Northwest Indiana Labor Market **Highlights**

Latest market data figures were released by the Department of Workforce Development for June 2019 and reflect changes since April 2019.

JUNE 2019 DATA

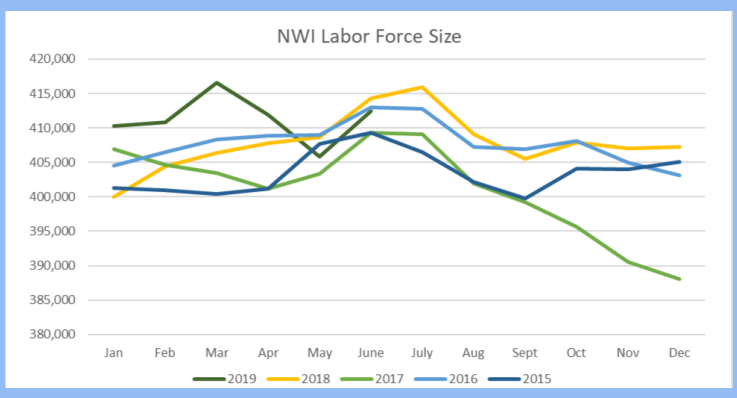
Unemployment Rate increased to **4.2%**

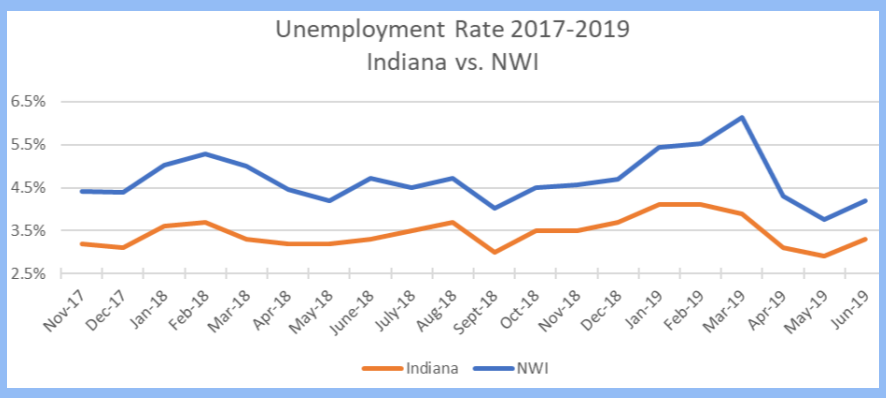
Labor Force increased by **6,516**

Employment increased by **4,460**

Largest Gain Construction **+500** jobs

Largest Decline Local Government Education Services **-200** jobs





	Jun- 19	May - 19	Apr- 19	Jun - 18	Change	
					Month	Year
LABOR FORCE	412,400	405,884	411,915	414,263	6,516	-1,863
EMPLOYED	395,103	390,643	394,183	394,738	4,460	920
UNEMPLOYED	17,297	15,241	17,732	19,525	2,056	-2,228

The latest data for Northwest Indiana (June 2019) shows that while our region's labor force and employed population grew from the previous month, the unemployed population and unemployment rate rose as well. Compared to the previous year, the region's unemployment rate dropped by half of a percent to 4.2%. Over that same period, the regions labor force and employed population remained stable.

Looking more closely at industry employment, the construction industry experienced the largest employment gain from the previous month, adding 500 workers or 2.4%. Since June 2018, construction employment in the region is 3.4% higher.

Local government education services employment suffered the largest employment decline, with total employment dropping by 1,800. This nearly ten percent decline, however, appears only to show the seasonal nature of this industry. Compared to the previous year, local government education services employment is up three percent.

Until next month,

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Data source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development via Hoosiers by the Numbers. For more labor market information, contact the research department at the Center of Workforce Innovations at 219-462-2940 or visit www.innovativeworkforce.com.