



Bloomington Statistics

Volunteering in Bloomington, I N

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Highlights:

The bullets below are all based on an average using 2006 to 2010 data.

- 80,700 volunteers
- 33.5% of residents volunteer
- 45.5 hours per resident
- \$228.3 million of service contributed

Factors that Influence Volunteer Rates in Bloomington

Long Commutes Can Curtail Opportunities to Volunteer

Long commutes can be expected to reduce the time and opportunity individuals have to connect to organizations in their communities, thus reducing average volunteer rates. Nationally, commuters travel on average just over 25 minutes to work. In Bloomington, commuters travel on average 22 minutes to work.

Volunteering is Less Common in High Poverty Areas

Poverty is another socioeconomic characteristic that tends to be strongly associated with lower volunteer rates. However, it is difficult to determine whether high poverty rates reduce the overall propensity to volunteer, whether high volunteering in a community leads to a reduction in poverty, or if both effects occur. At a National level, the poverty rate is 13.2 percent. Bloomington has a poverty rate of 18.6%.

Higher State Unemployment Related to Lower Volunteering

As shown in the Volunteering in America 2010 Issue Brief, states with high rates of unemployment usually have low volunteer rates. While theorists have ideas as to the basis of this relationship, more research is needed to determine a cause. In 2009, the national unemployment rate was 8.5%. In Bloomington, the unemployment rate was 6.7%.

The Capacity of a Community's Associations Impacts Volunteer Rates

Communities with higher nonprofits per capita are likely to have higher volunteer rates. As the number of nonprofits per 1,000 city residents increases, the volunteering rate also increases. At a national level, there are an average of 4.45 nonprofit organizations per 1,000 residents. Bloomington has, on average, 5.32 nonprofits per 1,000 city residents.

Source: www.volunteeringinamerica.gov/IN/Bloomington

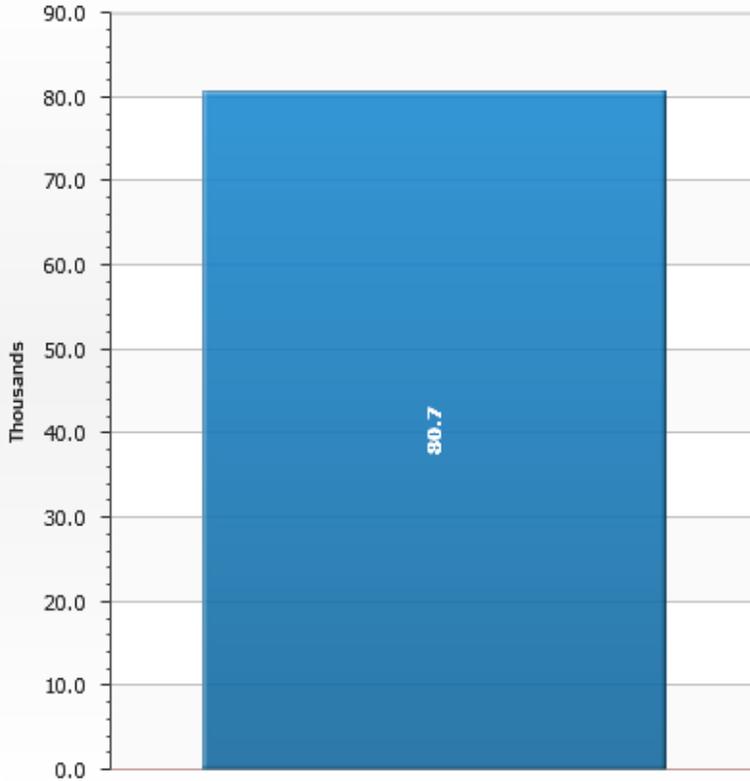
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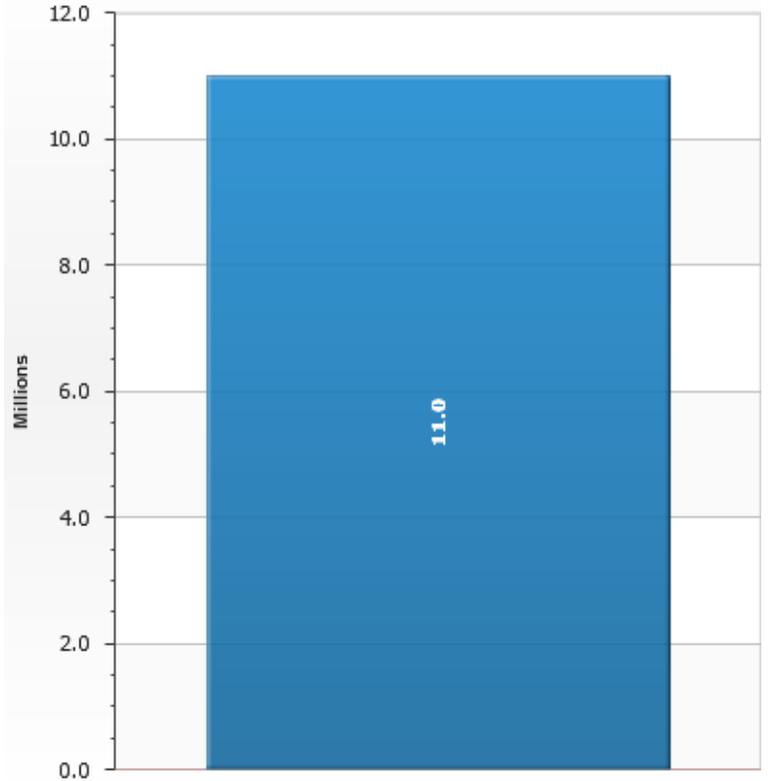


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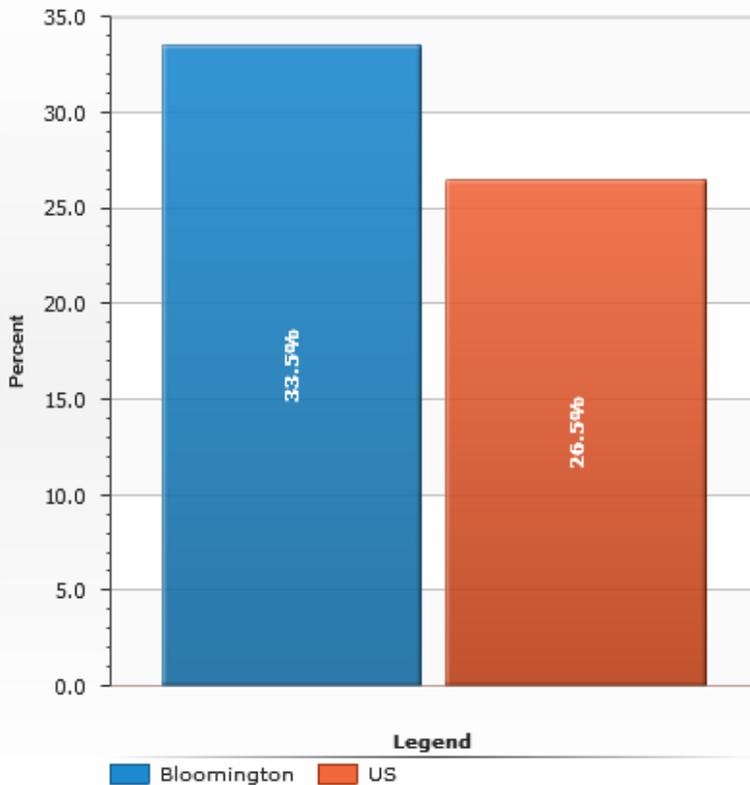
Number of Volunteers



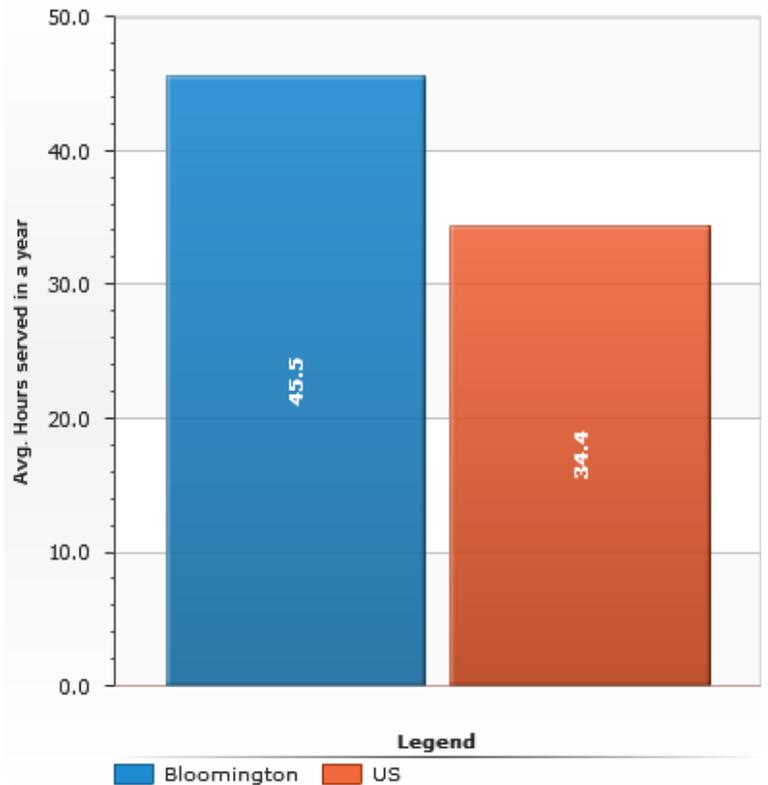
Total Volunteer Hours



Volunteer Rate

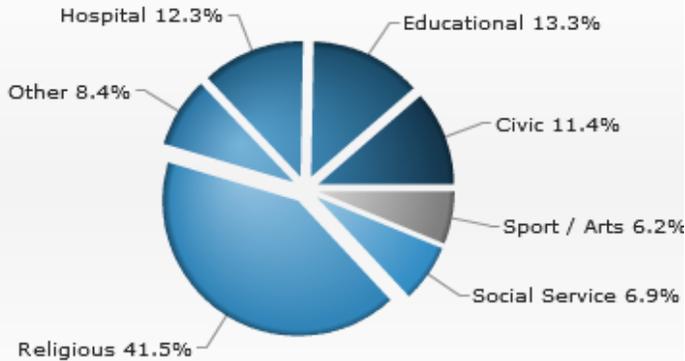


Volunteer Hours Per Resident



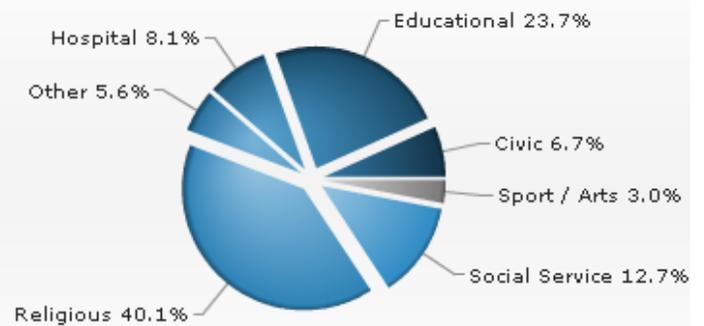
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Where People Volunteer (1989)



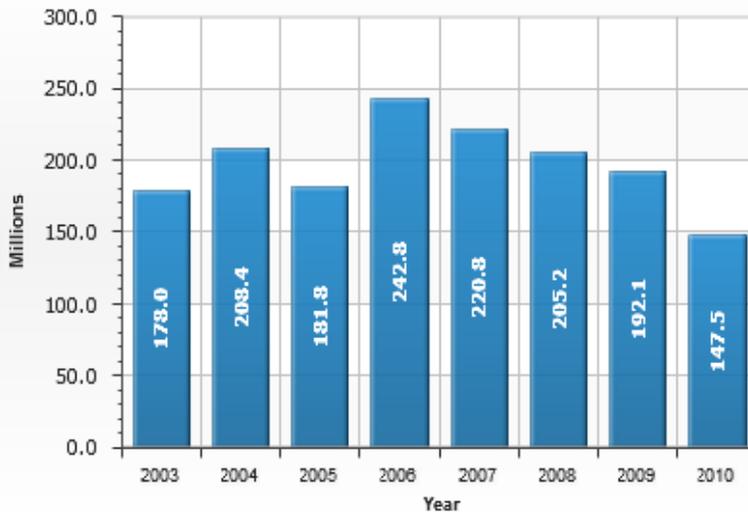
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Where People Volunteer (2008 to 2010)

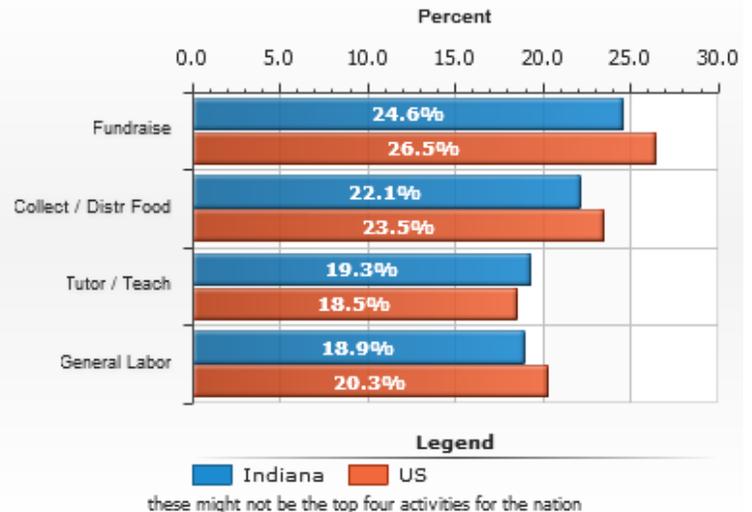


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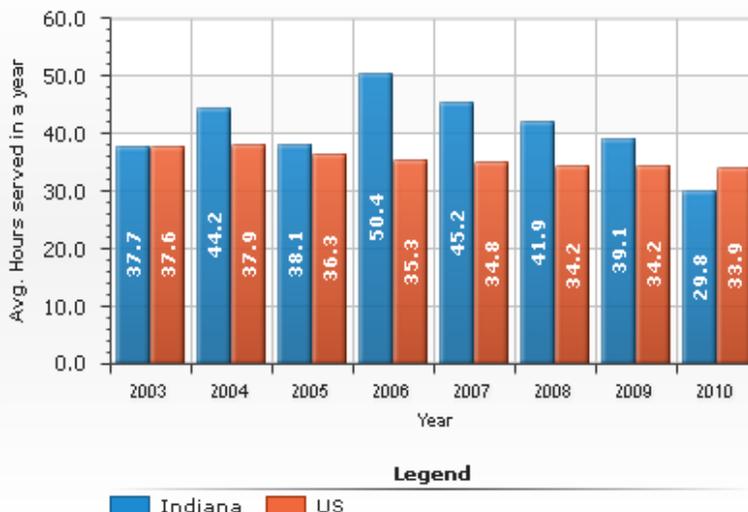
Total Volunteer Hours



Top Four Activities (2008-2010)



Volunteer Hours Per Resident



Trends and Highlights

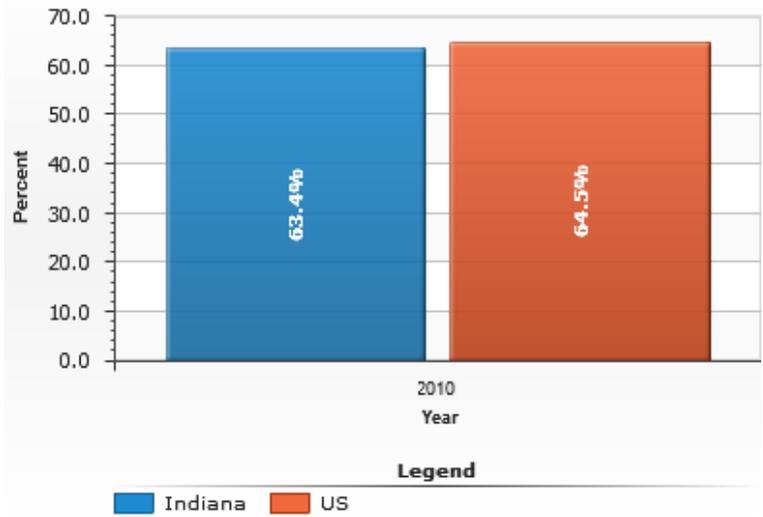
Based on single year data (2010)

- 1,294,468 Indiana residents volunteered 147.5 million hours of service through or for a nonprofit or community organization in 2010.
- Service also takes place informally when people work with neighbors to address or fix a community issue. In 2010, 6.5 percent of Indiana residents volunteered informally, totaling approximately 323,459 individuals.
- In Indiana, more than 34,000 people participate in national service each year through 970 national service projects and programs. This year, the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) will commit more than \$13,500,000 to support the national service initiatives (Senior Corps, AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, and other programs) in Indiana.

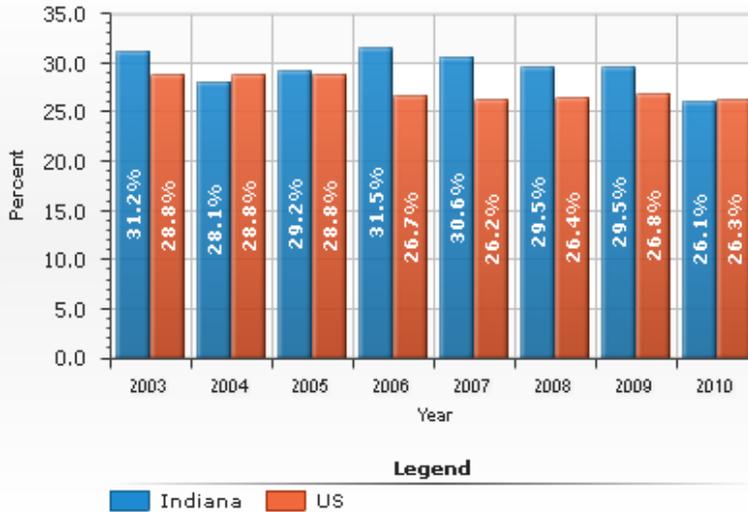
Indiana Volunteering by Age Group (2008-2010)

Age	Median Hours	State Rate	National Rate
16-19	*	21.2 %	26.0 %
20-24	*	19.6 %	18.6 %
25-34	40	23.5 %	22.9 %
35-44	48	34.2 %	31.7 %
45-54	40	30.1 %	30.4 %
55-64	100+	34.8 %	27.8 %
65-74	100+	29.0 %	26.5 %
75+	*	24.2 %	20.3 %

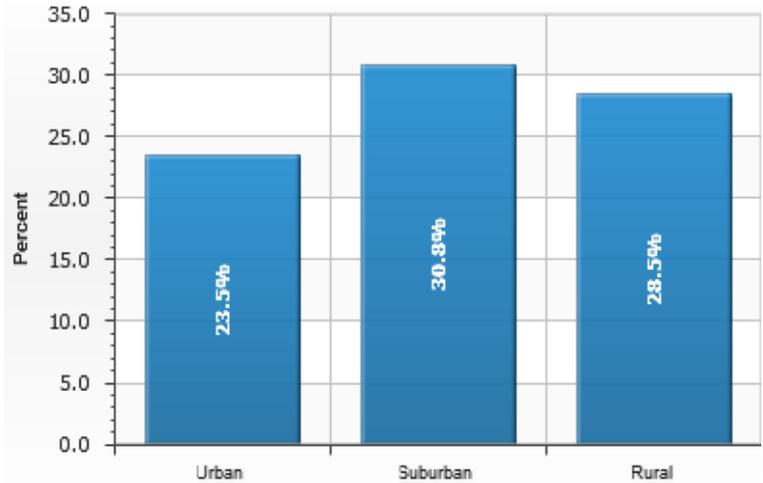
Volunteer Retention



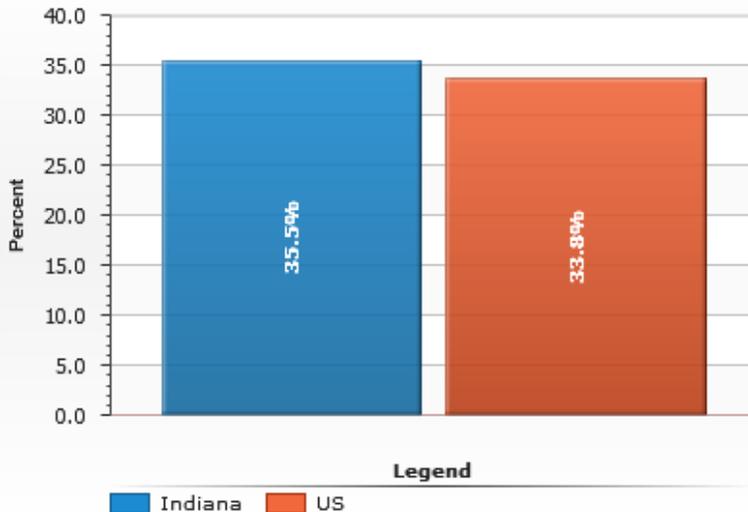
Volunteer Rate



Volunteer Rate by Geographic Area (2008-2010)



Intensive Volunteers (2008-2010)



Indiana Volunteering by Special Population and Gender (2008-2010)

Population	Median Hours	State Rate	National Rate
Baby Boomers	56	31.7 %	29.3 %
College Students	*	29.7 %	26.7 %
Millennials	40	19.4 %	21.4 %
Older Adults	100+	26.6 %	23.7 %
Teenagers	*	21.2 %	26.0 %
Young Adults	40	20.4 %	22.0 %
Gender			
Male	52	26.5 %	23.2 %
Female	54	30.2 %	29.6 %

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