## The Status of Working **Families** in Indiana 2009

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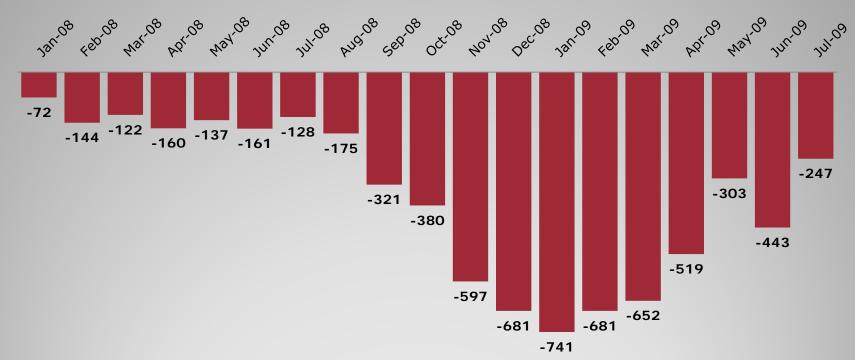
- State-level analysis of economic trends facing Indiana's working families
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## Status of Working Families

- Housing bubble burst
- December 2007 recession begins
- January 2008 national employment numbers began to fall
- 3 million jobs lost in 2008
- July 2009, 6.6 million Americans jobless.

### The National Recession



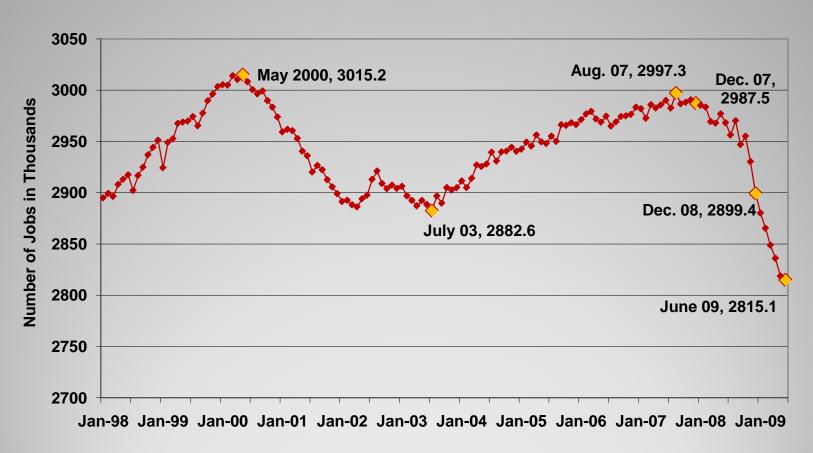


## **National Employment**

- Job Loss
- Rising Unemployment
- Loss of Wages
- Loss of Income
- Rising Poverty Rate
- Rising Asset Poverty Rate

### Recession's effects on Indiana

#### Total Nonfarm Employment, Indiana, January 1998-June 2009

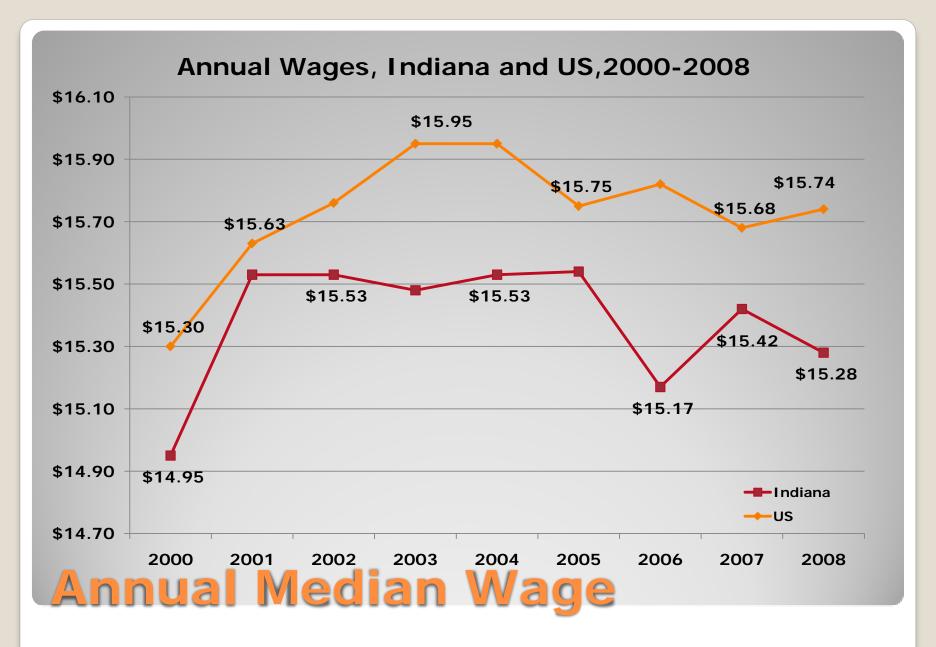


## **Indiana Nonfarm Employment**





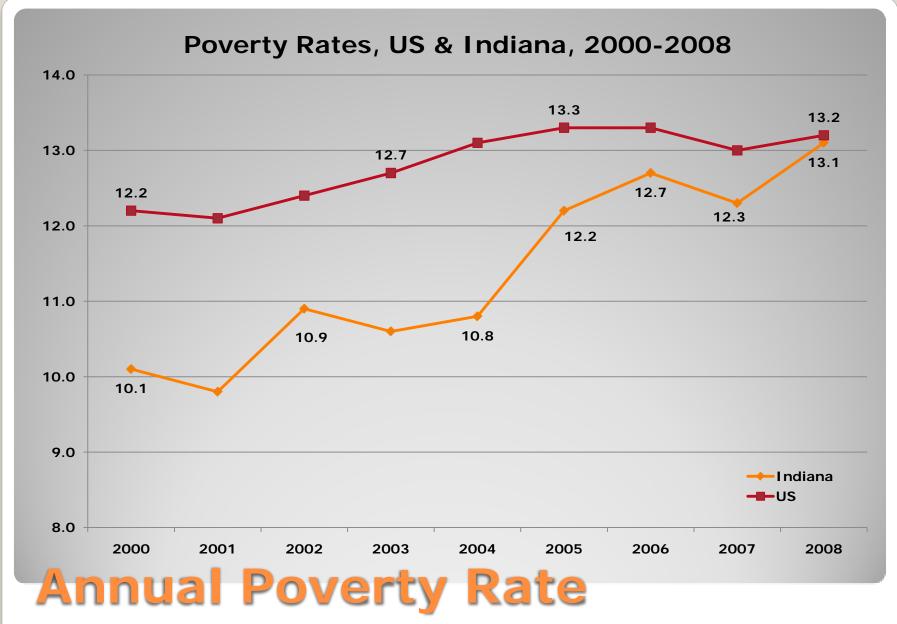
**Hoosier Unemployment Rate** 



## Annual Median Household Income, US & Indiana, 2000-2008



### Annual Median Household Income



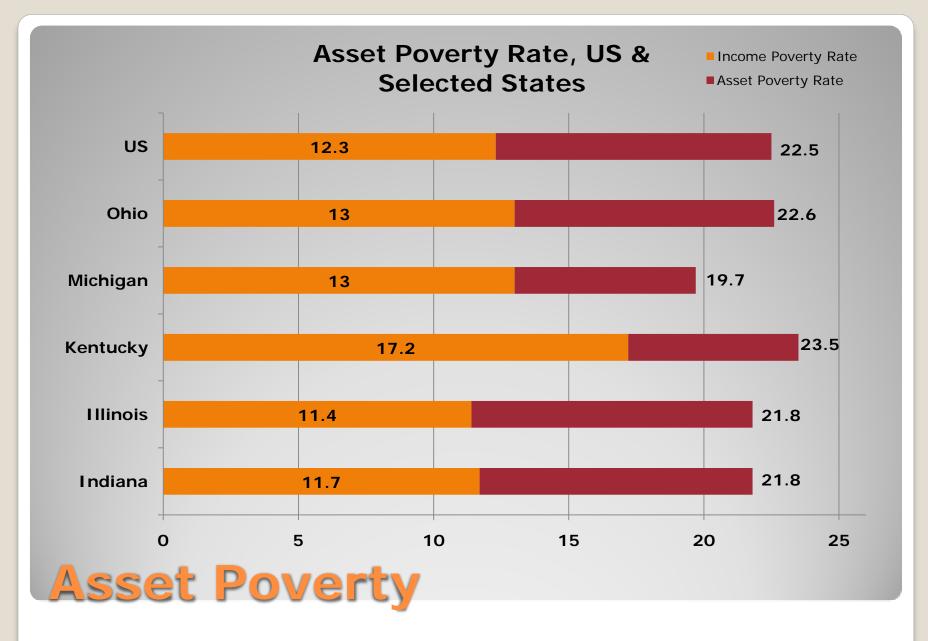
 Insufficient net worth to subsist at the FPG for three months in the absence of income.

- FPG 2009= \$22,050 Annually
  - Monthly Income = \$1,838
- Three months at FPG= \$5,514

## **Asset Poverty**

- Extreme asset poverty is the measure of households with zero or negative net worth
- Together, asset poverty and extreme asset poverty measures reveal how leveraged and vulnerable households may be, regardless of their earnings.

## **Asset Poverty**



- Job opportunities, wages, and incomes have declined for Indiana's working families
- Poverty and asset poverty rates have increased
- More people are living in poverty today than in 2008
- The full effects of the recession are yet to be seen

# Status of Indiana's Working Families

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## **Local Perspective**

- Expected Release November
- Indiana's economy and shifting economic base
- Composition of Indiana's labor force
- Poverty rates and access to safety net of social services
- Recommendations to improve economic conditions for Indiana's working families

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