

To: All RHTC Development Partners
From: Real Estate Department
Date: July 14, 2026
Re: **Updated Data and Scoring for Opportunity Index and Housing Need Index**

Notice: RED-26-28

Part I. 2026-2027 QAP 6.3(H): Ratio of New Jobs to Housing Permits (p. 80) directs applicants to the Indiana Housing Dashboard for the ratio. A new scoring chart has been created to reflect updated statistics.

A ratio under 1 indicates that there are fewer jobs being created than new housing permits. A ratio over 1 indicates there are more jobs being created than new housing permits, thus creating a housing need in that county.

The updated scoring chart is as follows:

New jobs per new housing permit	Points
0-1	0
1.01-1.5	1
1.51-2	1.5
2.01-2.5	2
2.51-3	2.5
>3	3

Part II. According to the 2026-2027 QAP 6.3(D) Opportunity Index (p. 76) and 6.3(E) Housing Need Index (p. 77) will be calculated using the latest available data. When such data becomes available, IHCDA will utilize that data and will announce the change to our partners via a RED Notice. This RED Notice serves to announce new data for the following categories:

High Income – [2024 ACS 5-Year Estimates](#)
Low Poverty – [2024 ACS 5-Year Estimates](#)
Access to Primary Care – [2025 Listing](#)
County Experiencing Population Growth – [2020-2025 Estimates](#)
Rent Burdened – [2018-2022 HUD CHAS](#)
Severe Housing Problem - [2018-2022 HUD CHAS](#)
Renters At or Below 30% AMI - [2018-2022 HUD CHAS](#)

These are the final data sets for the above.



The following data set will be updated between this RED Notice and the application due date:

Low Unemployment (Part of Schedule K) – We anticipate DWD will publish June data sometime mid-July.

Part III. According to the 2026-2027 QAP 6.3(F) 10-Year Projected Job Growth by Economic Growth Region (p. 78) and 6.3(G) Five-Year Actual Job Growth Percentage by County (p. 79) will be calculated using the latest available data. When such data becomes available, IHCD will utilize that data and will announce the change to our partners via a RED Notice. This RED Notice serves to announce new data for the following categories:

10-Year Projected Job Growth by Economic Growth Region – [2023-2033 Data](#)
Five-Year Actual Job Growth Percentage by County – [2021-2025 Data](#)

If you have any questions about the scoring, the data, or navigating the maps, please send an email message to senz@ihcda.in.gov.