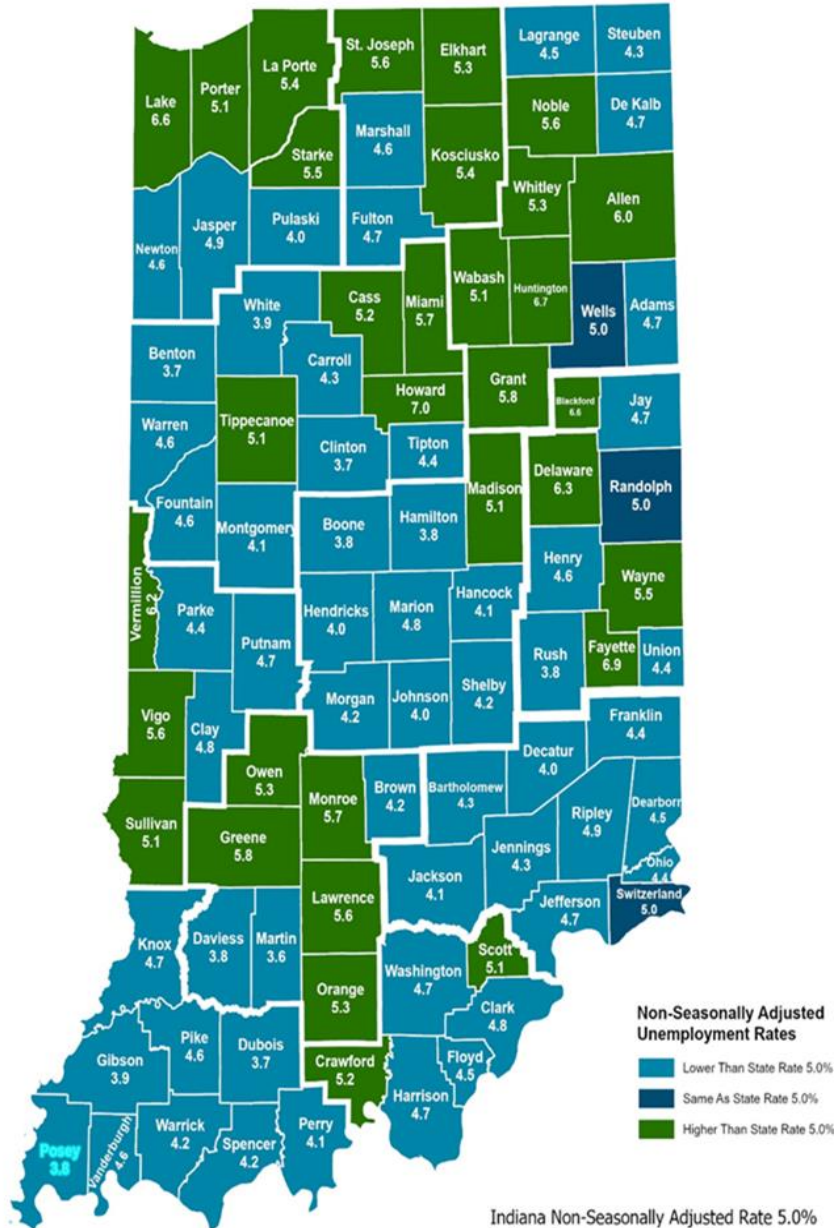
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Indiana Non-Seasonally Adjusted Rate 5.0%  
Indiana Seasonally Adjusted Rate 4.0%  
Source: DWD, Local Area Unemployment Statistics