

NOBLE COUNTY



Noble County is not only home to large industries, including manufacturing and agriculture, but it also welcomes innovative entrepreneurs, small businesses and remote workers. In Noble County, businesses benefit from easy access to a transportation infrastructure through which products can be shipped by air, rail or highway, and an education system dedicated to instilling the in-demand technical skills needed to meet Industry 4.0 workplace needs.

COMMUNITY ASSETS & ACCOLADES

- Dedicated to teaching critical Industry 4.0 skills from childhood to adult, made possible by the iSMART Lab featuring mechatronics, industrial controls, industrial robotic operations and programming, smart factory communications systems and smart sensors that manage the Industrial Internet of Things
- Home to over 40 murals scattered throughout the county, demonstrating its commitment to public art
- Over 1,600 students enrolled in high school career and technical education programs
- Home to adult education and workforce certification providers
- Home to 117 lakes, 26 DNR public access boat launches, incredible kayaking opportunities and over 30 miles of trails









NOBLE COUNTY TALENT MADE BETTER

POPULATION1

Total Population, 2021	47,227
Median Age, 2021	39.4

LABOR FORCE

Labor Force, May 2022 ²	21,464
Median Household Income, 2020 ¹	\$62,173
% of Population Ages 20-64, 2021 ¹	56.4%
60-Mile Radius Labor Force, 2021 ³	960.160

EDUCATION SYSTEMS

School Districts ⁴	3
Total Number of Students, 2022 ⁵	7,125
High Schools, 2022 ⁴	5
Middle Schools, 2022 ⁴	5
Elementary Schools, 2022 ⁴	10
Regional Colleges & Universities ⁶	10
Approx. Regional Enrollment, Fall 2021 ^{6,7} 36	

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT¹



< Grade 9 **8.7%**



Grade 9-12 **7.4%**



de 9-12 High School **4% 39.9%**



Some College **20%**



ge Assoc Degree **8.5%**



Bach Degree 10.9%



Grad Degree **4.5%**



NOBLE COUNTY BUSINESS CLIMATE MADE BETTER

"For Airframe Components, Noble County is the perfect place to build and grow my business for many reasons. I enjoy the quality of life that offers a low cost of living and affordable housing. County government is business-friendly and is constantly seeking to support and attract business rather than stifle it. Geographically, the county is centrally located in the U.S. and is only a short drive to Chicago, Detroit and Indianapolis. And finally, Noble County is close to two major interstates, which provides easy access for exports that we ship worldwide. Overall, Noble County offers everything that we need to grow and be successful."

Roy Williams | Owner

Airframe Components

MAJOR EMPLOYERS9













COUNTRIES PRESENT IN COUNTY®







ACCESSIBILITY9

Nearest MSA	Fort Wayne, 30 miles
Nearest International Airport	Fort Wayne International Airport (FWA), 35 miles
Airport Runway Length	11,981 feet
Local Airport	Kendallville Municipal Airport
Local Airport Runway Length	4,400 feet, plus heated year-round hangar
Distance to Interstate	15 miles
Nearest Port	Port of Indiana - Burns Harbor, 98 miles
Foreign Trade Zone Availability	FTZ-182

UTILITIES9



Indiana Michigan Power, Municipal Electric Department (Avilla and Columbia City), NIPSCO, Noble REMC, Northeastern REMC, LaGrange County REMC



The cities and towns in Noble County provide water, sanitary and storm sewer



NIPSCO



Comcast, Frontier, Lumen, Mediacom, LigTel

TARGET INDUSTRIES9

- Advanced Materials
- Automotive Supply
- Food & Agriculture
- Medical Device
- Small Business/Entrepreneurism
- Technology

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)
- » Investment Trust Fund (ITF) for infrastructure
- » Northeast Indiana Works Employer Services
- » Tax Abatement
- » Energy Credits
- » Tax Increment Financing (TIF)

Sources

¹ U.S. Census Bureau

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⁶ National Center for Education Statistics

² U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

⁷ Ivy Tech Community College

³ Hoosiers by the Numbers

 $^{\it s}$ Indiana Economic Development Corporation

⁴ Indiana Department of Education

³ Be Noble Inc.

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