

Regional Workforce Data Profile: Economic Growth Region 3



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Measuring Progress - EGR 3

Employment Metrics	WIOA EMPLOYMENT				
	Program Year 2023 Q2, Rolling 10 Q average	Job Placement After Exit	Job Placement Target	Retained Employment	Retention Target
	WIOA Adult	79%	81%	83%	80%
	WIOA Dislocated Worker	79%	80%	82%	80%
	WIOA Youth (age 14-24)	85%	75%	85%	83%

MEDIAN EARNINGS PROGRAM YEAR 2023 Q2, ROLLING	EGR 3	TARGET
Median Earnings Youth	\$4,289	\$3,610
Median Earnings DW	\$9,485	\$7,911
Median Earnings Adult	\$8,574	\$7,406

■ = Target

WIOA Adult

WIOA Dislocated Worker

WIOA Youth (age 14-24)

Education Attainment	POST SECONDARY COMPLETION RATE	EGR 3: ON TIME	STATE: ON TIME	ERG 3, 6 YEAR (Extended)	STATE: 6 YEAR (Extended)
	2 Year Public	Ivy Tech Northeast - Fort Wayne 14%	19%	Ivy Tech Northeast - Fort Wayne 38%	43%
	4 Year Public	Purdue University Fort Wayne 22%	45%	Purdue University Fort Wayne 57%	66%

Workforce Ready Grant - Ivy Tech EGR 3		
County	Distinct Count Enrolled	Distinct Count Awarded
Adams	139	56
Allen	2,837	875
De Kalb	304	118
Grant	386	141
Huntington	268	124
Lagrange	81	22
Noble	304	113
Steuben	145	68
Wabash	220	100
Wells	150	51
Whitley	257	87
Total	5,091	1,755

Source: Commission for Higher Education, Indiana College Completion Report, 2023

Student Engagement and Preparation	CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION				
	INDICATOR	2019-2020		2020-2021	
		STATE	EGR 3	STATE	EGR 3
	Post Program Placement	7,409/8,719 = 85%	810/951 = 85%	7,496/9,801 = 76%	1,245/1,521 = 82%
	Credential Attainment	1,943/9,801 = 20%	269/951 = 28%	2,432/11,956 = 20%	414/1,516 = 24%
Dual Credit Attainment	4,490/9,801 = 46%	444/951 = 47%	5,142/11,956 = 43%	664/1,516 = 44%	
WBL Participation	1,784/9,801 = 18%	1127/951 = 29%	1,781/11,956 = 14%	244/1,516 = 16%	

High School Students Who Earn a Credential (2021 Cohort)	EGR 3	State
	5.2%	5.5%

Adult Education	ADULT EDUCATION	PY 2020-2021		PY 2021-2022		PY 2022-2023	
		EGR 3	STATE	EGR 3	STATE	EGR 3	STATE
	High School Equivalencies Earned	519	4,146	459	4,744	456	3,808
	Workforce Education Initiative Classes	18	115	14	119	23	181
	Workforce Education Initiative Enrollment	173	1,497	154	1,381	314	2,816
	Employment 2nd Qtr. After Exit	60%	52%	59%	46%	60%	55%
	Employment 4th Qtr. After Exit	75%	78%	73%	73%	77%	73%
	Median Earnings 2nd Qtr. After Exit	\$4,931	\$4,791	\$5,903	\$4,985	\$6,326	\$6,733

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STATE FISCAL YEAR PAID INVOICE ALLOCATIONS

Only includes IN Department of Workforce Development pass through funding SFY23 represents partial year

Program	FY23	FY22
Apprenticeship State Expansion Grant	\$44,225	\$55,775
Disaster Recovery - Dislocated Worker National Emergency Grant		\$114,550
Employer Training Grant	\$1,264,713	\$1,647,486
Employment Recovery - Dislocated Worker Grant	\$17,123	\$57,033
Infrastructure Cost Agreement	\$569	\$1,082
Jobs for America's Graduates	\$715,927	\$875,800
Pre-Employment Transition Services	\$85,331	\$105,756
Trade Adjustment Act	\$85,868	\$73,944
Unemployment Insurance	\$639,625	\$698,095
Veterans	\$50,685	\$49,841
Wagner-Peyser	\$232,026	\$232,467
WIOA Adult	\$819,673	\$763,343
WIOA Dislocated Worker	\$955,744	\$974,732
WIOA Youth	\$855,962	\$954,929
Workforce Ready Grant	\$314,329	\$324,493
Grand Total	\$6,081,799	\$6,929,327
Federal	\$3,786,830	\$4,305,002
State	\$2,294,969	\$2,624,325
Expired	\$61,348	\$450,812



EGR DATA PROFILE REPORT

Executive Summary

This Economic Growth Region Data Profile provides an in-depth analysis of Economic Growth Region (EGR) 3 which consists of Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Grant, Huntington, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells, and Whitley.

EGR Status

Social and Community Context.

Challenges include disparities in aging population, low English fluency, and notable food assistance needs. Population growth is moderate, with internal and international migration contributing positively to the region's demographics.

Education Access and Quality.

Shows a higher college completion rate across the counties, with variations in public school enrollment and notable improvements in educational attainment.

Economic Stability.

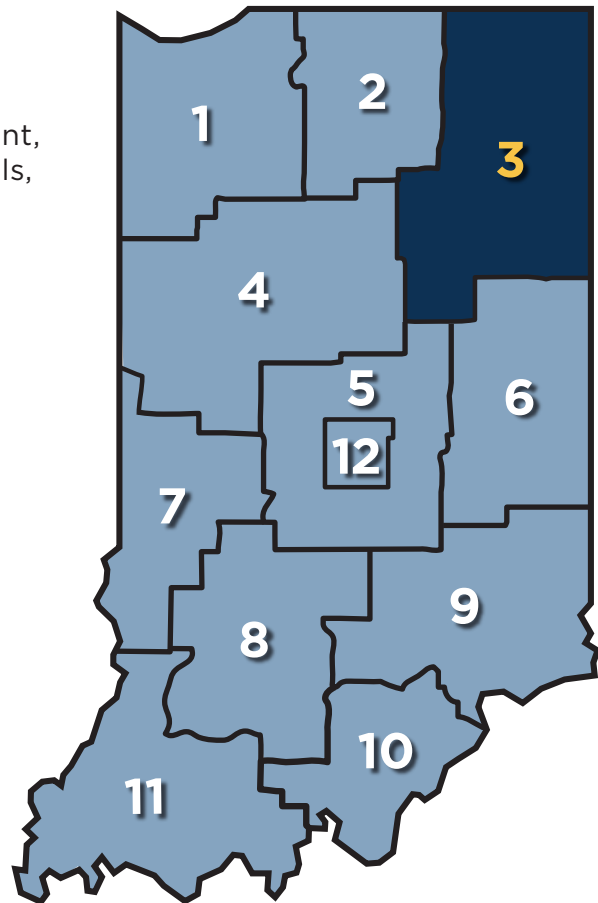
Demonstrates the third-highest Real GDP in 2021 among the EGRs, with a diverse job market. The region has seen improvements in income per capita, though unemployment rates have seen fluctuations.

Neighborhood and Built Environment.

Shows improvements in housing issues, with consistent rent increases in several counties. Building permits are primarily for single-family homes, indicating growth in residential development.

Healthcare Access and Quality.

Shows balanced contributions to state births and deaths, with variances in obesity and smoking rates. There may be a need for addressing healthcare accessibility and enhancing life expectancy.





EGR STATUS REPORT

SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY CONTEXT

Total population

- Based on the 2022 data, the total population for EGR 3 was 790,852 which accounts for approximately 11.62% of Indiana's population.
- The total population is expected to climb to 798,578 by 2030.¹

County Level Population

County	Population (2022)	% Change 2020 - 2022
Allen	391,449	1.39%
Grant	66,022	-0.68%
DeKalb	43,731	1.00%
Noble	47,367	-0.18%
LaGrange	40,866	0.83%
Adams	36,068	0.60%
Huntington	36,834	0.51%
Steuben	34,725	0.79%
Whitley	34,627	0.84%
Wabash	30,828	-0.35%
Wells	28,335	0.59%

Population Change

- EGR 3's 0.9% population growth places it in the 3rd position among the 12 EGRs in terms of growth. EGR 5 had the highest growth of 3.5%.
- EGR 3 is expected to rise from 790,852 to 798,578 reflecting a projected 0.97% growth by 2030
- EGR 3 saw a significant net gain of 1,285 people through domestic migration, indicating a positive internal migration trend. The region also experienced an influx of 1,103 individuals from international migration, contributing to its overall population increase.

¹ US Census Bureau

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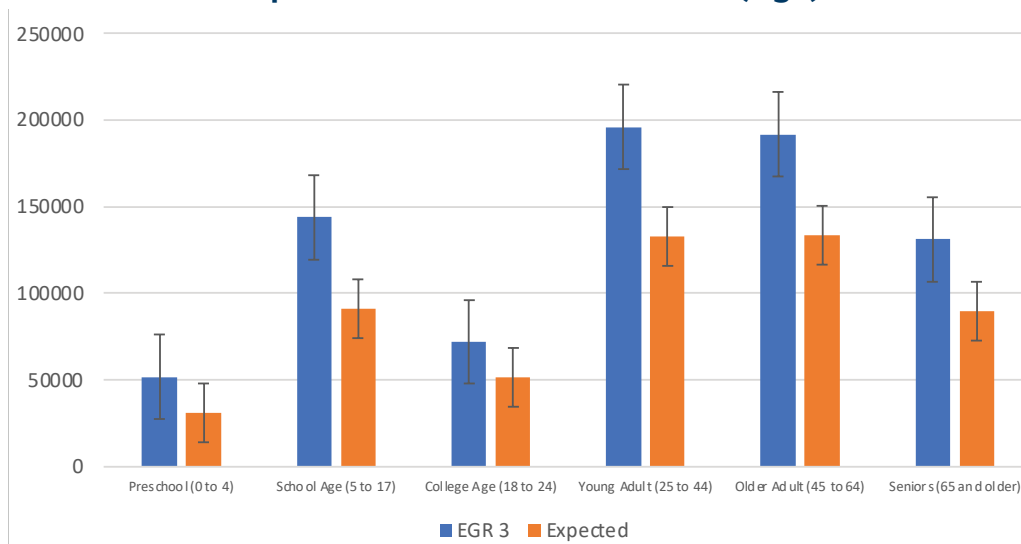


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Population by Age

- EGR 3's population distribution is generally consistent, but slightly lowered compared to state distribution for most age groups.
- The notable exception is the young adult group (25 to 44), where the distribution in EGR 3 is notably lower than the state average.
- Allen County significantly impacts the distribution of the young adult population (ages 25-44) across these counties, as it boasts a notably larger population within this age bracket. Remarkably, Allen County's young adult population comprises 53% of the entire EGR3 population for this age group.

Expected VS Actual Distributions (Age)



Number and % of Working Age Population 18-64 ²

Number Working Age Population (18-64)	
County	Working Age Population (18-64)
Adams	19,042
Allen	229,433
DeKalb	25,652
Grant	39,872
Huntington	22,254
LaGrange	21,802
Noble	28,157
Steuben	20,398
Wabash	17,966
Wells	16,129
Whitley	20,108

² US Census Bureau, American Community Survey

* The total won't reach 100 because not every age group is represented here.

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Number and % of Working Age Population 18-64 ² (Continued)

Percent of population by Age Group							
County	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 59	60 to 64
Adams	7.3%	6.3%	11.4%	10.4%	10.8%	5.2%	6.5%
Allen	6.9%	6.7%	14%	12.5%	11.8%	6.2%	5.8%
DeKalb	6.5%	5.9%	12.7%	12.2%	12.7%	7.6%	6.0%
Grant	7.6%	8.7%	11.2%	10.4%	11.6%	7.5%	6.4%
Huntington	6.7%	6.5%	12.1%	12.2%	12.2%	7.5%	7.3%
LaGrange	8.5%	6.7%	11.6%	10.7%	11.1%	5.2%	5.8%
Noble	6.7%	6.0%	12%	11.9%	12.8%	7.5%	6.7%
Steuben	7.4%	7.6%	10.8%	9.9%	12.3%	7.2%	7.6%
Wabash	7.2%	6.4%	11%	11.2%	12.2%	7.4%	6.8%
Wells	6.6%	5.7%	11.3%	12.3%	11.8%	6.8%	7.0%
Whitley	6.2%	5.5%	11.9%	11.8%	12.8%	6.1%	8.6%

² US Census Bureau, American Community Survey

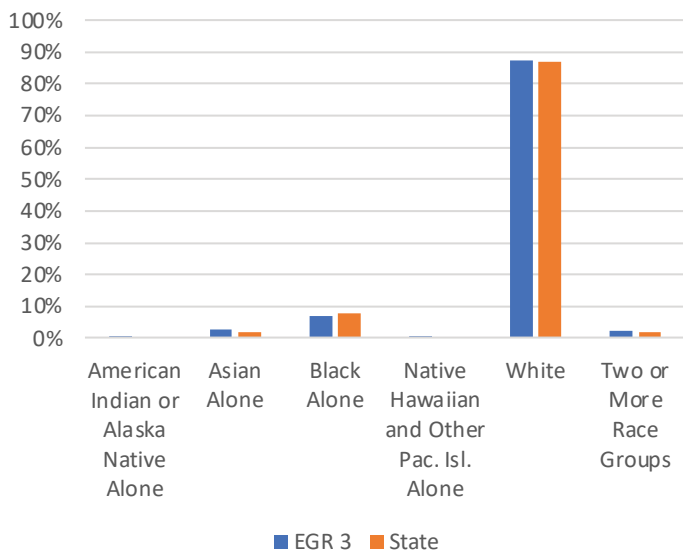
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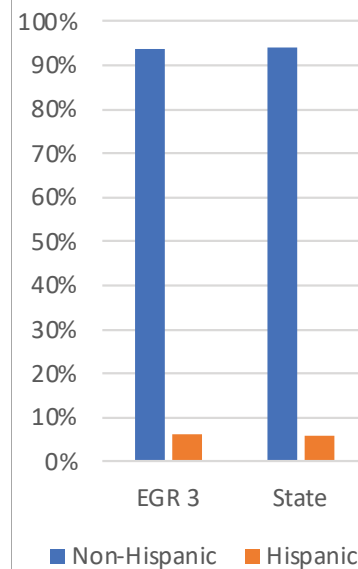


Population by Race/Ethnicity

Expected VS Actual Distributions (Race)



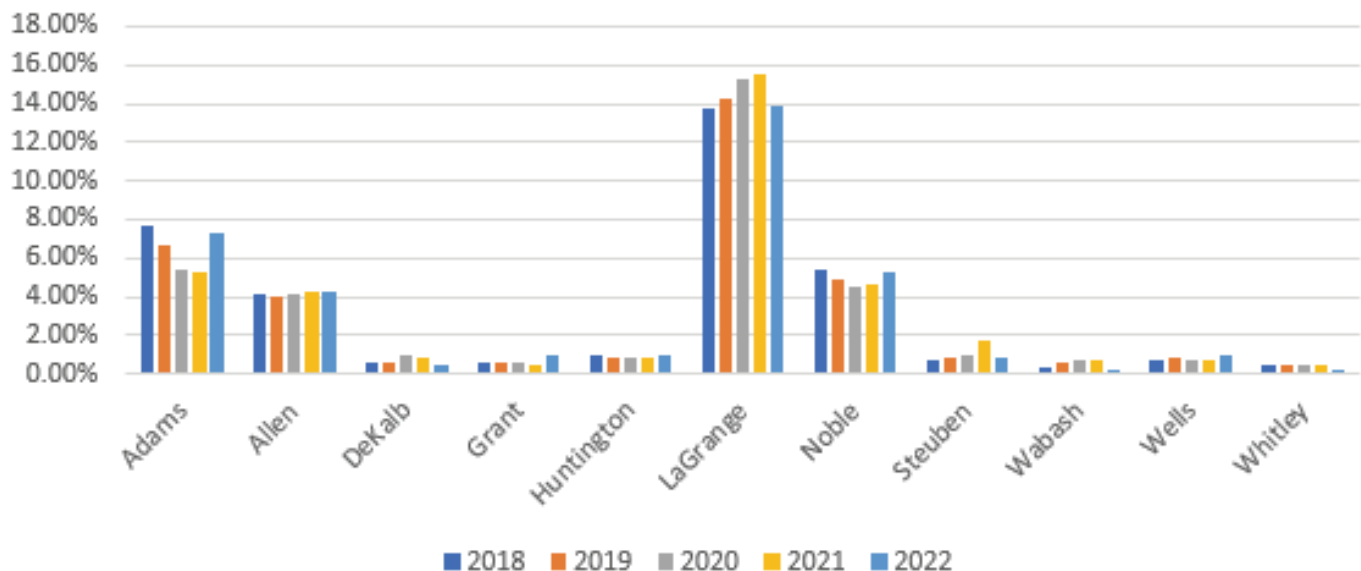
Expected VS Actual (Ethnicity)



English as a Second Language

- In 2018, LaGrange County had a percentage of 13.8% of population speaking English as a second language, which is relatively high compared to other counties in the region. This percentage increased to 14.3% in 2019 and further to 15.5% in 2021, before slightly decreasing to 13.9% in 2022. LaGrange County consistently has one of the highest percentages of this characteristic in the region, indicating a notable trend.

Population % Low English Fluency



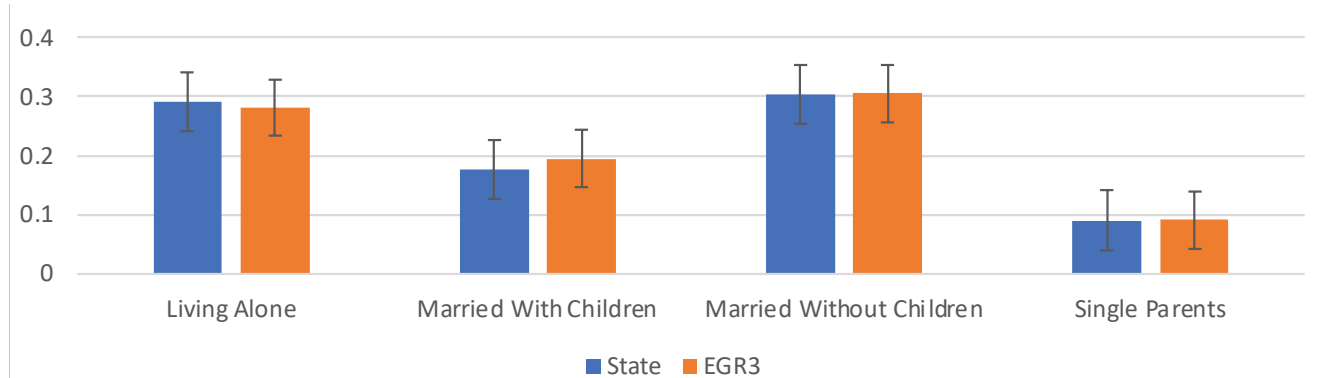
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Household Types

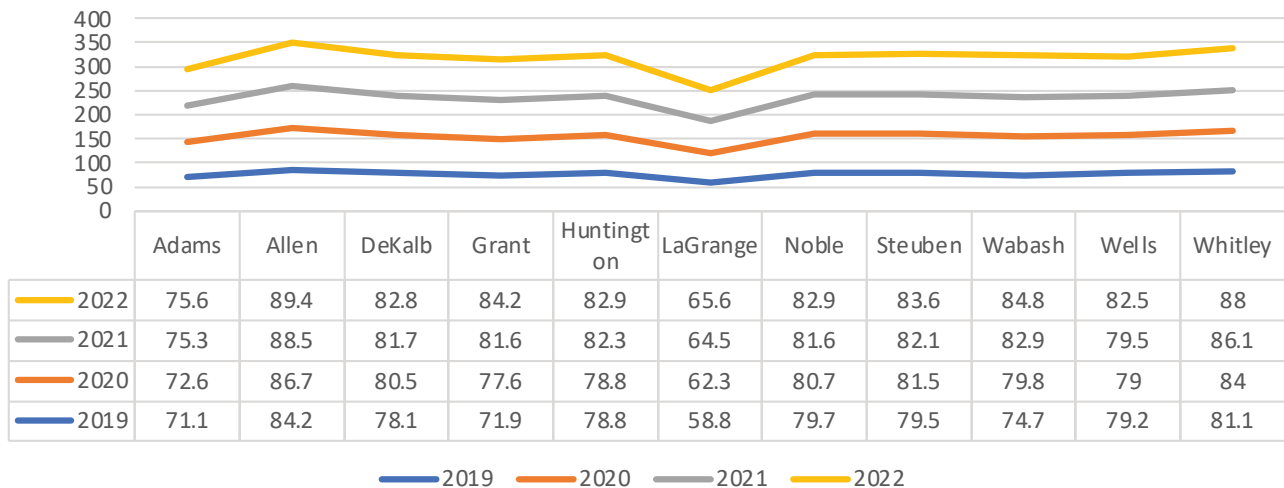
- As a proportion of the population, EGR 3 has the fewest single-parent households out of the EGRs.

Expected VS Actual Distributions (Households)



Broadband Prevalence ²

Households with Broadband Access



Other Social Factors to Employment

- ~7% of the population is under 6 years old
- ~6% of the population lacks vehicles or reliable transportation
- ~3% of the population does not speak English fluently
- ~8% of the population needs food assistance
- ~7% of families have one full-time worker who is below the poverty line

² Indiana State Department of Education



EDUCATION ACCESS AND QUALITY

College Going Rates by School Systems in Each County

County	School System	Population	College Going Rate
Adams	Adams Central Community Schools, North Adams Community Schools, South Adams Schools, East Allen County Schools, Fort Wayne Community Schools, M S D Southwest Allen County Schl, Northwest Allen County Schools, Smith Academy For Excellence, Thurgood Marshall Leadership Academy, Timothy L Johnson Academy, Timothy L. Johnson Academy Middle	36,068	45%
Allen	Dekalb County Ctl United Sch District, Dekalb County Eastern Com Sch District, Garrett-Keyser-Butler Com, Hamilton Community Schools	391,449	52%
DeKalb	Dr Robert H Faulkner Academy, Eastbrook Community Sch Corp, Madison-Grant United Sch Corp, Marion Community Schools, Mississinewa Community School Corp, Oak Hill United School Corp	43,731	50%
Grant	Lakeland School Corporation, Prairie Heights Com Sch Corp, Westview School Corporation	66,022	46%
Huntington	Huntington County Com Sch Corp	36,834	48%
LaGrange	East Washington School Corp, Salem High School, West Washington School Corp	40,866	40%
Noble	Central Noble Com School Corp, East Noble School Corp, West Noble School Corporation	47,367	41%
Steuben	Fremont Community Schools, M S D Steuben County	34,725	54%
Wabash	Heartland Career Center, M S D Wabash County Schools, Manchester Community Schools, Wabash City Schools	30,828	49%
Wells	M S D Bluffton-Harrison, Northern Wells Com Schools, Southern Wells Com Schools	28,335	50%
Whitley	Smith-Green Community Schools, Whitko Community School Corp, Whitley County Cons Schools	34,627	49%

- The data illustrate the college-going rates for these counties, reflecting the percentage of their populations that pursued higher education.
- The figures can be valuable for assessing the educational aspirations and opportunities within each county and can inform educational policies and support services to meet the needs of their residents.

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Core 40 by County ⁴

Percent of high school graduates that completed the Core 40 that enrolled in college				
County	2018	2019	2020	2021
Adams	52.70%	48.10%	33.60%	25.20%
Allen	49.80%	43.20%	38.00%	36.00%
DeKalb	35.70%	39.60%	31.90%	40.5%
Grant	40.20%	39.20%	31.00%	32.60%
Huntington	49.30%	40.30%	43.80%	35.80%
LaGrange	40.50%	25.60%	26.90%	24.20%
Noble	37.50%	35.60%	32.60%	32.40%
Steuben	34.50%	43.50%	42.70%	50.00%
Wabash	46.20%	40.80%	30.50%	38.20%
Wells	51.40%	43.10%	31.60%	28.80%
Whitley	48.20%	43.20%	39.20%	35.30%

Percent of high school graduates that were 21st Century Scholars enrolled in college.				
County	2018	2019	2020	2021
Adams	83.30%	89.20%	77.80%	84.60%
Allen	83.40%	86.10%	76.60%	73.20%
DeKalb	89.70%	79.40%	63.60%	95.70%
Grant	73.00%	78.80%	67.90%	74.80%
Huntington	88.90%	100.00%	100.00%	85.70%
LaGrange	84.00%	89.50%	88.90%	72.70%
Noble	75.00%	86.70%	81.80%	77.10%
Steuben	90.00%	97.20%	100.00%	83.30%
Wabash	75.90%	75.00%	63.60%	73.90%
Wells	92.30%	96.40%	79.20%	81.60%
Whitley	90.00%	90.90%	80.00%	81.00%

Population Without a High School Degree 18-64 ⁴					
County	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Adams	18.9%	18.4%	18.2%	16.7%	16.4%
Allen	11.2%	11.4%	10.7%	10.5%	10.5%
DeKalb	9.9%	10.1%	10.3%	10.4%	10.6%
Grant	10.1%	10.4%	10.2%	10.4%	10.0%
Huntington	8.8%	8.1%	9.2%	8.8%	8.9%
LaGrange	41.4%	44.0%	45.5%	46.5%	46.0%
Noble	16.1%	17.1%	17.3%	18.6%	18.1%
Steuben	10.5%	9.5%	10.2%	9.1%	9.2%
Wabash	10.8%	10.7%	11.3%	11.1%	9.2%
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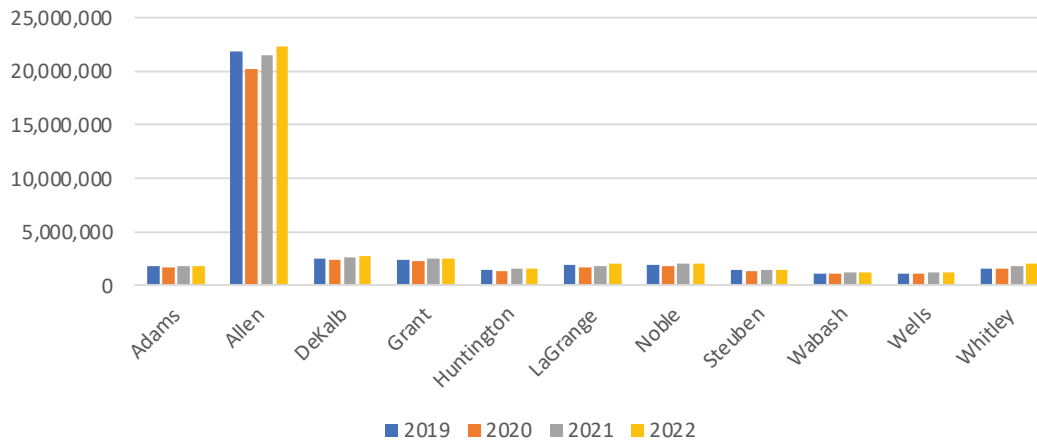
- La Grange County's elevated number of residents without high school diplomas can be attributed to its significant Amish community. Traditionally, this community places a higher value on vocational training post-8th grade, as opposed to completing formal high school education.

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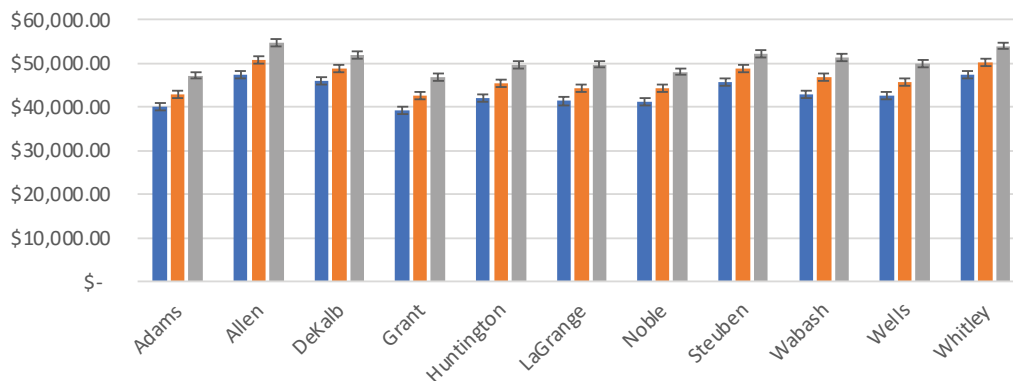
ECONOMIC STABILITY

Real GDP



- EGR 3 has displayed a mix of economic trends over the years, with some experiencing consistent growth, some remaining stable, and others facing challenges and recovery.
- Allen County has the highest Real GDP across all four years when compared to the other regions shown, indicating it is likely the most economically significant or largest economy among them.
- The higher Real GDP of Allen County can be seen as a direct reflection of its larger share of the population within the EGR.
- EGR 3 has the 4th highest GDP among all EGRs with a GDP of 41,127,409.³

Income Per Capita



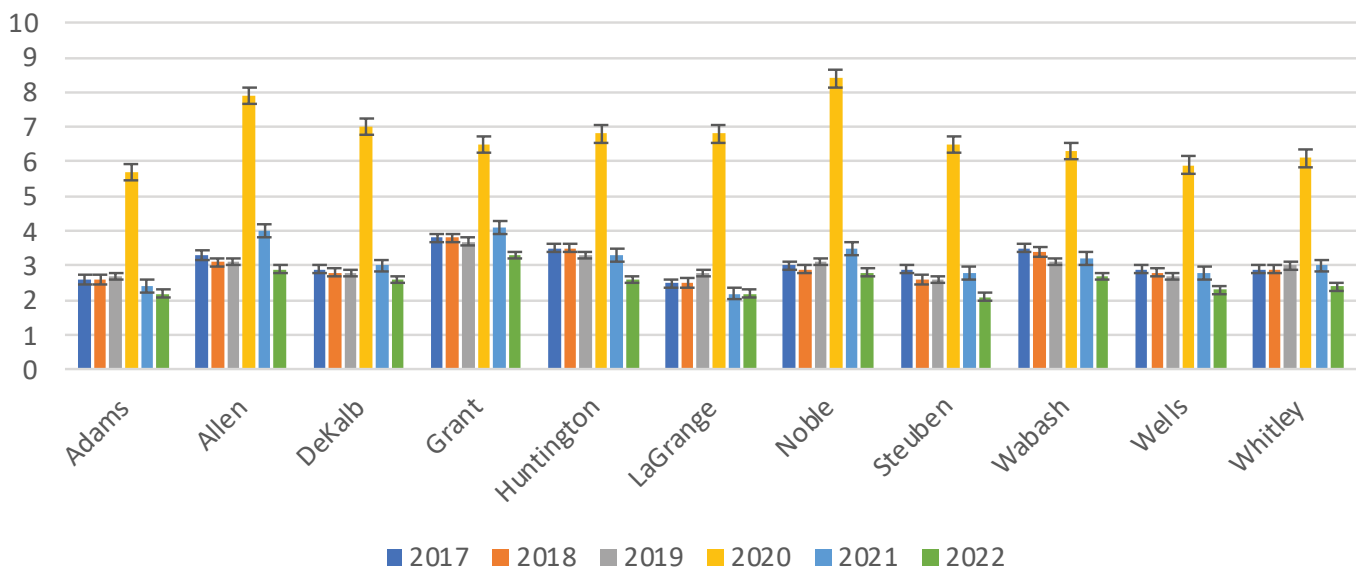
- EGR 3 is ranked 5th among all regions with an income per capita of \$54,573. It is 93.6% of the state per capita income level of \$58,323.
- In summary, all the counties in the analysis have experienced an increase in income per capita over the three years (2019, 2020, and 2021).

³ U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



Unemployment and Labor Force Participation

Unemployment Rate



- EGR 3 had an unemployment rate below the state median in both 2021 and 2022.
 - In 2021, EGR 3 unemployment rate was relatively moderate compared to other EGRs.
 - However, in 2022, EGR 3 unemployment rate increased and is higher than the state median, indicating a potential challenge in that year.
- Generally, there is a notable fluctuation in unemployment rates across the regions over the six years.
- Most regions experienced a significant increase in unemployment rates in 2020, which could be attributed to the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Following the spike in 2020, most regions showed a decrease in unemployment rates in 2021 and 2022, suggesting a recovery from the pandemic's effects.
- LaGrange County consistently shows the lowest unemployment rates across all years, indicating a potentially strong and stable job market or economy in that area. This might initially appear surprising in light of high school dropout rates, yet it can be attributed to the prevalent pursuit of vocational training among the Amish community.
- On the other hand, Grant County appears to have the highest peaks in unemployment rates, particularly in 2020, which suggests it faced more significant employment challenges.
- The error bars on the graph indicate the variability or uncertainty in the measurement of unemployment rates, with some years and regions showing greater variability.

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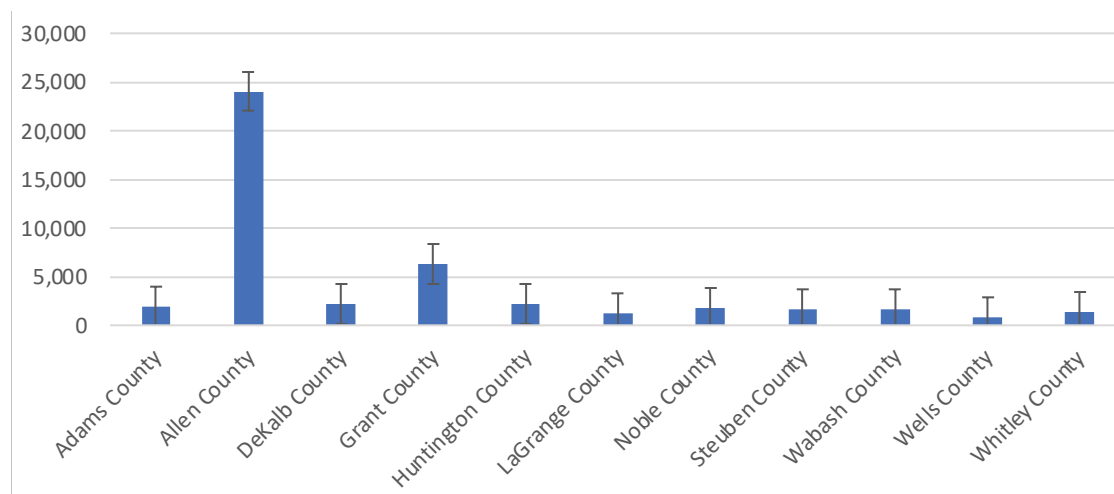
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Industries, Employers, and Occupations

- The top industries in EGR 3 largely mirror those of Indiana as a whole. Manufacturing, Health Care/Social Services, and Retail Trade are the three principal sectors in EGR 3.
- A notable distinction for EGR 3 is the prominent positioning of the Health Care/Social Services sector, which is a more significant component of the local economy compared to other regions. Similarly, Retail Trade holds a higher rank within EGR 3 relative to other EGRs.
- The leading employers in EGR 3 include Parkview Regional Medical Center, Lutheran Hospital, Indiana Wesleyan University, L3Harris, Sweetwater Sound Inc., General Motors Fort Wayne, BF Goodrich Tire Manufacturing, General Motors Marion Metal, Raytheon Co., and Peyton's Northern Distribution. This roster of top employers provides a snapshot of the key drivers of the EGR 3 economy.
- These organizations represent a broad spectrum of sectors, from health care and higher education to advanced manufacturing and defense, reflecting the region's varied employment landscape. The presence of these employers underscores their role in fostering job opportunities and contributing to the economic resilience of EGR 3.
- The predominant occupations in EGR 3 are generally in line with those found in other regions across the state.
 - **The top ten occupations by volume of employment for EGR 3** include Personal care and service occupations; Healthcare support occupations; Food preparation and serving related occupations; Legal occupations; Community and social services occupations; Computer and mathematical occupations; Transportation and material moving occupations; Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations; Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations; Business and financial operations occupations.

Percent Labor Force Below Poverty Level ³

Percent Labor Force Below Poverty Levels (%)*



³ U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

*Data not available for Washington



EGR 3 WIOA Overview: ⁴

Region 3 had a very strong most recent annual WIOA performance:

- Exceeded 5 of 6 Employment Rate targets.
 - Slightly under target in Q2 employment for WIOA-Adult yet bounced back to exceed Q4 employment by a significant amount.
- Excelled within in the Credential Rate metric both for all WIOA programs and exceeded all targets by at least 5 points.
- Exceeded all Measurable Skills Gains targets by at least 15 percentage points.
- Exceeded all Median Earnings targets by at least 20%.

Educational Attainment:

- The population in EGR 3 exhibits diverse educational backgrounds.
- Data shows that individuals with less than a high school diploma make up 14% of the population.
- Individuals with some post-secondary education represent 22%.
- Bachelor's degree and graduate school degree holders constitute 19%.⁵

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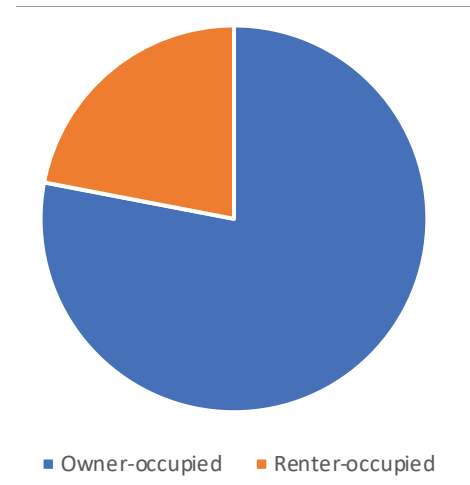


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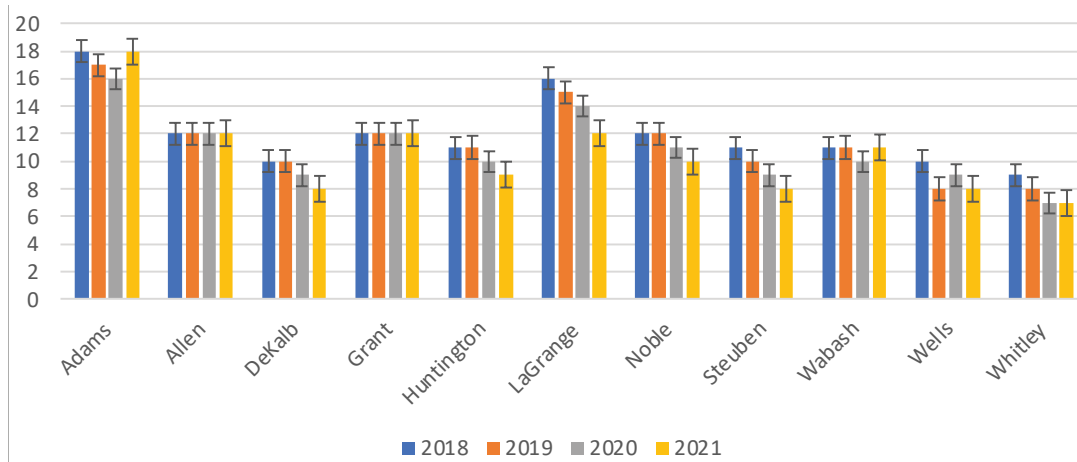
Housing

- When looking at the housing distribution in EGR 3, most of the population are living as owners as compared to a much smaller fraction of the population who are renters.
- EGR 3 stands out as having a higher total occupancy than most of the other regions, but it is not the highest. It has a significantly higher occupancy than the average of the other regions, indicating that it has a larger share of both owner-occupied and renter-occupied units in comparison to most other EGR regions.
- EGR 3 has a relatively high percentage of owner occupancy compared to most other regions, with only a few regions showing a higher proportion of owner-occupied units. Renter occupancy in EGR 3 is lower than the average of other regions, indicating a stronger tendency towards ownership within EGR 03.¹

Housing Distribution (EGR3)



Percent of Severe Housing Shortages



- The percentage of severe housing problems in EGR 3 has shown a general decreasing trend over the period from 2018 to 2021.
- The county with the least improvement in the percentage of severe housing problems from 2018 to 2021 is Adams County, which showed no change (0 percentage point decrease). Allen, Grant, and Wabash counties also showed no change over the four years, but since Adams County is the first listed with no improvement, it is highlighted as having the least improvement according to the provided data.⁵

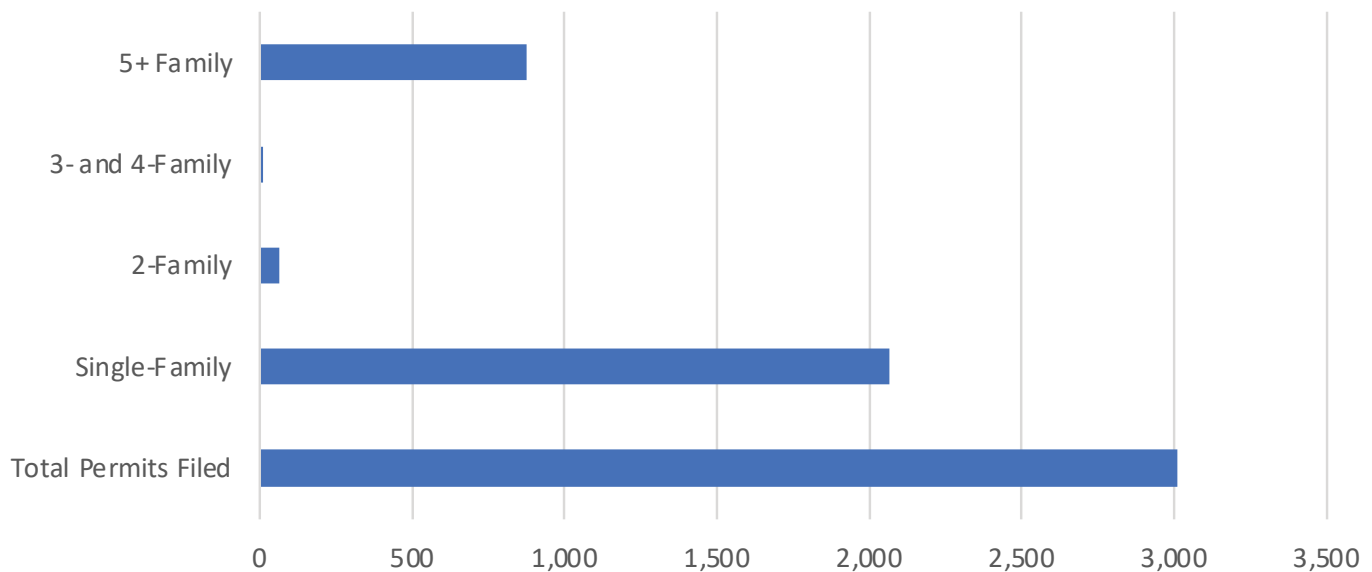
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⁵ Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data



Building Permits

Number of Residential Building Permits Filed

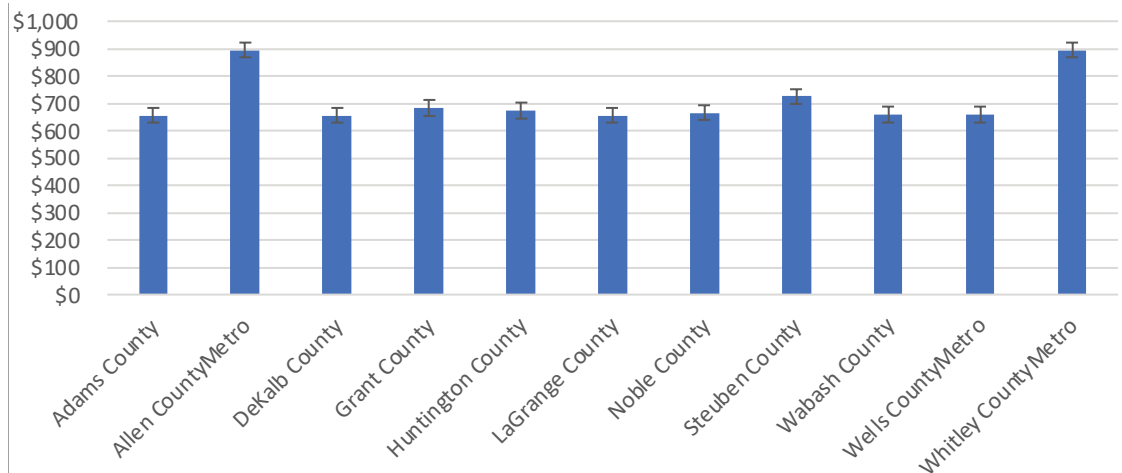


- Single-family permits account for 68.5% of the total number of permits filed, with 2,064 permits. These permits also represent the majority of costs, making up 85.3% of the total cost at \$637,179.
- 2-Family permits make up a small percentage of the total, at 2.1%, with 64 permits filed. The associated cost for these permits is also minimal, accounting for 1.17% of the total cost of \$8,775.
- Permits for 3- and 4-family buildings are even less common, at approximately 0.3% of the total number of permits filed, with just 9 permits. The cost associated with these permits is 0.2% of the total at \$1,472.
- 5+ Family permits represent a significant portion of the total, at 29.1%, with 876 permits filed. However, the cost associated with these permits is substantially less than that of Single-Family permits, at 13.33% of the total cost, amounting to \$99,556



Rent ⁶

2024 1 BR Rental Prices



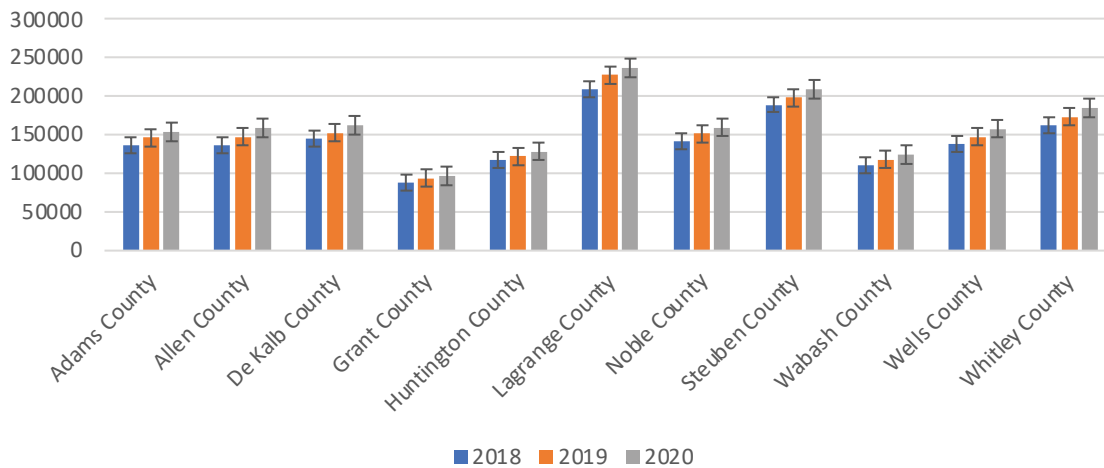
- **Substantial Growth:** Allen County Metro and Whitley County Metro exhibited significant rent increases for 1-bedroom units over the four years, each with a substantial growth of 45.53%.
- **Notable Increase:** Steuben County experienced a notable increase in rent for 1-bedroom units, with a rise of 29.18% from 2018 to 2021.
- **Considerable Growth:** Wabash County and Grant County saw considerable increases in 1-bedroom unit rents, with growths of 24.57% and 22.58% respectively over the four years.
- **Moderate Rise:** Huntington County, LaGrange County, DeKalb County, and Noble County each had moderate rises in rent for 1-bedroom units, with increases ranging from 16% to 21.18%.
- **Slight Growth:** Adams County experienced a slight growth in rent for 1-bedroom units, with an increase of 12.89%.
- **Modest Increase:** Wells County Metro had the most modest increase of 7.32% for 1-bedroom unit rents from 2018 to 2021.

⁶ Zillow Housing Data - Zillow Home Value Index (ZHVI)



List Price ⁶

Home Value (Zillow Home Value Index)



(Zillow Home Value Index (ZHVI) is a measure of the typical home value and reflects the 35th to 65th percentile range)

- All counties listed have experienced a general increase in housing listing prices from 2018 to 2020, indicating a positive trend in the local real estate markets. The extent of the growth, however, varies across the counties, with Allen County leading with a notable increase of 16.96%.
- Lagrange County, with an average housing price increase of 13.37%, demonstrates significant growth, surpassing several other counties in the region, but not reaching the highest increases observed in the dataset.
- Meanwhile, counties such as Grant and Huntington showed more modest growth, with increases of 10.67% and 10.31% respectively, indicating a steady but less rapid rise in housing listing prices compared to their counterparts.
- The increases observed range from just over 10% to nearly 17%, reflecting different rates of growth in the real estate market value across the counties. This diversity in growth rates illustrates the varied economic conditions and real estate market dynamics present in each county.

⁶ Zillow Housing Data - Zillow Home Value Index (ZHVI)



HEALTHCARE ACCESS AND QUALITY

Health and Vital Statistics

- **Births:** The number of births for EGR 3 in 2019 was 10,458. As a percentage of the state, this represents 12.94% of the state's births. This places EGR 3 in the 83rd percentile.
- **Deaths:** The number of deaths for EGR 03 in the given period was 7,824. As a percentage of the state, this represents 11.85% of the state's deaths. This places EGR 3 in the 75th percentile.
- **Births to teens:** The number of teen births for EGR 03 in the given period was 456. As a percentage of the state, this represents 11.93% of the state's teen births. This places EGR 3 in the 92nd percentile.
- **Life Expectancy:** EGR 3 shows diversity in life expectancies across its counties, with the latest average life expectancy for the region being approximately 77.4 years, based on the most recent 2023 data. This figure demonstrates slight variations when compared to the overall EGR average life expectancy provided earlier of 77.6 years. Within EGR 3, Steuben County has the highest life expectancy at 79.3 years, a notable figure that surpasses the EGR average. Conversely, Grant County has the lowest life expectancy at 73.2 years, which is significantly lower than the EGR average and indicates potential health-related factors or disparities that may require further investigation. While all counties in EGR 3 do not surpass the overall EGR average, as was the case with EGR 3, the variations within the region highlight the importance of examining local health outcomes and resource allocation.⁷

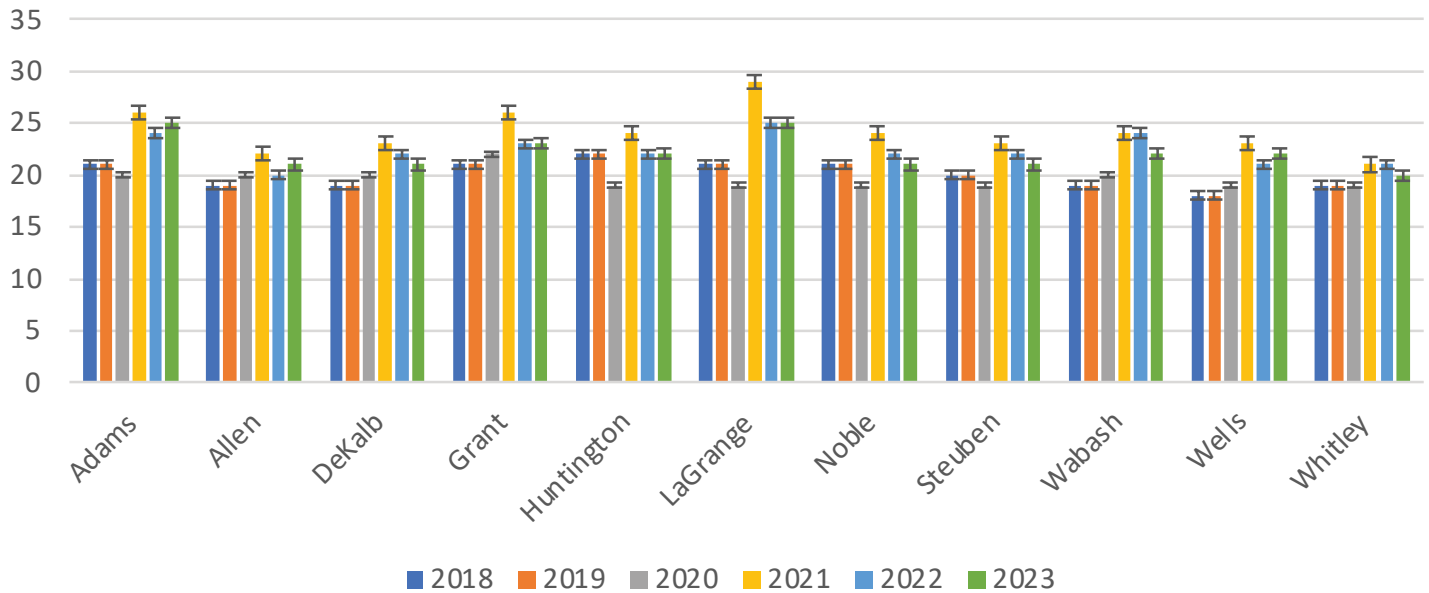
⁷ Indiana State Department of Health



Non-Medical Drug Use

- **Smokers**

Adult Percent Smoking



- The data reveals variations in the percentage of adults who smoke in different counties over the years.
- Some counties, like Allen, DeKalb, Grant, Huntington, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, and Whitley, had relatively stable trends with gradual increases.
- Others, like Adams, LaGrange, and Wells, experienced spikes in adult smoking rates in 2021, while Allen, DeKalb, Grant, Steuben, Wabash, and Whitley had more minor increases.

Regional Workforce Data Profile: EGR 3



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Health Insurance

Percent Population Uninsured ⁸

County	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Adams	13	12	12	12	14	12
Allen	12	9	10	10	11	9
DeKalb	10	9	8	8	9	8
Grant	11	10	9	9	10	8
LaGrange	11	9	8	9	10	8
Noble	26	22	25	25	28	29
Steuben	12	11	10	11	13	12
Wabash	12	9	10	10	10	9
Wells	10	10	9	9	10	9
Whitley	9	8	8	8	9	8

Hospitals and Health Systems

County	Number of Hospitals	Number of Childcare Centers	Number of Nursing Homes
Adams	1	9	3
Allen	8	114	26
DeKalb	2	17	4
Grant	2	19	6
Huntington	1	11	6
LaGrange	1	4	2
Noble	1	8	6
Steuben	1	9	2
Wabash	1	15	9
Wells	1	7	6
Whitley	1	10	2

⁸ Small Area Health Insurance Estimates