

Economic Indicators							
For the Second Quarter 2006							
	June '06	May '06	April '06	Quarter Totals	Year to Date	2nd Quarter '05	% Change From '05
City Data							
Building Permits Issued	101	90	84	275	416	225	18.20%
Value of Residential Building Permits	\$482,314	\$820,266	\$995,301	\$2,297,881	\$3,732,971	\$1,750,584	23.80%
Value of Commercial Permits	\$2,384,553	\$127,250	\$1,355,153	\$3,866,956	\$8,177,486	\$3,486,525	9.84%
County Data							
Building Permits Issued	155	137	147	439	693		
Value of Residential Building Permits	\$6,044,224	\$4,954,136	\$6,696,494	\$17,694,854	\$29,305,614		
Value of Commercial Permits	\$1,347,987	\$322,500	\$232,200	\$1,902,687	\$2,562,563		
New Housing Starts	34	36	37	107	169		
Value of New Housing Starts	\$4,658,170	\$4,019,811	\$5,564,412	\$14,242,393	\$23,971,648		
Unemployment							
Unemployment % LP County	5.60%	5.50%	5.60%	5.57% (AVG)	6.09% (AVG)	5.73% (AVG)	-0.16%
Unemployment % Indiana	5.10%	4.80%	4.80%	4.90% (AVG)	5.20% (AVG)	5.20% (AVG)	-0.30%
Unemployment % Indiana (SA)	5.20%	4.60%	4.70%	4.83% (AVG)	4.87% (AVG)	5.10% (AVG)	-0.27%
Labor Force	55,380	54,937	54,433	54,916 (AVG)	54,597 (AVG)	53,489 (AVG)	2.60%
Employed Workers	52,290	51,910	51,368	51,856 (AVG)	51,283 (AVG)	50,432 (AVG)	2.75%
Unemployment Claims (County)	549	572	526	1647	3350		
							% Change
La Porte Company Data	FT Emp.	PT Emp.	Seasonal	FT Emp. 4/1/05	PT Emp. 4/1/05	Seasonal 4/1/05	Full Time
Accurate Castings	51	0	0	51	0	0	NC
American Licorice	103	0	0	15	0	0	85.44%
American Renolit	180	20	0	176	19	0	2.22%
American Signature	143	2	0	157.5	1	0	-9.21%
B and B Manufacturing	64	0	0	43	0	0	32.81%
Casting Service	290	0	7	274	0	1	5.52%
Howmet	620	13	0	550	13	0	11.29%
HRR Enterprises	30	1	0	30	1	0	NC
Kingsbury Castings Division	65	0	0	70	0	0	-7.14%
Packaging Logic	45	1	3	46	2	1	-2.17%

Screw Machine	70	0	0	70	0	0	NC
							% Change
Wage Data	4th Qtr. '05	3rd Qtr. '05	2nd Qtr. '05	1st Quarter '05	4th Quarter '04	3rd Quarter '04	4th Qtr.
Average Weekly Earnings (County)	\$610.00	\$598.00	\$577.00	\$573.00	\$618.00	\$569.00	-1.29%
Average Weekly Earnings (Indiana)	\$700.00	\$684.00	\$659.00	\$662.00	\$702.00	\$650.00	-0.28%
Average Yearly Earnings (County)	\$31,720	\$31,096	\$30,004	\$29,796	\$32,126	\$29,588	-1.26%
Average Yearly Earnings (Indiana)	\$36,400	\$35,568	\$34,268	\$34,424	\$36,504	\$33,800	-0.28%