



ADAMS COUNTY



Adams County, which shares its eastern border with Ohio, is located just south of Allen County in Northeast Indiana. The county has four incorporated cities: Monroe, Berne, Geneva and the county seat of Decatur. Four Indiana state roads, three U.S. routes and one railroad line traverse the county. With a large list of major employers in the food-processing industry, including Red Gold Products and Bunge North America, Adams County's main industry supports the food-processing value chain with diverse agribusiness and food-ingredient companies.

COMMUNITY ASSETS & ACCOLADES

- Centrally located between several larger communities with easy access via I-469, I-69, and U.S. Highways 27, 33 and 224
- Home to significant Amish population, as well as a prevalent Swiss Heritage as seen through local architecture
- Artwork fills the streets as the home to the Decatur Sculpture Tour launched in collaboration with renowned artist Greg Mendez, the City of Decatur and the public library
- Decatur recognized in Site Selection Magazine's list of the Top Micropolitans for its outstanding growth and momentum



ADAMS COUNTY TALENT MADE BETTER

POPULATION¹

Total Population, 2021	35,961
% Change 2016:2021	2.1%
Median Age, 2021	33.5

LABOR FORCE

Labor Force, May 2022 ²	16,995
Median Household Income, 2020 ¹	\$58,602
% of Population Ages 20-64, 2021 ¹	50.1%
60-Mile Radius Labor Force, 2021 ³	752,840

EDUCATION SYSTEMS

School Districts ⁴	3
Total Number of Students, 2022 ⁵	4,706
High Schools, 2022 ⁴	3
Middle Schools, 2022 ⁴	3
Elementary Schools, 2022 ⁴	3
Regional Colleges & Universities ⁶	10
Approx. Regional Enrollment, Fall 2021 ^{6,7}	36,390

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT¹



< Grade 9
9.9%



Grade 9-12
5.0%



High School
42.1%



Some College
18.1%



Assoc Degree
9.9%



Bach Degree
10.4%



Grad Degree
4.5%



"The Porter Family has been building boats in Adams County, Indiana since 1958. The Porter Family has operated manufacturing facilities in several other states, but chose to consolidate operations in Adams County in 1988 because it is a great place for manufacturing high-quality products in a manufacturing-friendly environment. We enjoy great education from the three school districts located here. We are also supported by excellent local and regional hospitals. The local support is first class. Adams County and the greater surrounding counties that we draw team members from are rural in feel and still enjoy an excellent work ethic. **Formula Boats is expanding and looks forward to being a partner in the Adams County economy for years to come.**"

Scott D. Porter | President
Formula Boats

ACCESSIBILITY⁹

Nearest MSA	Fort Wayne, 15 miles
Nearest International Airport	Fort Wayne International Airport (FWA), 15 miles
Airport Runway Length	11,981 feet
Distance to Interstate	14 miles
Nearest Port	Port of Indiana - Burns Harbor, 155 miles
Foreign Trade Zone Availability	FTZ-182

UTILITIES⁹



Indiana Michigan Power, Heartland REMC, Jay County REMC, Paulding Putnam REMC



Most of the cities and towns in Adams County provide water, sanitary and storm sewer



NIPSCO



Comcast, Community Fiber Solutions, Craigville Telephone, Lumen, Mediacom

Sources

¹ U.S. Census Bureau

⁶ National Center for Education Statistics

² U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

⁷ Ivy Tech Community College

³ Hoosiers by the Numbers

⁸ Indiana Economic Development Corporation

⁴ Indiana Department of Education

⁹ Adams County Economic Development Corp.

⁵ STATS Indiana

MAJOR EMPLOYERS⁹



COUNTRIES PRESENT IN COUNTY⁸



TARGET INDUSTRIES⁹

- Advanced Manufacturing
- Distribution & E-Commerce
- Food & Agriculture
- RV, Boat & Automotive
- Technology & Data

INCENTIVES⁹

» State Incentives

- Community Revitalization Enhancement District Tax Credit (CReED)
- Data Center Sales Tax Exemption
- Economic Development for a Growing Economy Credit (EDGE)
- Headquarters Relocation Tax Credit (HRTC)
- Hoosier Business Investment Tax Credit (HBI)
- Industrial Development Grant Fund
- Patent Income Tax Exemption
- Research & Development Incentives
- Skills Enhancement Fund (SEF)
- Venture Capital Investment Tax Credit (VCI)

» Tax Abatement

» Northeast Indiana Works

» Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)

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