opportunities may exist for additional growth of the exporting or related industries because of the presence of an existing skilled labor pool or other resources such as suppliers, facilities or transportation hubs in the region.

An LQ significantly less than 1.0 may indicate an opportunity to develop businesses in the local area to meet area demand.

## Indiana's Regional **Industries**

Location quotients represent a good starting point for understanding the regional economy and providing

information to support regional planning efforts. As expected, different regions of the state have different characteristic industries; but the statewide economy has long been dependent on manufacturing. Despite job losses in this sector in recent years, manufacturing industries appear among

TABLE 2: TOP 3 JOBS LOCATION QUOTIENTS (INDIANA BASE) BY ECONOMIC GROWTH REGION, 2004

Economic Growth Region	NAICS	Industry	2004 Annual Average Jobs*	Jobs LQ (Indiana base)	Percent Job Gain/Loss Since 2001
	324	Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing	1,817	5.11	-7.7%
	331	Primary Metal Manufacturing	20,445	3.83	-26.1%
	713	Amusement, Gambling and Recreation	10,101	2.65	0.8%
2	321	Wood Product Manufacturing	7,895	3.66	-9.0%
	336	Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	38,573	2.56	28.0%
	339	Miscellaneous Manufacturing	7,937	2.55	1.8%
33	334	Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	7,159	2.82	-29.1%
	335	Electrical Equipment, Appliance and Component Manufactruing	3,208	1.86	-25.8%
	326	Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	9,529	1.81	-10.4%
	311	Food Manufacturing	7,085	3.19	1.0%
	111	Crop Production	1,104	2.59	-2.0%
	336	Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	22,422	2.31	-11.8%
5	711	Performing Arts, Spectator Sports and Related Industries	6,285	2.66	1.8%
	481	Air Transportation	5,013	2.59	-39.0%
	492	Couriers and Messengers	8,955	2.07	-19.0%
£7.6	322	Paper Manufacturing	1,178	2.22	-14.0%
	327	Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing	1,441	2.03	-27.8%
	333	Machinery Manufacturing	3,416	1.72	-12.0%
	922	Justice, Public Order and Safety Activities	2,442	5.8	1.6%
	326	Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	3,003	2.27	2.1%
	221	Utilities	832	1.91	-9.9%
8	928	National Security and International Affairs	2,953	9.58	-3.3%
	212	Mining (Except Oil and Gas)	1,325	5.22	-0.4%
	924	Administration of Environmental Quality Programs	612	3.38	1.7%
	312	Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing	730	4.25	-3.3%
	333	Machinery Manufacturing	7,743	3.82	-12.7%
	112	Animal Production	733	3.49	11.4%
	323	Printing and Related Support Activities	1,482	2.14	-7.5%
	311	Food Manufacturing	2,054	1.83	-7.2%
	484	Truck Transportation	3,044	1.77	1.7%
	337	Furniture and Related Product Manufacturing	8,187	4.12	-10.8%
	212	Mining (Except Oil and Gas)	1,766	3.83	1.2%
	335	Electrical Equipment, Appliance and Component Manufacturing	3,320	3.16	-4.3%

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<sup>\*</sup>Employment of at least 500 Source: STATS Indiana and the Indiana Department of Workforce Development