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A google data center is a building that uses servers, storage, and networking equipment designed to process, store, and also share large amounts of data reliably as well as securely. They provide many resources needed to support applications and services. These centers are where companies like Google store, process, and manage vast amounts of digital data and they are very important for running online services.

Having a google data center come with many positive and negative impact. Some of the positive impacts include security, global reach, innovative features, and having a wide range of services. The wide range of services that a data center which includes compute, networking, storage, big data, machine learning, and management. This is very important as these services help ensure that businesses have the ability to choose the service they want and need to run their business (Rampersad 1).

The amount of global reach is also very important positive of having a google data center. Having a global network means that your applications can be accessed from anywhere in the world. This is crucial because this is how communication with other countries has evolved substantially.

Some cons of having a Google Data center are that they have a bad impact on the environment, major health risks, pollution, and have many community concerns. Google Data centers consume a large amount of water and electricity; this creates local water scarcity and contributes climate change through increasing greenhouse gas emissions. These harm local ecosystems and the communities surrounding.

Another major reason why google data centers have many concerns is because of the noise and light pollution which causes many health risks to people nearby the google data center.



Data centers generate a lot of excessive noise and light pollution which affects people by causing respiratory issues and many other health problems to communities close by.

Something else to think about is how this can affect jobs and the local economy, building and operating a data center can create many new jobs for people in the community. This can help families earn better income and supporting local businesses, the UAW believes in creating good paying jobs with safe working conditions, projects like this create more opportunities for hardworking people. It's important for companies to listen to workers and the community. Finding a balance between creating jobs and protecting the community is important for the future.

Lastly there are many major community concerns about having Google data centers specifically involving the location of the Google Data Center such as concerns about how the traffic will impact people traveling to important locations like work and school. The construction and operation of the Google Data Center will significantly increase the travel time for people in the surrounding area.

Overall, there are many positive and negative impacts for having a google data center in Fort Wayne. There are many good things that come with having a google data center like increased tax revenue, available jobs, security, global reach, wide range of services, innovative features, and more. However, there are many bad impacts that having a Google data center create like; water scarcity, electric scarcity, noise pollution, visual pollution, increased traffic, and major health risks. Personally, I believe out of all the positive and negative impacts that having a Google Data Center in Fort Wayne is a bad idea with the major health risks that come with having a Google Data Center. So, I personally do not think it will be a good idea as while it can help with a lot of things there are a lot of negative impacts that outweigh the positive

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