County-level income data for 2001 show that the highest per capita personal incomes (PCPI) are concentrated around Indianapolis (see Figure 1). Hamilton County led the pack at $42,791, more than $15,000 above the state average, followed by Boone County at $37,008. Switzerland County had the lowest PCPI with $17,495, followed by Starke County at $17,805.

Annual growth in personal income averaged 7 percent each year between 1969 and 2001 (see Figure 2). The slowest growing area was Benton County at 5.3 percent, while Hamilton (11.9 percent) and Hendricks (9.3 percent) led the state.