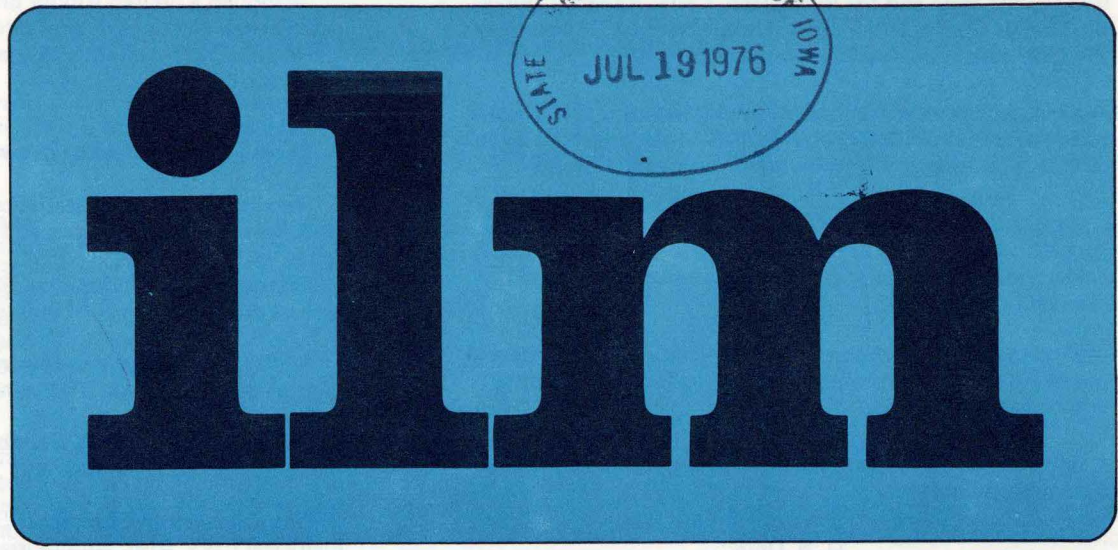


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## LABOR MARKET DATA AVAILABLE

Job Service of Iowa offers many services to the state's varied publics. One of these is labor market information—factual data concerning the world of work and the conditions that influence it. Such data are available to employers, civic and community leaders, trade and union organizations, the news media, colleges and universities and the general public.

The Job Service research and statistics unit collects, compiles, analyzes and reports data on the labor market and related subjects: Employment, unemployment and labor force estimates, current economic conditions, commuting patterns, apprenticeship, wages and unemployment insurance claims and benefits. Research also covers such areas as future manpower needs, Job Insurance benefit financing, job guidelines, job training and minority groups. Still more data are produced from examination of population characteristics through labor force breakdowns, occupational distribution and related investigation.

Besides providing statewide data, a sizeable portion of the statistics collected concerns individual counties and major market areas in Iowa.

### Iowa Data

The following is a partial list of economic data provided by the Job Service research and statistics unit. Information about any of the subjects will be provided on request. Address requests to Job Service of Iowa, Research and Statistics Department, 1000 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

**Iowa Manpower Review**—A semi-annual report on labor market trends in the state. Published in the spring and fall.

**Area Manpower Review**—An economic study by selected areas, published in the spring and fall. Areas covered: Burlington, Cedar Rapids, Council Bluffs, Davenport, Des Moines, Dubuque, Fort Dodge, Ottumwa, Sioux City, Waterloo.

**Area Employment Development**—Single page overviews issued monthly for selected areas, including Burlington, Cedar Rapids, Centerville, Council Bluffs, Davenport, Des

Moines, Dubuque, Fort Dodge, Mason City, Newton, Oskaloosa, Ottumwa, Sioux City, Waterloo.

**Annual Planning Report**—An aid to future needs planning for the state and major market areas. 1976 reports issued for the State of Iowa and for Burlington, Cedar Rapids, Council Bluffs, Davenport, Des Moines, Dubuque, Fort Dodge, Ottumwa, Sioux City, Waterloo.

**Labor Turnover Estimates**—A monthly table available for the state and for Cedar Rapids and Des Moines areas.

**Spendable Earnings Series**—Monthly table: estimates lowans' take home pay on a statewide basis.

**Hours and Earnings Estimates**—An aid for state and community planning issued monthly in table form, available for most areas. Area statistics for manufacturing industries, state statistics for all industries.

**Area Wage Surveys**—Prevailing wage standards for selected Iowa areas.

**Affirmative Action Information**—Population and labor force data on women and minority groups to aid employers in developing plans for hiring members of these groups. Brochures available for the state, all 99 counties, seven major cities and two multi-county standard metropolitan statistical areas (SMSA). Supplemental occupational tables for the state and for seven major market areas are also available.

**Agricultural Employment**—Farm employment by state and county, 1970-'75.

**Commuting Patterns in Iowa**—Comprehensive statistical study of commuting patterns of the Iowa labor force, based on 1970 census data.

**Occupational Outlook**—Projections of occupational needs for the state and for seven areas, 1975-'85. Areas include Cedar Rapids, Des Moines, Dubuque, Sioux City, Waterloo and two partial SMSAs, Council Bluffs and Davenport.

**Vocational Education Annual Report**—Labor supply and demand by occupation, for use in planned vocational educa-



tion for the state and for Burlington, Cedar Rapids, Council Bluffs, Davenport, Des Moines, Dubuque, Fort Dodge, Sioux City, Waterloo.

**Covered Employment and Wages by Industry and County and Job Insurance Benefits by County**—Information available on state and federal unemployment insurance programs.

**Career Guides**—Current qualifications, requirements and opportunities for jobs in Iowa in the following occupational fields: building trades, clerical, food service, health and licensed occupations.

**Opportunities for Apprenticeship**—Description of apprentice occupations and process of applying for an apprenticeship in Iowa.

**Iowa Labor Force Summary**—Released monthly for the state and its counties.

#### U. S. Data

In addition to the above listing, Job Service of Iowa maintains a library of publications produced by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U. S. Department of Labor. In many cases, the federal publications update national statistical data on a current basis.

Although a limited supply prevents their distribution, Job Service will provide any information requested from these publications. Requests should go to the same address given above.

Bureau of Labor Statistics publication titles include:

**Handbook on Labor Statistics**—Annual publication on U. S./foreign labor statistics and economic data.

**Consumer Price Index**—Issued monthly. Statistical measure of change in prices of goods and services.

**1970 Census Data Manpower Indicators**—Selected information based on April 1970 census.

**Occupational Outlook Handbook**—Outlook for 700 occupations in 30 major industries.

**Employment and Earnings**—State and areas data on a historical basis. Also, employment, hours, earnings, turnover data for U. S., states and SMSAs.

**Monthly Labor Review**—Labor force and related subjects.

**Current Wage Developments**—Issued monthly. Report on employee compensation.

## LABOR MARKET BRIEFS

The **EMPLOYMENT** surge in the state over the month was greater than expected, aided by fewer layoffs in April. Significant gains were reported in the nonmanufacturing sector . . . 5,000 in contract construction . . . 4,400 in the trade industries . . . 3,300 in services. Total statewide employment climbed from 1,210,200 in March to 1,247,500 . . . an April gain of 37,300. Compared to last April, the current figure shows an increase of 20,800 over the year ago count of 1,226,700.

**UNEMPLOYMENT** in April totaled 65,100 . . . a drop of 14,400 from the March jobless total of 79,500 . . . and 10,000 under the April 1975 level of 75,100. The current seasonally adjusted **UNEMPLOYMENT RATE** was estimated at 4.7% of the labor force . . . a decline of four-tenths of a percentage point from the March level of 5.1%. Iowa's adjusted rate for April a year ago was 5.5%. The state's unadjusted rate stood at 5.0% . . . a significant downswing of one and two-tenths percentage points from the March level of 6.2%. In April 1975, the unadjusted rate was 5.8%.

Iowa's civilian **LABOR FORCE**—the combined totals of employed and unemployed workers—tallied 1,312,600 in April . . . 1,289,700 in March . . . and 1,301,800 in April 1975.

Eligible unemployed workers received a total of \$8,820,208 in April **JOB INSURANCE** payments . . . down \$4,899,635 from the total paid in March . . . and \$2,343,081 under the last April payments of \$11,163,289. The average April weekly payment was \$84.77 . . . last month's average payment, \$86.19 . . . the year ago average payment, \$69.60. During the April survey week, 27,155 Job Insurance claims were filed . . . 9,332 fewer than in March . . . 9,483 less than in last April.

Total private **HOURS and EARNINGS** rose six minutes a week and 5¢ an hour over the month . . . most of the increase in nonmanufacturing. Overtime in durable goods was up considerably in primary metals . . . and to a lesser extent in lumber and furniture and transportation equipment . . . but was down in most other areas of the sector . . . bringing an average durable goods workweek drop of 18 minutes. The durables' hourly earnings, however, were up 1¢ due to stone, clay and glass wage increases. Nondurables overtime declined in all industries except printing and publishing . . . where several wage hikes were noted. Seasonal employment gains boosted retail trade average hourly earnings in the nonmanufacturing area . . . and good weather hoisted weekly hours in mining and construction.

**LABOR TURNOVER:** The accession rate among manufacturing industries was unchanged from March . . . a slight dip in new hires offsetting an increase in recalls. Total separations increased slightly from a month ago . . . but were considerably under the year ago count.

**WHAT'S UP AHEAD?** . . . Iowa's economic climate is improving . . . spurred by upswings in two sectors . . . manufacturing and construction. This activity is statewide, not confined to scattered locations . . . sparking widespread notes of optimism. Manufacturers are recalling laid-off workers throughout the state . . . many have completed all recalls and are hiring new workers. Construction, long dormant, is stirring into action . . . employers anticipating a good year . . . a longer working season than usual. A green light for Iowa's economy? The experts seem to think so. Suggest "cautious optimism."



**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
<b>April 1976</b>								
Iowa.....	1,312,600	65,100	4.7	5.0	1,247,500	960,500	131,400	155,600
Cedar Rapids.....	77,100	3,900	*	5.1	73,100	65,500	5,200	2,500
Council Bluffs.....	39,300	2,300	*	5.8	37,000	31,200	3,200	2,600
Davenport.....	68,500	4,000	*	5.8	64,600	58,100	4,800	1,700
Des Moines.....	158,800	8,600	*	5.4	150,200	135,500	11,800	3,000
Dubuque.....	40,100	2,600	*	6.6	37,500	32,400	2,700	2,300
Sioux City.....	54,500	2,500	*	4.6	52,000	44,200	5,300	2,500
Waterloo.....	61,000	4,600	*	7.6	56,300	50,100	4,500	1,700
<b>March 1976</b>								
Iowa.....	1,289,700	79,500	5.1	6.2	1,210,200	947,700	130,700	131,800
Cedar Rapids.....	76,600	4,600	*	6.1	71,900	64,700	5,200	2,100
Council Bluffs.....	38,700	2,800	*	7.2	35,900	30,500	3,200	2,200
Davenport.....	68,400	4,600	*	6.7	63,900	57,700	4,800	1,400
Des Moines.....	159,300	10,200	*	6.4	149,000	134,700	11,800	2,500
Dubuque.....	40,300	3,100	*	7.7	37,200	32,400	2,700	2,000
Sioux City.....	54,300	3,000	*	5.6	51,300	43,800	5,300	2,100
Waterloo.....	60,100	4,900	*	8.2	55,200	49,300	4,400	1,500
<b>April 1975</b>								
Iowa.....	1,301,800	75,100	5.5	5.8	1,226,700	938,500	132,600	155,600
Cedar Rapids.....	75,600	4,100	*	5.5	71,500	63,800	5,200	2,500
Council Bluffs.....	39,400	3,300	*	8.4	36,100	30,100	3,300	2,600
Davenport.....	68,400	3,900	*	5.7	64,500	57,900	5,000	1,700
Des Moines.....	158,100	9,200	*	5.8	149,000	133,900	12,100	3,000
Dubuque.....	41,300	3,100	*	7.5	38,200	33,000	2,900	2,300
Sioux City.....	55,000	3,200	*	5.9	51,800	43,800	5,500	2,500
Waterloo.....	60,100	4,000	*	6.6	56,100	49,800	4,600	1,700

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		
	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975
<b>MANUFACTURING.....</b>	3.3	3.3	2.8	1.9	2.1	1.4	1.2	1.0	NA	2.9	2.8	4.0	1.5	1.5	1.2	0.7	0.8	2.2
Durable Goods.....	3.4	3.1	2.2	1.7	1.9	1.1	1.3	1.1	NA	2.6	2.8	4.4	1.2	1.3	1.0	0.7	1.0	2.7
Stone, clay & glass products.....	4.2	8.3	2.7	2.6	2.2	1.3	1.5	6.0	NA	2.4	2.2	1.8	1.4	1.4	0.8	0.2	0.3	0.4
Primary metal industries.....	4.0	2.4	1.4	2.0	1.8	0.6	2.0	0.6	NA	2.2	3.0	5.1	1.0	1.0	1.4	0.5	1.5	2.8
Fabricated metal products.....	3.7	3.6	2.6	1.8	2.8	1.6	1.8	0.8	NA	4.0	4.6	7.4	2.0	2.1	1.4	1.5	1.8	5.1
Machinery except electrical.....	2.0	1.9	1.5	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.7	0.7	NA	1.9	2.0	4.6	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.6	3.3
Electrical equipment & supplies.....	5.6	3.5	2.2	1.9	1.7	1.0	3.1	1.6	NA	2.9	3.3	2.3	1.1	1.0	0.8	1.4	1.8	1.2
Other durable goods.....	3.8	4.2	3.5	3.1	3.5	2.3	0.6	0.6	NA	3.1	3.2	4.4	1.9	2.0	1.4	0.5	0.5	2.0
Nondurable Goods.....	3.3	3.5	3.7	2.0	2.4	1.9	1.0	0.9	NA	3.3	2.7	3.5	1.8	1.7	1.6	0.7	0.5	1.3
Food & kindred products.....	3.7	3.2	4.2	1.8	1.8	2.1	1.7	1.3	NA	3.2	2.6	3.9	1.7	1.5	1.7	1.1	0.6	1.6
Meat products.....	4.7	4.2	5.9	1.8	1.8	2.2	2.7	2.3	NA	3.1	2.6	5.0	1.9	1.6	1.9	1.0	0.7	2.5
Printing & publishing.....	1.8	3.0	2.2	1.4	1.9	1.1	0.3	0.9	NA	2.2	2.2	2.5	1.3	1.6	1.5	*	0.2	0.8
Rubber, plastics & leather prod.....	4.1	4.8	4.5	3.1	4.0	0.9	0.5	0.2	NA	3.8	3.4	2.9	2.0	1.9	1.2	*	0.3	0.6
Other nondurable goods.....	2.9	3.8	3.0	2.6	3.3	2.6	0.2	0.3	NA	4.1	3.0	3.4	2.5	2.2	1.7	0.9	0.3	1.3

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



Table III - Iowa Labor Force Summary

April 1976

County - Labor Area	Labor Force	Unemployed	Unadjusted Rate	Employment	Nonag Wage and Salary	Self-Employed, Unpaid Family, Domestic	Agriculture
Iowa - Statewide	1,312,600	65,100	5.0*	1,247,500	960,500	131,400	155,600
Cedar Rapids SMSA	77,100	3,900	5.1	73,100	65,500	5,200	2,500
Davenport - RI - Moline SMSA							
Des Moines SMSA	158,800	8,600	5.4	150,200	135,500	11,800	3,000
Dubuque SMSA	40,100	2,600	6.6	37,500	32,400	2,700	2,300
Omaha - Council Bluffs SMSA	249,900	18,600	7.4	231,300			
Sioux City SMSA	54,500	2,500	4.6	52,000	44,200	5,300	2,500
Waterloo - Cedar Falls SMSA	61,000	4,600	7.6	56,300	50,100	4,500	1,700
Adair - Greenfield	4,450	110	2.4	4,340	2,110	510	1,730
Adams - Corning	2,540	90	3.5	2,450	1,230	370	850
Allamakee - Waukon	6,790	380	5.6	6,410	3,680	1,000	1,730
Appanoose - Centerville	6,080	470	7.8	5,600	3,820	920	860
Audubon - Audubon	4,070	160	4.0	3,910	2,000	580	1,320
Benton - Vinton	10,400	370	3.5	10,040	6,700	1,230	2,120
Black Hawk							
(Waterloo - Cedar Falls SMSA)	61,000	4,600	7.6	56,300	50,100	4,500	1,700
Boone - Boone	11,820	530	4.5	11,280	8,700	1,180	1,410
Bremer - Waverly	9,970	500	5.0	9,470	6,960	940	1,570
Buchanan - Independence	9,490	380	4.0	9,120	6,240	980	1,890
Buena Vista - Storm Lake	9,380	270	2.9	9,110	6,430	1,020	1,660
Butler - Allison	7,380	320	4.4	7,060	4,360	970	1,730
Calhoun - Rockwell City	5,930	190	3.2	5,740	3,570	800	1,370
Carroll - Carroll	9,990	360	3.6	9,630	5,890	1,710	2,040
Cass - Atlantic	8,380	290	3.5	8,090	5,010	1,250	1,820
Cedar - Tipton	7,780	190	2.4	7,590	4,720	1,040	1,840
Cerro Gordo - Mason City	22,480	1,530	6.8	20,950	17,820	1,880	1,250
Cherokee - Cherokee	7,460	220	2.9	7,240	4,750	910	1,580
Chickasaw - New Hampton	6,900	450	6.6	6,450	3,910	950	1,590
Clarke - Osceola	5,130	240	4.7	4,890	3,130	650	1,120
Clay - Spencer	8,910	230	2.6	8,670	6,210	1,040	1,420
Clayton - Guttenberg	9,760	610	6.2	9,150	4,970	1,550	2,630
Clinton - Clinton	25,140	1,350	5.4	23,790	19,310	2,210	2,270
Crawford - Denison	8,930	320	3.5	8,620	5,380	1,070	2,160
Dallas - Perry	13,620	720	5.3	12,900	9,990	1,330	1,580
Davis - Bloomfield	3,520	200	5.8	3,310	1,930	580	800
Decatur - Leon	4,180	150	3.5	4,030	2,630	510	900
Delaware - Manchester	7,910	320	4.1	7,590	4,280	1,180	2,130
Des Moines - Burlington	18,870	1,720	9.1	17,150	14,880	1,330	930
Dickinson - Spirit Lake	6,510	230	3.5	6,290	4,200	1,000	1,090
Dubuque - Dubuque SMSA	40,100	2,600	6.6	37,500	32,400	2,700	2,300
Emmet - Estherville	6,190	220	3.6	5,970	4,410	710	850
Fayette - Oelwein	11,360	580	5.1	10,780	7,150	1,370	2,260
Floyd - Charles City	8,620	540	6.3	8,080	5,890	990	1,200
Franklin - Hampton	6,180	220	3.5	5,970	3,220	840	1,900
Freemont - Sidney	4,490	180	3.9	4,310	2,420	560	1,340
Greene - Jefferson	5,460	220	4.0	5,240	3,070	780	1,380
Grundy - Grundy Center	6,150	190	3.1	5,960	3,730	560	1,670
Guthrie - Guthrie Center	5,390	250	4.6	5,140	2,850	770	1,520
Hamilton - Webster City	8,260	420	5.0	7,850	5,170	1,110	1,560
Hancock - Garner	5,980	180	3.0	5,800	3,560	700	1,550
Hardin - Iowa Falls	10,180	230	2.2	9,950	6,990	1,330	1,640
Harrison - Missouri Valley	6,900	350	5.1	6,550	3,940	990	1,630
Henry - Mount Pleasant	9,170	410	4.4	8,770	6,590	1,050	1,120
Howard - Cresco	5,110	380	7.4	4,730	2,520	760	1,450
Humboldt - Humboldt	5,720	220	3.8	5,500	3,540	800	1,160

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	4,110	80	2.0	4,020	2,010	690	1,320
Iowa - Marengo	8,860	190	2.1	8,670	5,770	1,140	1,770
Jackson - Maquoketa	9,870	520	5.2	9,350	6,090	1,200	2,060
Jasper	16,250	1,020	6.3	15,230	11,470	1,730	2,020
Jefferson - Fairfield	6,830	310	4.6	6,520	4,710	860	960
Johnson - Iowa City	38,730	970	2.5	37,760	32,940	2,830	1,990
Jones - Anamosa	9,020	280	3.1	8,740	5,750	1,120	1,870
Keokuk - Sigourney	5,180	240	4.7	4,930	2,590	660	1,680
Kossuth - Algona	10,210	400	3.9	9,810	5,550	1,540	2,720
Lee - Ft. Madison - Keokuk	19,070	1,230	6.5	17,840	14,980	1,840	1,030
Linn - Cedar Rapids SMSA	77,100	3,900	5.1	73,100	65,500	5,200	2,500
Louisa - Wapello	4,850	190	3.8	4,660	3,490	460	710
Lucas - Chariton	4,340	190	4.3	4,150	2,850	490	820
Lyon - Rock Rapids	5,980	120	2.1	5,860	3,170	890	1,800
Madison - Winterset	5,760	430	7.5	5,330	3,430	610	1,290
Mahaska - Oskaloosa	9,220	390	4.2	8,830	6,150	1,160	1,520
Marion - Knoxville	13,300	380	2.8	12,930	10,240	1,370	1,310
Marshall - Marshalltown	18,030	730	4.1	17,300	13,590	1,890	1,810
Mills - Glenwood	5,730	220	3.8	5,510	3,920	500	1,090
Mitchell - Osage	5,530	270	4.9	5,260	2,910	830	1,520
Monona - Onawa	5,260	280	5.3	4,980	2,860	790	1,330
Monroe - Albia	4,330	300	7.0	4,020	2,920	520	590
Montgomery - Red Oak	6,140	220	3.5	5,930	3,980	760	1,200
Muscatine - Muscatine	18,660	880	4.7	17,780	14,860	1,640	1,290
O'Brien - Sheldon	7,280	190	2.5	7,100	4,310	1,180	1,610
Osceola - Sibley	3,490	120	3.5	3,370	1,830	520	1,020
Page - Shenandoah	9,480	340	3.5	9,150	6,230	1,060	1,860
Palo Alto - Emmetsburg	5,290	270	5.0	5,030	2,990	800	1,230
Plymouth - Le Mars	10,700	400	3.8	10,290	6,620	1,040	2,630
Pocahontas - Pocahontas	4,900	290	5.8	4,610	2,520	650	1,440
Polk - (Part of Des Moines SMSA)	146,200	8,100	5.5	138,100			
Pottawattamie - (Part of Omaha SMSA)	39,300	2,300	5.8	37,000	31,200	3,200	2,600
Poweshiek - Grinnell	9,750	390	4.0	9,360	6,540	1,020	1,810
Ringgold - Mount Ayr	3,260	140	4.4	3,110	1,430	480	1,200
Sac - Sac City	6,560	120	1.8	6,450	3,520	950	1,980
Scott - (Part of DRIM SMSA)	68,500	4,000	5.8	64,600	58,100	4,800	1,700
Shelby - Harlan	6,130	330	5.4	5,800	3,230	830	1,740
Sioux - Orange City	13,420	310	2.3	13,110	8,180	1,880	3,050
Story - Ames	34,490	800	2.3	33,690	28,250	3,050	2,390
Tama - Tama-Toledo	9,400	310	3.3	9,090	5,660	1,220	2,210
Taylor	3,750	130	3.4	3,620	1,670	600	1,360
Union - Creston	6,320	470	7.4	5,850	4,180	790	880
Van Buren - Koesauqua	3,740	190	5.2	3,550	2,260	510	780
Wapello - Ottumwa	15,120	1,390	9.2	13,730	11,620	1,320	790
Warren - (Part of Des Moines SMSA)	12,600	500	3.9	12,100			
Washington - Washington	8,920	390	4.4	8,530	5,740	1,240	1,550
Wayne - Corydon	3,630	180	4.9	3,450	1,860	470	1,130
Webster - Fort Dodge	21,290	880	4.2	20,410	16,800	1,980	1,620
Winnebago - Forest City	7,050	260	3.7	6,780	4,770	1,020	990
Winneshiek - Decorah	11,410	760	6.7	10,650	6,620	1,390	2,640
Woodbury - (Part of Sioux City SMSA)	48,600	2,400	4.9	46,200			
Worth - Northwood	3,940	220	5.6	3,720	2,300	400	1,020
Wright - Clarion	7,080	230	3.2	6,850	4,390	910	1,550



Table IV - Iowa Nonagricultural Employment 1/

(By Place of Work)

	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Change From:	
				Mar. 1976 to Apr. 1976	Apr. 1975 to Apr. 1976
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL.....	1,014,000	999,900	984,800	14,100	29,200
MANUFACTURING.....	230,600	229,800	228,000	800	2,600
DURABLE GOODS.....	140,800	140,200	140,900	600	- 100
Lumber & furniture.....	8,500	8,400	7,900	100	600
Stone, clay & glass products.....	6,000	5,600	6,000	400	0
Primary metal industries.....	7,300	7,300	7,800	0	- 500
Fabricated metal products.....	16,100	15,800*	16,200	300	- 100
Machinery except electrical.....	59,100	59,200	60,700	- 100	- 1,600
Farm machinery.....	28,100	28,100	28,700	0	- 600
Construction & related machinery.....	18,200*	18,200	19,100	0	- 900
Electrical equipment & supplies.....	24,600	24,800	23,900	- 200	700
Transportation equipment.....	8,400*	8,300*	7,900	100	500
Other durable goods 2/.....	10,900	10,900	10,500*	0	400
NONDURABLE GOODS.....	89,800	89,700	87,100	100	2,700
Food & kindred products.....	47,400*	47,500*	46,800	- 100	600
Meat products.....	24,000	24,000*	23,400*	0	600
Grain mill products.....	10,900	10,800	10,800	100	100
Bakery products.....	2,900	2,900	2,900	0	0
Apparel & other textile products.....	4,300	4,200	3,700	100	600
Paper & allied products.....	3,900	3,900	3,400	0	500
Printing & publishing.....	14,800	14,800	14,600	0	200
Newspapers.....	6,400	6,500	6,500	- 100	- 100
Chemicals & allied products.....	7,200*	7,200*	7,200	0	0
Rubber & plastics products, nec.....	10,300*	10,200	9,600*	100	700
Other nondurable goods 3/.....	1,900	1,900	1,800	0	100
NONMANUFACTURING.....	783,400	770,100	756,800	13,300	26,600
Nonmetallic mining.....	2,700	2,500	2,700	200	0
Contract construction.....	44,900	39,900	43,300	5,000	1,600
Transportation & public utilities.....	54,300	54,200	54,100	100	200
Railroad transportation.....	8,500	8,600	8,900	- 100	- 400
Communication.....	13,200	13,200	13,400	0	- 200
Electric, gas & sanitary services.....	10,900	10,900	10,800	0	100
Wholesale & retail trade.....	250,600	246,200	242,100	4,400	8,500
Wholesale trade.....	51,300*	51,500*	49,700	- 200	1,600
Retail trade.....	199,300	194,800	192,500	4,500	6,800
Retail, general merchandise.....	28,300	27,900	27,800	400	500
Finance, insurance & real estate.....	47,000	46,900	46,800	100	200
Banking.....	15,900	15,800	15,500	100	400
Insurance carriers & agents.....	18,400	18,400	18,800	0	- 400
Services.....	182,800	179,500	176,100	3,300	6,700
Medical & other health services.....	59,100	58,700	56,300	400	2,800
Government.....	201,000	200,900	191,700	100	9,300
Federal government.....	19,000	19,100	19,500	- 100	- 500
State government.....	50,500	50,000	47,400	500	3,100
Local government.....	131,500	131,900	124,800	- 400	6,700
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes.....	500	800	1,100	- 300	- 600

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/		
	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975
TOTAL PRIVATE.....	\$167.54	\$165.29	\$155.09	35.8	35.7	35.9	\$4.68	\$4.63	\$4.32	*	*	*
MANUFACTURING.....	227.48	228.80	211.07	39.7	40.0	39.6	5.73	5.72	5.33	2.5	2.6	2.4
Durable Goods.....	232.00	232.93	216.68	40.0	40.3	40.2	5.80	5.78	5.39	2.1	2.1	2.1
Lumber & furniture.....	193.83	187.98	162.69	39.8	39.0	37.4	4.87	4.82	4.35	2.0	1.4	0.8
Stone, clay & glass products.....	228.48	228.23	201.41	42.0	42.5	41.7	5.44	5.37	4.83	4.7	5.4	4.7
Primary metal industries.....	267.75	258.52	231.34	42.5	41.9	40.8	6.30	6.17	5.67	4.8	2.1	3.7
Fabricated metal products.....	201.45	206.44	193.59	39.5	40.4	40.5	5.10	5.11	4.78	1.6	1.9	1.6
Machinery except electrical.....	272.83	274.46	256.89	40.3	40.6	41.3	6.77	6.76	6.22	2.0	2.1	2.4
Farm machinery.....	290.32	292.18	275.88	40.1	40.3	41.3	7.24	7.25	6.68	2.3	2.4	3.0
Construction & related machinery.....	286.44	289.57	266.07	40.4	40.9	42.1	7.09	7.08	6.32	1.7	1.7	1.8
Electrical equipment & supplies.....	184.89	190.61	176.40	38.2	39.3	39.2	4.84	4.85	4.50	1.1	1.6	1.0
Transportation equipment.....	180.17	181.47	170.14	41.9	42.3	40.9	4.30	4.29	4.16	2.9	2.7	1.5
Other durable goods.....	166.99	164.05	152.08	38.3	37.8	35.7	4.36	4.34	4.26	0.8	1.4	0.9
Nondurable Goods.....	220.70	223.11	201.36	39.2	39.7	38.5	5.63	5.62	5.23	3.2	3.5	3.0
Food & kindred products.....	250.04	250.29	222.83	40.2	40.5	39.3	6.22	6.18	5.67	3.9	4.2	3.8
Meat products.....	272.25	274.22	245.36	39.4	39.8	38.7	6.91	6.89	6.34	3.6	4.0	3.6
Grain mill products.....	265.59	258.22	224.72	42.7	42.4	40.2	6.22	6.09	5.59	4.3	4.7	4.2
Apparel & other textile products.....	106.55	105.25	100.96	35.4	35.2	35.8	3.01	2.99	2.82	0.5	0.6	0.7
Paper & allied products.....	173.04	187.05	180.10	37.7	40.4	40.2	4.59	4.63	4.48	2.2	2.8	2.9
Printing & publishing.....	203.29	199.06	178.12	37.3	37.0	36.5	5.45	5.38	4.88	2.5	2.5	1.2
Newspapers.....	179.08	169.39	159.68	32.5	31.9	32.0	5.51	5.31	4.99	2.3	1.8	1.5
Chemicals & allied products.....	235.87	236.02	215.99	41.6	41.7	40.6	5.67	5.66	5.32	2.5	2.6	2.1
Rubber & plastics products, nec.....	201.38	218.00	193.88	37.5	40.0	37.0	5.37	5.45	5.24	3.5	4.1	3.0
Other nondurable goods.....	110.11	111.79	92.62	38.5	39.5	35.9	2.86	2.83	2.58	1.4	1.7	1.0
NONMANUFACTURING.....	149.13	145.51	137.41	34.6	34.4	34.7	4.31	4.23	3.96	*	*	*
Mining.....	231.66	220.86	223.25	46.8	44.8	47.4	4.95	4.93	4.71	*	*	*
Contract construction.....	317.20	304.38	273.43	39.6	38.0	37.0	8.01	8.01	7.39	*	*	*
Transportation & public utilities.....	249.67	242.98	225.22	41.2	40.7	41.4	6.06	5.97	5.44	*	*	*
Wholesale & retail trade.....	129.93	127.25	119.65	33.4	33.4	33.8	3.89	3.81	3.54	*	*	*
Finance, insurance & real estate.....	123.52	124.29	121.13	38.6	38.6	38.7	3.20	3.22	3.13	*	*	*
Services.....	113.02	113.34	105.30	32.2	32.2	32.4	3.51	3.52	3.25	*	*	*

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					
	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Worker With No Dependents			Married Worker With Three Dependents		
Apr. 1976				Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	
TOTAL PRIVATE.....	\$167.54	\$165.29	\$155.09	\$133.56	\$132.02	\$122.90	\$145.78	\$144.14	\$135.73
MANUFACTURING.....	227.48	228.80	211.07	174.74	175.63	160.75	188.08	189.00	175.64
Durable Goods.....	232.00	232.93	216.68	177.80	178.43	164.62	191.22	191.87	179.54
Nondurable Goods.....	220.70	223.11	201.36	170.07	171.77	154.06	183.37	185.05	168.79
NONMANUFACTURING.....	149.13	145.51	137.41	120.54	117.95	110.60	132.75	130.42	124.18
Mining.....	231.66	220.86	223.25	177.57	170.19	169.14	190.99	183.48	184.10
Contract Construction.....	317.20	304.38	273.43	234.02	225.55	202.84	252.78	243.06	219.88
Transportation & Public Utilities	249.67	242.98	225.22	189.70	185.22	170.50	203.81	199.04	185.47
Wholesale & Retail Trade.....	129.93	127.25	119.65	106.81	104.89	98.19	119.75	117.35	112.55
Finance & Real Estate.....	123.52	124.29	121.13	102.21	102.77	99.24	114.01	114.70	113.52
Services.....	113.02	113.34	105.30	94.50	94.74	87.92	104.59	104.88	102.31



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

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.
	1976	1976	1975	1976	1976	1975	1976	1976	1975
Cedar Rapids.....	\$227.83	\$233.29	\$216.93	39.9	41.0	40.7	\$5.71	\$5.69	\$5.33
Council Bluffs.....	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Davenport.....	269.43	283.18	258.55	38.6	41.1	41.5	6.98	6.89	6.23
Des Moines.....	228.75	234.57	219.01	37.5	38.9	38.9	6.10	6.03	5.63
Dubuque.....	278.99	275.71	241.64	40.2	39.9	38.6	6.94	6.91	6.26
Sioux City.....	212.70	208.79	187.68	39.1	39.1	39.1	5.44	5.34	4.80
Waterloo.....	280.67	286.31	260.98	39.2	40.1	40.4	7.16	7.14	6.46

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

**Table VIII - Job Service of Iowa Activities**

	April 1976		March 1976		April 1975	
	Total	Women	Total	Women	Total	Women
<b>JOB PLACEMENT</b>						
New applicants.....	13,667	6,560	14,636	6,743	12,303	*
Total placements.....	6,825	2,321	6,092	2,385	5,293	*
Nonagricultural.....	6,631	2,307	5,969	2,369	5,091	*
Agricultural.....	194	14	123	16	173	*
New job openings 1/.....	10,394	*	10,320	*	8,083	*
Active applicants.....	64,975	31,916	63,283	30,256	76,696	34,829
<b>JOB INSURANCE</b>						
Initial claims.....	9,646	3,703	10,824	3,467	15,557	5,336
Continued claims.....	104,783	34,568	155,298	42,553	151,909	45,380
First payments issued.....	5,196	1,988	7,248	1,945	9,046	2,836
Total weeks paid.....	104,051	32,796	159,178	40,372	160,398	46,296
Total payments.....	\$8,820,208	\$2,235,725	\$13,719,843	\$2,732,749	\$11,163,289	\$2,779,114
Average weekly payment.....	\$84.77	\$68.17	\$86.19	\$67.69	\$69.60	\$60.03
Average weekly payment - total unemployment.....	\$86.53	\$69.84	\$87.62	\$69.32	\$71.48	\$63.02

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

**Table IX - Iowans Receiving Job Insurance 1/**

	Total			Women			Unemployed 5 Weeks or Longer		
	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975	Apr. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1975
Total.....	27,155	36,487	36,638	9,281	9,531	10,493	19,866	27,641	26,840
Contract Construction.....	5,737	10,349	7,993	143	183	171	4,706	8,439	6,536
Manufacturing.....	10,080	12,249	16,220	3,801	3,689	5,586	7,000	8,727	11,446
Durable Goods.....	6,517	7,716	10,596	2,191	1,946	3,572	4,501	5,552	7,549
Nondurable Goods.....	3,563	4,533	5,624	1,610	1,743	2,014	2,499	3,175	3,897
Trade.....	5,916	6,906	6,407	2,746	2,862	2,369	4,286	5,271	4,541
Services.....	3,336	3,619	2,886	1,982	2,115	1,609	2,332	2,699	2,050
All Other Industries.....	2,086	3,364	3,132	609	682	759	1,542	2,505	2,267

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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