

Economic Indicators							
For the 4th Quarter of 2006							
	Dec. '06	Nov. '06	Oct. '06	Quarter Totals	Year to Date	4th Quarter '05	% Change From '05
City Data							
Building Permits Issued	31	61	57	149	811	176	-15%
Value of Residential Building Permits	\$84,040	\$826,991	\$540,798	\$1,451,829	\$6,505,485	\$1,426,925	2%
Value of Commercial Permits	\$14,991	\$742,557	\$1,219,967	\$1,977,515	\$11,616,423	\$11,198,593	-82%
County Data							
Building Permits Issued	44	106	108	258	1377		
Value of Residential Building Permits	\$663,511	\$963,709	\$4,506,684	\$6,133,904	\$52,370,546		
Value of Commercial Permits	\$54,000	\$236,740	\$12,876,565	\$13,167,305	\$16,420,468		
Unemployment							
New Housing Starts	0	3	1	4	27	6	-33%
Value of New Housing Starts	\$0	\$340,000	\$144,875	\$484,875	\$2,608,375	\$635,000	-24%
Unemployment % LP County	5.50%	4.90%	4.90%	5.10% (AVG)	5.50% (AVG)	5.73 % (AVG)	-4.01%
Unemployment % Indiana	4.70%	4.50%	4.60%	4.60% (AVG)	4.89% (AVG)	5.10 % (AVG)	-4.12%
Unemployment % Indiana (SA)	4.80%	4.80%	5.00%	4.87% (AVG)	4.95% (AVG)	4.87 % (AVG)	1.60%
Labor Force	55,036	54,691	55,163	54,963 (AVG)	54,802 (AVG)	53,601 (AVG)	2.20%
Employed Workers	52,027	52,028	52,438	52,164 (AVG)	51,795 (AVG)	50,535 (AVG)	2.43%
La Porte Company Data							
	FT Emp.	PT Emp.	Seasonal	FT Emp. 4/1/05	PT Emp. 4/1/05	Seasonal 4/1/05	% Change Full Time
Accurate Castings	51	1	0	53	0	0	-4%
American Licorice	105	0	35	15	0	0	NC
American Renolit	171	15	0	176	19	0	-3%
American Signature	168	2	0	157.5	1	0	6%
B and B Manufacturing	70	0	0	43	0	0	39%
Casting Service	318	0	0	274	0	1	14%
Howmet	620	13	0	550	13	0	11%
Kingsbury Castings Division	66	0	0	70	0	0	-6%
New York Blower	326	0	0	311	0	0	5%
Packaging Logic	48	1	0	46	2	1	4%
Screw Machine	70	1	0	70	0	0	NC

Wage Data	2nd Qtr. '06	1st Qtr. '06	4th Qtr. '05	3rd Qtr. '05	2nd Qtr. '05	1st Quarter '05	% Change 2nd Qtr.
Average Weekly Earnings (County)	\$598.00	\$600.00	\$610.00	\$598.00	\$577.00	\$573.00	3.50%
Average Weekly Earnings (Indiana)	\$684.00	\$717.00	\$700.00	\$684.00	\$659.00	\$662.00	3.70%
Average Yearly Earnings (County)	\$31,096	\$31,200	\$31,720	\$31,096	\$30,004	\$29,796	3.50%
Average Yearly Earnings (Indiana)	\$35,568	\$37,284	\$36,400	\$35,568	\$34,268	\$34,424	3.70%