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Labor Market Review

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Economic Growth Region 7

Statistical Data Report for September 2024, Released November 2024

State Employment and Unemployment

Unemployment rates were higher in September in 5 states, lower in 1 state, and stable in 44 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Twenty-two states and the District had jobless rate increases from a year earlier, 6 states had decreases, and 22 states had little change. The national unemployment rate changed little over the month at 4.1 percent but was 0.3 percentage point higher than in September 2023.

South Dakota had the lowest jobless rate in September, 2.0 percent, followed by Vermont, 2.2 percent, and North Dakota, 2.3 percent. The District of Columbia had the highest unemployment rate, 5.7 percent, followed by Nevada, 5.6 percent. In total, 23 states had unemployment rates lower than the U.S. figure of 4.1 percent, 4 states and the District had higher rates, and 23 states had rates that were not appreciably different from that of the nation.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 5 states and the District of Columbia and was essentially unchanged in 45 states in September 2024. Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 30 states and was essentially unchanged in 20 states and the District.

The largest job gains occurred in New Jersey (+19,200), Colorado (+12,700), and Arizona (+11,200). The largest percentage increase occurred in Idaho (+0.7 percent), followed by the District and Rhode Island (+0.6 percent each).



Economic Growth Region (EGR) 7

Clay, Parke, Putnam, Sullivan, Vermillion and Vigo Counties

Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): September 2024

- U.S. - 4.1%
- Illinois - 5.3%
- Indiana - 4.3%
- Kentucky - 4.9%
- Michigan - 4.5%
- Ohio - 4.5%

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

Unemployment Rank by County (of 92 counties): September 2024

- #8 - Sullivan (5.2%)
- #9 - Vermillion (5.2%)
- #17 - Vigo (4.7%)
- #25 - Clay (4.4%)
- #52 - Parke (3.9%)
- #59 - Putnam (3.8%)

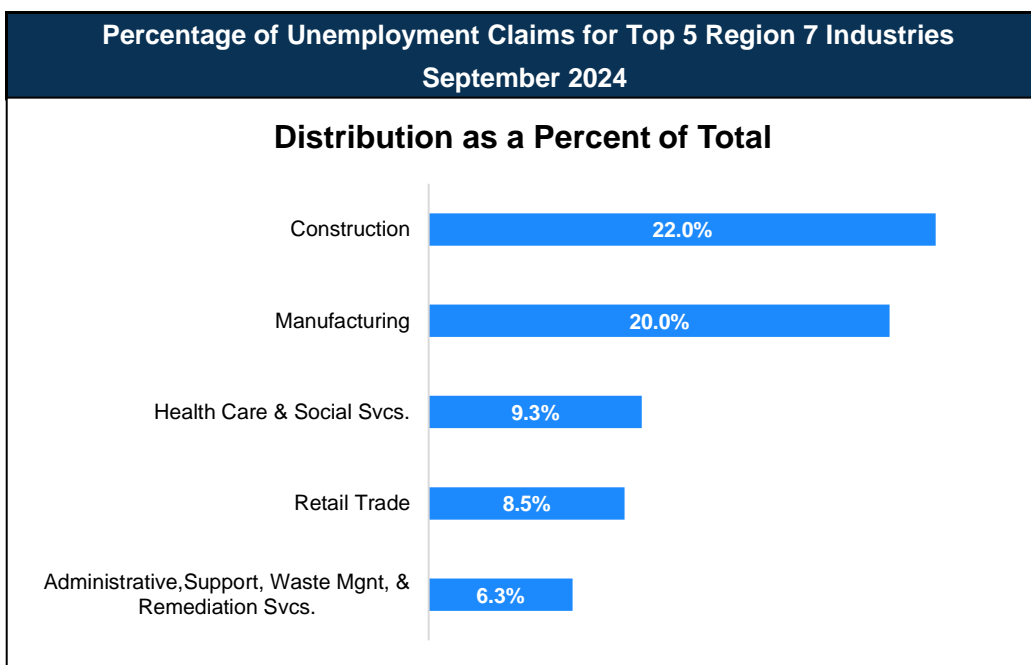
Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

September 2024 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Sep-24	Aug-24	Sep-23
U.S.	168,569,000	162,046,000	6,524,000	3.9%	4.4%	3.6%
IN	3,464,742	3,317,166	147,576	4.3%	4.5%	3.0%
EGR 7	97,577	93,175	4,402	4.5%	4.6%	3.2%
Terre Haute MSA	72,352	68,906	3,446	4.8%	4.8%	3.3%
Clay Co.	11,705	11,185	520	4.4%	4.4%	3.1%
Parke Co.	7,578	7,285	293	3.9%	3.8%	2.9%
Putnam Co.	17,647	16,984	663	3.8%	3.9%	2.8%
Sullivan Co.	8,098	7,680	418	5.2%	4.9%	3.3%
Vermillion Co.	6,677	6,332	345	5.2%	5.3%	3.6%
Vigo Co.	45,872	43,709	2,163	4.7%	4.9%	3.4%
Terre Haute	24,038	22,850	1,188	4.9%	5.3%	3.6%

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released: 10/24 | 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.

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to September 2024 from				
CPI Item	Sep-23	Aug-24	Sep-23	Aug-24
	U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	2.4%	0.2%	2.5%	0.0%
Food & Beverages	2.2%	0.4%	2.0%	0.5%
Housing	4.1%	0.3%	4.8%	0.1%
Apparel	1.8%	2.9%	2.0%	4.1%
Transportation	-1.1%	-0.7%	-1.7%	-1.1%
Medical Care	3.3%	0.3%	2.3%	0.4%
Recreation	0.7%	-0.4%	0.1%	-1.5%
Education & Communication	0.9%	0.2%	0.8%	0.1%
Other Goods & Services	3.5%	0.2%	6.8%	0.5%

*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



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

WARN Notices

WARN Notices for Region 7 for September 2024				
Company	City	County	# of Workers affected	Notice Date

There are no WARN Notices for September 2024 for EGR 7.

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: September 2024

Region 7

Initial Claims

09/07/24 - 61(D)

09/14/24 - 57(D)

09/21/24 - 54(D)

09/28/24 - 78(D)

Continued Claims

09/07/24 - 417

09/14/24 - 411

09/21/24 - 414

09/28/24 - 427

Total Claims

09/07/24 - 478

09/14/24 - 468

09/21/24 - 468

09/28/24 - 505

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

09/07/24 - 3,195

09/14/24 - 3,045

09/21/24 - 2,640

09/28/24 - 3,297

Continued Claims

09/07/24 - 21,060

09/14/24 - 20,311

09/21/24 - 20,383

09/28/24 - 23,703

Total Claims

09/07/24 - 24,255

09/14/24 - 23,356

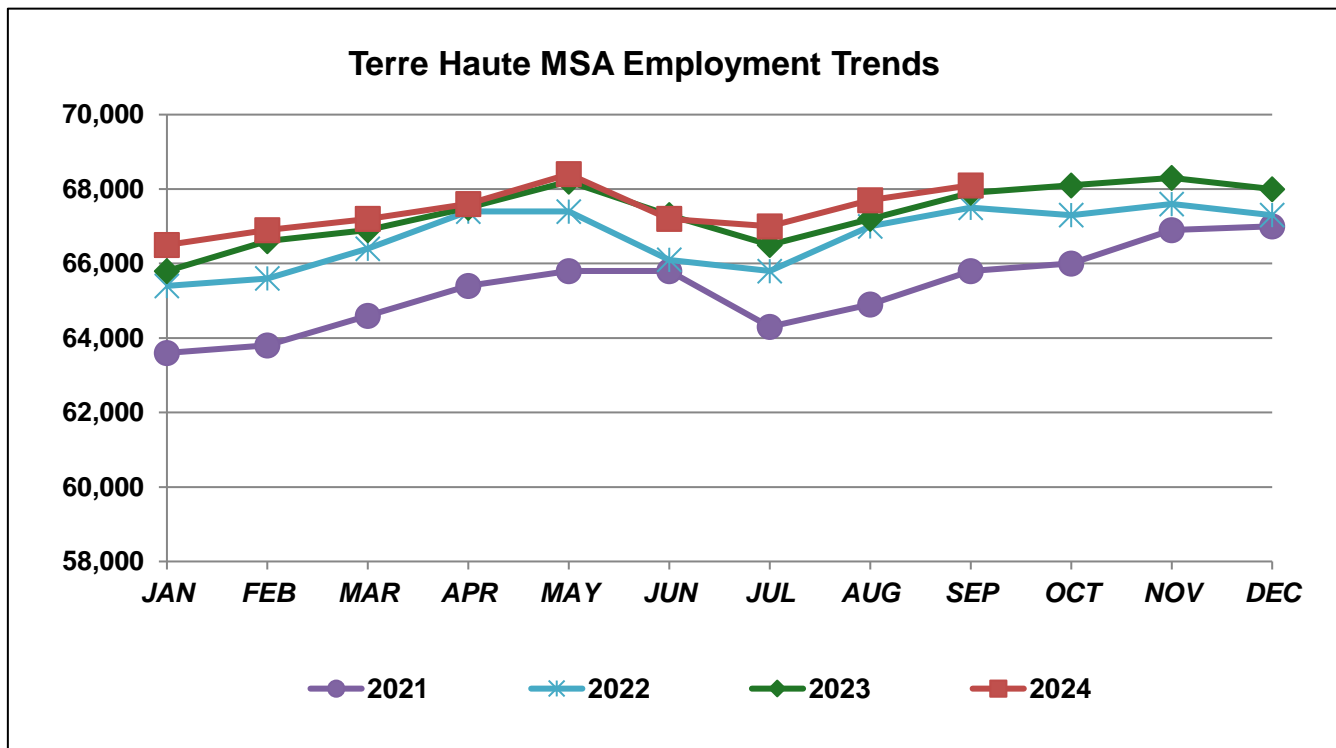
09/21/24 - 23,023

09/28/24 - 27,000

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

Terre Haute MSA							
Wage and Salaried Employment	September 2024			# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	Sep-24	Aug-24	Sep-23	Aug-24 to Sep-24	Sep-23 to Sep-24	Sep-23 to Sep-24	Sep-23 to Sep-24
Total Nonfarm	68,100	67,700	67,900	400	0.6%	200	0.3%
Total Private	55,500	55,700	55,400	-200	-0.4%	100	0.2%
Goods Producing	14,000	14,100	14,100	-100	-0.7%	-100	-0.7%
Service-Providing	54,100	53,600	53,800	500	0.9%	300	0.6%
Private Service Providing	41,500	41,600	41,300	-100	-0.2%	200	0.5%
Mining, Logging and Construction	4,300	4,300	4,200	0	0.0%	100	2.4%
Manufacturing	9,700	9,800	9,900	-100	-1.0%	-200	-2.0%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	12,300	12,300	12,700	0	0.0%	-400	-3.2%
Wholesale Trade	1,900	1,900	1,800	0	0.0%	100	5.6%
Retail Trade	7,900	7,900	8,400	0	0.0%	-500	-6.0%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	2,500	2,500	2,500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Information	600	600	600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	3,800	3,800	3,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Education and Health Services	12,400	12,400	12,000	0	0.0%	400	3.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	7,400	7,500	7,300	-100	-1.3%	100	1.4%
Other Services	2,600	2,600	2,500	0	0.0%	100	4.0%
Total Government	12,600	12,000	12,500	600	5.0%	100	0.8%
Federal Government	1,200	1,200	1,100	0	0.0%	100	9.1%
State Government	4,200	4,200	4,400	0	0.0%	-200	-4.6%
Local Government	7,200	6,600	7,000	600	9.1%	200	2.9%
Local Government Educational Services	3,900	3,300	3,600	600	18.2%	300	8.3%

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



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 by number of openings in Region 7 in the past month	
Rank	Occupations
1	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
2	Registered Nurses
3	Managers, All Other
4	Customer Service Representatives
5	Nursing Assistants
6	Advertising Sales Agents
7	Helpers--Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers
8	Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers
9	Medical and Health Services Managers
10	Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
11	Mining and Geological Engineers, Including Mining Safety Engineers
12	Training and Development Specialists
13	Healthcare Support Workers, All Other
14	Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria
15	Business Operations Specialists, All Other
16	Cooks, All Other
17	Occupational Therapy Aides
18	Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop, Nursery, and Greenhouse
19	Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other
20	Accountants and Auditors

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	264
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	189
Helpers--Production Workers	185
Customer Service Representatives	156
Cashiers	155
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	128
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	111
Office Clerks, General	107
Construction Laborers	98
Carpenters	82
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	82
Retail Salespersons	73
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	61
Construction and Related Workers, All Other	60
Managers, All Other	57
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	56
Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers	55
Packers and Packagers, Hand	51
Extraction Workers, All Other	50
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	50

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

A look into Indiana's winery production industry

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Indiana's wine industry has experienced significant growth in recent years, impacting the state's agricultural, economic and tourism sectors.

Did you know that Indiana was home to the first successful commercial winery in the United States?

In 1802, Swiss émigré John James Dufour purchased an area of land in southeastern Indiana and, in a nod to his home country, called it "New Switzerland." In what would later become the town of Vevay, Dufour's family planted vines and cultivated the first successful vineyard in the country. Within the next two decades, production reached peaks of 12,000 gallons a year, with regional sales in neighboring states.¹

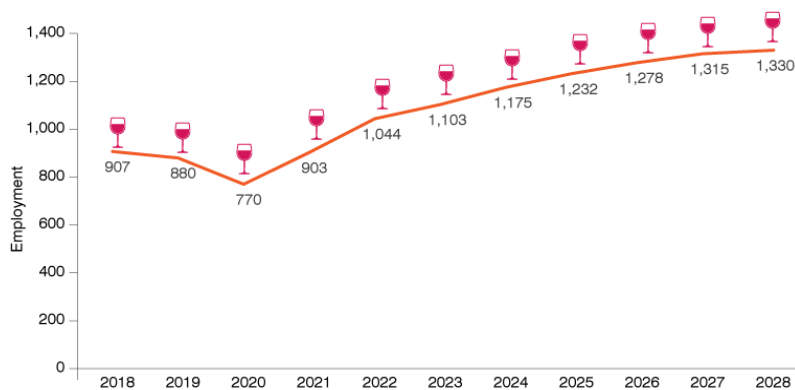
Though that original vineyard no longer exists, Indiana's winery industry has experienced significant growth in more recent decades, impacting the state's agricultural, economic and tourism sectors. Today, there are more than 100 wineries, cideries and meaderies located across the state. These facilities vary in size, production capacity and specialty, offering a diverse assortment of wines, ciders and meads to consumers.

Current Indiana wine production exceeds 1 million gallons a year (or 5 million bottles).² According to the Indiana Wine Grape Council, the number of wineries grew tenfold between 1989 and 2022, from nine wineries in 1989 to 118 in 2022.³ This increase in production establishments over the past decade reflects both the rising popularity of wine consumption and a growing interest in local and regional wine production.

Indiana's wineries are located across various regions of the state. Most wineries are concentrated in the southern and central parts of Indiana, where climate conditions and soils are most conducive for grape cultivation. The largest and oldest winery in Indiana is Oliver Winery in Monroe County, which ranks in the top 30 largest wineries nationwide, according to WineBusiness Monthly.⁴ The state's largest producer of wine grapes is Huber's Orchard, found on a 700-acre farm in Clark County.

As of 2023, Indiana ranks 10th in the country in winery employment with 1,104 workers. California, of course, tops the list with employment of 40,621. Two more Pacific Northwest states—Washington and Oregon—are next on the list, but there is a significant dropoff between California and its neighbors to the north. Ohio and Michigan are the only other midwestern states on the list, just slightly besting Indiana with 1,449 and 1,373 workers, respectively.

The growth of Indiana wineries has led to increased employment opportunities within the industry. Data from Lightcast shows a 22% increase in industry employment from 2018 to 2023 and projected growth of 21% from 2023 to 2028 (see Figure 1). Employment growth is not only limited to rural areas where the vineyards are located, but it also extends to urban centers where distribution, marketing and administrative functions are concentrated. The employment provided by wineries is particularly significant for rural communities, where agriculture and tourism are primary economic drivers. Wineries create jobs in rural areas through vineyard cultivation, wine production and hospitality services.



Although growth in these winery employment numbers is strong, the impact of wineries in Indiana extends far beyond the actual vineyard or farm. According to the National Association of American Wineries, the wine industry directly employs 12,084 people in the state, with the vast majority of those jobs outside of the physical winery or vineyard.⁵ These jobs span a vast number of industries, including finance, transportation, advertising, wholesaling and manufacturing among others. All told, the wine industry is responsible for nearly \$3.26 billion in total economic activity in Indiana.⁶

One of the industries significantly impacted by Indiana wine production is tourism. The National Association of American Wineries suggests Indiana's wine industry "generates 180,500 tourist visits and \$61.25 million in annual tourism expenditures."⁷

Indiana wineries also play a role in preserving and promoting the state's cultural heritage. Many wineries embrace local traditions and history, incorporating indigenous grape varieties and showcasing regional flavors in their wines. Furthermore, wineries often serve as community hubs, hosting events, festivals and educational programs that celebrate wine culture and foster a sense of community pride.

The presence of more than 100 wineries in Indiana underscores the state's rich winemaking tradition and its potential for further growth and innovation in the wine industry.

If you are interested in a list of Indiana wineries, please visit indianawineries.com for a directory split by region and a map of Indiana wineries.

County Unemployment Rates September 2024



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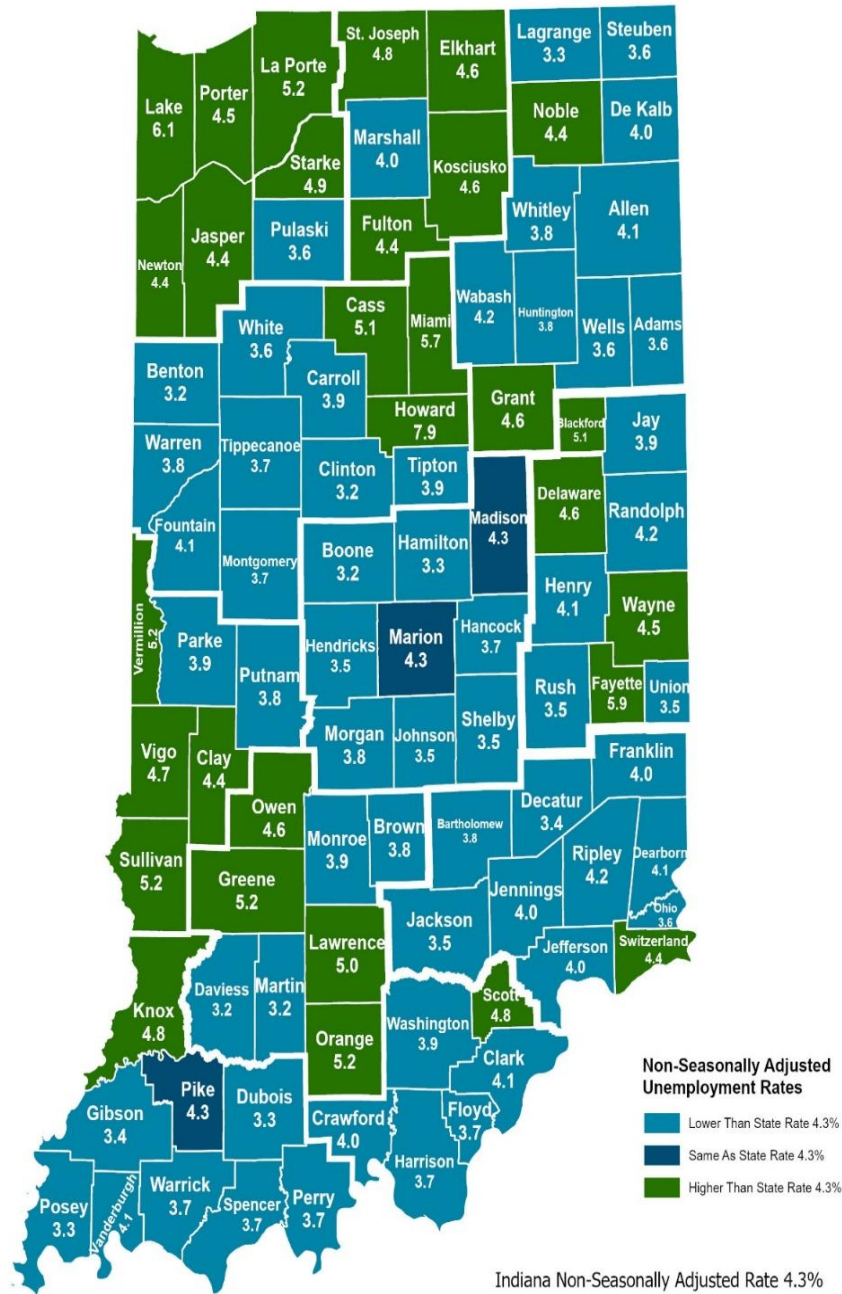
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**Non-Seasonally Adjusted
Unemployment Rates**

- Lower Than State Rate 4.3%
- Same As State Rate 4.3%
- Higher Than State Rate 4.3%

Indiana Non-Seasonally Adjusted Rate 4.3%
Indiana Seasonally Adjusted Rate 4.3%
Source: DWD, Local Area Unemployment Statistics