

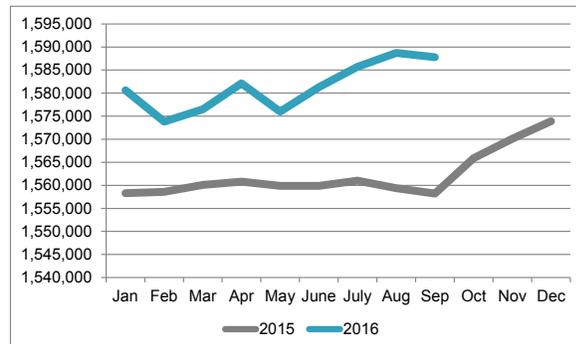
Status of the Iowa Workforce and Economy

2016 Statewide News Release Schedule

Reference Month	Statewide News Release	Local Area News Release
Jan	Mar 14	Mar 14
Feb	Mar 25	Mar 25
Mar	Apr 15	Apr 19
Apr	May 20	May 25
May	June 17	June 21
June	July 22	July 26
July	Aug 19	Aug 23
Aug	Sept 20	Sept 20
Sept	Oct 21	Oct 25
Oct	Nov 18	Nov 22
Nov	Dec 16	Dec 20
Dec	Jan 24	Jan 24

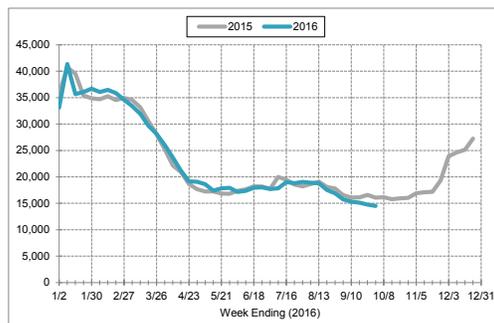
- Iowa's seasonally adjusted jobless rate remained at 4.2 percent in September. The rate stood at 3.6 percent one year ago.
- The total number of working Iowans increased to 1,650,200 in September. This is 8,200 higher than last month and 9,600 more than one year ago.
- The U.S. jobless rate increased slightly to 5.0 percent in September.

Total Nonfarm Employment - Iowa August 2015 - August 2016



- Iowa establishments pared 900 jobs in September. Private sectors changed little this month (-100) while government shed 800 jobs.
- The September loss was just the third loss of 2016 and breaks a streak of three consecutive months of job gains.
- Leisure and hospitality experienced a large drop in September due primarily to a drop in recreation and entertainment.
- Health care and social assistance gained 2,700 jobs and is up 5,700 jobs annually.
- Iowa's nonfarm employment remains up 29,600 jobs annually. Construction is responsible for 46.2 percent of all the job gains in the state (+13,700 jobs).

Continued Weeks Claimed For Unemployment Insurance Iowa Regular State UI Program



Source: Iowa Workforce Development

- Unemployment Insurance continued claims averaged 14,925 per week during September 2016. This is eight percent lower than the September 2015 average of 16,218.
- Continued claims declined from higher levels a year ago with slightly fewer layoffs in manufacturing from this period in 2015.
- U.S. nonfarm employment added 156,000 jobs in September. The largest job gains were in professional and business services and health care. The annual growth rate for the nation remains at 1.7 percent, 0.2 percent lower than Iowa.

Iowa Nonfarm Employment by Quarter

		Average Employment	Percent Change from Prior Qtr
2014	Qtr 4	1,553,300	0.2%
	Qtr 1	1,559,000	0.4%
2015	Qtr 2	1,560,200	0.1%
	Qtr 3	1,559,500	0.0%
	Qtr 4	1,570,000	0.7%
2016	Qtr 1	1,577,000	0.4%
	Qtr 2	1,579,800	0.2%
	Qtr 3	1,587,400	0.5%

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