In July the Northwest Indiana Coincident Index rose 0.3 points to 141.1. This growth was driven primarily by an increase in monthly steel production, which was 2% higher than June and 13% higher than at the start of the year. This recovery in steel production was, unfortunately, tempered by a significant decline in regional employment.

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