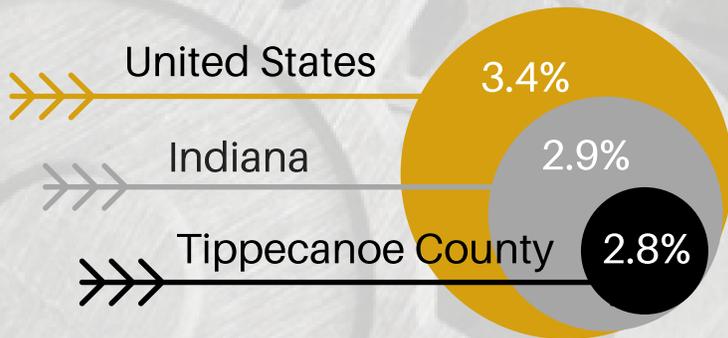


HIGHLIGHTS

The Greater Lafayette Community has a back bone of Purdue University, but a heart of advanced manufacturing. The top employer is in fact Purdue, but when it comes to industry wide there is no comparison to the amount of jobs supported by our large manufacturers; all the way down to our smallest. These companies and their innovations are driving this area into the future.

Unemployment

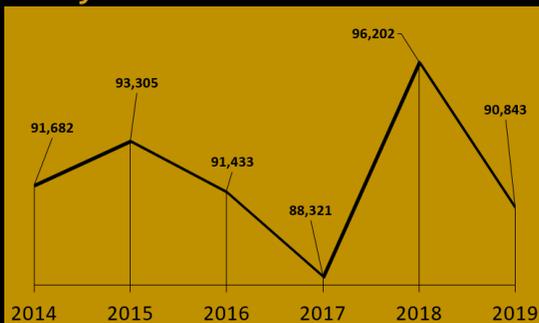
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Top Economic News

- TippecanoeNews: SDI Innovations of Lafayette acquires Colorado-based Action Agendas
- Subaru of Indiana Automotive celebrates its 4 millionth vehicle to roll off the line
- Purdue-developed technology that helps visually impaired 'see' digital images to be presented on Capitol Hill
- Alabama-based manufacturer building new R&D facility in Montgomery County
- \$550M and counting in development near Purdue since State St. overhaul; here's a scorecard

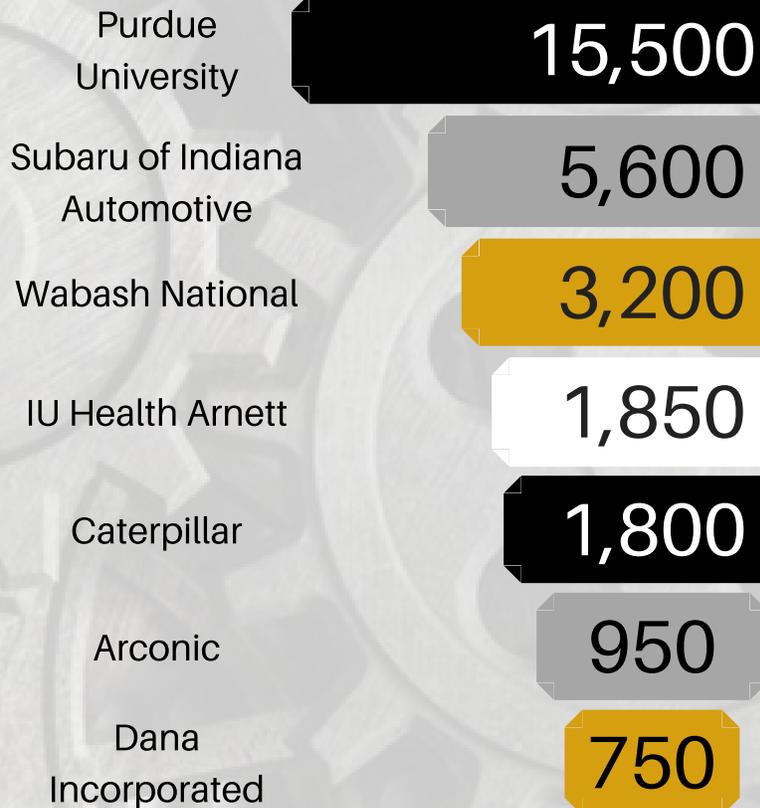
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\*Data sourced from FRED Economic Data, and Region 4 Workforce Board

## Largest Employers

Some of the nation's leading employers are right here in our community. They are creating more jobs opportunities, great work environments and a more stable economy. All the while attracting even more companies and industries to this region.



## Advanced Manufacturing

Advanced manufacturing has been growing statewide, but in Greater Lafayette it is flourishing. Our manufacturers are expanding rapidly. Creating the constant need for more workforce, which is driving this community forward. Manufacturing is not the same as it used to be many decades ago. The manufacturing of today is clean, lean, and pristine. Our companies are not only making new and innovative products, they are developing new technologies and simplified processes by which to do so. These innovations in robotics, lean manufacturing, and overall quality and safety are changing the way we view manufacturing. Companies like Subaru of Indiana Automotive, Dana Incorporated, Wabash National, and Caterpillar, who sell products all over the world are showing them how far we have truly come in this industry. They are showing us that automation and reducing process waste isn't the downfall of workforce; rather it's skill enhancement of the labor pool. Our manufacturers greatest achievements are yet to come. When they do, they will pave the way for the next generation of advanced manufacturing.