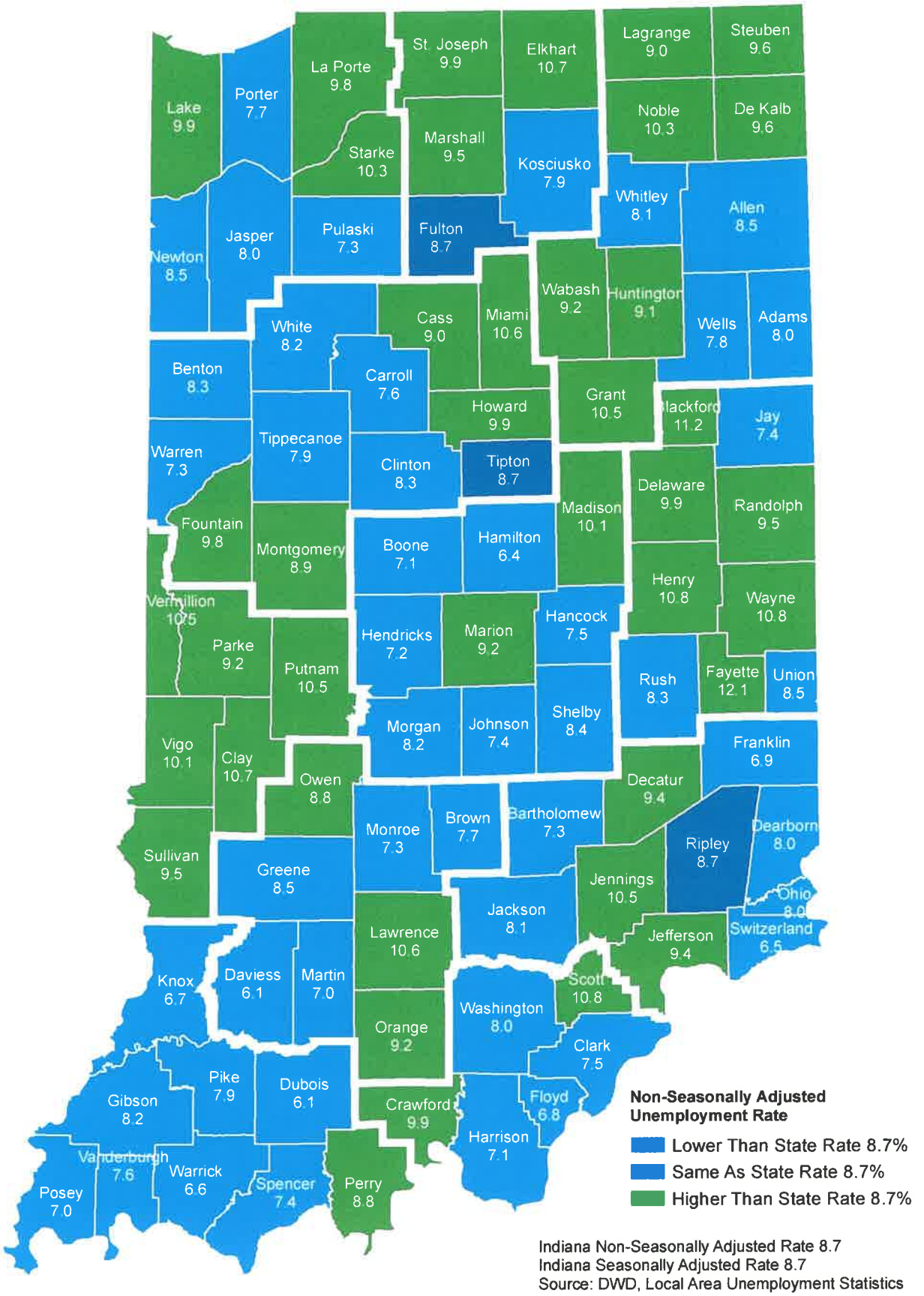
County Unemployment Rates
August 2011 - Non Seasonally Adjusted



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Source: DWD, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

RANKING OF COUNTY DATA

For August 2011 (PRELIMINARY)

PREPARED September 14, 2011

RANK	AREA	RATE	RANK	AREA	RATE
1	FAYETTE	12.1	47	NEWTON	8.5
2	BLACKFORD	11.2	48	UNION	8.5
3	HENRY	10.8	49	SHELBY	8.4
4	SCOTT	10.8	50	BENTON	8.3
5	WAYNE	10.8	51	CLINTON	8.3
6	CLAY	10.7	52	RUSH	8.3
7	ELKHART	10.7	53	GIBSON	8.2
8	LAWRENCE	10.6	54	MORGAN	8.2
9	MIAMI	10.6	55	WHITE	8.2
10	GRANT	10.5	56	JACKSON	8.1
11	JENNINGS	10.5	57	WHITLEY	8.1
12	PUTNAM	10.5	58	ADAMS	8.0
13	VERMILLION	10.5	59	DEARBORN	8.0
14	NOBLE	10.3	60	JASPER	8.0
15	STARKE	10.3	61	OHIO	8.0
16	MADISON	10.1	62	WASHINGTON	8.0
17	VIGO	10.1	63	KOSCIUSKO	7.9
18	CRAWFORD	9.9	64	PIKE	7.9
19	DELAWARE	9.9	65	TIPPECANOE	7.9
20	HOWARD	9.9	66	WELLS	7.8
21	LAKE	9.9	67	BROWN	7.7
22	SAINT JOSEPH	9.9	68	PORTER	7.7
23	FOUNTAIN	9.8	69	CARROLL	7.6
24	LAPORTE	9.8	70	VANDERBURG	7.6
25	DEKALB	9.6	71	CLARK	7.5
26	STEUBEN	9.6	72	HANCOCK	7.5
27	MARSHALL	9.5	73	JAY	7.4
28	RANDOLPH	9.5	74	JOHNSON	7.4
29	SULLIVAN	9.5	75	SPENCER	7.4
30	DECATUR	9.4	76	BARTHOLOMEW	7.3
31	JEFFERSON	9.4	77	MONROE	7.3
32	MARION	9.2	78	PULASKI	7.3
33	ORANGE	9.2	79	WARREN	7.3
34	PARKE	9.2	80	HENDRICKS	7.2
35	WABASH	9.2	81	BOONE	7.1
36	HUNTINGTON	9.1	82	HARRISON	7.1
37	CASS	9.0	83	MARTIN	7.0
38	LAGRANGE	9.0	84	POSEY	7.0
39	MONTGOMERY	8.9	85	FRANKLIN	6.9
40	OWEN	8.8	86	FLOYD	6.8
41	PERRY	8.8	87	KNOX	6.7
42	FULTON	8.7	88	WARRICK	6.6
43	RIPLEY	8.7	89	SWITZERLAND	6.5
44	TIPTON	8.7	90	HAMILTON	6.4
45	ALLEN	8.5	91	DAVIESS	6.1
46	GREENE	8.5	92	DUBOIS	6.1
				INDIANA	8.7

INDIANA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND ITS WorkOne CENTERS

AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE
GREENE (BLOOMINGTON MSA)				
August 2011	15,068	13,780	1,288	8.5
July 2011 (Revised)	15,100	13,774	1,326	8.8
August 2010 (Benchmark)	14,967	13,618	1,349	9.0
HAMILTON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
August 2011	144,117	134,908	9,209	6.4
July 2011 (Revised)	144,360	135,563	8,797	6.1
August 2010 (Benchmark)	145,165	135,119	10,046	6.9
HANCOCK (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
August 2011	35,542	32,866	2,676	7.5
July 2011 (Revised)	35,731	33,026	2,705	7.6
August 2010 (Benchmark)	36,036	32,918	3,118	8.7
HARRISON (LOUISVILLE MSA)				
August 2011	19,338	17,963	1,375	7.1
July 2011 (Revised)	19,423	18,068	1,355	7.0
August 2010 (Benchmark)	19,292	17,513	1,779	9.2
HENDRICKS (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
August 2011	72,971	67,719	5,252	7.2
July 2011 (Revised)	73,083	68,047	5,036	6.9
August 2010 (Benchmark)	73,697	67,824	5,873	8.0
HENRY				
August 2011	21,421	19,110	2,311	10.8
July 2011 (Revised)	21,573	19,283	2,290	10.6
August 2010 (Benchmark)	22,202	19,452	2,750	12.4
HOWARD (KOKOMO MSA)				
August 2011	35,833	32,293	3,540	9.9
July 2011 (Revised)	35,797	32,231	3,566	10.0
August 2010 (Benchmark)	35,400	31,123	4,277	12.1
HUNTINGTON				
August 2011	19,031	17,308	1,723	9.1
July 2011 (Revised)	18,977	17,239	1,738	9.2
August 2010 (Benchmark)	18,903	16,824	2,079	11.0
JACKSON				
August 2011	21,072	19,359	1,713	8.1
July 2011 (Revised)	21,035	19,370	1,665	7.9
August 2010 (Benchmark)	21,124	19,058	2,066	9.8
JASPER (GARY)				
August 2011	14,910	13,715	1,195	8.0
July 2011 (Revised)	14,997	13,801	1,196	8.0
August 2010 (Benchmark)	15,175	13,778	1,397	9.2
JAY				
August 2011	11,355	10,510	845	7.4
July 2011 (Revised)	11,223	10,330	893	8.0
August 2010 (Benchmark)	11,098	10,061	1,037	9.3
JEFFERSON				
August 2011	15,747	14,273	1,474	9.4
July 2011 (Revised)	15,958	14,506	1,452	9.1
August 2010 (Benchmark)	15,614	13,860	1,754	11.2
JENNINGS				
August 2011	13,568	12,141	1,427	10.5
July 2011 (Revised)	13,604	12,224	1,380	10.1
August 2010 (Benchmark)	13,462	11,869	1,593	11.8
JOHNSON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
August 2011	73,459	68,030	5,429	7.4
July 2011 (Revised)	73,582	68,360	5,222	7.1
August 2010 (Benchmark)	74,282	68,136	6,146	8.3
KNOX				
August 2011	20,123	18,768	1,355	6.7
July 2011 (Revised)	19,753	18,349	1,404	7.1
August 2010 (Benchmark)	19,635	18,198	1,437	7.3

2011 Huntington County Unemployment Statistics

Source – Indiana Department of Workforce Development & the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Month	Total Labor Force 2010	2011	Employed	Unemployed	%
December '10	19,450		17,577	1,873	9.6
January	19,285	19,188	16,991	2,197	11.4
February	19,264	18,822	16,966	1,856	9.9
March	19,276	18,835	17,090	1,745	9.3
April	19,191	18,872	17,286	1,586	8.4
May	18,940	19,021	17,411	1,610	8.5
June	18,926	19,132	17,464	1,668	8.7
July	18,957	18,976	17,238	1,738	9.2
August	18,903	19,031	17,308	1,723	9.1
September					
October					
November					
December					

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Jobless rate declines

Huntington County reports unemployment at 9.1 percent

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The Indiana Department of Workforce has released the unemployment report covering the period July 11 though August 10 (the August Unemployment Report). Huntington County's unemployment rate was reported at 9.1 percent, a slight improvement from July's 9.2 percent and a more significant improvement from last year's report of 11 percent.

Considering national trends, this is encouraging news, said Mark Wickersham, Executive Director of Huntington County Economic Development.

"The Obama administration, in releasing these numbers earlier in the month, reported that nationally there were no net new jobs created," he said. "In Huntington County, our unemployment rate actually dropped slightly, not significantly, but it dropped a little bit. Of course to have any sort of positive change in a situation where nationally there were no net new jobs created, that's actually a pretty good report."

According to the report, of the 19,031 people in Huntington County's labor force, 1,723 are unemployed. However, Wickersham said several of the county's major industrial employers are still looking to hire people.

"There's a little bit of a problem matching the workforce skills that are available with the requirements of positions that are available," he said.

He said there are quite a bit of workforce development and training programs being conducted by the state to help employers and job seekers.

Besides the unemployment rate, Wickersham said there are other signs of economic improvement in the community.

"We've had nine industrial project announcements this calendar year so far and another 12 retail and small commercial announcements coordinated through the chamber," he said.

Wickersham added that there is obviously still a lot of work to do. At 9.1 percent, the unemployment rate is higher than the state average of 8.7 percent. Huntington County has the 36th highest unemployment rate of the state's 92 counties.

"Huntington continues to show signs of bucking the national trend, but we're still a long way from what anyone would call a full recovery," he said.