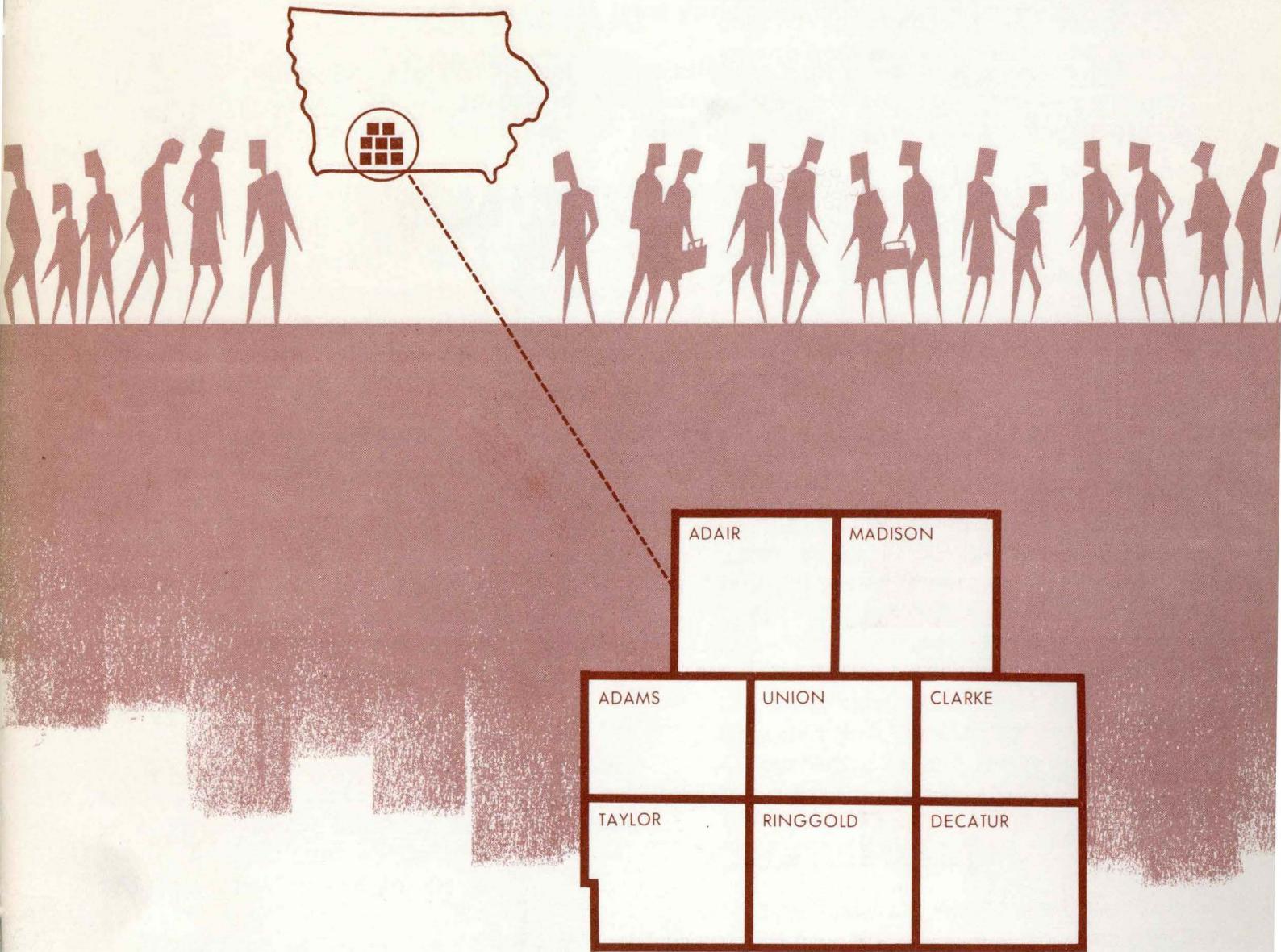


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The Population Change of Eight Southern Iowa Counties



Preface

One of the most significant impacts of modern technology and the associated specialization of human activity has been the increasing interdependence among individuals, groups, organizations, social institutions and communities. The chain reaction initiated by individual decisions to leave a community demonstrates the extent of interdependence. The adding up of these individual decisions affects schools, churches, social groups, services and business establishments. Those who do not leave a particular community must also make decisions.

The primary purpose of this study is to provide individuals and community leaders with information which will assist them in making the many personal and community decisions demanded during times of rapid social and economic change.

This publication is about the population changes in eight Southern Iowa counties: Adair, Adams, Clarke, Decatur, Madison, Ringgold, Taylor and Union. Population changes are both cause and effect. They are the effect of technology and the cause of community changes.

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INTRODUCTION

Population mobility reveals many of the major adjustments which people make to changing social and economic conditions. The overnight development of "oil towns," "space villages" and "retirement centers" are modern versions of yesteryear's "gold towns" and "railheads." "Ghost towns" -- old and new -- are added testimony that people keep moving. Though people move for many reasons, it is often the changes in the economic and social situation that stimulate migration.

In Iowa, there has been an accelerated movement of people since 1940. People are moving from farms to towns -- from small towns to larger towns -- from large cities to suburbs -- and, at the rate of 23,000 per year, from Iowa to more industrialized states.

In the most recent decade for which data are available, 1950-1960, Iowa became urban in the sense that 53 percent of the people resided in towns of 2,500 population or larger. During the same period, Iowa had a 15.4 percent decline in farm population, but gained in elder citizens to the point that no other state had as great a percentage of its people over 65.

The central concern of this publication will be the analysis of population changes in eight adjoining southern Iowa counties: Adair, Adams, Clarke, Decatur, Madison, Ringgold, Taylor and Union.

In addition to the trends of the past and the present -- along with projections to 1975 -- particular emphasis will be given to the implications which these changes hold for individuals and various social and economic groups and institutions.

POPULATION CHANGES

Overall Changes

Between 1950 and 1960, the population of the United States increased 18.5 percent; the population of Iowa increased 5.2 percent; the population of the eight counties in this study declined 13.3 percent. This difference in population growth between the nation and Iowa, and between Iowa and Southern Iowa, reflects the impact of labor-replacing technology in agriculture. The large loss of farm population has been followed by a decline in small town population -- unless the town is within easy commuting distance of other job opportunities.

Little of the difference in rate of population change between Iowa and Southern Iowa can be accounted for by different birth rates. The rates for Iowa and the area have been very similar.

Table 1 indicates the rate of change for the nation, Iowa and the eight counties under study. Both the national and the state rates of growth have increased since 1940. The rate of decline increased for the eight counties. Projections for 1970 indicate that Iowa will continue at about the same rate. The eight Southern Iowa counties will decline by an additional 17 percent unless a large number of new job opportunities develop.

Time of Settlement

The eastern edge of Iowa was initially settled in the mid-1840's. The southern three tiers of counties -- which includes the area under study -- were settled during the period 1850-1860. Most of the settlers came from other states. Major suppliers were Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky and Tennessee.

Table 1. Population trends, 1940-1970.

| Year | United States | Iowa | Southern Iowa Area |
|----------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------|
| 1940 | 132,165,129 | 2,538,268 | 103,797 |
| 1950 | 151,325,798 | 2,621,073 | 93,745 |
| 1960 | 179,323,175 | 2,757,537 | 81,327 |
| 1970 | 214,200,000 | 2,896,000 | 67,414 |
| Percent change | | | |
| 1940-1950 | +14.5 | +3.2 | - 9.7 |
| Percent change | | | |
| 1950-1960 | +18.5 | +5.2 | -13.3 |
| Percent change | | | |
| 1960-1970 | +19.5 | +5.0 | -17.1 |

Sources: 1940-1960 data, U.S. Census of Population; 1970 population projections based on previous migration, birth and death rates.

Agriculture, some mining, railroad development and a wagon trail to the West were the primary reasons for the settlement of Southern Iowa. Peak population was reached in all eight counties by 1900. Several of the counties have now declined to nearly half their 1900 population. In 1900, these eight counties constituted nearly 6 percent of the state's population.

In 1960, they included only 3 percent. This change represented an actual decline in area population and the continued growth and development of Eastern and Northern Iowa. Only Madison and Union counties had more than 11,000 people in 1960 (table 2). Adams County, with less than 7,500 people, has the smallest population of any county in Iowa.

Table 2. Area population changes by county, 1880-1960.

| County | 1880 | 1890 | 1900 | Percent of state total | 1910 | 1920 | 1930 | 1940 | 1950 | 1960 | Percent of state total |
|----------|---------|---------|---------|------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|------------------------------|
| Adair | 11,667 | 14,534 | 16,192 | 0.7 | 14,420 | 14,259 | 13,891 | 13,196 | 12,292 | 10,893 | 0.4 |
| Adams | 11,888 | 12,292 | 13,601 | 0.6 | 10,998 | 10,521 | 10,437 | 10,156 | 8,753 | 7,468 | 0.3 |
| Clarke | 11,513 | 11,332 | 12,440 | 0.6 | 10,736 | 10,506 | 10,384 | 10,233 | 9,369 | 8,222 | 0.3 |
| Decatur | 15,336 | 15,643 | 18,115 | 0.8 | 16,347 | 16,566 | 14,903 | 14,012 | 12,601 | 10,539 | 0.4 |
| Madison | 17,224 | 15,977 | 17,710 | 0.8 | 15,621 | 15,020 | 14,331 | 14,525 | 13,131 | 12,295 | 0.4 |
| Ringgold | 12,085 | 13,556 | 15,325 | 0.7 | 12,904 | 12,919 | 11,966 | 11,137 | 9,528 | 7,910 | 0.3 |
| Taylor | 15,635 | 16,384 | 18,784 | 0.8 | 16,312 | 15,514 | 14,859 | 14,258 | 12,420 | 10,288 | 0.4 |
| Union | 14,980 | 16,900 | 19,928 | 0.9 | 16,616 | 17,268 | 17,435 | 16,280 | 15,651 | 13,712 | 0.5 |
| Area | 110,328 | 116,618 | 132,095 | 5.9 | 113,954 | 112,573 | 108,206 | 103,797 | 93,745 | 81,327 | 3.0 |

Source: U.S. Census of Population.

Rural-Urban Population

Nationally, about 70 percent of the people live in urban areas, i.e., towns larger than 2,500 population. There were 24 metropolitan areas in 1960 with more than one million people each.

Iowa became an urban state (more than half of the people living in urban places) in 1960 (note Figure 1).

Table 3 indicates the proportion of rural and urban population for Iowa and for the eight counties during the decade 1950-1960.

Table 3. Rural-urban distribution, Iowa and eight Southern Iowa counties.

| Place | Urban ^a | | Rural ^b | |
|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | 1950 Percent | 1960 Percent | 1950 Percent | 1960 Percent |
| Iowa | 47.7 | 53.0 | 52.3 | 47.0 |
| Southern Iowa | | | | |
| Counties | 16.3 | 18.2 | 83.7 | 81.2 |

^aTowns of 2,500 population or greater.

^bAll people living in areas and places of less than 2,500.

Creston, Winterset and Osceola are the only three towns in the eight counties which are classified as urban.

Since nearly 75 percent of the jobs in the eight counties are related to agriculture and the industrial base is quite low,¹ there has been a loss of population in both town and country. Agricultural employment declined 33.8 percent in the area between 1950 and 1960. Table 4 and Figure 2 reveal the extent of population change by size and location of towns.

Of the nine towns gaining in population, five are in Madison County. The likely reasons for this pattern of population change in Madison County are (1) its near-

Table 4. Area population change by size of town.

| Size of town 1960 | Total number of towns | Number increased 1950-1960 | Number decreased 1950-1960 |
|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Under 500 | 40 | 5 | 35 |
| 500-999 | 7 | 1 | 6 |
| 1,000-1,499 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1,500-2,499 | 6 | 1 | 5 |
| 2,500-4,999 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 5,000 and over | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Area | 57 | 9 | 48 |

Source: U.S. Population Census.

ness to Des Moines, (2) the interstate highway system and (3) the county's slower decline in farm numbers. Adair, Decatur, Taylor and Union counties each had one town gaining population. Appendix A includes the population trends for all towns in the eight counties since 1940.

Another view of the rural and town population movements is presented in table 5. The pattern is consistent. The average population decline for all the towns in this Southern Iowa area was 7.6 percent. The average rural population decline (almost all farm population) was 18.1 percent. Only Madison County had an increase in the number of town residents.

Summarizing, 3,276 less people lived in the towns of the area in 1960 than in 1950 and 9,142 less people lived in the rural area. In total, this represented 12,418 less people for the eight counties.

Table 6 indicates the change in farm population for the eight counties since 1950. Losses ranged from 33.7 percent in Decatur County to 15.2 percent in Madison County.

¹See discussion in "The Economic Base of Seven Southern Iowa Counties," Ames, Iowa, Iowa State University, Cooperative Extension Service, RAD-52, August 1965.

FIGURE 1. Iowa Rural-Urban Population, 1900-1960

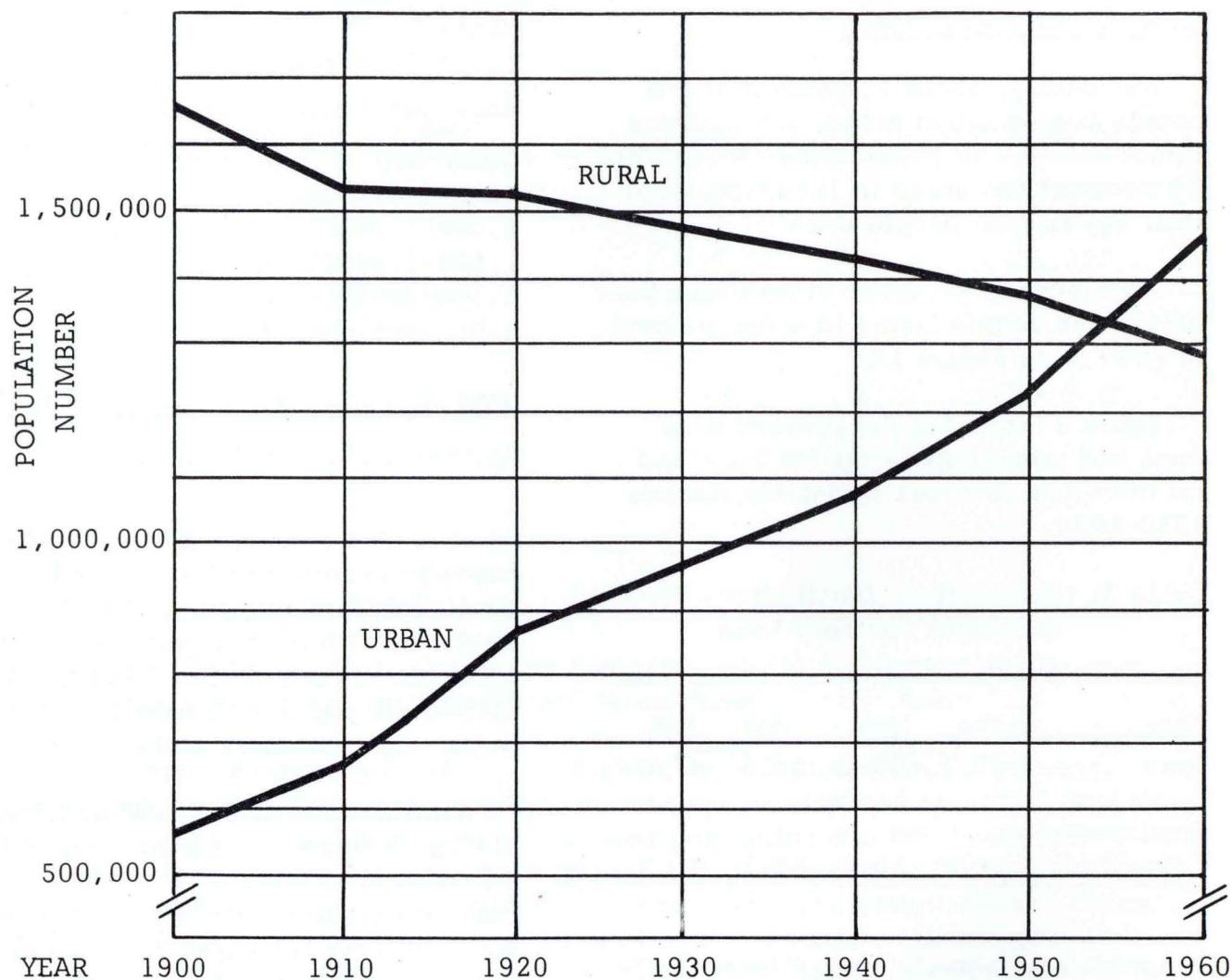


FIGURE 2. Area Change in Town
Population, 1950-1960.

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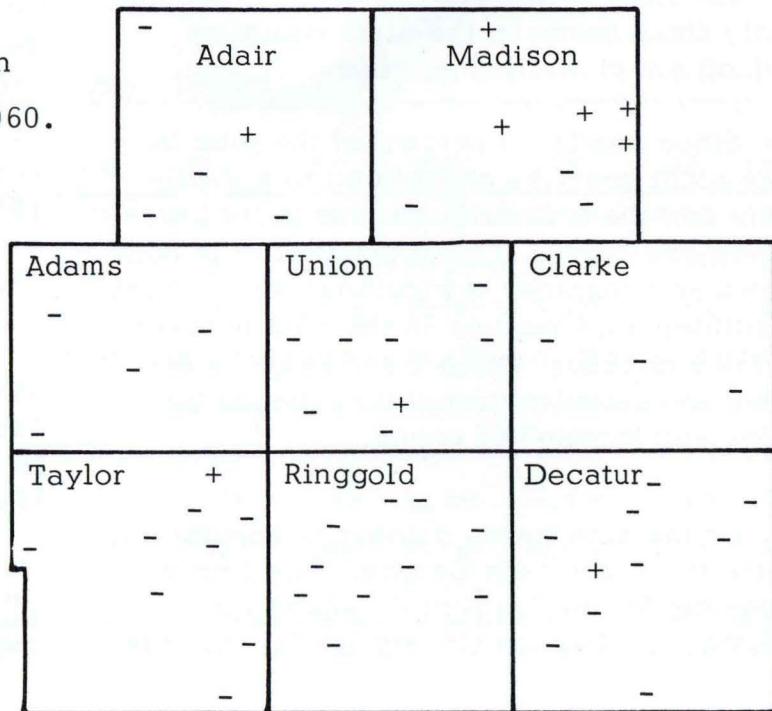


Table 5. Area rural and town population trends by county.^a

| County | 1940 | 1950 | Percent change 1940-50 | 1960 | Percent change 1950-60 |
|---------------|---------|--------|------------------------------|--------|------------------------------|
| Adair | 13,196 | 12,292 | - 6.9 | 10,893 | -11.4 |
| Town | 4,284 | 4,464 | + 4.2 | 4,280 | - 4.1 |
| Rural | 8,912 | 7,828 | -12.2 | 6,613 | -15.5 |
| Adams | 10,156 | 8,753 | -13.8 | 7,468 | -14.7 |
| Town | 3,261 | 2,991 | - 8.3 | 2,738 | - 8.5 |
| Rural | 6,895 | 5,762 | -16.4 | 4,730 | -17.9 |
| Clarke | 10,233 | 9,369 | - 8.4 | 8,222 | -12.2 |
| Town | 4,554 | 4,444 | - 2.4 | 4,165 | - 6.3 |
| Rural | 5,679 | 4,925 | -13.3 | 4,057 | -17.6 |
| Decatur | 14,012 | 12,601 | -10.1 | 10,539 | -16.4 |
| Town | 6,579 | 6,498 | -12.3 | 5,973 | - 8.1 |
| Rural | 7,433 | 6,103 | -17.9 | 4,566 | -25.2 |
| Madison | 14,525 | 13,131 | - 9.6 | 12,295 | - 6.4 |
| Town | 5,903 | 5,619 | - 4.8 | 5,679 | + 1.1 |
| Rural | 8,622 | 7,512 | -12.9 | 6,016 | -11.9 |
| Ringgold | 11,137 | 9,528 | -14.4 | 7,910 | -17.0 |
| Town | 4,449 | 3,835 | -13.8 | 3,316 | -13.5 |
| Rural | 6,688 | 5,693 | -14.9 | 4,594 | -19.3 |
| Taylor | 14,258 | 12,420 | -12.9 | 10,288 | -17.2 |
| Town | 5,616 | 4,950 | -11.9 | 4,396 | -11.2 |
| Rural | 8,642 | 7,470 | -13.6 | 5,892 | -21.1 |
| Union | 16,280 | 15,651 | - 3.9 | 13,712 | -12.4 |
| Town | 10,531 | 10,507 | - 2.2 | 9,485 | - 9.7 |
| Rural | 5,749 | 5,144 | -10.5 | 4,227 | -17.8 |
| Area | | | | | |
| County totals | 103,797 | 93,745 | - 9.7 | 81,327 | -13.3 |
| Town totals | 45,177 | 43,308 | - 4.1 | 40,032 | - 7.6 |
| Rural totals | 58,620 | 50,437 | -14.0 | 41,295 | -18.1 |

Source: U.S. Census of Population.

^aTown population includes all incorporated towns and cities; the rural population is all population living outside the corporate limits of towns.

Table 6. Area change in farm population by county, 1950-1960.

| County | 1950 | 1960 | Number | Change | Percent |
|----------|--------|--------|---------|--------|---------|
| | | | | | |
| Adair | 7,140 | 5,732 | -1,408 | -19.7 | |
| Adams | 5,099 | 4,127 | -972 | -19.1 | |
| Clarke | 4,713 | 3,531 | -1,182 | -25.1 | |
| Decatur | 5,968 | 3,960 | -2,008 | -33.7 | |
| Madison | 6,971 | 5,464 | -1,507 | -15.2 | |
| Ringgold | 5,540 | 4,534 | -1,006 | -18.2 | |
| Taylor | 6,870 | 5,279 | -1,591 | -23.2 | |
| Union | 5,021 | 3,895 | -1,126 | -22.4 | |
| Area | 47,322 | 36,522 | -10,799 | -22.8 | |

Source: U.S. Census of Population.

Table 7. Out-migration in eight Southern Iowa counties and Iowa, 1950-1960.

| County | Population 1950 | Population 1960 | 1950-1960 | | | Net change ^c | Net migration 1950-60 | Percent net migration 1940-50 |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| | | | Actual change | Percent change | Natural increase ^a | | | |
| Adair | 12,292 | 10,893 | -1,399 | -11.4 | 1,037 | 13,329 | -2,436 | -19.8 |
| Adams | 8,753 | 7,468 | -1,285 | -14.7 | 802 | 9,555 | -2,087 | -23.8 |
| Clarke | 9,369 | 8,222 | -1,147 | -12.2 | 522 | 9,891 | -1,669 | -17.8 |
| Decatur | 12,601 | 10,539 | -2,062 | -16.4 | 623 | 13,224 | -2,685 | -21.3 |
| Madison | 13,131 | 12,295 | -836 | -6.4 | 928 | 14,059 | -1,764 | -13.4 |
| Ringgold | 9,528 | 7,910 | -1,618 | -17.0 | 477 | 10,005 | -2,095 | -22.0 |
| Taylor | 12,420 | 10,288 | -2,132 | -17.2 | 506 | 12,926 | -2,638 | -21.2 |
| Union | 15,651 | 13,712 | -1,939 | -12.4 | 916 | 16,567 | -2,855 | -18.2 |
| Southern Iowa | 93,745 | 81,327 | -12,418 | -13.3 | 5,811 | 99,556 | -18,229 | -19.4 |
| Iowa | 2,621,073 | 2,757,537 | 136,464 | + 5.2 | 365,071 | 2,986,144 | 1228,607 | - 8.7 |

Sources: U.S. Census of Population; Iowa Vital Statistics.

^aExcess of births over deaths.^bTotal of 1950 plus natural increase, 1950-1960.^cPotential 1960 population minus actual 1960 population.

Out-Migration

The loss of more than 12,000 people from the area represents only part of the movement. Since there were more births than deaths in all of the counties, there was a larger migration of people out of the area than appears in the previous data. Table 7 indicates this effect. In the case of Adair County, for example,

the natural increase -- excess of births over deaths -- between 1950-1960 would have given a potential population of 13,329. The actual change, a loss of 1,399 people, combined with the 1,037 natural increase meant a net out-migration of 2,436. This represented a net loss of 19.8 percent. For the area as a whole, the net out-migration was 18,229 people, or 19.4 percent between 1950 and 1960.

This is more than twice the out-migration rate of 8.7 percent for the state. In every county except Madison, the rate of out-migration was greater in the decade 1950-1960 than 1940-1950.

An important aspect of the out-migration is its selective nature. The largest decrease was among persons 20 to 29 years of age. Almost 39 percent of the 20-29 age group left the area between 1950 and 1960. The 30-39 year age group decreased by almost 27 percent in the same period. As noted in table 8, only the age groups over 70 increased between 1950 and 1960. On a county basis, the decline in the 20-29 year age group ranged from 44.6 percent in Taylor County to 28.5 percent in Madison County. For the 30-39 year age group the decline ranged from 34.1 percent in Decatur to 18.2 percent in Madison County. The extent of out-migration and the fact that it has been going on since 1900 is reflected by the decrease in the 0-9 year age group. Complete data for all age groups are presented in Appendix B.

The magnitude of migration in Southern Iowa is demonstrated in the trends of natural increases. (See table 9.) Though there are fluctuations, the trends are clear. Since 1956, there has been a general decline. In Decatur, Ringgold and Taylor counties, there were more deaths than births in several years. Table 10 shows that total births have declined from a high of 1,539 for the area in 1957 to 1,199 in 1963. Deaths have been relatively constant. As a consequence, the natural increase has declined from a high of 480 in 1956 to 104 in 1963. This is due largely to the heavy out-migration of women of child-bearing age during the last 20 years.

Table 8. Area change in population by age group, 1950-1960.

| Age group | 1950 | 1960 | Number change | Percent change |
|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|----------------|
| 0- 9 | 17,417 | 14,743 | 2,674 | -15.4 |
| 10-19 | 14,463 | 13,997 | 466 | -3.2 |
| 20-29 | 11,165 | 6,813 | 4,352 | -38.9 |
| 30-39 | 11,693 | 8,584 | 3,109 | -26.6 |
| 40-49 | 11,212 | 9,859 | 1,353 | -12.1 |
| 50-59 | 10,533 | 9,529 | 1,004 | -9.5 |
| 60-69 | 9,088 | 8,776 | 312 | -3.4 |
| 70-84 | 7,425 | 7,998 | 573 | +7.7 |
| 85+ | 749 | 1,028 | 279 | +37.2 |
| Area | 93,745 | 81,327 | 12,418 | -13.3 |

Source: U.S. Census of Population.

Table 9. Area births, deaths and natural increases by county, 1956-1963.

| <u>Adair</u> | | | |
|--------------|--------|--------|------------------|
| Year | Births | Deaths | Natural increase |
| 1963 | 185 | 128 | 57 |
| 1962 | 196 | 153 | 43 |
| 1961 | 197 | 134 | 63 |
| 1960 | 215 | 138 | 77 |
| 1959 | 197 | 125 | 72 |
| 1958 | 234 | 109 | 125 |
| 1957 | 204 | 122 | 82 |
| 1956 | 209 | 137 | 72 |

| <u>Adams</u> | | | |
|--------------|--------|--------|------------------|
| Year | Births | Deaths | Natural increase |
| 1963 | 113 | 88 | 25 |
| 1962 | 143 | 108 | 35 |
| 1961 | 129 | 112 | 17 |
| 1960 | 124 | 98 | 26 |
| 1959 | 147 | 90 | 57 |
| 1958 | 140 | 83 | 57 |
| 1957 | 133 | 74 | 59 |
| 1956 | 175 | 83 | 92 |

| <u>Clarke</u> | | | |
|---------------|--------|--------|------------------|
| Year | Births | Deaths | Natural increase |
| 1963 | 111 | 100 | 11 |
| 1962 | 144 | 113 | 31 |
| 1961 | 128 | 103 | 25 |
| 1960 | 128 | 119 | 9 |
| 1959 | 180 | 114 | 66 |
| 1958 | 149 | 102 | 47 |
| 1957 | 147 | 117 | 30 |
| 1956 | 133 | 87 | 46 |

Table 9 (Continued)
Decatur

| Year | Births | Deaths | Natural increase |
|------|--------|--------|------------------|
| 1963 | 138 | 150 | -12 |
| 1962 | 146 | 151 | -5 |
| 1961 | 168 | 151 | 17 |
| 1960 | 151 | 154 | -3 |
| 1959 | 188 | 129 | 59 |
| 1958 | 167 | 171 | -4 |
| 1957 | 194 | 163 | 31 |
| 1956 | 192 | 137 | 55 |

Madison

| Year | Births | Deaths | Natural increase |
|------|--------|--------|------------------|
| 1963 | 174 | 163 | 11 |
| 1962 | 204 | 145 | 59 |
| 1961 | 209 | 156 | 53 |
| 1960 | 233 | 159 | 74 |
| 1959 | 236 | 144 | 92 |
| 1958 | 231 | 153 | 78 |
| 1957 | 257 | 160 | 97 |
| 1956 | 237 | 148 | 89 |

Ringgold

| Year | Births | Deaths | Natural increase |
|------|--------|--------|------------------|
| 1963 | 104 | 93 | 11 |
| 1962 | 101 | 108 | -7 |
| 1961 | 128 | 104 | 24 |
| 1960 | 128 | 121 | 7 |
| 1959 | 141 | 106 | 35 |
| 1958 | 139 | 130 | 9 |
| 1957 | 148 | 108 | 40 |
| 1956 | 157 | 111 | 46 |

Taylor

| Year | Births | Deaths | Natural increase |
|------|--------|--------|------------------|
| 1963 | 136 | 166 | -30 |
| 1962 | 124 | 137 | -13 |
| 1961 | 133 | 124 | 7 |
| 1960 | 151 | 155 | -4 |
| 1959 | 159 | 139 | 20 |
| 1958 | 163 | 148 | 15 |
| 1957 | 186 | 159 | 27 |
| 1956 | 164 | 130 | 34 |

Union

| Year | Births | Deaths | Natural increase |
|------|--------|--------|------------------|
| 1963 | 238 | 207 | 31 |
| 1962 | 223 | 206 | 17 |
| 1961 | 263 | 210 | 53 |
| 1960 | 252 | 191 | 61 |
| 1959 | 272 | 200 | 72 |
| 1958 | 273 | 188 | 85 |
| 1957 | 270 | 200 | 70 |
| 1956 | 241 | 195 | 46 |

Source: Iowa Vital Statistics, Iowa Department of Health, Des Moines, Iowa. Annual Reports, 1956-1963.

Table 10. Area births, deaths and natural increases, 1956-1963.

| Year | Births | Deaths | Natural increase |
|------|--------|--------|------------------|
| 1963 | 1,199 | 1,095 | 104 |
| 1962 | 1,281 | 1,121 | 160 |
| 1961 | 1,355 | 1,094 | 261 |
| 1960 | 1,382 | 1,135 | 247 |
| 1959 | 1,520 | 1,047 | 473 |
| 1958 | 1,519 | 1,084 | 435 |
| 1957 | 1,539 | 1,103 | 436 |
| 1956 | 1,508 | 1,028 | 480 |

Source: Iowa Vital Statistics, Iowa Department of Health, Des Moines, Iowa. Annual Reports, 1956-1963.

Table 11 demonstrates the large comparative differences in change of population by age groups and the proportion in each age group for these eight counties, Iowa and the United States. The eight counties had smaller proportions of people than Iowa or the nation in almost every age range below age 60.

The changes by age groups were much greater and generally in the opposite direction for the Southern Iowa counties, with the exception of the 70 and above groups.

Dependency Ratios

Another view of the impact of selective age migration can be seen in the changing dependency ratios over the eight-county Southern Iowa area. The dependency ratio is the number of persons below 18 and over 65 per 100 persons between 19 and 64. The first

Table 11. Population change by age group, eight Southern Iowa counties, Iowa, United States.

| Age group | Percent population 1960 | | | Percent change from 1950 | | |
|-----------|-------------------------|------|------|--------------------------|-------|-------|
| | Southern Iowa | Iowa | U.S. | Southern Iowa | Iowa | U.S. |
| 0- 9 | 18.1 | 21.7 | 21.8 | -15.4 | +18.2 | +32.2 |
| 10-19 | 17.2 | 16.7 | 16.7 | - 3.2 | +20.4 | +37.3 |
| 20-29 | 8.4 | 11.1 | 12.1 | -38.9 | -19.7 | - 9.2 |
| 30-39 | 10.6 | 12.2 | 13.6 | -26.6 | - 5.6 | + 6.8 |
| 40-49 | 12.1 | 11.7 | 12.5 | -12.1 | + 2.7 | +16.2 |
| 50-59 | 11.7 | 10.2 | 10.1 | - 9.5 | - 2.2 | +16.0 |
| 60-69 | 10.8 | 8.7 | 7.5 | - 3.4 | + 8.0 | +20.9 |
| 70-84 | 9.8 | 6.9 | 5.2 | + 7.7 | +21.9 | +39.8 |
| 85+ | 1.3 | 0.8 | 0.5 | +37.2 | +43.5 | +60.8 |

Computed from data in U.S. Census of Population.

category is called the dependent group, and the second, the productive group.

In 1950, there were 71.1 dependent persons per 100 productive persons in Iowa. By 1960, this ratio had increased to 91.2, an increase of about 20.

For the eight counties under study, the ratio moved from 80.2 in 1950 to 96.6 in 1960. Thus, while the area has a higher dependency ratio than the state as a whole, the ratio has increased at a slower rate. This is largely because the population under 18 decreased in the area -- rather than increasing as it did for all of Iowa -- and the population over 70 increased at a slower rate.

The dependency ratios in 1960 ranged from 88.7 in Decatur County to 100.9 in Taylor County (table 12).

Population projections

The extent of population change which has occurred is valuable information, but future changes are also important. Using a procedure which accounts for past rates of out-migration and birth rates,

the population for the eight counties has been projected by 5-year age groups to 1980 (table 13). Any significant change in total employment opportunities within the counties, or close enough to the area for commuting, would alter the projections in the direction of slower decline.²

The projections in table 13 suggest that (1) the population of all of these counties will decline by 1980, (2) there will be a continued decline in the number of children born per county and (3) the proportion of persons over 65 will slowly increase. Unless there is a significant change in job opportunities, the area will decline in population by more than 25,000 by 1980. Current industrial development in some counties and jobs within commuting distance suggest that this might be the most pessimistic estimate.

Table 14 (page 12) projects the population by age group for the entire area.

²For an estimate of area population--excluding Madison County--using projected employment opportunities, see "The Economic Base of Seven Southern Iowa Counties," referred to in note 1.

Table 12. Area dependency ratios and changes, by county, 1950-1960.

| | | | <u>1950</u> | | |
|----------|----------|---------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| | Under 18 | Over 65 | Dependent total | Productive total | Dependency ratio |
| Adair | 3,949 | 1,379 | 5,328 | 6,964 | 76.5 |
| Adams | 2,885 | 1,030 | 3,915 | 4,838 | 80.9 |
| Clarke | 2,879 | 1,281 | 4,160 | 5,209 | 79.9 |
| Decatur | 3,915 | 1,726 | 5,641 | 6,960 | 81.0 |
| Madison | 4,257 | 1,661 | 5,918 | 7,213 | 82.0 |
| Ringgold | 3,040 | 1,296 | 4,336 | 5,192 | 83.5 |
| Taylor | 3,770 | 1,891 | 5,661 | 6,759 | 83.8 |
| Union | 4,571 | 2,184 | 6,755 | 8,896 | 75.9 |
| Area | 29,266 | 12,448 | 41,714 | 52,031 | 80.2 |
| Iowa | 816,154 | 272,998 | 1,089,152 | 1,531,921 | 71.1 |

(Table 12 Continued)

| | | | <u>1960</u> | | |
|----------|----------|---------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| | Under 18 | Over 65 | Dependent total | Productive total | Dependency ratio |
| Adair | 3,644 | 1,620 | 5,264 | 5,629 | 93.5 |
| Adams | 2,582 | 1,113 | 3,695 | 3,773 | 97.9 |
| Clarke | 2,639 | 1,380 | 4,019 | 4,203 | 95.6 |
| Decatur | 3,201 | 1,752 | 4,953 | 5,586 | 88.7 |
| Madison | 4,180 | 1,944 | 6,124 | 6,171 | 99.2 |
| Ringgold | 2,662 | 1,248 | 3,910 | 4,000 | 97.8 |
| Taylor | 3,257 | 1,910 | 5,167 | 5,121 | 100.9 |
| Union | 4,451 | 2,367 | 6,818 | 6,894 | 98.9 |
| Area | 26,616 | 13,334 | 39,950 | 41,377 | 96.6 |
| Iowa | 987,268 | 327,685 | 1,314,953 | 1,442,584 | 91.2 |

Table 14. Projected population by age for eight southern Iowa counties, 1980.

| Age | Actual 1960 | 1970 | Projected ^a | | Percent change 1960-1970 | 1960-1980 |
|-------|----------------|--------|------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| | | | 1980 | 1960-1970 | | |
| 0- 9 | 14,743 | 11,486 | 10,066 | -22.1 | -31.7 | |
| 10-19 | 13,997 | 11,803 | 9,210 | -15.7 | -34.2 | |
| 20-44 | 20,285 | 15,235 | 12,490 | -24.9 | -38.4 | |
| 45-64 | 18,968 | 16,260 | 11,958 | -11.3 | -37.0 | |
| 65+ | 13,334 | 12,806 | 10,653 | - 4.0 | -20.1 | |
| Total | 81,327 | 67,590 | 54,377 | -16.9 | -33.1 | |

^aBased on county projections to 1980 prepared by Jon Doerflinger, Department of Economics and Sociology, Iowa State University.

Table 13. Area population by age group and sex, by county 1960-1980.^{a/}

| <u>Adair</u> | | 1960 | | | 1970 | | | 1980 | | |
|--------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--|
| Age group | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | |
| 0-4 | 998 | 525 | 473 | 826 | 435 | 391 | 707 | 372 | 335 | |
| 5-9 | 1,046 | 559 | 487 | 786 | 420 | 366 | 681 | 364 | 317 | |
| 10-14 | 997 | 501 | 496 | 834 | 430 | 404 | 690 | 356 | 334 | |
| 15-19 | 815 | 427 | 388 | 757 | 425 | 332 | 568 | 319 | 249 | |
| 20-24 | 453 | 225 | 228 | 429 | 209 | 220 | 358 | 179 | 179 | |
| 25-29 | 478 | 232 | 246 | 444 | 208 | 236 | 408 | 207 | 201 | |
| 30-34 | 574 | 283 | 291 | 358 | 167 | 191 | 340 | 155 | 185 | |
| 35-39 | 614 | 306 | 308 | 386 | 186 | 200 | 359 | 167 | 192 | |
| 40-44 | 709 | 334 | 375 | 513 | 247 | 266 | 321 | 146 | 175 | |
| 45-49 | 717 | 364 | 353 | 518 | 257 | 261 | 326 | 156 | 170 | |
| 50-54 | 681 | 353 | 328 | 613 | 289 | 324 | 444 | 214 | 230 | |
| 55-59 | 643 | 329 | 314 | 611 | 310 | 301 | 441 | 219 | 222 | |
| 60-64 | 548 | 280 | 268 | 562 | 284 | 278 | 508 | 233 | 275 | |
| 65-69 | 531 | 243 | 288 | 515 | 251 | 264 | 491 | 237 | 254 | |
| 70-74 | 490 | 250 | 240 | 409 | 202 | 207 | 420 | 205 | 215 | |
| 75-84 | 496 | 222 | 274 | 511 | 211 | 300 | 493 | 218 | 275 | |
| 85+ | 103 | 41 | 62 | 124 | 46 | 78 | 132 | 45 | 87 | |
| Total | 10,893 | 5,474 | 5,419 | 9,196 | 4,577 | 4,619 | 7,687 | 3,792 | 3,895 | |

Adams

| | 0-4 | 5-9 | 10-14 | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 | 50-54 | 55-59 | 60-64 | 65-69 | 70-74 | 75-84 | 85+ | Total | 7,468 | 3,716 | 3,752 | 6,058 | 3,022 | 3,036 | 4,873 | 2,431 | 2,442 |
|--|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | 697 | 342 | 355 | 550 | 270 | 280 | 446 | 219 | 227 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 763 | 408 | 355 | 533 | 285 | 248 | 443 | 237 | 206 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 699 | 344 | 355 | 528 | 260 | 268 | 416 | 205 | 211 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 570 | 285 | 285 | 508 | 283 | 225 | 355 | 198 | 157 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 276 | 134 | 142 | 276 | 137 | 139 | 209 | 104 | 105 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 334 | 160 | 174 | 313 | 146 | 167 | 277 | 145 | 132 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 397 | 202 | 195 | 208 | 102 | 106 | 208 | 105 | 103 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 444 | 204 | 240 | 262 | 119 | 143 | 245 | 108 | 137 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 469 | 224 | 245 | 323 | 159 | 164 | 169 | 80 | 89 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 461 | 237 | 224 | 386 | 179 | 207 | 227 | 104 | 123 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 451 | 232 | 219 | 370 | 180 | 190 | 255 | 128 | 127 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 432 | 223 | 209 | 392 | 202 | 190 | 328 | 153 | 175 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 362 | 175 | 187 | 345 | 176 | 169 | 284 | 137 | 147 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 365 | 187 | 178 | 353 | 185 | 168 | 321 | 168 | 153 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 305 | 144 | 161 | 255 | 116 | 139 | 243 | 117 | 126 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 371 | 187 | 184 | 369 | 189 | 180 | 357 | 187 | 170 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 72 | 28 | 44 | 87 | 34 | 53 | 90 | 36 | 54 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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 a/ 1960: Actual population; 1970 and 1980: Projections

Table 13 (Continued)

| <u>Clarke</u> | 1960 | | | 1970 | | | 1980 | | |
|---------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|
| Age group | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female |
| 0- 4 | 702 | 380 | 322 | 567 | 307 | 260 | 491 | 266 | 225 |
| 5- 9 | 763 | 383 | 380 | 550 | 276 | 274 | 482 | 242 | 240 |
| 10-14 | 750 | 382 | 368 | 589 | 312 | 277 | 476 | 252 | 224 |
| 15-19 | 580 | 283 | 297 | 544 | 269 | 275 | 393 | 194 | 199 |
| 20-24 | 328 | 167 | 161 | 333 | 168 | 165 | 262 | 137 | 125 |
| 25-29 | 368 | 179 | 189 | 314 | 140 | 174 | 294 | 133 | 161 |
| 30-34 | 451 | 208 | 243 | 262 | 128 | 134 | 266 | 129 | 137 |
| 35-39 | 441 | 214 | 227 | 290 | 137 | 153 | 247 | 107 | 140 |
| 40-44 | 515 | 234 | 281 | 383 | 166 | 217 | 221 | 102 | 119 |
| 45-49 | 503 | 260 | 243 | 374 | 187 | 187 | 246 | 120 | 126 |
| 50-54 | 528 | 265 | 263 | 453 | 199 | 254 | 337 | 141 | 196 |
| 55-59 | 472 | 236 | 236 | 458 | 232 | 226 | 341 | 167 | 174 |
| 60-64 | 441 | 211 | 230 | 446 | 225 | 221 | 381 | 168 | 213 |
| 65-69 | 416 | 195 | 221 | 382 | 186 | 196 | 371 | 183 | 188 |
| 70-74 | 387 | 187 | 200 | 359 | 168 | 191 | 362 | 179 | 183 |
| 75-84 | 462 | 196 | 266 | 416 | 175 | 241 | 382 | 168 | 214 |
| 85+ | 115 | 44 | 71 | 140 | 48 | 92 | 136 | 45 | 91 |
| Total | 8,222 | 4,024 | 4,198 | 6,860 | 3,323 | 3,537 | 5,688 | 2,733 | 2,955 |

Decatur

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0- 4 | 818 | 425 | 393 | 692 | 341 | 351 | 533 | 277 | 256 |
| 5- 9 | 895 | 449 | 446 | 649 | 326 | 323 | 540 | 271 | 269 |
| 10-14 | 941 | 493 | 448 | 650 | 334 | 316 | 522 | 268 | 254 |
| 15-19 | 1,219 | 641 | 578 | 940 | 473 | 467 | 682 | 343 | 339 |
| 20-24 | 541 | 301 | 240 | 507 | 289 | 218 | 349 | 195 | 154 |
| 25-29 | 407 | 201 | 206 | 421 | 208 | 213 | 326 | 154 | 172 |
| 30-34 | 461 | 211 | 250 | 304 | 147 | 157 | 284 | 141 | 143 |
| 35-39 | 519 | 248 | 271 | 285 | 135 | 150 | 295 | 140 | 155 |
| 40-44 | 596 | 280 | 316 | 371 | 165 | 206 | 244 | 114 | 130 |
| 45-49 | 599 | 307 | 292 | 418 | 199 | 219 | 229 | 108 | 121 |
| 50-54 | 581 | 274 | 307 | 525 | 235 | 290 | 327 | 138 | 189 |
| 55-59 | 623 | 300 | 323 | 548 | 282 | 266 | 381 | 182 | 199 |
| 60-64 | 587 | 312 | 275 | 491 | 236 | 255 | 444 | 203 | 241 |
| 65-69 | 537 | 258 | 279 | 519 | 250 | 269 | 456 | 235 | 221 |
| 70-74 | 450 | 210 | 240 | 423 | 224 | 199 | 355 | 170 | 185 |
| 75-84 | 609 | 290 | 319 | 515 | 258 | 257 | 595 | 250 | 345 |
| 85+ | 156 | 69 | 87 | 170 | 72 | 98 | 176 | 66 | 110 |
| Total | 10,539 | 5,269 | 5,270 | 8,428 | 4,174 | 4,254 | 6,738 | 3,255 | 3,483 |

Table 13 (Continued)

| <u>Madison</u> | | | | 1960 | | | | 1970 | | | | 1980 | | | |
|----------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|------|--------|--|--|--|
| Age group | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | | | |
| 0- 4 | 1,159 | 578 | 581 | 1,063 | 530 | 533 | 1,013 | 505 | 508 | | | | | | |
| 5- 9 | 1,195 | 593 | 602 | 1,003 | 498 | 505 | 961 | 477 | 484 | | | | | | |
| 10-14 | 1,172 | 604 | 568 | 1,055 | 541 | 514 | 967 | 496 | 471 | | | | | | |
| 15-19 | 927 | 470 | 457 | 912 | 468 | 444 | 766 | 393 | 373 | | | | | | |
| 20-24 | 507 | 260 | 247 | 529 | 278 | 251 | 476 | 249 | 227 | | | | | | |
| 25-29 | 564 | 256 | 308 | 573 | 246 | 327 | 563 | 245 | 318 | | | | | | |
| 30-34 | 597 | 308 | 289 | 451 | 236 | 215 | 470 | 252 | 218 | | | | | | |
| 35-39 | 733 | 357 | 376 | 504 | 219 | 285 | 512 | 210 | 302 | | | | | | |
| 40-44 | 736 | 350 | 386 | 542 | 273 | 269 | 409 | 209 | 200 | | | | | | |
| 45-49 | 734 | 383 | 351 | 659 | 326 | 333 | 452 | 200 | 252 | | | | | | |
| 50-54 | 696 | 338 | 358 | 632 | 299 | 333 | 465 | 233 | 232 | | | | | | |
| 55-59 | 686 | 339 | 347 | 677 | 347 | 330 | 609 | 296 | 313 | | | | | | |
| 60-64 | 645 | 319 | 326 | 577 | 270 | 307 | 524 | 238 | 286 | | | | | | |
| 65-69 | 661 | 334 | 327 | 570 | 282 | 288 | 562 | 288 | 274 | | | | | | |
| 70-74 | 515 | 235 | 280 | 494 | 229 | 265 | 443 | 193 | 250 | | | | | | |
| 75-84 | 621 | 278 | 343 | 742 | 343 | 399 | 641 | 289 | 352 | | | | | | |
| 85+ | 147 | 61 | 86 | 178 | 68 | 110 | 213 | 83 | 130 | | | | | | |
| Total | 12,295 | 6,063 | 6,232 | 11,161 | 5,453 | 5,708 | 10,046 | 4,856 | 5,190 | | | | | | |

Ringgold

| Age group | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female |
|-----------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|------|--------|
| 0- 4 | 681 | 357 | 324 | 534 | 280 | 254 | 459 | 241 | 218 | | | |
| 5- 9 | 757 | 363 | 394 | 526 | 252 | 274 | 453 | 217 | 236 | | | |
| 10-14 | 800 | 420 | 380 | 579 | 310 | 269 | 454 | 243 | 211 | | | |
| 15-19 | 576 | 294 | 282 | 525 | 246 | 279 | 365 | 171 | 194 | | | |
| 20-24 | 284 | 139 | 145 | 275 | 142 | 133 | 199 | 105 | 94 | | | |
| 25-29 | 351 | 175 | 176 | 293 | 131 | 162 | 270 | 110 | 160 | | | |
| 30-34 | 409 | 207 | 202 | 217 | 101 | 116 | 210 | 104 | 106 | | | |
| 35-39 | 443 | 205 | 238 | 279 | 138 | 141 | 232 | 103 | 129 | | | |
| 40-44 | 427 | 204 | 223 | 310 | 154 | 156 | 164 | 75 | 89 | | | |
| 45-49 | 537 | 258 | 279 | 374 | 168 | 206 | 235 | 113 | 122 | | | |
| 50-54 | 471 | 238 | 233 | 356 | 166 | 190 | 259 | 126 | 133 | | | |
| 55-59 | 475 | 235 | 240 | 452 | 212 | 240 | 315 | 138 | 177 | | | |
| 60-64 | 451 | 243 | 208 | 379 | 195 | 184 | 286 | 136 | 150 | | | |
| 65-69 | 393 | 190 | 203 | 379 | 175 | 204 | 362 | 158 | 204 | | | |
| 70-74 | 337 | 148 | 189 | 330 | 166 | 164 | 279 | 133 | 146 | | | |
| 75-84 | 421 | 195 | 226 | 377 | 168 | 209 | 365 | 155 | 210 | | | |
| 85+ | 97 | 40 | 57 | 108 | 38 | 70 | 103 | 33 | 70 | | | |
| Total | 7,910 | 3,911 | 3,999 | 6,293 | 3,042 | 3,251 | 5,010 | 2,361 | 2,649 | | | |

Table 13 (Continued)

| <u>Taylor</u> | | | | 1970 | | | | 1980 | | | |
|---------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--|--|
| Age group | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | | |
| 0- 4 | 837 | 422 | 415 | 666 | 336 | 330 | 558 | 281 | 277 | | |
| 5- 9 | 915 | 442 | 473 | 629 | 304 | 325 | 540 | 261 | 279 | | |
| 10-14 | 966 | 472 | 494 | 720 | 353 | 367 | 573 | 281 | 292 | | |
| 15-19 | 755 | 387 | 368 | 602 | 297 | 305 | 414 | 204 | 210 | | |
| 20-24 | 352 | 167 | 185 | 356 | 156 | 200 | 266 | 117 | 149 | | |
| 25-29 | 402 | 194 | 208 | 369 | 177 | 192 | 295 | 136 | 159 | | |
| 30-34 | 499 | 251 | 248 | 282 | 140 | 142 | 285 | 131 | 154 | | |
| 35-39 | 576 | 275 | 301 | 314 | 148 | 166 | 288 | 135 | 153 | | |
| 40-44 | 634 | 313 | 321 | 413 | 200 | 213 | 234 | 112 | 122 | | |
| 45-49 | 648 | 339 | 309 | 488 | 241 | 247 | 266 | 130 | 136 | | |
| 50-54 | 624 | 283 | 341 | 504 | 236 | 268 | 329 | 151 | 178 | | |
| 55-59 | 560 | 289 | 271 | 543 | 284 | 259 | 410 | 202 | 208 | | |
| 60-64 | 610 | 294 | 316 | 514 | 234 | 280 | 415 | 195 | 220 | | |
| 65-69 | 615 | 298 | 317 | 482 | 241 | 241 | 467 | 237 | 230 | | |
| 70-74 | 514 | 231 | 283 | 462 | 208 | 254 | 390 | 165 | 225 | | |
| 75-84 | 642 | 293 | 349 | 617 | 277 | 340 | 482 | 224 | 258 | | |
| 85+ | 139 | 58 | 81 | 150 | 59 | 91 | 149 | 57 | 92 | | |
| Total | 10,288 | 5,008 | 5,280 | 8,111 | 3,891 | 4,220 | 6,361 | 3,019 | 3,342 | | |

| <u>Union</u> | | | | 1970 | | | | 1980 | | | |
|--------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--|--|
| Age group | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | | |
| 0- 4 | 1,258 | 651 | 607 | 1,032 | 534 | 498 | 943 | 488 | 455 | | |
| 5- 9 | 1,259 | 677 | 582 | 880 | 473 | 407 | 816 | 439 | 377 | | |
| 10-14 | 1,268 | 623 | 645 | 1,062 | 559 | 503 | 871 | 458 | 413 | | |
| 15-19 | 962 | 483 | 479 | 998 | 520 | 478 | 698 | 364 | 334 | | |
| 20-24 | 543 | 273 | 270 | 593 | 275 | 318 | 495 | 247 | 248 | | |
| 25-29 | 625 | 305 | 320 | 550 | 267 | 283 | 570 | 288 | 282 | | |
| 30-34 | 668 | 312 | 356 | 392 | 196 | 196 | 428 | 198 | 230 | | |
| 35-39 | 758 | 359 | 399 | 462 | 217 | 245 | 406 | 190 | 216 | | |
| 40-44 | 802 | 392 | 410 | 549 | 252 | 297 | 321 | 158 | 163 | | |
| 45-49 | 772 | 371 | 401 | 635 | 297 | 338 | 386 | 179 | 207 | | |
| 50-54 | 791 | 368 | 423 | 632 | 296 | 336 | 433 | 190 | 243 | | |
| 55-59 | 815 | 389 | 426 | 640 | 293 | 347 | 526 | 234 | 292 | | |
| 60-64 | 824 | 393 | 431 | 688 | 307 | 381 | 549 | 247 | 302 | | |
| 65-69 | 790 | 379 | 411 | 730 | 340 | 390 | 573 | 256 | 317 | | |
| 70-74 | 642 | 298 | 344 | 647 | 296 | 351 | 542 | 232 | 310 | | |
| 75-84 | 736 | 327 | 409 | 768 | 344 | 424 | 712 | 309 | 403 | | |
| 85+ | 199 | 65 | 134 | 225 | 66 | 159 | 241 | 70 | 171 | | |
| Total | 13,712 | 6,665 | 7,047 | 11,483 | 5,532 | 5,951 | 9,510 | 4,547 | 4,963 | | |

The total population for the eight counties projected to 1980 is 54,377. This would be a decline of nearly 27,000 from the 1960 population.

SUMMARY

The population change of the eight Southern Iowa counties in this study is characterized by:

1. A decreasing population since 1900.
2. An increasing rate of total population decline in the last two decades.
3. Declining rural farm and rural nonfarm population.
4. A decreasing natural increase of population, i.e., births and deaths becoming more equal.
5. An increasing dependency ratio.
6. A high out-migration of people in the 20-40 year age group.
7. A continued projected population decline for the area and all counties.

IMPLICATIONS

The facts and figures presented in this analysis have little use except as they have meaning for future individual and group decisions. The projections of population change for the Southern Iowa area and the implications to follow are based on the assumption that general national economic trends will continue.

The individual breadwinner in the area knows from first-hand experience that job opportunities -- in kind and number -- are limited in Southern Iowa. The continued

replacement of labor by capital in agriculture suggests that the problem will continue for the area in general -- and in some locations become more acute over time. The implications are many. For those whose skill is no longer needed in the area, but is needed elsewhere, it suggests migration. For those whose skill is no longer needed in any geographic area, it suggests retraining and possibly migration.

The implications are similar for the owner and/or self-employed businessman and professional whose "business" demands a certain volume of customers. Generally, in areas of population decline, it means being more efficient, more competitive, moving to another location, or gradual retirement of the business.

The individual consumer may find he has to travel further -- in distance, but perhaps not in time -- for many goods and services. As a result of transportation and communication improvements, people already travel far and often for recreational, social and special interest pursuits.

As a citizen, the continued population changes force attention to a variety of public and private group decisions -- decisions about taxation, school reorganization, reapportionment, church mergers and local government structures. As population continues to decline in these eight counties -- both farm and nonfarm -- there is need to constantly evaluate the institutional balance, i.e., the relationship of number, location and quality of schools, churches and governmental functions, to the people and their needs.

Part of that evaluation can be facilitated by examining the past and future population trends for the area, county and specific locality. Much of the specific data for the counties, towns and townships is included in the appendices to this publication.

Appendix A. Area change in population of cities and towns, 1940-1960.

| County | 1940 | 1950 | Percent change | | Percent change 1950-1960 |
|----------------|--------|--------|----------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| | | | 1940-1950 | 1960 | |
| <u>Adair</u> | 13,196 | 12,292 | - 6.9 | 10,893 | -11.4 |
| Bridgewater | 302 | 296 | - 2.0 | 225 | -24.0 |
| Orient | 442 | 427 | - 3.4 | 341 | -20.1 |
| Adair | 874 | 827 | - 5.4 | 742 | -10.3 |
| Fontanelle | 797 | 812 | + 1.9 | 729 | -10.2 |
| Greenfield | 1,869 | 2,102 | +12.5 | 2,243 | + 6.7 |
| Total | 4,284 | 4,464 | + 4.2 | 4,280 | - 4.1 |
| <u>Adams</u> | 10,156 | 8,753 | -13.8 | 7,468 | -14.7 |
| Carbon | 383 | 282 | -26.4 | 162 | -42.6 |
| Nodaway | 270 | 233 | -13.7 | 204 | -12.4 |
| Prescott | 400 | 372 | - 7.0 | 331 | -11.0 |
| Corning | 2,162 | 2,104 | - 2.7 | 2,041 | - 3.0 |
| Total | 3,215 | 2,991 | - 8.3 | 2,738 | - 8.5 |
| <u>Clarke</u> | 10,233 | 9,369 | - 8.4 | 8,222 | -12.2 |
| Hopeville | 92 | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Woodburn | 324 | 255 | -21.3 | 202 | -20.8 |
| Murray | 857 | 767 | -10.5 | 613 | -20.1 |
| Osceola | 3,281 | 3,422 | + 4.3 | 3,350 | - 2.1 |
| Total | 4,554 | 4,444 | - 2.4 | 4,165 | - 6.3 |
| <u>Decatur</u> | 14,012 | 12,601 | -10.1 | 10,539 | -16.4 |
| Decatur City | 275 | 196 | -28.7 | 203 | + 3.6 |
| Leroy | 129 | 91 | -29.5 | 70 | -23.1 |
| Pleasanton | 180 | 130 | -27.8 | 103 | -20.8 |
| Weldon | 250 | 229 | - 8.4 | 202 | -11.8 |
| Davis City | 556 | 432 | -22.3 | 346 | -19.9 |
| Garden Grove | 558 | 417 | -25.3 | 335 | -19.7 |
| Grand River | 374 | 350 | - 6.4 | 284 | -18.9 |
| Van Wert | 383 | 318 | -17.0 | 253 | -20.4 |
| Lamoni | 1,567 | 2,196 | +40.1 | 2,173 | - 1.1 |
| Leon | 2,307 | 2,139 | - 7.3 | 2,004 | - 6.3 |
| Total | 6,579 | 6,498 | - 1.2 | 5,973 | - 8.1 |
| <u>Madison</u> | 14,525 | 13,131 | - 9.6 | 12,295 | - 6.4 |
| Bevington | 35 | 48 | +37.1 | 55 | +14.6 |
| East Peru | 267 | 204 | -23.6 | 173 | -15.2 |
| Macksburg | 255 | 220 | -13.7 | 174 | -20.9 |
| Patterson | 166 | 133 | -19.9 | 157 | +18.0 |
| St. Charles | 331 | 319 | - 3.6 | 355 | +11.3 |
| Truro | 353 | 354 | + .28 | 338 | - 4.5 |
| Earlham | 865 | 771 | -10.9 | 788 | + 2.2 |
| Winterset | 3,631 | 3,570 | - 1.7 | 3,639 | + 1.9 |
| Total | 5,903 | 5,619 | - 4.8 | 5,679 | + 1.1 |

Appendix A. (Continued)

| County | 1940 | 1950 | Percent change | | Percent change 1950-1960 |
|-----------------|--------|--------|----------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| | | | 1940-1950 | 1960 | |
| <u>Ringgold</u> | 11,137 | 9,528 | -14.4 | 7,910 | -17.0 |
| Beaconsfield | 148 | 104 | -29.7 | 71 | -31.7 |
| Benton | 189 | 128 | -32.3 | 84 | -34.4 |
| Delphos | 90 | 74 | -17.8 | 48 | -35.1 |
| Ellston | 195 | 158 | -19.0 | 116 | -26.6 |
| Maloy | 95 | 90 | -5.3 | 68 | -24.4 |
| Redding | 246 | 200 | -18.7 | 129 | -35.5 |
| Diagonal | 603 | 472 | -21.7 | 443 | -6.1 |
| Kellerton | 563 | 483 | -14.2 | 341 | -29.4 |
| Tingley | 390 | 333 | -14.6 | 278 | -16.5 |
| Mt. Ayr | 1,930 | 1,793 | -7.1 | 1,738 | -3.1 |
| Total | 4,449 | 3,835 | -13.8 | 3,316 | -13.5 |
| <u>Taylor</u> | 14,258 | 12,420 | -12.9 | 10,288 | -17.2 |
| Athelstan | 143 | 115 | -19.6 | 75 | -34.8 |
| Conway | 246 | 168 | -31.7 | 82 | -51.2 |
| Sharpsburg | 173 | 147 | -15.0 | 130 | -11.6 |
| Blockton | 488 | 407 | -16.6 | 343 | -15.7 |
| Gravity | 514 | 369 | -28.2 | 275 | -25.5 |
| Clearfield | 615 | 547 | -11.1 | 504 | -7.9 |
| New Market | 681 | 573 | -15.9 | 506 | -11.7 |
| Lenox | 1,220 | 1,171 | -4.0 | 1,178 | .60 |
| Bedford | 2,151 | 2,000 | -7.0 | 1,807 | -9.7 |
| Total | 6,231 | 5,497 | -11.6 | 4,900 | -10.9 |
| <u>Union</u> | 16,280 | 15,651 | -3.9 | 13,712 | -12.4 |
| Arispe | 149 | 110 | -26.2 | 125 | +13.6 |
| Cromwell | 165 | 147 | -10.9 | 138 | -6.1 |
| Kent | 138 | 169 | +22.5 | 94 | -44.4 |
| Shannon City | 288 | 171 | -40.6 | 127 | -25.7 |
| Thayer | 157 | 152 | -3.2 | 101 | -33.6 |
| Lorimor | 614 | 505 | -17.8 | 460 | -8.9 |
| Afton | 987 | 936 | -5.2 | 773 | -17.4 |
| Creston | 8,033 | 8,317 | +3.5 | 7,667 | -7.8 |
| Total | 10,531 | 10,507 | -0.2 | 9,485 | -9.7 |

Source: U.S. Census of Population, 1960.

Appendix B. Area change in age groups by county, 1950-1960.

| County and age group | 1950 | 1960 | Number change | Percent change |
|----------------------|--------|--------|---------------|----------------|
| <u>Adair</u> | | | | |
| 0- 9 | 2,325 | 2,044 | - 281 | -12.1 |
| 10-19 | 1,934 | 1,812 | - 122 | - 6.3 |
| 20-29 | 1,487 | 931 | - 556 | -37.4 |
| 30-39 | 1,644 | 1,188 | - 456 | -27.7 |
| 40-49 | 1,542 | 1,426 | - 116 | - 7.5 |
| 50-59 | 1,324 | 1,324 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 60-69 | 1,176 | 1,079 | - 97 | - 8.2 |
| 70-84 | 791 | 986 | + 195 | +24.7 |
| 85+ | 69 | 103 | + 34 | +49.2 |
| Total | 12,292 | 10,893 | -1,399 | -11.4 |
| <u>Adams</u> | | | | |
| 0- 9 | 1,782 | 1,460 | - 322 | -18.1 |
| 10-19 | 1,309 | 1,269 | - 40 | - 3.1 |
| 20-29 | 1,094 | 610 | - 484 | -44.2 |
| 30-39 | 1,106 | 841 | - 265 | -24.0 |
| 40-49 | 1,079 | 930 | - 149 | -13.8 |
| 50-59 | 919 | 883 | - 36 | - 3.9 |
| 60-69 | 801 | 727 | - 74 | - 9.2 |
| 70-84 | 617 | 676 | + 59 | + 9.6 |
| 85+ | 46 | 72 | + 26 | +56.5 |
| Total | 8,753 | 7,468 | -1,285 | -14.7 |
| <u>Clarke</u> | | | | |
| 0- 9 | 1,706 | 1,465 | - 241 | -14.1 |
| 10-19 | 1,423 | 1,330 | - 93 | - 6.5 |
| 20-29 | 1,124 | 696 | - 428 | -38.1 |
| 30-39 | 1,202 | 892 | - 310 | -25.8 |
| 40-49 | 1,121 | 1,018 | - 103 | - 9.2 |
| 50-59 | 1,036 | 1,000 | - 36 | - 3.5 |
| 60-69 | 938 | 857 | - 81 | - 8.6 |
| 70-84 | 747 | 849 | + 102 | +13.7 |
| 85+ | 72 | 115 | + 43 | +59.7 |
| Total | 9,369 | 8,222 | -1,147 | -12.2 |
| <u>Decatur</u> | | | | |
| 0- 9 | 2,345 | 1,713 | - 632 | -27.0 |
| 10-19 | 2,185 | 2,160 | - 25 | - 1.1 |
| 20-29 | 1,555 | 948 | - 607 | -39.0 |
| 30-39 | 1,487 | 980 | - 507 | -34.1 |
| 40-49 | 1,343 | 1,195 | - 148 | -11.0 |
| 50-59 | 1,337 | 1,204 | - 133 | - 9.9 |
| 60-69 | 1,162 | 1,124 | - 38 | - 3.3 |
| 70-84 | 1,063 | 1,059 | - 4 | - 0.4 |
| 85+ | 124 | 156 | + 32 | +25.8 |
| Total | 12,601 | 10,539 | -2,062 | -16.4 |

Appendix B (Continued)

| County and age group | 1950 | 1960 | Number change | Percent change |
|----------------------|--------|--------|---------------|----------------|
| <u>Madison</u> | | | | |
| 0- 9 | 2,502 | 2,354 | - 148 | - 5.9 |
| 10-19 | 2,044 | 2,099 | + 55 | + 2.7 |
| 20-29 | 1,497 | 1,071 | - 426 | -28.5 |
| 30-39 | 1,625 | 1,330 | - 295 | -18.2 |
| 40-49 | 1,554 | 1,470 | - 84 | - 5.4 |
| 50-59 | 1,576 | 1,382 | - 194 | -12.3 |
| 60-69 | 1,224 | 1,306 | + 82 | + 6.7 |
| 70-84 | 988 | 1,136 | + 148 | +15.0 |
| 85+ | 121 | 147 | + 26 | +21.5 |
| Total | 13,131 | 12,295 | - 836 | - 6.4 |
| <u>Ringgold</u> | | | | |
| 0- 9 | 1,772 | 1,438 | - 334 | -18.8 |
| 10-19 | 1,524 | 1,376 | - 148 | - 9.7 |
| 20-29 | 1,095 | 635 | - 460 | -42.0 |
| 30-39 | 1,200 | 852 | - 348 | -29.0 |
| 40-49 | 1,131 | 964 | - 167 | -14.8 |
| 50-59 | 1,054 | 946 | - 108 | -10.2 |
| 60-69 | 895 | 844 | - 51 | - 5.7 |
| 70-84 | 791 | 758 | - 33 | - 4.2 |
| 85+ | 66 | 97 | + 31 | +47.0 |
| Total | 9,528 | 7,910 | -1,618 | -17.0 |
| <u>Taylor</u> | | | | |
| 0- 9 | 2,269 | 1,752 | - 517 | -22.8 |
| 10-19 | 1,785 | 1,721 | - 64 | - 3.6 |
| 20-29 | 1,361 | 754 | - 607 | -44.6 |
| 30-39 | 1,528 | 1,075 | - 453 | -29.6 |
| 40-49 | 1,452 | 1,282 | - 170 | -11.7 |
| 50-59 | 1,455 | 1,184 | - 271 | -18.6 |
| 60-69 | 1,319 | 1,225 | - 94 | - 7.1 |
| 70-84 | 1,115 | 1,156 | + 41 | + 3.7 |
| 85+ | 136 | 139 | + 3 | + 2.2 |
| Total | 12,420 | 10,288 | -2,132 | -17.2 |
| <u>Union</u> | | | | |
| 0- 9 | 2,716 | 2,517 | - 199 | - 7.3 |
| 10-19 | 2,259 | 2,230 | - 29 | - 1.3 |
| 20-29 | 1,952 | 1,168 | - 784 | -40.2 |
| 30-39 | 1,901 | 1,426 | - 475 | -25.0 |
| 40-49 | 1,990 | 1,574 | - 416 | -21.0 |
| 50-59 | 1,832 | 1,606 | - 226 | -12.3 |
| 60-69 | 1,573 | 1,614 | + 41 | + 2.6 |
| 70-84 | 1,313 | 1,378 | + 65 | + 5.0 |
| 85+ | 115 | 199 | + 84 | +73.0 |
| Total | 15,651 | 13,712 | -1,939 | -12.4 |

Source: U.S. Census of Population, 1960.

Appendix C. Area population change by township, 1950-1960.

| County and township | 1950 | 1960 | Change | Percent change |
|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|----------------|
| <u>Adair</u> | 12,292 | 10,893 | -1,399 | -11.4 |
| Adair | 807 | 720 | - 87 | -10.8 |
| Bridgewater | 315 | 245 | - 70 | -22.2 |
| Eureka | 395 | 392 | - 3 | -.8 |
| Grand River | 431 | 335 | - 96 | -22.3 |
| Greenfield | 2,169 | 2,308 | + 139 | + 6.4 |
| Grove | 505 | 413 | - 92 | -18.2 |
| Harrison | 483 | 365 | - 118 | -24.4 |
| Jackson | 434 | 357 | - 77 | -17.7 |
| Jefferson | 506 | 415 | - 91 | -18.0 |
| Lee | 390 | 319 | - 71 | -18.2 |
| Lincoln | 484 | 430 | - 54 | -11.2 |
| Orient | 871 | 716 | - 155 | -17.8 |
| Prussia | 463 | 383 | - 80 | -17.3 |
| Richland | 532 | 448 | - 84 | -15.8 |
| Stuart | 398 | 341 | - 57 | -14.3 |
| Summerset | 1,316 | 1,225 | - 91 | - 6.9 |
| Summit | 410 | 346 | - 64 | -15.6 |
| Union | 452 | 345 | - 107 | -23.7 |
| Walnut | 529 | 442 | - 87 | -16.4 |
| Washington | 402 | 348 | - 54 | -13.4 |
| <u>Adams</u> | 8,753 | 7,468 | -1,285 | -14.7 |
| Carl | 445 | 369 | - 76 | -17.1 |
| Colony | 493 | 388 | - 105 | -21.3 |
| Douglas | 739 | 510 | - 229 | -31.0 |
| Grant | 427 | 416 | - 11 | - 2.6 |
| Jasper | 786 | 653 | - 133 | -16.9 |
| Lincoln | 430 | 363 | - 67 | -15.6 |
| Mercer | 396 | 346 | - 50 | -12.6 |
| Nodaway | 728 | 560 | - 168 | -23.1 |
| Prescott | 768 | 650 | - 118 | -15.4 |
| Quincy | 2,601 | 2,483 | - 118 | - 4.5 |
| Union | 414 | 326 | - 88 | -21.3 |
| Washington | 526 | 404 | - 122 | -23.2 |
| <u>Clarke</u> | 9,369 | 8,222 | -1,147 | -12.2 |
| Doyle | 491 | 372 | - 119 | -24.2 |
| Franklin | 386 | 324 | - 62 | -16.1 |
| Fremont | 431 | 349 | - 82 | -19.0 |
| Green Bay | 393 | 336 | - 57 | -14.5 |
| Jackson | 620 | 525 | - 95 | -15.3 |
| Knox | 404 | 336 | - 68 | -16.8 |
| Liberty | 429 | 387 | - 42 | - 9.8 |
| Madison | 360 | 254 | - 106 | -29.4 |
| Osceola | 451 | 426 | - 25 | - 5.5 |
| Osceola City | 3,422 | 3,350 | - 72 | - 2.1 |
| Troy | 1,170 | 920 | - 250 | -21.4 |
| Ward | 405 | 297 | - 108 | -26.7 |
| Washington | 407 | 346 | - 61 | -15.0 |

Appendix C (Continued)

| County and township | 1950 | 1960 | Change | Percent change |
|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|----------------|
| <u>Decatur</u> | 12,601 | 10,539 | -2,062 | -16.4 |
| Bloomington | 317 | 262 | - 55 | -17.4 |
| Burrell | 616 | 467 | - 149 | -24.2 |
| Center | 561 | 450 | - 111 | -19.8 |
| Decatur | 618 | 471 | - 147 | -23.8 |
| Eden | 504 | 392 | - 112 | -22.2 |
| Fayette | 298 | 263 | - 35 | -11.7 |
| Franklin | 663 | 597 | - 66 | -10.0 |
| Garden Grove | 935 | 757 | - 178 | -19.0 |
| Grand River | 277 | 203 | - 74 | -26.7 |
| Hamilton | 461 | 312 | - 149 | -32.3 |
| High Point | 415 | 292 | - 123 | -29.6 |
| Lamoni | 2,196 | 2,173 | - 23 | - 1.0 |
| Leon | 2,139 | 2,004 | - 135 | - 6.3 |
| Long Creek | 780 | 549 | - 231 | -29.6 |
| Morgan | 214 | 150 | - 64 | -29.9 |
| New Buda | 435 | 337 | - 98 | -22.5 |
| Richland | 801 | 584 | - 217 | -27.1 |
| Woodland | 371 | 276 | - 95 | -25.6 |
| <u>Madison</u> | 13,131 | 12,295 | - 836 | - 6.4 |
| Center | 3,570 | 3,639 | + 69 | + 1.9 |
| Crawford | 540 | 550 | + 10 | + 1.9 |
| Douglas | 566 | 528 | - 38 | - 6.7 |
| Grand River | 649 | 475 | - 174 | -26.8 |
| Jackson | 497 | 385 | - 112 | -22.5 |
| Jefferson | 495 | 406 | - 89 | -18.0 |
| Lee | 312 | 341 | + 29 | + 9.3 |
| Lincoln | 517 | 500 | - 17 | - 3.3 |
| Madison | 1,170 | 1,105 | - 65 | - 5.6 |
| Monroe | 447 | 330 | - 117 | -26.2 |
| Ohio | 778 | 758 | - 20 | - 2.6 |
| Penn | 583 | 573 | - 10 | - 1.7 |
| Scott | 573 | 538 | - 35 | - 6.1 |
| South | 883 | 930 | + 47 | + 5.3 |
| Union | 422 | 301 | - 121 | -28.7 |
| Walnut | 696 | 583 | - 113 | -16.2 |
| Webster | 433 | 353 | - 80 | -18.5 |
| <u>Ringgold</u> | 9,528 | 7,910 | -1,618 | -17.0 |
| Athens | 884 | 630 | - 254 | -28.7 |
| Benton | 373 | 279 | - 94 | -25.2 |
| Clinton | 532 | 332 | - 200 | -37.6 |
| Grant | 395 | 318 | - 77 | -19.5 |
| Jefferson | 468 | 387 | - 81 | -17.3 |
| Liberty | 403 | 327 | - 76 | -18.9 |
| Lincoln | 406 | 353 | - 53 | -13.1 |
| Lotts Creek | 269 | 237 | - 32 | -11.9 |
| Middle Fork | 352 | 287 | - 65 | -18.5 |

Appendix C (Continued)

| County and township | 1950 | 1960 | Change | Percent change |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|----------------|
| <u>Ringgold (Con't)</u> | | | | |
| Monroe | 457 | 289 | - 168 | -36.8 |
| Mount Ayr | 1,793 | 1,738 | - 55 | - 3.1 |
| Poe | 372 | 338 | - 34 | - 9.1 |
| Rice | 330 | 268 | - 62 | -18.8 |
| Riley | 225 | 168 | - 57 | -25.3 |
| Tingley | 731 | 607 | - 124 | -17.0 |
| Union | 499 | 446 | - 53 | -10.6 |
| Washington | 771 | 689 | - 82 | -10.6 |
| Waubonsie | 268 | 217 | - 51 | -19.0 |
| <u>Taylor</u> | 12,420 | 9,650 | -2,770 | -22.3 |
| Bedford | 2,121 | 1,884 | - 237 | -11.2 |
| Benton | 323 | 257 | - 66 | -20.4 |
| Clayton | 363 | 309 | - 54 | -14.9 |
| Dallas | 1,082 | 910 | - 172 | -15.9 |
| Gay | 401 | 287 | - 114 | -28.4 |
| Grant | 887 | 798 | - 89 | -10.0 |
| Grove | 447 | 374 | - 73 | -16.3 |
| Holt | 472 | 386 | - 86 | -18.2 |
| Jackson | 275 | 221 | - 54 | -19.6 |
| Jefferson | 845 | 664 | - 181 | -21.4 |
| Marshall | 814 | 593 | - 221 | -27.1 |
| Mason | 412 | 130 | - 282 | -68.4 |
| Nodaway | 544 | 342 | - 202 | -37.1 |
| Platte | 1,642 | 1,582 | - 60 | - 3.7 |
| Polk | 438 | 292 | - 146 | -33.3 |
| Ross | 445 | 346 | - 99 | -22.2 |
| Washington | 909 | 275 | - 634 | -69.7 |
| <u>Union</u> | 15,651 | 13,712 | -1,939 | -12.4 |
| Creston | 8,317 | 7,667 | - 650 | - 7.8 |
| Dodge | 396 | 287 | - 109 | -27.5 |
| Douglas | 622 | 551 | - 71 | -11.4 |
| Grant | 557 | 219 | - 338 | -60.7 |
| Highland | 417 | 375 | - 42 | -10.1 |
| Jones | 609 | 455 | - 154 | -25.3 |
| Lincoln | 434 | 340 | - 94 | -21.7 |
| New Hope | 925 | 798 | - 127 | -13.7 |
| Platte | 534 | 423 | - 111 | -20.8 |
| Pleasant | 340 | 238 | - 102 | -30.0 |
| Sand Creek | 567 | 709 | + 142 | +25.0 |
| Spaulding | 482 | 473 | - 9 | - 1.9 |
| Union | 1,451 | 1,177 | - 274 | -18.9 |

Source: U.S. Census of Population, 1960.

Appendix D. Area male and female population by township, 1960.

| County and township | Under 5 | 5-14 | 15-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65 and over |
|---------------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| <u>Adair</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Adair | 55 | 111 | 63 | 52 | 74 | 77 | 103 | 185 |
| Bridgewater | 15 | 32 | 21 | 20 | 23 | 29 | 28 | 67 |
| Eureka | 42 | 112 | 39 | 56 | 58 | 43 | 19 | 24 |
| Grand River | 23 | 69 | 43 | 33 | 42 | 50 | 48 | 27 |
| Greenfield | 232 | 340 | 255 | 234 | 244 | 279 | 257 | 467 |
| Grove | 43 | 78 | 48 | 44 | 46 | 60 | 46 | 48 |
| Harrison | 25 | 65 | 49 | 34 | 48 | 38 | 46 | 60 |
| Jackson | 42 | 75 | 49 | 37 | 55 | 55 | 23 | 31 |
| Jefferson | 33 | 95 | 41 | 50 | 52 | 55 | 46 | 43 |
| Lee | 38 | 51 | 38 | 43 | 29 | 60 | 38 | 22 |
| Lincoln | 37 | 103 | 46 | 44 | 52 | 50 | 50 | 48 |
| Orient | 63 | 124 | 78 | 64 | 73 | 102 | 92 | 120 |
| Prussia | 39 | 76 | 55 | 38 | 64 | 58 | 36 | 17 |
| Richland | 42 | 108 | 48 | 51 | 48 | 74 | 32 | 45 |
| Stuart | 24 | 62 | 38 | 17 | 35 | 39 | 43 | 83 |
| Summerset | 125 | 233 | 129 | 115 | 156 | 123 | 126 | 218 |
| Summit | 33 | 79 | 46 | 33 | 44 | 57 | 37 | 17 |
| Union | 33 | 64 | 53 | 28 | 50 | 35 | 46 | 36 |
| Walnut | 34 | 96 | 66 | 33 | 76 | 59 | 45 | 36 |
| Washington | 30 | 70 | 66 | 27 | 54 | 55 | 20 | 26 |
| Total | 1,008 | 2,043 | 1,271 | 1,053 | 1,323 | 1,398 | 1,181 | 1,620 |

Adams

| | Under 5 | 5-14 | 15-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65 and over |
|------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| Carl | 45 | 78 | 40 | 30 | 45 | 46 | 46 | 39 |
| Colony | 41 | 83 | 42 | 35 | 53 | 60 | 36 | 38 |
| Douglas | 39 | 105 | 48 | 49 | 66 | 68 | 60 | 75 |
| Grant | 46 | 74 | 49 | 45 | 48 | 59 | 49 | 46 |
| Jasper | 56 | 137 | 72 | 63 | 84 | 80 | 73 | 88 |
| Lincoln | 30 | 90 | 43 | 37 | 46 | 44 | 33 | 40 |
| Mercer | 42 | 72 | 43 | 40 | 49 | 30 | 41 | 29 |
| Nodaway | 42 | 106 | 59 | 55 | 57 | 75 | 81 | 84 |
| Prescott | 52 | 106 | 76 | 58 | 75 | 69 | 74 | 140 |
| Quincy | 223 | 453 | 302 | 244 | 289 | 283 | 235 | 454 |
| Union | 32 | 72 | 40 | 33 | 45 | 52 | 32 | 20 |
| Washington | 49 | 86 | 32 | 42 | 55 | 46 | 34 | 60 |
| Total | 697 | 1,462 | 846 | 731 | 912 | 912 | 794 | 1,113 |

Appendix D. (Continued)

| County and township | Under 5 | 5-14 | 15-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65 and over |
|---------------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| <u>Clarke</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Doyle | 24 | 81 | 44 | 40 | 48 | 42 | 45 | 48 |
| Franklin | 35 | 74 | 34 | 39 | 45 | 32 | 39 | 26 |
| Fremont | 31 | 82 | 33 | 35 | 46 | 55 | 31 | 36 |
| Green Bay | 38 | 80 | 43 | 41 | 39 | 31 | 27 | 37 |
| Jackson | 53 | 100 | 44 | 54 | 67 | 70 | 69 | 68 |
| Knox | 34 | 65 | 41 | 40 | 40 | 45 | 42 | 29 |
| Liberty | 26 | 69 | 50 | 33 | 52 | 51 | 60 | 46 |
| Madison | 22 | 42 | 40 | 21 | 35 | 41 | 26 | 27 |
| Osceola | 29 | 76 | 58 | 34 | 66 | 68 | 41 | 54 |
| Osceola City | 273 | 558 | 358 | 333 | 366 | 383 | 364 | 715 |
| Troy | 77 | 148 | 95 | 77 | 90 | 102 | 101 | 230 |
| Ward | 24 | 50 | 38 | 29 | 29 | 58 | 32 | 37 |
| Washington | 36 | 88 | 30 | 43 | 33 | 53 | 36 | 27 |
| Total | 702 | 1,513 | 908 | 819 | 956 | 1,031 | 913 | 1,380 |
| <u>Decatur</u> | | | | | | | | |
| | Under 5 | 5-14 | 15-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65 and over |
| Bloomington | 23 | 58 | 26 | 22 | 41 | 27 | 36 | 29 |
| Burrell | 33 | 86 | 54 | 34 | 52 | 60 | 64 | 84 |
| Center | 36 | 100 | 42 | 46 | 55 | 70 | 50 | 51 |
| Decatur | 33 | 88 | 63 | 39 | 43 | 55 | 68 | 82 |
| Eden | 28 | 72 | 37 | 31 | 47 | 51 | 54 | 72 |
| Fayette | 19 | 53 | 39 | 15 | 24 | 54 | 22 | 37 |
| Franklin | 61 | 111 | 76 | 47 | 72 | 63 | 78 | 89 |
| Garden Grove | 69 | 132 | 100 | 60 | 82 | 89 | 89 | 136 |
| Grand River | 14 | 41 | 33 | 16 | 34 | 29 | 20 | 16 |
| Hamilton | 30 | 59 | 30 | 24 | 29 | 28 | 39 | 73 |
| High Point | 20 | 61 | 28 | 23 | 25 | 47 | 41 | 47 |
| Lamoni | 144 | 283 | 806 | 188 | 175 | 139 | 191 | 247 |
| Leon | 135 | 324 | 197 | 157 | 232 | 213 | 262 | 484 |
| Long Creek | 52 | 99 | 75 | 50 | 55 | 76 | 51 | 91 |
| Morgan | 12 | 40 | 19 | 14 | 22 | 19 | 12 | 12 |
| New Buda | 33 | 60 | 37 | 24 | 32 | 43 | 41 | 67 |
| Richland | 50 | 99 | 70 | 52 | 64 | 79 | 61 | 109 |
| Woodland | 26 | 70 | 28 | 26 | 31 | 38 | 31 | 26 |
| Total | 818 | 1,836 | 1,760 | 868 | 1,115 | 1,180 | 1,210 | 1,752 |

Appendix D. (Continued)

| County and township | Under 5 | 5-14 | 15-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65 and over |
|---------------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| <u>Madison</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Center | 311 | 587 | 413 | 345 | 400 | 424 | 392 | 776 |
| Crawford | 71 | 132 | 77 | 46 | 72 | 45 | 47 | 60 |
| Douglas | 38 | 96 | 63 | 36 | 54 | 83 | 57 | 101 |
| Grand River | 39 | 83 | 56 | 44 | 68 | 54 | 62 | 69 |
| Jackson | 37 | 76 | 48 | 43 | 49 | 53 | 47 | 32 |
| Jefferson | 50 | 83 | 44 | 54 | 52 | 23 | 46 | 44 |
| Lee | 47 | 77 | 42 | 38 | 47 | 29 | 30 | 31 |
| Lincoln | 49 | 116 | 65 | 44 | 69 | 78 | 47 | 32 |
| Madison | 113 | 219 | 126 | 107 | 121 | 122 | 106 | 189 |
| Monroe | 24 | 57 | 46 | 29 | 42 | 41 | 50 | 41 |
| Ohio | 72 | 148 | 98 | 75 | 91 | 81 | 76 | 117 |
| Penn | 60 | 140 | 51 | 48 | 91 | 76 | 52 | 55 |
| Scott | 45 | 109 | 63 | 51 | 57 | 67 | 69 | 77 |
| South | 83 | 206 | 100 | 86 | 105 | 89 | 103 | 158 |
| Union | 22 | 61 | 32 | 23 | 44 | 56 | 41 | 22 |
| Walnut | 64 | 122 | 64 | 61 | 68 | 46 | 56 | 102 |
| Webster | 34 | 64 | 46 | 31 | 39 | 53 | 48 | 38 |
| Total | 1,159 | 2,376 | 1,434 | 1,161 | 1,469 | 1,420 | 1,329 | 1,944 |

Ringgold

| | Under 5 | 5-14 | 15-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65 and over |
|-------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| Athens | 51 | 89 | 61 | 53 | 60 | 90 | 81 | 145 |
| Benton | 30 | 63 | 30 | 34 | 34 | 33 | 27 | 28 |
| Clinton | 37 | 66 | 22 | 33 | 28 | 39 | 44 | 73 |
| Grant | 33 | 60 | 47 | 41 | 46 | 35 | 27 | 29 |
| Jefferson | 31 | 100 | 43 | 36 | 46 | 44 | 41 | 46 |
| Liberty | 25 | 57 | 47 | 25 | 33 | 56 | 32 | 52 |
| Lincoln | 44 | 75 | 44 | 45 | 29 | 41 | 38 | 37 |
| Lotts Creek | 27 | 54 | 35 | 22 | 19 | 37 | 22 | 21 |
| Middle Fork | 24 | 67 | 28 | 23 | 34 | 46 | 31 | 34 |
| Monroe | 21 | 62 | 30 | 32 | 37 | 40 | 36 | 31 |
| Mount Ayr | 139 | 309 | 164 | 163 | 190 | 212 | 214 | 347 |
| Poe | 21 | 76 | 50 | 33 | 43 | 52 | 41 | 22 |
| Rice | 22 | 55 | 31 | 32 | 34 | 38 | 29 | 27 |
| Riley | 8 | 27 | 16 | 11 | 21 | 32 | 25 | 28 |
| Tingley | 55 | 114 | 67 | 62 | 57 | 72 | 72 | 108 |
| Union | 43 | 93 | 50 | 34 | 57 | 50 | 51 | 68 |
| Washington | 56 | 136 | 69 | 55 | 80 | 69 | 92 | 132 |
| Waubonsie | 24 | 54 | 26 | 26 | 22 | 22 | 23 | 20 |
| Total | 691 | 1,557 | 860 | 760 | 870 | 1,008 | 926 | 1,248 |

Appendix D. (Continued)

| County and township | Under 5 | 5-14 | 15-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65 and over |
|---------------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| <u>Taylor</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Bedford | 142 | 271 | 196 | 162 | 207 | 207 | 209 | 490 |
| Benton | 8 | 50 | 24 | 24 | 35 | 49 | 37 | 30 |
| Clayton | 36 | 58 | 34 | 30 | 31 | 54 | 29 | 37 |
| Dallas | 82 | 157 | 100 | 82 | 94 | 116 | 100 | 179 |
| Gay | 24 | 44 | 31 | 26 | 35 | 35 | 40 | 42 |
| Grant | 66 | 174 | 84 | 63 | 114 | 80 | 70 | 147 |
| Grove | 36 | 77 | 41 | 36 | 53 | 51 | 37 | 43 |
| Holt | 31 | 81 | 42 | 42 | 41 | 43 | 57 | 59 |
| Jackson | 14 | 48 | 33 | 10 | 32 | 36 | 24 | 24 |
| Jefferson | 69 | 109 | 76 | 62 | 73 | 67 | 81 | 127 |
| Marshall | 42 | 116 | 62 | 47 | 66 | 75 | 88 | 97 |
| Mason | 22 | 71 | 42 | 25 | 43 | 51 | 42 | 51 |
| Nodaway | 16 | 80 | 39 | 29 | 39 | 44 | 48 | 47 |
| Platte | 134 | 280 | 164 | 160 | 190 | 174 | 159 | 321 |
| Polk | 20 | 59 | 25 | 31 | 42 | 48 | 28 | 39 |
| Ross | 40 | 77 | 33 | 33 | 39 | 49 | 37 | 38 |
| Washington | 55 | 119 | 81 | 49 | 76 | 93 | 84 | 139 |
| Total | 837 | 1,871 | 1,107 | 911 | 1,210 | 1,272 | 1,170 | 1,910 |
| <u>Union</u> | | | | | | | | |
| | Under 5 | 5-14 | 15-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65 and over |
| Creston | 710 | 1,340 | 838 | 761 | 852 | 810 | 897 | 1,459 |
| Dodge | 24 | 60 | 41 | 16 | 39 | 34 | 48 | 35 |
| Douglas | 47 | 117 | 59 | 41 | 75 | 68 | 60 | 84 |
| Grant | 16 | 29 | 17 | 11 | 22 | 28 | 32 | 64 |
| Highland | 41 | 77 | 39 | 44 | 36 | 53 | 50 | 35 |
| Jones | 51 | 77 | 50 | 45 | 44 | 64 | 50 | 74 |
| Lincoln | 20 | 76 | 39 | 27 | 55 | 55 | 39 | 31 |
| New Hope | 58 | 151 | 90 | 69 | 92 | 69 | 108 | 161 |
| Platte | 31 | 91 | 51 | 37 | 57 | 54 | 63 | 39 |
| Pleasant | 23 | 45 | 28 | 21 | 29 | 38 | 33 | 21 |
| Sand Creek | 68 | 162 | 70 | 71 | 90 | 89 | 75 | 84 |
| Spaulding | 58 | 95 | 55 | 50 | 58 | 63 | 58 | 36 |
| Union | 111 | 207 | 128 | 100 | 113 | 138 | 126 | 254 |
| Total | 1,258 | 2,527 | 1,505 | 1,293 | 1,562 | 1,563 | 1,639 | 2,377 |