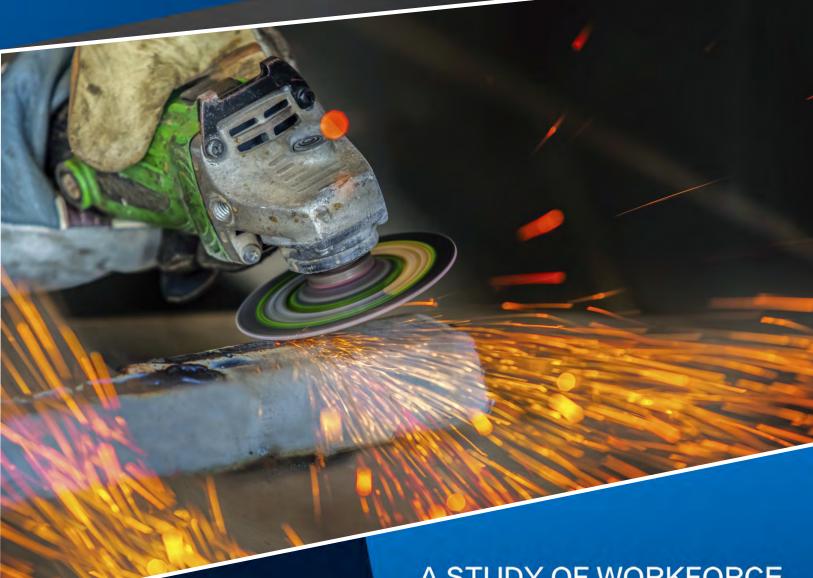
# IDA COUNTY, IOWA LABORSHED ANALYSIS





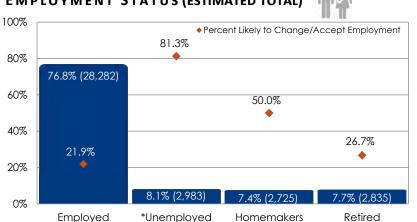
IDA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT A STUDY OF WORKFORCE CHARACTERISTICS

2016

## **IDA COUNTY LABORSHED ANALYSIS**

A Laborshed is the area or region from which an employment center draws its commuting workers. To determine the approximate boundaries of a Laborshed area, local employers supply the residential ZIP codes of each of their employees. This Laborshed analysis addresses the workforce characteristics of the Ida County Laborshed area.

### EMPLOYMENT STATUS (ESTIMATED TOTAL)\*



\*Employment status is self-identified by the survey respondent. The unemployment percentage above does not reflect the unemployment rate published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, which applies a stricter definition.

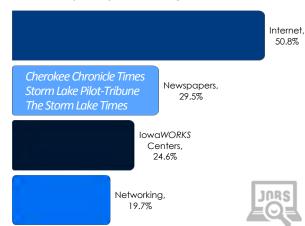
Estimated Population 18-64: 36,825 (entire Laborshed area)

Estimated Number of Individuals Very Likely or Somewhat Likely to Change or Accept Employment in Ida Grove (7,020):

- 6,027 Employed
- 304 Unemployed
- 342 Homemakers
- 347 Retired

### **EMPLOYED - LIKELY TO CHANGE EMPLOYMENT**

- Median wages: \$14.50/hr & \$50,000/yr
- 21.5% are actively seeking new employment
- 19.0% are working multiple jobs
- Currently working an average of 40 hrs/week
- 36.8% currently working within the production, construction & material handling occupational category followed by 19.3% within each of the clerical and professional, paraprofessional & technical occupational categories
- Most frequently identified job search resources:



UNDEREMPLOYMENT
Underemployment
% Underemployed

Estimated
Underemployed

Inadequate Hours
0.7%
42

Mismatch of Skills
1.7%
102

Low Income
0.7%
42

†Total Underemployment
3.0%
181

 $\verb|+| Individuals| may be under employed for more than one reason. but are counted only once for total estimated under employment. The property of the proper$ 

The underemployed are individuals who are working fewer than 35 hours per week but desire more hours; are working in positions that do not meet their skill or education level, or have worked for higher wages at previous employment; or are working at wages equal to or less than the national poverty level and work 35 or more hours per week.

### **EMPLOYMENT LEVELS AND STATUS BY INDUSTRY**

	Industry % of Employed	Estimated # of Employed	% Employed within the Industry	% Likely to Change Employment	% Unemployed* within the Industry
Manufacturing	19.2%	5,430	76.6%	31.5%	15.6%
Healthcare & Social Services	16.9%	4,780	80.0%	21.6%	3.1%
Education	11.4%	3,224	76.1%	11.8%	4.3%
Wholesale & Retail Trade	11.4%	3,224	66.0%	28.6%	17.0%
Agriculture, Forestry & Mining	10.4%	2,941	94.1%	3.1%	2.9%
Personal Services	6.8%	1,923	77.8%	23.8%	3.7%
Public Administration & Government	6.2%	1,753	79.2%	22.2%	0.0%
Transportation, Communication & Utilities	5.5%	1,555	89.5%	18.8%	10.5%
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	5.2%	1,471	84.2%	12.5%	0.0%
Construction	3.9%	1,103	80.0%	33.3%	6.7%
Professional Services	3.1%	877	55.6%	50.0%	5.6%

Survey respondents from the Ida County Laborshed area were asked to identify the industry in which they are currently working. The largest concentration of workers are employed in the manufacturing industry.

### **COMMUTING STATISTICS**



The map at the right represents the concentration of those who are likely to commute into Ida Grove from their home ZIP for an employment opportunity.

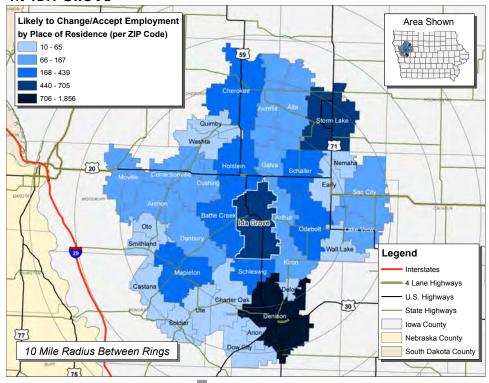
Those who are likely to change/accept employment in the Ida County Laborshed area are willing to commute an average of 24 miles one-way for employment opportunities.

The out commute for Ida Grove is estimated at 22.0 percent - approximately 263 people living in Ida Grove work in other communities.

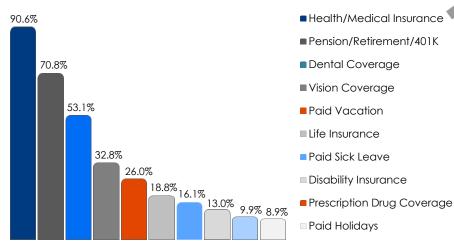
Most of those who are out commuting are working in Holstein, Storm Lake, Battle Creek or Odebolt.

Over one-tenth (10.5%) of out commuters are likely to change employment (approximately 28 people).

# CONCENTRATION OF THOSE LIKELY TO CHANGE/ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT IN IDA GROVE



### TOP CURRENT BENEFITS OF THE FULL-TIME EMPLOYED



The survey provides the respondents an opportunity to identify employment benefits they currently are offered. The chart at left provides the percentage of responses from those that are currently employed full-time.

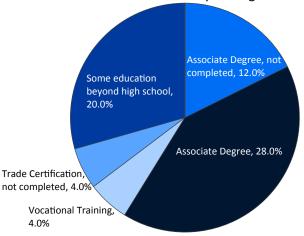
The majority (67.4%) of these respondents state they are currently sharing the cost of health/medical insurance premiums with their employer. However, 17.1 percent indicate their employer pays the entire cost of insurance premiums.

EDUCATION LEVELS AND MEDIAN WAGES BY INDUSTRY

		Education	Median Wages		
So	Some Level Beyond High School	Associate Degree	Undergraduate Degree or Higher	Annual Salary	Hourly Wage
All Employed	69.2%	17.9%	24.0%	\$55,000	\$15.00
Agriculture, Forestry & Mining	70.6%	11.8%	20.5%	**	**
Construction	53.3%	20.0%	0.0%	**	\$17.50
Education	91.1%	6.7%	57.7%	\$46,000	\$11.79
Entertainment & Recreation	**	**	**	**	**
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	68.4%	15.8%	31.6%	\$40,000	\$14.50
Healthcare & Social Services	76.2%	27.0%	23.8%	\$64,000	\$15.75
Manufacturing	55.3%	19.7%	13.1%	\$61,000	\$15.25
Personal Services	51.9%	11.1%	25.9%	\$30,000	\$11.75
Professional Services	61.1%	11.1%	22.2%	**	\$10.50
Public Administration & Government	70.8%	20.8%	25.0%	\$85,000	\$19.91
Transportation, Communication & Utilities	63.2%	10.5%	15.8%	**	\$22.50
Wholesale & Retail Trade	58.5%	24.5%	9.4%	\$42,500	\$10.00

### **UNEMPLOYED - LIKELY TO ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT**

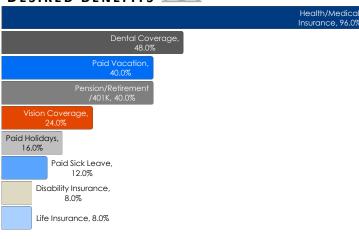
- 69.2% are actively seeking employment
- An estimated 304 unemployed individuals are likely to accept employment in Ida Grove.
- Average age is 44 years old
- 57.7% are male; 42.3% are female
- Education:
  - 68.0% are educated beyond high school



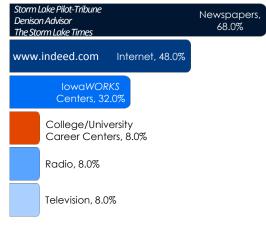
### Wages:

- \$13.00/hr to attract 66% of applicants
- \$14.00/hr to attract 75% of applicants
- \$12.00/hr lowest median wage willing to accept
- Willing to commute an average of 26 miles one way for the right opportunity
- 69.2% expressed interest in seasonal and 61.5% in temporary employment opportunities
- 46.2% expressed interest in working varied shifts





### TOP UNEMPLOYED JOB SEARCH RESOURCES



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