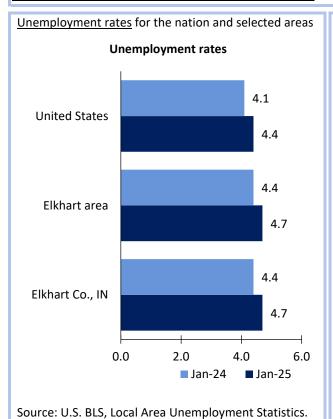
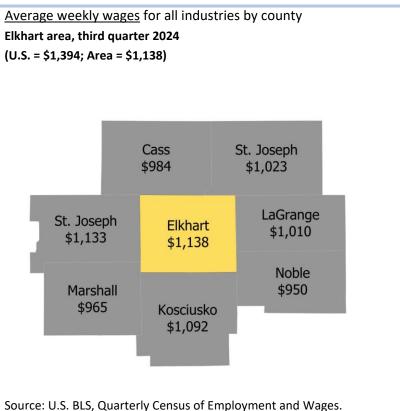
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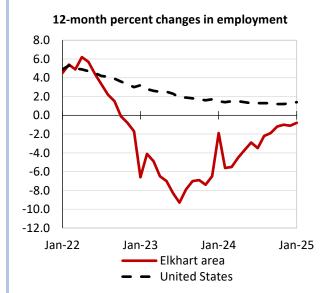
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This summary presents a sampling of economic information for the area; supplemental data are provided for regions and the nation. Subjects include unemployment, employment, wages, prices, spending, and benefits. All data are not seasonally adjusted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





Employment on nonfarm payrolls and employment by major industry sector, over-the-year changes

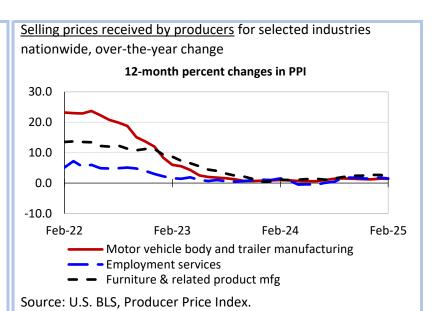


Elkhart area employment (number in thousands)	Jan. 2025	Change from Jan. 2024 to Jan. 2025	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	130.0	-1.1	-0.8
Mining, logging, and construction	4.2	0.0	0.0
Manufacturing	60.1	-1.6	-2.6
Trade, transportation, and utilities	20.2	-0.1	-0.5
Information	0.6	0.1	20.0
Financial activities	3.1	0.0	0.0
Professional and business services	9.5	0.0	0.0
Education and health services	12.3	0.3	2.5
Leisure and hospitality	6.8	0.0	0.0
Other services	4.3	0.1	2.4
Government	8.9	0.1	1.1

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



Prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories, over-the-year change 12-month percent change in CPI-U, February 2025 4.0 3.1 2.8 2.6 3.0 1.9 2.0 1.0 0.0 -1.0 -0.9 -2.0 All items Food Energy ■ East North Central ■ U.S. city average



<u>Average annual spending</u> and percent distribution for selected categories

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

Average annual expenditures, 2023 \$72,575 \$77,280 100% ■ All other items \$21,720 \$22,526 80% Healthcare \$6,159 \$6,588 60% \$9,985 \$9,627 Food \$13,174 40% \$12,517 ■ Transportation 20% \$22.123 \$25,436 ■ Housing 0% Midwest **United States**

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

Average hourly wages for selected occupations, May 2023

Occupation	Elkhart area	United States
All occupations	\$26.27	\$31.48
Sales managers	70.30	75.77
Industrial production managers	50.15	60.53
Industrial engineers	39.45	49.59
Maintenance and repair workers, general	25.55	23.87
Shipping, receiving, and inventory clerks	23.48	20.54
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand	20.23	19.12

Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics

<u>Employer costs</u> per hour worked for wages and selected employee benefits by geographic division

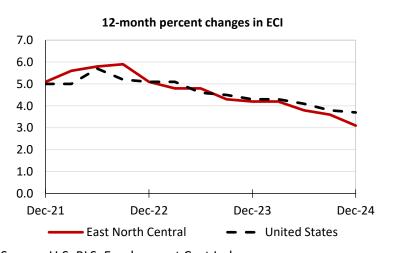
Private industry,	East North	United
December 2024	Central	States
Total compensation	\$42.07	\$44.67
Wages and salaries	29.08	31.47
Total benefits	12.99	13.20
Paid leave	3.04	3.38
Vacation	1.54	1.71
Supplemental pay	2.00	1.84
Insurance	3.34	3.22
Retirement and savings	1.60	1.52
Legally required benefits	3.02	3.24

Map of Census Regions and Divisions

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

Compensation.

Changes in wages and salaries over-the-year



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

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