

Region 9 Workforce Statistics

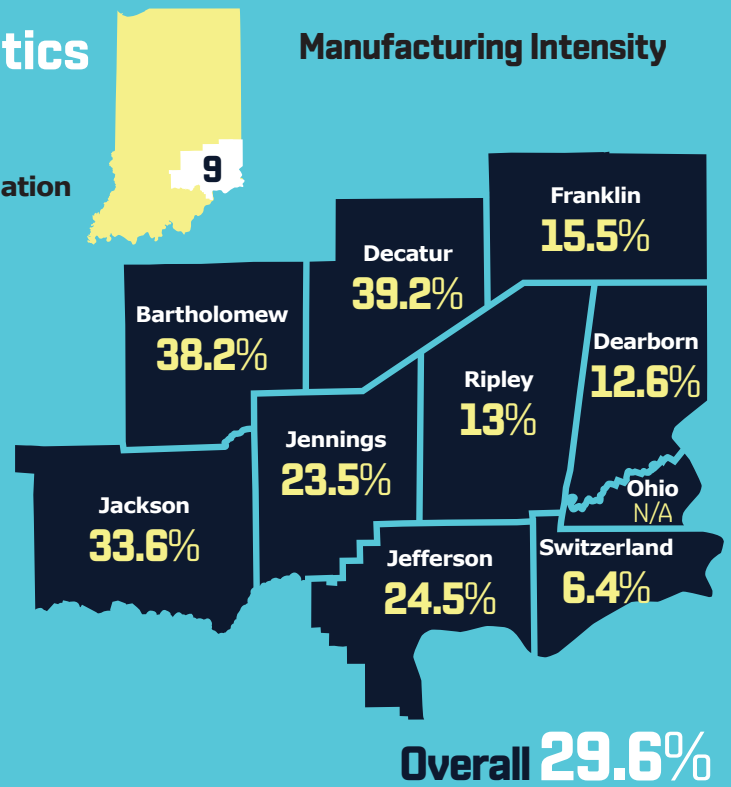
332,527 Total Population

40 Average Median Age of Population

166,580 Resident Labor Force

63% Labor Participation Rate

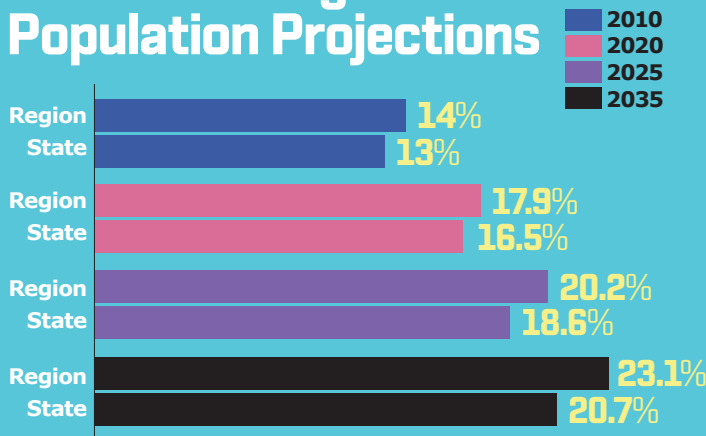
Manufacturing Intensity



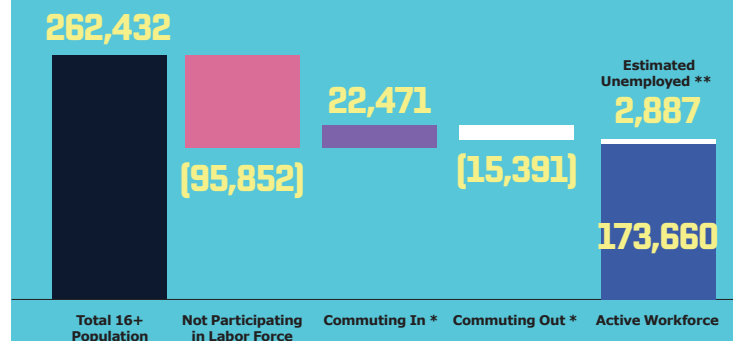
Workforce Region 9 is located in southeast Indiana and contains Columbus and a portion of the Cincinnati metropolitan area. This region's manufacturing intensity of 29.6 percent is significantly above the overall state average of 17.4 percent, primarily driven by the westernmost counties in the region. Its population of over 330,000 residents represents 4.9 percent of the total state's population and has increased by 1.0 percent over the last 5 years (compared to the overall state increase of 2.2

percent). The average median age of 40 years is approximately 2 years higher than the state overall. As of March 2022, the region's labor participation rate of 63.0 percent is above the state average of 62.4 percent. Commuting statistics indicate the region is impacted by a net inflow of workers from neighboring geographic areas. The overall available workforce seeking employment within Region 9 is 1.7 percent (2,887), which by most standards is considered full employment.

Retirement Aged Population Projections



Active Workforce Estimate



Data sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Indiana Department of Workforce Development, and Indiana Department of Revenue.

*The estimated net impact of commuting in and out of the region is +7,080 workers, driven primarily by net inflows of 4,041, 3,572 and 2,325 from Regions 6, 10, and 5, respectively, partially offset by out of state outflows of 5,556.

**As of November 2021. Not seasonally adjusted.