

Status of the Iowa Workforce and Economy

2014 Statewide News Release Schedule

Reference Month	Statewide News Release	Local Area News Release
Dec	Jan 28	Jan 28
Jan	Mar 17	Mar 17
Feb	Mar 28	Mar 28
Mar	Apr 18	Apr 22
Apr	May 16	May 20
May	June 20	June 24
June	July 18	July 22
July	Aug 18	Aug 19
Aug	Sept 19	Sept 23
Sept	Oct 21	Oct 21
Oct	Nov 21	Nov 25
Nov	Dec 19	Dec 23
Dec	Jan 27	Jan 27

Iowa Nonfarm Employment by Quarter

	Average Employment	Percent Change from Prior Qtr
2013 - Qtr 1	1,519,900	0.4%
Qtr 2	1,523,800	0.3%
Qtr 3	1,534,400	0.7%
Qtr 4	1,542,900	0.6%
2014 - Qtr 1	1,538,700	-0.3%
Qtr 2	1,546,200	0.5%

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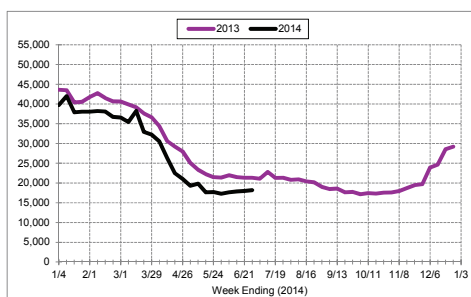
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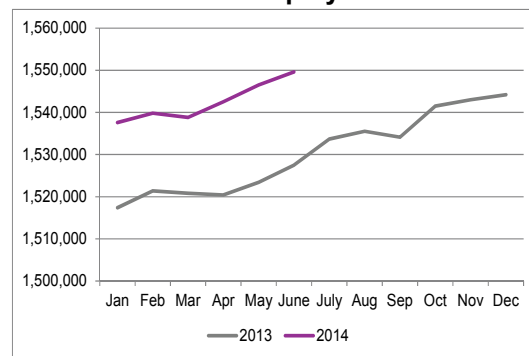
- Iowa's seasonally adjusted jobless rate held steady at 4.4 percent in June. The current rate is down from 4.8 percent for June 2013.
- The total number of working Iowans rose to a record of 1,624,600 in June. This is 32,100 higher than June 2013.
- The U.S. jobless rate dropped to 6.1 percent in June from 6.3 percent in May, while U.S. employers added 288,000 jobs.

Weekly Continued Claims for Unemployment Insurance (UI) Regular State UI Program



- Continued claims for June are fifteen percent below the June 2013 figure, with the average year-to-date number about 17 percent below a year ago.
- Average pay has grown just two percent a year during the recovery, roughly in line with inflation and below the long-run average annual growth of about 3.5 percent.
- Early in the recovery, most new jobs were lower paying. However, growth has spread to higher-paying and middle-range paying jobs. This trend should continue given the rebound in construction and hiring by state and local governments.

Total Nonfarm Employment - Iowa



- Iowa nonfarm employment totaled 1,549,600 in June, marking the third straight monthly increase.
- Government contributed the major share of this month's job gains with local government and state government up 3,100 and 1,200, respectively.
- The Iowa economy has added 22,100 jobs since last June. The sectors that grew the most were: local government (+4,900), leisure and hospitality (+4,500) and trade and transportation (+4,000).
- The average annual wage in Iowa was \$41,109 in 2013, up from \$40,343 in 2012 (+1.9 percent).

Iowa and U.S. Unemployment Rates - 2014

