




# Promote initiatives and policies to ensure healthy living, sustainability, quality of life, and prosperity.

<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Life Expectancy</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b>	NWI residents who live longer will be able to enjoy a higher quality of life for a longer time and boost the Region's economy, while putting less stress on healthcare costs.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Life Expectancy from healthdata.org
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Life Expectancy: 77.1 years
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	Increase 
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	US Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, medical insurance providers, Indiana State Department of Health, residents, medical and care providers


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<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Premature deaths per 100k</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b>	A Region with a lower premature death rate is a Region with healthier residents who enjoy a higher quality of life and put less strain on healthcare costs.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Premature deaths per 100k from indianaindicators.org
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Premature deaths per 100k: 404
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	Decrease 
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	US Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, medical insurance providers, Indiana State Department of Health, residents, medical and care providers

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<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Percent adults reporting physical inactivity</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b>	A more active NWI is a Region where residents, workers, and visitors get more opportunities to explore the Region's assets and enjoy a higher quality of life while doing so.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Percent adults reporting physical inactivity from indianaindicators.org
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Percent adults reporting physical inactivity: 27.9%
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	Decrease 
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	US Department of Health and Human Services, medical insurance providers, Indiana State Department of Health, residents, medical and care providers, active transportation organizations

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<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Number of poor mental health days per month</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b>	A Region experiencing fewer poor mental health days per month is a Region where residents, workers, and visitors enjoy a higher quality of life and are more able to interact with other residents, workers, and visitors.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Number of poor mental health days per month from indianaindicators.org
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Number of poor mental health days per month: 4.1
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	Decrease 
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	US Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, medical insurance providers, Indiana State Department of Health, residents, medical and care providers

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**What is the performance measure?** **Total Tons Recycled**

**Why is the measure important?** A Region where more waste is recycled is a Region where residents, workers, and visitors experience a higher quality of life, better steward resources for future generations, and make less impact on the environment.

**What is the scope of analysis?** Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together

**What data/analysis is needed?** Total tons recycled from county solid waste management districts

**What is happening today?** Total Tons Recycled: 90,003.44

**What is the targeted performance?** Increase 

**Who could help achieve the targets?** US Environmental Protection Agency, IDEM, Indiana Recycling Coalition, NIRPC, county solid waste management districts, municipal and county governments, residents, employers, developers

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**What is the performance measure?** **Median household income in 2017 \$**

**Why is the measure important?** NWI households that earn a higher income will be less likely to fall into poverty and homelessness and more likely to achieve life goals, ultimately benefiting the Region's economy and quality of life.

**What is the scope of analysis?** Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together


**What data/analysis is needed?** Median Household Income from US Census Bureau, CPI Inflation Calculator from the Bureau of Labor Statistics

**What is happening today?** Median Household Income in 2017 \$: \$55,080


**What is the targeted performance?** Increase 

**Who could help achieve the targets?** US Department of Commerce, US Department of Labor, Indiana Economic Development Corporation, banks/financial institutions, educational institutions, residents, employers

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<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Percent of energy produced from non-fossil fuel sources</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b>	A Region powered by higher percentages of energy from non-fossil fuel sources is a Region more resilient and less susceptible to volatile spikes in fossil fuel prices and with a lower impact on the environment with better air and water quality.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Net Summer Capacity (MW) from US Energy Information Administration US Energy Mapping System
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Percent of energy produced from non-fossil fuel sources: 0.64%
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	Increase 
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	US Environmental Protection Agency, IDEM, Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission, NIPSCO, NIRPC, municipal and county governments, residents, employers


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<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Annual tourism spending in 2017 \$</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b>	A Region with more tourism spending is a Region that better attracts visitors, boosting the local economy and therefore raising quality of life for residents and workers, and increases the chance those visitors will one day become residents or workers.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Annual tourism spending from county convention and visitors bureaus
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Annual tourism spending in 2017 \$: \$1.7 billion
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	Increase 
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	US Department of the Interior, US Department of Transportation, INDOT, transit agencies, NIRPC, South Shore Convention and Visitors Authority, Indiana Dunes Tourism, LaPorte County Convention and Visitors Bureau, residents, employers

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<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Total Tons Recycled</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b>	A Region where more waste is recycled is a Region where residents, workers, and visitors experience a higher quality of life, better steward resources for future generations, and make less impact on the environment.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Total tons recycled from county solid waste management districts
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Total Tons Recycled: 90,003.44
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	Increase 
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	US Environmental Protection Agency, IDEM, Indiana Recycling Coalition, NIRPC, county solid waste management districts, municipal and county governments, residents, employers, developers

<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Water Use per Capita</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b>	NWI residents, workers, and visitors who better conserve water will help the Region be more resilient to Climate Change, allow other residents, workers, and visitors to better enjoy water resources, and preserve water resources for future generations.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Population from US Census Bureau, Water Use from US Geological Survey
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Water Use per Capita (gallons/person): 2,696.7
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	Decrease 
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	US Environmental Protection Agency, IDEM, Lake Michigan Coastal Program, Calumet Collaborative, Alliance for the Great Lakes, NIRPC, municipal and county governments, residents, employers, developers

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**What is the performance measure?**

**Number of LEED-certified buildings**

**Why is the measure important?**

A Region with more LEED-certified buildings is a Region where more of the built environment is built to the best energy efficiency and lowest environmental impact standards, improving quality of life and increasing resiliency.

**What is the scope of analysis?**

Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together

**What data/analysis is needed?**

Number of LEED-certified buildings from US Green Building Council

**What is happening today?**

Number of LEED-certified buildings: 40

**What is the targeted performance?**

Increase



**Who could help achieve the targets?**

US Environmental Protection Agency, US Green Building Council, IDEM, NIRPC, municipal and county governments, educational institutions, residents, employers, developers

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<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Number of trips made by Shared Mobility services</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b>	NWI residents, workers, and visitors who make more trips via shared mobility services (Uber, Lyft, bikeshare/scooter-share programs) will potentially be able to reach more NWI destinations while foregoing car ownership, with uncertain transit and congestion impacts.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Number of trips made by Shared Mobility services in future Household Travel Surveys/other mode studies
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Pending updated Household Travel Survey data
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	Increasing but depends on baseline from updated Household Travel Survey data
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	US Department of Transportation, INDOT, transit agencies, NIRPC, municipal and county governments, residents, employers, shared mobility providers

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<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Number of alternatively fueled/powered vehicles registered</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b>	A NWI Region with more alternatively fueled/powered vehicles is a Region more resilient to Climate Change and the volatility of fossil fuels with cleaner air for residents, workers, and visitors to enjoy.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Number of alternatively fueled/powered vehicles registered from South Shore Clean Cities and/or the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Data currently unavailable, however, identified as a strategy to build capacity for creating a regional data and analysis framework.
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	Target currently unavailable, however, identified as a strategy to build capacity for creating a regional data and analysis framework.
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	US Environmental Protection Agency, US Department of Transportation, IDEM, INDOT, NIRPC, NIPSCO, South Shore Clean Cities, municipal and county governments, residents, employers, automakers

## Adopt technological innovation that enhances the safe and fluid movement of people and goods to enable a flourishing economy.

**What is the performance measure?** Number of Connected or Automated Vehicles (CAVs) registered plus fleet size of CAVs licensed to operate in NW Indiana

**Why is the measure important?** NWI residents, workers, and visitors will stay safe on the Region's roads and highways while being more time productive while traveling, and younger and older Region residents, workers, and visitors will be able to use the Region's roads and highways.

**What is the scope of analysis?** Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together

**What data/analysis is needed?** Vehicle registrations from the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles when data becomes available

**What is happening today?** *Pending data availability from Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles.* Data currently unavailable, however, identified as a strategy to build capacity for creating a regional data and analysis framework.

**What is the targeted performance?** Increasing but depends on data availability from Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles

**Who could help achieve the targets?** US Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, INDOT, transit operators, NIRPC, municipal and county governments, residents, employers, shared mobility providers, automakers

## Adopt technological innovation that enhances the safe and fluid movement of people and goods to enable a flourishing economy.

**What is the performance measure?** Percent of person miles traveled on the Interstate that are reliable

**Why is the measure important?** NWI residents, workers, and visitors should be able to somewhat reliably plan how long a journey will take on the Region's Interstate Highways.

*Federally required*

**What is the scope of analysis?** Interstate Highways in Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together

**What data/analysis is needed?** Travel time from the National Performance Measure Research Data Set (NPMRDS), Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) from Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS), vehicle occupancy factors from US Department of Transportation

**What is happening today?** Percent of person miles traveled on the Interstate that are reliable: 83.0%

**What is the targeted performance?** 90.5% by 2019 and 92.8% by 2021 (statewide targets)

**Who could help achieve the targets?** US Department of Transportation, INDOT, Indiana Toll Road Concession Company, transit operators, NIRPC, freight carriers, motorists, employers, developers



## Adopt technological innovation that enhances the safe and fluid movement of people and goods to enable a flourishing economy.

**What is the performance measure?** Percent of person miles traveled on the non-Interstate NHS that are reliable

**Why is the measure important?** NWI residents, workers, and visitors should be able to somewhat reliably plan how long a journey will take on the Region's major roads and highways.

*Federally required*

**What is the scope of analysis?** Non-Interstate NHS routes in Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together

**What data/analysis is needed?** Travel time from the National Performance Measure Research Data Set (NPMRDS), Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) from Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS), vehicle occupancy factors from US Department of Transportation

**What is happening today?** Percent of person miles traveled on the non-Interstate NHS that are reliable: 95.0%

**What is the targeted performance?** 89.8% by 2021 (statewide target)

**Who could help achieve the targets?** US Department of Transportation, INDOT, Ports of Indiana, City of Gary, United Bridge Partners, NIRPC, freight carriers, motorists, employers, developers

## Adopt technological innovation that enhances the safe and fluid movement of people and goods to enable a flourishing economy.

**What is the performance measure?** Truck Travel Time Reliability Index (TTTRI)

**Why is the measure important?** Freight carriers and truckers should be able to somewhat reliably plan how long a journey will take on the Region's Interstate Highways.

*Federally required*

**What is the scope of analysis?** Interstate Highways in Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together

**What data/analysis is needed?** Travel time from the National Performance Measure Research Data Set (NPMRDS)

**What is happening today?** Truck Travel Time Reliability Index (TTTRI): 1.54 (1 is perfect reliability, higher is less reliable)


**What is the targeted performance?** 1.27 by 2019 and 1.24 by 2021 (statewide targets)

**Who could help achieve the targets?** US Department of Transportation, INDOT, Indiana Toll Road Concession Company, transit operators, NIRPC, freight carriers, motorists, employers, developers


# Adopt technological innovation that enhances the safe and fluid movement of people and goods to enable a flourishing economy.

<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Peak hours of excessive delay per capita in the Chicago, IL-IN Urbanized Area</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b> <i>Federally required</i>	A Chicago and NWI Region with fewer peak hours of excessive delay per capita is a Region where residents, workers, and visitors waste less time in traffic congestion.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	National Highway System (NHS) routes in the Chicago, IL-IN Urbanized Area (UZA)
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Travel time from the National Performance Measure Research Data Set (NPMRDS), Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) and speed limits from Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS), vehicle occupancy factors from US Department of Transportation
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Peak hours of excessive delay per capita in the Chicago, IL-IN Urbanized Area: 14.4
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	No more than 15.4 by 2021 (unified target for the entire Chicago, IL-IN Urbanized Area)
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	US Department of Transportation, Illinois Department of Transportation, INDOT, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, NIRPC, municipal and county governments, NHS owners/operators, motorists, freight carriers, transit agencies, employers, developers

**Embrace a dynamic, diversified and sustainable economy that attracts and retains talent, enhances quality of life, and increases personal and household income.**

<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Number of people aged 18-34 with a college, professional, or doctoral degree</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b>	A higher number of young, working-age people with a higher education degree in NWI means that the Region's workforce is better equipped to sustain higher paying jobs and offer more diversity of employment opportunities to this high-skilled talent pool.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Educational Attainment and age from the US Census Bureau
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Number of people aged 18-34 with a college, professional, or doctoral degree: 41,338
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	Increase 
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	All levels of government, educational institutions, residents, employers, other education and workforce organizations

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<b>What is the performance measure?</b>	<b>Percent adults reporting physical inactivity</b>
<b>Why is the measure important?</b>	A more active NWI is a Region where residents, workers, and visitors get more opportunities to explore the Region's assets and enjoy a higher quality of life while doing so.
<b>What is the scope of analysis?</b>	Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together
<b>What data/analysis is needed?</b>	Percent adults reporting physical inactivity from indianaindicators.org
<b>What is happening today?</b>	Percent adults reporting physical inactivity: 27.9%
<b>What is the targeted performance?</b>	Decrease 
<b>Who could help achieve the targets?</b>	US Department of Health and Human Services, medical insurance providers, Indiana State Department of Health, US Department of Transportation, INDOT, NIRPC, local governments, residents, medical and care providers, active transportation organizations

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What is the performance measure?

**Number of poor mental health days per month**

Why is the measure important?

A Region experiencing fewer poor mental health days per month is a Region where residents, workers, and visitors enjoy a higher quality of life and are more able to interact with other residents, workers, and visitors.

What is the scope of analysis?

Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together

What data/analysis is needed?

Number of poor mental health days per month from indianaindicators.org

What is happening today?

Number of poor mental health days per month: 4.1

What is the targeted performance?

Decrease 

Who could help achieve the targets?

US Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, medical insurance providers, Indiana State Department of Health, local governments, residents, medical and care providers

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What is the performance measure?

**Median earnings per worker in 2017 \$**

Why is the measure important?

A Region with higher median earning per worker is a Region where workers enjoy a higher quality of life, are less likely to fall into poverty or homelessness, and better contribute to the Region's economy.

What is the scope of analysis?

Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together

What data/analysis is needed?

Median earnings per worker from US Census Bureau, CPI Inflation Calculator from the Bureau of Labor Statistics

What is happening today?

Median earnings per worker in 2017 \$: 32,295

What is the targeted performance?

Increase 

Who could help achieve the targets?

US Department of Commerce, US Department of Labor, Indiana Economic Development Corporation, banks/financial institutions, educational institutions, NIRPC, residents, employers

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**What is the performance measure?**

**Median household income in 2017 \$**

**Why is the measure important?**

NWI households that earn a higher income will be less likely to fall into poverty and homelessness and more likely to achieve life goals, ultimately benefiting the Region's economy and quality of life.

**What is the scope of analysis?**

Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties together

**What data/analysis is needed?**

Median Household Income from US Census Bureau, CPI Inflation Calculator from the Bureau of Labor Statistics

**What is happening today?**

Median Household Income in 2017 \$: \$55,080

**What is the targeted performance?**

Increase



**Who could help achieve the targets?**

US Department of Commerce, US Department of Labor, Indiana Economic Development Corporation, banks/financial institutions, educational institutions, NIRPC, residents, employers