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INDIANA mSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE UP TO 4.5% IN DECEMBER

HARRISBURG (FEBRUARY 4) – The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the Indiana Micropolitan Statistical Area (mSA) increased two-tenths of a percentage point over the month to 4.5 percent in December. Since November, the statewide rate (3.6%) rose one-tenth of a percentage point while the national rate (4.1%) fell one-tenth of a percentage point. Over the year, the local area's rate increased four-tenths of a percentage point, while Pennsylvania's rate was up by two-tenths. The national rate increased three-tenths of a percentage point since December of last year.

For a list of county and MSA rankings by unemployment rate, please see the Civilian Labor Force packet.

Total nonfarm jobs (not seasonally adjusted) in the Indiana mSA were essentially unchanged at 30,200 in December. Over the year, jobs in the local area rose by 200 (+0.7%), while statewide jobs rose 1.9 percent from December 2023.

Over the month, jobs in the nine published supersectors were essentially unchanged. Over the year, only mining, logging and construction showed a notable decline of 200 jobs. The other eight published supersectors were essentially unchanged since December of last year.

TABLE 1 INDIANA MICROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA

(Indiana County)

TOTAL CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT, AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE¹

	CIVILIAN				SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ⁴			
TIME PERIOD	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLOY-	RATE	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLOY-	RATE
	FORCE	MENT ²	MENT	(%) ³	FORCE	MENT ²	MENT	(%) ³
December 2024	35,600	34,200	1,400	3.9	35,800	34,200	1,600	4.5
November	35,800	34,600	1,200	3.5	35,700	34,200	1,500	4.3
October	36,400	35,100	1,300	3.5	36,000	34,300	1,600	4.6
December 2023	36,600	35,300	1,300	3.5	36,800	35,300	1,500	4.1

SELECTED LABOR MARKET AREAS, PENNSYLVANIA, AND UNITED STATES December 2024

	CIVILIAN				SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ⁴			
AREA NAME	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLOY-	RATE	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLOY-	RATE
	FORCE	MENT ²	MENT	(%) ³	FORCE	MENT ²	MENT	$(\%)^3$
DuBois mSA	34,200	32,600	1,500	4.4	34,400	32,900	1,600	4.5
Jefferson County LMA	18,400	17,700	700	4.0	18,600	17,800	800	4.2
Johnstow n MSA	53,900	51,700	2,200	4.1	54,900	52,600	2,300	4.3
Pittsburgh MSA	1,158,900	1,119,700	39,200	3.4	1,178,600	1,136,400	42,200	3.6
PENNSYLVANIA	6,393,000	6,179,000	214,000	3.3	6,490,000	6,257,000	233,000	3.6
UNITED STATES	167,746,000	161,294,000	6,452,000	3.8	168,547,000	161,661,000	6,886,000	4.1

ALL DATA ARE ON 2023 BENCHMARK.

SOURCE: Center for Workforce Information & Analysis (CWIA), Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry.

FOOTNOTES

1) Estimate of workers by place of residence. These data are controlled to state Current Population Survey (CPS) data which adjusts for commuting and dual job-holding.

Workers are counted where they live only once regardless of the number of jobs they may hold. All in-depth inquiries relative to the estimating methodology should be addressed to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. All data are subject to revision during annual benchmarking.

2) Includes wage and salary workers (including agriculture), self-employed persons, and unpaid family workers (including agriculture), domestic workers, and persons involved in labor-management disputes.

3) Unemployed as percent of civilian labor force, computed using unrounded data.

4) Seasonally adjusted MSA level data (and their equivalent) is developed by the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS); seasonal adjustment for all other sub-state areas are developed by CWIA.

TABLE 2

INDIANA MICROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA

(Indiana County)

December 2024 NONFARM JOBS - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

		ndustry Ei	Net Change From:					
ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Dec 2024	Nov 2024	Oct 2024	Dec 2023	Nov 2024	Dec 2023		
	20.000	20.200	20.400	20.000	400	200		
Total Nonfarm	30,200	30,300	30,400	30,000	-100	200		
Total Private	24,000	24,100	24,300	23,900	-100	100		
Goods-Producing	3,600	3,700	3,800	3,800	-100	-200		
Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,600	1,700	1,800	1,800	-100	-200		
Manufacturing	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0		
Service-Providing	26,600	26,600	26,600	26,200	0	400		
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	7,000	6,900	6,900	6,900	100	100		
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	1,700	1,600	1,600	1,600	100	100		
Trade	5,300	5,300	5,300	5,300	0	0		
Financial Activities	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,000	0	100		
Professional and Business Services	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0		
Education and Health Services	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,300	0	100		
Leisure and Hospitality	2,400	2,500	2,600	2,400	-100	0		
Other Services	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0		
Government	6,200	6,200	6,100	6,100	0	100		
State Government	3,400	3,400	3,300	3,400	0	0		
Local Government	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,500	0	100		
Data benchmarked to March 2023	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***							