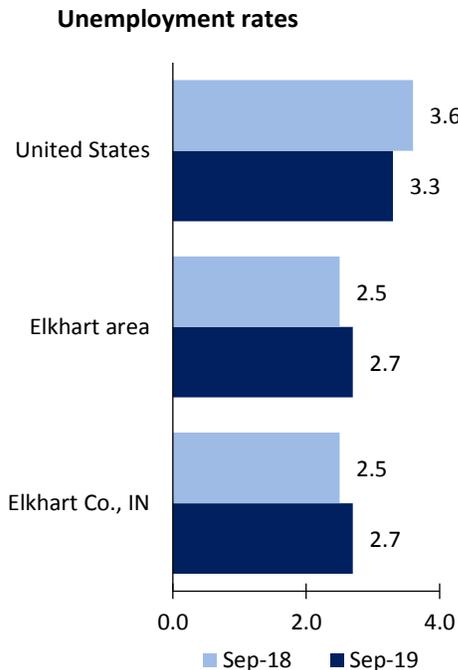


# Elkhart Area Economic Summary

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This summary presents a sampling of economic information for the area; supplemental data are provided for regions and the nation. Subjects include **unemployment, employment, wages, prices, spending, and benefits**. All data are not seasonally adjusted and some may be subject to revision. Area definitions may differ by subject. For more area summaries and geographic definitions, see [www.bls.gov/regions/economic-summaries.htm](http://www.bls.gov/regions/economic-summaries.htm).

Unemployment rates for the Elkhart Area, selected area counties, and the nation

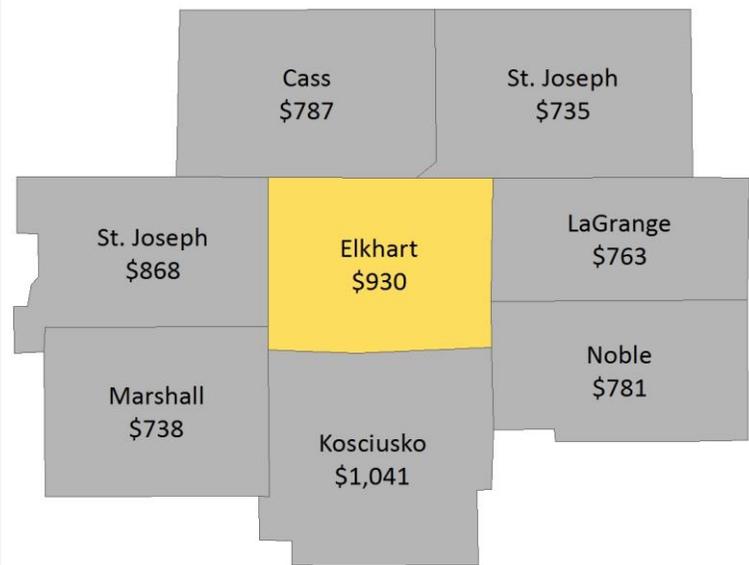


Source: U.S. BLS, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

Average weekly wages for all industries by county

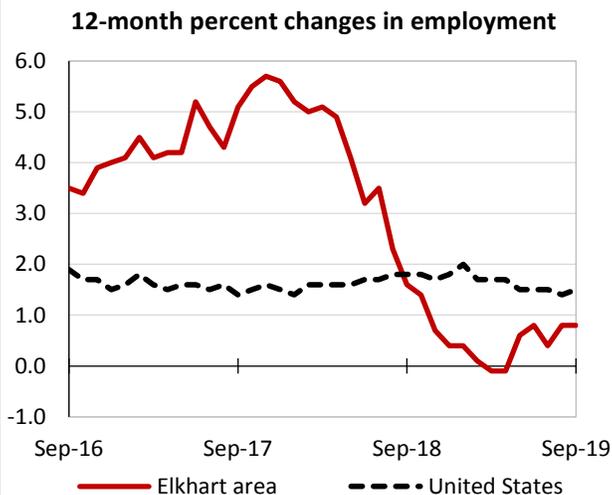
Elkhart area, first quarter 2019

(U.S. = \$1,184; Area = \$930)



Source: U.S. BLS, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages.

Over-the-year changes in employment on nonfarm payrolls and employment by major industry sector



Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

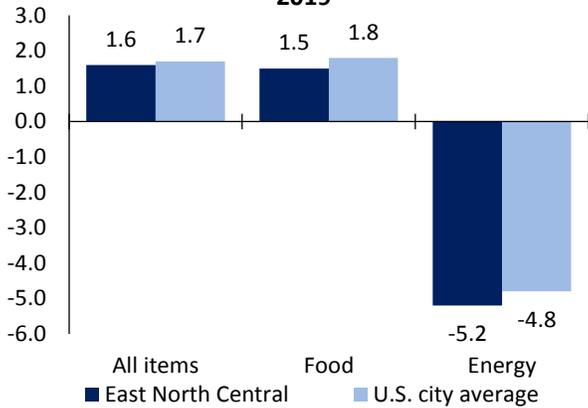
Elkhart area employment (number in thousands)	Sep. 2019	Change from Sep. 2018 to Sep. 2019	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	143.4	1.2	0.8
Mining, logging, and construction	4.4	0.3	7.3
Manufacturing	70.5	0.8	1.1
Trade, transportation, and utilities	20.5	-0.2	-1.0
Information	0.4	0.0	0.0
Financial activities	3.0	0.0	0.0
Professional and business services	11.3	0.6	5.6
Education and health services	12.3	-0.1	-0.8
Leisure and hospitality	8.3	0.2	2.5
Other services	4.2	0.1	2.4
Government	8.5	-0.5	-5.6

Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.



Over-the-year change in the prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories

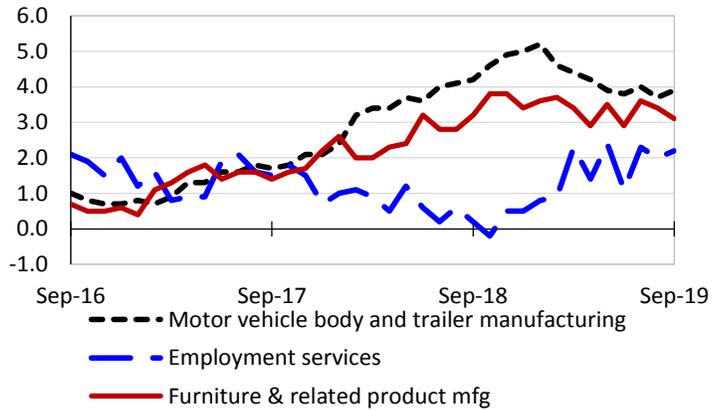
12-month percent change in CPI-U, September 2019



Source: U.S. BLS, Consumer Price Index.

Over-the-year changes in the selling prices received by producers for selected industries nationwide

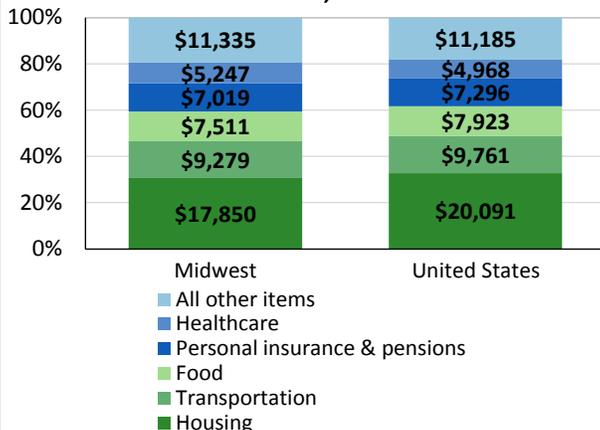
12-month percent changes in PPI



Source: U.S. BLS, Producer Price Index.

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

Average annual expenditures, United States and Midwest, 2018



Source: U.S. BLS, Consumer Expenditure Survey.

Average hourly wages for selected occupations

Occupation	Elkhart area	United States
All occupations	\$20.98	\$24.98
Sales managers	58.71	67.46
Industrial production managers	46.62	54.51
Assemblers and fabricators, all other, including team assemblers	21.84	16.48
Maintenance and repair workers, general	20.03	19.72
Shipping, receiving, and traffic clerks	16.54	16.82
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand	14.29	14.85

Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment Statistics, May 2018.

Employer costs per hour worked for wages and selected employee benefits by geographic division

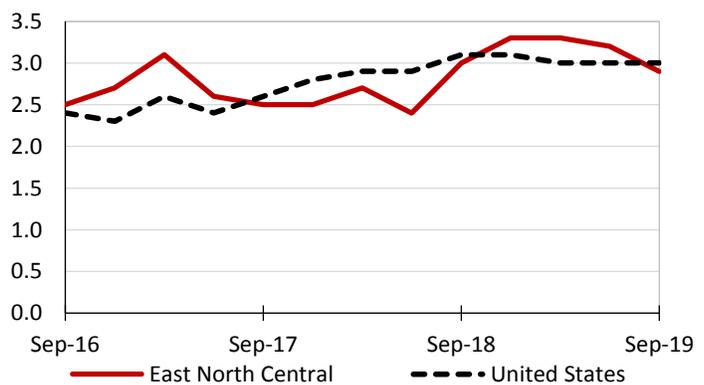
Private industry, June 2019	West North Central	United States
Total compensation	\$31.37	\$34.44
Wages and salaries	21.90	24.14
Total benefits	9.47	10.30
Paid leave	2.17	2.47
Vacation	1.16	1.27
Supplemental pay	1.02	1.11
Insurance	2.71	2.76
Retirement and savings	1.11	1.31
Legally required benefits	2.47	2.66

(1) The states that compose the West North Central census division are: IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, and SD.

Source: U.S. BLS, Employer Costs for Employee Compensation.

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries

12-month percent changes in ECI



Source: U.S. BLS, Employment Cost Index.