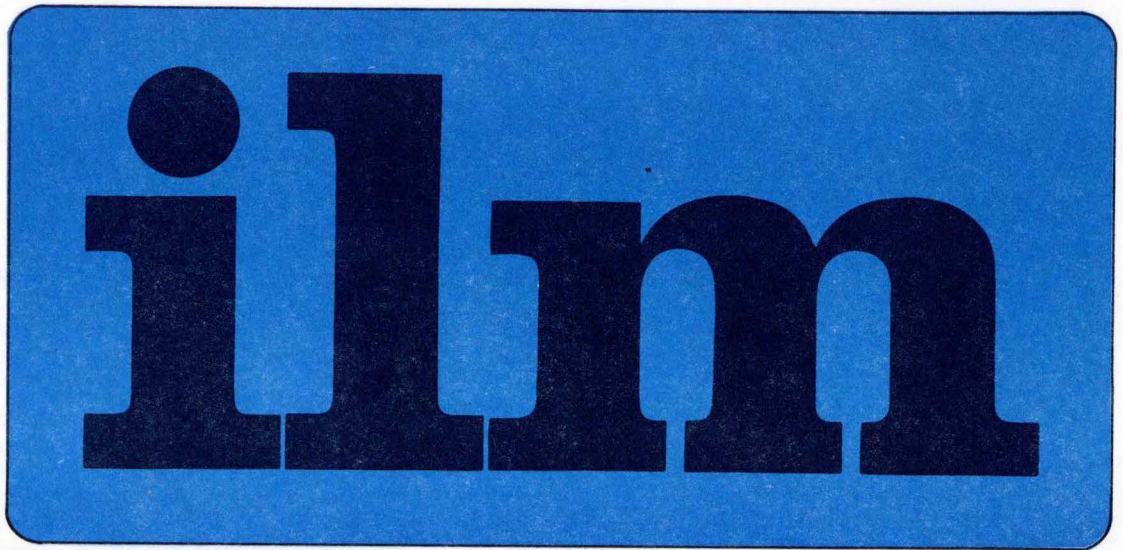


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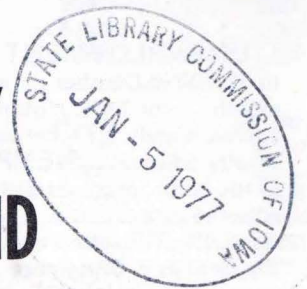
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ADVANCE PAYMENTS NECESSARY TO PROTECT JOB INSURANCE FUND



The Iowa Department of Job Service has announced that recent actuarial projections indicate the Job Insurance trust fund will be dangerously low by late April.

The state agency hopes to safeguard the fund by requiring large employers to make advance payments for the quarter beginning January 1, 1977, in accordance with law revisions (House File 1593) passed by the 66th General Assembly, 1976 session.

Job Service Acting Director Colleen Shearer pointed out that the recent recession caused severe drains on the fund, to the extent that even the emergency measures passed by the Legislature in 1975 were not sufficient to keep the fund at a safe level.

"This emergency situation has left us three alternatives," Shearer said. "The first is to wait until the fund is near depletion and then borrow money from the federal government. This we eliminated primarily because of the burden on employers which would result from making normal tax payments plus payments on the federal loan. We were also reluctant to place Iowa in the ranks of those states indebted to the federal government.

"The second alternative is to do nothing, thereby allowing the add-on tax of 0.25% of 1% to trigger on when—for a period of over two weeks—the fund dips to less than 20% of the total benefit payments disbursed in the previous calendar year recording the highest benefit payments. This add-on tax is a provision adopted by the 1976 Legislature to keep the trust fund solvent and, if imposed, would be collected during the calendar year beginning January 1,

1977. This alternative was quickly rejected because of the extra cost to employers.

"The third alternative—and the one we have elected to implement—is to require advance payments from employers for the quarter beginning January 1, 1977. The advance payment procedure was an additional safeguard measure passed by the 1976 Legislature."

Shearer explained that the advance payment requirement will be applicable to all employers whose 1976 first quarter tax was \$300 or more. Advance payments will be due January 15, February 15 and March 15, each payment to be one third of the 1976 first quarter amount. Should the employer tax for the first quarter of 1977 prove to be either more or less than the 1976 first quarter amount, an adjustment will be made at a later date.

The advance payment is for the first quarter of 1977 and is in addition to the fourth quarter 1976 payment normally due in January. Fourth quarter tax payments to the trust fund are always the lowest, because many employers will have completed their tax payment for 1976 since the tax is imposed on the first \$6,000 of each employee's annual wage.

On the other hand, the Job Insurance benefits paid out in the first quarter are among the highest of any quarter, emphasizing the need for emergency action at this time.

It is hoped the advance payment method will safeguard the fund through this low income-high payout period and will eliminate the possibility of triggering on the 0.25% add-on tax.

LABOR MARKET BRIEFS

Labor-management disputes were a dominating influence on October **EMPLOYMENT** . . . idling 20,900 workers—19,800 in machinery and electrical equipment—as opposed to 1,300 in September. Total employment climbed to 1,284,400 . . . topping the September total of 1,277,800 by 6,600 . . . and exceeding the November 1975 tally by 25,900. Gains in wholesale trade and general merchandising were offset by a downturn among eating and drinking places, reflecting a seasonal pattern. Among published industries, employment hikes were spotty in manufacturing . . . a little heavier in nonmanufacturing, where an overall increase of 2,500 was recorded.

UNEMPLOYMENT grew from 50,400 in September to 51,100 in October . . . a small upswing of 700 over the month . . . or 1.4%. Historically, joblessness drops by approximately 2.7% between the two months. Iowa's seasonally adjusted **UNEMPLOYMENT RATE** of 5.1% of the labor force was slightly higher than the September adjusted rate of 5.0%. The adjusted rate for October 1975 was 6.4%. The state's unadjusted rate for October was 3.8%, the same as in September . . . but lower than the year ago unadjusted rate of 4.7%. It's interesting to note that Iowa's unadjusted rate of 3.8% for September was the fifth lowest in the nation . . . a position shared with Kansas.

The civilian **LABOR FORCE** count was 1,335,400 for the current month . . . 1,328,200 for September . . . and 1,321,200 for October of last year.

Payments of **JOB INSURANCE** to Iowa's unemployed dropped to \$4,496,742 . . . down \$137,368 from the September payments . . . and over \$1.7 million under the benefits paid a year ago. The average weekly payment was \$87.22 in October . . . \$86.38 in September . . . \$79.35 during last October. A total of 15,489 Job Insurance claims were filed

in the October survey week . . . 468 more than the September level of 15,021 . . . and 5,672 under the October 1975 count of 21,161.

Total private **HOURS and EARNINGS** decreased because of the large number of workers involved in labor-management disputes. Average weekly earnings in machinery except electrical fell by \$46.85 . . . resulting from a drop in overtime of 2 hours and 18 minutes . . . and an 89¢ decline in average hourly earnings. Nondurable goods' average hourly earnings increased by 4¢ . . . mainly because of a longer work-week and an employment upswing in meat products. Non-manufacturing also showed a 4¢ gain in average hourly earnings . . . primarily due to increases of 11¢ in mining and 8¢ in wholesale and retail sales.

LABOR TURNOVER: The demand for manufacturing labor declined . . . due to fewer hires and more layoffs. In primary metals, fabricated metal products and rubber, plastics and leather products, layoffs were markedly high. Meat products was the only published industry that hired more in October than in the month before. Fewer employees—20 per 1,000 compared to 25 per 1,000 in September—were voluntarily quitting manufacturing jobs . . . indicating less availability of current job openings. In October 1975, the quit rate was 17 per 1,000 workers.

WHAT'S UP AHEAD? . . . After a harvest season with no adverse conditions and October's agreeable weather that kept construction workers on the job, most areas report little unusual activity. The worker demand in the immediate future will reflect seasonal trends . . . the colder weather curtailing construction work . . . and the holidays calling for hiring boosts in the sales sector. Otherwise—a close surveillance of the economic picture—both local and national—is encouraged . . . avoiding crystal balls and guesswork.

Help Job Service to Help Employers

Iowa law requires jobless workers to be actively seeking work to be eligible for Job Insurance benefits. To protect the Iowa Job Insurance program against misrepresentation and fraud, these work search activities of claimants are checked for verification. When filing claims, workers must list the employers they have contacted while looking for employment and regular contacts are made with the employers listed by the claimant.

If you, as an employer, are contacted by Job Service of Iowa to verify a work contact statement, we urge you to cooperate as fully as possible. In this way you can help us protect the Job Insurance trust fund and be sure that Job Insurance benefits are paid to only those claimants who fulfill the requirements of the law. Your assistance indirectly helps you, the taxpayer.

Table I - Civilian Labor Force by Place of Residence

	Resident Civilian Labor Force 1/	Resident Unemployed	Seasonally Adjusted Rate	Percent Unemployed	Resident Total Employment 2/	Nonagricultural Wage and Salary 3/	Self-employed, Unpaid Family & Domestic Workers 4/	Agriculture
October 1976								
Iowa.....	1,335,400	51,100	5.1	3.8	1,284,400	981,100	134,900	168,300
Cedar Rapids.....	77,200	3,000	4.8	3.8	74,200	66,300	5,300	2,700
Council Bluffs 5/.....	40,800	1,800	*	4.4	39,000	32,800	3,400	2,800
Davenport 5/.....	69,100	3,000	*	4.3	66,100	59,300	5,000	1,800
Des Moines.....	160,400	7,300	5.8	4.6	153,100	137,800	12,100	3,100
Dubuque.....	40,700	2,300	6.9	5.8	38,300	33,300	2,500	2,500
Sioux City.....	55,100	2,100	5.1	3.8	53,000	44,900	5,400	2,600
Waterloo.....	61,300	3,500	7.2	5.8	57,700	51,200	4,600	1,900
September 1976								
Iowa.....	1,328,200	50,400	5.0	3.8	1,277,800	980,000	134,500	163,400
Cedar Rapids.....	76,900	2,700	4.5	3.5	74,200	66,400	5,300	2,600
Council Bluffs 5/.....	40,700	1,900	*	4.6	38,800	32,700	3,400	2,800
Davenport 5/.....	69,700	3,100	*	4.5	66,500	59,800	5,000	1,700
Des Moines.....	160,500	7,700	5.5	4.8	152,800	137,600	12,100	3,100
Dubuque.....	40,700	2,200	6.3	5.5	38,500	33,200	2,800	2,500
Sioux City.....	54,800	1,900	4.3	3.5	52,900	44,900	5,400	2,600
Waterloo.....	60,700	3,500	6.4	5.7	57,200	50,800	4,600	1,800
October 1975								
Iowa.....	1,321,200	62,700	6.4	4.7	1,258,500	955,900	134,200	168,400
Cedar Rapids.....	77,000	3,700	6.0	4.8	73,300	65,300	5,300	2,700
Council Bluffs 5/.....	39,600	2,400	*	6.2	37,200	31,100	3,300	2,800
Davenport 5/.....	68,400	3,700	*	5.4	64,700	58,000	5,000	1,800
Des Moines.....	158,800	8,300	6.6	5.2	150,500	135,200	12,100	3,200
Dubuque.....	40,800	2,700	7.8	6.6	38,100	32,700	2,800	2,500
Sioux City.....	55,600	2,200	5.3	4.0	53,300	45,100	5,600	2,600
Waterloo.....	60,400	4,200	8.6	6.9	56,200	49,800	4,600	1,900

Latest month's data is preliminary. Detail may not add up to total due to rounding. Council Bluffs and Davenport areas include Iowa portions only.
 *Data not available in time of publication. (March, 1975 benchmark levels)

- 1/ Includes unemployed and employed individuals. Establishment employment data is adjusted to commuting, multiple job holding, and unpaid absence patterns.
- 2/ Includes nonagricultural wage and salary, self-employed, unpaid family, and domestic workers; and agriculture.
- 3/ Includes all full and part-time wage and salary workers, excluding domestics, who were employed or involved in a labor-management dispute during the week including the 12th of the month.
- 4/ Includes nonagricultural self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.
- 5/ Data for CETA programs in these areas are based on a "BLS census share" method and are not technically comparable to figures published here.

Table II - Iowa Manufacturing Labor Turnover Rates 1/

	ACCESSION RATES									SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Recalls			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975
MANUFACTURING.....	3.4	4.3	3.3	2.8	3.5	2.2	0.4	0.6	NA	4.2	4.0	3.6	2.0	2.5	1.7	1.3	0.7	1.2
Durable Goods.....	2.8	3.8	3.1	2.2	3.0	1.8	0.4	0.4	NA	4.1	3.5	3.4	1.7	2.0	1.4	1.4	0.7	1.3
Stone, clay & glass products.....	2.2	4.1	2.7	2.0	3.7	2.3	0.1	0.2	NA	2.8	5.5	3.1	2.2	4.0	2.0	*	0.8	0.4
Primary metal industries.....	2.3	2.8	2.9	1.4	2.6	0.5	0.7	0.2	NA	3.0	2.7	5.0	1.1	2.1	0.8	1.3	0.1	3.5
Fabricated metal products.....	3.1	5.5	3.0	3.0	5.3	2.1	0.1	0.2	NA	4.1	4.0	3.8	1.8	2.8	2.1	1.2	0.1	0.8
Machinery except electrical.....	2.4	2.8	3.1	1.4	1.9	1.1	0.5	0.5	NA	3.2	2.3	3.0	1.2	1.1	0.7	0.9	0.4	1.5
Electrical equipment & supplies.....	1.8	2.9	2.3	1.2	2.1	1.9	0.4	0.3	NA	NA	NA	3.1	NA	NA	1.6	NA	NA	0.9
Other durable goods.....	4.0	5.2	3.9	3.6	4.4	3.3	0.3	0.7	NA	5.4	4.4	4.1	2.6	3.1	2.2	1.2	0.6	1.1
Nondurable Goods.....	4.2	5.1	3.6	3.5	4.2	2.7	0.5	0.7	NA	4.2	4.6	4.0	2.3	3.2	2.3	1.2	0.7	1.0
Food & kindred products.....	4.7	5.6	3.8	3.8	4.3	2.6	0.7	1.1	NA	4.6	5.1	4.5	2.3	3.4	2.4	1.5	1.2	1.7
Meat products.....	7.2	7.2	4.5	5.5	4.9	2.3	1.3	2.0	NA	5.1	6.1	3.8	2.8	3.7	2.1	1.4	1.6	1.4
Printing & publishing.....	3.1	4.3	3.1	2.7	3.7	2.6	0.3	0.4	NA	2.8	3.4	2.9	2.0	2.7	2.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
Rubber, plastics & leather prod.....	3.6	4.0	3.0	3.2	3.5	2.2	0.3	0.1	NA	6.0	3.9	3.7	2.9	2.4	1.8	2.2	0.2	*
Other nondurable goods.....	3.8	5.2	4.2	3.5	5.0	3.7	0.1	0.2	NA	3.8	4.4	3.6	2.7	3.8	2.5	0.5	0.1	0.3

1/ Figures presented are expressed as a rate per 100 employees. *Less than .05.

**Table III - Iowa Labor Force Summary
October 1976**

County - Labor Area	1/ Labor Force	Unemployed	Unadjusted Rate	2/ Employment	3/ Nonag Wage and Salary	4/ Self-Employed, Unpaid Family, Domestics	Agriculture
Iowa - Statewide	1,335,433	51,069	3.8	1,284,364	981,138	134,886	168,340
Cedar Rapids SMSA	77,193	2,955	3.8	74,238	66,310	5,273	2,655
Davenport - RI - Moline SMSA	171,729	8,891	5.2	162,838			
Des Moines SMSA	160,430	7,338	4.6	153,092	137,782	12,076	3,234
Dubuque SMSA	40,656	2,349	5.8	38,307	33,316	2,453	2,538
Omaha - Council Bluffs SMSA	251,665	15,504	6.2	236,161			
Sioux City SMSA	55,120	2,104	3.8	53,016	44,940	5,438	2,638
Waterloo - Cedar Falls SMSA	61,279	3,548	5.8	57,731	51,228	4,634	1,869
Adair - Greenfield	4,641	112	2.4	4,529	2,153	509	1,867
Adams - Corning	2,588	74	2.9	2,514	1,222	367	925
Allamakee - Waukon	7,083	225	3.2	6,858	3,919	1,064	1,875
Appanoose - Centerville	6,223	388	6.2	5,835	3,948	956	931
Audubon - Audubon	4,145	85	2.1	4,060	2,035	594	1,431
Benton - Vinton	10,460	216	2.1	10,244	6,730	1,224	2,290
Black Hawk (Waterloo - Cedar Falls SMSA)	61,279	3,548	5.8	57,731	51,228	4,634	1,869
Boone - Boone	12,103	310	2.6	11,793	9,042	1,231	1,520
Bremer - Waverly	10,122	363	3.6	9,759	7,092	964	1,703
Buchanan - Independence	9,787	322	3.3	9,465	6,408	1,012	2,045
Buena Vista - Storm Lake	9,762	255	2.6	9,507	6,645	1,062	1,800
Butler - Allison	7,596	270	3.6	7,326	4,461	998	1,867
Calhoun - Rockwell City	6,071	140	2.3	5,931	3,631	814	1,486
Carroll - Carroll	10,192	355	3.5	9,837	5,913	1,721	2,203
Cass - Atlantic	8,489	185	2.2	8,304	5,065	1,269	1,970
Cedar - Tipton	7,987	148	1.9	7,839	4,796	1,058	1,985
Cerro Gordo - Mason City	23,346	1,134	4.9	22,212	18,857	2,002	1,353
Cherokee - Cherokee	7,788	214	2.7	7,574	4,919	942	1,713
Chickasaw - New Hampton	6,952	358	5.1	6,594	3,924	955	1,715
Clarke - Osceola	4,260	154	3.6	4,106	2,389	510	1,207
Clay - Spencer	9,224	169	1.8	9,055	6,432	1,089	1,534
Clayton - Guttenberg	9,898	337	3.4	9,561	5,134	1,578	2,849
Clinton - Clinton	25,745	1,197	4.6	24,548	19,821	2,271	2,456
Crawford - Denison	9,208	196	2.1	9,012	5,563	1,109	2,340
Dallas - Perry	13,648	437	3.2	13,211	10,145	1,360	1,706
Davis - Bloomfield	3,621	183	5.1	3,438	1,977	591	870
Decatur - Leon	4,318	118	2.7	4,200	2,705	526	969
Delaware - Manchester	8,268	245	3.0	8,023	4,468	1,249	2,306
Des Moines - Burlington	18,906	1,149	6.1	17,757	15,361	1,386	1,010
Dickinson - Spirit Lake	6,751	177	2.6	6,574	4,351	1,042	1,181
Dubuque - Dubuque SMSA	40,656	2,349	5.8	38,307	33,316	2,453	2,538
Emmet - Estherville	6,222	155	2.5	6,067	4,433	711	923
Fayette - Oelwein	11,681	438	3.7	11,243	7,376	1,426	2,441
Floyd - Charles City	8,464	567	6.7	7,897	5,648	953	1,296
Franklin - Hampton	6,508	222	3.4	6,286	3,349	877	2,060
Fremont - Sidney	4,663	158	3.4	4,505	2,486	571	1,448
Greene - Jefferson	5,563	169	3.0	5,394	3,103	794	1,497
Grundy - Grundy Center	6,252	112	1.8	6,140	3,766	564	1,810
Guthrie - Guthrie Center	5,554	141	2.5	5,413	2,967	797	1,649
Hamilton - Webster City	8,648	184	2.1	8,464	5,574	1,201	1,689
Hancock - Garner	6,325	149	2.4	6,176	3,764	735	1,677
Hardin - Iowa Falls	10,352	177	1.7	10,175	7,058	1,345	1,772
Harrison - Missouri Valley	6,929	232	3.3	6,697	3,943	955	1,759
Henry - Mount Pleasant	9,545	324	3.4	9,221	6,900	1,107	1,214
Howard - Cresco	5,170	227	4.4	4,943	2,588	787	1,568
Humboldt - Humboldt	5,865	138	2.4	5,727	3,643	828	1,256

Note: Footnotes identical to Table I.

Note: All data based on place of residence.

Iowa's Adjusted Rate - 5.1%

Table III - Continued

County - Labor Area	Labor Force	Unemployed	Unadjusted Rate	Employment	Nonag Wage and Salary	Self-Employed, Unpaid Family, Domestic	Agriculture
Ida - Ida Grove	4,294	92	2.1	4,202	2,065	710	1,427
Iowa - Marengo	9,084	120	1.3	8,964	5,883	1,164	1,917
Jackson - Maquoketa	10,156	468	4.6	9,688	6,224	1,233	2,231
Jasper	16,827	712	4.2	16,115	12,094	1,832	2,189
Jefferson - Fairfield	6,869	289	4.2	6,580	4,686	859	1,035
Johnson - Iowa City	39,271	940	2.4	38,331	33,307	2,876	2,148
Jones - Anamosa	9,295	295	3.2	9,000	5,841	1,133	2,026
Keokuk - Sigourney	5,541	173	3.1	5,368	2,837	715	1,816
Kossuth - Algona	10,612	297	2.8	10,315	5,769	1,599	2,947
Lee - Ft. Madison - Keokuk	19,365	873	4.5	18,492	15,474	1,909	1,109
Linn - Cedar Rapids SMSA	77,193	2,955	3.8	74,238	66,310	5,273	2,655
Louisa - Wapello	4,959	142	2.9	4,817	3,580	470	767
Lucas - Chariton	4,533	154	3.4	4,379	2,982	512	885
Lyon - Rock Rapids	6,224	145	2.3	6,079	3,228	909	1,942
Madison - Winterset	5,741	132	2.3	5,609	3,578	641	1,390
Mahaska - Oskaloosa	9,440	285	3.0	9,155	6,305	1,201	1,649
Marion - Knoxville	13,808	320	2.3	13,488	10,637	1,433	1,418
Marshall - Marshalltown	18,625	555	3.0	18,070	14,136	1,975	1,959
Mills - Glenwood	5,842	128	2.2	5,714	4,018	512	1,184
Mitchell - Osage	5,757	270	4.7	5,487	2,991	857	1,639
Monona - Onawa	5,348	172	3.2	5,176	2,925	811	1,440
Monroe - Albia	4,661	172	3.7	4,489	3,275	575	639
Montgomery - Red Oak	6,398	145	2.3	6,253	4,159	798	1,296
Muscatine - Muscatine	18,470	844	4.6	17,626	14,616	1,619	1,391
O'Brien - Sheldon	7,392	135	1.8	7,257	4,325	1,188	1,744
Osceola - Sibley	3,566	81	2.3	3,485	1,854	531	1,100
Page - Shenandoah	9,736	339	3.5	9,397	6,307	1,074	2,016
Palo Alto - Emmetsburg	5,435	224	4.1	5,211	3,053	822	1,336
Plymouth - Le Mars	11,045	339	3.1	10,706	6,787	1,074	2,845
Pocahontas - Pocahontas	4,990	197	3.9	4,793	2,571	667	1,555
Polk - (Part of Des Moines SMSA)	147,642	6,914	4.7	140,728			
Pottawattamie - (Part - Omaha SMSA) 5/	40,782	2,592	6.4	38,190			
Poweshiek - Grinnell	9,989	304	3.0	9,685	6,685	1,045	1,955
Ringgold - Mount Ayr	3,337	90	2.7	3,247	1,459	487	1,301
Sac - Sac City	6,915	156	2.3	6,759	3,632	987	2,140
Scott - (Part of DRIM SMSA) 5/	65,990	2,845	4.3	63,145			
Shelby - Harlan	6,392	239	3.7	6,153	3,398	875	1,880
Sioux - Orange City	13,932	295	2.1	13,637	8,396	1,937	3,304
Story - Ames	35,921	610	1.7	35,311	29,527	3,197	2,587
Tama - Tama-Toledo	9,560	176	1.8	9,384	5,743	1,246	2,395
Taylor	3,912	118	3.0	3,794	1,711	613	1,470
Union - Creston	6,265	258	4.1	6,007	4,251	805	951
Van Buren - Koesauqua	3,807	135	3.5	3,672	2,311	521	840
Wapello - Ottumwa	15,164	1,036	6.8	14,128	11,913	1,365	850
Warren - (Part of Des Moines SMSA)	12,788	424	3.3	12,364			
Washington - Washington	9,372	214	2.3	9,158	6,149	1,332	1,677
Wayne - Corydon	3,668	109	3.0	3,559	1,866	475	1,218
Webster - Fort Dodge	21,594	784	3.6	20,810	17,034	2,018	1,758
Winnebago - Forest City	7,258	215	3.0	7,043	4,914	1,054	1,075
Winneshiek - Decorah	11,502	447	3.9	11,055	6,772	1,427	2,856
Woodbury - (Part of Sioux City SMSA)	49,108	1,974	4.0	47,134			
Worth - Northwood	3,971	190	4.8	3,781	2,280	397	1,104
Wright - Clarion	7,233	148	2.0	7,085	4,477	927	1,681

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Ida - Ida Grove	4,294	92	2.1	4,202	2,065	710	1,427
Iowa - Marengo	9,084	120	1.3	8,964	5,883	1,164	1,917
Jackson - Maquoketa	10,156	468	4.6	9,688	6,224	1,233	2,231
Jasper	16,827	712	4.2	16,115	12,094	1,832	2,189
Jefferson - Fairfield	6,869	289	4.2	6,580	4,686	859	1,035
Johnson - Iowa City	39,271	940	2.4	38,331	33,307	2,876	2,148
Jones - Anamosa	9,295	295	3.2	9,000	5,841	1,133	2,026
Keokuk - Sigourney	5,541	173	3.1	5,368	2,837	715	1,816
Kossuth - Algona	10,612	297	2.8	10,315	5,769	1,599	2,947
Lee - Ft. Madison - Keokuk	19,365	873	4.5	18,492	15,474	1,909	1,109
Linn - Cedar Rapids SMSA	77,193	2,955	3.8	74,238	66,310	5,273	2,655
Louisa - Wapello	4,959	142	2.9	4,817	3,580	470	767
Lucas - Chariton	4,533	154	3.4	4,379	2,982	512	885
Lyon - Rock Rapids	6,224	145	2.3	6,079	3,228	909	1,942
Madison - Winterset	5,741	132	2.3	5,609	3,578	641	1,390
Mahaska - Oskaloosa	9,440	285	3.0	9,155	6,305	1,201	1,649
Marion - Knoxville	13,808	320	2.3	13,488	10,637	1,433	1,418
Marshall - Marshalltown	18,625	555	3.0	18,070	14,136	1,975	1,959
Mills - Glenwood	5,842	128	2.2	5,714	4,018	512	1,184
Mitchell - Osage	5,757	270	4.7	5,487	2,991	857	1,639
Monona - Onawa	5,348	172	3.2	5,176	2,925	811	1,440
Monroe - Albia	4,661	172	3.7	4,489	3,275	575	639
Montgomery - Red Oak	6,398	145	2.3	6,253	4,159	798	1,296
Muscatine - Muscatine	18,470	844	4.6	17,626	14,616	1,619	1,391
O'Brien - Sheldon	7,392	135	1.8	7,257	4,325	1,188	1,744
Osceola - Sibley	3,566	81	2.3	3,485	1,854	531	1,100
Page - Shenandoah	9,736	339	3.5	9,397	6,307	1,074	2,016
Palo Alto - Emmetsburg	5,435	224	4.1	5,211	3,053	822	1,336
Plymouth - Le Mars	11,045	339	3.1	10,706	6,787	1,074	2,845
Pocahontas - Pocahontas	4,990	197	3.9	4,793	2,571	667	1,555
Polk - (Part of Des Moines SMSA)	147,642	6,914	4.7	140,728			
Pottawattamie - (Part - Omaha SMSA)5/	40,782	2,592	6.4	38,190			
Poweshiek - Grinnell	9,989	304	3.0	9,685	6,685	1,045	1,955
Ringgold - Mount Ayr	3,337	90	2.7	3,247	1,459	487	1,301
Sac - Sac City	6,915	156	2.3	6,759	3,632	987	2,140
Scott - (Part of DRIM SMSA)5/	65,990	2,845	4.3	63,145			
Shelby - Harlan	6,392	239	3.7	6,153	3,398	875	1,880
Sioux - Orange City	13,932	295	2.1	13,637	8,396	1,937	3,304
Story - Ames	35,921	610	1.7	35,311	29,527	3,197	2,587
Tama - Tama-Toledo	9,560	176	1.8	9,384	5,743	1,246	2,395
Taylor	3,912	118	3.0	3,794	1,711	613	1,470
Union - Creston	6,265	258	4.1	6,007	4,251	805	951
Van Buren - Koesauqua	3,807	135	3.5	3,672	2,311	521	840
Wapello - Ottumwa	15,164	1,036	6.8	14,128	11,913	1,365	850
Warren - (Part of Des Moines SMSA)	12,788	424	3.3	12,364			
Washington - Washington	9,372	214	2.3	9,158	6,149	1,332	1,677
Wayne - Corydon	3,668	109	3.0	3,559	1,866	475	1,218
Webster - Fort Dodge	21,594	784	3.6	20,810	17,034	2,018	1,758
Winnebago - Forest City	7,258	215	3.0	7,043	4,914	1,054	1,075
Winneshiek - Decorah	11,502	447	3.9	11,055	6,772	1,427	2,856
Woodbury - (Part of Sioux City SMSA)	49,108	1,974	4.0	47,134			
Worth - Northwood	3,971	190	4.8	3,781	2,280	397	1,104
Wright - Clarion	7,233	148	2.0	7,085	4,477	927	1,681

Table IV - Iowa Nonagricultural Employment 1/

(By Place of Work)

	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Change From:	
				Sept. 1976 to Oct. 1976	Oct. 1975 to Oct. 1976
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL.....	1,014,400	1,031,800	1,013,300	- 17,400	1,100
MANUFACTURING.....	218,700	238,600	230,300	- 19,900	- 11,600
DURABLE GOODS.....	125,700	146,100	140,300	- 20,400	- 14,600
Lumber & furniture.....	8,700	8,700	8,500	0	200
Stone, clay & glass products.....	6,400	6,500	6,500	- 100	- 100
Primary metal industries.....	7,600	7,700	7,000*	- 100	600
Fabricated metal products.....	16,900	17,000	15,800	- 100	1,100
Machinery except electrical.....	42,200*	60,000	58,200	- 17,800	- 16,000
Farm machinery.....	16,500*	28,200	27,300	- 11,700	- 10,800
Construction & related machinery.....	13,600*	18,900*	18,300	- 5,300	- 4,700
Electrical equipment & supplies.....	24,300*	26,500	25,200*	- 2,200	- 900
Transportation equipment.....	9,200*	9,200*	7,900	0	1,300
Other durable goods 2/.....	10,300*	10,400*	11,200	- 100	- 900
NONDURABLE GOODS.....	93,000	92,500	90,100	500	2,900
Food & kindred products.....	50,400	50,100	48,400	300	2,000
Meat products.....	26,600	26,000	24,300*	600	2,300
Grain mill products.....	11,000	11,100	11,000	- 100	0
Bakery products.....	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0
Apparel & other textile products.....	4,500	4,400	4,100	100	400
Paper & allied products.....	3,900	3,900	3,600*	0	300
Printing & publishing.....	15,300*	15,200*	15,000	100	300
Newspapers.....	6,400	6,400	6,500	0	- 100
Chemicals & allied products.....	6,700*	6,600*	7,100	100	- 400
Rubber & plastics products, nec.....	10,400	10,400	10,000	0	400
Other nondurable goods 3/.....	1,900	1,900	1,900	0	0
NONMANUFACTURING.....	795,700	793,200	782,900	2,500	12,800
Nonmetallic mining.....	2,800	2,900	2,900	- 100	- 100
Contract construction.....	50,800	52,000	51,300	- 1,200	- 500
Transportation & public utilities.....	55,000*	55,000*	54,700	0	300
Railroad transportation.....	9,100	9,000	8,900	100	200
Communication.....	12,900	13,000	13,200	- 100	- 300
Electric, gas & sanitary services.....	10,800	10,900	10,700	- 100	100
Wholesale & retail trade.....	256,300	256,300	249,500	0	6,800
Wholesale trade.....	52,600*	52,200	51,200	400	1,400
Retail trade.....	203,700	204,100	198,200	- 400	5,500
Retail, general merchandise.....	29,900	28,600	29,700	1,300	200
Finance, insurance & real estate.....	47,700	47,900	47,200	- 200	500
Banking.....	16,400	16,400	15,800	0	600
Insurance carriers & agents.....	18,400	18,400	18,600	0	- 200
Services.....	185,800	188,000	179,900	- 2,200	5,900
Medical & other health services.....	60,500	60,400	58,100	100	2,400
Government.....	197,200	191,100	197,500	6,100	- 300
Federal government.....	19,000	19,100	19,500	- 100	- 500
State government.....	49,300	48,500	49,100	800	200
Local government.....	128,900	123,400	128,800	5,500	100
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes.....	20,900	1,300	500	19,600	20,400

1/ Revised to most current information available at publication. Data include all full and part-time wage and salary workers employed during the week containing the 12th of the month. Proprietors, self-employed, domestic workers and the armed forces are excluded. Detail may not add up to total due to rounding. (March, 1975 benchmark levels)

2/ Includes ordnance & accessories, instruments & related products and miscellaneous manufacturing.

3/ Includes textile mill products, petroleum & coal products and leather & leather products.

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Table V - Hours and Earnings of Iowa Production or Nonsupervisory Workers 1/

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Average Weekly Overtime Hours 1/		
	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975
TOTAL PRIVATE.....	\$169.81	\$173.76	\$165.53	35.6	35.9	36.3	\$4.77	\$4.84	\$4.56	*	*	*
MANUFACTURING.....	229.82	243.01	221.35	39.9	40.3	40.1	5.76	6.03	5.52	3.5	3.9	2.8
Durable Goods.....	221.92	247.66	226.95	39.7	40.6	40.6	5.59	6.10	5.59	2.6	3.6	2.4
Lumber & furniture.....	191.20	192.08	179.33	39.1	39.2	38.9	4.89	4.90	4.61	2.3	2.5	1.2
Stone, clay & glass products.....	259.73	262.24	232.76	43.8	44.0	44.0	5.93	5.96	5.29	7.1	7.0	6.8
Primary metal industries.....	256.75	258.33	242.76	39.5	39.5	40.8	6.50	6.54	5.95	4.9	4.8	2.8
Fabricated metal products.....	211.33	216.71	200.56	40.1	41.2	40.6	5.27	5.26	4.94	2.3	2.7	2.0
Machinery except electrical.....	248.75	295.60	270.52	39.8	41.4	41.3	6.25	7.14	6.55	1.9	4.2	2.4
Farm machinery.....	245.00	304.63	282.34	39.2	41.0	40.8	6.25	7.43	6.91	1.7	5.5	3.0
Construction & related machinery.....	278.14	305.04	288.56	38.9	41.0	41.7	7.15	7.44	6.92	1.5	2.2	1.6
Electrical equipment & supplies.....	205.11	204.62	181.72	38.7	39.2	38.5	5.30	5.22	4.72	2.4	2.6	1.4
Transportation equipment.....	173.84	174.99	177.66	39.6	39.5	41.9	4.39	4.43	4.24	2.0	2.0	2.0
Other durable goods.....	172.80	169.29	162.38	38.4	38.3	39.8	4.50	4.42	4.08	1.4	1.5	2.1
Nondurable Goods.....	239.59	235.62	212.61	40.2	39.8	39.3	5.96	5.92	5.41	4.6	4.5	3.6
Food & kindred products.....	267.86	263.22	231.66	41.4	41.0	39.6	6.47	6.42	5.85	5.3	5.1	4.2
Meat products.....	287.32	273.24	250.39	41.4	39.6	38.7	6.94	6.90	6.47	5.6	4.7	3.4
Grain mill products.....	284.69	280.57	241.02	41.5	41.2	41.2	6.86	6.81	5.85	5.5	5.5	4.7
Apparel & other textile products.....	117.55	109.91	106.93	37.2	35.8	37.0	3.16	3.07	2.89	1.2	0.8	0.8
Paper & allied products.....	200.07	200.29	193.17	40.5	40.3	41.1	4.94	4.97	4.70	4.3	3.9	4.0
Printing & publishing.....	218.62	213.84	196.86	38.9	38.6	38.6	5.62	5.54	5.10	4.5	4.4	2.9
Newspapers.....	172.37	178.86	176.11	32.4	33.0	34.6	5.32	5.42	5.09	2.1	2.7	2.1
Chemicals & allied products.....	245.18	254.82	230.11	41.0	42.4	40.8	5.98	6.01	5.64	2.1	3.5	3.1
Rubber & plastics products, nec.....	217.31	215.04	214.10	36.4	35.9	38.3	5.97	5.99	5.59	4.9	4.9	3.7
Other nondurable goods.....	137.07	128.48	102.31	39.5	37.9	38.9	3.47	3.39	2.63	1.3	1.2	1.3
NONMANUFACTURING.....	153.42	152.93	148.90	34.4	34.6	35.2	4.46	4.42	4.23	*	*	*
Mining.....	247.84	239.00	248.50	48.5	47.8	50.1	5.11	5.00	4.96	*	*	*
Contract construction.....	314.20	315.48	312.03	38.6	38.9	39.8	8.14	8.11	7.84	*	*	*
Transportation & public utilities.....	247.38	247.78	237.72	39.9	39.9	41.2	6.20	6.21	5.77	*	*	*
Wholesale & retail trade.....	133.06	131.14	126.75	33.6	33.8	33.8	3.96	3.88	3.75	*	*	*
Finance, insurance & real estate.....	129.79	128.98	122.68	38.4	38.5	38.7	3.38	3.35	3.17	*	*	*
Services.....	118.67	118.13	109.88	31.9	32.1	32.8	3.72	3.68	3.35	*	*	*

1/ Estimates are based upon a sample of full and part-time production and related employees, who worked during or received pay for the payroll period which includes the 12th of the month. Besides changes in basic hourly and incentive wage rates, average hourly earnings reflect such variable factors as overtime premium pay, late shift work, and changes in output of workers paid on an incentive basis. They also reflect changing employment of workers between relatively high-paid and low-paid work, and full-time and part-time status. Revised to most current information available at publication. (March, 1975 benchmark levels) *Data not available **Not Comparable

Table VI - Gross and Spendable Average Weekly Earnings of Iowa Production or Nonsupervisory Workers

	Gross Average Weekly Earnings			Spendable Average Weekly Earnings					
	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Worker With No Dependents			Married Worker With Three Dependents		
Oct. 1976				Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	
TOTAL PRIVATE.....	\$169.81	\$173.76	\$165.53	\$135.12	\$137.80	\$130.03	\$147.43	\$150.30	\$143.33
MANUFACTURING.....	229.82	243.01	221.35	176.32	185.24	167.83	189.71	199.06	182.78
Durable Goods.....	221.92	247.66	226.95	170.93	188.37	171.69	184.22	202.38	186.67
Nondurable Goods.....	239.59	235.62	212.61	182.93	180.25	161.81	196.62	193.79	176.71
NONMANUFACTURING.....	153.42	152.93	148.90	123.60	123.25	118.60	135.52	135.20	131.66
Mining.....	247.84	239.00	248.50	188.49	182.53	186.24	202.51	196.20	202.22
Contract Construction.....	314.20	315.48	312.03	232.04	232.88	228.74	250.51	251.48	249.14
Transportation & Public Utilities.....	247.38	247.78	237.72	188.18	188.45	178.99	202.18	202.47	194.43
Wholesale & Retail Trade.....	133.06	131.14	126.75	109.04	107.67	103.18	122.38	120.84	116.90
Finance & Real Estate.....	129.79	128.98	122.68	106.71	106.13	100.35	119.63	118.90	113.25
Services.....	118.67	118.13	109.88	98.65	98.26	91.20	109.66	109.17	101.78

Table VII - Hours and Earnings for Manufacturing Production Workers in Selected Iowa Areas 1/

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.
	1976	1976	1975	1976	1976	1975	1976	1976	1975
Cedar Rapids.....	\$244.42	\$245.43	\$222.63	40.2	40.5	* 40.7	\$6.08	\$6.06	\$5.47
Council Bluffs.....	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Davenport.....	301.02	285.04	259.52	40.9	39.1	39.5	7.36	7.29	6.57
Des Moines.....	242.32	255.84	241.54	38.1	39.3	40.8	6.36	6.51	5.92
Dubuque.....	238.42	279.63	278.92	36.4	39.0	40.6	6.55	7.17	6.87
Sioux City.....	216.94	212.22	184.68	40.1	38.1	38.0	5.41	5.52	4.86
Waterloo.....	244.00	297.08	269.47	40.0	39.4	40.1	6.10	7.54	6.72

1/ See footnote - Table V *Data not available.

Table VIII - Job Service of Iowa Activities

	October 1976		September 1976		October 1975	
	Total	Women	Total	Women	Total	Women
JOB PLACEMENT						
New applicants.....	21,711	9,405	15,561	7,672	13,846	6,270
Total placements.....	7,593	2,709	13,987	6,010	10,296	4,136
Nonagricultural.....	7,288	2,646	13,475	5,726	9,878	4,025
Agricultural.....	305	63	512	284	418	111
New job openings 1/	9,912	*	17,474	*	14,287	*
Active applicants.....	69,717	36,280	67,898	36,472	67,181	35,113
JOB INSURANCE						
Initial claims.....	11,013	4,049	8,430	2,916	11,057	3,749
Continued claims.....	54,396	25,050	55,441	23,080	77,092	30,181
First payments issued.....	4,080	1,610	3,521	1,287	5,341	2,023
Total weeks paid.....	51,555	22,764	53,651	21,164	79,303	29,650
Total payments.....	\$4,496,742	\$1,478,189	\$4,634,110	\$1,497,225	\$6,293,062	\$2,000,109
Average weekly payment.....	\$87.22	\$71.98	\$86.38	\$70.74	\$79.35	\$67.46
Average weekly payment - total unemployment.....	\$89.26	\$73.83	\$88.35	\$72.59	\$80.61	\$68.85

1/ Limited to nonagricultural activities. *Data not available.

Table IX - Iowans Receiving Job Insurance 1/

	Total			Women			Unemployed 5 Weeks or Longer		
	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1976	Sept. 1976	Oct. 1975
Total.....	15,489	15,021	21,161	6,314	6,127	8,150	9,116	9,798	13,051
Contract Construction.....	1,895	1,684	1,558	84*	84*	84*	800	911	949*
Manufacturing.....	5,514	5,506	10,785	1,988	1,894	3,857	3,394	3,551	7,017
Durable Goods.....	3,832	3,661	7,800	1,265	1,179	2,647	2,329	2,385	5,378
Nondurable Goods.....	1,683	1,845	2,985	723	714*	1,210	1,066	1,166	1,639
Trade	4,015	3,787	4,084	1,988	1,871	2,042	2,374	2,646	2,517
Services.....	2,505	2,582	2,660	1,538	1,636	1,590	1,645	1,738	1,613
All Other Industries.....	1,559	1,460	2,074	716*	643*	577*	903	951	955*

1/ The insured unemployed are counted during the week including the 12th and are based on a survey of claims filed during the week including the 19th. *Less than 5 per cent of total insured unemployed.



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