



RANKING OF COUNTY DATA  
Unemployment Rates by County

December 2017 (Preliminary)

Prepared January 18, 2018

RANK	AREA	RATE	RANK	AREA	RATE
1	Vermillion	4.9	47	Spencer	3.1
2	Lake	4.8	48	Clark	3.0
3	Crawford	4.6	49	Howard	3.0
4	Fayette	4.3	50	Jay	3.0
5	Newton	4.3	51	Putnam	3.0
6	LaPorte	4.2	52	Warren	3.0
7	Sullivan	4.2	53	White	3.0
8	Starke	4.1	54	Benton	2.9
9	Greene	4.0	55	Floyd	2.9
10	Lawrence	3.9	56	Knox	2.9
11	Jasper	3.8	57	Monroe	2.9
12	Owen	3.8	58	Allen	2.8
13	Delaware	3.7	59	Brown	2.8
14	Perry	3.7	60	Carroll	2.8
15	Porter	3.7	61	Rush	2.8
16	Vigo	3.7	62	Marshall	2.7
17	Franklin	3.6	63	Shelby	2.7
18	Orange	3.6	64	Tippecanoe	2.7
19	Parke	3.6	65	Union	2.7
20	Randolph	3.6	66	Vanderburgh	2.7
21	Switzerland	3.6	67	Warrick	2.7
22	Blackford	3.5	68	Wells	2.7
23	Dearborn	3.5	69	Hancock	2.6
24	Fountain	3.5	70	Jackson	2.6
25	Jennings	3.5	71	Martin	2.6
26	Ripley	3.5	72	Montgomery	2.6
27	Cass	3.4	73	Noble	2.6
28	Grant	3.4	74	Clinton	2.5
29	Huntington	3.4	75	Daviess	2.5
30	Madison	3.3	76	Decatur	2.5
31	Miami	3.3	77	Gibson	2.5
32	Pike	3.3	78	Hendricks	2.5
33	St. Joseph	3.3	79	Johnson	2.5
34	Scott	3.3	80	Posey	2.5
35	Clay	3.2	81	Tipton	2.5
36	Jefferson	3.2	82	Whitley	2.5
37	Ohio	3.2	83	Boone	2.4
38	Wabash	3.2	84	DeKalb	2.4
39	Washington	3.2	85	Bartholomew	2.3
40	Wayne	3.2	86	Hamilton	2.3
41	Fulton	3.1	87	Kosciusko	2.3
42	Harrison	3.1	88	Steuben	2.3
43	Henry	3.1	89	Adams	2.2
44	Marion	3.1	90	Dubois	2.2
45	Morgan	3.1	91	Elkhart	2.1
46	Pulaski	3.1	92	LaGrange	2.0
				INDIANA	3.1



AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE
<b>HENRY</b>				
December 2017	21,798	21,113	685	3.1
November 2017	21,872	21,118	754	3.4
December 2016 (Benchmark)	21,933	21,011	922	4.2
<b>HOWARD (KOKOMO MSA)</b>				
December 2017	38,198	37,048	1,150	3.0
November 2017	38,389	37,096	1,293	3.4
December 2016 (Benchmark)	38,077	36,467	1,610	4.2
<b>HUNTINGTON</b>				
December 2017	17,931	17,322	609	3.4
November 2017	18,113	17,433	680	3.8
December 2016 (Benchmark)	18,453	17,792	661	3.6
<b>JACKSON</b>				
December 2017	22,036	21,467	569	2.6
November 2017	22,146	21,513	633	2.9
December 2016 (Benchmark)	21,640	20,946	694	3.2
<b>JASPER (GARY MSA)</b>				
December 2017	15,719	15,120	599	3.8
November 2017	15,991	15,350	641	4.0
December 2016 (Benchmark)	16,190	15,401	789	4.9
<b>JAY</b>				
December 2017	9,491	9,205	286	3.0
November 2017	9,582	9,258	324	3.4
December 2016 (Benchmark)	9,615	9,222	393	4.1
<b>JEFFERSON</b>				
December 2017	14,722	14,254	468	3.2
November 2017	14,830	14,295	535	3.6
December 2016 (Benchmark)	14,908	14,266	642	4.3
<b>JENNINGS</b>				
December 2017	13,020	12,563	457	3.5
November 2017	13,101	12,621	480	3.7
December 2016 (Benchmark)	12,891	12,287	604	4.7
<b>JOHNSON (INDIANAPOLIS-CARMEL-ANDERSON MSA)</b>				
December 2017	79,210	77,219	1,991	2.5
November 2017	79,562	77,324	2,238	2.8
December 2016 (Benchmark)	79,051	76,500	2,551	3.2
<b>KNOX</b>				
December 2017	18,135	17,605	530	2.9
November 2017	18,301	17,685	616	3.4
December 2016 (Benchmark)	18,708	17,977	731	3.9
<b>KOSCIUSKO</b>				
December 2017	40,478	39,528	950	2.3
November 2017	40,664	39,580	1,084	2.7
December 2016 (Benchmark)	40,223	38,902	1,321	3.3
<b>LAGRANGE</b>				
December 2017	19,129	18,748	381	2.0
November 2017	19,395	18,916	479	2.5
December 2016 (Benchmark)	18,490	17,948	542	2.9
<b>LAKE (GARY MSA)</b>				
December 2017	221,996	211,293	10,703	4.8
November 2017	223,646	212,995	10,651	4.8
December 2016 (Benchmark)	230,547	216,925	13,622	5.9
<b>LA PORTE (MICHIGAN CITY-LAPORTE MSA)</b>				
December 2017	45,410	43,486	1,924	4.2
November 2017	45,569	43,635	1,934	4.2
December 2016 (Benchmark)	47,509	44,818	2,691	5.7
<b>LAWRENCE</b>				
December 2017	20,432	19,631	801	3.9
November 2017	20,595	19,727	868	4.2
December 2016 (Benchmark)	20,348	19,288	1,060	5.2
<b>MADISON (INDIANAPOLIS-CARMEL-ANDERSON MSA)</b>				
December 2017	58,912	56,942	1,970	3.3
November 2017	59,183	57,050	2,133	3.6
December 2016 (Benchmark)	59,065	56,388	2,677	4.5
<b>MARION (INDIANAPOLIS-CARMEL-ANDERSON MSA)</b>				
December 2017	480,697	465,982	14,715	3.1
November 2017	482,085	465,969	16,116	3.3
December 2016 (Benchmark)	481,097	462,163	18,934	3.9

## 2017 Huntington County Unemployment Statistics

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

Month	Total Labor Force		Employed	Unemployed	%
	2016	2017			
January	18,585	18,608	17,760	848	4.6
February	18,788	18,602	17,794	808	4.3
March	18,774	18,515	17,850	665	3.6
April	18,595	18,584	18,140	444	2.4
May	18,805	18,732	18,264	468	2.5
June	19,100	18,747	18,194	553	2.9
July	18,781	18,630	18,018	612	3.3
August	18,855	18,700	17,874	826	4.4
September	18,669	18,649	17,819	830	4.5
October	18,801	18,284	17,548	736	4.0
November	18,653	18,125	17,445	680	3.8
December	18,453	17,931	17,322	609	3.4

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## What is Employment Status?

While many people are familiar with the unemployment rate, there is sometimes confusion about where the rate comes from and how it is calculated. Generally speaking, the unemployment rate represents the portion of workers who are actively looking for work but cannot find a job.

The unemployment rate is based mainly on a [monthly survey](#) of roughly 60,000 households in the United States. Based on answers to survey questions, respondents are placed into three broad categories representing their [employment status](#):

- Employed
- Unemployed
- Not in the labor force

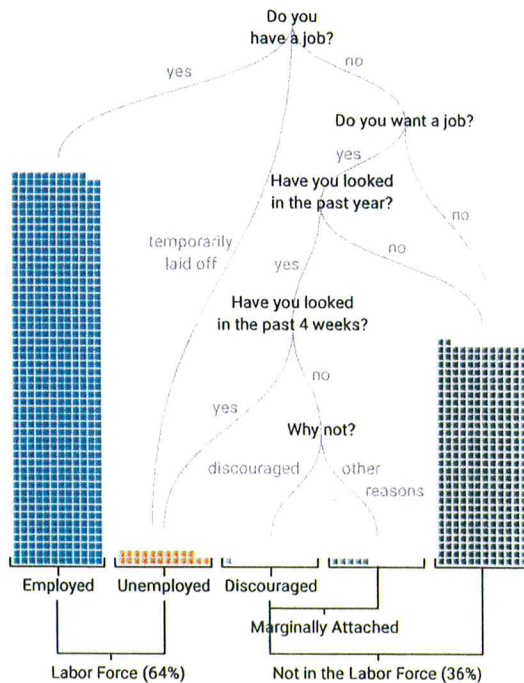
Those not in the labor force are broken down into even smaller categories--marginally attached workers, discouraged workers--that allow calculating alternatives to the official unemployment rate. The results of this household survey are presented in the Bureau of Labor Statistics' monthly [Employment Situation report](#).

## Determining Employment Status

Answer the following questions to determine your employment status. Click on a question for detailed instructions.

**Do you have a job?**

Yes	No	Temporarily laid off
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1 block = 0.1% of the population  
 Percentages approximated based on BLS data for Indiana

**Huntington County, Indiana**  
**Historical Unemployment Statistics**  
**Annual Average**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>Employed</b>	<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>%</b>
1990	18901	17980	921	4.9
1991	19171	17735	1435	7.5
1992	19061	17936	1125	5.9
1993	19443	18558	885	4.6
1994	20212	19235	997	4.8
1995	20630	19796	834	4
1996	20579	19827	752	3.7
1997	20851	20147	704	3.4
1998	20969	20221	748	3.6
1999	20596	20014	582	2.8
2000	20904	20287	617	3
2001	20683	19764	919	4.4
2002	20635	19577	1058	5.1
2003	20666	19544	1122	5.4
2004	20633	19508	1125	5.5
2005	20613	19471	1142	5.5
2006	20636	19561	1075	5.2
2007	20166	19208	958	4.8
2008	20248	18911	1337	6.6
2009	20054	17588	2466	12.3
2010	19811	17658	2153	10.9
2011	19114	17325	1786	9.3
2012	19889	18279	1609	8.1
2013	18856	17379	1478	7.8
2014	19370	18308	1063	5.5
2015	18599	17758	838	4.5
2016	19180	18390	791	4.1
2017YTD	18561	17882	679	3.7
<b>AVERAGES</b>	19965	18852	1114	5.6
<b>January 2016</b>	18585	17713	872	4.7