

MARKETS

The Associated Press

Indianapolis grain
Estimated grain prices Monday at Indianapolis-area elevators: Corn: cash \$2.09, new \$2.37. Soybeans: cash \$5.71, new \$5.94. Wheat: \$3.61.

Eastern Cornbelt direct hogs
Eastern Cornbelt Lean Value Direct Hogs report for Monday:
Trend: Barrows and gilts were 6 cents lower compared with previous day's close.
Base-market carcass basis plant-delivered: 0.9 to 1.1 square inches of back fat, \$52.00-\$64.00; weighted average \$60.83.
Net prices, including premiums: 0.9-1.0, \$52.00-\$65.41; 1.0-1.1, \$52.00-\$64.64; 1.1-1.2, \$52.00-\$63.94.
Daily movement estimate: 8,662.

Wall Street
NEW YORK — Tumbling oil prices and strong earnings from home improvement retailer Lowe's Cos. sent stocks higher Monday as investors regained their optimism about corporate profits and the health of the economy.
A bullish outlook and better-than-expected fourth-quarter results from Lowe's soothed investors' concerns that earnings would decline as the economy slowed through the year.
Oil prices tumbled after surging to nearly \$63 per barrel Friday as a knee-jerk response to a foiled terrorist attack against a Saudi Arabian processing facility worked through the market. A barrel of light crude settled at \$61, down \$1.91, on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Investors have worried that a lasting spike in oil prices could spark inflation.

Analysts noted that Monday's buying came after the markets turned in a mixed but promising performance last week despite increasing economic uncertainty and the terror attack, which points to strong investor enthusiasm for stocks.

"I think this is one of those times where it's hard to be bearish," said Chris Johnson, manager of quantitative analysis at Schaeffer's Investment Research in Cincinnati. "We're still in a market that can easily fall prey to all kinds of intraday activity, up or down, but I think we have room to go higher over the next two to three weeks."
The Dow Jones industrial average rose 35.70, or 0.32 percent, to 11,097.55.
Broader stock indexes also rose. The Standard & Poor's 500 index added 4.69, or 0.36 percent, to 1,294.12, just 0.06 shy of a 4 1/2-year high set Jan. 11. The Nasdaq composite index gained 20.14, or 0.88 percent, to 2,307.18.

Bonds slipped, with the yield on the 10-year Treasury rising to 4.59 percent from 4.58 percent late Friday. The dollar was mixed against other major currencies, while gold prices fell.
Wall Street's bullishness was undiminished by a disappointing report on the housing market from the Commerce Department. New home sales dropped 5 percent in January to 1.233 million units. Economists had expected sales of 1.27 million for the month.

Housing stocks suffered on the news, with Toll Brothers Inc. falling 69 cents to \$32.65 and D.R. Horton Inc. dropping 87 cents to \$35.23. However, with many investors expecting the housing market to cool this year, the selling in that sector did not seep into other areas of the market.

The housing report was the first in a batch of economic data due this week, including reports on the nation's gross domestic product, retail sales, the industrial sector and the service sector.
"This really is an impressively durable market, but there's so much more to come later in the week," said Hans Olsen, managing director and chief investment officer at Bingham Legg Advisers. "Ask me later in the week, and we'll see where we stand then."

Lowe's jumped \$3.78, or 5.8 percent, to \$69.30 after reporting earnings that beat Wall Street profit forecasts by 7 cents per share. The company also issued a strong outlook for future earnings that came in well above analysts' forecasts.

The stock report after the close of markets Monday:

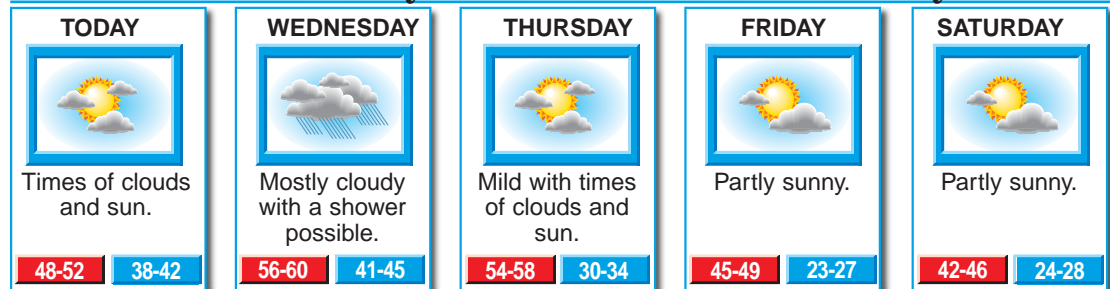
Company	price	change -x
The AES Group	17.66	+0.08
AT&T Corp.	27.77	+0.20
Alcoa	29.56	-0.60
Allstate	54.95	+0.05
ArvinMeritor	16.53	+0.93
Best Buy	54.40	+0.36
BP Amoco	67.00	-0.60
Cinergy Corp.	44.36	-0.05
Comm Health Sys	38.45	-0.30
Cummins	108.90	+1.36
Diageo	61.48	+0.05
Duff & Phelps	10.89	-0.06
Exxon Mobil	59.92	-0.50
Fifth Third Bank	38.78	-0.39
First Indiana Bank	33.93	+0.01
General Electric	33.32	+0.18
General Motors	20.11	+0.12
Guidant	77.20	+0.61
Heartland Bancshrs	13.65	-0.10
IBM	80.63	+0.53
Invin Bank	20.00	—
KeyCorp.	37.42	+0.38
Kimball Int'l CIB	14.22	—
Kroger	37.42	+0.38
Lilly Co.	56.73	+0.71
Lincoln Bancorp	17.56	+0.31
Marsh Class B	8.20	+0.05
MainSource	18.94	+0.16
National City Corp.	35.31	-0.03
Navistar	29.83	+0.35
Owens-Illinois	18.94	-0.48
Pepsico	59.51	-0.03
Phelps Dodge	137.88	-8.17
Sara Lee Corp.	17.97	+0.26
Schlumberger	115.38	-2.76
Sprint Corp.	24.32	+0.03
Third Century Bncp	12.90	-0.10
Vectren	26.58	+0.09
Verizon	34.06	+0.25
Wal-Mart	45.76	+0.31
Walt Disney	28.38	+0.40
WellPoint	77.69	+0.40

LOTTERY

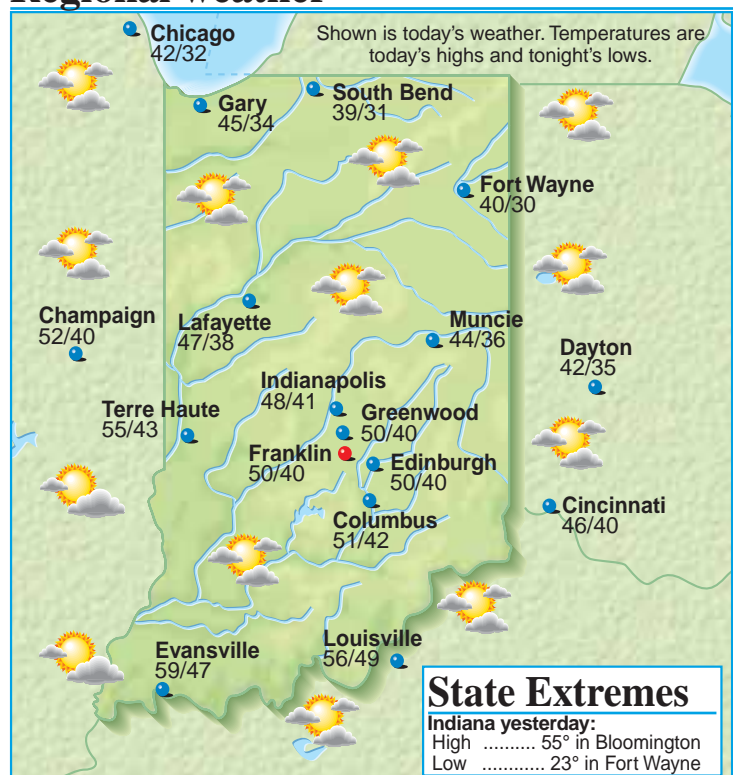
Here are the winning numbers selected Monday in the Hoosier Lottery:
Daily Three Midday: 8-3-9.
Daily Three Evening: 7-2-0.
Daily Four Midday: 4-1-2-4.
Daily Four Evening: 3-1-0-8.
Lucky Five Midday: 10-16-17-25-34.
Lucky Five Evening: 2-13-25-32-33.
Hoosier Lotto jackpot: \$6 million.
Powerball jackpot: \$27 million.

WEATHER

AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Johnson County



Regional weather



State Extremes

Indiana yesterday:
High 55° in Bloomington
Low 23° in Fort Wayne

Regional summary

Indianapolis/Greenwood: Intervals of clouds and sunshine today. Partly to mostly cloudy tonight. Mostly cloudy and warm with a shower possible tomorrow.

Edinburgh/Franklin: Intervals of clouds and sunshine today. Partly to mostly cloudy tonight. Mostly cloudy and warm with a shower possible tomorrow.

Today in weather history™

On Feb. 28, 1900, a giant storm produced a state record 24-hour snowfall of 36 inches in Astoria, Ill. The storm moved on to drop 43 inches of snow on Rochester, N.Y.

Regional cities			Regional cities		
City	Yest. Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	City	Yest. Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W
Anderson	46/28/pc	53/42/c	Indianapolis	51/27/pc	60/42/c
Bloomington	55/26/pc	60/43/c	Kokomo	50/28/pc	53/40/c
Chicago	40/30/c	50/32/c	Lafayette	52/24/pc	55/38/c
Cincinnati	50/24/pc	62/46/c	Louisville	56/29/pc	69/54/c
Evansville	57/24/pc	70/46/c	Muncie	46/27/pc	51/42/c
Fort Wayne	40/23/sf	50/36/c	South Bend	42/24/sf	44/34/c
Gary	43/28/pc	45/33/c	Terre Haute	54/26/pc	60/41/c

Sun and moon



AccuWeather UV Index™

Highest Today in Johnson County
Values indicate the exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11+

Weather Trivia™

The U.S. has a noticeable increase in what during March?

Thunderstorms and thunderstorms.

Wind Chill Today

How cold it feels based on temperature and wind speed.

8 a.m. Noon 4 p.m.

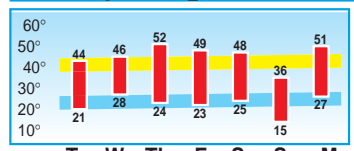
27° 41° 48°

Heating Degree Days

Index of energy consumption indicating how many degrees the average temperature was below 65 degrees for the day with negative values counting as zero

Yesterday 26
Month to date 888
Normal month to date 927

Weekly temperatures



River stages

Fid: flood stage. Stage: in feet at 7 a.m.
Monday. Chg: change in previous 24 hours.

Station	Fid	Stage	Chg
White River			
Mooresville	9	7.98	-0.05
White River (East Fork)			
Edinburgh	12	4.56	-0.04

AccuWeather.com Almanac

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Statistics for Indianapolis through 5 p.m. yesterday.

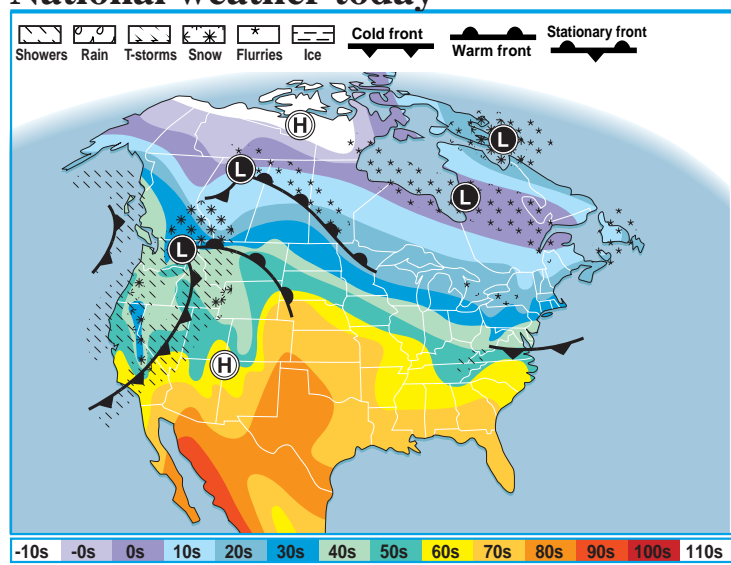
Temperature
High 51°
Low 27°
Normal high 44°
Normal low 26°
Record high 73° in 1996
Record low -7° in 1963

Precipitation
24 hrs. ending 5 p.m. yest. 0.00"
Month to date 1.89"
Normal month to date 2.31"
Year to date 5.19"
Normal year to date 4.79"

Air quality

Indianapolis Source: IAPC
Yesterday 37
0-50, Good; 51-100, Moderate; 101-151, Unhealthy (sens. grps.); 151-200, Unhealthy

National weather today



National cities

City	Yest. Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	City	Yest. Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W
Albany, NY	23/3/pc	29/22/pc	Houston	73/39/pc	82/60/pc
Atlanta	57/28/pc	70/52/s	Jacksonville	64/35/s	77/51/s
Atlantic City	36/16/pc	42/37/pc	Kansas City	69/37/pc	75/36/pc
Baltimore	39/17/c	48/38/c	Las Vegas	76/52/pc	66/43/s
Boston	24/6/pc	34/20/pc	Los Angeles	68/57/r	66/50/pc
Buffalo	27/10/sn	32/24/pc	Louisville	56/29/pc	69/54/c
Burlington, VT	18/3/pc	20/18/sf	Memphis	63/31/pc	70/56/pc
Champaign	55/24/pc	62/38/c	Miami	73/57/pc	80/68/s
Charleston, SC	57/28/s	73/53/s	Milwaukee	31/26/sn	37/27/c
Cheyenne	63/37/pc	54/23/pc	Minneapolis	33/23/pc	40/20/sn
Chicago	40/30/c	50/32/c	Nashville	60/23/pc	68/55/pc
Cleveland	32/21/sn	41/38/c	New Orleans	66/42/s	78/58/pc
Columbia, SC	58/23/s	72/51/s	New York	33/20/pc	44/34/pc
Columbus, GA	63/30/pc	76/55/s	Philadelphia	34/18/pc	48/36/pc
Dallas	73/41/pc	82/59/pc	Phoenix	80/51/pc	73/52/pc
Denver	73/38/c	58/26/pc	St. Louis	67/33/pc	73/42/pc
Des Moines	56/30/pc	59/31/pc	Salt Lake City	66/48/pc	48/32/pc
Detroit	34/21/sf	42/30/c	San Francisco	63/52/r	59/48/pc
El Paso	76/42/pc	78/53/pc	Seattle	52/44/sh	53/39/r
Fairbanks	6/-17/pc	2/-19/pc	Tampa	69/47/s	78/60/s
Honolulu	77/66/c	79/69/sh	Washington, DC	40/21/c	50/36/c

Weather (w): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, h-ice.

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Franklin

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A ban will go into effect in Marion County and Greenwood on Wednesday, and Carmel will implement a ban starting Sunday.

Franklin City Council member Joe Ault was reluctant to move forward with the proposal. He said he does not understand why people smoke but has a hard time telling people they can't.

Opponents of a city smoking ban say the government should not take away the right to smoke. But supporters argue that cigarettes and secondhand smoke is a public health issue and governments should be responsible for giving people safe places to work.

Ault proposed that the city wait and see what action county commissioners take before making a decision about an

anti-smoking ordinance. A countywide smoking ban would apply to cities and towns, unless those municipalities had smoking ordinances of their own, such as the one in Greenwood, said David Bottorff, executive director of the Indiana Association of Counties.

Owners of local restaurants The Willard and Don and Dona's questioned the council's decision to consider a smoking ban.

People are not forced to walk into a restaurant that allows smoking, said Mary Barnaby, owner of Don and Dona's. Customers have the right to choose whether they smoke and whether to go into a business that allows smoking, she said.

Barnaby told council members she worries her business will suffer if the city passes a smoking ban that still allows people to light up in bars. Customers who smoke may choose to go to a bar instead of her restaurant, which would drive away business, she said.

The government should not tell small-business owners whether they can allow smoking; that decision should be left to the business owners, said Bob Schofield, owner of The Willard.

But government officials make decisions about issues that affect the public health, such as requiring people to wear seat belts in their cars, council member Phil Barrow said.

Some workers may not have an alternative to working in restaurants that allow smoking, said John Auld, chairman of the Partnership for a Healthier Johnson County. His daughter has an internship in Indianapolis and works at a restaurant that allows smoking, which bothers her.

"I told her she should find another job," Auld said. "She said, 'But Dad, it's not that simple.'"

Medical treatment because of cigarette smoke costs about \$1.9 billion a year, said Gregg Bechtold, president of Johnson Memorial Hospital.

Growth

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of the intersection at County Line Road and Emerson Avenue. That development is situated across the street from a new strip mall containing a Gander Mountain store that opened last year and a new Wal-Mart.

Allen Commercial Group envisions County Line Road as a major medical and business office corridor for Greenwood, said Tony Alderson, president of Allen Commercial Group. The development company is responsible for most new building projects in the area.

New development has some homeowners thinking about whether to sell and move away or stay and deal with the growth.

Moving is too much of a hassle,

DEVELOPMENTS ON COUNTY LINE ROAD

Claybrooke Commons: A five-to six-year project on 76 acres in Marion County. The development likely will include 12 to 15 acres for townhomes, 20 acres of professional and medical offices and about 41 acres of retail shops and two hotels.

Emerson Pointe: A 40,000-square-foot retail strip mall on 36 acres. It includes Bicycle Garage Indy, Chase Bank, possibly a gym, video store and coin-operated laundry.

The remaining 23 acres of Emerson

Crawford said. She said she'd rather sit an extra 10 minutes every time she wants to back out of her driveway than take the time to pack up all her family's belongings and move into a new home or apartment.

No amount of development could persuade her to move, she said.

Even if she did move, perhaps

AT A GLANCE

Pointe will be developed for mid-sized retailers, such as a Bed, Bath and Beyond or a furniture store. Also possible are a movie theater or bowling alley. This land will be developed during the next two years.

Greenbrooke Medical Parke: Plans show a two-story, 80,000-square-foot office building east of Madison Avenue. Indiana Internal Medicine Consultants plans to occupy part of that building, and the rest of the space will be leased out. The development is expected to open this fall.

Indiana American Office Park: The

farther south past Franklin, development would catch up to her again, she said.

At the same time, she worries about what might happen if she ever has grandchildren, and those grandchildren visited her. She does not think County Line Road is a safe place for kids anymore and knows it will be less safe once Wal-Mart and other businesses open.

Grant

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make sure students have everything they need to feel good about themselves and be organized on the first day of school.

Center Grove started the program five years ago and receives donations from area churches and individuals.

The other schools will base their programs on the Center Grove model but will have flexibility to design it to fit their needs, Northcott said.

"Center Grove does it in a way that really gets kids excited about starting school. We want other schools to do that too," she said.

Groups are being set up at each school district. Eventually Baxter YMCA on the south-side will run the countywide program, Northcott said.

adequate for administrative offices or growth, White said.

"It's really a toss-up and comes down to money," he said. "But we'd probably look first at cutting response times even more with another station."

Before the department starts planning future stations, White said he will work to improve communication within the department and with the community.

The department hopes to find volunteers who want to help manage fire-prevention programs, maintenance and upkeep of emergency vehicles and public education, he said.

"We don't need someone to have all kinds of state certification for these other support functions," White said. "We've missed that opportunity in the past, and we want people to know they can be a part of helping their local fire department."

The existing firehouse was built in the 1950s and expanded in the 1980s and 1990s, but it is not

The hustle of urban sprawl is enough to make Greenwood resident Dala Leonard's family sell their home along County Line Road, east of Madison Avenue, and move. They knew development would come eventually but didn't expect so much so quickly.

Greenwood Mayor Charles Henderson has said that County Line Road and Emerson Avenue will become the commercial gateway to the city, and Leonard does not want to live close to such a major cluster of developments.

The fact that Greenwood Park Mall is to the west, past Madison Avenue, makes her lean even more toward moving. Leonard said she feels that, if she stays, development will close in around her from all sides.

"I knew it would be busy here eventually," she said. "But it just seems like everything is coming in together all at once."

White expects to have a full-time career officer and two or three paid firefighters on call at the station for each shift.

He expects the new station to cut response times from as high as 10 minutes to closer to the national standard of less than five minutes, White said.

"Having a station there that can respond quickly is the only solution," he said.

Eventually, the department wants to build a third station along State Road 135 or renovate the current headquarters, White said.

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