

Background

The Opportunity Index includes measures of income, poverty, unemployment, and health within given areas and represents IHCD's attempt to assess the economic and wellness opportunities available to residents of proposed developments. This index directly connects to our vision for an Indiana with a sustainable quality of life for all Hoosiers in the community of their choice and is designed to provide access to affordable housing in all areas of the state.

An Excel spreadsheet of data and the associated points is available on the IHCD website.

The following links provide the source data for determining scoring for the Opportunity Index.

- Census tracts at the top quartile of median income based upon the most recent data from the [US Census](#)
- Census tracts at the bottom quartile for poverty rate based upon the most recent data from the [US Census](#)
- Counties with unemployment rates below the State average based on data from [STATS Indiana](#)
- County ratios for population to primary care physicians as gathered from [2025 County Health Rankings](#)
- The R/ECAP status of census tracts according to the [HUD R/ECAP site](#)

R/ECAP Map

The map provided at the [HUD R/ECAP site](#) indicates the R/ECAP status of all Indiana census tracts.

Following is a list of those census tracts which qualify as R/ECAPS.

Current R/ECAP Census Tracts

Allen 13	Lake 105
Allen 16	Lake 106
Allen 17	Lake 109
Allen 23	Lake 113
Allen 28	Lake 114
Allen 29	Lake 116
Allen 30	Lake 118
Allen 31	Lake 119
Allen 44	Lake 122
Elkhart 26	Lake 123
Elkhart 27	Lake 124
Lake 102.01	Lake 128
Lake 102.03	Lake 206
Lake 102.05	Lake 301
Lake 104	Lake 302

Lake 303	Marion 3536
Lake 310	Marion 3548
Lake 415	Marion 3549
Marion 3103.09	Marion 3550
Marion 3308.03	Marion 3601.01
Marion 3308.04	Marion 3601.02
Marion 3308.05	Marion 3603.02
Marion 3411	Marion 3905
Marion 3503	St. Joseph 5
Marion 3505	St. Joseph 19
Marion 3508	St. Joseph 20
Marion 3510	St. Joseph 21
Marion 3512	St. Joseph 23
Marion 3521	St. Joseph 27
Marion 3524	St. Joseph 29
Marion 3527	Tippecanoe 105
Marion 3528	Vanderburgh 14
Marion 3535	