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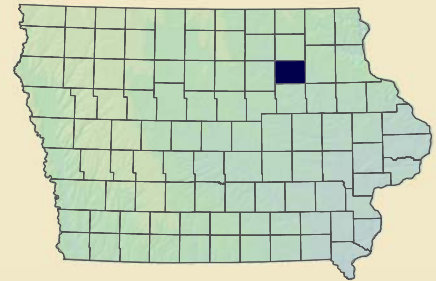
## 2004 ANNUAL COUNTY PROFILE

### Executive Summary

As of 2003, Bremer County's largest private industry was Manufacturing, representing 16.67 percent (1,487) of the county's total covered employment of 8,918. Although the county's total employment decreased by 1.82 percent since 2002, the average annual wage increased by 2.17 percent to \$27,533 for all industries.

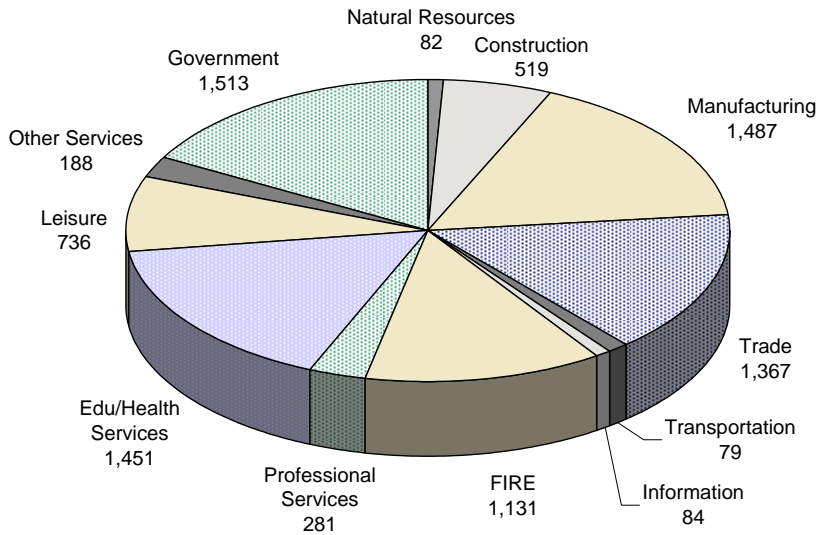
Bremer County's average weekly wage for all industries was \$529 for 2003, an increase of 2.12 percent since 2002. The highest average private weekly wage for a sector was in Professional & Business Services, averaging \$770 with gross total wages of \$11.2 million. Between 2002 and 2003, the Natural Resources & Mining sector had the largest percentage increase in average weekly wage of 15.11 percent (\$50).

### STATE OF IOWA



Bremer County

### 2003 Industry Breakout by Employment in Bremer County



Note: Government includes public education and health institutions

### Ten Largest Employers by Employment

Based on Annual 2003 Employment by Private Industry

Rank	Name of Company	Industry
1	CUNA Mutual Life Insurance Co	Finance and Insurance
2	Wartburg College	Educational Services
3	Waverly Health Center	Health Services
4	Nestle NPR	Manufacturing
5	Bartels Lutheran Home	Health Services
6	Rockwell Automation	Manufacturing
7	Koehring Cranes	Manufacturing
8	GMT Corporation	Manufacturing
9	Lutheran Social Service Of Iowa	Health Services
10	Wal-Mart Stores	Retail Trade

### QUICK FACTS

#### Covered Employment (2003)

		%
Total Employment	8,918	0.63 <sup>1</sup>
Average Weekly Wage	\$529	89.5 <sup>2</sup>
Largest Private Sector: Manufacturing	1,487	0.68 <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Percent is based on statewide covered employment of 1,404,476

<sup>2</sup> Percent is based on statewide average weekly wage of \$591

<sup>3</sup> Percent is based on statewide covered sector employment

#### Census Statistics

		Rank
2003 Population	23,368	26
Growth % since 1990	2.4%	37
2003 Unemployment Rate	3.5%	80
2002 Per Capita Personal Income	\$28,022	15
2000 Median Household Income	\$40,826	15

Ranking based on Iowa's 99 counties

# 2004 QUARTERLY CENSUS OF EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES PROFILE

## 2003 Covered Employment and Reporting Units by Industry in Bremer County

Reporting Units				Employment		
2002	2003	% Change		2002	2003	% Change
674	671	-0.45%	Total All Industries	9,083	8,918	-1.82%
624	621	-0.48%	Private Business	7,607	7,405	-2.66%
17	18	5.88%	Ag/Natural Resources & Mining	88	82	-6.82%
75	74	-1.33%	Construction	537	519	-3.35%
38	43	13.16%	Manufacturing	1,604	1,487	-7.29%
153	144	-5.88%	Trade	1,408	1,367	-2.91%
51	49	-3.92%	<i>Wholesale Trade</i>	329	322	-2.13%
102	96	-5.88%	<i>Retail Trade</i>	1,079	1,046	-3.06%
20	21	5.00%	Transportation & Utilities	82	79	-3.66%
12	13	8.33%	Information	93	84	-9.68%
71	71	0.00%	Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	1,158	1,131	-2.33%
64	69	7.81%	Professional & Business Services	295	281	-4.75%
56	57	1.79%	Education & Health Services	1,409	1,451	2.98%
54	52	-3.70%	Leisure & Hospitality	735	736	0.14%
63	61	-3.17%	Other Services	199	188	-5.53%
51	50	-1.96%	Government	1,476	1,513	2.51%
6	7	16.67%	<i>State</i>	36	39	8.33%
36	35	-2.78%	<i>Local</i>	1,365	1,401	2.64%
9	8	-11.11%	<i>Federal</i>	75	73	-2.67%

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**Bremer County's  
Largest  
Industries by  
Worksites**

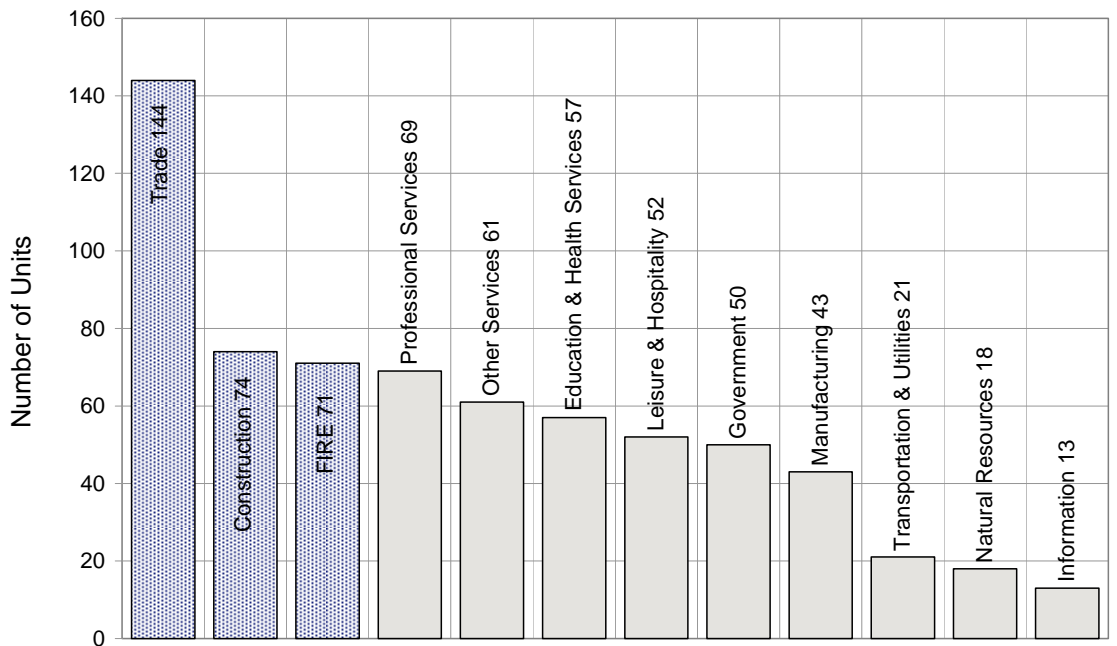
Wholesale & Retail  
Trade  
144

Construction  
74

Finance, Insurance,  
and Real Estate  
71

### Reporting Units by Industry in 2003 in Bremer County

*A Unit is Defined as a Worksite*



Trade - Wholesale & Retail Trade  
F.I.R.E. - Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate;

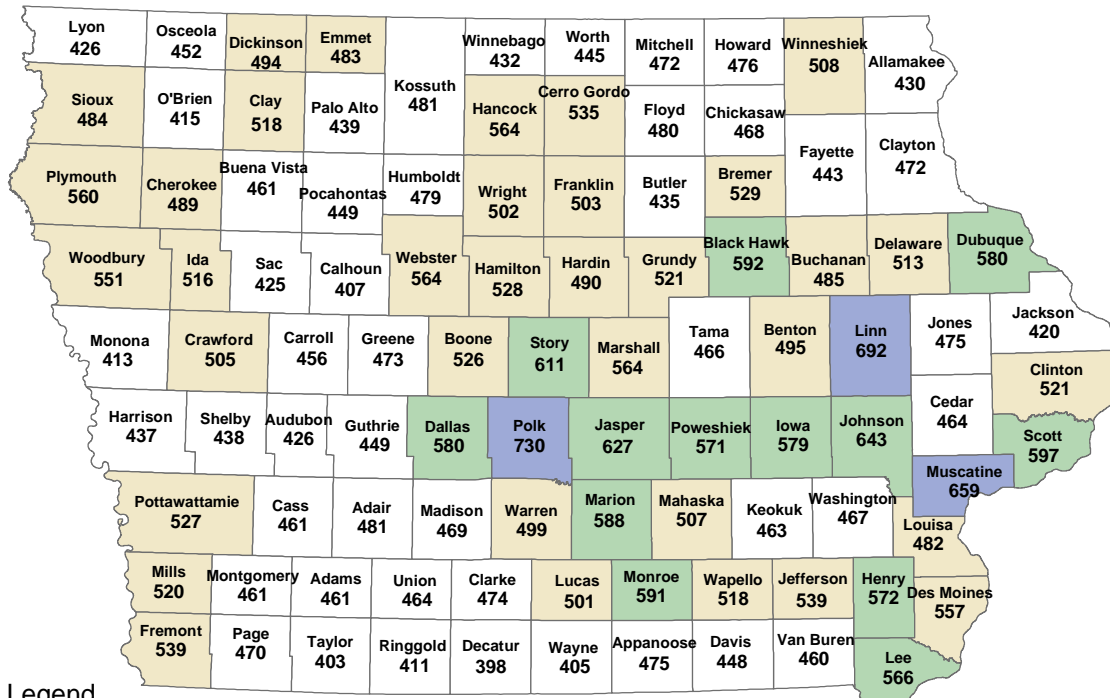
Natural Resources - Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Mining.

# 2004 QUARTERLY CENSUS OF EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES PROFILE

## 2003 Average Annual and Weekly Wage by Industry in Bremer County

Average Annual Wage				Average Weekly Wage		
2002	2003	% Change		2002	2003	% Change
\$ 26,950	\$ 27,533	2.17%	Total All Industries	\$ 518	\$ 529	2.12%
\$ 27,297	\$ 27,956	2.42%	Private Business	\$ 525	\$ 538	2.48%
\$ 17,232	\$ 19,797	14.88%	Ag/Natural Resources & Mining	\$ 331	\$ 381	15.11%
\$ 28,753	\$ 29,594	2.93%	Construction	\$ 553	\$ 569	2.89%
\$ 35,279	\$ 34,987	-0.83%	Manufacturing	\$ 678	\$ 673	-0.74%
\$ 20,960	\$ 21,600	3.06%	Trade	\$ 403	\$ 415	2.98%
\$ 33,075	\$ 33,471	1.20%	<i>Wholesale Trade</i>	\$ 636	\$ 644	1.26%
\$ 17,266	\$ 17,926	3.82%	<i>Retail Trade</i>	\$ 332	\$ 345	3.92%
\$ 27,692	\$ 30,405	9.80%	Transportation & Utilities	\$ 533	\$ 585	9.76%
\$ 24,380	\$ 25,738	5.57%	Information	\$ 469	\$ 495	5.54%
\$ 38,298	\$ 39,432	2.96%	Finance, Insurance, Real Estate	\$ 736	\$ 758	2.99%
\$ 36,363	\$ 40,017	10.05%	Professional & Business Services	\$ 699	\$ 770	10.16%
\$ 25,311	\$ 26,548	4.89%	Education & Health Services	\$ 487	\$ 511	4.93%
\$ 8,128	\$ 8,228	1.23%	Leisure & Hospitality	\$ 156	\$ 158	1.28%
\$ 16,779	\$ 18,600	10.85%	Other Services	\$ 323	\$ 358	10.84%
\$ 25,160	\$ 25,463	1.20%	Government	\$ 484	\$ 490	1.24%
\$ 35,697	\$ 36,682	2.76%	<i>State</i>	\$ 686	\$ 705	2.77%
\$ 24,378	\$ 24,636	1.06%	<i>Local</i>	\$ 469	\$ 474	1.07%
\$ 34,338	\$ 35,345	2.93%	<i>Federal</i>	\$ 660	\$ 680	3.03%

## 2003 Average Weekly Wage for All Industries by County



### QUICK FACTS

#### Average Weekly Wage Comparisons

Bremer  
\$529

Rank  
Among All 99  
Iowa Counties  
-26-

Statewide  
\$591

Nation\*  
\$726

\* preliminary data

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## CONTACT INFO

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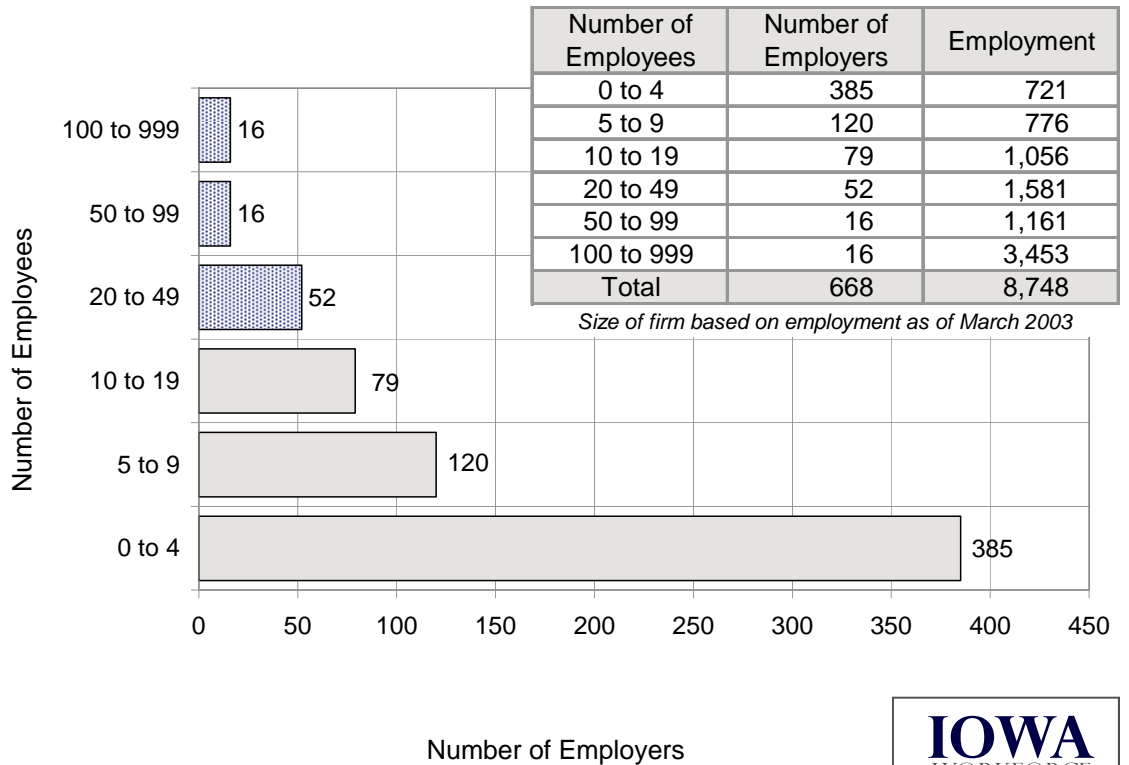
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## 2003 Size of Firm in Bremer County



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