



August 2025
Labor Market Review

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LABOR MARKET REVIEW

Economic Growth Region 11

Statistical Data Report for August 2025, Released October 2025

State Employment and Unemployment

Unemployment rates were higher in August in 3 states, lower in 2 states, and stable in 45 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Seventeen states and the District had jobless rate increases from a year earlier, 9 states had decreases, and 24 states had little change. The national unemployment rate, 4.3 percent, changed little over the month and from August 2024.

South Dakota had the lowest jobless rate in August, 1.9 percent. The District of Columbia had the highest unemployment rate, 6.0 percent. The next highest rate was in California, 5.5 percent. In total, 22 states had unemployment rates lower than the U.S. figure of 4.3 percent, 3 states and the District had higher rates, and 25 states had rates that were not appreciably different from that of the nation.

In August 2025, nonfarm payroll employment increased in Utah (+8,300, or +0.5 percent), decreased in the District of Columbia (-5,300, or -0.7 percent), and was essentially unchanged in 49 states. Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 20 states and was essentially unchanged in 30 states and the District.



Economic Growth Region (EGR) 11

Dubois, Gibson, Knox, Perry, Pike, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh and Warrick Counties

August 2025 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Aug-25	Jul-25	Aug-24
U.S.	171,035,000	163,288,000	7,747,000	4.5%	4.6%	4.4%
IN	3,497,226	3,363,130	134,096	3.8%	4.2%	4.4%
EGR 11	220,097	212,326	7,771	3.5%	3.8%	4.1%
Evansville MSA	137,381	132,393	4,988	3.6%	3.9%	4.1%
Dubois Co.	22,798	22,096	702	3.1%	3.4%	3.4%
Gibson Co.	17,479	16,919	560	3.2%	3.5%	3.8%
Knox Co.	17,673	16,995	678	3.8%	4.1%	4.9%
Perry Co.	8,676	8,376	300	3.5%	3.9%	3.9%
Pike Co.	5,618	5,407	211	3.8%	4.1%	4.3%
Posey Co.	12,548	12,119	429	3.4%	3.8%	3.6%
Spencer Co.	10,472	10,140	332	3.2%	3.4%	4.0%
Vanderburgh Co.	90,987	87,576	3,411	3.7%	4.0%	4.3%
Warrick Co.	33,846	32,698	1,148	3.4%	3.6%	3.8%
Boonville	3,134	3,017	117	3.7%	3.7%	4.6%
Evansville	57,048	54,828	2,220	3.9%	4.2%	4.6%
Jasper	8,295	8,017	278	3.4%	3.5%	3.6%
Mount Vernon	2,929	2,812	117	4.0%	4.7%	3.8%
Petersburg	1,044	997	47	4.5%	4.6%	3.8%
Princeton	4,312	4,157	155	3.6%	4.1%	4.7%
Rockport	948	919	29	3.1%	3.8%	5.2%
Tell City	3,502	3,377	125	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%
Vincennes	8,156	7,811	345	4.2%	4.5%	5.6%

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released: 09/25 | 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.

Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): August 2025

U.S. - 4.3%

Illinois - 4.4%

Indiana - 3.6%

Kentucky - 4.7%

Michigan - 5.2%

Ohio - 5%

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

Unemployment Rank by County (of 92 counties): August 2025

#31 - Knox (3.8%)

#33 - Pike (3.8%)

#47 - Vanderburgh (3.7%)

#63 - Perry (3.5%)

#70 - Posey (3.4%)

#74 - Warrick (3.4%)

#82 - Gibson (3.2%)

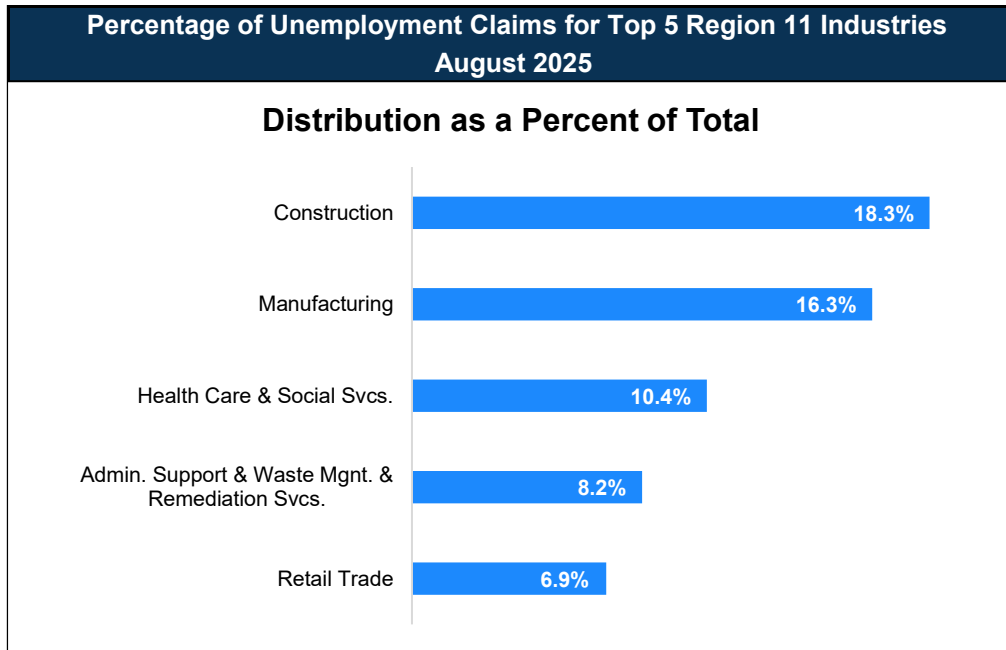
#86 - Spencer (3.2%)

#87 - Dubois (3.1%)

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

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to August 2025 from				
CPI Item	Aug-24	Jul-25	Aug-24	Jul-25
	U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	2.9%	0.3%	2.8%	0.3%
Food & Beverages	3.1%	0.4%	3.2%	0.7%
Housing	4.0%	0.3%	4.4%	0.1%
Apparel	0.2%	2.2%	1.2%	2.9%
Transportation	0.9%	0.2%	-0.1%	0.3%
Medical Care	3.4%	0.0%	2.8%	0.1%
Recreation	2.3%	-0.1%	2.6%	0.5%
Education & Communication	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Other Goods & Services	3.9%	0.2%	2.8%	-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



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

WARN Notices

WARN Notices for Region 11 for August 2025				
Company	City	County	# of Workers affected	Notice Date
ASM Global/ Old National Event Plaza	Evansville	Vanderburgh	248	8/1/2025

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.dofeta.gov/programs/factsht/warn.htm>

Unemployment Claims: August 2025

Region 11

Initial Claims

08/02/25 - 138(D)
08/09/25 - 125(D)
08/16/25 - 107(D)
08/23/25 - 128(D)
08/30/25 - 100(D)

Continued Claims

08/02/25 - 859
08/09/25 - 840
08/16/25 - 822
08/23/25 - 824
08/30/25 - 815

Total Claims

08/02/25 - 997
08/09/25 - 965
08/16/25 - 929
08/23/25 - 952
08/30/25 - 915

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

08/02/25 - 2,550
08/09/25 - 2,607
08/16/25 - 2,574
08/23/25 - 2,653
08/30/25 - 2,361

Continued Claims

08/02/25 - 20,778
08/09/25 - 20,124
08/16/25 - 20,093
08/23/25 - 19,843
08/30/25 - 19,494

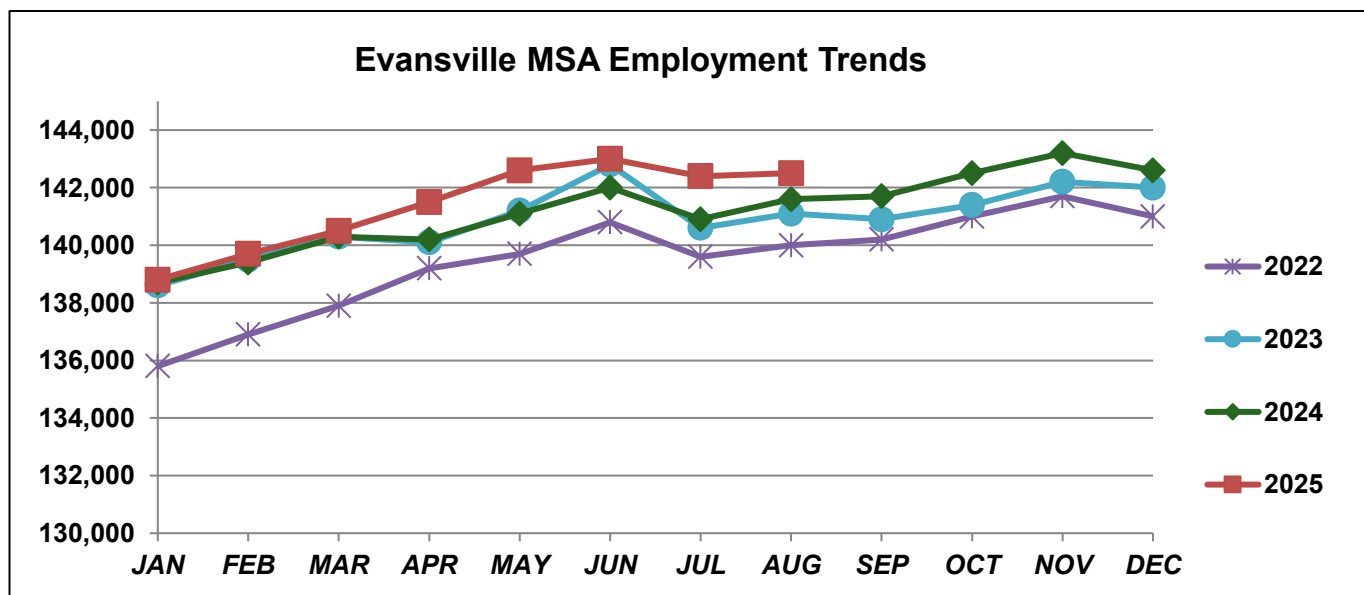
Total Claims

08/02/25 - 23,328
08/09/25 - 22,731
08/16/25 - 22,667
08/23/25 - 22,496
08/30/25 - 21,855

(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

Evansville MSA						
Wage and Salaried Employment	August 2025			# Change	% Change	# Change % Change
Industry	Aug-25	Jul-25	Aug-24	Jul-25 to Aug-25	Aug-24 to Aug-25	
Total Nonfarm	142,500	142,400	141,600	100	0.1%	900 0.6%
Total Private	129,200	129,400	127,800	-200	-0.2%	1,400 1.1%
Goods Producing	28,300	28,400	27,900	-100	-0.4%	400 1.4%
Service-Providing	114,200	114,000	113,700	200	0.2%	500 0.4%
Private Service Providing	100,900	101,000	99,900	-100	-0.1%	1,000 1.0%
Mining, Logging and Construction	10,500	10,500	10,200	0	0.0%	300 2.9%
Manufacturing	17,800	17,900	17,700	-100	-0.6%	100 0.6%
Durable Goods	5,800	5,900	6,000	-100	-1.7%	-200 -3.3%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	27,300	27,200	27,600	100	0.4%	-300 -1.1%
Wholesale Trade	5,700	5,700	5,600	0	0.0%	100 1.8%
Retail Trade	14,300	14,300	14,500	0	0.0%	-200 -1.4%
General Merchandise Stores	3,800	3,900	3,800	-100	-2.6%	0 0.0%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	7,300	7,200	7,500	100	1.4%	-200 -2.7%
Information	2,000	2,100	2,000	-100	-4.8%	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	5,600	5,600	5,700	0	0.0%	-100 -1.8%
Professional and Business Services	18,200	18,200	17,400	0	0.0%	800 4.6%
Education and Health Services	26,200	26,200	25,900	0	0.0%	300 1.2%
Health Care and Social Assistance	23,800	23,800	23,200	0	0.0%	600 2.6%
Hospitals	7,800	7,800	7,600	0	0.0%	200 2.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	15,000	15,100	14,900	-100	-0.7%	100 0.7%
Other Services	6,600	6,600	6,400	0	0.0%	200 3.1%
Total Government	13,300	13,000	13,800	300	2.3%	-500 -3.6%
Federal Government	1,100	1,200	1,200	-100	-8.3%	-100 -8.3%
State Government	3,000	2,800	3,300	200	7.1%	-300 -9.1%
Local Government	9,200	9,000	9,300	200	2.2%	-100 -1.1%
Local Government Educational Services	5,500	5,000	5,600	500	10.0%	-100 -1.8%

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. Henderson County is now in Kentucky's Balance of State (Statewide). This will account for a drop in employment for the MSA.

Frequently Listed Jobs	
Top 20 job listings by number of postings in Region 11 in the past month	
Rank	Occupations
1	Registered Nurses
2	Retail Salespersons
3	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
4	First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers
5	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
6	Customer Service Representatives
7	Food Service Managers
8	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
9	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General
10	Nursing Assistants
11	Food Preparation Workers
12	Production Workers, All Other
13	Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand
14	Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products
15	First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers
16	Medical and Health Services Managers
17	Patient Representatives
18	Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
19	Merchandise Displayers and Window Trimmers
20	Critical Care Nurses

Source: Lightcast, Job Postings Table.

Applicant Pool	
Top 20 occupations desired by applicants on their resumes in the past 12 months	
Occupations	# of Applicants
Production Workers, All Other	794
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	347
Helpers--Production Workers	338
Customer Service Representatives	267
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	214
Cashiers	191
Office Clerks, General	160
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	142
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	137
Managers, All Other	124
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	112
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	106
Construction Laborers	105
Extraction Workers, All Other	96
Retail Salespersons	95
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	93
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	92
Receptionists and Information Clerks	88
Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants	87
Construction and Related Workers, All Other	82

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

SNAPSHOT

August Indiana Employment

Released September 19, 2025



Unemployment Rate

*seasonally adjusted

Unemployment Rate

3.6%



July 2025 Indiana

3.6%



National Unemployment Rate



LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE*

16+: 63.6%

25-44: 85.3%

25-54: 84.7%



National Labor Force



Open Job Postings

84,420

Jobs

As of September 1, 2025



Weekly UI Continued Claims

19,393

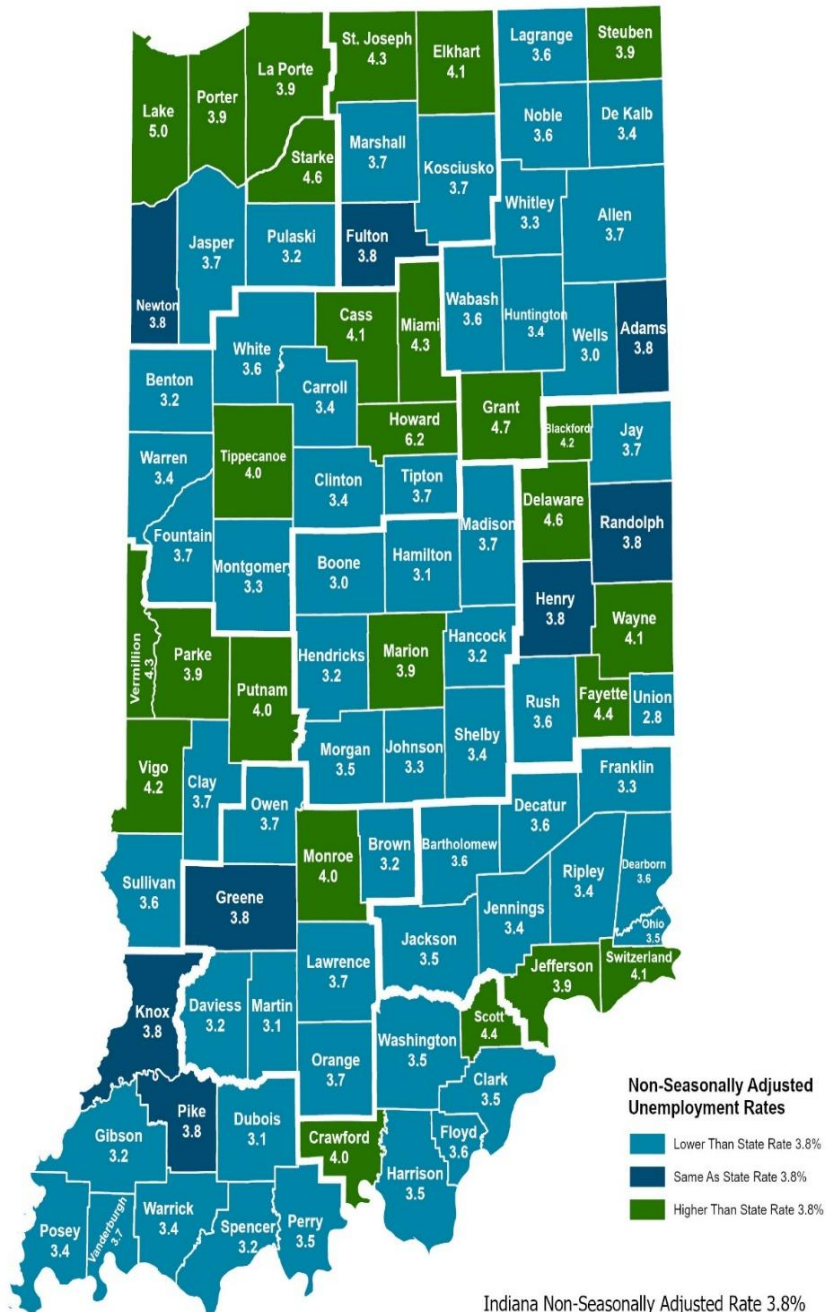


Filed Week Ending September 6, 2025

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Indiana Career Connect

* The percentage of Hossiers 16 and older who 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.

County Unemployment Rates August 2025



Non-Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates



Indiana Non-Seasonally Adjusted Rate 3.8%
Indiana Seasonally Adjusted Rate 3.6%
Source: DWD, Local Area Unemployment Statistics



Questions?

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